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West Virginia Farm Bureau's O'Dell Shares Look Ahead

By Stephen Smoot

"We've had drought and floods, there was a late frost that killed much of the peach crop . . . so it's been a challenging year," shared Dwayne O'Dell Director of Government Affairs for the West Virginia Farm Bureau during his presentation to a local county Farm Bureau at the end of August.

He shared first recent successes enjoyed by the WVFB in achieving its legislative goals. O'Dell noted a bill that addressed the application of the State sales tax on forestry equipment, but not for agriculture. It removed the tax on equipment used in forestry, such as bulldozers, vehicles, and other necessities "a significant tax advantage for most people in the forestry business."

Overall, the WVFB has joined in supporting the steady and "significant" diminishing of the personal income tax in West Virginia. Last session it dropped five percent, a total of 30 percent less burden in recent years.

Next, O'Dell mentioned Senate Bill 84 which took on the topic of drone and camera surveillance. He explained that the West Virginia Department of Natural Resources and other "state organizations had purchased drones and were able to fly those over private property and this bill changes that, they can still go about permission or by warrant." He also stated that seven states had passed legislation limiting access to private property by DNR and other State officials.

"I have nothing against them.," said O'Dell of DNR and especially its law enforcement arm. "They have an important job of responsibility in West Virginia, but they can enter in the places that the state police cannot without a warrant. So those things will probably be addressed to the upcoming session."

Related to the topic, O'Dell brought up the controversy over "Flock" cameras. These devices use artificial intelligence to examine and analyze imagery with

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"In All Ways Acknowledge Him, and He Shall Direct Thy Paths" A Pastor's Journey From and To His Grantsville Church Home

By Stephen Smoot

"We moved here Saturday and are still unpacking boxes," said incoming First Baptist Church of Grantsville Pastor Bill Law. Six days of labor came after moving back to his hometown to serve in his first church home.

"I was born at Saint Joseph's Hospital in Parkersburg. I was raised here in Grantsville my whole life until God called me," explained Law.

A Baylor University writer explained that "discovering and claiming one's sense of calling matters for congregations" is vital "not only because of the particular vocational identities of each congregant, but also because the identity of the church itself is tied to calling." It mentioned that the concept is rooted in both the Latin vocare "to call" and also the Greek "ekklesia", or "those who are called out."

"The primary vocational identity of believers," states the article "is as those whom God has called to a life of faith in service to Jesus Christ as Lord."

Saint Paul wrote in the Second Letter to Timothy that "who hath saved us, and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works, but according to His own purpose and grace, which was given us in Christ Jesus before the world began."

Part of one's struggles with God and onseself often lies in sifting through the thoughts of one's own mind to discern the Will of God. Believers seeking to follow the path of God use their knowledge of the Word, inspiration from the Holy Spirit, and continual prayer to determine that path that the Lord wishes them to follow, which is often not one they would have chosen on their own.

As Law told it, "He has a way of keeping after us until we do it."

Law's pathway to and with God started off as many others do, moving in the opposite direction of His will. "I rebelled for most of my teenage years," he admitted, before he was saved at the age of 18.

After being saved, Law was willing to serve in any capacity the church needed, but felt that "He was calling me into the youth ministry." Over time he took courses and participated in a lay speaker program as well as signing up for "Pulpit Supply." That refers to a pool of ministers who fill in when the primary pastor is ill, on



You can come home again. Pastor Bill Law and his wife Connie returned to Law's original church home, fulfilling a personal dream of the pastor. Photo courtesy of First Baptist Church

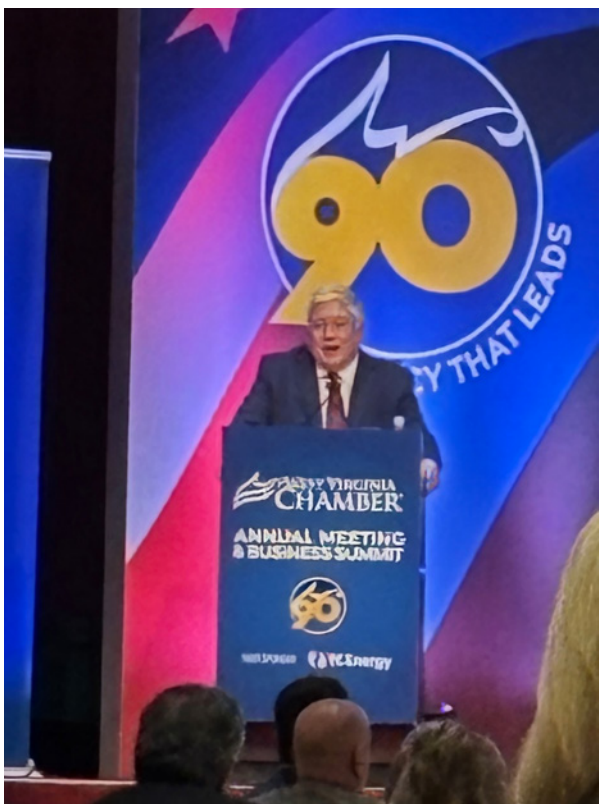
vacation, or otherwise cannot fulfill his normal duties.

It functions similarly to a substitute teacher list for a school or school system.

Still also serving as a youth pastor, he then was asked to serve an interim pastor for the historic Auburn Baptist Church in Gilmer County, established 180 years ago in 1846. Law received an opportunity at this early date to serve as a full-time pastor for a church.

"I prayed on that for a couple of months," remembered Law. He struggled with the massive responsibilities that every church pastor carries. That includes always being on call, day, night, weekends, and holidays. It meant be-

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Governor Morrisey shared economic development announcements and future opportunities during his speech at The Greenbrier last week. Photo courtesy of Regina Smoot

Governor Morrisey Lays Out Next Steps In Energy Vision For West Virginia During Greenbrier Speech

By Stephen Smoot

Last week, West Virginia Governor Patrick Morrisey gave one of his most closely-watched speeches in his career at The Greenbrier. Meanwhile, the man most identified with the historic five star hotel and resort, United States Senator Jim Justice, was using the same occasion, the West Virginia Chamber of Commerce Annual Summit, to discuss a potential run for his former office.

To his credit, during the speech the Governor resisted mention of the junior Senator from the Mountain State and focused on key announcements and updates. His speech last week adds to a long list of private sector investments and the likelihood of more good paying construction and permanent jobs all over the state.

"Looks like you've had an exciting morning, and I'm hopeful with some of the announcements we're going to make, we're going to keep you on the edge of your seats for a few minutes longer," said Governor Morrisey.

Much of Governor Morrisey's strategy for addressing the mounting list of needs facing the state lies in banking on revenues from development and assistance from companies seeking to make major investments. He stated early in his presentation that "we need to create the environment that gives every West Virginia family, and I need every family, the opportunity to pursue their dreams, to wildly succeed, and allow West Virginia to be the best place to live, work, and play in America."

"As your governor, that's what motivates me," he added. He touted $96 billion in investment secured for the state over a one-year period, explaining that was nine times better than the next best year for economic development. Later in the talk, he revealed that the investment would result in a little less than 20,000 new jobs.

The Governor then turned to rural healthcare transformation funds that will improve access, facilities, communication, and other key elements of obtaining

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Rep. Moore and First Energy Support Data Centers Bearing Cost of Power Infrastructure

By Stephen Smoot

United States Representative Riley Moore has put his support behind a congressional bill known as the Ratepayer Protection Act. This comes on the heels of PJM Interconnection and other grid infrastructure entities strongly urging that companies constructing large load data centers pay the cost of the expanded infrastructure needed to serve power needs everywhere.

A major issue lies in the capacity and age of the grid of transmission lines connecting power plants and other electricity generation facilities to residential, commercial, government, and other users.

Transmission infrastructure was built well over capacity by the 1980s and has not expanded much since. Over the past 40 years, residential electric demand has risen sharply. Most homes and many schools lacked air conditioning units as late as the 1980s. Similarly, high capacity personal computers and smart television sets have driven demand higher as well.

Many of the towers also have reached advanced age. In a government affairs update from the West Virginia Farm Bureau recently, Dwayne O'Dell, representing WVFB, shared an example of too many towers in the Kanawha Valley region that date back to the World War II era. With one of the most productive coal-fired power plants anywhere on Earth in the Kanawha Valley, the reliability of towers there is paramount for the entire PJM Interconnection system.

On the commercial side, significant growth in manufacturing in the United States in recent years paired with the emergence of large load data centers and crypto currency facilities has pushed grid capacity to shrinking margins of error. The PJM Interconnection system, which includes West Virginia, its surrounding states, and others west to the Mississippi River, could see peak capacity shutdowns by 2030 if power generation and transmission capacity does not expand rapidly.

With data centers generating revenues analogous to

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The Grantsville Town Council meets the first Monday of every month in the city building on Main Street at 6 p.m.

The Calhoun County Commission meets the second Monday of every month in the Calhoun Courthouse meeting room at 9 a.m.

The Calhoun County School Board meets the second Monday of every month at 5:50 p.m. in the school board office at Mt. Zion.

Home Country

Slim Randles

The moon turned the horses and mules silver with its magic. It gave the packer an unspoken pleasure to look back on a sinuous Sierra snake of eleven animals stretched in a flexible line nearly 150 feet long behind him. And he looked up, straight up on the peaks of Kearsarge where the snow fields always left behind shady patches of dirty white, up where the Inyo moon splashed them with a dream brush and made old secrets come to life.

"You've heard of the ghost of Kearsarge," the old man said. "Everyone knows about her." The packers at the table at the ranch looked at each other.

"What ghost?" one asked.

"Just the old lady," the man said, with laughter in his dark Paiute eyes. "She doesn't hurt nothing, you know. Just sings a little."

The evening was dark at the ranch, and the table lamp splashed shadows of the assembled weary cowboys on the kitchen walls as they sipped coffee. It was always good to hear the stories the old man told, coming over from his own small cabin here on the reservation.

"I never heard nothing about a ghost lady up Kearsarge," said the cook.

"That's what they say," said the old man. "Ever since there was a town up there. Used to be the mine up there, you know. Big one. Then there was a big dance in town one Christmas time, it was. Long time ago. Before my time.

"Anyway, everybody went to Independence to dance, you know, except the caretaker and his wife. Avalanche got 'em. They were the only ones. Everybody else went to the dance. Can't remember what year it was. That mine was working then, though."

Nobody spoke while the old man sipped some coffee. "You boys ever hear her up there at night? You can hear her. That's what they say, anyway. Avalanche took her head off, you know. Never did find it. They say she calls for her head at night when there's a moon."

"At Kearsarge?"

"Yeah, you know where those old foundations are? That's where the little town used to be. Where the stock trail leaves the Onion Valley road. Looking for her head. That's what they say. Looking for her head."

The first foundations of Kearsarge glowed in the moonlight, little more than deliberate rock piles and scattered timbers now. The packer steered Brownie around the first and left the little stretch of dirt road again to follow the creek up the canyon. More foundations glowed, their old stones like age-worn teeth, and the wind came down from the snow patches cool and quiet. The packer thought he heard something, once. Just once, but he wondered about it, anyway. Maybe it was a night bird. Maybe. Looking back, the cluster of lights that was Independence had now shrunk to a small glowing nucleus in the moonscaped miles below.

He rested the stock on the first switchback above the old ghost town and pulled on his jacket. It helped.

"Your granddad told us there was a spook up at old Kearsarge," the packer said as they walked along the irrigation ditch that one night, a time back.

"Grandpa knows a lot," she said, squeezing his hand. "It's probably true."

He saw her eyes then, in the glow of a nearby streetlight there in town, as they walked. The desert night warmed them and made them both think of things long past and yet to come.

"You don't think he was just trying to b.s. us into being scared?"

"Not Grandpa. He knows a lot."

"Umm," the packer said.

"You like him?"

"Sure. Great guy."

"He likes you, too. He likes you a lot, I know. So does my mom and dad."

"Very nice people, your mom and dad."

She smiled up at him and he could see the pretty eyes again, the ageless eyes that spoke so much of generations of desert and mountain people, despite her youth.

"You like kids?" she asked.

Brought to you by "The Long Dark" by Slim Randles. Online.

Supper Just Got Easier

Matt Welsch

September hits and suddenly nobody's home before six. School's back, and so are sports, band, homework, family chaos; the whole calendar overflows. And the supper table is the first casualty. There's no time for elaborate family meals, let alone the energy.

This is exactly the kind of week that calls for one pan, one pot, and a family meal on autopilot. Skillet goulash has been solving that problem for generations. Now, I don't know about you, but we didn't call it goulash growing up. Honestly, if we called it anything, we probably called it Hamburger Helper, but at its heart, it's goulash. Ground beef, macaroni, and tomatoes cooked together in one pot. Goulash isn't just a Hungarian dish with paprika and stew meat. It's any one-pot dish with meat, vegetables, and noodles. And it's the answer to a quick, easy weeknight family sit-down.

Every family around here has their own version, and mine leaned on whatever was left in the pantry that week. That's the whole appeal. It's forgiving, it's cheap, and it feeds a crowd of hungry kids without asking much of the cook.

It also reheats well, so make a full pot. This recipe easily doubles.

Here's how we fill tummies on a budget.

Skillet Goulash

Yield: 6 servings

Time: 30 minutes

2 lbs Ground Beef
1 ea Yellow Onion, diced
3 cloves Garlic, minced
2 (15 oz) cans Tomato Sauce
1 (14.5 oz) can Diced Tomatoes
2 C Beef Broth or Water
2 C Elbow Macaroni, uncooked
1 T Worcestershire Sauce
1 t Italian Seasoning (or dried oregano and basil)
TT Salt and Black Pepper
1 C Sharp Cheddar Cheese, shredded (optional)

BROWN BEEF: In a large skillet or Dutch oven over medium-high heat, brown the ground beef with the onion, breaking it up as it cooks, until no pink remains, about 8 minutes. Drain excess fat if needed, then add the garlic and cook another minute, until fragrant.

BUILD THE POT: Stir in the tomato sauce, diced tomatoes, broth, Worcestershire, Italian seasoning, salt, and pepper. Bring to a simmer.

COOK PASTA: Stir in the uncooked macaroni, cover, and simmer for 15 to 18 minutes, stirring occasionally, until the pasta is tender and has soaked up most of the liquid.

FINISH: Taste and adjust the seasoning. Top with the cheddar if you're using it, cover for a minute or two to melt, and serve straight from the pan.

Enjoy, friends. Pack the leftovers for tomorrow's lunch. You've earned the morning off.

Letter from the Editor

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In Praise of Good Ol' Country Boys

By Stephen Smoot

You can find them almost anywhere. They show up at the diner every morning to gab with friends, enjoy a cup of coffee, and chow down on eggs and bacon. They go to the hardware store "for a few things" and end up chewing the fat with staff or friends for much longer than they need. They drive tractors in the fields, old pickup trucks up and down the road, and are always good for a friendly wave or a quick and wise piece of advice.

You can recognize them immediately even though they often look quite different from each other. Whether rail thin or with a bit of a belly, they usually feature white (or no) hair, jeans or overalls, and worn boots. Most sport ball caps that, like the jeans, look like they have seen much better days, but wear more comfortable than anything more expensive.

No rural community could really run without good old country boys.

Good ol' country boys know much and say less. They don't work until a set time, but till the job is done. No matter how old they are, they're strong enough to help you lift whatever you need lifted. They drink coffee in the morning, water or sweet tea at work or on the farm, and maybe a cold beer to wash down the day at home.

No matter how rough they dress to go out on the farm or elsewhere to work during the week, the suit they wear to church is immaculate. The missus takes care of that for him because she loves and appreciates her husband who has done so much to provide for her and the family.

If you see a circle of good ol' country boys jawing, chewing the fat, or "solving the problems of the world," do not be surprised if they make you pass a test of wits and intelligence that the College Board or SAT could never equal in ingenuity or entertainment.

Walk up to a small group sometime. If they don't know you, they will silently look at you, certainly evaluating you. The test comes when one of them addresses you, saying something that is probably about 60 percent silly and 40 percent plausible, but almost certainly wrong. The expectation is that you will respond with something a little more silly and a little less plausible. The conversation goes back and forth, entirely deadpan and serious in tone, until the statements are completely absurd. Follow that path to the end.

If you pass the intelligence test, they may give your words a fair listen.

City people live in sociological and economic silos. If wealthy, they will travel the world to see people just like them, travel to places just like where they left, and not really experience life broadly or deeply.

If you could see the history of good ol' country boys written down and tacked to their lapel, you will find people who battled nature on behalf of their farms and families for decades. You will see men who went to war, not to command from the rear, but to be commanded at the front. You will see men who look too old for anything physical, but they remain valuable volunteers with fire and/or EMS. You will see men who greeted success with humility and learned from every failure. You may not always see people who thrived in life, but they are definitely survivors.

Shake their hands and you will feel the hard work of their lives etched into their palms.

No matter how many zeros their bank account holds, their attire and vehicles are plebeian because why pay too much for something you don't need. To these folks, waste is a cuss word that you happen to be allowed to say in polite company.

They hate politics and say they have no use for politicians, but pay close attention to both anyway because government is where the biggest threat to their livelihood, whatever that may be, comes from. Then those frustrated by the process end up running and winning local government races, usually injecting common sense into the process.

They know how to fix most of what you need fixed. If they can't fix it, they know a guy. Some have crafted truly ingenious inventions, but in true country boy style, never patented what they created because they assume someone else had the idea already. Usually they turn out to be the first, however. They have medical knowledge like they have knowledge of what's wrong with a car. If they've experienced it, they know it and they never forget how to deal with it.

Children are fascinated with these men, often patriarchs of the family that they might call "Paw Paw", "Grandpa", "Uncle", or some other term of family endearment. Old country boys are always good for a story about the old days, making some kind of repair job extremely interesting, or teaching generations-old wisdom about the weather, farming, cars, animals, or pretty much anything.

No community runs without them. They often wear several hats, supporting their families, their work, service clubs, volunteer first responder organizations, historical societies, and more.

They are also the chroniclers of the community. They know who the running back was who gained all those yards to beat the big rival in 1983. They remember schools long closed, the teachers who gave them what they needed to move forward in life, and where the store that closed in 1996 used to be. They knew who was the waitress at the local restaurant for 30 years, then retired and moved away. They know a thousand little details of lives well-lived in the community they'd never leave even for $10 million, at least that's what they say, anyway.

They also remember the tragedies, who was killed in a hunting or a car accident, what family lost their lives in a house fire, and whose homes were destroyed in the flood.

Of course among themselves they will debate endlessly over the details of these events, just because it's fun for them to do so.

They stand tall like oak trees in the community, seemingly strong and immovable, as if they will occupy that spot and do the same things, share the same stories, and be around to ask advice from forever.

But they stand proudly until they can't. Robert Frost once entitled a poem "Nothing Gold Can Stay" and we need to heed that lesson. They deserve appreciation for a lifetime of work, service, and raising good kids who love their community as much as their elders, even if they feel they have to leave.

Some day the current crop of good ol' country boys will pass on. The lives they led, their encyclopedic knowledge of things both important and small, their abilities that they give freely (or at least charge a fair price for) they won't always be here.

We shouldn't wait until such men are beyond our ability to directly thank them to show appreciation. They may not always welcome the attention, but they all deserve it.

Obituary



Arlis Miller

On the evening of August 29, 2026, one day before his 88th birthday, Arlis Curt Miller, beloved husband of Rebecca, father, grandfather, brother and friend, passed from the arms of his loved one's into his eternal rest.

Arlis was born on August 30, 1938 in Chloe, WV, in Calhoun County to the late Emry and Virginia Miller. He is also preceded in death by his twin brothers Carl and Carroll Miller and his father and mother-in-law Neil (Doc) and Yvonne Lothes.

Arlis is survived by his wife, Rebecca Lothes Miller, his brothers, Leo (Juanita) Miller and Bernard (Elaine) Miller, sister-in-law Genvieve Miller; his five children, John (Jennifer) Miller, Gary Miller, Timothy (Kaitlyn) Miller, Rosanna Miller and Diane Miller, his 13 grandchildren, Malachi, K'Lyn, and Kaci Miller; Taylor and Emma Miller; Clinton, Trinton, Braelyn Miller and their mother Trinity Polan; Ryker, Tripp, James, Jaxton, and Jaycee Miller. Also surviving are his brothers and sisters-in-law, Ed (Irene) Lothes, Debby (Sam) Scarberry, Joe (Jane) Lothes, Regina (David) Oldaker, Trish Briscoe, Cathy Lothes, Jenny Hall, Teresa (Michael) Weaver, George (Carla) Lothes; and many nieces and nephews.

Arlis and Becky were married on August 12, 1978 in an ecumenical ceremony at the First Baptist Church and Prince of Peace Catholic Church in Grantsville, WV. They lived and raised their five children in their beloved barn house in Grantsville for 30 years before moving to Parkersburg, WV.

Arlis is a graduate of Calhoun County High School and Glenville State College. He served as an administrator for the Department of Health and Human Services, responsible for a 14 county region. After leaving his 34 year career, Arlis led the development of the Minnie Hamilton Nursing Home in Grantsville.

He was a stellar volunteer - a member of the Jay-Cees in Grantsville, the Wood Festival Committee, as well as serving on many boards. He was an orderly at the hospital, an ambulance driver for the local funeral home, started a 4-H soccer program in Grantsville, and was a multi-gallon blood donor through the Red Cross. At Prince of Peace and St. Margaret Mary Church, Arlis was an altar server, Eucharistic Minister and served on the parish pastoral council.

One of the most meaningful ministries that Arlis undertook began 17 years ago, when he partnered with Val Kula, who was the Regional Director of Catholic Charities to develop Stone Soup Kitchen. With the support of the four Catholic Churches in Wood County and a myriad of volunteers, they began serving lunch to anyone in need every Wednesday at Saint Francis Xavier parish center on Market Street in Parkersburg. Arlis was one of the chief cooks when the program started and he continued to volunteer in that capacity as long as he was able. His last time at Stone Soup Kitchen was one month before he passed away.

The family is especially grateful to Amedysis Hospice; Centerwell Home Health nurse Jordan Bailey; and his very special nurse/brother-in-law Michael Weaver, who attended faithfully and skillfully to his care at home.

To celebrate his life, a funeral mass will be held at St Margaret Mary Catholic Church on Thursday, September 10th at 12:00 noon with Rev. Sebastian Devasya and Rev. John Kwiecien celebrants. The family will receive relatives and friends one hour prior to the service. Interment will take place in The Lothes Family Cemetery, Montrose, WV.

Leavitt Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements.

Donations may be made in Arlis' memory to Stone Soup Kitchen c/o St Margaret Mary Catholic Church 2500 Dudley Avenue, Parkersburg, WV 26101.

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Jenkins Ford to host 4th car show for pancreatic cancer research



The special Survivors picture taken during the 2025 Show were the following: Annette Fetty-Santilli, West Virginia Community Partner for PanCAN; pancreatic cancer survivors Megan Butcher of Clay, WV holding her son Parker, who she had after she made it through her pancreatic cancer treatments; Jane Scott of Buckhannon, WV; (sitting) Joey Bennett of Buckhannon, WV; Shalimar Amtower of Clarksburg, WV; Debbie Spears of Fairmont, WV who passed away in December 2025; and Amy Bunch of Clarksburg, WV who passed away in April 2026.

On Saturday, September 19, Jenkins Ford in Buckhannon will host its Fourth Annual Car Show benefitting the Pancreatic Cancer Action Network. The day's events will include something for everyone and will be from 10 am to 2 pm.

There will be raffles, door prizes, and trivia contests throughout the day. Proceeds from the event will go to the Pancreatic Cancer Action Network (PanCAN) for research. With the release of new drug to treat pancreatic cancer, more research is needed to expand treatments, because not all treatments will work the same way

At the 2025 event, six pancreatic cancer survivors were honored. Since that time, two survivors have passed away. At this year's event, survivors will be honored and recognized at 1:30 pm. At this time a group picture will be taken. To honor the survivors, there will be a PanCAN Choice car selected.

Former Jenkins Ford employee Jim Fetty passed away from pancreatic cancer in 2007. His first full-time job was with Jenkins Ford.

There will be over 25 trophies awarded to entries, including PanCAN Choice and Best of Show. If anyone has any questions, they can call Dennis Crawford at Jenkins Ford at 304-472-1700.

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.

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 1st 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.

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

Grantsville Farmer's Market will open June 11 from 9 a.m to 1 p.m. Come and shop from a wide selection of produce, eggs, baked goods, and more

Donations for the upkeep of the Freed Cemetery are greatly appreciated. This cemetery is in Calhoun, WV off Leading Creek Road. Donations should be sent to P.O. Box 551 MacFarlan, WV 26148 c/o Rick Murphy. Thank you in advance.

Calhoun County Solid Waste Authority Monthly Meeting September 23, 2026, 5:00 pm, Mom's Place Too, 340 Main Street, Grantsville, WV 26147

Monthly Tire Collection September 18, 2026, 10 - 2

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Out of the Past



An undated historical photo of the First Baptist Church of Grantsville, serving the area for a little less than 200 years and looking at a bright future. Photo courtesy of West Virginia University

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Attorney General McCuskey Warns consumers of new scam tactics Targeting West Virginians

Consumer Protection Division received 401 scam reports in August, including new impersonation and video-call sweepstakes schemes

CHARLESTON, W.Va. — West Virginia Attorney General JB McCuskey is reporting that the Consumer Protection Division received 401 reports of scams in August, with Medicare scams topping the list. The Consumer Protection Division is also warning consumers about two newly reported scam tactics: scammers impersonating West Virginia state representatives and scammers using video calls to claim consumers have won sweepstakes or lottery prizes.

Of the 401 scam complaints the Consumer Protection Division received in August, the top scams were:

Medicare

West Virginia state representative impersonation scams

Robo Calls (loans, debt relief, final funeral expenses, etc.)

Computer/Phishing

Sweepstakes and lottery scams

The Consumer Protection Division received reports involving a scammer who claimed to be a representative of the State of West Virginia and offered insurance and other subsidies. One consumer reported receiving approximately 70 calls from the scammer, who used spoofed West Virginia telephone numbers to make the calls appear legitimate. These calls were live rather than automated or robotic. Consumers should remember that scammers can use technology to "spoof" caller ID, making a call appear to come from a familiar or legitimate West Virginia telephone number.

Additionally, the Consumer Protection Division is warning West Virginians about a sweepstakes scam involving video calls. Scammers use What's App, Facetime and other applications with video capabilities. These calls typically come from an email address and numbers are not usually listed. Many consumers who reported this scam did not answer. When consumers have answered, they say the scammer's video screen is black and they cannot see the scammer, but the scammer can see them.

Ways to protect yourself

Be aware that criminals can "spoof" phone numbers - Your caller ID may show familiar numbers that aren't actually calling

Be wary of notices of any contest winnings, especially if you didn't enter

If calls seem suspicious, don't engage with callers; hang up and call back using numbers you have on file

Keep detailed records - Document all interactions with service providers and financial transaction

Research before you trust - Verify identities, companies, and claims independently

What not to do

Don't handle money transfers for strangers - You could unknowingly participate in money laundering

Never accept or forward packages for online acquaintances - This may involve illegal activity

Never pay anyone with gift cards - Legitimate companies don't accept gift cards as payment

Never pay money to claim prizes - Real contests don't require payment

Never provide personal or financial information over the phone - to unsolicited callers

Never send money to people you haven't met in person - This includes online romantic interests

You can find out more about scams, ways to protect yourself, and file a scam report at ago.wv.gov. Likewise, you can call our Consumer Protection Hotline and speak with our Scam Coordinator at 1-800-368-8808.

O'DELL

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the capability of tracking individuals." Police officers in some jurisdictions have already been caught abusing their power. "You may have not heard about the controversy about what's called flock cameras. Huntington and a few other cities have put in cameras . . . not to address traffic issues, but to identify those who wish to break the laws in West Virginia."

O'Dell pointed out that they have served well in helping law enforcement more quickly track down offenders in child abduction cases. The cameras also "capture the data of everyone who goes through that intersection."

O'Dell then turned data centers, topics that he called "controversial." He shared that he has seen "seven or eight pretty solidly proposed for West Virginia and another five or six that are also being proposed." He shared that some have criticized their energy use, but added that House Bill 2014 allowed high impact data centers to construct their own power source. Industry trade journals have also shared that is the expected trend, especially with legislation coming at the state and federal level requiring companies building them to shoulder the burden of higher rates that may come as a result.

He then shared information on the tax revenues expected and where they would go. Half of the revenues allocated to the State go into a personal income tax reduction fund. "In West Virginia, you folks that are still working, you pay a little over $2 billion in personal income tax."

"By the number of those data centers being proposed, you could wipe out the personal income tax," O'Dell stated. Other states have also zeroed out the income tax, but increased the more regressive sales tax to make up for the loss. The State of West Virginia seeks to shift the burden of personal income taxes from individual tax payers to companies operating data centers.

"The other big issue will be power generation or at least electric lines. It certainly is a private property right," he explained. Referring to the proposed transmission line projects being constructed to expand capacity and prevent shortages and losses of power during peak periods, he said "the grid is pretty old" and added that some vital infrastructure near the Kanawha Valley was constructed around the time of World War II.

Moving on from that topic, O'Dell said "Here's a big one. The level of what I call the courts intervening in things that they have no business in and no constitutional authority." He added that "you read in the paper all kinds of things about the courts making a decision, that ultimately has to go up in the Supreme Court, and it's weighing down on the entire legal process in the United States. That will have a huge effect on farmers also."

For much of American history, state and federal courts acted in restraint and would not consider cases they felt were best handled by the legislative branch. Increasingly, courts have broadened their field of activity to the point where some judges rule on their personal opinions and not the law.

O'Dell then touched on the shortage of lawyers in West Virginia and rural areas across the country. "The problem is they're concentrated in the bigger cities. Places liek Franklin, other rual areas, do not have much access to legal counsel. This slows down business contracts, land purchases, and other vital aspects of day-to-day business for farmers and other businesses. Some counties have reported that they struggle to find lawyers to help process estates.

"Secondly, I believe the MAHA (Make American Healthy Again) movement that Secretary (Robert) Kennedy(Jr.) is guiding for President Trump will have a major effect." O'Dell shared that health concerns are pushing shifts in the American diet. "I really believe the GPL-1, drugs will have an effect on our society" because those who take that medication "generally are placed also on a diet of higher protein. That will drive the meat business in United States in a different fashion in the next few years than I believe it currently is going on."

Finally, O'Dell warned of a dangerous threat from urban youth and their dalliance with socialism. The economic philosophy of Karl Marx, whether one calls it communism or socialism, led to the murder of millions of farmers in Russia, Red China, Cambodia, and elsewhere as lands were stolen from farmers and natural rights infringed against all.

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power consumption, many feel they can handle the burden of paying for their capacity needs.

A release by Representative Moore stated that the bill, if passed, will "require state public utility commissions to consider standards ensuring that large data centers pay the full incremental costs associated with generation, transmission, and distribution upgrades needed to serve their electricity demand."

He added that "West Virginia families and American taxpayers should not be forced to foot the bill for massive data centers, and the enormous potential demands they place on our power grid." The legislation would maintain "state and local control over data center projects while ensuring that hardworking Americans are not asked to pay for hundreds of millions of dollars in new generation, transmission, or distribution infrastructure costs. That cost should always be on the companies."

This comes at the same time as the Trump Administration is at the same time pushing for data center construction, but also tighter standards for handling data center and crypto large loads in the transmission system. The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) ordered the North American Electric Reliability Corporation to develop regulatory standards for these loads and mitigate their effects on the grid.

Also, according to the trade publication Grid Brief, First Energy has proposed to FERC that data centers "pay for transmission upgrades needed to bring them online, rather than spreading those costs across existing customers." It grafts a policy from the natural gas industry "where new customers can pay incremental rates for new infrastructure instead of asking legacy customers to finance the expansion."

Also "under First Energy's plan, data centers would sign 15-year contracts, provide collateral, pay the normal zonal transmission rate for the existing system, and then pay an additional expansion rate for new facilities built because of them."

That said, the trend seems to be moving away from major data center facilities relying on the grid. West Virginia Governor Patrick Morrisey backed legislation to allow microgrid on site production for major consumers. A microgrid could generate power in a variety of ways from nuclear to solar. State measures also included using three percent of tax revenues collected from data centers to help to build and maintain the grid.

According to Utility Dive, a trade publication, "about a third of all U.S. data centers are expected to run entirely on onsite power by 2030." An industry survey showed that 61 percent of the time a company would build its own source of power rather than relying on a bottlenecked grid.

PJM Interconnection last month also introduced proposals to mitigate the burdens placed by data centers on the grid. It will create a "large load registry" of customers typically using 50 megawatts or more of power. Government officials would have access to this list. This allows for more effective peak demand period planning in allocating power.

Additionally, PJM proposes that during peak demand periods that they be permitted to establish "a new emergency procedure (that) would notify utilities to reduce or transfer the electricity demand from new Large Load customers ahead of any action that would shut off traditional consumers, including residential consumers."

During such periods, large load data centers and other facilities would have to rely on their own generators or other resources to sustain them until PJM could allow their safe reconnection to the grid.

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medical service in remote locations. He explained it as a "once in a lifetime opportunity to make improvements, improving transportation access for many people that struggle to get to their appointments, modernizing health care and billing, recruiting new nurse practitioners and doctors and other health care providers to come to our state, making health care more affordable."

Improvements in healthcare outcomes, the Governor reasoned, will directly improve West Virginia's poor workforce participation rate.

"Clean, clear water" formed the next major topic of discussion, with the Governor sharing that the State will put $145 million towards improving water systems and infrastructure. He also pointed out that the amount of money from the state does not mean that only $145 million will be spent on these projects. Much of that money will go into matching funds attached to potentially hundreds of millions more in funding from the federal government and other sources.

Often the federal government will provide a grant to fund a large percent, often 70 to 90 percent, if the recipient can put in the smaller percentage. State funding will help to meet those matches and leverage more help, the Governor suggesting that $450 million more could be obtained.

He added that the State could soon see spending from his administration on such projects top $1 billion.

Next came the topic of energy. Historically, West Virginia has served as a source of raw materials for manufacturing or power production in other states. Many aware of that history have cited it in criticizing recent development moves and efforts.

The difference is that the State has a policy in place to monetize West Virginia resources as much as possible in state. For example, as Governor Morrisey explained, "in the past, West Virginia was exporting 90 percent of its natural gas out of state for the benefit of others. This is a different philosophy than we have."

He went on to explain that "historically, West Virginia's energy and resources were used to benefit others that were mostly shipped out of state, not directly benefiting West Virginia. Our plan is different . . . to use West Virginia's coal, our gas, and other resources to generate power in West Virginia. And this is power that could be used for manufacturers, for technology companies, and other businesses in our state."

A year ago, the Governor shared the vision to add 50 gigawatts of electric power production to state capacity by 2050. One year later, almost one fifth of that goal has been realized. He explained that coal has benefited from a renewed commitment by President Donald Trump, especially in terms of extending the expected useful life of coal-fired plants. Also, the National Science Foundation made a major $320 million investment in an initiative from West Virginia University and its partners to develop clean coal technology.

Governor Morrisey also shared how his administration had worked with leadership at EQT, Hope Gas, and American Electric Power to drive even more investment. He stated that the effort had led to another $80 million in potential investment "to monetize that intersection between energy and manufacturing and technology and health care."

He then described developments across the state, starting with a major expansion by Randox in Jefferson County. Next came an announcement of a foundation for the Potomac Highlands created by $13 million in a joint effort between Microsoft and one of their power vendors, Clearway. That company operates windfarms in Grant, Mineral and elsewhere.

All of that set the stage for a major announcement of a $12 billion project from Starwood Digital ventures in Mason County. The project runs on a closed loop cooling system that minimizes demands on water systems.

Anthony Balestrieri, Chief Executive Office of the company, joined the Governor on stage. He stated that "West Virginia has been at the forefront of bringing and defining a clear set of standards for responsible development, and we appreciate that leadership."

The Governor had another Mason County announcement that nScale received approval for its high impact data center project whose investment will reach close to $70 billion.

Dan Shapiro of nScale praised the diligence of West Virginia officials in examining proposals and forming counter-proposals to protect state interests in environmental impact, aesthetics, infrastructure, and community concerns.

In response to state legislation and in anticipation of the Ratepayers Protection Act currently before the United States Congress and supported by Congressman Riley Moore, nScale representatives stated that the process to earn agreement with the State was "not easy."

They went on to say that "It was rigorous, and it should be, because West Virginia getting it right on the front end rather than blindly welcoming in every type of data centers made us all better and focused."

The Governor concurred, saying "West Virginia has learned from the mistakes of others and we're doing it right."

CCHS Football

Last Friday evening at Mount Zion, the Calhoun County Red Devils hosted the Richwood Lumberjacks in a very early Homecoming match. The Red Devils put on a great show for the fans and the Homecoming court, and sent the Lumberjacks back to Nicholas County on the short end of a 63-42 score.

The Red Devils elected to receive and struck quickly. The 2-minute scoring drive was highlighted by consistent ground gains by four backs – Trevor Mayle, Chase Schoolcraft, Ezra Anderson and Rome Riddel – and ended with Riddel bulling through the middle for a two-yard touchdown run.

The visitors countered with a longer drive, but Calhoun marched down the field again for a second score, Mayle covering the final 11 yards for the touchdown.

The Red Devils forced a punt on the Lumberjacks' next possession, but a mishandled return gave the ball back to Richwood, who capitalized on the turnover early in the second quarter.

Calhoun County notched two more scored in the second quarter to take a 28-14 lead. The lead seemed safe heading into the half, but Richwood connected on a 65-yard touchdown pass with 40 seconds remaining to cut Calhoun's advantage to a mere eight points.

Receiving the second half kickoff, Richwood had a chance to pull near or tie the game with their first possession, but Calhoun's defense stifled the Lumberjack offense and forced a punt. Nic Butler broke through Richwood's line, blocked the punt and put the Red Devils in business at the Lumberjacks' 22-yard line.

The Red Devils' defensive stand and Butler's blocked punt turned out to be the only defensive highlights for either team in the third quarter. Calhoun County scored three times and Richwood twice during the quarter.

Following the blocked punt, it took Calhoun County three plays to score, with Riddel carrying the ball the final 7 yards. Richwood answered with an 85-yard kickoff return. The Red Devils scored again on a six-play drive, followed by a Lumberjack touchdown in two plays, and finally another Calhoun touchdown following a sustained 10-play drive that consumed nearly five minutes.

Things calmed down considerably in the final quarter. The Red Devils forced a Lumberjack punt early in the quarter, then drained six minutes off the game clock and scored when Mayle ran the ball over from the 4.

The Red Devils' defense held the Lumberjacks on Richwood's next possession and took over when a forth down pass fell incomplete. Coach Jeff Goodrich sent his starters in for one play – which never occurred because Richwood jumped offsides – then pulled the starting eleven off the field to the applause of an appreciative home crowd.

The JV picked up right where the first string left off, and scored the final Red Devil touchdown of the day when quarterback Gavin Hicks carried the ball down the right sideline and across the goal line for a 38-yard touchdown.

Richwood kept it starters in against Calhoun's JV defense, and scored promptly on a 48-yard pass, which concluded the scoring for the game.

The game was a seesaw affair for the first half, but Calhoun's depth proved to be the difference. The Red Devils had four capable backs to share the load, while the Lumberjacks used mainly one back for most of the night.

Game notes: The Red Devils earned 27 first downs in the game, setting a single-game record. In addition to his blocked punt, Nic Butler saw a lot of action in the return game due to Richwood's refusal to kick deep, returning three kickoffs and one punt during the contest. Lance Grogg recovered an onside kick midway through the second quarter.

Calhoun's 2-0 start is its best since winning the first four games of the 2015 season. The team has scored 105 points in only two games, more than the complete season total for 5 of the last 10 years. Sophomore Trevor Mayle has scored 67 points in these two games. Only Jayton Gibson (68 points in 2023) has scored more in an entire season in the last 10 years.

This Friday, the Red Devils hit the road for the first time and visit the Wirt County Tigers, owners of a 1-1 record and fresh from a 34-12 win at Magnolia. Kickoff is scheduled for 7:00 in Elizabeth.

Richwood	6	14	14	8	- 42
Calhoun	15	13	22	13	- 63

C - Rome Riddel, 2 run (Trevor Mayle run) 9:59 1st
R - Fawkes O'Dell, 6 run (pass failed) 5:15 1st
C - Mayle, 11 run (Mayle run) 2:39 1st
R - O'Dell, 1 run (Kaden Lane pass from Grady Hall) 9:55 2nd
C - Chase Schoolcraft, 4 pass from Mayle (kick failed) 6:49 2nd
C - Mayle, 2 run (Mayle kick) 1:06 2nd
R - O'Dell, 65 pass from Hall (pass failed) 0:40 2nd
C - Riddel, 7 run (Mayle kick) 9:16 3rd
R - O'Dell, 85 kickoff return (pass failed) 9:03 3rd
C - Mayle, 10 run (Mayle kick) 5:58 3rd
R - O'Dell, 46 run (Parker Giles pass from Hall) 5:04 3rd
C - Mayle, 2 run (Schoolcraft pass from Mayle) 0:16 3rd
C - Mayle, 4 run (Mayle kick) 4:44 4th
C - Gavin Hicks, 38 run (no try) 0:51 4th
R - Giles, 48 pass from Hall (Hall run) 0:44 4th

TEAM STATISTICS

Richwood		Calhoun
10	First Downs	27
26-170	Rushes-Yardage	58-409
127	Passing Yardage	46
4-13-0	PC-PA-Int.	4-4-0
0	Return Yardage	21
4-21.8	Punts-Avg.	0-0.0
2-0	Fumbles-Lost	2-2
10-66	Penalties-Yards	4-26

OFFENSE

Calhoun rushing – Trevor Mayle 24-197, Rome Riddel 15-80, Chase Schoolcraft 9-57, Gavin Hicks 3-45, Ezra Anderson 5-31, Eli Bailey 1-3, team 1(-4). Total 58-409.

Calhoun passing – Trevor Mayle 4-4-0, 46 yards.

Calhoun receiving – Gavin Hicks 1-31, Chase Schoolcraft 3-15.

DEFENSE

Calhoun tackles (solo-assists-total) – Nic Butler (1-7-8), Ezra Anderson (0-8-8), Trevor Mayle (1-6-7), Rome Riddel, (2-4-6), Dayvon Mitchell (1-8-9), Chase Schoolcraft (2-1-3), Sam Bailey (1-2-3), Reese Schoolcraft (1-2-3), Kristian Frederick (0-3-3), Gavin Hicks (0-3-3), Lance Grogg (0-1-1). Total 9-42-51. Blocked Punt: Nic Butler.

Glenville State Announces Waco Oil & Gas Shootout with West Virginia Men's Basketball

GLENVILLE, W.Va. – Glenville State University Athletics is excited to announce the Waco Oil & Gas Shootout between West Virginia University Men's Basketball and the Pioneers on Friday, October 23rd, inside the Waco Center.

"There are some tremendous historical links between Glenville State University and WVU. Rich Rodriguez, Rick Trickett, Tony Gibson, Joe Mazzulla, Leland Byrd, Justin Oney...the list is long," Glenville State Athletic Director Jesse Skiles said. "With the outstanding squad Coach Hodge has put together going into Big 12 play this year, and the squad Coach Bolen has put together here in Glenville, there is a lot of excitement surrounding both programs. We are honored to serve as host for this event."

GSU is coming off of an (18-12) season in 2025-26, the highest win total for Glenville State since the 2014-15 campaign. Fourth-year Bob Bolen brings back an experienced group of veterans and exciting group of newcomers, including Point Park transfer Kaden Warner, who averaged 14.4 PPG a year ago.

"We're excited to be playing them and we know what kind of freshman and portal class they've brought in. It's a feather in the cap for Glenville with WVU choosing GSU to play in an exhibition," said head coach of the Pioneers, Bob Bolen.



The Mountaineers went (21-14) last year, capping Ross Hodge's first year winning the College Basketball Crown. Fans will get the first look at the 2026-27 Mountaineers in this Shootout, which consists of five-star guard Miles Sadler, four-star Georgia Tech transfer Mouhamed Sylla, four-star Butler transfer Finley Bizjack and four-star transfer guard Joson Sanon.

Tickets will go on sale at a later date. Stay tuned at gstatepioneers.com and on GSU social media platforms.





Work continuing on Calhoun Chronicle Church Directory

EDITOR'S NOTE: We are still working toward creating a Church Directory for the Calhoun Chronicle and these are the churches we have thus far. We would like for you to look over the churches we have information about and correct anything we may have wrong in the church's summary.

Also, if we missed any churches in the county, please let us know and tell us about your church. We look forward to hearing from you because each and every church is very important. Also, we would like to get information on churches in neighboring counties where Calhoun people may attend such as churches in Smithville, Stumptown and Creston. We look forward to hearing from you.

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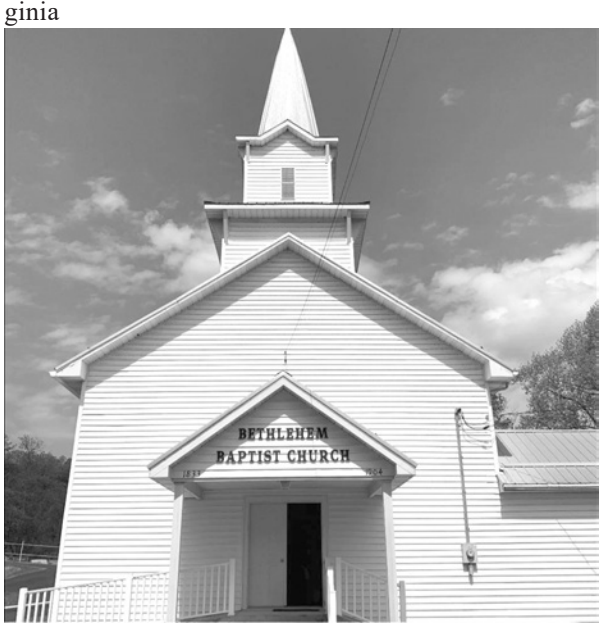
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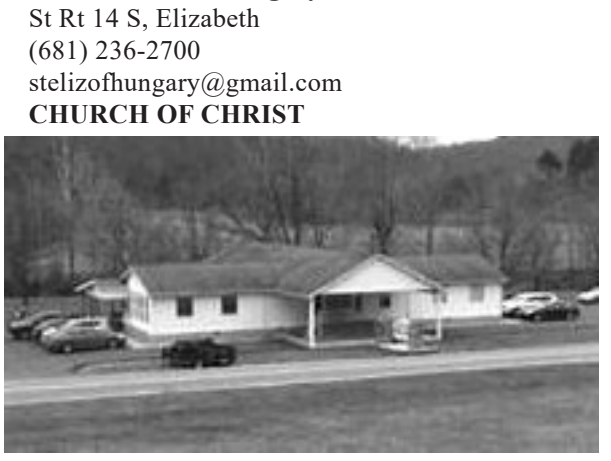
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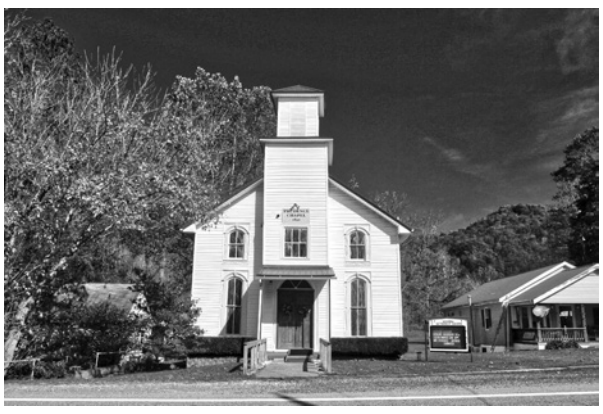
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Local Business Directory Information

West Virginia Trappers Association Convention Schedule Announced

The West Virginia Trappers Association will hold their annual 2026 convention September 18-20, 2026 at the Gilmer County Recreation Center 1365 Sycamore Run Road Glenville, WV. The Board of Directors meeting will be held on Thursday, September 17, 2026 at 7PM. Gates open Friday, September 18th, and Saturday September 19th, at 8AM. Various demos at the barn near the camping area, and trap dying and waxing both days. Vendors will be present Friday and Saturday.

Spaghetti dinner at 5:15PM Friday and Benefit auction will be Friday at 6:30PM. There will be a kids Cave and scavenger hunt both days. Trap setting contests, and other activities for the kids and ladies. Trappers Education Registration begins Saturday at 8:30AM and classes start at 9AM. General membership meeting, Education class graduation, and Awards will start at 3PM. Hot Dog roast and social gathering Friday evening. Bluegrass Band with Square Dance Saturday at 5:30PM. Primitive camping available on the grounds and also there is electric hookups for campers. Call 304-916-3329 to reserve a spot. For more information, contact Jeremiah Whitlatch at 304-916-3329.

WAG Trap-Neuter-Return on September 21

On Monday, September 21, the Welfare of Animals Group (WAG) will be humanely trapping feral cats in the Orma and Mt. Zion areas to have them spayed/neutered, vaccinated, and ear tipped (the universal sign that a cat has been part of a Trap-Neuter-Return program). We would appreciate if you would not put food out for them on Sunday, September 20, as we will be trapping on Monday morning. Once the cats have recovered from anesthesia (at least 24 to 48 hours) we will return them to their exact location. They will be healthier, happier, and not reproducing and fighting. Thank you for your cooperation. So far we have spayed and neutered 1,189 community cats (637 females and 552 males).

Please keep your personal cats indoors or put a collar on them on Monday the 21st. If you have any questions, please call Linda at 304-354-7506.

If you are aware of a feral cat colony in your area, please let us know. Female kittens can begin breeding at four months old, so the best time to spay/neuter a colony is when there are only 5 or 6 cats. Trap-Neuter-Return is provided to Calhoun County residents at no cost to the caretaker.

Partial funding for Trap-Neuter-Return is provided by The Oakland Foundation, The Bernard McDonough Foundation, the West Virginia Department of Agriculture, and the Calhoun County Commission.

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(2025-C-000330 - CALHOUN COUNTY - ELEMENTAL RESOURCES)

To: KHAMLA HUNTER, SUSAN SNOWBERGER, SALLY RYAN, NELLIE HOLT, R.L. HOLT, ROMEO HOLT, GRACE M. WHITE, ELAH LUCILLE HINTER, IRIS JOAN HOLT, SUSAN SNOWBERGER, DAN SNOWBERGER, DONNA MARIE HOLT, DAVID RYAN, DOUGLAS RYAN, LAURENCE HUNTER, GARY HUNTER, KHAMLA HUNTER, DIANA RYAN, 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** 9999 **PARCEL** 0003 0610 0000

You will take notice that ELEMENTAL RESOURCES, the purchaser of the following real estate, **Cert. No.** 2025-C-000330, located in WASHINGTON District, 1/3 106 NICUT SAMPSON & HICKS W-540, which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of WHITE GRACE M, and was sold by the deputy commissioner of delinquent and nonentered lands of CALHOUN County at the sale for the delinquent taxes on April 23, 2026. ELEMENTAL RESOURCES requests that you be notified a deed for such real estate will be made on or after February 1, 2027, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before January 31, 2027 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 2024 - 27532.	$	88.16
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 2025 - 27525.	$	33.26
Additional taxes with interest.	$	0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest.	$	104.68
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest.	$	792.76
Additional Statutory Fees with interest.	$	0.00
Total Amount Due and Payable to **WV State Auditor** - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	**$**	**1,018.86**

You may redeem at any time before January 31, 2027, by paying the above total less any unearned interest.

If the above real estate is your primary residence, you may petition the Auditor to redeem the real estate in not more than three incremental payments that equal the total amount required to redeem the real estate prior to the issuance of the deed described above.

Given under my hand August 24, 2026

Christal G. Perry
Christal G. Perry
Deputy Commissioner of Delinquent and
Nonentered Lands of CALHOUN County, State of West Virginia

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(2025-C-000020 - CALHOUN COUNTY - ARMSTRONG LAND MANAGEMENT)

To: HEIRS OF CASPER WHIPKEY AKA CASPAR WHIPKEY, KESTER WHIPKEY, KASPAR WHIPKEY, HEIRS OF CASPER WHIPKEY AKA CASPAR WHIPKEY, KESTER WHIPKEY, KASPAR WHIPKEY, KENNA SIERS, JR., BILL RHODES, CONNIE BARKER, JAMES DAVIS, BARBARA DAVIS, KATHY MCKINNIS, DEBRA HENDERSHOT, BARBARA SMITH, ROBERT ARBOGAST, WILLIS DALE STARCHER JR, ERIC STARCHER, CRAIG STARCHER, TAMMY SCHRECKENGOST, 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 CENTER **MAP** 9999 **PARCEL** 0001 1090 0000

You will take notice that ARMSTRONG LAND MANAGEMENT, the purchaser of the following real estate, **Cert. No.** 2025-C-000020, located in CENTER District, 1/2 25 LEAFBANK, which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of WHIPKEY CASPER, and was sold by the deputy commissioner of delinquent and nonentered lands of CALHOUN County at the sale for the delinquent taxes on April 23, 2026. ARMSTRONG LAND MANAGEMENT requests that you be notified a deed for such real estate will be made on or after January 1, 2027, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before December 31, 2026 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 2024 - 4022.	$	85.85
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 2025 - 4053.	$	23.30
Additional taxes with interest.	$	0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest.	$	209.95
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest.	$	973.50
Additional Statutory Fees with interest.	$	0.00
Total Amount Due and Payable to **WV State Auditor** - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	**$**	**1,292.60**

You may redeem at any time before December 31, 2026, by paying the above total less any unearned interest.

If the above real estate is your primary residence, you may petition the Auditor to redeem the real estate in not more than three incremental payments that equal the total amount required to redeem the real estate prior to the issuance of the deed described above.

Given under my hand July 30, 2026

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(2025-C-000234 - CALHOUN COUNTY - EDCO MINERALS LLC)

To: JAMES E. CONLEY, c/o ALICIA WEBB, 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** 9999 **PARCEL** 0000 7950 0000

You will take notice that EDCO MINERALS LLC, the purchaser of the following real estate, **Cert. No.** 2025-C-000234, located in WASHINGTON District, 1/2 53 W F OGM HW, which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of CONLEY J E, and was sold by the deputy commissioner of delinquent and nonentered lands of CALHOUN County at the sale for the delinquent taxes on April 23, 2026. EDCO MINERALS LLC requests that you be notified a deed for such real estate will be made on or after January 1, 2027, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before December 31, 2026 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 2024 - 22459.	$	91.50
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 2025 - 22490.	$	29.05
Additional taxes with interest.	$	0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest.	$	209.95
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest.	$	251.45
Additional Statutory Fees with interest.	$	0.00
Total Amount Due and Payable to **WV State Auditor** - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	**$**	**581.95**

You may redeem at any time before December 31, 2026, by paying the above total less any unearned interest. *If the above real estate is your primary residence, you may petition the Auditor to redeem the real estate in not more than three incremental payments that equal the total amount required to redeem the real estate prior to the issuance of the deed described above.*

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(2025-C-000314 - CALHOUN COUNTY - EDCO MINERALS LLC)

To: RONALD SCOTT ROBINSON, 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** 9999 **PARCEL** 0002 5080 3001

You will take notice that EDCO MINERALS LLC, the purchaser of the following real estate, **Cert. No.** 2025-C-000314, located in WASHINGTON District, 1/8 244 W F, which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of ROBINSON RONALD, and was sold by the deputy commissioner of delinquent and nonentered lands of CALHOUN County at the sale for the delinquent taxes on April 23, 2026. EDCO MINERALS LLC requests that you be notified a deed for such real estate will be made on or after January 1, 2027, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before December 31, 2026 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 2024 - 26112.	$	85.85
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 2025 - 26091.	$	23.30
Additional taxes with interest.	$	0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest.	$	134.95
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest.	$	224.97
Additional Statutory Fees with interest.	$	0.00
Total Amount Due and Payable to **WV State Auditor** - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	**$**	**469.07**

You may redeem at any time before December 31, 2026, by paying the above total less any unearned interest. *If the above real estate is your primary residence, you may petition the Auditor to redeem the real estate in not more than three incremental payments that equal the total amount required to redeem the real estate prior to the issuance of the deed described above.*

Given under my hand July 30, 2026

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(2025-C-000316 - CALHOUN COUNTY - EDCO MINERALS LLC)

To: RONALD SCOTT ROBINSON, 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** 9999 **PARCEL** 0002 5100 3001

You will take notice that EDCO MINERALS LLC, the purchaser of the following real estate, **Cert. No.** 2025-C-000316, located in WASHINGTON District, 1/8 82 W F, which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of ROBINSON RONALD, and was sold by the deputy commissioner of delinquent and nonentered lands of CALHOUN County at the sale for the delinquent taxes on April 23, 2026. EDCO MINERALS LLC requests that you be notified a deed for such real estate will be made on or after January 1, 2027, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before December 31, 2026 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 2024 - 26113.	$	85.85
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 2025 - 26092.	$	23.30
Additional taxes with interest.	$	0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest.	$	134.95
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest.	$	224.97
Additional Statutory Fees with interest.	$	0.00
Total Amount Due and Payable to **WV State Auditor** - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	**$**	**469.07**

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(2025-C-000324 - CALHOUN COUNTY - EDCO MINERALS LLC)

To: OLIVE TRUMAN, c/o PHYLLIS J COFFEY, MICHAEL WALLBROWN, 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** 9999 **PARCEL** 0002 9710 0000

You will take notice that EDCO MINERALS LLC, the purchaser of the following real estate, **Cert. No.** 2025-C-000324, located in WASHINGTON District, 1/12 154 BEECH CURTIS WALL-BROWN LSE CRIHFIELD, which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of TRUMAN OLIVE, and was sold by the deputy commissioner of delinquent and nonentered lands of CALHOUN County at the sale for the delinquent taxes on April 23, 2026. EDCO MINERALS LLC requests that you be notified a deed for such real estate will be made on or after January 1, 2027, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before December 31, 2026 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 2024 - 27238.	$	85.85
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 2025 - 27220.	$	29.28
Additional taxes with interest.	$	0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest.	$	164.95
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest.	$	324.95
Additional Statutory Fees with interest.	$	0.00
Total Amount Due and Payable to **WV State Auditor** - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	**$**	**605.03**

You may redeem at any time before December 31, 2026, by paying the above total less any unearned interest. *If the above real estate is your primary residence, you may petition the Auditor to redeem the real estate in not more than three incremental payments that equal the total amount required to redeem the real estate prior to the issuance of the deed described above.*

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(2025-C-000328 - CALHOUN COUNTY - EDCO MINERALS LLC)

To: GRACE M. WHITE, c/o ELAH HUNTER, NELLE HOLT; ROBERT JOHNSON, 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** 9999 **PARCEL** 0003 0590 0000

You will take notice that EDCO MINERALS LLC, the purchaser of the following real estate, **Cert. No.** 2025-C-000328, located in WASHINGTON District, 1/3 130 WALNUT #45405 A & B #36397-36398-36399, which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of WHITE GRACE M, and was sold by the deputy commissioner of delinquent and nonentered lands of CALHOUN County at the sale for the delinquent taxes on April 23, 2026. EDCO MINERALS LLC requests that you be notified a deed for such real estate will be made on or after January 1, 2027, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before December 31, 2026 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 2024 - 27530.	$	87.51
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 2025 - 27523.	$	23.30
Additional taxes with interest.	$	0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest.	$	194.95
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest.	$	393.20
Additional Statutory Fees with interest.	$	0.00
Total Amount Due and Payable to **WV State Auditor** - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	**$**	**698.96**

You may redeem at any time before December 31, 2026, by paying the above total less any unearned interest. *If the above real estate is your primary residence, you may petition the Auditor to redeem the real estate in not more than three incremental payments that equal the total amount required to redeem the real estate prior to the issuance of the deed described above.*

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(2025-C-000329 - CALHOUN COUNTY - EDCO MINERALS LLC)

To: GRACE M. WHITE c/o ELAH HUNTER, NELLE HOLT; ROBERT JOHNSON, 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** 9999 **PARCEL** 0003 0600 0000

You will take notice that EDCO MINERALS LLC, the purchaser of the following real estate, **Cert. No.** 2025-C-000329, located in WASHINGTON District, 1/3 108 NICUT CNG #35648 M JOHNSON 6470, which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of WHITE GRACE M, and was sold by the deputy commissioner of delinquent and nonentered lands of CALHOUN County at the sale for the delinquent taxes on April 23, 2026. EDCO MINERALS LLC requests that you be notified a deed for such real estate will be made on or after January 1, 2027, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before December 31, 2026 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 2024 - 27531.	$	86.22
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 2025 - 27524.	$	23.30
Additional taxes with interest.	$	0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest.	$	179.95
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest.	$	393.20
Additional Statutory Fees with interest.	$	0.00
Total Amount Due and Payable to **WV State Auditor** - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	**$**	**682.67**

You may redeem at any time before December 31, 2026, by paying the above total less any unearned interest. *If the above real estate is your primary residence, you may petition the Auditor to redeem the real estate in not more than three incremental payments that equal the total amount required to redeem the real estate prior to the issuance of the deed described above.*

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WEST VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
Division of Highways
NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

Bids will be received electronically by the West Virginia Department of Transportation, Division of Highways through the Bid Express Bidding Service (www.bidx.com) and by sealed proposals (only when prequalification is waived) being received at its office in Building 5, Room 843, 1900 Kanawha Boulevard East, Charleston, West Virginia until October 20, 2026 at 10:00 AM (Eastern Standard Time). The bids will be downloaded and/or opened and read publicly thereafter for the constructions of the following project(s):

Call	Contract	State Project	Federal Project	Description
020	2025070004	S307-16-22.04 00	STBG-0016(384)D	RESURFACING MT. ZION - GRANTSVILLE MIDPOINT **COUNTY:** CALHOUN

Proposals will be received from prequalified and West Virginia licensed contractors only except that on Federal-Aid Projects a contractors' licence is not required at time of bid, but will be required before work can begin. Registration is required with the Department of Administration, Division of Purchasing, in accordance with Chapter 5A, Article 3, Section 12 of the West Virginia Code. All contractors submitting bids on project(s) must include one of the following forms properly executed with each proposal: Proposal Guaranty Bond, Cashier's Check, or Certified Check for $500.00 or 5% of the total bid, whichever is greater.

The West Virginia Department of Transportation, Division of Highways reserves the right to defer, delay or postpone the date for receiving and publicly opening proposals for any project designated in this advertisement, without the necessity of renewing such advertisement. The deferment, delay, postponement, and the date that proposals will be received and publicly opened will be available on www.bidx.com.

The West Virginia Department of Transportation, Division of Highways hereby notifies all bidders that it will affirmatively ensure that in any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, minority business enterprises will be afforded full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, religion, sex or national origin in consideration for an award.

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NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION

Notice is hereby given that proceedings in the following estates are pending before the County Commission of Calhoun County, West Virginia, at the Courthouse in the City of Grantsville, West Virginia;

Decedent	Personal Representative	Address
Velma Mae Barnes	Thomas Barnes	3900 Crane Ave., Huntington, WV 25705
Roberta Mae Wilson	Debra Goff	7841 N. Calhoun Hwy., Big Springs, WV 26137
	Beverly Isner	101 Emerald Drive, Ripley, WV 25271
William Deweese	Michael and	10756 Beech Rd., Chloe, WV 25235
	Karen Moore	

September 3, 2026

Notice is hereby given that the preceding estate(s) have been opened for probate in the Calhoun County Clerk's office at 363 Main Street, PO Box 230, GRANTSVILLE, WEST VIRGINIA 26147. Any person seeking to impeach or establish a will must make a complaint in accordance with the provision of West Virginia Code 41-5-11 through 13. Any interested person objecting to the qualifications of the personal representative or the venue of jurisdiction of the commission, shall file notice of an objection with the County Commission within 60 days after the date of the first publication or within 30 days of the service of the notice, whichever is later. If an objection is not filed timely, the objection is forever barred.

Any person interested in filing claims against an estate shown below must file them in accordance with West Virginia Code, 44-2 and 44-3. All persons having claims against one or more of the estate(s) shown above, whether due or not, are notified to exhibit their claims, with the voucher thereof, legally verified, to the Clerk of the Calhoun County Commission at Calhoun County Clerk's Office at 363 Main Street, PO Box 230, GRANTSVILLE, WEST VIRGINIA 26147 on or before **November 3, 2026**. Otherwise they may by law be excluded from all benefit of said estate(s). All beneficiaries of said estate(s) may appear on or before said day to examine said claims and otherwise protect their interests.

Settlement of the estate(s) of the preceding named decedent(s) will proceed with or without reference to a fiduciary commissioner unless within 60 days from the first publication of this notice a reference is requested by a party of interest or an unpaid creditor files a claim and good cause is shown to support reference to a fiduciary commissioner.

Whitney Butler, Clerk
Calhoun County Commission

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(2024-C-000007 - CALHOUN COUNTY - STEPHANIE HARTSHORN OR KEVIN)

To: MICHAEL GAINER JR., 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 CENTER **MAP** 17 **PARCEL** 0035 0000 0000

You will take notice that STEPHANIE HARTSHORN OR KEVIN, the purchaser of the following real estate, **Cert. No.** 2024-C-000007, located in CENTER District, PHILLIPS SUR 1/4 AC 60X190, which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of GAINER MICHAEL, 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. STEPHANIE HARTSHORN OR KEVIN requests that you be notified a deed for such real estate will be made on or after October 1, 2026, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before September 30, 2026 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 - 1285.	$	99.64
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 - 1268.	$	33.77
Additional taxes with interest.	$	0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest.	$	125.20
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest.	$	613.33
Additional Statutory Fees with interest.	$	0.00
Total Amount Due and Payable to **WV State Auditor** - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	**$**	**1,279.71**

You may redeem at any time before September 30, 2026, by paying the above total less any unearned interest.

If the above real estate is your primary residence, you may petition the Auditor to redeem the real estate in not more than three incremental payments that equal the total amount required to redeem the real estate prior to the issuance of the deed described above.

Given under my hand July 31, 2026

Christal G. Perry

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(2025-C-000013 - CALHOUN COUNTY - EDCO MINERALS LLC)

To: RYAN ANDREW AYERS, R M MARSHALL; A MORRIS MARSHALL, 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 CENTER **MAP** 9999 **PARCEL** 0000 0770 3032

You will take notice that EDCO MINERALS LLC, the purchaser of the following real estate, **Cert. No.** 2025-C-000013, located in CENTER District, 42-1/2 BIG ROOT .00173611 BUCKEYE MARSHALL, which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of AYERS RYAN ANDREW, and was sold by the deputy commissioner of delinquent and nonentered lands of CALHOUN County at the sale for the delinquent taxes on April 23, 2026. EDCO MINERALS LLC requests that you be notified a deed for such real estate will be made on or after January 1, 2027, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before December 31, 2026 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 2024 - 87.	$	85.85
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 2025 - 87.	$	23.30
Additional taxes with interest.	$	0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest.	$	103.29
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest.	$	251.45
Additional Statutory Fees with interest.	$	0.00
Total Amount Due and Payable to **WV State Auditor** - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	**$**	**463.89**

You may redeem at any time before December 31, 2026, by paying the above total less any unearned interest.

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(2025-C-000195 - CALHOUN COUNTY - EDCO MINERALS LLC)

To: DON CONNER, 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 SHERMAN **MAP** 9999 **PARCEL** 0001 1300 0000

You will take notice that EDCO MINERALS LLC, the purchaser of the following real estate, **Cert. No.** 2025-C-000195, located in SHERMAN District, 1/7 37 STEER CREEK, which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of CONNER DON, and was sold by the deputy commissioner of delinquent and nonentered lands of CALHOUN County at the sale for the delinquent taxes on April 23, 2026. EDCO MINERALS LLC requests that you be notified a deed for such real estate will be made on or after January 1, 2027, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before December 31, 2026 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 2024 - 16343.	$	85.85
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 2025 - 16416.	$	23.30
Additional taxes with interest.	$	0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest.	$	119.95
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest.	$	251.45
Additional Statutory Fees with interest.	$	0.00
Total Amount Due and Payable to **WV State Auditor** - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	**$**	**480.55**

You may redeem at any time before December 31, 2026, by paying the above total less any unearned interest.

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(2025-C-000073 - CALHOUN COUNTY - EDCO MINERALS LLC)

To: SANDRA FORTNER, 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 LEE **MAP** 9999 **PARCEL** 0000 1240 0000

You will take notice that EDCO MINERALS LLC, the purchaser of the following real estate, **Cert. No.** 2025-C-000073, located in LEE District, 67 LITTLE CREEK D BASSNETT #1, which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of FORTNER SANDRA, and was sold by the deputy commissioner of delinquent and nonentered lands of CALHOUN County at the sale for the delinquent taxes on April 23, 2026. EDCO MINERALS LLC requests that you be notified a deed for such real estate will be made on or after January 1, 2027, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before December 31, 2026 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 2024 - 7114.	$	128.99
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 2025 - 7101.	$	32.14
Additional taxes with interest.	$	0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest.	$	209.95
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest.	$	251.45
Additional Statutory Fees with interest.	$	0.00
Total Amount Due and Payable to **WV State Auditor** - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	**$**	**622.53**

You may redeem at any time before December 31, 2026, by paying the above total less any unearned interest.

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(2025-C-000124 - CALHOUN COUNTY - EDCO MINERALS LLC)

To: VICKIE LYNN BOWEN, JERRY STURM; C. D. STALNAKER, 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 LEE **MAP** 9999 **PARCEL** 0002 7750 3001

You will take notice that EDCO MINERALS LLC, the purchaser of the following real estate, **Cert. No.** 2025-C-000124, located in LEE District, 1/2 INT 68 DANIELS OGM, which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of BOWEN VICKIE LYNN, and was sold by the deputy commissioner of delinquent and nonentered lands of CALHOUN County at the sale for the delinquent taxes on April 23, 2026. EDCO MINERALS LLC requests that you be notified a deed for such real estate will be made on or after January 1, 2027, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before December 31, 2026 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 2024 - 5618.	$	92.50
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 2025 - 5627.	$	30.08
Additional taxes with interest.	$	0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest.	$	209.95
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest.	$	251.45
Additional Statutory Fees with interest.	$	0.00
Total Amount Due and Payable to **WV State Auditor** - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	**$**	**583.98**

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(2025-C-000183 - CALHOUN COUNTY - EDCO MINERALS LLC)

To: AMY L. BARANKOVICH, H. VAL BURT; EDNA B. BURT, 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 SHERMAN **MAP** 9999 **PARCEL** 0000 2760 3007

You will take notice that EDCO MINERALS LLC, the purchaser of the following real estate, **Cert. No.** 2025-C-000183, located in SHERMAN District, 1/16 50 LK, which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of BARANKOVICH AMY L, and was sold by the deputy commissioner of delinquent and nonentered lands of CALHOUN County at the sale for the delinquent taxes on April 23, 2026. EDCO MINERALS LLC requests that you be notified a deed for such real estate will be made on or after January 1, 2027, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before December 31, 2026 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 2024 - 15546.	$	85.85
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 2025 - 15626.	$	23.80
Additional taxes with interest.	$	0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest.	$	103.29
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest.	$	377.45
Additional Statutory Fees with interest.	$	0.00
Total Amount Due and Payable to **WV State Auditor** - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	**$**	**589.89**

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(2025-C-000188 - CALHOUN COUNTY - EDCO MINERALS LLC)

To: BEATRICE DOBSON, c/o LARRY DOBSON, M HARDMAN, 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 SHERMAN **MAP** 9999 **PARCEL** 0000 3950 0000

You will take notice that EDCO MINERALS LLC, the purchaser of the following real estate, **Cert. No.** 2025-C-000188, located in SHERMAN District, 1/2 14 & 35 SQ RDS SYCAMORE, which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of BARANKOVICH AMY L, and was sold by the deputy commissioner of delinquent and nonentered lands of CALHOUN County at the sale for the delinquent taxes on April 23, 2026. EDCO MINERALS LLC requests that you be notified a deed for such real estate will be made on or after January 1, 2027, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before December 31, 2026 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 2024 - 16589.	$	85.85
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 2025 - 16652.	$	23.30
Additional taxes with interest.	$	0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest.	$	119.95
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest.	$	335.45
Additional Statutory Fees with interest.	$	0.00
Total Amount Due and Payable to **WV State Auditor** - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	**$**	**564.55**

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(2025-C-000196 - CALHOUN COUNTY - S & R GAS VENTURES LTD)

To: SUSAN D. HERRON, 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 SHERMAN **MAP** 9999 **PARCEL** 0001 1380 3015

You will take notice that S & R GAS VENTURES LTD, the purchaser of the following real estate, **Cert. No.** 2025-C-000196, located in SHERMAN District, 1/4 100 SYCAMORE L C HAMILTON L & #6 W-1000, which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of HERRON SUSAN D, and was sold by the deputy commissioner of delinquent and nonentered lands of CALHOUN County at the sale for the delinquent taxes on April 23, 2026. S & R GAS VENTURES LTD requests that you be notified a deed for such real estate will be made on or after February 1, 2027, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before January 31, 2027 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 2024 - 17563.	$	85.85
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 2025 - 17613.	$	23.30
Additional taxes with interest.	$	0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest.	$	119.95
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest.	$	335.45
Additional Statutory Fees with interest.	$	0.00
Total Amount Due and Payable to **WV State Auditor** - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	**$**	**564.55**

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Given under my hand August 18, 2026

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(2025-C-000082 - CALHOUN COUNTY - EDCO MINERALS LLC)

To: GENEVA CARPENTER, 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 LEE **MAP** 9999 **PARCEL** 0000 4100 0000

You will take notice that EDCO MINERALS LLC, the purchaser of the following real estate, **Cert. No.** 2025-C-000082, located in LEE District, 1/2 50 BARNES, which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of CARPENTER GENEVA, and was sold by the deputy commissioner of delinquent and nonentered lands of CALHOUN County at the sale for the delinquent taxes on April 23, 2026. EDCO MINERALS LLC requests that you be notified a deed for such real estate will be made on or after January 1, 2027, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before December 31, 2026 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 2024 - 6081.	$	89.49
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 2025 - 6078.	$	26.99
Additional taxes with interest.	$	0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest.	$	209.95
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest.	$	335.45
Additional Statutory Fees with interest.	$	0.00
Total Amount Due and Payable to **WV State Auditor** - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	**$**	**661.88**

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(2025-C-000111 - CALHOUN COUNTY - EDCO MINERALS LLC)

To: LAURA RICHARDS HEIRS, ELVA MCCOY; GOLDIE SWERES; FLODA DUSKEY; ZELMA SIMONTON; MARTHA SNYDER, 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 LEE **MAP** 9999 **PARCEL** 0002 3950 0000

You will take notice that EDCO MINERALS LLC, the purchaser of the following real estate, **Cert. No.** 2025-C-000111, located in LEE District, 3/4 70 LITTLE CREEK, which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of RICHARDS LAURA HRS, and was sold by the deputy commissioner of delinquent and nonentered lands of CALHOUN County at the sale for the delinquent taxes on April 23, 2026. EDCO MINERALS LLC requests that you be notified a deed for such real estate will be made on or after January 1, 2027, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before December 31, 2026 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 2024 - 10001.	$	100.37
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 2025 - 10068.	$	38.15
Additional taxes with interest.	$	0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest.	$	209.95
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest.	$	366.95
Additional Statutory Fees with interest.	$	0.00
Total Amount Due and Payable to **WV State Auditor** - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	**$**	**715.42**

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(2025-C-000197 - CALHOUN COUNTY - EDCO MINERALS LLC)

To: NOROMA ENERGY, LLC, BAC MINERALS, LLC, GENEVA POST; DONALD MCCHESNEY POST; STELLA KNOTTS, 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 SHERMAN **MAP** 9999 **PARCEL** 0001 3040 0000

You will take notice that EDCO MINERALS LLC, the purchaser of the following real estate, **Cert. No.** 2025-C-000197, located in SHERMAN District, 1/4 13 SYCAMORE, which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of POST DONALD MONROE, and was sold by the deputy commissioner of delinquent and nonentered lands of CALHOUN County at the sale for the delinquent taxes on April 23, 2026. EDCO MINERALS LLC requests that you be notified a deed for such real estate will be made on or after January 1, 2027, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before December 31, 2026 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 2024 - 19085.	$	85.85
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 2025 - 19089.	$	23.30
Additional taxes with interest.	$	0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest.	$	103.29
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest.	$	313.70
Additional Statutory Fees with interest.	$	0.00
Total Amount Due and Payable to **WV State Auditor** - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	**$**	**526.14**

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(2025-C-000204 - CALHOUN COUNTY - EDCO MINERALS LLC)

To: HOLLY D. STUMP, CHARLES A. STUMP; GAY STUMP, 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 SHERMAN **MAP** 9999 **PARCEL** 0002 0150 3001

You will take notice that EDCO MINERALS LLC, the purchaser of the following real estate, **Cert. No.** 2025-C-000204, located in SHERMAN District, 1/8 35 OG RUSH RUN GAY STUMP HRS W-300, which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of STUMP HOLLY, and was sold by the deputy commissioner of delinquent and nonentered lands of CALHOUN County at the sale for the delinquent taxes on April 23, 2026. EDCO MINERALS LLC requests that you be notified a deed for such real estate will be made on or after January 1, 2027, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before December 31, 2026 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 2024 - 19085.	$	85.85
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 2025 - 19089.	$	23.30
Additional taxes with interest.	$	0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest.	$	103.29
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest.	$	366.95
Additional Statutory Fees with interest.	$	0.00
Total Amount Due and Payable to **WV State Auditor** - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	**$**	**579.39**

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(2025-C-000302 - CALHOUN COUNTY - EDCO MINERALS LLC)

To: NANNIE LAMB, c/o ADAM LAMB, JACKIE DWAYNE DYE, JOHN C. SNYDER, NORMA LOU NICHOLAS, CREED LAMB; HAZEL CHRISTIAN; RUBY FINLEY; NELLE DOWNEY; JAMES C. LAMB; GOLDIE RICE; DOROTHY JEAN SIERS; MARY SUE MULLENS; ROBERT LEE GROGGS; LOTTIE CLOUSER; LORETTA GRAY; FRANK GROGGS; GARY GROGGS; TED GROGGS; PAUL GROGGS, 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** 9999 **PARCEL** 0001 9510 3001

You will take notice that EDCO MINERALS LLC, the purchaser of the following real estate, **Cert. No.** 2025-C-000302, located in WASHINGTON District, 8/9 OF 1/2 49 WALKER OGM, which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of LAMB NANNIE, and was sold by the deputy commissioner of delinquent and nonentered lands of CALHOUN County at the sale for the delinquent taxes on April 23, 2026. EDCO MINERALS LLC requests that you be notified a deed for such real estate will be made on or after January 1, 2027, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before December 31, 2026 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 2024 - 24942.	$	85.85
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 2025 - 24963.	$	23.30
Additional taxes with interest.	$	0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest.	$	103.29
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest.	$	728.91
Additional Statutory Fees with interest.	$	0.00
Total Amount Due and Payable to **WV State Auditor** - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	**$**	**941.35**

You may redeem at any time before December 31, 2026, by paying the above total less any unearned interest.

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(2025-C-000321 - CALHOUN COUNTY - EDCO MINERALS LLC)

To: CALVIN L. SMITH, c/o ROBERTA SIMMONS, STEPHEN L. SATTERFIELD, EDWIN L. SMITH, DORMAL FAY MEEKS, JACKIE D. SMITH, PATRICIA R. DEBOW, c/o KEITH DEBOW, JOHN W. SMITH; RUBY THOMPSON; RICHARD L. SMITH, 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** 9999 **PARCEL** 0002 7910 0000

You will take notice that EDCO MINERALS LLC, the purchaser of the following real estate, **Cert. No.** 2025-C-000321, located in WASHINGTON District, 1/2 19 L NICUT RO JO W-190, which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of SMITH SPURGEON ETUX, and was sold by the deputy commissioner of delinquent and nonentered lands of CALHOUN County at the sale for the delinquent taxes on April 23, 2026. EDCO MINERALS LLC requests that you be notified a deed for such real estate will be made on or after January 1, 2027, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before December 31, 2026 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 2024 - 26845.	$	85.85
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 2025 - 26816.	$	23.30
Additional taxes with interest.	$	0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest.	$	103.29
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest.	$	1,013.73
Additional Statutory Fees with interest.	$	0.00
Total Amount Due and Payable to **WV State Auditor** - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	**$**	**1,226.17**

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(2025-C-000117 - CALHOUN COUNTY - EDCO MINERALS LLC)

To: PAUL BROUGHTON, 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 LEE **MAP** 9999 **PARCEL** 0002 6480 3002

You will take notice that EDCO MINERALS LLC, the purchaser of the following real estate, **Cert. No.** 2025-C-000117, located in LEE District, 5/6 50 BARNES RUN 1/2 INT, which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of BROUGHTON PAUL, and was sold by the deputy commissioner of delinquent and nonentered lands of CALHOUN County at the sale for the delinquent taxes on April 23, 2026. EDCO MINERALS LLC requests that you be notified a deed for such real estate will be made on or after January 1, 2027, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before December 31, 2026 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 2024 - 5743.	$	85.85
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 2025 - 5750.	$	23.30
Additional taxes with interest.	$	0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest.	$	209.95
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest.	$	251.45
Additional Statutory Fees with interest.	$	0.00
Total Amount Due and Payable to **WV State Auditor** - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	**$**	**570.55**

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(2025-C-000181 - CALHOUN COUNTY - EDCO MINERALS LLC)

To: LEONA V BASORE, c/o DELORES JOSLIN, 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 SHERMAN **MAP** 9999 **PARCEL** 0000 0910 0000

You will take notice that EDCO MINERALS LLC, the purchaser of the following real estate, **Cert. No.** 2025-C-000181, located in SHERMAN District, 1/28 1000 BEAR RUN PRIM #1070 ANGLE W-340, which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of BASORE LEONA V, and was sold by the deputy commissioner of delinquent and nonentered lands of CALHOUN County at the sale for the delinquent taxes on April 23, 2026. EDCO MINERALS LLC requests that you be notified a deed for such real estate will be made on or after January 1, 2027, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before December 31, 2026 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 2024 - 15645.	$	85.85
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 2025 - 15732.	$	23.30
Additional taxes with interest.	$	0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest.	$	103.29
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest.	$	377.45
Additional Statutory Fees with interest.	$	0.00
Total Amount Due and Payable to **WV State Auditor** - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	**$**	**589.89**

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(2025-C-000218 - CALHOUN COUNTY - EDCO MINERALS LLC)

To: CAROLYN A. SCOTT, c/o JULIA SCOTT, LELIA MCCUTCHEON, 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 SHERMAN **MAP** 9999 **PARCEL** 0004 4610 3001

You will take notice that EDCO MINERALS LLC, the purchaser of the following real estate, **Cert. No.** 2025-C-000218, located in SHERMAN District, 1/20 INT 74 BULL RIVER, which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of SCOTT CAROLYN A, and was sold by the deputy commissioner of delinquent and nonentered lands of CALHOUN County at the sale for the delinquent taxes on April 23, 2026. EDCO MINERALS LLC requests that you be notified a deed for such real estate will be made on or after February 1, 2027, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before January 31, 2027 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 2024 - 19679.	$	86.61
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 2025 - 19674.	$	23.51
Additional taxes with interest.	$	0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest.	$	103.84
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest.	$	391.65
Additional Statutory Fees with interest.	$	0.00
Total Amount Due and Payable to **WV State Auditor** - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	**$**	**605.61**

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(2025-C-000242 - CALHOUN COUNTY - EDCO MINERALS LLC)

To: CORA M JARVIS, c/o GERALD JARVIS, OTIS JARVIS; HARRIET C. PARSONS, 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** 9999 **PARCEL** 0001 6550 0000

You will take notice that EDCO MINERALS LLC, the purchaser of the following real estate, **Cert. No.** 2025-C-000242, located in WASHINGTON District, 1/4 63 MEADOW RUN, which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of JARVIS CORA M, and was sold by the deputy commissioner of delinquent and nonentered lands of CALHOUN County at the sale for the delinquent taxes on April 23, 2026. EDCO MINERALS LLC requests that you be notified a deed for such real estate will be made on or after January 1, 2027, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before December 31, 2026 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 2024 - 24246.	$	83.16
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 2025 - 24263.	$	24.10
Additional taxes with interest.	$	0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest.	$	134.95
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest.	$	403.70
Additional Statutory Fees with interest.	$	0.00
Total Amount Due and Payable to **WV State Auditor** - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	**$**	**645.91**

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To: GAIL L. BOGGS, 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** 9999 **PARCEL** 0004 0430 0000

You will take notice that EDCO MINERALS LLC, the purchaser of the following real estate, **Cert. No.** 2025-C-000337, located in WASHINGTON District, 1/384 15, which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of BOGGS GAIL L, and was sold by the deputy commissioner of delinquent and nonentered lands of CALHOUN County at the sale for the delinquent taxes on April 23, 2026. EDCO MINERALS LLC requests that you be notified a deed for such real estate will be made on or after January 1, 2027, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before December 31, 2026 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 2024 - 21614.	$	85.85
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 2025 - 21668.	$	23.30
Additional taxes with interest.	$	0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest.	$	103.29
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest.	$	403.70
Additional Statutory Fees with interest.	$	0.00
Total Amount Due and Payable to **WV State Auditor** - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	**$**	**616.14**

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To: GAIL L. BOGGS, 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** 9999 **PARCEL** 0004 0440 0000

You will take notice that EDCO MINERALS LLC, the purchaser of the following real estate, **Cert. No.** 2025-C-000338, located in WASHINGTON District, 1/192 44.75, which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of BOGGS GAIL L, and was sold by the deputy commissioner of delinquent and nonentered lands of CALHOUN County at the sale for the delinquent taxes on April 23, 2026. EDCO MINERALS LLC requests that you be notified a deed for such real estate will be made on or after January 1, 2027, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before December 31, 2026 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 2024 - 21615.	$	85.85
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 2025 - 21669.	$	23.30
Additional taxes with interest.	$	0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest.	$	103.29
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Additional Statutory Fees with interest.	$	0.00
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Grant From Senator Manchin Leads to More Secure Homes in Calhoun

By Stephen Smoot

A little over three years ago came the welcome news from United States Senator Joe Manchin's office that help was on the way to Calhoun Homes. From congressionally directed spending, called in the days of Senator Robert Byrd "earmarks", came $200,000 for weatherization and stabilization at Calhoun Homes.

Announcement of the grant came in July 2023 as part of $77 million total directed to projects in West Virginia that came from three different funding bills passed by Congress. Funds came from the United States Housing and Urban Development's Community Development Fund and the project was entitled the Critical Housing Stabilization and Weatherization Project.

Calhoun Homes is managed by Robin Hughes who "worked tirelessly over the last three and a half years to see the grant to fruition." Her partner in the effort is husband Jim "who also performs maintenance on units or the property when needed."

The facility serves a vital purpose. A growing problem across the state lies in the lack of affordable housing, especially for families. Calhoun Homes exists to provide stable, affordable, and secure housing to those who might otherwise struggle to obtain it.

Calhoun Homes was founded in May of 1969. It came at the head of a wave of rural low-income housing projects developed across the nation in the 1970s. Calhoun Homes has served tenants and the community at large for almost 60 years.

Its 24 units include studio options as well as units with between one and three bedrooms, providing homes for individuals and families alike. The complex provides Section Eight housing through the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development.

"The original siding had never been replaced," said Mrs. Hughes. She also described that windows were at some points replaced haphazardly when they were broken. This resulted in some that were "so old they wouldn't lock. Some wouldn't even shut."

Congressionally directed spending marks a return to individual United States senators and representatives having the authority to direct a certain amount of federal funding to projects of need or opportunity in their district or state.

Last week, Calhoun Homes was joined by the Lions Club to celebrate the completion of the project. Organizers provided hot dogs, drinks, and games such as cornhole as residents and partners supported the accomplishment earned by hard work and perseverance.





The $200,000 grant helped to provide a fresh looking exterior that better secures energy efficiency for the home. The funds from Senator Manchin helped to bring new life to the five decade old homes. Photo courtesy of Calhoun Homes

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ing a comfort to the ill or those whose families had died, officiating over weddings and funerals, being fully a man of God to a congregation who trusted him.

"Was I spiritually strong enough to lead a church?" he asked God and himself. The answer was eventually clear to the young man who concluded, "no I wasn't." That answer did not mean never so much as not yet.

"This was how my ministry started vocationally," Law stated, going on to say that "the last 41 years I have always tried to follow God, wherever He has me go."

For a year and a half, Law wrestled with the responsibility of a full time pastor role that he resisted. "Not everyone agrees with what the Lord leads us to do," he explained, then said "God kept calling me for 18 months until I said 'God, here I am.'"

As the Dan Schutte hymn reads "I have heard you calling in the night/I will go Lord, if You will lead me . . . Here I am Lord."

Law then signed up to make himself available for full time service. Within six days, a small church in Parkersburg submitted their request. Union Valley Baptist Church, shared Law, had served congregants and God since 1876. From that time until Law entered the pulpit, its pastors averaged three years and two months of service.

"I was there 20 years," he said.

God's calling rarely leads to ease and comfort. Law entered a church where 40 or so of the 60 or so members hailed from the same family. "The church's business was decided in the patriarch's house before business meetings," he said.

Law had to walk into the furnace in a sense. The church had done things in their own way for a long time and Law worked to change that culture. "I shrunk that church" at first, he said. After about a year, the fire of that forge tested Law to his limits.

After a time "I called Jim Bennett, who headed up Calhoun Banks" to ask for his old job back. Two men were hired to do what he had done himself in his day job and they weren't working out. Bennett was pleased to hear from him, but understood that Law would need time to pray on it before changing jobs.

Over time, Law prayed and "I didn't hear a loud voice" for a time. Then came his answer. 'give me two years. I will not bless you for leaving now." Law accepted God's instruction and let Bennett know that he could not return to the bank.

Law recommitted himself to the church and in turn it committed itself to him.

Then, about two decades later, Law heard from God again. His time at the church that he had led so effectively was coming to an end.

Not because the church rejected Law. Not because Law wanted to leave. It was just time to move forward. He told the congregation he was leaving in December of 2021.

For three months, he lived the life of a retired man and said of that time "I felt absolutely worthless. What am I doing? Is this what retirement is?" He shared also that during that time he wished to be more useful.

Law then returned to what he had been doing prior to Union Valley, filling in for pastors who needed to be away from their pulpit, taking interim roles as well.

Then came the call to serve as pastor for a church winding down its own history. Congregation numbers had started falling before the pandemic, but the strains of those years were too much for the church. By the time Law led their flock, the numbers were down to about eight to 10 coming regularly.

"They needed to close, but they didn't want to," he remembered, "My heart ached for them." The congregation's lives had revolved so much around that church and their church family and their final pastor provided comfort to them as they made their way to the difficult decision to close down.

Next, Law found himself at Pine Grove Baptist Church in Parkersburg and served there until his time was done. As he says, however, " a pastor doesn't retire until God brings you home."

God brought Law home, but not in the same meaning as that. He said "My bucket list to God . . . before I die, I'd like to preach one more time in the church that showed me how to preach the Gospel.

Pastor Rick Godfrey helped to bring home Law. They entered into talks about when Law might come and fill in for Godfrey, including looking at Law's summer schedule that was filled with commitments to youth camps and other church obligations.

When he did come back to First Baptist to preach, his hometown church noticed. "Offerings were up a bit," he noted, as was attendance. By spring, Law was in discussions with the church deacons about returning. He refused a salary, saying "if I am, I am not coming back for the money, but for God. I can come back for zero until we get the church going."

The church, however, refused his refusal and insisted that he take some compensation. Law gave in to the hardball tactics and agreed that whatever the church would come up with, he'd accept.

Democracy plays a big part in the Baptists Church. Congregations vote on incoming full time pastors. Law steeled himself for the vote, resolving that if less than two thirds of congregants voted yes, that he would accept as God's will that he not return to First Baptist.

He need not have worried. In a move that Law shares is extraordinarily rare, the church voted unanimously to welcome him back.

As pastor, he has ventured out into the community to see and speak with anyone. Last Friday night, he went to watch the early season excitement of Calhoun County's much improved football squad.

Following the path laid out by God did not require much movement geographically, just down to the mouth of the Little Kanawha River and back. That said, the spiritual journey of a young man simply wishing to serve in any way into the seasoned pastor who has guided congregations through good and hard times, has taken him much, much farther.

As the Psalmist wrote, when a person trusts the Lord with their whole heart, above his own understanding, it is remarkable what kind of journey one can experience and how many people one can help through the power of God.



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