Time for West Virginia to Band Together

Summer, the time of year when people are booming with national pride. We celebrate holidays like Flag Day, the 4th of July and West Virginia Day. These festivities spread patriotism throughout our state as we all appreciate what a privilege it is to live in the greatest country in the world, a country where people are taught about freedom, personal responsibility and duty to one another. President Kennedy summed up this duty perfectly when he famously said, “Ask not what your country can do for you, ask what you can do for your country.”

West Virginia is facing extraordinarily tough times. Our population continues to decline as young people flee for better opportunities, the drug crisis is reaching unprecedented heights and the finances of the state seem to be in jeopardy every year. Sadly, our future may look bleak at times, but that does not mean we have to let prophecy become a reality. Mountaineers have always been resilient through the tough times, no matter the odds. This is what makes the people of West Virginia the greatest in the nation. We never give up, and we always find a way. Our state will have brighter days ahead of her and create a prosperous future, if we all pull together.

Any good Marine knows to accomplish the mission you need a top notch team. That team for West Virginia is our Governor, Board of Public Works, the Legislature, local governments and most importantly the people of our great state. We saw the power we have as a collective group on display with the Department of Tourism “Almost Heaven” media campaign for West Virginia’s birthday. Every one of us can act as a pitchman, selling our state to the rest of the nation. Individually, our voices are quiet, but together they cannot be ignored.

The military was inundated with so much, the trauma of war, they didn’t realize the impact it was having on soldiers until we were two, three, four years into the war,” stressed Poling. “The chaplain core and mental health workers were overwhelmed so they started training senior NCO’s, like myself, that had good records and an innate personality to be with people and be calming.”

In 2007, Poling was deployed to Iraq. “Part of my job was to intervene with units that had been in combat, under fire and mortar attack day after day. I’d hold soldiers and have them talk to me. I’d try to help them forget about what was going on,” explained Poling.

He also counseled those who carried out dangerous and often deadly missions, including members of SEAL Team 3. It wasn’t until years later when Poling and his wife saw the movie “American Sniper” that he realized one of those men he counseled was Chris Kyle.

In 2009, Poling was assigned to the 436th Airlift Wing at Dover Air Force Base as part of the chaplain team for Mortuary Operations. That’s where fallen warriors and all bodies were returned for processing. He would help comfort the families.

“In the morning, I would be with the bodies, many of which were unrecognizable, and then in the afternoon I’d meet with the deceased’s loved ones explaining why they couldn’t see their son or brother or father one last time. It was one of the most devastating things that happened to me,” Poling said. “I survived there, but I broke when I got home.”

Poling was stationed in Texas when he began to have dissociative episodes. He would lose minutes, sometimes hours, of time before he would regain awareness only to find himself in a place with no knowledge of how he got there. “My troops started talking to me, asking me if there was something wrong. They said I was acting different. I’d get angry and say, ‘You all just need to settle down! There’s nothing wrong with me!’”

Then came his fourth dissociative episode. “I got into a heated exchange with my supervisor and I broke.

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— James McCormick, WVDA Veterans and Warriors to Agriculture program director, stressed Poling, and many other vets, find solace in bees.
Wood County youth learn about everyday safety

Farms have their share of safety risks, but that’s hardly the only place young people might encounter danger. A long-running program in Wood County is helping to ensure that children understand that common activities, machines and situations can present potentially deadly risks.

“We hope to have the children walk away from the day with the knowledge of how to stay safe and what to do in an emergency situation,” said Janet Wigal, Wood County Farm Bureau Secretary and Coordinator of the Progressive Agriculture Safety Day.

“There’s just so much that the children love and because they enjoy it so much it; they take that back with them. They remember it and share what they’ve learned with their friends [and] their families,” she said.

One of the presenters at the two-day program was Mon Power’s Mike Courtey who teaches a popular session on electrical safety.

He recalled one instance where he was called out for an outage and downed lines. Some kids had been throwing football and had torn down some secondary lines. Although they weren’t high voltage, the lines were still carrying a dangerous level of household current, Courtey explained.

“A little boy was standing on the porch [when I arrived] and he got all excited and he said, ‘I know you – you’re Mike! You’re the one from Progressive Agriculture Safety Day and you taught us about electrical safety. I did exactly what you said. I told my little brother to stay away and I called for help,’” Courtey related with a grin. “There’s a good chance that it saved his brother’s life.”

Norm Bailey, West Virginia Department of Agriculture (WVDA) Chief of Staff, stopped by to see the happenings on the first day of the sessions, May 23.

“These kids today are learning a variety of topics and it’s very timely that they are. Recently in the area, we’ve lost three farmers to accidents.” Bailey said. “That concerns us. [These children] may not live on a farm, but they need to understand that farm equipment is dangerous. Running a tractor is dangerous. Running a lawn mower can be dangerous.”

Sessions included hands-on safety demonstrations for lawn tractors, farm tractors and ATVs, plus sessions on household chemicals, electricity, fire, internet and disability awareness, according to Wigal. She added that the impact of the program has been substantial.

“I’ve been doing it for seven years and I just got a notice from Progressive Agriculture Foundation that I have had 1,171 children pass through since I’ve been the coordinator. JoEllen Blair was the coordinator for several years before that so I have no idea what her total was, but I’d have to say at least 15,000.”

Sponsors of the program are Progressive Agriculture Foundation, Wood County Commission, Mid-Ohio Valley Bank Group, Farm Credit and the WVDA.

Bee-liever, continued

I don’t remember anything. I got up and walked out of the office and got into my vehicle. I drove home and went to my closet where I kept a 9mm handgun. I sat down on the bed, racked the action and chambered the round. When the action snapped, I come to and became aware of what was going on. I was like, ‘Oh my gosh!’ That was my final breaking point. I called my boss and said, ‘I need help.’ That was the beginning of my path towards healing.”

Poling was forced to take medical retirement.

He and his wife returned to Grafton. However, his demons remained. He went to counseling and started taking medication, but the anxiety, depression and feelings of guilt continued. Then he heard about a program run by the West Virginia Department of Agriculture’s Veteran and Warriors to Agriculture - beekeeping. Poling attended a beginner’s beekeeping class, talked with other veterans who were in the bee business and decided to give it a go, starting out with one hive. Two years later, he says his bees, or ‘his girls’ as he calls them, are his refuge.

“This is therapy for me,” explained Poling. “I come out here and talk to my girls and they talk to me. Sometimes they talk in a very strong language by giving me a sting, and I accept that. But most of the time, we get along.”

The change in Poling, according to his wife Cathy, has been miraculous.

“The bees soothe him. It gives him joy. He’s more relaxed when he’s around them. It brings him peace.”

James McCormick, Director of the WVDA’s Veterans and Warriors to Agriculture program, stressed Poling and many other vets find solace in bees. “Bees have one job in life, a purpose. It’s all about the greater good of the hive. The veterans see this. They come to understand that life goes on. It redirects their anger and anxiety into something productive.”

When Poling talks about his bees, his eyes light up. He’s more animated, more alive. “There really is an energy about it for me, a spiritual element to it,” he stressed. “They have this rhythm about them, the humming and the buzzing. You can hear the B52’s, the drones or male bees, come flying in to the hive. Either they’re rejected or they’re let in. Guys, they never get any breaks.”

The bees “ground” Poling and give him something to keep his hands and mind busy.

“I just had the two end hives three weeks ago. Then the colonies exploded and now I have four hives,” said Poling. “I’m learning new things. It’s exciting! Every day is a new adventure with the girls.”

Poling isn’t afraid to admit not every day is a good day. There are still dark times and days he’s unable to do anything. But his bees have given him a purpose. For now, Poling and his wife are enjoying the fruits of his labor, eating the honey his girls’ produce and taking it day by day.

“I continue to work through my issues and do the best I can. My bees help. It’s the beginning of what I think is a peaceful road for me. That’s my hope.”

Kent’s Reflections, continued

We cannot stress enough how important leaders in our communities will be to our comeback story. During a visit to McDowell County, we had the opportunity to talk with several leaders about how agriculture can help one of the poorest counties in the state. At its peak, McDowell County had over 100,000 residents. In 70 years, that number has dropped to a mere 22,000. The situation for McDowell is not a new phenomenon. This is the same county in which President Kennedy gave a speech on poverty in 1963. Our conversations locally started with Sky Edwards, Jason Tartt and Joel McKinney. Without partnership, we may not be working so diligently to make agriculture part of the solution to fixing the county’s economic woes.

The great flood of last year brought us together. It showed how much we care about our fellow mountaineers, and the power, we the people, have to make West Virginia a place we all can be proud of. I end with this, “Ask not what West Virginia can do for you, ask what you can do for West Virginia.” Let’s stop making excuses, think outside the box and move our state forward. Will you join me? Let’s get to work!

Semper Fi,
The West Virginia Agriculture and Forestry Hall of Fame (WVAFHF) Foundation has selected eight outstanding individuals for induction in 2017. These individuals will be honored at the annual banquet at Jackson’s Mill Saturday, July 15, 2017. A reception will begin at 5 p.m., followed by dinner at the Jackson’s Mill dining hall at 6 p.m. Inductees for 2017 are: Robert Arthur Dailey of Morgantown, Green Bank native Kirklyn McNeer Kerr, Carl W. Larew (dec.), Shirley C. Eagan (dec.), Nora M. MacDonald of Morgantown, Staunton C. Haynes II of South Charleston, Charles Russell Lloyd of Sutton and Gilbert A. Martin (dec.).

The Banquet is open to the public. Tickets are $35 each and can be purchased from Robin Gothard at 304-558-3200.

Enshrinement in the WVAFHFOF is reserved for those individuals, businesses, organizations, institutions and foundations that have made outstanding contributions to the establishment, development, advancement and improvement of the agricultural, forestry and family life of West Virginia.

The WVAFHF Foundation was chartered in 1974. In 1976, the Board of Governors voted to include forestry professionals in the Hall of Fame.

Robert Arthur Dailey of Morgantown is a 1967 graduate of WVU and coordinator of the Davis-Michael Scholars Program at WVU’s Davis College of Agriculture, Natural Resources and Design, which helps prepare students for success in veterinary school. He has served as coach of the WVU Dairy Judging Team, has obtained numerous grants, advised hundreds of students at all degree levels and has worked as a reviewer for nine different scientific journals, while authoring 111 research papers of his own. He was the WVU Foundation’s “Outstanding Teacher” in 1997, and the recipient of the Ethel and Gerry Heebink Award for Distinguished and Extended Service, WVU’s highest award for service to the state, among many other honors and awards.

Dr. Kirklyn McNeer Kerr, D.V.M., Ph.D., a Green Bank native, graduated from WVU with a degree in Animal Science and later earned his D.V.M. degree from Ohio State University in 1961. He also has a M.S. degree in Medical Microbiology from WVU and a Ph.D. in Veterinary Pathology from Texas A&M University. He has been a certified Diplomate in the American College of Veterinary Pathologists since 1968. He is a former member of the Mountaineer football team, and credits his educational achievements to his early work in 4-H, turning sheep shearing earnings into tuition money. He has taught, or served as an administrator, at five colleges. He is the author or co-author of more than 70 research articles, and holds Distinguished Alumnus awards from both WVU and Ohio State.

Carl W. Larew (dec.) spent 32 years as a Vo-Ag instructor at Preston County High School (PCHS) and a lifetime as a practical farmer. At PCHS he has worked as a reviewer for nine different scientific journals, while authoring 111 research papers of his own. He was the WVU Foundation’s “Outstanding Teacher” in 1997, and the recipient of the Ethel and Gerry Heebink Award for Distinguished and Extended Service, WVU’s highest award for service to the state, among many other honors and awards.

Shirley C. Eagan (dec.) graduated from Marshall University Cum Laude in 1964 with a B.A. in Vocational Home Economics. She went on to earn a M.Ed. degree in Adult Education and Guidance and Counseling from North Carolina State University in 1969, and an Ed.D. from WVU in Higher Education and Adult Education in 1985. During her 32 years with the WVU Cooperative Extension Service, Eagan provided educational opportunities for men, women and local communities. She was liaison between the Extension Service and the Continuing Education Outreach Service (CEOS). Under her leadership, CEOS membership reached over 8,000. She has spent numerous hours in her retirement sorting, filing and preserving the archives of Jackson’s Mill 4-H camp. She was inducted into the 4-H All Stars and presented with the 4-H Distinguished Service Award in 1994. In 2003, she was named a “Special Friend of Jackson’s Mill.”

Nora M. MacDonald of Morgantown earned B.S. and M.S. degrees in Textiles and Clothing from Iowa State University. In 1971, she was appointed instructor in Fashion Design and Merchandising at the WVU Davis College of Agriculture, Natural Resources and Design. She is currently a professor in the School of Design and Community Development. Among her projects are her work researching and designing apparel for individuals with disabilities. She has published 24 scientific articles on the topic. She also served as coordinator for a national exhibit that traveled to six major museums over a four-year period. She has twice served as president of the International Textiles and Apparel Association. At the state level, she has served as president of the WV Association of Family and Consumer Sciences, formerly the WV Home Economics Association. She was named “Outstanding Teacher” in the Division of Family and Consumer Sciences in 1996.

Staunton Clark Haynes II of South Charleston graduated WVU Magna Cum Laude with a B.S. in Forest Research Management in 1972, followed by a M.S. in Plant Pathology in 1976. He spent 34 years at the West Virginia Department of Agriculture (WVDA), 24 as a forest pathologist and 10 years as assistant director of the Forest Health Section. He was involved in detecting and combating several forest pests, including oak wilt, white pine blister rust, beech bark disease, ash yellows, emerald ash borer and hemlock woolly adelgid.

WHAT’S COOKIN’

Chicken Salad with Bacon, Lettuce, and Tomato

Place bacon in a large skillet and cook over medium-high heat, turning occasionally, until evenly browned, about 10 minutes. Drain bacon slices on paper towels; crumble.

Place chicken, bacon, tomato, and celery in a bowl. Whisk mayonnaise, parsley, green onions, lemon juice, Worcestershire sauce, salt, and black pepper together in a bowl until dressing is smooth. Pour dressing over chicken mixture; toss to coat. Refrigerate until chilled, at least 30 minutes.

In a blender or food processor, mix the cilantro, olive oil, garlic, lime juice, sugar, salt, pepper, and hot pepper, and red onion.

husks. Cut the corn kernels from the cob, and place in a medium bowl. Mix in the red bell pepper, green bell pepper, and red onion.

In a blender or food processor, mix the cilantro, olive oil, garlic, lime juice, sugar, salt, pepper, and hot sauce. Blend until smooth, and stir into the corn salad.

Preheat an oven to 375°F. Lightly grease a 9x13-inch baking dish.

Mix the rhubarb, peach, white sugar, and ¼ cup flour together in a large bowl until evenly combined; pour into the prepared baking dish and spread into an even layer.

Stir in zucchini, and cook 3-5 minutes. Mix in garlic and tomatoes. Continue cooking, stirring occasionally, until the mixture comes to a boil.

Creamy Summer Pasta Salad with Shaved Parmesan

Cook pasta in salted water according to the package instructions.

While pasta is cooking, heat olive oil in a 12-14 inch skillet or saute pan. Add onions and saute until soft and glassy, but not brown. Add garlic and cook for a minute stirring constantly. Add kale and cook until it is soft but still bright green and textured, about 2 minutes. Add cherry tomatoes and zucchini, season with salt and pepper. Cook for an additional 1-2 minutes. Remove from heat.

Drain pasta into a large bowl, add Mascarpone and rosemary, stir well. Stir in the kale-tomato mixture. Top with almonds and shaved Parmesan cheese.
Maple Confections Classes to be held July 28th and 29th

The West Virginia Department of Agriculture (WVDA), in conjunction with the West Virginia Maple Syrup Producers Association and Pierpont Community & Technical College, have announced the creation of a Maple Confections School. The classes will take place July 28th and 29th from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the college in Fairmont. "This is workforce development in action! What an exciting opportunity for people to be plugged into a growing industry in West Virginia," stated Commissioner of Agriculture Kent Leonhardt. "Last year, we saw a 33 percent increase in production from our maple producers which makes these classes so timely." The class will be taught by Jake Mosher. Mosher has been in the confections industry for over a decade and helps run a family farm that produces over 600 gallons of maple syrup annually. All syrup produced by their farm goes into value-added products like candy, creams and sugars.

The two-day school will be broken up into Confections 101 on Friday. It will focus on the basics of hand-making small batches of maple candy, cream, sugar and lollipops, and how to choose the best syrup to make a product. Confections 201 will take place on Saturday. The class will offer advanced techniques for confection making, avoiding common mistake and learning how to use machinery to make different confections. "The goal of these classes is to give attendees the tools they need to create value-added products based around maple syrup production. If producers know how to take the raw product and make it into something more tangible, they can increase their profit margins hand over fist," stressed WVDA Commodity Technical Assistant Mike Rechlin.

Both classes are open to the public, however, space is limited. There is a $15 fee for each class. Those who wish to attend need to register in advance at https://www.facebook.com/wvmaplesyrup or contact Rachel Taylor at frostmorefarm@gmail.com or (304) 456-4331.

Doc’s Teas Attends Fancy Food Show in NYC

Doc’s Teas was a big hit at this year’s Fancy Food Show in New York City (June 23-25), the largest specialty food and beverage event in North America. The Inwood company, which makes caffeine-free, fresh brewed teas, was one of 2,400 exhibitors at the show which features products from around the world. Ten international companies sat down with the owners of Doc’s Teas, Dr. Kenneth Langford and Rhonda Banks. One of their business development strategies is to explore international sales and the show helped them work towards this objective. Inwood company, which makes caffeine-free, fresh brewed teas, was one of 2,400 exhibitors at the show which features products from around the world. Ten international companies sat down with the owners of Doc’s Teas, Dr. Kenneth and Rhonda Banks. One of their business development strategies is to explore international sales and the show helped them work towards this objective.

Conservation Farm of the Year

A big congratulations to the winner of the 2016 Conservation Farm of the Year – Canterbury Farms in Sinks Grove. Commissioner Kent Leonhardt visited the farm to congratulate owners Bill and Carolyn Canterbury. The couple raise beef cattle on 660-acres in Monroe County. The Commissioner presented the Canterbury’s with a $1,000 check, a plaque and the keys to a brand new John Deere tractor. They’ll have use of that machine for 200 hours. The Conservation Farm of the Year is selected by a panel of judges based on implementation of conservation practices and community-based services.

Classified Announcements

AD DEADLINES

August 2017... Phone-In ads for the August issue must be received by 12 noon on Thursday, July 13. Written ads for the August issue must be received by 1 p.m. on Friday, July 14.

September 2017... Phone-In ads for the September issue must be received by 12 noon on Monday, August 14. Written ads for the September issue must be received by 1 p.m. on Tuesday, August 15.

To submit an Ad: To submit an Ad: Phone: 304-558-2225 Fax: 304-558-3311 Email: marketbulletin@wvda.us Mail: 1900 Kanawha Blvd., E. Charleston, WV 25305

Honey bees, $125 plus $5/bee frame; ventilated helmet with Pro Square Veil has elastic band on top & bottom, $35. Burnard Gibson, 467 Laurel Heights Ct., Sutton, 26601; 439-4832.

Nucs, 5-frame w/17 queens, $175. Teresa Waggoner, 209 N. Meadowlark Dr., Williamstown, 26171; 482-6401.


Reg. Black Angus 13-mo.-20-mo. bulls, GAR Objective, Daybreak, Hoover Dam blood, easy handling/calving, vac., papers complete, $2,000/up. Fred Edgell, 1471 Bingamon Rd., Worthington, 26591; 592-2717.

Reg. Limousin & Lim-Flex yrlg. bulls, both red & black, polled, perf. & EPD info avail., good disp., semen tested, $2,000/up. Kim Getz, 122 Dolly Hill Rd., Scherr, 26726; 749-8043; ralimousin@frontiernet.net.

Pure Black Angus yrlg. bulls, calving ease, good disp., $1,000/up. Roger Collins, 2684 Leading Crk. Rd., Big Springs, 26137; 354-7744.

Reg. Polled Hereford: 2-yr. bulls, yrlg. bulls/ heifers, Remittal Online 122L blood, $1,200/ea.; 24-mo. bulls, 2, $1,800/ea. Clark Rayburn, 1000 Chadwick Crt., Point Pleasant, 26051; 675-4516; j.rayburn830@aol.com.
Advertisements for land MUST be about farmland that is at least five (5) acres in size and located in West Virginia. Advertisers must include accommodations for house, barn, hayfield, garden, etc. But no specifics, i.e., new kitchen, family room, etc. Ads for the sale or rent of farmland are acceptable from individuals, but must include the above. Advertisements for hunting land, commercial or city properties CANNOT be accepted.

Nicholas Co.: 120A. who does, i.g. garage, outbuildings, pool, good water, 15 acres, 80 A. woods, end of rd., fenced, improvement, and equipment, easy access, 20 minutes to Summersville, $350,000. William Lindenthal, 2632 Anthony Circle Rd., Birch River 62110; 574-3577.

Preston Co.: 11% A. who does, fruit trees, berries, 2 outbuildings, stream, $118,000. Donna Pratt, 888 Blazer Rd., Tunnelton, 26444; 219-2054.

Braxton Co.: 65 A. who does, sm. barn, workshop, all utilities, nice garden area, stream through property, good water well, private, no restrictions, in 10 m. of Gassaway, $175,000. Doris Loyalson, 443 May Fork Rd., Gassaway, 26624; 364-4627.

Upshur Co.: 105A. who does, 60 A. pasture, 30 A. hayfields, 15 A. woods, 4 ponds, 3200 sq. ft. brick.F, Conn. 26, 12408 Franklin Hwy., Fort Ashby, 27919; 294-4337.

ADGA: 50A. who does, 3-bay outbuilding, i.g., barn, 2 outbuildings, shed, stream, private, creek, natural spring, $285,000. Glenna Whetsell, P.O. Box 654, Kingwood, 26537; 441-2699; q1ates2497@ Hughes.net.

Goat Sales
Nubian: 2-y. bl., $150, young goats, $10.00-$125.00; John Franklin, P.O. Box 305, Craigsville, 26205; 742-3353.

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July 20-22, registration 8:30 a.m.; 9 a.m. Sat. morning. Bluefield City Park Wayn Barthe, 320-1717; canadel #@outlook.com.

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Equipment Sales
Plows:
GEHL
Cockshutt,
Farmall,
Ford,
Kubota,
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John Deere,
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Poultry Sales

Quail, $10-15 per dozen; cornish game hens, $6-10; broilers, $2.50-3.00/lb.

Barbour Co. Beekeepers Assoc.
Monthly Meeting
4th Saturday, 1 p.m.

Shinnston, WV
Glenville, W.Va.
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ACC as hedging or working as can be accepted.

MOUNTAIN ROOTS MARKET INC.
Consignment Farmers Market

Spencer, W.Va.

Mountaineer Beekeepers Assoc.
Monthly Meeting
3rd Saturday, 6 p.m.

Mary T. Clay, 467-7433.

Taylor 4-yr., black, $1,200. Butch Shomo, 1897-1137.

Time Hanover seed, Sheldon Dorsey, 352-2287.

Poultry tools; firewood. Only dogs recognized by the

Kakanaliski, 242-9875.

Monocot. Monthly Meeting
3rd Wednesday, 7 p.m.

Cattle Crossing Station Rd., Davis, 26201; 351-2352.

Kc_in_wv@hotmail.com.

All bee colonies must be registered with the
West Virginia Department of Agriculture.

Contact J. Michael McFarland, 619-0610.

457-5332.

Saddle, Gen II Tucker. Southpass, 17.5 seat, 4'H, dark brown,

Nubian/Barb/surinder, 8-9 weeks.

Mountain State Christian School

Monthly Meeting
3rd Saturday, 7 p.m.

Contact Michael Sanders, 782-2755.

Kana Valley Beekeepers Assoc.
Meeting
July 15
Mountain State Christian School, Clarksburg, WV.

Contact Alex Hersom, 268-5258;

Monthly Meeting
3rd Thursday, 7 p.m.

Harrison Co. Parks & Rec. Center
Clarksburg, W.Va.

Contact Michael Stadlin, 782-9610;

Honeygold21@gmail.com.

Potomac Highlands Beekeepers Assoc.
Monthly Meeting
3rd Thursday, 7 p.m.

Bank of Romney Comm. Center
Romney, W.Va.

Contact Ron Funkhouser, 851-6597;

jrunkhouse@bush.net,
or

potomachighlandbeekeepersweebly.com

Preston Co. Beekeepers Assoc.
Monthly Meeting
3rd Thursday, 7:30 p.m.

Preston Co. Ex. Office

Contact David Shab, 911-3280;

Thembeman66@gmail.com.

Raleigh Co. Beekeepers Cooperative Assoc.
Monthly Meeting
3rd Thursday, 7:30 p.m.

Raleigh Co. BOE Office

Contact Mark Lilly, 575-6114;

wbegguy@yahoo.com.

Fastrakhounds@outlook.com

Kanawha Valley Beekeepers Assoc.
Meeting
July 15
Mountain State Christian School, Clarksburg, WV.

Contact Frank or Laura Naal, 988-1988;

Steve May, 772-6759.

Marion Co. Beekeepers Assoc.
Monthly Meeting
7th Thursday, 7 p.m.

Elora United Methodist Church
Contact Amy Kaiser, 386-0009;

Ottawy15@yahoo.com.

Nancy Postlethwait, 395-8938;
postlethwait@bellsouth.net.

Mixon Co. Beekeepers Assoc.
Monthly Meeting
1st Thursday, 7 p.m.

Shamrock United Methodist Church
Contact M. James, 383-2322;
jamesmeodemore@gmail.com

East, Panhandle Beekeepers Assoc.
Monthly Meeting
1st Thursday, 7 p.m.

Hospital of the Eastern Panhandle
Kanawha, W.Va.

Contact Alex Herson, 208-5258;

hphcrookfarms@gmail.com

Fayette Co. Beekeepers Monthly Meeting
Last Monday of every month, 7 p.m.

Fayetteville Presbyterian Church
Fayetteville, W.Va.

Contact Rick Forrer, 393-1303;

fayettebeekeepers16@gmail.com

Gl Homer Co. Beekeepers Monthly Meeting
1st Thursday, 7 p.m.

Robert S. Kidd Library
Glenville, W.Va.

Contact Bobbi Cottrill, 462-7416;

bobbi1109@gmail.com.

Highlands Apicultural Assoc.
Meeting
4th Thursday, 7 p.m.

WVU Ext. Office Room
Ekins, W.Va.

Contact Sam Golston, 837-6970;
sam_golston@hotmail.com.

Jackson Co. Beekeepers Assoc.
Monthly Meeting
3rd Thursday, 7 p.m.

McDonalds Blvd., Jackson Co. Fairgrounds
Cottageville, W.Va.

Contact Mike Blessings, 437-1221;
mikeblessings@me.com

Betsy Smith, 674-6495;
bsmith2005@gmail.com

Monogalia Co. Beekeepers Assoc.
Meeting
1st Thursday, 7 p.m.

Mon. Co. Ext. Office
Wesley, W.Va.

Contact Debbe Martin, 387-9488;
debbez72@yahoo.com

Nicholas/Webster Beekeepers Assoc.
Monthly Meeting
3rd Monday, 7 p.m.

March, April, May, June, July, August,
September, Summersville Public Library, Summersville, W.Va.

Contact C. David Brammer, 918-0189;
cdbrammer2006@gmail.com

Horse Sales

Tennessee Walking Horse, 9 yrs.

Quality, 10 yrs. black, $1,700.

 массана, 352 Prince Tree Park Rd., Buckhannon, 26201; 516-0286.

Hay, sq. bales, mixed grass, $3/500lb.

Leland Anderson, 1568 Ward Rd., Canaan, 682-7226; 2287.

Hay, ’17, 1st cut, 4x4, round bales, never

stored in barn. timelifted. $250/bale; 16", 2nd cut
$200e. Greg Arrnt, 771 Henry Camp Rd. St. Marys, 299-0455; gkamott@
suddenlink.net.

Hay, sq. bales, 1st, 2nd cut, top quality, $3/bale; $2.50 if you load your own out of the
field, call for scheduling. Jim Barcus, 253 Bar-
cus Tower Rd., Grafton, 26353; 265-4957.

Harness, for horse or mule, 2, sets, good cond.,
$4500/o. Joe Barger, 1028 N. Mill Cir. Rd., Petersburgh, 26477; 257-9451.

Trailer, ’94, Mon. 1, Leafed, gooseneck,
$1,400.00/lbm. Doug Bellamy, 521 Jesse
Rock Rd., Charmley, 24274; 475-7633.

SHINNSTON TORNADOES 4-H CLUB 2ND ANNUAL TRACTOR SHOW
Aug. 25-26
Shinnston, WV
Branidy Spadafore, 203-3303
bspada4@gmail.com

MINT MOUNTAINS ROOTS MARKET INC.
Consignment Farmers Market
Year round, Mon.-Sat. 8 a.m. - 6 p.m.
148 W. 2nd St., Weston, WV
Local WV produce only, fresh baked good,
crafters & artisans of WV.
David Townsend, 269-6619
Townsendproduce@gmail.com

All bee colonies must be registered with the West Virginia Department of Agriculture. Please contact WVDA Plant Industries Division at 304-558-2212.
Charles Russell Lyon of Sutton was discharged from the U.S. Army Air Force in 1946 after earning the rank of sergeant and helping to train pilots during World War II. He went to work at his father’s lumber and stave mill near Flatwoods after earning the rank of sergeant and helping to train pilots during World War II. He continued working in the Marion County School System, eventually retiring as assistant superintendent. But he also was a pioneer in the Christmas tree industry and an inventor of tree-farm-related machinery. In 1930, he received 4,000 seedlings as part of a Depression-era program. By the early-1960s, he had more than 25,000 trees for sale. Over the years, he developed an auguring machine that allowed homeowners to easily stand trees straight regardless of trunk form, as well as a tractor-drawn tree-planting machine and a tree-baling machine. None of these designs were patented, but forms of his inventions are still used today. In 1953, Martin helped form and was elected the first president of the West Virginia Christmas Tree Growers Association (WVCTGA). In 2014, Martin’s Mt. Zion Nursery hosted the WVCTGA’s 60th annual summer farm tour.

Visit http://www.wvagriculture.org/WVAFHF/index.htm for complete bios and more information.

Hay, sq. bales, mixed grass, fert./lmd., $2.50/bale/field; $3/bale/field/forest

Acreage: Lewis Co., 69 A., pasture, woods, shed, water for all livestock, easy access, $4/bale. Larry Parsons, 276 Maple Dr., Evans, 25241; 372-4575.


July 17
July 7......Mulch to conserve moisture.
July 8......Watch for Japanese beetles.
July 9......Monitor for stress feeding.
July 10......Order garlic seed.
July 11......Plant Chinese cabbage.
July 12......Remove raspberry canes after fruiting, mulch, and suppress canes.
July 13......Pinch the top of black raspberry canes.
July 14......Send dill, turn compost.
July 15......For the largest flowers, remove side shoots from main stem.
July 17......Send collards and kale for fall.
July 18......Harvest summer squash when young and tender.
July 19......Plant cauliflower, don’t let weeds go to seed.
July 20......Plant fall broccoli and Swiss chard.

hay, bale. Tanner Och, 156 Savannah Lane, Valley Grove, 26060; 639-8905.

Rabbit cages, nest boxes, feeders, water bottles, netal for hanging, $4-$8.50. Howie O’Toole, 505 Luther Heishman Rd., Bakerville, 26383; 532-2647.


Hay, sq. bales, quality, $2.50-$3/bale/field; $2.50/bale/barn. Matt Hinkle, 343 Mystic Hollow Lane, Dryfork, 26263; 866-241, Elkview, 25070; 415-7617.


Great Pyrenées 5/13 bales, parents on premises, $250. Debby Tenney, 147 Cushman Rd., Helvetia, 26224; 465-9086; tenneydeb@gmail.com.

Hay, $1, 4x5, $300; sq. bales, $3.25/bale; Mattthy Jackson, 854 Israheel Church Rd., Montrose, 26287; 637-0988.

Border Collie pups, black & white, $150/ba. Bill Ward, 213 Failing Rd. Female, 26216; 275-4746.

Free, Manro mead, Great Pyrenees cross dog, male, neutered. Dalen Whitt, 211 Carroll Hill Rd., Lewisburg, 24979; 497-2496.

Locust post, 6‘, $3.50 C. Williams, 3256 Licking Crk., P. O. Box, 25207.


