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### Questions have been answered on audit and all is go

**By Gaylen Duskey**  
 All the questions now have been answered and the reasons “why not” debunked, and it should be on with the forensic audit of the Town of Grantsville financial books.  
 But wait there were new questions about how the town could afford such an audit.  
 Not to worry, the state will pay for it. Why?  
 Because that’s the law.  
 We wrote to West Virginia Secretary of State kris Warner about the problem of not having the finances to investigate the town’s financials.  
 We wrote: “Kris, Grantsville’s new mayor said they wanted to have a forensic audit of the town’s financials done but did not have the funds to pay for it. Is there some way the state could do this for them? Gaylen  
 And we got the following answer:  
 “Yes, tell him to contact the state auditor Mark Hunt that is exactly what he does  
 In fact, the legislature requires him to do that.”  
 Word is the request has already been made but if not it can be made and will be accepted and paid for.  
 As a matter of fact town council could make a formal request for such an audit at its Aug. 4, 2025, meeting although the mayor’s request should suffice to get things going on a forensic audit.  
 We did an analysis of what has happened on the audit thus far.  
**Mayor John Villines:** Expressed concern about the financial burden of conducting a forensic audit for Grantsville, stating that the town could not afford it, especially if multiple years of audits were required. He requested financial help from those advocating for the audit, including the county and other entities.  
**Kris Warner:** Clarified that the state auditor, Mark Hunt, is responsible for conducting forensic audits as required by the legislature. This implies that the cost of the forensic audit would be covered by the state auditor’s office.

**Crystal Mersh:** Explained the different types of audits conducted by the state of West Virginia. She emphasized that the cost of a forensic audit, which investigates specific concerns like embezzlement or fraud, should be borne by the state auditor and not the governmental body under investigation. This is because a “for cause” audit is initiated to investigate wrongdoing, and the state should cover the cost to ensure accountability.  
 We said: “Thank you for the explanation. Now a forensic audit could work both ways, right? It could find financial wrongdoing, but it could “clear” the names of those being audited too, correct? That being the case those being audited should relish the audit especially if they are innocent. Right?”  
 Mersh replied: “It can ... however, as a professional auditor and one of the basic foundations of logic ... one can never prove a negative ... the best you can do is to do a broad targeted sampling that would ensure that if there is wrongdoing that you have the best opportunity to find it.”  
 She further stated: “As a professional auditor, I can assure you that staunch opposition to a forensic audit is very revealing and causes serious concern for any auditor. The opposition in this case appears to be coming from the previous administration. When new leadership assumes any role in government or the private sector, the responsible thing to do upon assuming control is to conduct a deep dive into the financials, and if there are concerns about wrongdoing, initiate a forensic audit. I was happy to hear the current mayor say he had already contacted the State Auditor’s office on the matter.”  
 In summary, the cost of the Grantsville forensic audit should be covered by the state auditor’s office, as it is a “for cause” audit initiated to investigate potential wrongdoing.  
 So go ahead and get the audit and let the chips fall where they may.

### They did not discuss the ‘elephant’ in the room

**By Gaylen Duskey**  
 The proverbial ‘elephant’ was in the room, but they did not talk about it.  
 Discussion was quelled before the Calhoun County Commission July 28, 2025, meeting was even held.  
 The first agenda that came out included a discussion about allowing Calhoun County Administrator Jennifer Randolph to do various functions she had been hired to do.  
 The section on the original agenda was: ““e. Consider Authorizing County Administrator to Oversee Commission

Budgeting, Purchasing Card, PEIA and other Benefits, and other duties as assigned by the President.”  
 Questions were raised about the legalities of turning such functions over to the newly hired Randolph and because of those questions any discussion was removed from the original agenda.  
 And not even discussed.  
 Instead the meeting progressed as planned with Randolph keeping the notes and minutes.  
 The meeting got under way at 6 p.m. with the pledge and the call to order.  
 The agenda items:  
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### Story and Analysis of Pleasant Hill PSD Water Quality

Pleasant Hill Public Service District (PSD) serves a population of approximately 1,868 residents, providing drinking water sourced from surface water systems through consecutive connections with Grantsville Municipal. The district is committed to ensuring safe drinking water, but the 2025 Consumer Confidence Report (CCR) reveals several challenges and areas for improvement in water quality management during the 2024

calendar year.  
**Water Quality Overview**  
 The report highlights the presence of regulated contaminants such as lead, copper, haloacetic acids (HAA5), and trihalomethanes (TTHM). While most contaminants were within acceptable limits set by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), some violations and deficiencies were noted, raising concerns about the district’s ability to consistently

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### Tell us your memories of Calhoun football

With fall sports practice being allowed to start Aug. 4, 2025, and Calhoun schools opening Aug. 15, 2025, and a celebration of 100 years of Calhoun High School football being planned at the Saundra Johnson Aquatic Center that night it brings about the question “what are your memories of Calhoun football?”  
 We will have some stories about the first 100 years of Red Devils football (they weren’t always the Red Devils) we are going to publish in our Aug. 7, 2025, edition of the Calhoun Chronicle but we’d also like to know what you remember.  
 Please send us your memories via email at [contact@calhounchronicle.com](mailto:contact@calhounchronicle.com) or [realfang@citlink.net](mailto:realfang@citlink.net) as soon as you can.  
 If you are like us Red Devils football had an impact on your life at one point or another or at least created some memories. So please share them with us.  
 The Red Devils open the season on the road at Gilmer County Aug. 29, 2025,

at Gilmer County and open their home schedule Sept. 12, against Wirt County.  
 This year Calhoun has four home games and six away games.  
**Senior Football Schedule**  
**08/29/25** - 7:00 PM - Away vs. Gilmer County  
**09/05/25** - 7:00 PM - Away vs. Richwood  
**09/12/25** - 7:00 PM - Home vs. Wirt County  
**09/19/25** - 7:00 PM - Away vs. Wadhams  
**09/26/25** - 7:00 PM - Away vs. Tolsia  
**10/03/25** - 7:00 PM - Home vs. Buffalo  
**10/10/25** - 7:00 PM - Away vs. Clay County  
**10/17/25** - 7:00 PM - Home vs. Valley (Wetzel)  
**10/31/25** - 7:00 PM - Home vs. Webster County  
**11/07/25** - 7:00 PM - Away vs. Ritchie County  
 Wins: 0 | Losses: 0 | Ties: 0



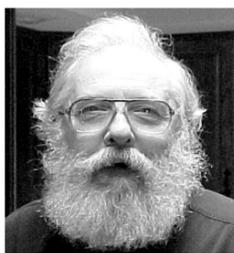
Kade Swearingen will be going to mortuary school in January, but his friend took a picture on the high board at the pool at the Saundra Johnson Aquatic Center. It was amazing to see the growth of Calhoun’s young people with the school in the background, and the future ahead.



Tyler Mayle stands on his head while making a catch during Calhoun’s game against Southern, Ohio, in Saturday’s seven-on-seven at Ravenswood. Teams were middle schools from Ravenswood, Spencer, Southern, Ohio, and Calhoun at Ravenswood. Photo courtesy Clear Blue Sky Studio

# CRESTON NEWS

BY ALVIN ENGELKE  
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After a ‘couple’ of dry days rain returned to the Creston area. The Wirt County Fair is coming up next week & traditionally, rain during the fair is “the thing”.

Jerry Wayne “Peck” Jones, age 76, passed away. He formerly spent time in the Creston area.

George McClellan Weekley, age 77, passed away. He worked for Stella Jones, formerly Burke Parsons Bowlby. The son of Paul Weekley he was in the Benniah dePue family.

Cap’n & Mrs. Spock were attending to business at the West Virginia Judicial Tower in Kanawha City.

The state road was spraying herbicide along Wirt County roads. As an administrator that worked for the state road said, “We have to take care of our vendors.” Along W. Va. 5 in Gilmer County it resembles “brown field” sites after one passes the copper smelter on the way to the hazardous biological waste incinerator.

Folks who had to go to Morgantown discovered that I-79 has lots of potholes [imperfections in the surface of the roadway] as does US 19.

Local folks attended the W. Va. State Republican meeting in Morgantown where Josh Holstein, age 23, was elected new state party chairman. Riley Moore talked about the doings in Washington and Gov. Morrisey talked about plans in West Virginia. Several have noted that W. Va. may be asleep at the switch while Pennsylvania has the lead on the data centers and power plants to run them. The recent meeting in Pittsburgh with the president and their US Senator laid out \$92 billion in building data centers, power plants & related infrastructure. The governor said his team was working

on getting data centers in West Virginia. A local site was sent in quite some time back but no response.

Range Resources, a firm that formerly had wells in West Virginia and started the Marcellus drilling noted that the firm now plans to sell natural gas to power plants.

EQT announced that the firm plans to increase the throughput in the MVP (Mountain Valley Pipeline) from 2 bcf/day to 2.5 billion cubic feet/day. EQT also noted that the firm would be the sole supplier of natural gas to the proposed natural gas power plant in Doddridge County.

Mizubo Securities did a study & reported that 290,000 wells have been drilled in the Marcellus & that is one half of the field included in their study and that an acre of Marcellus is worth \$20,000.00.

Those who have occasion to motor up I-77 in central Ohio are familiar with the Guernsey Power Station near where the dirigible crashed several years ago. The state of the art facility runs on Utica natural gas. It and a power plant in Pennsylvania recently was purchased by Talen Energy for \$3.5 billion. It had been owned, in part, by Blackrock. The prior national administration had been working to shut down all the coal & natural gas power plants but, as they say, there’s a new sheriff in town. Carbon dioxide makes green plants grow and isn’t a toxic waste product.

The price of local Pennsylvania grade crude is \$64.16/bbl. With condensate, a/k/a super mountain high test, fetching \$46.16/bbl. And Marcellus & Utica light was \$53.16/bbl. Natural gas elsewhere was \$3.11 but less than \$2 on the local scene. Aren’t we supposed to help out the wealthy elsewhere, so we stay poor?

## Announcement:

### Calhoun County WIC Nutrition Program

The Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) Nutrition Program is a supplemental food program for pregnant, postpartum, or breastfeeding women, infants, and children up to the age of five. WIC provides food, breastfeeding support, and nutrition education to families in Calhoun County.

**Clinic Location & Hours:** Calhoun County WIC Clinic 300 Mill Street,

Grantsville, WV 26147 Open every Wednesday in August from 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM. *Hours may be subject to change.*

**Contact Information:** Local Office: (304) 354-6898 Main Office (Parkersburg): (304) 428-3688

For more information or to apply for the WIC Program, call us today! Follow us on Facebook and Instagram for updates!

### One-Stop portal for services introduced by state

The West Virginia Department of Administration is spearheading the development of a centralized “One-Stop-Shop Permitting Portal,” a transformative initiative aimed at modernizing and streamlining the state’s permitting and licensing processes. This portal, authorized by House Bill 2002 during the 2025 Regular Session of the West Virginia Legislature, will serve as a unified entry point for various permitting and licensing needs across state government.

The portal is designed to simplify and enhance the user experience for businesses, individuals, and government agencies. It will offer a wide range of services, including:

**Application Submission:** Users will be able to submit permit and license applications through a single, user-friendly platform, eliminating the need to navigate multiple systems.

**Payment Processing:** The portal will facilitate secure and efficient payment processing for application fees and other re-

lated charges.

**Permit Tracking:** Applicants will have the ability to track the status of their permits in real-time, ensuring transparency and reducing uncertainty.

**Renewals:** The system will support permit and license renewals, streamlining the process for ongoing compliance.

**Communication:** The portal will enable direct communication between applicants and state agencies, improving responsiveness and collaboration.

By consolidating these services into one centralized system, the portal aims to reduce redundancies, eliminate unnecessary paperwork, and accelerate approval timelines. This initiative is expected to make it easier for businesses to establish operations in West Virginia, create jobs, and drive economic growth. Additionally, the portal will enhance efficiency and transparency in government operations, marking a significant step forward in the state’s digital transformation efforts.

### Make Appointments for Back-to-School Vaccines Now

The Mid-Ohio Valley Health Department encourages parents and caregivers to schedule their children’s back-to-school vaccinations early to avoid the August rush. Vaccines required for school entry, boosters, and college-aged vaccines like meningitis are available.

Appointments for Wood County will be held at the new location: St. Joseph Landing, 1824 Murdoch Ave., Parkersburg. For other counties, appointments will be at their respective offices.

**Contact Information to Schedule**

#### Appointments:

**Wood County:** 304-485-7374  
**Calhoun County:** 304-354-6101  
**Pleasants County:** 304-684-2461  
**Ritchie County:** 304-643-2917  
**Roane County:** 304-927-1480  
**Wirt County:** 304-275-3131

The Mid-Ohio Valley Health Department serves Wood, Wirt, Calhoun, Pleasants, Ritchie, and Roane Counties. Offices are open Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. For more information, visit [movhd.com](http://movhd.com).

## Why oh why was the agenda changed? Pfft it was gone

By Gaylen Duskey

Remember the television show Hee Haw?

Don’t worry if you don’t because it was on a long, long time ago and only older folks like I am may remember it.

There was a song by Buck Ownes that was on what seemed like every show.

It went like this:

“Where, where, are you tonight? Why did you leave me here all alone? I searched the world over, And thought I found true love. You met another and Phht! you were gone.”

Phht! You were gone is exactly what happened to one item from the original agenda for Monday’s (July 28, 2025) Calhoun County Commission meeting.

It was this item here:

“e. Consider Authorizing County Administrator to Oversee Commission Budgeting, Purchasing Card, PEIA and other Benefits, and other duties as assigned by the President.”

What it meant was allowing Calhoun County Administrator Jennifer Randolph to do what she was hired to do – administrate.

Why did this item disappear?

Because a couple of people – and this is going to get partisan here – democrat county commissioner Jacob McCumbers and democrat county clerk Jean Simers were not sure she should be allowed to legally do what Republican commissioners Craig Arthur and Eric Lupardus wanted her to do, so it was let’s wait until we find out.

No problem with finding out.

The problem is the order they now have it will take at least an extra month or two to be enacted if in fact it ever will be enacted.

It reminds me of when a democrat-led commission sneaked an appointment to the civil service board through on what was probably an illegal move which was, if nothing else, unethical.

This seems like nothing more than a political ploy to gain an advantage.

It may be totally well meaning, and I hope it is, but it sure doesn’t look that way.

What should have been done, and I said this when told the agenda was going to be changed last week, was they should have kept it on the agenda and discussed it and voted on it.

Had they done it that way – pending approval and a legal go-ahead – it could have been enacted in the next meeting.

But no, games were seemingly played, and things were put on the back burner for one or two meetings or longer.

And for the citizens of Calhoun County that’s too darn bad.

THE GRANTSVILLE TOWN AUDIT: Do it.

The state by law will pick up the cost.

First there were impassioned pleas against conducting a forensic audit of the town’s financial records. It has been shown over and over again that a forensic audit was desperately needed to answer the many questions folks had about the town’s finances.

That was followed by the well, golly, gee folks the town cannot afford to have the audit.

Wrong.

A forensic audit will be paid for by the state. That is the law.

I spoke with a longtime friend of mine, who just happens to be West Virginia’s Secretary of State Kris Warner, and he said to tell them (the people wanting the audit) to go ahead that the state would pay for it.

I sent a note to him and had this back and forth.

“Kris, Grantsville’s new mayor said they wanted to have a forensic audit of the town’s financials done but did not have the funds to pay for it. Is there some way the state could do this for them? Gaylen”

Kris answered:

“Yes, tell him to contact the state auditor Mark Hunt that is exactly what he does

In fact, the legislature requires him to do that.”

End of problem and I understand Mayor John Vilines may have already made that request. If not, I am sure he will.

And then the citizens of the town and the rest of the county will have their answers and can act accordingly.

LETS BRIGHTEN UP THOSE LINES ON THE ROAD: After driving home the other night along Route 14 and Route 5 in what is jokingly called the Little Kanawha Parkway I concluded that something needed to be done to make driving after dark in foggy or rainy conditions a little easier and safer.

And it would be easy and worth the cost of doing so. Simply put glitter (or some reflective material) in the paint used to paint the lines.

I did an analysis, and this is what I have found.

#### Difference Between Regular Road Paint and Reflective Road Paint:

Safety:

**Reflective Road Paint:** Offers enhanced safety due to its ability to reflect light, making road markings highly visible during nighttime or adverse weather conditions. This reduces accidents and improves driving behavior in low-light situations.

**Regular Road Paint:** Relies solely on color contrast and lacks reflective properties, making it harder to see in low-light or poor weather conditions, which can compromise road safety.

Price:

**Reflective Road Paint:** Has a higher initial cost due to the inclusion of reflective materials like glass beads. However, its long-term benefits, such as reduced accidents and lower maintenance frequency, often outweigh the upfront expense.

**Regular Road Paint:** Cheaper upfront but requires more frequent reapplication and maintenance, which can increase long-term costs.

Longevity:

**Reflective Road Paint:** More durable and resistant to wear and tear, lasting longer than regular paint. Its durability reduces the need for frequent reapplications.

**Regular Road Paint:** Fades faster due to weather exposure and traffic, requiring more frequent maintenance.

Ease of Use:

**Reflective Road Paint:** Slightly more complex to apply due to the need for specialized materials like glass beads or reflective spheres. However, the application process is not significantly more difficult than regular paint.

**Regular Road Paint:** Easier to apply as it does not require additional reflective materials or specialized techniques.

In summary, reflective road paint is safer, more durable, and cost-effective in the long run, though it has a higher upfront cost and slightly more complex application requirements compared to regular road paint.

Until next time stay safe but don’t live life in a bubble.

### Announcement: Cedar Grove Homecoming

Join us for the Cedar Grove Homecoming on **August 10, 2025, at noon!** A service will follow the gathering.

Please bring a covered dish to share. We look forward to seeing everyone there!

## LETTER FROM THE EDITOR

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## COMMUNITY NOTICES

**Calhoun Civil Air Patrol Squadron** holds weekly meetings on Tuesday at 6:00 p.m. at 413 High Street Grantsville, WV.

**The First Baptist Calhoun Food Pantry** on Route 5 E outside of Grantsville is a non-profit food pantry open on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

**Community Resources Incorporated (CRI) Food Pantry:** Mon.-Fri., 7 a.m.- 4 p.m., with free USDA commodities to those who qualify (food pantry only) on Court Street.

**Upper West Fork Park** meetings are held on the second Tuesday of each month at 6 p.m.

**Calhoun County Park**, a Night Sky Park, is always open - except for a special occasion or event that requires closing of the gate. The park board meets the 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of every month at 6 p.m. in the park's "barn."

**Calhoun County Historical Society** meets at the Family History Center Museum (former Quality Shop) on Main Street on the second Thursday of each month at 6:00 p.m.

**Calhoun County Library** hours are Mon., Wed., and Fri., 8 a.m. to 3 p.m., and Tue. and Thur., 10 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Online 24 hours at <https://calhounlib.com/>.

**Minnora Methodist Mission Thrift Shop** is open Mon & Wed 10 a.m. – 4 p.m., Fri 10 – 1, providing affordable clothing and household items.

**The Welfare of Animals Group (WAG)** can assist low-income Calhoun County homes with 50% of their cat or dog spay/neuter fee. For information call 354-7042. Donations of dry cat food can be dropped off at Calhoun County Library, Grantsville.

The **Grantsville Pickleball Club** plays on Tuesday and Thursday nights in the Town Park at 7:00 p.m., weather permitting.

For information on **12-Step Recovery Meetings** and resources please contact the Calhoun FRN at 304-354-7177.

Mark your calendars for **Heartwood in the Hills Homecoming** on September 21, 2024 honoring 42 years of Celebrating the Artist in Every Person.

**Lion's Club Bingo** is held in the Lion's Club Building, 103 Stump St., Grantsville, on the first and third Saturdays of each month at 6 p.m.

**Little Kanawha Calhoun Bus Schedule:** Monday through Friday – Service within Grantsville city limits. Monday – Service to/from Annamoriah and Creston along Route 5 East/West. Tuesday – Service to/from Millstone, Arnoldsburg, Westfork, and locations south. Wednesday – Central county service to/from Mt. Zion, Russett, and Stumptown. Thursday – Roundtrip service along Route 16 North including Pleasant Hill, Nobe, Broomstick, and Big Springs. Roundtrip service from Grantsville to Parkersburg. Service between counties is available Monday-Friday to/from Grantsville. Call Toll-Free: 866-354-5522.

**County Farmer's Markets**

**Calhoun County Farmer's Market**, Upper West Fork Park, Chloe. Wednesdays 9 a.m.-1 p.m.,

**Arnoldsburg Farmer's Market**, West Fork Park, Arnoldsburg. Fridays 2 p.m. – 6 p.m.

**Berea Gardens Drive Thru Farmer's Market**, Beria Gardens, Minnora. Wednesdays 4 p.m. – 6 p.m.

**Grantsville Farmer's Market**, Season details not yet available.

To add your community service information to this listing email [contact@calhounchronicle.com](mailto:contact@calhounchronicle.com).

**July 31, 1932:** Actor Theodore Crawford "Ted" Cassidy was born in Pittsburgh but was raised in Philippi. He was best known for his role as Lurch on *The Addams Family*.



on the West Virginia Supreme Court. The Supreme Court once referred to Cleckley's handbooks on evidence and criminal procedure as "the bible for West Virginia's judges and attorneys."



in the next century into the hub of one of the state's major farming areas and a center for education and the arts.



miners of northern West Virginia.



**Aug. 4, 1897:** Musician William Jennings "Billy" Cox was born near Charleston. Cox, known as the "Dixie Songbird," ranked as one of West Virginia's premier country music vocalists and songwriters during the 1930s.

**Aug. 4, 1930:** Lewisburg set the record for the state's hottest temperature ever: 112 degrees. Six years later, Martinsburg would tie it.

**Aug. 5, 1958:** Jennings Randolph defeated former governor William Marland in the Democratic primary for U.S. Senate. Randolph soon became the senior senator from West Virginia and served for 26 years.



**Aug. 1, 1921:** Baldwin-Felts detectives shot and killed Sid Hatfield and Ed Chambers as they approached the McDowell County Courthouse in Welch. As Matewan's police chief, Hatfield had assisted the United Mine Workers' campaign to organize Tug Fork miners. The assassinations set in motion an armed miners' march ending with the Battle of Blair Mountain.

**Aug. 1, 1940:** Justice Franklin Cleckley was born in Huntington. In 1994, he became the first Black justice to serve



**Aug. 2, 2009:** Golfers Sam Snead and Bill Campbell became the first two inductees into the West Virginia Golf Hall of Fame.



**Aug. 3, 1897:** Fire destroyed much of downtown Lewisburg. The town rebuilt and evolved

**Aug. 3, 1907:** Harley Orrin Staggers Sr. was born in Keyser. Staggers served in the U.S. House of Representatives for 32 years.



**Aug. 4, 1824:** John Jay Jackson Jr. was born near Parkersburg. Jackson was a prominent judge who became notorious among those trying to organize labor unions in West Virginia. He blocked an effort by Mother Jones and United Mine Workers leaders to organize the

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- I. Pledge of Allegiance Followed by Prayer
- II. Call to Order
- III. Special Recognition
  - a. Fred Waybright – Retiring Telecommunicator (honored)
- IV. Delegations/Requests
  - Phone System Upgrade Proposal by Advanced Communications Company – Manager Larry Casey (talked about better service, more stability with service and additional lines being available).
  - Jackie Allen with questions about pay of Randolph.
  - Crystal Mersh update on possibility of AMC coming to Calhoun County
- V. Unfinished Business
  - a. Open and Review Proposals for Architectural Services (chase to go with Thrasher for services will also get new blueprints of the courthouse)
- VI. New Business
  - a. Consider Funding Request – Calhoun County Halloween Committee (donate \$1000 to Arnoldsburg Park and Kevin Harris of Harris and Holmes law firm, that represents the County Commission, donated \$500 to the Arnoldsburg Community Park’s Halloween celebration, while the County Commission has contributed \$1,000, bringing the total to \$1,500).
  - b. Consider Recovery Month Activities, Displays (agreed to allow FRN to put up displays and signs)
  - c. Consider New Telephone System – Approve Bid/ Advertise for Bids (agreed to proceed with advertising

- for bids)
  - d. Permission granting legal counsel authority to vote to accept the Purdue Pharma and Sackler proposed settlements for West Virginia (funds coming quicker for West Virginia and should look at Fairmont for good ways to handle funds)
  - e. Consider Software Request – Sheriff Knight (software request for \$3500 approved)
  - f. Consider Incremental Pay – Sheriff Knight (tabled)
- VII. Legal Issues – Kevin Harris, Eric Holmes (discussed the new ordinances and was happy with them)
- VIII. Reports
  - a. ARPA Funding Detail Spending Reports
  - i. Town of Grantsville (discussed spending of funds)
  - ii. Mt. Zion PSD (discussed spending of funds)
  - iii. Pleasant Hill PSD (discussed spending of funds)
- IX. Financial
  - a. Invoices for Approval
  - b. Budget Revisions
  - c. Budget Transfers
- X. Appointments to Boards and Authorities
  - a. Roane/Calhoun LEPC
- XI. Personnel
  - a. Consider Applicants for Litter Control Officer, Hire & Set Wage (set up interview for two applicants)
  - b. Consider Employee Grievance (executive session taken)
- XII. Adjournment – Next Meeting: August 12, 2025 @ 5:00 pm

## PSD

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meet water quality standards.

- Key Contaminants**
- Lead and Copper:** Lead levels reached a 90th percentile of 1.1 ppb, with one site exceeding the action level of 15 ppb. Lead exposure poses significant health risks, especially to infants, children, and pregnant individuals, including developmental delays and neurological issues.
- Copper levels were well below the action level, indicating minimal risk from this contaminant.
- Disinfection Byproducts:** Haloacetic acids (HAA5) and trihalomethanes (TTHM) were detected as byproducts of water disinfection. While the highest levels remained below the maximum contaminant levels (MCLs), prolonged exposure to these chemicals can increase cancer risks and affect liver, kidney, and central nervous system health.
- Other Contaminants:** Arsenic, barium, fluoride, and chromium were detected in water purchased from Grantsville Municipal. All were within EPA limits, but their presence underscores the need for ongoing monitoring.
- Violations and Deficiencies** Pleasant Hill PSD faced multiple violations in 2024, including:
  - Lead and Copper Rule:** Failure to comply with routine tap monitoring requirements.
  - Disinfection Byproducts:** Missed monitoring and reporting for chlorine, HAA5, and TTHM.
  - Water Quality Parameters:** Inadequate sampling or reporting for pH and total alkalinity.
  - Booster Station Maintenance:** Corroded discharge pipes and missing electrical panel covers.
 These violations indicate lapses in compliance and infrastructure maintenance, which could compromise water safety and reliability.
- Health Risks** The report emphasizes the health risks associated with lead and disinfection byproducts. Lead exposure is particularly concerning, as there is no safe level for this contaminant. The district advises residents to flush pipes, use certified filters, and test their water to minimize exposure. Long-term exposure to HAA5 and TTHM may increase cancer risks, highlighting the importance of consistent monitoring and treatment.
- Efforts and Future Plans** Pleasant Hill PSD has taken steps to address these issues:
  - Service Line Inventory:** The district identified 100 unknown service lines and is required to develop a replacement plan by November 1, 2027.
  - Monitoring for Unregulated Contaminants:** Data collection for unregulated contaminants is ongoing to help the EPA establish future standards.
  - Public Engagement:** Residents are encouraged to at-

- tend monthly water board meetings and contact the district for concerns or testing requests.
- Analysis and Recommendations** Pleasant Hill PSD’s water quality report reflects a mixed performance. While most contaminants are within safe limits, recurring violations and deficiencies highlight the need for improved infrastructure, monitoring, and compliance. The district must prioritize:
  - Infrastructure Upgrades:** Address deficiencies in booster stations and replace corroded pipes.
  - Enhanced Monitoring:** Ensure timely and accurate sampling and reporting for all regulated contaminants.
  - Public Awareness:** Increase outreach to educate residents about lead risks and preventive measures.
  - Transparency:** Provide accessible updates on service line inventories and replacement plans.
- Conclusion** Pleasant Hill PSD is dedicated to providing safe drinking water, but challenges in compliance and infrastructure maintenance require immediate attention. By addressing these issues and engaging the community, the district can build trust and ensure long-term water safety for its residents.
- Questions** The testing was within the state limits except for the lead and copper samples. Regarding that, the following questions should be asked:
  - Where was the sample taken?
  - Was the home plumbed with copper pipes and lead solder joints?
  - How new is the structure?
 Lead and copper sampling came into effect around 2005 or earlier. These questions need to be answered to determine whether the contamination came from the system or the house. If the system is made responsible for approving all new construction pipe installations, it shifts the responsibility to the system, which may not have the means to handle it.
- The red flag lies in the fact that adequate testing for lead and copper was not conducted, nor were proper reporting and monitoring carried out as required. Why was water sampling inadequate? Additionally, their system maintenance revealed missing covers and corroded lines, which reflects poorly on the management of grant-funded projects.
- OVERALL:** Water for the Pleasant Hill PSD and the Mount Zion PSD are both provided by the Town of Grantsville, so do the problems lay beyond the town water system and under the auspices of the Pleasant Hill PSG only? And when the Mount Zion PSD runs its water check will it have the same problems? Questions need to be answered as the consolidation of the two PSDs and the Town of Grantsville continues to move forward.

## WVDEP Seeks Public Input on Statewide Water Quality Report

The West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection (WVDEP) is inviting public comments on the Draft 2024 West Virginia Integrated Water Quality Monitoring and Assessment Report. This comprehensive report is designed to meet the requirements of both the West Virginia Water Pollution Control Act (§22-11-28) and the federal Clean Water Act, Sections 303(d) and 305(b). The report provides insights into the state’s water quality through the agency’s Probabilistic Monitoring Program, which offers an affordable way to assess general water conditions. It also includes findings from focused monitoring efforts on specific water bodies, along with a list of impaired waters. To ensure transparency and accessibility, the full report, supplemental tables, and an interactive web mapping tool are available on the WVDEP website at [https://dep.wv.gov/wwe/watershed/ir/pages/303d\\_305b.aspx](https://dep.wv.gov/wwe/watershed/ir/pages/303d_305b.aspx). A virtual informational meeting is scheduled for August 19, 2025, at 6 p.m. Interested individuals can join via the provided Google Meet link or dial in using the phone number and PIN. Public comments will be accepted until Monday, September 1, 2025. Comments can be submitted via email to [depwqsas@wv.gov](mailto:depwqsas@wv.gov) or by regular mail addressed to: West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection Division of Water and Waste Management Attn: Nick Murray 601 57th Street, S.E. Charleston, WV 25304 For more updates and information, visit WVDEP’s website or follow the agency on social media platforms, including Twitter (@DEPWW), Facebook, and YouTube.

## Announcement: Bridge Closure on County Route 7/3 (Sycamore Creek)

The West Virginia Division of Highways (WVDOT) has closed the short-span bridge on County Route 7/3 (Sycamore Creek) in Calhoun County due to a structural failure that has rendered it unsafe for motorists. The bridge, located at milepost 0.40 near Basswood Drive, was closed on Friday afternoon after crews identified significant damage to the steel structure. The closure will remain in effect for an extended period while a comprehensive repair plan is developed and implemented. Motorists are advised to seek alternative routes and exercise caution in the area. Further updates will be provided as repair plans progress.

## Nurse Practitioner Now Available for Family Appointments in Mid-Ohio Valley

The Mid-Ohio Valley Health Department (MOVHD) is excited to announce that Devena Moore, a newly licensed Family Nurse Practitioner in West Virginia, is now available to serve patients in Calhoun, Roane, and Wirt County offices. Moore brings her expertise to provide comprehensive care for individuals of all ages, offering a wide range of services to support health and wellness in the community. Patients can benefit from Moore’s services, which include preventative care such as immunizations, well-child exams, and hearing and vision screenings. She also provides physical exams for work, school, and educational enrollment, women’s health services, Nexplanon insertions and removals, general health screenings, STI education and treatment, and referrals to specialists. Additionally, Moore emphasizes health and wellness education to empower patients in managing their well-being. Appointments with Moore are available on specific days in each county. For Calhoun County, appointments can be scheduled on Wednesdays by calling 304-354-6101. Roane County residents can also book Wednesday appointments by calling 304-927-1480. In Wirt County, Moore is available on Tuesdays, and appointments can be made by calling 304-275-3131. MOVHD serves Wood, Wirt, Calhoun, Pleasants, Ritchie, and Roane Counties, with its main office located at 1824 Murdoch Ave. in Parkersburg. The offices are open from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. For more information, visit [movhd.com](http://movhd.com) or follow MOVHD on social media platforms including Facebook, Instagram, Twitter, YouTube, and LinkedIn. This new addition to the MOVHD team ensures accessible and quality healthcare for families in the region, reinforcing the department’s commitment to community health.

## Calhoun County Commission Special Meeting Announcement

The Calhoun County Commission will hold a **Special Meeting on Thursday, August 7, 2025, at 5:00 PM.**  
**Agenda:**  
 Pledge of Allegiance followed by Prayer  
 Call to Order  
 Interview Litter Control Officer Applicants  
 Adjournment  
 Please note that interviews will be conducted during Executive Session in accordance with WV Code §6-9A-4.  
 The meeting is open to the public and adheres to the Open Meetings Act.  
**Location:** Calhoun County Commission PO Box 230 Grantsville, WV 26147

## End of Summer Bash at The Saundra!

Join us for the last big bash of the season on **Labor Day** at the **Saundra Johnson Aquatic Center!** Celebrate the end of the 2025 Summer Season with an exciting lineup of activities:  
**Hillbilly Golf** final rounds  
**19th Hole in One Challenge** (featuring a new funnel for added fun!)  
**Swimming**  
 Delicious **food** including tacos, fajitas, and other specialties  
 Live music by the incredible **John Richards**, closing the evening with his unique tone and amazing show  
 Don’t miss out! Mark your calendar, arrive early, and enjoy one last unforgettable summer celebration!

## Calhoun County E-911 Center Hiring Announcement

The Calhoun County E-911 Center is hiring Telecommunicators!  
**Requirements:**  
 Must be at least 18 years of age.  
 Must have a high school diploma or GED.  
 Must be able to pass a background check and drug screening.  
 Must be available to work weekends, holidays, and flexible shifts.  
 You must complete APCO and EMD training within one year (training is provided in-house and paid).  
**Job Details:** This center operates 24/7, 365 days a

year. As a Telecommunicator, you will serve as the direct link between the community, residences, and First Responders. The role requires the ability to multitask, handle stressful situations, and maintain professionalism at all times.  
**Application Information:** Applications can be picked up at the Calhoun County E-911 Center, located behind the Calhoun Middle High School, across from the Board of Education.  
**Deadline to Apply:** August 29th, 2025.  
 If you have any questions, please contact the 911 Director at 304-354-0911.



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## Schedule for Calhoun Youth League Football and Cheer

**Announced by:** Kevin Cunningham

**Practice:**

Monday: 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM

Tuesday: 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM

Wednesday: 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM

Thursday: 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM

**Event:**

Pool Party (Rescheduled): Sunday, August 10, 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM

## Calhoun County Middle/High School Senior Volleyball Schedule

**Events:**

08/26/25 - 6:00 PM - Home - TRI @ Roane w/ Ravenswood

09/08/25 - 6:00 PM - Away - Doddridge County

09/11/25 - 6:00 PM - Home - Wirt County

09/15/25 - 6:00 PM - Home - Parkersburg Catholic

09/17/25 - 6:00 PM - Away - Braxton County

09/18/25 - 6:00 PM - Home - Wahama Senior/Middle School

09/23/25 - 6:00 PM - Home - Gilmer County

09/25/25 - 6:00 PM - Away - Parkersburg Catholic

10/01/25 - 6:00 PM - Home - Braxton County

10/02/25 - 6:00 PM - Home - Braxton County

10/09/25 - 6:00 PM - Away - Gilmer County

10/13/25 - 6:00 PM - Away - TRI @ St. Marys w/ Valley JV

10/21/25 - 6:00 PM - Home

**Current Record:**

Wins: 0 | Losses: 0 | Ties: 0

## GSU Track & Field has Both Squads Recognized as USTFCCCA All-Academic Teams

The Glenville State Track & Field teams have been recognized by the U.S. Track & Field and Cross Country Coaches Association (USTFCCCA) as All-Academic Teams for the 2025 season, the organization announced.

To earn this feat, the Pioneer men's and women's teams had to:

The cumulative GPA for all student-athletes on the institution's NCAA Squad List for Indoor and/or Outdoor Track and Field must be 3.0 or higher on a 4.0 scale, certifiable by the institution's registrar. Institutions utilizing a different GPA scale must convert the GPA to a 4.0 scale using the standard conversion method [GPA/Scale x 4.0].

The cumulative GPA of all student-athletes on the institution's NCAA Squad List for Indoor and/or Outdoor Track and Field must be computed by the following method:

Total the cumulative number of semester hours or quarter hours earned for all student-athletes on the NCAA Squad List including the most recent grading period.

Total the cumulative number of quality points (GPA multiplied by the number of credit hours) earned by all student-athletes including the most recent grading period;

Divide the cumulative number of quality points earned by the cumulative number of semester or quarter hours earned.

Transfer students and/or graduate students are to include only grades earned at the current nominating institution.

The Pioneer men earned a GPA of 3.17 as a team while the women posted an impressive 3.64.

The Pioneers have two students from Calhoun on the team.

They are:

Daniel Kargol

Redshirt Junior Mt. Zion, W.Va. Calhoun County

Savannah Cunningham

Junior Big Bend, W.Va. Calhoun County and Concord

## EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

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Calhoun Middle School played three more teams in a seven-on-seven scrimmage at Ravenswood on a very hot day Saturday. The Red Devils play Spencer, Southern, Ohio, and host Ravenswood. Clear Blue Sky Studio covered the event with outstanding photos captured.

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## LEGAL

**LEGAL NOTICE**  
July 18, 2025

The West Virginia Health Care Authority announced that it has received a Letter of Intent from Adoration Home Health Acquisitions, LLC, CON File #25-12-13340-A, to become the sole member of Amadisys West Virginia, LLC and Tender Loving Care Health Services of West Virginia, LLC, providing services to Barbour, Boone, Brooke, Cabell, Calhoun, Clay, Doddridge, Fayette, Gilmer, Grant, Greenbrier, Hancock, Harrison, Jackson, Kanawha, Lewis, Lincoln, Logan, Marion, Marshall, Mason, McDowell, Mercer, Mingo, Monongalia, Monroe, Nicholas, Ohio, Pleasants, Pocahontas, Preston, Putnam, Raleigh, Ritchie, Roane, Summers, Taylor, Tucker, Tyler, Upshur, Webster, Wetzel, Wirt, Wood and Wyoming counties in West Virginia. Capital Expenditure \$24,300,000.

Further information regarding the Letter of Intent, including the Certificate of Need application when submitted, is on the Authority's website at [www.hca.wv.gov](http://www.hca.wv.gov).

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(2024-C-000020- CALHOUN COUNTY - STEPHEN SATTERFIELD)

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Amount equal to the taxes and charges due on the date of the certification, with interest, for tax year ticket number 2023 - 4509.	\$ 230.12
Back tax tickets, with interest, and charges due on the date of certification for ticket number	\$ 0.00
Subsequent of taxes paid on the property, with interest to for tax year 2024 - 4496.	\$ 153.92
Additional taxes with interest.	\$ 0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest.	\$ 180.25
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest.	\$ 217.69
Additional Statutory Fees with interest.	\$ 0.00
Total Amount Due and Payable to WV State Auditor - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	\$ 781.98

**You may redeem at any time before December 31, 2025, by paying the above total less any unearned interest.**

Given under my hand July 10, 2025

**Christal G. Perry**

Christal G. Perry

Deputy Commissioner of Delinquent and

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## LEGAL

**PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF WEST VIRGINIA CHARLESTON**

Case No. 25-0485-G-390P

HOPE GAS, INC.

Annual Pipeline Replacement and Expansion Program

(PREP) Application, pursuant to W.Va. Code § 24-2-1k.

### NOTICE OF FILING AND HEARING

On May 30, 2025, Hope Gas, Inc. (Hope) filed its Annual Pipeline Replacement and Expansion Program (PREP) Filing with revised PREP Rates, pursuant to W.Va. Code § 24-2-1k, which authorizes the Public Service Commission of West Virginia (Commission) to approve cost recovery of projects to replace, upgrade, and expand natural gas utility infrastructure that are deemed to be just and reasonable and in the public interest.

In its PREP Filing, Hope projects PREP capital investment for calendar year 2026 of \$115.5 million, as part of its General Program (core distribution system) and Gathering Program (gathering facilities), under its multi-year plans. The PREP Filing also contains a true-up for actual versus projected 2024 calendar year PREP capital investment activity for both the General Program and the Gathering Program. The PREP covers several categories of plant asset replacements and improvements, including mains, service lines, regulator stations, and other plant equipment. These plant investments are proposed to be made in Hope service territories throughout the State. These projects are identified in the PREP Filing, which is on file and available for public inspection at the Commission's offices at 201 Brooks Street, Charleston, West Virginia.

Hope proposes to recover costs associated with these investments through an increment within the fixed or volumetric, base rate component of its rates depending on the applicable rate schedule under which service is rendered, to be effective on November 1, 2025. Hope projects that the average monthly bill for the various classes of customers will be changed on November 1, 2025, as follows:

HOPE GAS, INC. - PROPOSED		
TYPE OF CUSTOMER	\$ INCREASE	% INCREASE
Residential Sales (Rate Class RS)	\$2.06	2.40%
Small Commercial Sales (Rate Class SGS)	\$1.95	0.70%
Small Commercial Transport (Rate Class SGS)	\$13.00	1.190%
Large Commercial Sales Rate Class LGS	\$342.16	3.71%
Large Commercial Transport (Rate Class LGS)	\$327.49	3.86%
Large Commercial-Industrial - Distribution Sales (Rate Class LCI-D)	\$240.71	1.39%
Large Commercial-Industrial - Distribution Transport (Rate Class LCI-D)	\$230.39	1.05%
Large Commercial-Industrial Direct Service Transport (Rate Class LCI-DS)	\$268.32	9.315
Resale Sales (Rate Class WS)	\$1,343.75	5.17%
Gathering Rate Class PGAS	\$13,256.27	42.52%

FORMER PEOPLES GAS WV - PROPOSED		
TYPE OF CUSTOMER	\$ INCREASE	% INCREASE
General Service - Residential Sales	\$2.03	2.58%
General Service - Commercial Sales	\$2.34	0.68%
Commercial Transport - WV Produced	\$18.32	1.50%
Industrial Sales	\$43.48	1.15%
Industrial Transport - WV Produced	\$89.71	4.00%

FORMER SOUTHERN PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY - PROPOSED		
TYPE OF CUSTOMER	\$ INCREASE	% INCREASE
General Service - Residential Sales	\$1.62	2.92%
General Service - Commercial Sales	\$2.57	0.84%

FORMER STANDARD/BAZZLE GAS COMPANY - PROPOSED		
TYPE OF CUSTOMER	\$ INCREASE	% INCREASE
General Domestic - Residential Sales	\$1.80	2.60%
Commercial Service - Sales	\$1.39	0.77%

FORMER CONSUMERS GAS COMPANY - PROPOSED		
TYPE OF CUSTOMER	\$ INCREASE	% INCREASE
General Domestic - Residential Sales	\$1.70	2.45%
Commercial Service - Sales	\$1.53	0.68%

The increases shown are based on averages of all customers in the indicated classes. Each class may receive an increase greater or less than stated here. Individual customers may receive increases that are greater or less than average. Furthermore, the requested rates and charges are only a proposal and are subject to change (increase or decrease) by the Commission in its review of this filing. Any increase in rates and charges will not become effective until authorized and approved by the Commission.

The Commission adopted the following procedural schedule:

EVENT	DEADLINE
Staff/Intervenor Direct Testimony	4:00 p.m., August 18, 2025
All Rebuttal Testimony	4:00 p.m., September 2, 2025
Agreed Order of Witnesses	4:00 p.m., September 5, 2025
Evidentiary Hearing	September 9, 2025, at 9:30 a.m. Howard M. Cunningham Hearing Room, 201 Brooks Street, Charleston, West Virginia

If the Commission receives no opposition to the PREP Filing within one week of the hearing date, the hearing may be waived, and the Commission may issue a final Order within 150 days of the filing date.

Anyone desiring to intervene should file a written petition to intervene within twenty (20) days following the date of this publication unless otherwise modified by Commission Order. All requests to intervene should briefly state the reason for the request to intervene and comply with the rules on intervention set forth in the Commission's **Rules of Practice and Procedure**. The Commission will receive public comments until the beginning of the hearing. All written comments and requests to intervene should state the case name and number and be addressed to Karen Buckley, Executive Secretary, P.O. Box 812, Charleston, West Virginia 25323. Public Comments may also be filed online at [http://www.psc.state.wv.us/scripts/online\\_comments/default.cfm](http://www.psc.state.wv.us/scripts/online_comments/default.cfm) by clicking the "Formal Case" link.

HOPE GAS, INC.

## LEGAL

**IN THE MAGISTRATE COURT OF CALHOUN COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA**

Matthew A. Goldey  
1026 NE 39th Ct  
Ocala, FL 33470  
Plaintiff  
Civil Action  
No. 25-M07C-00027

Linda Lou Vandal  
988 Co Road 4/1  
Big Bend, WV 26136  
Defendant

The object of the above entitled action is to obtain judgment against the defendant by having her to vacate said property and pay all costs incurred in the filing of this action.

And it appearing by an affidavit filed in this action that after using due diligence the plaintiff was unable to discover the residence or whereabouts of the defendant and the process, delivered to the Sheriff of the county in which the defendant resides was not served either personally or by way of service upon an appropriate family member, after service was attempted three times by the Sheriff of the county.

It is ordered that Linda Lou Vandal do serve upon Lora Davis, magistrate, whose address is 363 Main Street, Suite 104, Grantsville WV 26147, an answer or other defense to the complaint filed in this action on or before June 27, 2025, otherwise judgment by default will be taken against Linda Lou Vandal at the time thereafter. A copy of said complaint can be obtained from the undersigned Clerk at her office.

Entered by the Clerk of said Court July 21, 2025.

*Kandas Linnick*  
Magistrate Court Clerk

## LEGAL

(2024-C-000095 - CALHOUN COUNTY - SAMUEL D JARVIS)

To: DORSE D. D. SEARS, or heirs at law, devisees, creditors, representatives, successors, assigns, all known heirs, guardians, conservators, fiduciaries, administrators, lienholders, co-owners, other parties having an undivided interest in the delinquent property, and other parties that may have any interest in the subject property.

**DISTRICT WASHINGTON MAP 12 PARCEL 0046 0000 3004**

You will take notice that SAMUEL D JARVIS, the purchaser of the following real estate, **Cert. No. 2024-C-000095**, located in WASHINGTON District, HARDWAY 5.25 AC FEE 1/6 INT, which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of JARVIS DEBORAH ANN, and was sold by the deputy commissioner of delinquent and nonentered lands of CALHOUN County at the sale for the delinquent taxes on April 4, 2025. SAMUEL D JARVIS requests that you be notified a deed for such real estate will be made on or after January 1, 2026, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before December 31, 2025, will be as follows:

Amount equal to the taxes and charges due on the date of the certification, with interest, for tax year ticket number 2023 - 24271.	\$ 83.64
Back tax tickets, with interest, and charges due on the date of certification for ticket number	\$ 0.00
Subsequent of taxes paid on the property, with interest to for tax year 2024 - 24258.	\$ 20.59
Additional taxes with interest.	\$ 0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest.	\$ 135.25
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest.	\$ 896.13
Additional Statutory Fees with interest.	\$ 0.00
Total Amount Due and Payable to WV State Auditor - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	\$ 1,135.61

**You may redeem at any time before December 31, 2025, by paying the above total less any unearned interest.**

Given under my hand July 8, 2025

**Christal G. Perry**

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Deputy Commissioner of Delinquent and

Nonentered Lands of GREENBRIER County, State of West Virginia

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### TRUSTEE'S SALE OF VALUABLE REAL ESTATE

The undersigned Substitute Trustee, by virtue of the authority vested in him by that certain Deed of Trust, dated December 31, 2010, and duly recorded in the Office of the Clerk of the County Commission of Calhoun County, West Virginia, in Document No. 16372, in Book No. 159, at Page 74, Rodney K Godfrey did convey unto Richard A. Pill, Esq., Trustee(s), certain real property described in said Deed of Trust; and the beneficiary has elected to appoint Seneca Trustees, Inc., as Substitute Trustee; and default having been made under the aforementioned Deed of Trust, and the undersigned Substitute Trustee having been instructed by Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. to foreclose thereunder, will offer for sale at public auction at the front door of the Calhoun County Courthouse in Grantsville, West Virginia, on

August 28, 2025 at 11:00 AM

the following described real estate, together with its improvements, easements and appurtenances thereunto belonging, situate in 01 - Center District, Calhoun County, West Virginia, and more particularly described as follows:

Being all that certain lot, tract or parcel of land, including the surface and an undivided one-third interest in the oil, gas and other minerals, situate on the waters of Pine Creek in Center District, Calhoun County, West Virginia, and more particularly bounded and described as follows: BEGINNING at a stake in line of Lot No. 4, and a corner to Lot No. 3, and running thence with two lines of Lot No. 3, North 30 poles to a beech; thence N 60 E, 107 poles to an ironwood, corner to Lot No. 2; thence with line of same, S 25 E, 82 poles to a stone, corner to Lot No. 8; thence with three lines of same, S 52 W, 14 poles to a stake; S 36 W, 6 poles to a stake; North 8 poles to a stake, corner to Lot No. 7; and thence with line of same and line of Lot No. 6 and part of line of Lot No. 4, to the beginning, containing FORTY (40) acres and Two (2) rods, more or less.

There are excepted and reserved from the above-described property, two tracts of land, described as follows:

FIRST EXCEPTION: A tract of 14 acres, more or less, conveyed by deed dated March 16, 1917 from Rosa Elliott and others to William Deems, which deed is recorded in the Calhoun County Clerk's office in Deed Book No. 59 and page 397, to which deed reference is here made for all purposes.

SECOND EXCEPTION: A tract of 2 acres and 22 square poles, more or less, conveyed by deed dated February 16, 1922 from Commodore P. Stevens to Sidney M. Stevens, which deed is recorded in the said Clerk's office in Deed Book No. 66 at page 391, to which deed reference is here made for all purposes. Leaving hereby conveyed a residue of 24 acres, more or less.

Being the same property conveyed to Robert E. Stevens and Joy C. Stevens, husband and wife, by Virginia Violet Stevens, and others, by their deed dated December 3, 1979, and of record in the said Clerk's office in Deed Book 136 at page 358.

At the time of the execution of the Deed of Trust, this property was reported to have an address of: 966 Pine Creek Rd, Grantsville, WV 26147.

The referenced real estate will be conveyed with no covenants of warranty, and subject to all covenants, restrictions, easements, rights of way and reservations which may be a matter of record in the aforesaid Clerk's Office or visible upon the ground, all prior liens and encumbrances, including, without limitation, liens for real estate taxes, incinerator, sanitary and sewer charges. The purchasers at the sale shall be responsible for paying the recording costs and also the tax on the privilege of transferring real property (the cost of the tax stamp to be affixed to the deed). The purchasers shall be responsible for payment of all real estate taxes. The subject property will be sold in "AS IS" condition. The Substitute Trustee shall be under no duty to cause any existing tenant or person occupying the subject property to vacate said property.

TERMS: \$4000.00 in cash and/or certified funds as deposit at the time of sale with the balance due and payable within 30 days of the day of sale.

FEDERAL TAX LIEN: In the event that there are Federal Tax Liens against the property, the United States would have the right to redeem the property within a period of 120 days from the date of such sale or the period allowable for redemption under local law, whichever is longer.

Pursuant to the Deed of Trust, the Trustee may postpone the sale by public announcement at the time and place designated or by posting a notice of the same, and act by agent in the execution of the sale. The parties secured by the Deed of Trust reserve the right to purchase the property at such sale.

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**PLEASANT HILL PSD RT 16 DISTRICT  
WV3300703**

**Consumer Confidence Report- 2025  
Covering Calendar Year- 2024**

This brochure is a snapshot of the quality of the water that we provided last year. Included are the details about where your water comes from, what it contains, and how it compares to Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and state standards. We are committed to providing you with information because informed customers are our best allies. If you would like to observe the decision-making process that affects drinking water quality or if you have any questions, comments or suggestions, please attend any regularly scheduled water board meetings held on the first Monday each month at 4 p.m. at the Pleasant Hill Public Service District office or call IRA ARTHUR at 304-514-3294.

Our drinking water is supplied from another water system through a Consecutive Connection (CC). To find out more about our drinking water sources and additional chemical sampling results, please contact our office at the number provided above. Your water comes from:

Source Name	Source Water Type
CC FROM 3300701 RT 5 MASTER METER	Surface water
CC FROM WV3300701 GRANTSVILLE METER PIT	Surface water

Buyer Name	Seller Name
WV3300703-PLEASANT HILL PSD RT 16 DISTRICT	GRANTSVILLE MUNICIPAL

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immune-compromised persons such as those with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPNCDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by Cryptosporidium and other microbial contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the EPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

The sources of drinking water (both tap water and bottled water) included rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs, and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally occurring minerals and, in some cases, radioactive material, and can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity.

Contaminants that may be present in sources water before we treat it include: *Microbial contaminants*, such as viruses and bacteria, which may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, livestock operations and wildlife.

*Inorganic contaminants*, such as salts and metals, which can be naturally occurring or result from urban storm water runoff, industrial or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining or farming. *Pesticides and herbicides*, which may come from a variety of sources such as storm water run-off, agriculture, and residential users.

*Radioactive contaminants*, which can be naturally occurring or the result of mining activity. *Organic contaminants*, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which are by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production, and also come from gas stations, urban storm water run-off, and septic systems.

In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, EPA prescribes regulation which limits the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. We treat our water according to EPA's regulations. Food and Drug Administration regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water, which must provide the same protection for public health.

Our water system has an estimated population of 1868 and is required to test a minimum of 2 samples per month in accordance with the Total Coliform Rule for microbiological contaminants. Coliform bacteria are usually harmless, but their presence in water can be an indication of disease-causing bacteria. When coliform bacteria are found, special follow-up tests are done to determine if harmful bacteria are present in the water supply. If this limit is exceeded, the water supplier must notify the public.

**Water Quality Data**

The following tables list all of the drinking water contaminants which were detected during the 2022 calendar year. The presence of these contaminants does not necessarily indicate the water poses a health risk. Unless noted, the data presented in this table is from the testing done January 1- December 31, 2022. The state requires us to monitor for certain contaminants less than once per year because the concentrations of these contaminants are not expected to vary significantly from year to year. Some of the data, though representative of the water quality, is more than one year old.

**Terms & Abbreviations**

**Maximum Contaminant Level Goal (MCLG):** the "Goal" is the level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to human health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.

**Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL):** the "Maximum Allowed" MCL is the highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.

**Secondary Maximum Contaminant Level (SMCL):** recommended level for a contaminant that is not regulated and has no MCL

**Action Level (AL):** the concentration of a contaminant that, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements.

**Treatment Technique (TT):** a required process intended to reduce levels of a contaminant in drinking water.

**Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level (MRDL):** the highest level of a disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants.

**Non-Detects (ND):** lab analysis indicates that the contaminant is not present.

**Parts per Million (ppm)** or milligrams per liter (mg/l)

**Parts per Billion (ppb)** or micrograms per liter(µg/l)

**Picocuries per Liter (pCi/L):** a measure of the radioactivity in water.

**Millirems per Year (mrem/yr):** measure of radiation absorbed by the body.

**Monitoring Period Average (MPA):** An average of sample results obtained during a defined time frame, common examples of monitoring periods are monthly, quarterly and yearly.

**Nephelometric Turbidity Unit (NTU):** a measure of the clarity of water. Turbidity in excess of 5 NTU is just noticeable to the average person. Turbidity is not regulated for groundwater systems.

**Running Annual Average (RAA):** an average of sample results obtained over the most current 12 months and used to determine compliance with MCLs.

**Locational Running Annual Average (LRAA):** Average of sample analytical results for samples taken at a particular monitoring location during the previous four calendar quarters.

**Testing Results for: PLEASANT HILL PSD RT 16 DISTRICT**

Disinfection By-products	Sample Point	Monitoring Period	Highest Range LRAA (low/high)	Unit	MCL	MCLG	Typical Source	
TOTAL HALOACETIC ACIDS (HAA5)	SMITHVILLE	2024	28	12-28	ppb	60	0	By-product of drinking water disinfection
TTHM	SPRUCE HOLLOW CREEK	2024	78	68-78	ppb	80	0	By-product of drinking water chlorination

Lead and Copper	Monitoring Period	90th Percentile	Range (low/high)	Unit	AL	Sites Over AL	Typical Source
COPPER, FREE	2024	0.0332	0-0.0337	ppm	1.3	0	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of natural deposits; Leaching from wood preservatives
LEAD	2024	1.1	0-56.4	ppb	15	1	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of natural deposits

There is no safe level of lead in drinking water. Exposure to lead in drinking water can cause serious health effects in all age groups, especially pregnant people, infants (both formula-fed and breast-fed), and young children. Some of the health effects to infants and children include decreases in IQ and attention span. Lead exposure can also result in new or worsened learning and behavior problems. The children of persons who are exposed to lead before or during pregnancy may be at increased risk of these harmful health effects. **Adults have increased risks of heart disease, high blood pressure, kidney or nervous system problems.** Contact your health care provider for more information about your risks.

Lead can cause serious health effects in people of all ages, especially pregnant people, infants (both formula-fed and breast-fed), and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and parts used in service lines and in home plumbing. PLEASANT HILL PSD RT 16 DISTRICT is responsible for providing high quality drinking water and removing lead pipes but cannot control the variety of materials used in the plumbing in your home. Because lead levels may vary over time, lead exposure is possible even when your tap sampling results do not detect lead at one point in time. You can help protect your self and your family by identifying and removing lead materials within your home plumbing and taking steps to reduce your family's risk. Using a filter, certified by an American National Standards Institute accredited certifier to reduce lead, is effective in reducing lead exposures. Follow the instructions provided with the filter to ensure the filter is used properly. Use only cold water for drinking, cooking and making baby formula. Boiling water does not remove lead from water. Before using tap water for drinking, cooking, or making baby formula, flush your pipes for several minutes. You can do this by running your tap, taking a shower, doing laundry or a load of dishes. If you have a lead service line or galvanized requiring replacement service line, you may need to flush your pipes for a longer period. If you are concerned about lead in your water and wish to have your water tested, contact PLEASANT HILL PSD RT 16 DISTRICT and IRA ARTHUR at 304-514-3294. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available at <https://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead>.

PLEASANT HILL PSD RT 16 DISTRICT completed lead tap sampling in 2024. The results are available for review and can be accessed upon request from the PSD office.

PLEASANT HILL PSD RT 16 DISTRICT has prepared a service line inventory identifying service line materials throughout the water distribution supply. The most up to date inventory is located at the PSD office. By November 1, 2027, our water system must develop an updated initial inventory: known as the "baseline inventory" and it must include each service line and identified connector that is connected to the public water distribution system.

Our water system identified 100 unknown service lines in our inventory. Due to this identification our water system must create a service line replacement plan by November 1, 2027.

If you have any questions about our inventory or if you would like information about our service line replacement plan, please contact IRA ARTHUR at 304-514-3294.

Chlorine/Chloramines	MPA	MPA Units	RAA	RAA Units
Maximum Disinfection Level	1.12000	MG/L	0.90000	MG/L

7/1/2024  
AVAILABILITY OF MONITORING DATA FOR UNREGULATED CONTAMINANTS  
Our water system has sampled for a series of unregulated contaminants. Unregulated contaminants are those that do not yet have a drinking water standard set by the US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). The purpose of monitoring for these contaminants is to help EPA decide whether the contaminants should have a standard. As our customers, you have a right to know that this data is available. If you are interested in examining the results, please contact: IRA ARTHUR at 304-514-3294.

Unresolved Deficiency Date Identified	Facility	Comments
3/13/2024	BOOSTER STATION #2	Booster pump station/room is not properly maintained. (64CSR77-8.6) Please provide proper design/maintenance for booster pump. The discharge pipe is severely corroded

Compliance period	Analyte	Comments
1/1/2024-6/30/2024	PH	Failed to meet water quality parameter sampling or reporting requirements
1/1/2024-12/31/2024	LEAD & COPPER RULE	Failed to comply with follow-up or routine tap monitoring requirements related to lead and copper
1/1/2024-6/30/2024	ALKALINITY, TOTAL	Failed to meet water quality parameter sampling or reporting requirements
7/1/2024-12/31/2024	PH	Failed to meet water quality parameter sampling or reporting requirements
7/1/2024-12/31/2024	ALKALINITY, TOTAL	Failed to meet water quality parameter sampling or reporting requirements
8/7/2024	LT2ESWTR	Failed to address a deficiency
10/1/2024-12/31/2024	TTHM	Failed to monitor/report as required for chlorine or disinfection by-products
10/1/2024-12/31/2024	TOTAL HALOACETIC ACIDS (HAA5)	Failed to monitor/report as required for chlorine or disinfection by-products
12/1/2024-12/31/2024	CHLORINE	Failed to monitor/report as required for chlorine or disinfection by-products
12/1/2024-12/31/2024	CHLORINE	Failed to collect and/or report required surface water treatment monitoring

**Additional Required Health Effects Language:**

Some people who drink water containing trihalomethanes in excess of the MCL over many years may experience problems with their liver, kidneys, or central nervous systems, and may have an increased risk of getting cancer.

Infants and children are typically more vulnerable to lead in drinking water than the general population. It is possible that lead levels at your home may be higher than at other homes in the community as a result of materials used in your home's plumbing. If you are concerned about elevated lead levels in your home's water, you may wish to have your water tested and flush your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using tap water. Additional information is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

**There are no additional required health effects violation notices.**

Coliforms are bacteria that are naturally present in the environment and are used as an indicator that other, potentially harmful waterborne pathogens may be present, or that a potential pathway exists through which contamination may enter the drinking water distribution system. We found coliforms, indicating the need to look for potential problems in water treatment or distribution. When this occurs, we are required to conduct assessment(s) to identify and correct any problems that were found during these assessments.

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**Some or all of our drinking water is supplied from another water system. The table below lists all of the drinking water contaminants, which were detected during the 2024 calendar year from the water systems that we purchase drinking water from.**

Regulated Contaminants	Collection Date	Water System	Highest Value	Range (low/high)	Unit	MCL	MCLG	Typical Source
ARSENIC	7/9/2024	GRANTSVILLE MUNICIPAL	0.85	0.85	ppb	10	0	Erosion of natural deposits; Runoff from orchards; Runoff from glass and electronics production wastes
BARIUM	6/13/2023	GRANTSVILLE MUNICIPAL	0.0227	0.0227	ppm	2	2	Discharge from drilling wastes; Discharge from metal refineries; Erosion of natural deposits
CARBON, TOTAL	2/13/2024	GRANTSVILLE MUNICIPAL	6.4	0.87-6.4	ppm	10000	0	Naturally present in the environment
CHROMIUM	6/13/2023	GRANTSVILLE MUNICIPAL	1.6	1.6	ppb	100	100	Discharge from steel and pulp mills; Erosion of natural deposits
FLUORIDE	1/9/2024	GRANTSVILLE	0.73	0.53-0.73	ppm	4	4	Erosion of natural deposits; Water additive which promotes strong teeth; Discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories

Disinfection By-products	Monitoring Period	Water System	Highest RAA	Range	Unit	MCL	MCLG	Typical Source
TOTAL HALOACETIC ACIDS (HAA5)	2024	Grantsville Municipal	37	11-65	ppb	60	0	By-product of drinking water disinfection
TTHM	2024	Grantsville Municipal	63	13-104	ppb	80	0	By-product of drinking water chlorination

Secondary Contaminants	Collection Date	Water System	Highest Value	Range (low/high)	Unit	SMCL
SODIUM	6/13/2023	GRANTSVILLE MUNICIPAL	18.8	18.8	MG/L	1000

**Please Note: Because of sampling schedules, results may be older than 1 year.**

During the 2024 calendar year, the water systems that we purchase water from had the below noted violation(s) of drinking water regulations.

Water System	Type	Category	Analyte	Compliance Period
WV3300701	Monitoring, Routine Major	MON	Thallium, Total	1/1/2024-12/31/2024
WV3300701	Monitoring, Routine Major	MON	SODIUM	1/1/2024-12/31/2024
WV3300701	Monitoring, Routine Major	MON	SELENIUM	1/1/2024-12/31/2024
WV3300701	Monitoring, Routine Major	MON	NICKEL	1/1/2024-12/31/2024
WV3300701	Monitoring, Routine Major	MON	MERCURY	1/1/2024-12/31/2024
WV3300701	Monitoring, Routine Major	MON	CHROMIUM	1/1/2024-12/31/2024
WV3300701	Monitoring, Routine Major	MON	CADMIUM	1/1/2024-12/31/2024
WV3300701	Monitoring, Routine Major	MON	Beryllium, Total	1/1/2024-12/31/2024
WV3300701	Monitoring, Routine Major	MON	BARIUM	1/1/2024-12/31/2024
WV3300701	Monitoring, Routine Major	MON	ARSENIC	1/1/2024-12/31/2024
WV3300701	Monitoring, Routine Major	MON	Antimony, Total	1/1/2024-12/31/2024
WV3300701	Monitoring, Routine (IESWTR/LT1) Major	MON	TURBIDITY	3/1/2024-3/31/2024
WV3300701	Monitoring, Routine (IESWTR/LT1) Minor	MON	TURBIDITY	3/1/2024-3/31/2024
WV3300701	Failure to complete or submit MOR	MON	CHLORINE	3/1/2024-3/31/2024
WV3300701	Monitoring, RTN/RPT Major (SWTR-FILTER)	MON	CHLORINE	3/1/2024-3/31/2024
WV3300701	Failure to complete or submit MOR	MON	CHLORINE	5/1/2024-5/31/2024
WV3300701	Monitoring, routine (DBP) Major	MON	CHLORINE	5/1/2024-5/31-2024
WV3300701	Monitoring, RTN/RPT Major (SWTR-FILTER)	MON	CHLORINE	5/1/2024-5/31/2024
WV3300701	CCR Adequacy/Availability/Content	RPT	Consumer Confidence Rule	10/1/2024-11/4/2024

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Some people who drink water containing trihalomethanes in excess of the MCL over many years may experience problems with their liver, kidneys, or central nervous systems, and may have an increased risk of getting cancer.

**There are no additional required health effects violation notices.**

Your CCR is available at **122 Nobe Rd, Big Bend, WV 26136**. To receive a paper copy in the mail, please contact us at the phone number above.

# The 1982 Foundation - Seeing Is Believing

These pictures and this commentary were posted online about the state of disrepair the old Calhoun County High School was in when it was purchased by Crystal Mersh before the renovation began.

Time truly has changed not only the building but the people of Calhoun County since the humble beginning.

The changes are summed up eloquently in this post.

**By Eric Lupardus**

Stop and think about that old high school — how it was close to rubble, with trees growing inside broken windows and graffiti. It was basically a home for feral cats, and even then, it provided shelter.

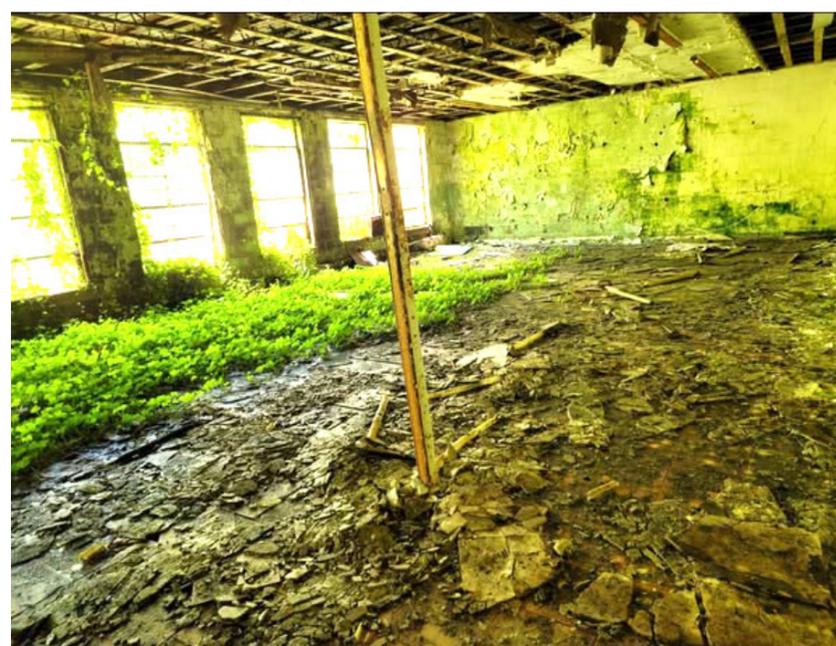
We all had our doubts at some point that it would ever see glory again. But “glory,” I feel, is the proper word to represent it. If you are religious, then you’ll understand.

I’m not going to tell you about the good

happening now because you need to focus on the broken and shattered windows that represent the shattered dreams of the county for so long. The trees inside were trying to reach the sunlight through the holes in the structure, like the people who have lived here dying and struggling to find their way to just a little sunlight and opportunity. The graffiti came from a society that had all but given up hope!

When people tell the story of that high school and how glorious of a transformation it has gone through, be sure to tell them where it came from! That it was broken, and it was beaten. Then tell them that school represents the history of our people, and it proves the drive that we have to never be so poor that we can’t pull ourselves up by the bootstraps and get our hands dirty.

We might take some shattered dreams and graffiti at times, but we are no longer going to let it hold us down



These pictures from before the demolition of the old cafeteria and band room area shows just how bad things were inside the old high school. It has come a long way since then.



## Stop pulling this up lamb’s quarters — it’s not a weed

In the quest for a pristine garden, many of us are quick to pull up any plant that doesn't fit our vision of cultivated perfection. But in doing so, we might be uprooting a treasure trove of benefits. One such misunderstood plant is Lamb's Quarters, often dismissed as a weed and swiftly removed without a second thought.

However, Lamb's Quarters, scientifically known as *Chenopodium album*, is far from a mere garden nuisance. This resilient plant offers a myriad of benefits that range from nutritional to ecological. Before you reach for the gardening gloves, let's explore why you should reconsider pulling up this remarkable plant.

### 1. Discovering Lamb's Quarters: A Misunderstood Plant

Lamb's Quarters is a member of the Amaranthaceae family, which also includes spinach and quinoa. It's a hardy plant that can grow up to 1.5 meters tall, with leaves that are often dusted with a white, powdery coating. This plant thrives in a variety of conditions, from rich garden soil to the most neglected patches of land.

Despite its resilience, Lamb's Quarters is often mistaken for a weed due to its rapid growth and ability to spread quickly. However, its presence in your garden can be a blessing rather than a curse, offering a host of benefits that are often overlooked.

### 2. Nutritional Powerhouse: The Superfood in Your Backyard

Lamb's Quarters is not just another plant; it's a nutritional powerhouse. The leaves are rich in vitamins A, C, and K, as well as essential minerals like calcium, iron, and magnesium. In fact, a 100-gram serving of Lamb's Quarters can provide more than 200% of the daily recommended intake of vitamin A.

Additionally, this plant is a great source of protein, containing about 4.2 grams per 100 grams, making it an excellent addition to vegetarian and vegan diets. Its nutrient density rivals that of spinach, yet it often grows abundantly and requires little to no maintenance.

### 3. Culinary Uses: From Salads to Sautéed Dishes

Lamb's Quarters can be a versatile addition to your culinary repertoire. The young leaves and tender shoots can be eaten raw in salads, providing a mild, spinach-like flavor. They can also be sautéed or steamed, making a nutritious side dish that pairs well with a variety of meals.

In addition to the leaves, the seeds of Lamb's Quarters can be harvested and used similarly to quinoa. They can be cooked and added to soups, stews, or even ground into flour for baking. This adaptability in the kitchen makes Lamb's Quarters a valuable plant for both novice and experienced cooks.

### 4. Medicinal Benefits: Nature's Healer

Beyond its nutritional value, Lamb's Quarters has been used in traditional medicine for centuries. It is known for its anti-inflammatory properties and has been used to treat conditions such as arthritis and skin irritations. The leaves can be made into a poultice to soothe insect bites and minor wounds.

Moreover, Lamb's Quarters has been used as a natural remedy for digestive issues. Its high fiber content aids in digestion, while its mild laxative effect can help alleviate constipation. These medicinal benefits make it a plant worth keeping in your garden.

### 5. Soil Health: How Lamb's Quarters Enriches Your Garden

Lamb's Quarters is not just beneficial for humans; it also plays a crucial role in maintaining soil health. The plant's deep root system helps to aerate the soil, improving its structure and drainage. This can be particularly beneficial in compacted or clay-heavy soils.

Furthermore, Lamb's Quarters is known for its ability to accumulate nutrients from the soil, such as nitrogen and phosphorus. When the plant decomposes, these nutrients are returned to the soil, enriching it and promoting the growth of

other plants. This natural cycle of nutrient recycling is essential for a healthy and sustainable garden ecosystem.

### 6. Wildlife Support: A Haven for Pollinators

Lamb's Quarters is an important plant for supporting local wildlife, particularly pollinators. Its small, inconspicuous flowers provide nectar and pollen for bees, butterflies, and other beneficial insects. By allowing Lamb's Quarters to grow in your garden, you are creating a habitat that supports biodiversity and encourages pollinator activity.

In addition to pollinators, Lamb's Quarters also provides food and shelter for various bird species. The seeds are a valuable food source for birds, especially during the fall and winter months when other food sources may be scarce.

### 7. Historical Significance: A Plant with a Rich Past

Lamb's Quarters has a long history of use by various cultures around the world. It was a staple food for Native American tribes, who valued it for its nutritional content and versatility. In Europe, it was cultivated as a vegetable long before spinach became popular.

Throughout history, Lamb's Quarters has been used not only as a food source but also for its medicinal properties. Its historical significance highlights its value and resilience as a plant that has sustained human populations for centuries.

### 8. Easy to Grow: Low Maintenance and Resilient

One of the greatest advantages of Lamb's Quarters is its ease of cultivation. It requires minimal care and can thrive in a wide range of conditions, from full sun to partial shade. It is drought-tolerant and can grow in poor soil, making it an ideal plant for beginner gardeners or those with challenging growing conditions.

Once established, Lamb's Quarters can self-seed, ensuring a continuous supply of this beneficial plant year after year. Its resilience and low maintenance make it a valuable addition to any garden.

### 9. Environmental Benefits: A Natural Soil Protector

Lamb's Quarters plays a vital role in protecting the environment by preventing soil erosion. Its dense foliage provides ground cover, reducing the impact of heavy rains and wind on the soil. This helps to prevent the loss of topsoil, which is crucial for maintaining soil fertility and health.

Additionally, Lamb's Quarters can act as a natural barrier against invasive species. By occupying space and resources, it can help to suppress the growth of less desirable plants, contributing to a balanced and healthy ecosystem.

### 10. Misidentification: Why It's Often Mistaken for a Weed

Lamb's Quarters is often mistaken for a weed due to its rapid growth and ability to thrive in disturbed soils. Its appearance can be similar to other common weeds, leading to its unintentional removal by gardeners.

However, with a little attention to detail, Lamb's Quarters can be easily identified. Its leaves are diamond-shaped with a distinctive white, powdery coating on the underside. Recognizing these characteristics can help gardeners distinguish Lamb's Quarters from true weeds and appreciate its value.

### 11. Embracing Biodiversity: The Case for Keeping Lamb's Quarters

In an era where biodiversity is increasingly threatened, embracing plants like Lamb's Quarters is more important than ever. By allowing this plant to grow in your garden, you are supporting a diverse ecosystem that benefits both humans and wildlife.

Rather than viewing Lamb's Quarters as a weed, consider it a valuable ally in your garden. Its nutritional, medicinal, and ecological benefits make it a plant worth preserving. By embracing biodiversity and recognizing the value of plants like Lamb's Quarters, we can create healthier, more sustainable gardens for future generations.