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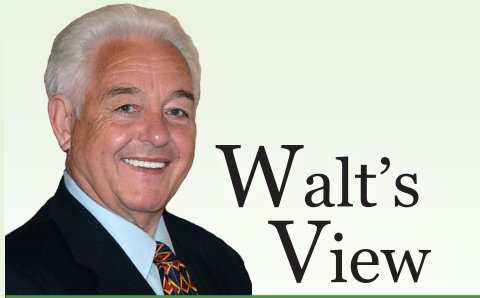


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Walt's View

Reflecting on the last four years...

The past four years have flown by as your Commissioner of Agriculture. Before I move on to other pursuits, I'd like to reflect on my time at the West Virginia Department of Agriculture and the accomplishments we have made for our state.

First of all, I'd like to sincerely thank the employees of the WVDA. I was blessed with a great staff and we made a great deal of progress for agriculture in West Virginia. Despite the fact that we reduced staff by 30 due to budgetary issues, the remaining employees picked up the slack and did a great job.

When I assumed office in 2013, I was convinced that the WVDA could be a tool for economic development throughout the state, and I remain steadfast in that belief. We must diversify our economy if we are going to create jobs for our citizens, and we should look within our state for the tools to do that rather than expect out-of-state interests to rescue us.

Today, we are losing people and importing basically everything we eat. Those trends need to be reversed. Our plan for aggregation facilities will help our farmers – not just potato growers, but producers of all goods.

We are blessed with great climate, land and proximity to most of America's population. We can certainly feed ourselves. That's what our forefathers did until heavy industries came to the state in the 1930s.

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Tap. Collect. Boil. Repeat.

Young maple syrup producers harnessing modern technology and tasting success in West Virginia's burgeoning maple syrup industry

The art of making maple syrup hasn't changed much in hundreds of years. That is until recently. New technology is flowing through maple camps all over West Virginia. Young maple producers have jumped on the bandwagon, tasting success.

Rachel and Adam Taylor of Frostmore Farms in Pocahontas County, Britney and Charlie Farris of Family Roots Farm in Brooke County and Rich Flanigan of Flanigan Family Maple in Wayne County are the new guard of maple makers and they're winning over a lot of maple-loving fans.

The Taylors started out on Adam's family farm where his grandfather operated a small maple business in the 70s. Thirty-five years later Adam decided to give maple a try.

"We dug out my grandfather's old equipment and cobbled it together. We tapped a few trees and I discovered I really enjoyed making maple syrup," said Adam.

When Rachel married Adam a few years later, she fell in love with maple as well. Those few taps soon turned into 300.

"We started out with buckets but soon realized with full time jobs, it just wasn't feasible. So in 2014 we went from buckets to tubing," explained Rachel.

That changed everything. The couple learned about tubing collection systems, using long plastic tubing to catch and carry sugar water, or sap, to a central location, ending the need for buckets.

"There's a lot of things my grandparents did and their parents too that wasn't the best way to collect



Young Guns of the Maple Syrup Industry. L-R: Charlie and Britney (back row, standing) Farris, Family Roots Farm, Brooke County; Rich Flanigan, Flanigan Family Maple, Wayne County; and Adam and Rachel (back row, standing) Taylor, Frostmore Farms, Pocahontas County.

sap," explained Charlie. "Rachel and I decided to expand and do it right. We took lessons from Cornell University Maple Camp, in Connecticut, and put them into action."

Rachel added, "We learned we could do tubing and get reverse osmosis and have a vacuum. All these things allowed us to expand and make the change from a hobby to a business. We now have more than 1,000 taps with the ability to tap a few hundred more trees in the future."



The change wasn't easy or cheap but it was worth the work.

"We wanted to become efficient so we could sleep more," joked Adam.

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WVDA Rural Rehabilitation Loan Fund now operating efficiently

Several years after initial efforts were made to improve the function and management of the WVDA Rural Rehabilitation Loan Fund (WVRRLF), the program is now operating efficiently and serving farmers in West Virginia.

As of December 1, 2016 the loan portfolio consisted of 41 loans in good standing.

"I am happy to see this loan program now operating as it should, being overseen by a loan committee consisting of West Virginians with years of banking and agricultural experience and enabling rural West Virginians the means to start, continue or expand their operations," said Commissioner of Agriculture Walt Helmick.

Upon taking office as Agriculture Commissioner in January 2013, Helmick immediately requested a legislative audit of the entire WVDA operation. Results from that audit were released several months later and at that time the operation of the \$5 million revolving loan program was cited for numerous irregularities including inadequate collateralization on the majority of loans that were active, as well as several conflicts of interest in loans being made to WVDA employees and family members. WVDA employees and family members are no longer eligible to apply for loans issued through this program.

During the 2014 Legislative Session Commissioner Helmick requested that lawmakers pass a set of regulations designed to safeguard the loan program. That was approved by lawmakers and Helmick established a new make-up for the WVDA's Rural Rehabilitation Loan Committee that now includes members who provide decades of experience in the areas of agriculture, banking, lending, insurance and investments.

The WVDA Rural Rehabilitation Loan Committee has been in talks with Farm Credit of the Virginias regarding a partnership whereby the RRLP would guarantee loans. This would make better use of the limited resources available for funding loans. In addition, this organization may consider assuming responsibility for servicing of the existing loan portfolio.

For more information on the loan program, visit <http://bit.ly/2igug2A>.

Maple Producers, continued

"That's one of the reasons why we went from buckets to tubing."

Britney and Charlie Farris have a similar story. Their operation in Brooke County started out small. They were collecting from buckets and boiling the syrup down in an 8x8 sugar shack. It wasn't until they took some classes from the folks at Cornell University that they branched out into maple sugar. They found their first big success at the 2015 Maple Syrup International Conference where their maple sugar won first place.

"When we won the award, we decided we had to make that jump and turn maple into more of a business than a hobby," said Charlie.

Like the Taylors, they went looking for ways to do that. They joined the West Virginia Maple Syrup Producers Association (WVMSPA) and met people who'd been in the maple industry for decades.

"It's kind of like an extended family. If you have a problem, someone's going to know how to fix it," stressed Charlie. "You can call somebody from the Association up and they usually have the answer or know someone who does."

Britney and Charlie traded in their small sugar shack for a 40x40 building with room to grow in early 2016.

"You don't typically think of maple syrup as high-tech, but a lot of us younger producers have looked into research done by Cornell. We like to try new things and do our own research to see what's best for us. Sometimes it's the things that have been handed down through the generations, other times it's new technology that improves efficiency," said Britney.

Rich Flanigan and his father operate Flanigan Family Maple in Southwestern West Virginia. When they started tapping trees just a few years ago, they didn't have any mentors to point them in the right direction.

"We fumbled around, did a few searches online, read a few books. We made just about every mistake we could starting out on our own. We didn't have anyone nearby to ask questions," said Rich.

When Rich joined the WVMSPA he met young maple makers like himself. He connected right away with the Taylor and Ferris families, all of whom are

Walt's View, continued

We can also help to feed much of the rest of the country. Instead of being 10 years behind the rest of the country, West Virginia is poised to be a leader in the Farm To Table movement if we will set ourselves to the task of developing our agricultural industries – both production agriculture and niche marketing. And we can do it in a way that protects our natural resources and that makes the Mountain State attractive to other development as well.

It could have been very simple for me to come into this office and change nothing, but we chose to take a bolder path – one that would make a difference for our entire state. I love West Virginia. I grew up in the heart of our state and have

Mobile meat processing trailer scheduled for delivery

A new, custom-built mobile meat processing trailer will be delivered to Huttonsville in the first week of 2017, opening up new opportunities for small-scale producers of chicken, rabbits and other small livestock.

The unit will be furnished with state-of-the-art equipment that meet all state and federal sanitation standards.

"This trailer represents a leap forward for our state's small livestock producers, who are often limited by their processing facilities, rather than their production capability," said Commissioner Helmick. "We believe this new trailer is a very tangible improvement to the state's agricultural infrastructure that we have worked so hard to expand, and one that will pay dividends to the state's farm community for many years to come."



in their late 20s and early 30s.

"Just having that relationship with someone out there your age, not only do you have a good maple friend, you also have a good friend for life," stressed Britney.

You'd think making and selling maple might bring out the competitive nature in these friends, but all five say there's plenty of business to go around and living in different sections of West Virginia gives them their own clientele.

"It's not ultra-competitive," explained Rich. "We help each other. It's a friendly, family fraternity. When syrup makers get together, no matter what their age, there are lots of stories to tell!"

As for whether the old-fashioned bucket or the new-fangled tubing is the best method for maple syrup is still up for debate. But Rachel says everyone seems to appreciate the fact maple is a growing business in West Virginia.

"We have a lot of older people coming up to us and saying, 'We're so glad you're doing this. You're carrying on the torch,'" said Rachel. "They know the tradition is going to be continue for generations to come."

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dedicated most of my professional career to making it a better place to live.

I am proud of our accomplishments and have the highest hopes for the future of agriculture in our great state. I extend my best wishes to the incoming administration in their future endeavors, and I think the future is bright for our farmers.

I'm not certain what I will be doing in the coming months, but rest assured, I will not disappear from view. It's not in my makeup to stop and I will continue to be an advocate for agriculture and the state of West Virginia.

Walt

SPECIALTY

crop grant applications due Feb. 17

The West Virginia Department of Agriculture (WVDA) is accepting project proposals for the 2017 Specialty Crop Block Grant Program (SCBGP). The deadline to apply is by the close of business Feb. 17, 2017.

The grant program - funded by the U.S. Department of Agriculture and administered by the WVDA - gives specialty crop growers the opportunity to learn new techniques, test them out, and share that knowledge with other producers.

The goal, according to West Virginia Commissioner of Agriculture Walt Helmick, is to expand specialty crops here in the Mountain State.

"Our farmers are doing fabulous work rebuilding the state's agriculture industry. However, sometimes they need help to grow ideas and help them blossom. Specialty Crop Block Grants make it financially possible for those projects to take shape," he said.

Grant applications must deal with a specialty crop such as fruits, vegetables, horticulture products, tree nuts, herbs and spices, maple syrup, honey, and Christmas trees, among others. Products explicitly excluded are livestock, eggs, corn, soybeans, and other commodity-type crops.

All projects must focus on industry-related research, education, improved production, or marketing of specialty crops. The program is available to groups and organizations that qualify to receive grant funding, but cannot be used to fund individual farms or enterprises.

For more information, contact Cindy Martel at cmartel@wvda.us. A full application package can be downloaded at <http://www.agriculture.wv.gov/divisions/marketinganddevelopment/Pages/Grant-and-Training-Opportunities.aspx>.

WV Agriculture and Forestry Hall of Fame Accepting Applications

Nominations for induction into the West Virginia Agriculture and Forestry Hall of Fame (WVAFHF) are now being accepted. The WVAFHF is devoted to honoring individuals, businesses, organizations, institutions and foundations who have contributed to the establishment, development, advancement or improvement of the agricultural, forestry and/or family life of West Virginia.

This honor is bestowed upon those who have lived in West Virginia, had a long-tenured association with agriculture, forestry and family life, have made outstanding, direct contributions to those industries and demonstrated the highest standards of leadership and contribution on a local, state, national and/or international level. The WVAFHF encourages all nominations, including those of women and minorities.

Nomination forms are available from:

- WV Agriculture and Forestry Hall of Fame website at <http://bit.ly/2ggF8UW>
- WV Farm Bureau (Joan Harman, 304-472-2080, joanh@wvfarm.org)
- WVU Davis College of Agriculture, Natural Resources and Design (Denise Hunnell, 304-293-2395, dhunnell@wvu.edu)
- WV Department of Agriculture (Robin Gothard, 304-558-3200, rgothard@wvda.us)
- WV Division of Forestry (June Mandel, 304-558-2788, June.H.Mandel@wv.gov)

All nomination forms must be received by February 17, 2017.

Selected nominees will be enshrined during the WVAFHF Recognition Dinner to be held on July 15, 2017 at Jackson's Mill.

The WVAFHF is a program of the WVAFHF Foundation, which is an incorporated, independent, nonprofit, nonpartisan organization. Membership is comprised of West Virginia Agriculture and Forestry organizations and individuals. For more information on the WVAFHF visit <http://www.agriculture.wv.gov/divisions/executive/WVAFHF/Pages/default.aspx>

Winter Blues Farmers' Market and Small Farm Conference Set for Feb. 12-14

Dark days of winter getting you down? Hungry for summer?

The Winter Blues Farmers' Market is the cure for what's ailing you.

Forty-plus agribusiness operators will be there, proving that local agriculture is not only possible in West Virginia, it's inevitable.

FRESH produce, GOURMET meats, SPECIALTY products, SWEET honey and maple syrup – all from West Virginia's top producers.

PLUS, great door prizes and a West Virginia-themed dine-around where you can purchase a taste of the Mountain State from area restaurants. Admission is free, but step inside and see all the high-quality and delicious products you can purchase while supporting West Virginia's farm community.

Call a friend or grab a neighbor and join us at the Charleston Civic Center Grand Hall Sunday, February 12 from 1-5 p.m. Follow us at [facebook.com/West.Virginia.Department.of.Agriculture](https://www.facebook.com/West.Virginia.Department.of.Agriculture) for updates.

Sponsored by the West Virginia Department of Agriculture and the WVU Extension Small Farm Center. For more information on the Small Farms Conference, visit <http://www.smallfarmcenter.ext.wvu.edu/events/conference>.

Veterinarian Feed Directive Regulation Changes

New FDA Rule took effect on January 1, 2017

In June 2015 the Food and Drug Administration published a final rule that revised the VFD regulations. This guidance document includes revisions that are consistent with the requirements that make up the final rule for the new Veterinary Feed Directive (VFD).

What is the VFD, and how does it affect the farmers in West Virginia?

VFD is a written (nonverbal) statement issued by a licensed veterinarian for the use of a VFD drug or combination VFD drug in or on animal feeds. This rule will change the way most West Virginia farmers, and farmers around the nation receive medicated feed and water soluble drugs. You will no longer be able to go to your local feed store and purchase certain previous over the counter drugs and/or feed with certain drugs, but will now require a veterinarian to write a VFD to receive the certain medicated feed(s) or water soluble medications like but not limited to: chlortetracycline, penicillin, neomycin, or oxytetracycline, as well as several drugs used in free choice feeds.

Producers (farmers) must obtain a VFD order from their veterinarian, then send or take, the VFD order to a feed manufacturer or supplier to get the VFD feed or water soluble drugs. Only feed for the animals listed on the VFD for the specific timeframe allowed for the VFD will be covered. Producers who manufacture their own feed must have a VFD in order to get the medicated VFD feed to manufacture. Producers who also manufacture feed for others should be aware they are acting as a distributor and additional requirements apply.

These changes will also require you to have a working relationship with a local veterinarian that is familiar with your farm and your animals. If you do not currently have a veterinarian that you use on a regular basis, we recommend contacting one for a farm visit to familiarize him or her with your farm and animals. It is also a great time to make contact with your local feed mill or distributor to ensure they are aware of the new VFD rule and have signed up with the FDA to be able receive the VFD's, as well as have the drugs available for purchase. This new rule will also require the veterinarian, producer, and distributor to keep written VFD's for 2 years.

For a complete list of the new VFD drugs or if you have questions, please contact your local veterinarian or contact the Food and Drug Administration at AskCVM@fda.hhs.gov; more information can be obtained at <http://www.fda.gov/safefeed>.



Sunday, Feb. 12 - 1-5pm - Charleston Civic Center

WHAT'S January 2017 COOKIN'



For the latest information, follow the Appalachian Food Evangelist on Facebook at [facebook.com/appalachianfoodevangelist/](https://www.facebook.com/appalachianfoodevangelist/).

Butternut Squash Risotto

- 3 pounds butternut squash
- 6 cups nonfat chicken broth
- 1 medium onion, chopped
- 1 tablespoon unsalted butter
- 1½ cups Arborio rice (9 oz)
- 1 teaspoon minced garlic
- 5 tablespoons finely grated Parmigiano-Reggiano
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1½ teaspoons chopped fresh sage

Halve squash lengthwise and seed, then cut crosswise into 1½"-wide slices and season with salt. Roast slices, skin side down, in a shallow baking pan in middle of oven until tender and golden, about 50 minutes.

Cut flesh from the roasted squash into ½-inch pieces, discarding skin.

Start risotto after squash has been roasting 40 minutes: Bring broth to a simmer and keep at a bare simmer, covered.

Meanwhile, cook onion in butter in a 4-quart heavy pot over moderate heat, stirring, until softened, about 6 minutes. Add rice and garlic and cook, stirring 3 minutes.

Stir in ½ cup simmering broth and cook at a strong simmer, stirring frequently, until broth is absorbed. Continue simmering and adding broth ½ cup at a time, stirring constantly and letting each addition be absorbed before adding the next, until rice is creamy-looking but still al dente (it should be the consistency of thick soup), about 18 minutes total. (There will be leftover broth.)

Stir in squash pieces, then stir in cheese, salt, sage; simmer, stirring, 1 minute (if necessary, thin risotto with some leftover broth).

Fresh Green Beans

- 1 pound green beans
- 2 tablespoons butter
- 2 cloves garlic, minced
- 1 large onion, chopped
- 1 cup chicken broth, plus more if needed
- 1 teaspoon salt
- Ground black pepper

Snap the stem ends of the green beans.

Melt the butter in a cast iron pan over medium-low heat. Add garlic and onions; cook for a minute. Then add the green beans and cook until the beans turn bright green, about a minute.

Add the chicken broth, salt and pepper to taste. Turn the heat to low and cover the skillet with a lid, leaving the lid cracked to allow steam to escape. Cook until the liquid evaporates and the beans are fairly soft, yet still a bit crisp, 20 to 30 minutes.

You can add more chicken broth during the cooking process, but don't be afraid to let it all cook away so the onions and peppers can start to caramelize.

Holiday Dishes

from the Appalachian Food Evangelist

In April of 2015, *The Charleston Gazette-Mail* Food Guy, Steven Keith, proclaimed Chef Dale Hawkins (left) the "Appalachian Food Evangelist." The title fits because Hawkins' passion for good food has led the farm-to-table movement in West Virginia. In a new WV Public Broadcasting four-part series, Chef Hawkins is using local ingredients and showcasing the beauty of the Mountain State's specialty-crop products in seasonally-inspired dishes. In the most recent episode, Hawkins produced a holiday meal using local apples, maple syrup and black walnuts, among other ingredients. Check your WV PBS schedule for airdates and watch for the two remaining spring and summer episodes to air in coming months.

Maple Walnut Scones

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| 4 cups all-purpose flour | ½ cup toasted walnuts |
| ½ cup sugar | 1⅓ cup buttermilk |
| 1 cup cold unsalted butter, cut into small pieces | 1 teaspoon vanilla |
| 1 tablespoon baking powder | ¼ cup pure West Virginia maple syrup |
| 1 teaspoon baking soda | 1 cup confectioners sugar |
| ½ teaspoon salt | |

Preheat the oven to 400°F. Line a baking sheet with parchment paper.

Dump the dry ingredients into the bowl of a food processor fitted with a metal blade, and pulse to mix.

Add the butter all at once, and run the food processor for about 15 seconds, then switch to pulse. Continue pulsing until there are no chunks of butter left and the mixture looks like moist crumbs. Place the flour-butter crumbs into a big bowl.

Add the toasted walnuts, buttermilk and vanilla together into the bowl with the dry mixture, and stir with a until the dough comes together and there is no flour visible.

Turn the dough onto a lightly floured surface and pat into a disc approximately 10 inches in diameter.

Now cut the disc into 10 wedges (like a pie) and place on baking sheet.

Place the baking sheet on the center rack in the oven, and bake the scones for 20-25 minutes, until the tops are golden brown and a toothpick or small knife inserted into a scone comes out clean.

Remove the baking sheet from the oven, and place it on a wire rack to let the scones cool for a few minutes.

While scones are cooling, blend maple syrup and confectioners sugar together and drizzle over top of warm scones.

Oven Roasted Ham Glazed with Cranberry Chutney

- 1 16-ounce bag of fresh cranberries
- ¼ cup orange juice
- Zest of 1 orange
- ½ cup sugar

Ham:

- ½ tavern or other ham with a nice fat cap (about 9 pounds, plus or minus), bone-in, natural juices or no added water

Let the ham sit at room temp for a couple of hours before cooking. This will help the ham heat more evenly in the oven with less risk of the outside edges drying out.

Heat the ham: Wrap the ham tightly in aluminum foil, place in a roasting pan, and heat in a 275°F oven for 2 to 2½ hours (depending on the size of the ham, could be less or more time), until the internal temperature is 100°F. (It's already cooked, you're just heating it).

Make glaze: Place cranberries in a small saucepan on low heat. Whisk in orange juice and sugar until the brown sugar is dissolved; add the orange zest. Heat until bubbly and whisk until smooth. Remove from heat.

Glaze the ham: When the ham is ready, remove from oven. Open up the foil and paint the ham with half of the glaze. Keep the ham uncovered and return to the oven, baking at 425°F for 10 minutes

Glaze again and broil: Remove from oven and baste with the remaining glaze. Return to the oven on the lowest rack, and broil for 5-10 minutes (at least 6 inches away from the heating element) until the glaze is lightly browned and caramelized.

Cut around the bone: Transfer ham to a serving dish. Use a paring knife to cut around the bone to separate the ham from the bone. If you want pour some of the remaining pan juices over the ham.

Census of Agriculture

MAKE SURE YOU ARE COUNTED

The Census of Agriculture is a complete count of U.S. farms and ranches and the people who operate them. Even small plots of land - whether rural or urban - growing fruit, vegetables or some food animals count if \$1,000 or more of such products were raised and sold, or normally would have been sold, during the Census year.

The Census of Agriculture, taken only once every five years, looks at land use and ownership, operator characteristics, production practices, income and expenditures. For America's farmers and ranchers, the Census is their voice, their future and their opportunity to be

The Census provides the only source of uniform, comprehensive and impartial agricultural data for every county in the nation. Through the Census, producers can show the nation the value and importance of agriculture, and they can help influence the decisions that will shape the future of American agriculture for years to come. By responding to the Census of Agriculture, producers are helping themselves, their communities, and all of U.S. agriculture.

Census of Agriculture data are used by all those who serve farmers and rural communities — federal, state and local governments, agribusinesses, trade associations and many others.

- Farmers and ranchers can use Census of Agriculture data to help make informed decisions about the future of their own operations.
- Companies and cooperatives use the facts and figures to determine the locations of facilities that will serve agricultural producers.
- Community planners use the information to target needed services to rural residents.
- Legislators use the numbers from the Census when shaping farm policies and programs.

Key Dates

June 2017:
Deadline to sign up to be counted.

December 2017:
Look for your 2017 Census of Agriculture form in the mail.

February 2018:
Deadline to complete your 2017 Census of Agriculture. Respond online at www.agcounts.usda.gov or mail your complete questionnaire.

February 2019:
NASS will release 2017 Census of Agriculture data.

Log on to: <https://www.agcounts.usda.gov/cgi-bin/counts/> to make sure you are counted for the 2017 Census of Agriculture.

Rustic Apple Pie

Crust:

- 2½ cups all-purpose flour
- 1 cup unsalted butter, cut into small pieces
- 1 teaspoon salt
- ½ cup cold water

Mix flour and salt in food processor. Add butter; pulse until coarse meal forms. Gradually blend in enough ice water to form moist clumps. Gather dough into ball; divide in half. Form dough into 2 balls; flatten into disks. Wrap each in plastic; chill 2 hours or overnight.

Filling:

- 1½ pounds McIntosh, Golden Delicious, and Granny Smith (3 large or 6 small)
- ¼ teaspoon grated orange zest
- ¼ cup flour
- ¼ cup granulated sugar
- ¼ teaspoon salt
- ½ teaspoon ground cinnamon
- 2 tablespoons Cornstarch
- 4 tablespoons (½ stick) cold unsalted butter, diced

Preheat the oven to 450 degrees F.

Flour a rolling pin and roll the pastry into an 11-inch circle on a lightly floured surface. Transfer it to a baking sheet.

For the filling, peel, core, and cut the apples into 8ths. Cut each wedge into 3 chunks. Toss the chunks with the orange zest. Cover the tart dough with the apple chunks leaving a 1 1/2-inch border.

Combine the flour, sugar, salt, cinnamon, and cornstarch in the bowl of a food processor fitted with a steel blade. Add the butter and pulse until the mixture is crumbly.

Pour into a bowl and rub it with your fingers until it starts holding together. Sprinkle evenly on the apples. Gently fold the border over the apples to enclose the dough, pleating it to make a circle.

Bake the pie for 20 to 25 minutes, until the crust is golden and the apples are tender. Allow cooling. Serve warm or at room temperature.

Market Bulletin marks 100th year of publication

The West Virginia Department of Agriculture's (WVDA) Market Bulletin, staple reading for farm families throughout West Virginia, turned 100 in 2016.

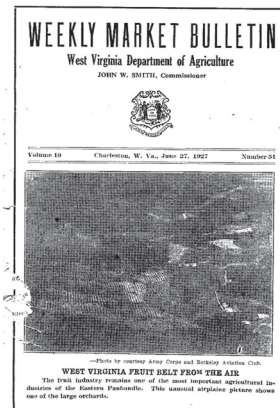
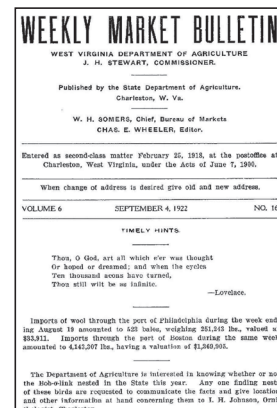
The State Legislature created the State Board of Agriculture in 1891. The Board served more in an advisory role to the Legislature than as a body with any real authority or substantial budget. However, one of its prescribed duties was to oversee the publication of information related to agriculture. The result was The West Virginia Farm Reporter.

"It shall be the duty of the board to look after and devise means of advancing the agricultural interests of the State. It shall have charge of the preparation in manuscript, the printing, publishing and distribution by mail or otherwise, of any and all documents and reading matter designed to promote the agricultural interests of the State," reads the enabling legislation.

Among the first business conducted by the Board of Agriculture (and presumably reported in the Reporter) was the provision of \$1,000 for a West Virginia agriculture exhibit at the World Fair. It also resolved that the state road law "be so amended as to require that the public roads be gradually macadamized and that this be done by uniform taxation," so that farm products could be transported to growing urban centers.

In its third biennial report to the Legislature, covering the years of 1895-96, the Board of Agriculture requested funding to increase circulation of The West Virginia Farm Reporter beyond 6,000 a month, and urged passage of a bill appropriating \$1,000 "to prevent the spread of dangerous and contagious diseases among our domestic animals."

The Reporter eventually morphed into *The Market Bulletin* that West Virginians know today. Although it has undergone numerous redesigns to keep it visually fresh, its purpose has remained remarkably enduring: to tell the story of agriculture in the Mountain State, to provide the citizens of West Virginia information about the WVDA, and to provide a free and ever-popular forum for farm-related classified ads.



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AD DEADLINES

February 2017...

Phone-In ads for the February issue must be received by **12 noon on Monday, January 16.**

Written ads for the February issue must be received by **1 p.m. on Tuesday, January 17.**

March 2017...

Phone-In ads for the March issue must be received by **12 noon on Monday, February 13.**

Written ads for the March issue must be received by **1 p.m. on Tuesday, February 14.**

To subscribe to The Market Bulletin, email marketbulletin@wvda.us or phone 304-558-3708.

Apiary Sales

Honey Bees, pre-order/pre-pay 3 lb. package, Italian, \$110; Russian, \$115. Stephanie Bender, 222 Davis Ave., Elkins, 25241; 637-2335.

Italian Bees, '17, spring, pre-order 3 lb. package w/marketed queen, \$110/price includes 6% WV sales tax. Bill Bullion, 4772 Goosepen Rd., Roanoke, 26447; 452-8508.

Brush Mountain hand compact extractor w/legs, stainless steel, 4-frame shallow/med. or 2-frame deep, \$225. Sam Golston, 132 Cheat River Acres, Elkins, 26241; 940-5138.

Cattle Sales

Reg. Polled Hereford 9-mo. heifers & bulls, good blood, \$1,000/up. Sterling Beane, 200 Shady Pine Lane, Gassaway, 26624; 364-9189.

Reg. Jersey heifer, 1,000. Calvin Blake, P.O. Box 458, Lesage, 25537; 654-1058.

Reg. Black Angus 2-yr. & yr/ig. bulls, AI sired by SAV International, Prophet, RB Tour of Duty, SAV Ten O'clock, calving ease, BSE, \$2,000/up. Frank Bolyard, 2326 S. Mountaineer Hwy., Thornton, 26440; 672-2041.

Reg. Hereford 9-mo. -10-mo. bulls, Revolution 4R, Hometown, Worldwide blood, \$1,200; 8-mo. - 10-mo. heifers, \$900/up, good blood. Ron Brand, 794 Sugar Grove Rd., Morgantown, 26501; 983-8004.

Scottish Highland bulls, cows & heifers, \$1,000/up. A. Corley, P.O. Box 474, Elkview, 25071; 965-1897; abcorley@citynet.net.

Highland 8-mo. heifers & bulls, \$500. Mike Crow, 2176 Waymans Ridge Rd., Moundsville, 26041; 843-1226.

Black Hereford & Black Angus cross bulls, \$1,500/up. Brian Dilley, 8351 Browns Crk. Rd., Dunmore, 24934; 799-7434.

Black Hereford 20-mo. bull, 8622 sired, top w/ing. wt., good disp., ready to breed, calving ease, \$2,400/up. Stephen Dilley, 8351 Browns Crk. Rd., Dunmore, 24934; 799-7434.

Jersey 5-yr. milk cow w/Guernsey/Jersey calf by side, \$1,400. Marvin Dixon, 13244 Greenville Rd., Forest Hill, 24935; 466-5681.

Reg. Black Angus 12-mo. -17 mo. bulls, some AI breeding, easy claving, low birth wt., above average wing. wt. & reg. papers complete, easy handling, del. avail., \$1,800/up. Fred Edgell, 1471 Bingamon Rd., Worthington, 26591; 592-2717.

Miniature ¾ Dexter ¼ Galloway cross 3½-yr. bull, black w/white belt, horned, good disp., proven breeder, \$1,000. Gary Ely, 125 Mockingbird Lane, Fairmont, 26554; 363-1312; cindyljely@outlook.com.

Black 3, black w/white face, 2, coming w/2nd & 3rd calves, \$1,350/ea. Bernard Foster, 8347 Gay Rd., Gay, 25244; 681-358-8460.

Reg. Limousin & Lim/Flex 20-mo. bulls, black, polled, all perf. & EPDs avail., semen tested, good disp., \$2,500. Kim Getz, 122 Dolly Hill Rd., Scherr, 26726; 749-8043; ralimousin@frontiernet.net.

Reg. Angus: 16 mo. -18-mo. bulls; 10-mo. -15-mo., heifers, all calving ease & excel. disp., \$1,000/up. Robert Gray, 197 Daugherty Rd.,

Philippi, 26416; 672-3804.

Reg. Black Angus, Sim Angus & Balancer bulls, sired by All-In, Predestine, Complete, Game on & Total, \$2000/up. John Hendrick, 4048 War Ridge Rd., Wayside, 24985; 573-5991.

Polled Hereford 11-mo. -14-mo. bulls, reg. or commercial, top blood, long established herd, \$1,200. Jeremy Keen, 645 Trace Rd., Newton, 25266; 685-2250.

Balancer 5½-yr. bull, ¼ Angus, ¼ Gelbvieh, wt. approx. 1,600 lbs., good disp., easy calving, can be used on heifers, his calves are 65-70 lbs. birth wt., \$2,000/obo. Denny Kowalsky, 4398 Johnson Crossroads Rd., Wayside, 24985; 646-4868.

Reg. Black Angus 4-yr. bull, good herd bull/EPD's, \$1,800/or trade for bull of equal value. Clifford Kuhn, 2160 Chestnut Flats Rd., Lewisburg, 24901; 497-3540.

Reg. Black Angus: 9-mo. bull calf, SAV Pioneer blood, weaned; 28-mo. herd sire bull, excel. disp., proven breeder, both halter broke, \$800/up. Justin McClain, 2853 Dry Fork Rd., Salem, 26426; 782-3983.

Reg. Polled Charolais bulls 10-mo. -3-yr., halter broke, \$1,500/up. Jim Miller, 453 New England Ridge Rd., Washington, 26181; 863-5510.

Reg. Angus 1 bulls, born Aug. & Sept. "15, AI sired by All In, Hoover Dam or Prophet, dams AI sired, calving ease, confirmed by Zoetixi50K DNA testing, ultrasound & BSE, \$2,000. Greg Moore, 828 Maple Lake Rd., Bridgeport, 26330; 629-1589; gmooresangus@gmail.com.

Pure Black Angus cows, some w/calves, some yet to calf, good milk, \$1,500/up; reg. Black Angus 18-mo. bull, calving ease, both good disp., \$2,500. Melvin Moyers, 11779 US Hwy. 33 W, Normantown, 25267; 354-7622.

Reg. Black Angus bulls, \$2,200/up. John O'Dell, 3442 Amma Rd., Amma, 25005; 565-3504; evenings.

Reg. Angus bulls, 25, \$1,800. Bill Rohr, 572 Buckboard Lane, Buckhannon, 26201; 613-9522.

Reg. Charolais bulls w/papers, good disp., some AI sired, all ages, \$1,800/up. Dale Rohrbough, 315 Rocky Acre Lane, Maysville, 26833; 257-2163.

Reg. Angus bulls, 25, \$1,800. Bill Rohr, 572 Buckboard Lane, Buckhannon, 26201; 613-9522.

Reg. Angus 4-yr. bull, \$2,500. Alice Strader, 4231 Canaan Rd., Rock Cave, 26234; 924-6596.

Reg. Black Angus 17-mo. bull, Rito 2G84, (GAR Game On) sired, dam by Image Maker, excel. EPDs, disp., handling, muscling, calving ease genetics, \$1,750. J. Taylor, 875 Jim Kennedy Rd., Fairmont, 26554; 363-5757.

Black Angus 4½-yr. bull, throws great small calves, good disp., wt. approx. 1,200 lbs., \$2,500. Shirley Titus, 1069 Big Run Rd., Burton, 26562; 889-2650.

Reg. Hereford 3/16 & 4/16 bulls, Victor, Tank 45, Excell, Feltons Legend 242, Hometown 10Y blood, good disp., \$900. Vern Wengert, 5505 Zenith Rd., Union, 24983; 772-4633.

Equipment Sales

No trucks, cars, vans, campers or other autos; backhoes (except 3-pt. hitch), dozers or other construction equipment; lawn equipment; no parts.

JD, '03, 4115, MFWD, hydrostatic, 23 hp tractor, 371 hrs., \$8,000/obo. Robert Alexander, 205 Alexander Place, Hurricane, 25526; 562-7393.

Kubota, M9000 tractor, 2 WD, 80 hp, loader, 1,500 hrs., excel. cond., \$12,900; NI manure spreader, PTO drive, T-chain, new bottom, good cond., \$3,000; Shaver, HD10, post driver, good cond., \$1,850. Frank Bolyard, 2326 S. Mountaineer Hwy., Thornton, 26440; 672-2041.

Kubota: 2550, 4x4, 298 hrs., original tires, \$4,800; 7060, hyd. shuttle, canopy, loader, skid plates, 300 hrs., \$30,000; JD, 790, 4X4, loader, 290 hrs., \$11,900. B. Boster, 4465 SR 34 S.,

Hurricane, 25526; 562-6575.

NH, 451, sickle bar mower, 7', good working cond., always barn kept, \$1,200. Reinhard Bouman, 282 Ashwood Dr., Meadow Bridge, 25976; 466-3844.

Ferguson, '59, T035 tractor, 2134 Continental gas engine, good cond., ready to work, \$3,000. W. Burkhammer, 119 Bendale Rd., Weston, 26452; 695-1936.

Farmall '50's, Super 8 w/cultivators, \$1,200/or trade for cow & calf. Ricky Callison, 1657 Sewell St. S., Rainelle, 25962.

JD, 265, self leveling loader, incl. JD bucket, bale spear, pallet forks, grille guard & frame mounts, no joy stick, operation by remotes, bucket inside width is 84", some hyd. hoses replaced, no leaks, \$5,500. Dale Dixon, 3742 Fort Spring Pike, Ronceverte, 24970; 647-5865.

Holland transplanter, 2-seater for fast hitch tractor, \$400/firm; cultivators for JD, LA, tractor, \$100/firm. Harold Farnsworth, 38 Trainer Rd., Buckhannon, 26201; 472-8245.

NH, 353, grinder mixer, excel. cond., \$5,000. Bernard Foster, 8347 Gay Rd., Gay, 25244; 681-358-8460.

Belarus, '96, 4x4 tractor w/heated cab, 65 hp, good glass/paint, 345 hrs., \$13,500; Bobcat, '99, 763 skidsteer, 46 hp, good tires/glow plugs, 4,025 hrs., fork & bucket, \$12,300; more equip. Roy Gill, 5599 Cooks Run Rd., Lindside, 24951; 956-0448.

Da Ross, 2GL hay tedder, field ready, good cond., \$1,000. Max High, 8508 Patterson Crk. Rd., Lahmansville, 26731; 749-8145.

NI 323, 1-row corn picker, excel. cond.; JD, corn sheller, 71 PTO driven, \$1,000/ea. Ronnie Hodge, 432 Scary Crk., Hamlin, 25523; 824-5551.

Ford, 4610-2 tractor, \$8,000; Befco tiller, 3-pt. hitch, \$1,200; Int'l 10', bush hog, \$4,500; 20', grain elevator, \$800; Int'l, 2-row, potato harvester, \$8,500. more equip. Mike Lewis, 145 Wild Turkey Rd., Canvas, 26662; 619-0873.

Farmall, '68, cub tractor, set of cultivators, front blade, draw bar, chains, \$2,500. Robert Lilly, P.O. Box 99 Flat Top, 25841; 237-0958.

Ferguson Sherman Inc., '21, '12", plows, 2, \$100. Mary Miller, 116 Delight Dr., Gerrardstown, 25420; 229-8487.

Zetor '05, 7341 w/cab & Stoll self-leveling loader, heat/ac, 4 WD, 79 hp, 1,290 hrs., \$21,500/obo; Int'l, manure spreader, old but works well, \$800/obo. Stephen Montoney, 157 Warcamp Lane, Harman, 26270; 227-4461.

Round or lg. sq. bale feeder, 16', holds 3, 5' round bales, bunk style on skids, bales are held in cradle behind head stanshions above wooden bunk. Greg Moore, 828 Maple Lake Rd., Bridgeport, 26330; 629-1589; gmooresangus@gmail.com.

Tiller, heavy duty, Briggs & Stratton eng., garage kept, \$650. Frank Rose, 5634 Ripley Rd., Leroy, 25252; 927-3469.

Ford, '74, 4000, 2 WD, brush hog, front end motor, less tha a yr., joystick, bucket, spear, forks, \$6,500/obo. Johnny Smith, 1617 Toler Run Rd., Cobun, 26615; 853-2364.

County Line, 2100220, 3-pt. hitch w/9" bit, \$450/obo. Bill Stallman, 2441 Briar Patch Rd., Philippi, 26416; 457-5225.

Galfre, GTS 285, 2-basket tedder, 3-pt. hitch, excel. cond., \$950. Sam Stone, 861 Walker Ridge Rd., Leon, 25123; 657-5355.

Hesston, 5530, round baler, new bearings & belts 4-yr. ago, \$3,000; JD, 350, 7', rear sickle bar mower, \$1,000; 24' hay elevator, elec. motor, \$350, all good cond., Tim Squires, 1209 Smith Run Rd., Weston, 26452; 517-6537.

MF, 451, 4 WD, farm tractor, no loader, 4-speed, 2,100 hrs., shed kept, new tires on rear, excel. cond., \$16,000. Mason Syres, P.O. Box 2, Rock, 24747; 589-6344.

JD, semi-mounted, 16", 3-bottom plow, \$575; lime & fert. spreader, 5-ton, stainless steel, \$5,700; JD, 2-row mounted cultivator for JD, B tractor, \$200. Norman Young, 1282 Pumpkin Vine Rd., Buffalo, 25033; 937-3246.

Equipment Wants

Hayspear, post hole digger or post driver that fits skid steer; brush hog, at least 8' or larger w/hyd. & possibly older batwing; corn picker, corn chopper, combine, gravity bed, equip. can be old

- Phone: 304-558-2225
- Fax: 304-558-3131
- Email: marketbulletin@wvda.us
- Mail: 1900 Kanawha Blvd., E. Charleston, WV 25305

or need work. Roy Gill, 5599 Cooks Run Rd., Lindside, 24951; 956-0448.

Farm Sales

Advertisements for land MUST be about farmland that is at least five (5) acres in size & located in West Virginia. Farmland ads MUST include accompaniment (house, barn, hayfield, garden, etc.) but no specifics, i.e., new kitchen, family room, etc. Ads for the sale or rental of farmland are acceptable from individuals, but MUST include the above. Advertisements for hunting land, commercial or city properties CANNOT be accepted.

Jackson Co.: 35½ A. w/house, lg. barn, outbldg w/concrete floor, all wired for elec., completely fenced w/all utilities & mineral rights, Sandyville area, \$250,000. Shirley Rhodes, 8381 Parkersburg Rd., Sandyville, 25275; 273-5622.

Clay Co.: 55 A. w/house, 15 A. meadow land, woods, dbl. garage w/tractor shed, lg. fenced garden area, trouble free spring fed water system, isolated, \$175,000. Mack Samples, 4331 Obrion Rd., Duck, 25063; 286-5006.

Nicholas Co.: 21+ A. w/house, all clear w/good fence, barn, shop w/lift, 3, hay/equip. bldgs., hen & hog house, cattle headholder, livestock spring water, hwy. access, \$245,000. Early Sparks, 115 Running Rd., Cottle, 26205; wvesparks@gmail.com.

Goat Sales

ABGA reg & non reg. meat goats, 1/17 & 2/17 kids, 4-H projects, \$150/up - \$300 for weaned kids, not disbudded; 4/16 doelings, \$400; ABGA 2-yr. reg. buck, AABG blood, \$1,400. Tim Huffman, 5822 Straight Fork, Hamlin, 25523; 524-2670.

Miniature Alpine doe, vacc, still has horns, good disp., \$130. Lynn Joyce, 257 Snow Gap Rd., Gap Mills, 24941; 772-5439; no Sunday calls.

Oberhasli dairy goats, taking reservations now for late winter/early spring kids, \$250/up. Michelle Liga, 4140 Dogtown Rd., Kingwood, 26537; 698-9231; oberhasligirl@atlanticbb.net.

Alpine bucklings, good conf., can be ADGA reg., parents on premises, \$175/under. Leah Snow, HC 60, Box 231A, New Martinsville, 26155; 455-3998.

Hog Sales

Gloucestershire Old Spots boars, black, 2, \$700+/ea.; Ossabaw Island Hog boars/gilts, breeding pairs/trios, avail., various ages, \$125+/ea., all solid genetics, registerable heritage breeding stock, no chemicals. Quincy McMichael, General Delivery, Renick, 24966; 992-2922.

Hereford 12/16 pigs, \$50/ea. Joseph Peachey, 6587 Lieving Rd., Letart, 25253; 882-3020.

Horse Sales

Reg. Missouri Foxtrotter 12-yr. mare, broke to ride, \$2,500/obo/or trade for 4-wheeled cob sized cart or wagon or small broke draft type gelding. Earey Eden, Rt. 2, Box 65, Milton, 25541; 543-8170.

Reg. Qtr. '16 colt, name is We Genuine Hancock, name pending, out of roan blood, \$800. Larissa Elschlager, 2024 Middle Dish Rd., Waverly, 26184; 679-2476.

Reg. Mtn. Pleas. mare & 2, geldings, good conf./disp., \$1,000/up. Sharon Haught, 225 Peacock Lane, Davisville, 26142; 679-2097; goldenrodffarm@hotmail.com.

Missouri Foxtrotter 16-yr. gelding, very dark bay, extensive trail riding, \$1,600. Sayrann Stalnaker, 236 Gladly Fork Rd., Weston, 26452; 269-5634.

Haflinger 6-mo. stud colt, can be reg., grandson of Aristocrat, halter broke, handled daily, \$375. Norman Young, 1282 Pumpkin Vine Rd., Buffalo, 25033; 937-3246.

Job Sales

Horse boarding, 50x140 covered riding arena, daily stall cleaning, pasture, trails, on site farrier, \$380/mo. Bill Archibald, 1009 Amma Rd., Clendenin, 25045; 541-4555. lclemmer@suddenlink.net.

Horse boarding, \$350/mo. Kimberly D'Arco, 194 Homestead Lane, Charleston, 25312; 984-0950.

Plant Sales

No medicinal plants, nursery stock, common agricultural seeds unless tested for germination.

Seeds: old-time fat man, Logan Giant & Rattlesnake, Turkey Crow, Oct. tender hull, brown half runner, October Bush, more, \$13/100 seed; winter onion sets, \$13/100 sets. Betty Flanagan, 467 Ritchie Farm Rd., Summersville, 26651; 880-0135; allen.flanagan@gmail.com.

Tobacco seed: W.Va. Mtn. grown burly, organic, germination tested, incl. growing instruction, \$4/tsp. \$6/2 tsps. \$8/3 tsps.; all **plus** first class SASE. Bill Hailer, 2031 Hiner Mill Rd., Sugar Grove, 26815.

Sassafras, black walnut & white oak seedlings, \$4-\$20/ea., depending on size/variety, reserve now for spring pickup. Quincy McMichael, General Delivery, Renick, 24966; 992-2922.

Heirloom Fatman bean seed, \$8/100, free shipping. Bruce Pennington, 1488 Loudendale Lane, Charleston, 25314; 342-1751.

Plant Wants

Sassafras, red root to make tea with. Teddy Clay, P.O.Box 189 McGraws, 25875; 294-7100.

Poultry Sales

No ornamental, wild or game birds; eggs.

Polish Crested, Silkies & Easter Eggers 4-mo. banty's, \$12/ea.; assorted brown egg layers, 3-mo., \$8/ea. Lynn Joyce, 257 Snow Gap Rd., Gap Mills, 24941; 772-5439; no Sunday calls.

Cornish Rock 4-mo. chickens, 10, \$35/all. T. Skinner, P.O. Box 31, Sand Fork, 26430; 462-5531.

Sheep Sales

Cross bred ewes, 75, ready to lamb, \$225. Joe Harper, P.O. Box 9, Seneca Rocks, 26884; 567-2586.

Hamp/Suff. cross young ewes, been exposed to purebred Suffolk ram, club lamb blood; pure Suffolk ram lamb, proven breeder, \$300/ea. Justin McClain, 2853 Dry Fork Rd., Salem, 26426; 782-3983.

Reg. Coopworth ewes lambs, 6, exposed to Coopworth ram for April lambs, \$275, 10% discount on 3+. Martha McGrath, 178 Lough Rd., Franklin, 26807; 358-2239; info@deer-runsheepfarm.com.

Miscellaneous Sales

No riding habits or other clothes; appliances or furniture; antiques or crafts; hand power tools or equipment; food processing or preservation items or equipment; general wood working tools; firewood. Only dogs recognized by the AKC as herding or working can be accepted.

Hay, '16, sq. bales, 3rd cut, mixed hay, in barn, \$3/bale; round bales, net wrapped, stored inside, \$30/bale. Robert Alexander, 5059 Plain Valley Rd., Letart, 25253; 562-7397.

Hay, sq. bales, mixed grass, \$3.50/bale. Leland Anderson, 1568 Ward Rd., Canvas, 26662; 872-2268.

Hay, "16, 4x4, never wet, stored in barn, limed/fert., mixed, \$25/bale. Greg Arnott, 771 Henry Camp Rd., St. Marys, 26170; 299-0455; gkarnott@suddenlink.net.

Hay, '16, 1st cut, mixed meadow, sq. bales, easy load out of barn storage, \$4.50/bale/-100; \$4/bale/+100; 2nd cut, \$5/bale, del. avail for additional charge. Danny Bainbridge, 104 Kenywood Dr., Fairmont, 26554; 288-1171; db@ftawv.com.

Hay, fresh cut, 4x5, \$35/bale; sq. bales, \$3.50/bale. Ray Blake, 1400 Johnson Ave., Suite 1A, Bridgeport, 26330; 842-2795.

WV SHEPHERDS FEDERATION

Feb. 11, 8 a.m.-4 p.m.

The course will cover lambing & kidding problems & winter ewe & doe management

Camp Pioneer
Beverly, WV

Joseph Aucremanne, 445-1516.

Apiary Events



Barbour Co. Beekeepers Assoc.

Monthly Meeting
4th Thursday, 7 p.m.
Barbour Co. Extension Office
2 mi. south of Philippi on Rt. 250
Contact David Proudfoot 823-1460;
dp_foot@hotmail.com.

Cabell/Wayne Beekeepers Assoc.

Bi-Monthly Meeting, 7 p.m.
May, July, Sept., Nov.
Christ Temple Church
2400 Johnstown Rd.
Huntington, W.Va.
Contact David Tackett 743-6719;
cabellwaynebeekeepers@gmail.com.

Clay Co. Beekeepers Assoc.

Monthly Meeting
2nd Monday 6 p.m.
Clay Senior Center
Main Street, Clay, WV
Contact Tim Clifton, 548-3024;
tciflton@penn.com.

Corridor G Beekeepers Assoc.

Monthly Meeting
1st Tuesday, 6 p.m.
Chapmanville Middle School
Contact Tony Meadows, 524-7690;
Fastrakhounds@outlook.com
James Meadows, 382-3292;
jamesreecemeadows@gmail.com.

East. Panhandle Beekeepers Assoc.

Monthly Meeting
2nd Thursday, 7 p.m.
Hospice of the Eastern Panhandle
Kearneysville, W.Va.
Contact Alex Hersom, 268-5258;
hippychicksfarm@gmail.com.

Gilmer Co. Beekeepers Assoc.

Monthly Meeting
3rd Tuesday, 6 p.m.
Robert S. Kidd Library
Glennville, W.Va.
Contact Bobbi Cottrill, 462-7416;
bcottrill119@hotmail.com.

Highlands Apicultural Assoc.

Monthly Meeting
4th Monday, 6:30 p.m.
WVU Ext. Office Meeting Rm.
Elkins, W.Va.
Contact Sam Golston, 637-8709;
Sam_golston@hotmail.com.

Jackson Co. Beekeepers Assoc.

Bi-Monthly Meeting
McDonalds Bldg., Jackson Co. Fairgrounds
Cottageville, W.Va.
Contact Mike Blessings, 437-1221;
mike@mikeblessings.com
Betsy Smith, 674-6495;
besmith2006@gmail.com.

Kanawha Valley Beekeepers Assoc.

Monthly Meeting
Nov., 19, 10:00 a.m. -12:30 p.m.
WVU Extension Office,
4700 McCorkle Ave. SE, Charleston, W.Va.
Contact Frank or Laura Naab, 988-1988.

Marion Co. Beekeepers Assoc.

Monthly Meeting
4th Thursday, 7 p.m.
Eldora United Methodist Church
Fairmont, W.Va.
Contact Amy Kaiser, 368-0609;
Ottoamy105@yahoo.com
Nancy Postlethwait, 366-9938;
lpotlethwait@aol.com.

Marion Co. Beekeepers Assoc.

January Meeting
Jan. 5, 7 p.m.
Eldora United Methodist Church
Contact Amy Kaiser, 368-0609;
Ottoamy105@yahoo.com
Nancy Postlethwait, 366-9938;
lpotlethwait@aol.com.

Mercer Co. Beekeepers Assoc.

Monthly Meeting
First Monday, 7 p.m.
Fred Gilbert Center
Princeton, W.Va.
Contact Ken Cole, 425-7077
Kc_in_wv@hotmail.com.

Mid Ohio Valley Beekeepers Assoc.

Contact Kenny Bach, 740-374-4040;
bachkb@yahoo.com
Teresa Wagoner, 375-4919;
Twagner77@yahoo.com.

Mountaineer Beekeepers Assoc.

Monthly Meeting
2nd Monday, 6:30 p.m.
Ritchie Co. Public Library
Harrisville, W.Va.
Contact Shanda King, 643-2443.
wvatings@yahoo.com.

Monogalia Co. Beekeepers Assoc.

Monthly Meeting
1st Tuesday, 7 p.m.
Mon. Co. Ext. Office
Westover, W.Va.
Contact Debbie Martin, 367-9488;
debbbee7@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, 619-0189;
cdbrammer@frontier.com.

North Central W.Va. Beekeepers Assoc.

Monthly Meeting
January 9, 7 p.m.
Harrison Co. Parks & Rec. Center
Clarksburg, W.Va.
Contact Michael Staddon, 782-9610;
Honeyglen12@gmail.com.

Potomac Highlands Beekeepers Assoc.

Monthly Meeting
3rd Thursday
Bank of Romney Comm. Center
Romney, W.Va.
Contact Roy Funkhouser, 851-6897;
jrfunkhouser@hardynet.com or
potomachighlandsbeekeepers.weebly.com

Preston Co. Beekeepers Assoc.

Monthly Meeting
3rd Thursday, 7 p.m.
Preston Co. Ext. Office
Contact David Shahan, 841-3260
Thebeeman66@gmail.com.

Southeastern Beekeepers Assoc.

Monthly Meeting
2nd Thursday, 7 p.m.
Osteopathic School-Alumni Center
Lewisburg, W.Va.
Contact Mary Holesapple, 772-3272;
mary.holesapple@frontier.com.

Tri-State Beekeepers Assoc.

Monthly Meeting
3rd Thursday, 7 p.m.
Good Zoo Bldg. - Oglebay Park
Wheeling, W.Va.
Contact Steve Roth, 242-9867;
Sroth29201@comcast.net.

Upshur Co. Beekeepers Assoc.

Monthly Meeting
3rd Tuesday, 6:30 p.m.
W.Va. Farm Bureau Bldg.
Buckhannon, W.Va.
Contact Delmuth Kelley, 472-0184.

West Central Beekeepers Assoc.

Monthly Meeting
4th Saturday, 1 p.m.
Roane Co. Committee on Aging Bldg.
Spencer, W.Va.
Contact Dale Cunningham, 354-6916;
janingham46@yahoo.com.

WV Beekeepers Assoc.

1st Saturday
February
Waffle Hut
2118 Sutton Lane
Flatwoods, W.Va.
Contact Paul Cappas, 291-0608;
paulcappas65@yahoo.com.

WV Beekeepers Assoc.

Beginning Beekeeping Class
February, 4th, 11th & 18th,
10 a.m. to 2. p.m.
You must attend all 3 classes
\$50/person; \$70/couple
Little Sandy Nazarene Church
Bruceton Mills, W.Va.
Contact Debbie Martin, 367-9488;
debbbee7@yahoo.com.

WV Beekeepers Assoc.

Beginning Beekeeping Class
April, 1st, 8th & 15th,
10 a.m. to 2. p.m.
You must attend all 3 classes
\$50/person; \$70/couple
Westover, W.Va.
Contact Debbie Martin, 367-9488;
debbbee7@yahoo.com.

All bee colonies must be registered with the West Virginia Department of Agriculture. Please contact WVDA Plant Industries Division at 304-558-2212.

282-5194.

Hay, 4x5, round bales, stored inside & outside, '16, \$25/bale; '15, \$20/bale. F. Dean, 2841 Sellars Rd., Middlebourne, 26149; 758-4288.

Hay, lg. sq. bales, quality mixed grass, 20 mi. S. of Charleston in Sumerco, Lincoln Co., \$4.50/bale. L. Dorsey, Box 51, Sumerco, 25567; 342-5712.

Stocktrailer, '02, Eby, alum., gooseneck, 16' w/center divider, used 3 or 4 times a year, excel. cond., \$8,500. Dale Fluharty, 169 Liverpool Rd., Leroy, 25252; 927-5332.

AKC Collie 9/16 pups, vacc./wormed, males, \$400; females, \$450. Doug Friel, 1008 10th Ave., Marlinton, 24954; 799-4977.

Hay, 4x4, round bales, barn kept, never wet, \$35/bale. Ricky Haller, 4312 Arnolds Run Rd., Philippi, 26416; 457-4448.

Hay, 4x4, round bales, \$20. Pat Heaster, 2898 Pumpkin Center Rd., West Union, 26456; 873-1235.

Saddle, Clinton Anderson, 15" seat, 4, qtr. horse stars, signed by Clinton himself, excel. cond., \$1,750. Frankie Hill, P.O. Box 177 Franklin, 26807; 668-3274.

Trailer, '04, Featherlite, 3-horse, slant load, gooseneck, all alum. w/a weekend package, microwave, bathroom sink, blow dryer, table & chairs, clean, excel. cond., \$19,000. Karen Jen-

kins, 481 Bowby Rd., Madsville, 26541; 826-7933.

Hay, sq. bales, good quality, timothy, orchard grass & clover, bales approx. 65 lbs., located in Ritchie Co., easy access, \$6/bale; mulch hay, \$2/bale. Patricia Johnson, 1004 Glen Dale Rd., Cairo, 26337; 904-945-3883.

Trailer, '16', stock, pull behind, \$2,300/neg. Marjorie Lewis, 3364 Arden Nollville Rd., Inwood, 25428; 229-5970.

Hay wagons: 16', 6-8 ton, new tires, \$1,500/ea. Mike Lewis, 145 Wild Turkey Rd., Canvas, 26662; 619-0873.

Hay, 4x5, round bales, mix of orchard grass, timothy & clover, limed/fert., stored inside, \$45/bale. James Livingood, 3053 Little Sandy Rd., Bruceton Mills, 26525; 379-1026.

Hay, 4x5, round bales, never wet, in barn, \$35/roll. Don Meadows, P.O. Box 514, Eleanor, 25070; 545-3570.

Hay, 4x4 round bales, limed/fert., put in barn same day it was rolled, hay is still green, 2 mi. off I-77, \$40/bale. Eli Meadows, 365 Three Crosses Rd., Camp Creek, 25820; 222-4030.

Rabbits, American Chinchilla, breeding stock, strong lines, unreg. does/bucks, organically raised on pasture w/no chemicals, \$50/ea. Quincy McMichael, General Delivery, Renick, 24966; 992-2922.

2017 WV Equine Events Calendar

The West Virginia Department of Agriculture publishes a statewide Equine Events Calendar during the show season. To list your club or organization's event(s), please fill out the listing form and return it by February 10, 2017. Any entries received after the deadline will not appear in the Equine Events Calendar. This deadline will ensure calendar availability by April 1.

Only one event listing per form: if additional forms are necessary, please duplicate. Fill listing form out completely (we must have a complete and accurate address and telephone number). Only the name of the contact person and phone number will be published. **All event listings must be held in WV, unless the event is sponsored by a WV Equine Organization. (PLEASE PRINT)**

Date: _____ Time: _____

Event: _____

Sponsor: _____

Place/Location: _____

Contact Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____ Email: _____

You can also fill out the form online: agriculture.wv.gov/divisions/marketinganddevelopment/Livestock/Documents/2017_Equine_Form_Final.pdf

Note: If your event date or location changes please notify us at 304.558.2210 at least 60 days in advance, so the correct information will appear in the appropriate issue of the Market Bulletin.

Return by February 10, 2017 to:

West Virginia Dept. of Agriculture, Andy Yost, Livestock Marketing Specialist
Marketing & Development Division, 1900 Kanawha Blvd., East, Charleston, WV 25305-0178
304.389.9750; Fax: 304.558.2270; ayost@wvda.us

WV CattleWomen to hold Collegiate Beef Advocacy Contest during the WV Beef Expo

The American National CattleWomen, Inc. (ANCW) has developed a new contest for college-age individuals. The Collegiate Beef Advocacy (CBA) Program was created for beef industry advocates interested in bridging the gap between the farm and the fork. This program connects the Collegiate leaders to the beef industry where they can have unlimited access to leadership, their peers, cattlemen and cattlemen, and beef industry professionals. The contestant will grow as an individual, strengthen their leadership skills, and establish a network of associates. At the 2018 ANCW/NCBA Convention, ANCW will have broad-spectrum recognition of the CBA Development Program, as well as a round-table discussion and introduction of the five-person team who will represent the program for the next year. The vision of this program is for recruitment, retention and industry advancement; facilitating the participant to become equipped to take on influential leadership roles contributing to the beef industry's strategic direction and advocacy.

All CBA participants will have expanded their knowledge through the ANCW Collegiate Beef Advocate Program, becoming better equipped and more confident, and develop into an influential part of our industry. Several key areas will be focused on which include but not limited to: Engagement – Access and Exposure to our Industry, Education, Personal and Professional Development, Governmental Affairs and Advocacy and Agricultural Business. For more in depth information on the National Contest and what will be required go to www.ancw.org.

The West Virginia CattleWomen will be hosting the CBA Contest during the 2017 WV Beef Expo in April.

The contest will include several parts:

1. Application
2. 5-8 minute oral speech from written essay
3. 5-10 minute media interview

Contestant eligibility is as follows:

1. Ages between high school graduate-24 years old (before January 1st preceding selection)
2. Enrolled in College
3. Parent or Contestant a member of the WV CattleWomen's Association.
4. Cattlemen & Cattlemen are eligible.

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2017

Hay, '16, 4x5, round bales, barn kept, easy access, \$35/bale. Walter Stalnaker, 915 Grass Run Rd., Weston, 26452; 269-2345.

Hay, 4', rolls, good quality, mixed, never wet, shed kept, will load, \$30/bale. Dave Stephenson, 134 Dogwood Lane, Keslers Cross Lanes, 26675; 619-8454.

Trailer, Cornpro, 16', cattle, new tires, good floor, \$1,500. Alice Strader, 4231 Canaan Rd., Rock Cave, 26234; 924-6596.

Hay, '16, 4x5 round bales, mixed grass, net wrapped, \$30/bale. Larry Supple, 17124 Kanawha Valley Rd., Southside, 25187; 675-2098.

Acreage: Lewis Co., 68 A., non-working, woods, elec., gas, city water, phone avail., \$100,000. David Townsend, 780 Raccoon Run Rd., Weston, 26452; 904-5579.

Hay, '16, 5x5, round bales, stored in barn, approx. 1,500 lbs., 1st cut, 30/bale; 2nd cut, \$35/bale, will load. Oscar Wallace, 766 Stanton Lane, Ripley, 25271; 372-4801.

Hay, '16, 3x4, round bales, never wet, stored in barn, \$20/bale; \$18/bale/10+. Lonnie Walton, 277 Stalnaker Addition, Horner, 26372; 439-6309.

Hay, 4x5, round bales, stored inside, '16, \$25/bale; '15, \$20/bale. Becky Wilson, 2841 Sellars Rd., Middlebourne, 26149; 758-4288.

Hay, 4x4, round bales, 1st cut, \$15; 2nd cut, \$20. Norman Young, 1282 Pumpkin Vine Rd., Buffalo, 25033; 937-3246.

Hand spinning fleece, white & natural colors, Border Leicester, Shetland & crosses, 1

oz - whole fleece, free-\$40. Linda Zinn, 2162 Skelton Run, Wallace, 26448; 782-3704.

Miscellaneous Wants

Lease/land contract for farm property in Hancock Co. Dale Brant, 144 High St., New Manchester, 26056; 479-1911.

Complete outfit to make molasses, the cane mill along w/evaporator pan, firebox, etc. Keith Cummings, 133 Ora Lee Ct., Martinsburg, 25404; 676-8559; oralee3@gmail.com.

Hay, cheap, round or sq. bales, can be old or wet hay, sm. or lg. amounts, preferably within 50 mi. of Monroe Co.; pasture/farm land, to pasture from 5-40 herd, will repair fence if repairable, within 30 mi. of Monroe Co. Roy Gill, 5599 cooks Run Rd., Lindside, 24951; 956-0448.

Lease WV farmland in Harrison, Lewis, Barbour, Taylor, Preston & Tucker to place honey bees on, 5 A. minimum. Bruce Johnson, 786 Isaacs Crk. Rd., Lost Creek, 26385; 745-4298; brucehj@earthwayprimitives.com.

Old sugar cane processing equip., juice squeezer mill, sorghum mill, etc. William Schoolcraft, 5 Reynolds Ave., Elkview, 25071.

Rabbit, Angora buck, young. Mary Wine, 3379 Marquess Rd., Tunnelton, 26444; 892-3208.

11TH ANNUAL GENETIC PARTNERS CLUB PIG SALE

April 8, 6 p.m.
WVU Reedsville Farm
Reedsville, WV
Dave Hardesty, 698-9206.

2017 HONEY BEE EXPO

Mid Ohio Valley Beekeepers Assoc.
& WVU Extension
Jan. 28

WVU Parkersburg Campus
Speaker Phil Craft
Cost: \$20/if pre-registered by Jan 13th
\$25/at the door

Kenny Bach, 740-374-4040;

bachkb@yahoo.com.

Teresa Wagoner, 375-4919;

Twagnor77@yahoo.com;

movba.org.

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