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Once you turn off the blacktop road and hit the gravel drive that leads you to Riverhawk Farm in Wood County, you step into a hands-on classroom. The farm, owned and operated by WVU Parkersburg, is 24.8 acres of fields, high tunnels, barns, and paddocks. It looks like a traditional farm, but their main crop isn't corn or cattle, it's growing young minds.

For the past four and a half years, John Riggs has been the Director of Agriculture at WVU Parkersburg and runs Riverhawk Farm. He splits his time between the classroom, the farm, and in a lot of cases, the farm as the classroom.

“This is a teaching farm, first and foremost,” explains Riggs. “If you're going to make the farm your job, whether you run it, work it, or manage it, you need to be able to talk the talk and walk the walk. You need to know how to drive a tractor and hook it up to the equipment. You need to know how to grow the crops, not just talk about them. You need to know how to manage cattle and break them, too. We teach real world experience here on the farm. All of our classes are very field experience-driven and hands-on.”

The lessons Riggs teaches his students he first learned on his family's farm, Weeping Willow Cattle Company in St Marys, and through years of FFA projects, degrees from WVU and Glenville State, and trial and error running his own agricultural business.

“Here at Riverhawk, we are in full scale operation mode seven days a week, 365 days a year. We grow crops. We raise livestock. We put on a livestock production show in the spring. We do u-pick flowers. We host community events. We work with the Farmacy program in Wood County. We have mock farmers markets with our elementary schools. Everything we do ties back into something else.”

This past school year, WVU Parkersburg's agriculture program had 23 students working towards an associate's degree in Agribusiness. On top of their classroom work, they're also required to complete 20 hours a week of paid experience at the farm.

“They bounce around from task to task just like you'd do at any other farm. You can't come to the farm and think, ‘I have one task today.’ That's not how a real farm works. Something is always changing. There's always a need somewhere else on the farm. So, our students are excellent at being adaptable to the situation at hand,” says Riggs.

During the growing season, students plant, tend, and harvest 27 crops, everything from peppers to potatoes, cucumbers to cabbage.



Riverhawk Farm Director John Riggs checks on a crop of cabbage growing in the farm's high tunnel with WVDA Planning Coordinator Heather Ebbeskotte.

In the winter and spring, they're tending livestock, starting plants in the greenhouse, and raising crops in the high tunnel. Farming never stops, just like in real life.

In order to graduate, students must complete their capstone project. As part of that, they are required to pair up and write a grant, that if awarded, will benefit the farm.

“For example, our new Veterans Coordinator, who just graduated from our program, wrote a grant for developing an orchard here at the farm. If awarded, that would cover 80 additional fruit trees we can plant here at Riverhawk. Eventually, we'll be able to harvest and sell the fruit to benefit the farm,” Riggs explains.

Javier Santelices, a WVU Parkersburg graduate who transitioned into a job teaching crop production, used his capstone project to create a now-thriving business. He grows a half-acre of peppers at Riverhawk and uses them to make hot sauces, pepper flakes, and

FROM THE COMMISSIONER:

Farm Crawls and Fair Highlights This Summer



Summer is flying by, as it always does, bringing with it a flurry of farm activity and events. While the recent rains in May and June have helped alleviate the drought that lingered earlier this year, they have also brought devastating flooding to parts of our state. Our thoughts are with the communities in Ohio County and Fairmont who have suffered tremendous loss, including the tragic loss of life. If you're able to help, I encourage you to reach out, whether by donating supplies, financial assistance, or offering your time to support those in need. Recovery from these floods will be long and the needs of those communities are plenty.

As we look ahead to the rest of the summer, we're excited to celebrate West Virginia's farms, especially those that welcome visitors through agritourism. This July marks the inaugural WV Farm Crawl, with farms across the Mountain State opening their gates to the public every weekend of the month. The WVDA, WVU Extension, and local convention & visitors bureaus have teamed up to organize this month-long showcase, giving families and visitors a chance to experience the best of our state's agricultural operations. As of this writing, nearly 50 farms have signed on to participate, offering hands-on experiences

such as flower picking, food forest tours, bison walks, and honeybee education. You'll find a map and QR code in this Bulletin that links to all participating farms, so you can easily plan your adventure. A visit is well worth your time, and you may head home with freshly picked flowers, just-harvested produce, or a jar of local honey. Grab your family and go!

The Farm Crawl builds on momentum from the April 2025 Agritourism Conference hosted by WVDA and WVU Extension at Canaan Valley. Agritourism operators face unique challenges, particularly limited infrastructure, due to their often-remote locations. The conference provided a platform for business owners to connect with peers, build strategic partnerships, and access valuable resources. These connections make it easier to launch new agritourism ventures or integrate agritourism into existing farm operations. National agricultural statistics show a \$200 million agricultural output increase in WV between 2017 and 2022, and agritourism is undoubtedly playing an increasing role in that growth.

This summer also marks a truly special milestone—the 100th Anniversary of the State Fair of West Virginia, taking place August 7–16. It's incredible to reflect on a century of tradition, growth, and community spirit. While much has changed over the years, the

Fair has remained true to its roots, celebrating agriculture, family, and West Virginia pride. We're honored to once again showcase our West Virginia Grown products in the Country Store and join in the festivities that make the Fair a cherished summer tradition.

Standing proudly alongside this heritage are the fair queens, young women who wear their sashes not just with style, but with substance. Representing their counties and communities, these queens are more than pageant winners; they are ambassadors for the values that define West Virginia: faith, family, farming, and fairness.

The West Virginia Association of Fairs and Festivals Queen Program brings together the brightest, most community-minded young women from across the state. These queens often come from agricultural backgrounds themselves. Many have shown animals, grown up on farms, or are 4-H and FFA members. Their titles reflect a commitment to leadership, service, and pride in rural life. As these queens travel the state this summer, attending events and representing their local fairs and festivals, we thank them for their dedication and the pride they bring to the communities they serve.

Kent Leonhardt, Commissioner of Agriculture

Animal Health Bulletin: Heat Mitigation for Livestock and Pets

Summer is back and the hot, humid temperatures have arrived. Heat stress occurs when the body cannot get rid of excess heat. As the body's core temperature rises, the heart rate increases. In livestock, this can lead to lower milk production, loss of appetite and body condition, higher disease incidence, and an increased death rate. Cattle can start experiencing heat stress around 72°F with 50% humidity. Heat stress has many warning signs including: increased respiratory rate, rapid and shallow breathing, panting, drooling, restlessness, decreased activity, protruding tongue, sweating, and trembling. Several steps can be taken to prevent heat stress in livestock: monitor the weather, only handle during the coolest part of the day, provide adequate shade with great air flow, increase access to cool water, strategically place cool water to encourage rehydration, supplement minerals in feed, use large droplet sprinklers to wet down livestock and the environment.

In warm weather, heat stress can also affect our companion animals. There are many ways to prevent heat stress in dogs and cats: bring them indoors; provide adequate shade; provide unlimited access to fresh, cool water; avoid walking on asphalt (high temperatures can cause burns on paws); and never leave pets in vehicles. Even in cooler weather, the inside of vehicles can heat up to dangerous temperatures very quickly. Despite leaving the windows cracked open, interior temperatures can rise almost 20°F within the first 10 minutes. Any pet left inside a hot vehicle is at risk for serious heat-related illnesses or even death. Excessive panting, difficulty breathing, drooling, increased respiratory rate and heart rate, weakness, collapse, and seizures are signs of heat stress in pets. If you think your pet may be experiencing signs of heat stress, get them to a veterinarian as soon as possible.

Check out the following links for more information:

<https://www.avma.org/resources/pet-owners/petcare/warm-weather-pet-safety>
<https://blogs.clemson.edu/livestock/tips-to-maintain-herd-health-during-hot-weather/>
<https://vet.tufts.edu/news-events/news/keeping-farm-and-livestock-cool-summer-heat>

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PEST?

Send us a photo of the
pest with your name
and contact info to
bugbusters@wvda.us
or call 304-558-2212.



Be on the lookout for
Spotted Lanternfly!

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seasonings for his Montani Chile Co. brand. He uses his company as part of his course, teaching students how to take a spark of an idea, grow it into a seed, develop it into a product, and then market it to the public.

Students are also required to select an agricultural business, service, or product to research and come up with a presentation they deliver to a panel of agriculturists.

"This past semester, one of my students did goat yoga as her project. She has a background in agritourism, and that's what she wants to do in the future. So, she did a goat yoga class right here on the farm. I even participated," laughs Riggs. "She did an excellent job."

College students aren't the only ones benefitting from Riverhawk Farm. During the summer, WVU Parkersburg offers a Farm to School Agrigation program. It's a two-week experience where students in grades 9-12 engage in on-farm activities.

"This program really plants the seeds for the next generation," says Riggs. "It allows them to come out here and learn what takes place on a working farm. They'll mow the grass, feed the cattle, drive a tractor, harvest the crops, process the fruits and vegetables. When their two weeks are up, they leave here knowing where their food comes from and what it takes to get it to their table."

Sixty students are taking part in the program this summer. When they wrap up their two-

weeks, they'll walk away with several agriculture-related certifications, a \$650 stipend, and Riggs hopes possibly a future on the farm.

When Riggs arrived at WVU Parkersburg in 2021, Riverhawk Farm consisted of an old chicken house, a brick home he used as a classroom, and a few outbuildings. Today, there



High school students participating in Riverhawk's Agrigation program take on everyday farm tasks such as pulling weeds, feeding livestock, and harvesting crops.

are new, modern structures spread out across the farm. From barns and classroom space to a high tunnel and a greenhouse, Riggs says those buildings were made possible through generous donations from individuals and organizations, as well as some sizeable grants.

"Donations and grants have made all this possible," Riggs says looking around at the farm. "It's made it possible for us to scale up this operation and take the academic program

to another level. We expect to have 50 students enrolled in our program in the fall of 2025. The end goal here at Riverhawk is to be a fully sustainable operation, trying to eliminate the input costs, add automated systems, and create a more efficient operation."

Riggs says he couldn't run the farm without a lot of help from Ag Outreach Specialist Hannah Morgan, Farm Operations Manager Tyler Villers, and the rest of the Riverhawk crew.

As for his students, Riggs says WVU Parkersburg and Riverhawk Farm are setting them up for success.

"They're learning agriculture is not specific to one area. They can take their degree and go run a farm or a bank. The work ethic and the passion they're developing here can translate to any industry, any business, any career."

"I want my students to know there is money to be earned in agriculture. The next million-dollar idea in agriculture is right around the corner. I push my students to look for that opportunity, but you have to put in the time and effort and capitalize on opportunities to succeed. Who knows, the next million-dollar idea might come from right here on this farm. That's a lot of pressure...but I'd love to see it happen!"

To learn more about the WVU Parkersburg's Agribusiness program, go to <https://www.wvup.edu/academics/programs/agribusiness/>. You can also follow Riverhawk Farm on Facebook.

2026 SPONGY MOTH TREATMENT

The West Virginia Department of Agriculture (WVDA) is urging landowners to sign up for the Cooperative State-County-Landowner (CSCL) *Lymantria dispar* (formerly Gypsy Moth) Suppression Program. The program is focused on protecting landowners' forested acreage from devastating effects caused by the invasive *Lymantria dispar*, also known as spongy moth. The sign-up period runs from July 1 until August 31, 2025.

"West Virginia's forests are one of our state's most important resources. From tourism to our timber industry, our forests are an important economic driver," said Commissioner of Agriculture Kent Leonhardt. "As we face more invasive species, such as the spotted lanternfly, we hope people will take advantage of programs like these."

The program will start accepting egg mass survey applications from landowners located in generally infested counties on July 1. Application forms and brochures are available at <https://agriculture.wv.gov/divisions/plant-industries/forest-health-protection/>. Landowners may also obtain applications at local WVU Extension offices and WVDA field offices in Charleston (304-558-2212) or New Creek (304-788-

1066). A non-refundable survey deposit of five dollars per acre, with a \$10,000 maximum for Residential Developments and Homeowners Associations, or a \$3,000 maximum for individual landowners, must be submitted with the application. This deposit will be applied toward treatment cost, if the property qualifies.

Homeowners Associations (HOA) must contact individual lot owners and provide a complete listing of all lot owners to the WVDA. Additionally, a list of lot owners not wanting to participate or objecting to the treatment must be included upon submission. A map must be included that shows the participating, non-participating, and objecting property owners. The WVDA will determine if the lot owners who do not want to participate can be logistically removed from the proposed treatment area. This may potentially disqualify the HOA from the program. All lot owners objecting to treatment will be buffered an additional 150 feet outside their property boundaries. The HOA coordinator for the property must contact landowners to discuss treatment material, as the entire block will need to be treated with either BTK or Mimic, if it qualifies.

"Spongy moth is a non-native, invasive insect

that feeds on hundreds of species of trees and shrubs, including West Virginia hardwoods," said WVDA Plant Industries Assistant Director Andy Stotts. "Defoliation by spongy moth caterpillars can weaken trees, making them more susceptible to other pests and diseases. This treatment program helps safeguard our forests from further damage."

The minimum acreage required to participate in the program is 50 contiguous acres of woodland. Adjoining landowners may combine their properties to meet the acreage requirement. Once applications and deposits are received, a forest health protection specialist will visit the landowner's property to determine if the level of spongy moth infestation meets program guidelines. A final decision to participate in the program must be confirmed by signing a contract and submitting a treatment deposit with the WVDA by early December 2025.

For more information, contact WVDA *Lymantria Dispar* Program Coordinator Scott Hoffman at ghoffman@wvda.us or Region 3 Coordinator Jeff Johnson at jjohnson@wvda.us.

WHAT'S COOKIN'?



Almost Heaven

One of the best parts of summer is eating from the garden. Whether you pick it yourself, it's a gift from a neighbor who's a gardener, or it comes from the local farmers market, fresh produce grown in West Virginia is almost heaven! There's no need for fancy recipes when you're cooking with fresh veggies. A handful of herbs, a little salt and pepper, maybe a protein thrown in, and you've got yourself a meal, whether it be a light lunch, a hardy dinner or a delicious (healthy) snack. Let us know how you like this month's recipes! If you have a straight-from-the-garden recipe you'd like to share for our August Market Bulletin, send it to marketbulletin@wvda.us.



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Grandma's Cucumber and Tomato Salad

- 4 medium tomatoes, (peeled, if desired) cored and cut into wedges
- 1 cucumber, peeled, halved, and sliced
- ¼ Vidalia or yellow onion, sliced thin
- 1 tsp. kosher salt
- ¼ tsp. freshly ground black pepper
- ¼ cup distilled white vinegar
- 1 tsp. packed brown sugar

Step 1

In a mixing bowl, combine the tomatoes, cucumbers, and onions and season with salt and pepper. Add the vinegar and brown sugar, stir, and allow to sit in the refrigerator for 15 to 30 minutes before serving.

Step 2

Store leftovers in an airtight container in the refrigerator for up to 5 days.

Breaded Parmesan Zucchini

- 4 zucchini, quartered lengthwise
- ½ cup freshly grated Parmesan
- ½ tsp. dried thyme
- ½ tsp. dried oregano
- ½ tsp. dried basil
- ¼ tsp. garlic powder
- Kosher salt and freshly ground black pepper, to taste
- 2 Tbsp. olive oil
- 2 Tbsp. chopped fresh parsley leaves

Step 1

Preheat oven to 350 F. Coat a cooling rack with nonstick spray and place on a baking sheet; set aside.

Step 2

In a small bowl, combine Parmesan, thyme, oregano, basil, garlic powder, salt and pepper, to taste. Place zucchini onto prepared baking sheet. Drizzle with olive oil and sprinkle with Parmesan mixture.

Step 3

Place into oven and bake until tender, about 15 minutes. Then broil for 2-3 minutes, or until crisp and golden brown. Serve immediately, garnished with parsley, if desired.

Stuffed Peppers

- 1 lb. ground beef
- ½ cup long grain white rice (uncooked)
- 1 cup water
- 6 green bell peppers
- 2 (8 oz.) cans tomato sauce
- 1 Tbsp. Worcestershire sauce
- ¼ tsp. garlic powder
- ¼ tsp. onion powder
- Salt and pepper to taste
- 1 tsp. Italian seasoning

Step 1

Preheat the oven to 350 F. Place rice and water in a saucepan and bring to a boil. Reduce heat, cover, and cook for 20 minutes.

Step 2

In a skillet, cook the beef over medium heat until browned. Cut out the tops of the bell peppers. Clean out the seeds and any membranes. Arrange the peppers in a baking dish with the hollowed sides face up. (If needed, you can slice off the bottom so they stand upright.)

Step 3

In a bowl, combine the cooked rice, browned beef, 1 can tomato sauce, Worcestershire sauce, onion and garlic powder, salt, and pepper. Fill each bell pepper to the top. In a bowl, mix together the remaining tomato sauce and Italian seasoning. Pour as a topping over the stuffed peppers.

Step 4

Cover the dish with foil to keep the peppers from drying out. Baste each pepper with sauce every 15 minutes. Bake for 1 hour in the oven until the peppers are tender.

THE WVDA IS HIRING!

For more information, visit: <https://wvda.applicantstack.com/x/openings>

Cedar Lakes Conference Center Upcoming Workshops

Cedar Lakes Conference Center is offering two weekends of artisan workshops this summer. The Folk Art at the Lakes program offers a large selection of instructional learning opportunities for crafts, music, and art. Classes start at \$159 (weekend) and \$254.40 (weeklong). Lodging, meals, and class packages are available. To view all price options, download the catalog, or apply for a craft class, please visit www.cedarlakes.com/craft-workshops/. Cedar Lakes Conference Center is owned and operated by the West Virginia Department of Agriculture.

UPCOMING CLASSES:

AUGUST 18-22 (WEEK)

- **Basketry** – Elaine Sinclair
- **Clay Sculpting** – Samantha Taylor
- **Mountain Dulcimer** – Tish Westman
- **Tinsmithing** – Jeff Leister
- **Woodcarving** – Bob Barris
- **Woodturning** – Harry Newman

AUGUST 29-31 (WEEKEND)

- **Origami** – Colleen Anderson
- **Oil Painting** – Samantha Taylor
- **Woodturning** – Harry Newman
- **Photography** – Martin Unrue
- **Ukulele** – Tish Westman



STATE FARM MUSEUM UPCOMING EVENTS



If you haven't visited the West Virginia State Farm Museum, now is the time to do it! This family-friendly museum near Point Pleasant sits on 50 acres and is dedicated to the preservation of early pioneer life and farming heritage in West Virginia. From antique tractors to an operational 19th century blacksmith shop, there's lots to see and learn whether you take a guided tour or browse the grounds and its many buildings on your own.

The museum is located at 1458 Fairground Rd., Pt. Pleasant, WV, 25550. Hours of operation are Tuesday – Saturday 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. and Sundays 1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. (grounds only). For questions, contact wvsm@suddenlinkmail.com or call 304-675-5737.

Upcoming Events:

July 3 – 5 Mountain State Arts and Craft Fair
Visit their mobile display at Cedar Lakes

July 5 Antique Tractor Pull – 11:00 a.m.

July 26 Tractor Parade and Show

Kitchen and Store Open 9:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
Registration 9:00 a.m.

Pedal Pull – 10:00 a.m.

Parade Begins – Noon

August 4-9 Mason County Fair

Buildings Open 1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Kitchen and store open – Watch Facebook and website for hours

UPCOMING GLCI EVENTS

CAPITOL CD EVENTS

EXTENDED GRAZING & ROTATIONAL GRAZING

July 17th

Marantha
Baptist Church
Charleston, WV

Events start at 6 p.m.

This series of educational dinner meetings will address different topics of grassland conservation, such as grazing techniques, nutrient management, and animal stewardship and husbandry.

These meetings have been planned for the months of June and July for Kanawha county producers and other interested parties.



POTOMAC VALLEY CD EVENTS

This field day will showcase best management practices for grazing. Topics such as stockpiling and temporary fencing will be discussed, providing attendees with strategic ideas to implement in their operations.

Mineral & Hampshire
County Field Day
July 17th

Refreshments provided

Woodside Farms
LLC-Burlington
Event Time Frame
5-8 PM

TYGARTS VALLEY CD EVENTS

Sickler Farm
Event Time Frame
10 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Barbour County
Field Day
July 26th

Refreshments provided

This field day will showcase best management practices. Topics such as soil health and forages will be covered to provide attendees with a strategic plan for creating a sustainable operation.

TO BE DETERMINED GLCI EVENTS

Second Barbour County Field Day
September 6
Location: TBD
Time: TBD

Hardy County Field Day
October
Location: Big Ridge Farm – Lost River, WV
Date & Time TBD

Grant & Pendleton County Field Day
September
Location: Lough Farms-Upper Tract, WV
Date & Time TBD

TREY YATES LEGACY FUND

The West Virginia agriculture community is mourning the loss of one of its brightest and youngest entrepreneurs. Trey Yates, owner and operator of Greenbrier Dairy and Creamery, passed away on June 1. He



was just 28. In his short life, he accomplished a lot. He was an astute businessman, determined to create jobs in West Virginia. He shared his successes and failures with other young entrepreneurs to help get their businesses off the ground. He helped launch Appalachian Cellar, a line of West Virginia-made, value-added food products and joined the staff of the West Virginia Food and Farm Coalition (WVFFC) in 2024.

Trey's family, the WVFFC, and members of the agriculture community have set up the Trey Yates Legacy Fund. Donations will support the creation of a grant fund to assist young agricultural entrepreneurs just starting out. To make a donation or learn more about the fund, go to: <https://www.wvfoodandfarm.org/treyyateslegacyfund>.

2025**AGRICULTURE & FORESTRY HALL OF FAME**

The West Virginia Agriculture and Forestry Hall of Fame (WVAHFHF) Foundation will recognize the 2025 class of inductees on July 19 at Jackson's Mill. Each was selected for this honor for their outstanding contributions to the establishment, development, advancement, and improvement of agriculture, forestry, and family life in West Virginia.

**David J. Workman -Agriculture (Hardy County)**

David grew up with a passion for agriculture. He attended WVU and graduated with a degree in Agriculture. He was hired as a 4-H Agent, working with the youth of Hardy County and promoted to Agriculture and Natural Resources Agent where he conducted ground-breaking and award-winning research on heat recovery in broiler houses. He also helped write Best Management Practices (BMP) for the poultry industry. David retired from Extension in 2018 and was elected to the Hardy County Commission where he is currently serving his second term in office.

Virgil Wilkins - Agriculture (Wetzel County)

For more than a half century, Virgil Wilkins taught, mentored, and made a difference in the lives of countless young men and women of Wetzel County as an Agriculture Education teacher and FFA advisor at Hundred High School. He emphasized hands-on learning, from the program's Ham, Bacon and Egg sale to the school's community garden and greenhouse. His numerous awards include: Milken Educator Award (1990), Layle D. Lawrence Lifetime Achievement Award (2024), National FFA VIP (2014), and Southern States Leadership Award (1983).

**Paul Lakin Cummings (dec.) - Agriculture (Roane County)**

Paul grew up on his family's farm near Walton. He received his degree in Agriculture Education and later a Master's in Vocational Education. He spent most of his career as the Ag-Ed teacher at Walton/Roane County High School. Paul's passion was production agriculture. His students excelled in their SAE's, and during his career, his students won 58 state FFA proficiency awards and one national proficiency. In his free time, he ran an active adult farmers program aimed at helping others succeed. Paul retired from teaching in 2006 but continued to farm until his passing in 2019.

Charles Randall "Randy" Dye (dec.) - Forestry (Wood County)

Randy was born and raised in Parkersburg and graduated from WVU with a degree in Forestry. He spent two decades as a forester in land management in GA, NC, and VA. In 1999, he returned to West Virginia when he was appointed Director of the Division of Forestry. He was an active member of the National Association of State Foresters and served two consecutive terms as the group's President. Randy made an effort to spend time in the field with his foresters and was a vocal advocate for best management practices. Randy retired in 2017 after 18 years with the state. He passed away in 2024.

**Robert M. Garrison - Forestry (Upshur County)**

Robert spent his formative years in Ritchie County and graduated from the WVU School of Forestry in 1973. Early in his career, he worked for Georgia-Pacific and Coastal Lumber Company. In 2011, he decided to open his own consulting company. Robert is known in the industry as an expert in forest management. He was instrumental in the passage of the WV Logging Sediment Control Act of 1992. He is a Past-President of the WV Forestry Association.

**James R. Hays - Forestry (Upshur County)**

Jim grew up in St. Albans and went to WVU, but the Vietnam War cut his studies short. He served in the U.S. Army, receiving a National Defense Service Medal and a Vietnam Service Medal with four Bronze Stars. After his service, he finished his degree and began working for the WV Division of Forestry (WVDF) as a Forestry Aide, Service Forester, State Lands Management Forester, and District 3 Forester. Jim retired from the WVDF in 2005 and began working as a private consultant for Sentinal Forestry Service. His colleagues say his work ethic and dedication to sustainable forest management are second to none.

**Dr. Ruthellen Phillips - Family Life (Monongalia County)**

Ruthellen has dedicated her career to the families, youth, and communities of West Virginia. In her work with WVU Extension, she has tirelessly focused on programs to improve the lives of others. Her greatest legacy is the award-winning Energy Express, the country's only statewide reading-focused summer learning program. She has also been a champion in supporting and developing Extension faculty. She has a long list of awards and accolades from local, state and national organizations.

William E. & Helen J. (Schmidt) McClain - Family Life (Lewis County)

William and Helen were both born and raised in Lewis County. Their parents instilled the importance of community involvement and service to others. The pair met, fell in love, and married in 1970. They own and operate Stoney Meadows, a fourth-generation farm. Helen has been an active member of the Vandalia Community Education Outreach Service (CEOS) for 54 years and has served as a 4-H club leader for more than four decades. Both are active members of the WV Farm Bureau, the WV Cattlemen's Assoc., and their local Conservation District. Now retired, the Phillips continue to farm and continue to inspire others to be servant leaders.





West Virginia Grown

Rooted in the Mountain State



Member of the Month

Dollinger Farm

Who: Kim and Jim Dollinger

Location: Rio (Hampshire Co.)

Products: Beef, pork, chicken, eggs, honey, educational farm tours

Where to buy: Off the farm, delivery, and Spring Valley Farm Market

How they got started:

(Jim) We started our farm in 2016 on four acres in Hedgesville. We started out small. We wanted to raise our own meat so that we knew where our food came from. So, we started doing it for ourselves, but it grew from there. In 2020, we purchased the farm where we live today in Rio. We have 50 acres. It gives us plenty of room to raise cattle, pigs, chickens, bees, as well as open up our farm for educational tours. We like to show visitors what we do, what's worked for us, and where their food comes from.

Future plans:

(Kim) We've started working with a new breed of cattle. Most farmers in this area raise Angus and Angus crosses. We're raising White Park cattle. They're a triple purpose breed. They're good for beef, dairy, and they're really great during drought which was great last year. We only have a few of them right now, but we'd like to expand our herd. In the future, we'd like to offer dairy products. We're expanding our hives, as well. Last year we had six hives and hopefully by the end of summer we'll have 10 or 12. We don't want to get too big. It's just the two of us, but we really want to grow the farm tours. It's really rewarding to have people come out and share what we do.

Why join West Virginia Grown?

(Kim) When people visit the farm, they can see where all our products come from. But for our products that we deliver or are at the Spring Valley Farm Market, customers don't get to see that. We want them to see that WV Grown label. That's important.

WV Grown has been around since 1986. In the past 39 years, the program has helped thousands of West Virginia agribusinesses market their products to customers here at home, across the country, and even around the world. That remains our mission today. Whether you raise cattle or grow cucumbers, West Virginians take great pride in the products that come from their land. When people see a WV Grown logo on a product, buyers can be assured it was grown or processed, with quality ingredients, right here in the Mountain State. For every WV Grown product sold, that's money that goes back into our local economy. Buying WV Grown just makes sense/cents. With more than 600 members, retail partners, and supporting businesses, we hope you'll take time to browse through our WV Grown Directory (<https://agriculture.wv.gov/ag-business/west-virginia-grown/>). If you want to become a member of WV Grown, contact our Business Development Division at 304-558-2210 or email wvgrown@wvda.us.

NORTH EASTERN REGION



Nathan Bergdoll



"Grow and produce what you love. Pinpoint the correct market channels that will keep your business profitable. We are all stronger together in this venture so engage in your communities and utilize the multitude of available resources at your disposal to assist in your operational development." - **Nathan Bergdoll**

In the News

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Bluegrass and barbeque - now that's a perfect combination! **Orr's Farm Market** (Martinsburg) is hosting a full Saturday of fun, food and music on July 5. Join them under the tent for homemade BBQ, bluegrass bands from across the area, including Benny & The Frets, and lots of toe tapping. It's a family-friendly event, so no alcohol, please.



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It's time to head to the farm(s)! The 2025 West Virginia Farm Crawl kicks off the first weekend in July and runs every weekend throughout the month. Forty-plus farms across the state are opening their gates, inviting visitors to come see what life on a working farm is really like and where their food and fiber comes from. You'll have the opportunity to purchase farm-fresh products to take home and enjoy. It's a family-friendly event. So, bring the kids (but leave the pets at home) and enjoy four weekends of farms, fun, and family. The best part - it's FREE! Use the QR code or the link below to see a list of all the participating farms. We can't wait to see you down on the farm!



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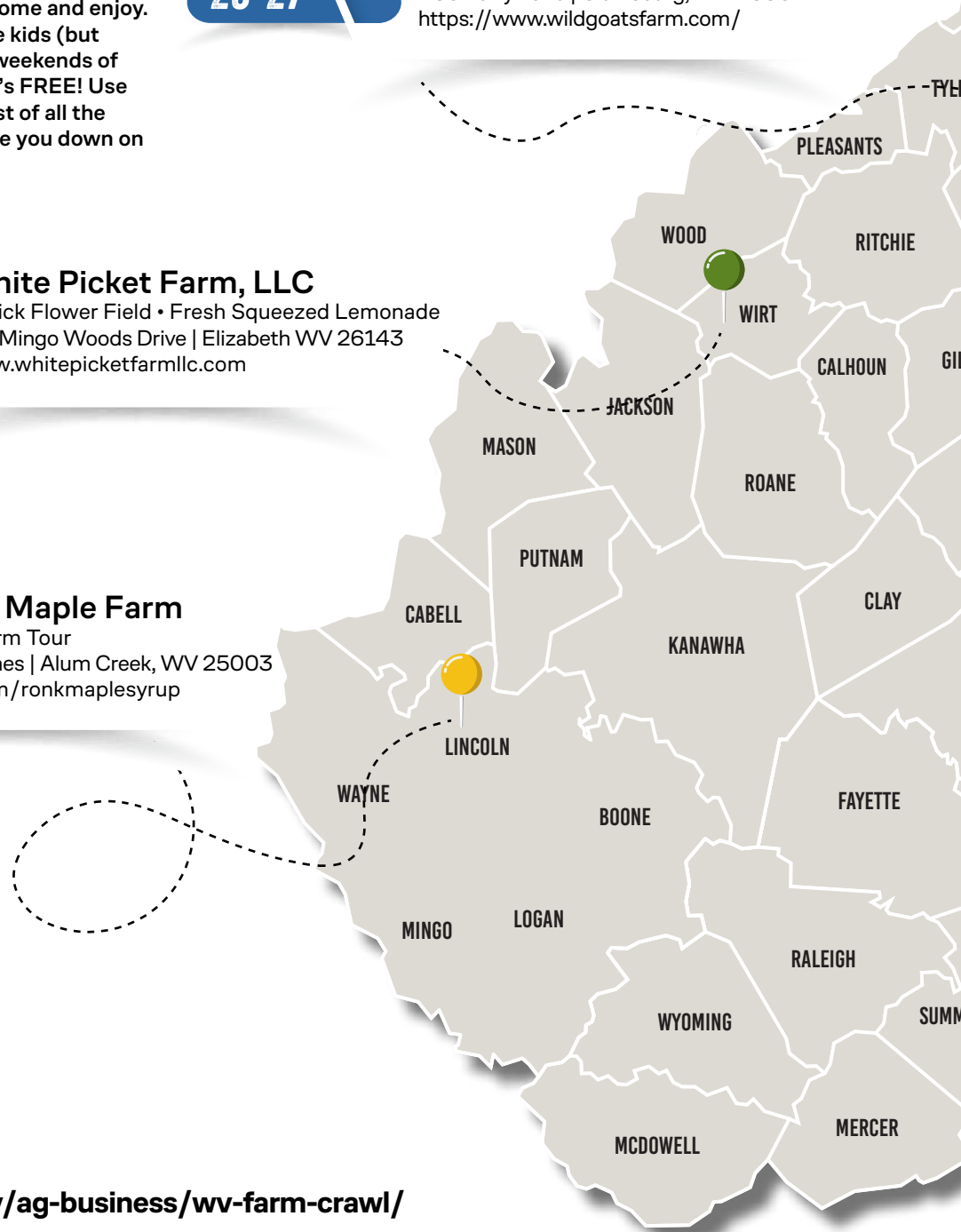
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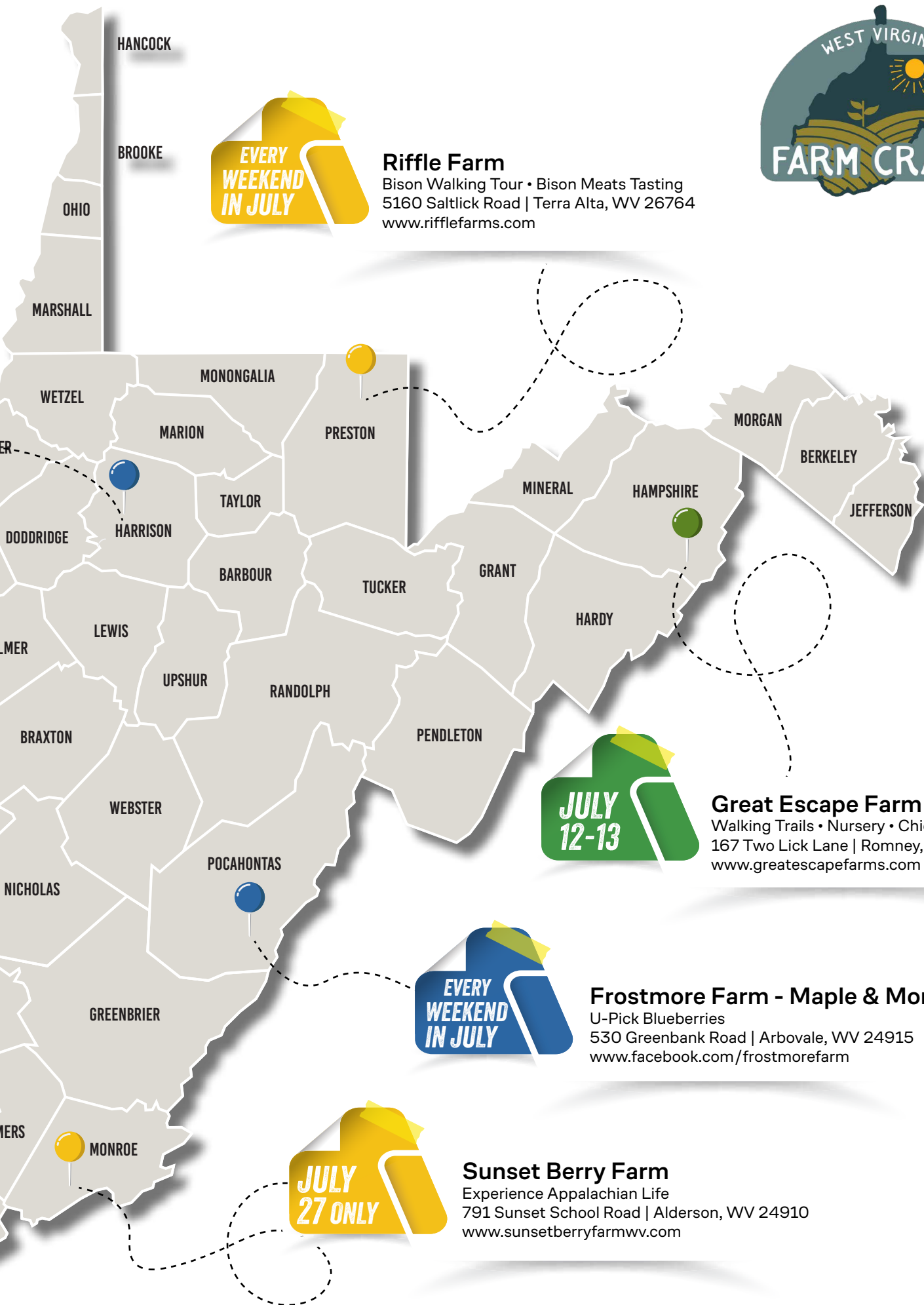
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Apiary Events

Barbour Co. Beekeepers Assoc., *Monthly Meeting*, 4th Thursday, 7:00 p.m., Barbour Co. Fairgrounds in metal quonset hut, Contact Dave Hunt, 304-457-4500.

Clay Co. Beekeepers Assoc., Contact Mark Davis, 304-651-3002; claycobeekeepers@gmail.com.

Fayette Co. Beekeepers Assoc., *Monthly Meeting*, last Monday, 6:00 p.m., 401 W. Maple Ave., Contact Rick Forren, 304-539-1303.

Harrison Co. Beekeepers, *Discussion Group*, Contact Larry Forinash 304-669-5410; lforinash1@gmail.com

Kanawha Valley Beekeepers Assoc., *Bi-Monthly Meeting*, Contact Rick Armstrong, 304-553-1923.

Marion Co. Beekeepers Assoc., *Meeting*, 4th Thursday, 7 p.m., Eldora United Methodist Church, Contact Debbie Abels, 304-633-5647; deb.abel53@yahoo.com.

Marion Co. Beekeepers Assoc., *Annual Summer Picnic*, July 24, 6 p.m., New Life Ministries Church, Manley Chapel Rd., Fairmont, meat, drinks & dinnerware will be provided, bring your favorite covered dish to share Contact Nancy Postlewait, 304-612-9599.

Monongalia Co. Beekeepers Assoc., *Monthly Meeting*, 1st Tuesday, 6:00 p.m., WVU Ext. Office, 270 Mylan Park Lane, Morgantown, Contact Kevin Hart, kevin.hart@moncountymbeekeepers.org.

Mountaineer Beekeepers Assoc., *Bi-Monthly Meeting*, 2nd Monday, 6:30 p.m., City Bldg. on School Rd, Contact Patrick O'Connell, occonnellpatrick0370@gmail.com.

Mountaineer Beekeepers Assoc., *Discussion Meeting*, 4th Thursday, 6:30 p.m., Doddridge Co. Library, downstairs meeting room, Union, Contact Patrick O'Connell, occonnellpatrick0370@gmail.com.

Potomac Highlands Beekeepers Assoc., *Monthly Meeting*, 2nd Thursday, 7 p.m., Romney Firehouse Center, High St., Downtown Romney, Contact Kirby Vining, 202-213-2690; secretary.phba@gmail.com.

Preston Co. Beekeepers Assoc., *Monthly Meeting*, 3rd Thursday, WVU Ext. Office, Kingwood, Contact Scott Lewis, 304-376-0453.

Southeastern Beekeepers Assoc., *Monthly Meeting*, 1st Monday, 6:00 p.m., Ronald P. Sharp Alumni Conference Center, WV Osteopathic School, Lewisburg, Contact Rick Forren, 304-539-1303.

Upshur Co. Beekeepers Assoc., *Monthly Meeting*, 3rd Tuesday, 6:30 p.m., Upshur Co. Farm Bureau Bldg. on Rt. 33 between Buckhannon & Weston, terriobennett@gmail.com.

West Central Beekeepers Assoc., *Monthly Meeting*, 4th Saturday, 1 p.m., Two Runs Community Bldg., Two Runs.

All bee colonies must be registered with the West Virginia Department of Agriculture.
Please contact the Animal Health Division at 304-558-2214.

Cattle Sales

Reg. Angus, Limousin & Lim-Flex breeding age bulls, black, polled, calving ease, good disp., perf. & EPD info avail., passed complete BSE, \$4,000. Kim Getz, 122 Dolly Hill Rd., Scherr, 26726; 304-749-8043; ralimousin@frontiernet.net.

Pure Angus 23-mo. bulls, easy calving, \$2,500/ea. Clark Humphreys, 7217 Indian Mills Rd., Peterstown, 24963; 304-753-9990.

Reg. Black Gelbvieh bulls w/papers, \$2,400. Roger Simmons, 309 Coakley Ridge Rd., Harrisville, 26362; 304-628-3618.

Reg. Polled Hereford 3/25 bull calf bottle baby, began halter breaking, good for FFA or 4-H project, \$1,500. Wayne Willie, 1478 Curtisville Rd., Smithfield, 26437; 304-290-2078.

Equipment Sales

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

Dearborn dbl. plow, \$450; /Ferguson dbl. disc, adjustable levers, \$600. Darrell Allen, 1285 Missouri Run Rd., Parkersburg, 26101; 304-489-2901.

NH 100 hp 4 WD tractor w/cab, loader, ac, 677 hrs., \$59,000. Brian Alt, 7140 Franklin Pike Rd., Petersburg, 26847; 304-668-5495.

MF 350 disc, \$300; King Kutter 5' tiller, \$1,200, both in good cond. Raymond Armstrong, 3956 Charlie's Crk. Rd., Culloden, 25510; 304-743-9268.

Oliver Cletrac 51 HG, 68", \$3,000; Gravely 8123 w/mower & compost shredder, \$800. Nelson Blake, 2392 Johnstown Rd., Lost Creek, 26385; 304-203-7005; after 6 p.m.

Craftsman tiller \$500; lg. lawn fert. spreader, \$100; Greenworks weed wiper, \$3,500; drag, \$500; hay spear, 3-pt. hitch, rear, \$300, all excel. cond. Virgle Caldwell, 1462 Le Farm Rd., Leroona, 25971; 304-384-7426.

JD 830 farm tractor w/250 sickle bar mower, \$8,500. Jeff Cummings, 72 Statler Run Rd., Fairview, 26570; 304-680-4364.

Boom sprayer, 55-gal., 3-pt. hitch, will spray 16' wide & up to 8' high, shed kept, excel. cond., \$3,200. Roger Flanagan, 467 Ritchie Farm Rd., Summersville, 26651; 304-880-0135.

Dirt Dog quick attach hay spear off a NH tractor, \$400. Max High 8508 Patterson Crk. Rd., Lahmansville, 26731; 304-851-0401.

Engines, Whitt hit & miss, \$2,500; JD horse & 1/2, on a trailer, \$2,100. Max High 2021 Holiday Run Rd., Smoot, 24977; 304-445-5198.

JD 1070, 4 WD, ps, 39 hp, 500 hrs., grader blade, barn kept, excel. cond., \$15,500. Bruce

Hunt, 202 Joy Lane, Culloden, 25510; 304-205-2483.

Grader blade, 6', 3-pt. hitch, angle adjustments, barn kept, \$400. Norman Ketchum, 8 Mockingbird Dr., Milton, 25541; 304-544-1631; 304-544-6191.

JD '50 A 2 cyl. tractor, good cond./rubber, \$5,000. Mark King, 10268 Williamsport Pike, Falling Waters, 25419; 240-291-0278.

MF 1734 round baler, elec. tie, 4x4 bales, shed kept, excel. cond., \$12,000; dirt scoop, 3-pt. hitch, dumps w/rope, \$300. Robert King, 325 Robert Lane, Evans, 25241; 304-532-4790.

Greenscape 750 food plotter, no till drill, excel. cond., shed kept, \$8,500. Glenda Kinnie, P.O. Box 382, Slanesville, 25444; 304-496-9243.

King Kutter 5' brush hog stump jumper, \$450; horse drawn dbl. tree, \$30; 10 horse drawn single trees, \$20/ea.; several sets of brass knob horse hames, \$30/set; 5' snow plow for 4 wheeler, \$65; 2 lg. wood turn plows, \$150; 3 metal turn plows, \$100; horse drawn cultivator, \$100. Chip Mallion, 37 Taxidermy Lane, Sutton, 26601; 304-765-7187.

JD '19 5045E2 WD, 27 hrs., \$25,000; corn grinder, \$300; Reese hitch, \$150; hand cultivator plow, \$50. George Maury, 890 Maury Lane, New Martinsville, 26155; 304-386-5039.

JD 6' blade, excel. cond., \$600. Ronald Midkiff, 220 Catholic Church Rd., Meadow Bridge, 25976; 304-392-6060.

Ford 5600 2 WD tractor, good rubber, \$8,000; 2 3-pt. hitch tedders, both excel. cond., \$600/ea. Larry Parsons, 276 Maple Dr., Evans, 25241; 304-372-4575.

Ford '45 2 N tractor, new rubber & rims all the way around, many new parts, \$2,500/obo. Steve Reed, 40 Rosecrest Way, Matheny, 24860; 304-682-7114.

MF 135 dual clutch assembly, part #526666M91, kit includes everything but the throw out bearing, 11", 10 spine 3 fingers, \$150. Terry Sampson, 721 Grandview Lane, Lewisburg, 24901; 540-525-1714.

Kuhn FC243TG discbine, 7', \$18,000; Vermeer WR 20 rake, \$6,000, both excel. cond. Donald Seckman, 705 Jefferson Run Rd., Alma, 26320; 304-758-2955.

IH Farmall '57 130, single pt. fast hitch, excel. cond./rubber/hyd., 2-way plow, good set of discs, will not separate, \$4,500/firm. Dave Sprouse, 1548 Thistlewood Dr., Hurricane, 25526; 304-539-1052.

Goat Sales

Boer 3/25 & 4/25 kids, red & black dapple spotted & solid red, all kids sired by dapple spotted buck, \$200/up. Justin McClain, 2853 Dry Fork Rd., Salem, 26426; 304-782-3983.

Kiko/Saanen '24 & '25 doelings & bucklings, proven does, vacc., perf. raised, herd neg. for CAE/Johne's/CL/Brucellosis, \$150/up. Hope O'Toole, 595 Luther Heishman Rd., Baker, 26801; 304-897-7073.

Kiko '25 doelings & bucklings, weaned, vacc., \$200/up; more goats. Wade Stiltnier, 213 Shortcut Branch Rd., Fort Gay, 25514; 304-272-5049.

ADGA reg. Nigerian dwarf kids, does, bucks & wethers, blue eyes, polled & disbudded, CAE neg. herd, \$125/up. Mary Wolfe, 1430 Tribble Rd., Leon, 25123; 304-458-1992; leslie.wolfe@frontier.com.

Horse Sales

Gelding 16-yr., 16 h, good disp., if you can ride at all you can ride him, easy to catch, traffic safe, \$2,500. Verna Ebin, 850 Parkview Rd., Grafton, 26354; 681-455-9395.

Plant Sales

Seed, Caster beans (mole killer-dog tick) \$5/24 seeds. Jerry McCauley, 5519 Seneca Trail, Valley Bend, 26293; 304-642-9737.

Plant Wants

Free Bamboo, you cut/dig. Hope O'Toole, 595 Luther Heishman Rd., Baker, 26801; 304-897-7073.

Rhubarb any amount. Doug Spencer, 4707 Nettie Fenwick Rd., Fenwick, 26202; 304-846-6875.

Poultry Sales

Narragansett 4/30/25 turkey poults, will be ready for Thanksgiving, \$30/ea. Cat Kemmerling, 1960 Bloomery Rd., Charles Town, 25414; 612-703-3539.

White Leghorn 2-mo. & older: pullet chicks, \$7-\$10; roosters, \$4/ea. James McCarty 11455 Jerry's Run Rd., Apple Grove, 25502; 681-237-2680.

Poultry Wants

Laying hens, 10-12, near Ripley area. Cecil Hinzman, 217 O'Neil Dr., Sandyville, 25275; 304-273-2613.

Sheep Sales

Katahdin, 4 bred ewes, 3 have twins, 1 is 1-yr., \$300/ea./cash. Rex Miller, 5733 Ripley Rd., Cottageville, 25239; 304-531-8378.

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 will be accepted.

AKC reg. Pembroke Corgi pups, \$1,500. Kayla Campbell, 18 Lapoe Village, Core, 25441; 304-288-4289.

Hay wagon, 16', \$300. Kevin Chisler, 1279 Range Rd., Wadestown, 26590; 304-662-6235.

Border Collie female from working parents, \$400. John Fichtner, 1230 Allentown Rd., Gay, 25244; 304-373-5611.

Pure Border Collie 8-mo. female, long hair, black/white, showing lots of white, \$250. Denny Fowler, 272 Haskell Dr., Charleston, 25312; 304-984-2989; 304-550-4500.

Hay, '24, 1st cut, 4x4 bales, 20, \$20/bale. Ray Hall, 2028 Little Crk. Rd., Creston, 26141; 304-377-1372.

Maple syrup, pure WV: \$20/qt.; \$11/pt.; \$6/½ pt.; \$3.25/100ml. Karen Hartman, 1761 Burgess Hollow, New Creek, 26743; 304-788-1831.

Metal barrels w/lids, 55-gal., clean, \$25/ea. Max High, 8508 Patterson Crk. Rd., Lahmansville, 26731; 304-851-0401.

Vis-a-Vis 4-passenger, face to face, draft horse carriage, \$800. Mason Hughart, 2021 Holiday Run Rd., Smoot, 24977; mlhughart@gmail.com.

ASDR CKC reg. Aust. Shep. pups: 3 tri females w/blue eyes, \$400; 2 blue merles, \$500, all tail docked, vacc./wormed. Vicki Mitchem, 229 Stoney Crk. School Rd., Alderson, 24910; 304-575-6036.

Black walnut kernels, vacuum sealed 1 lb. package, \$15, plus postage. Calvin Morrison, P.O. Box 877, Jane Lew, 26378; 304-884-7444.

Anatolian/Great Pyrenees cross 1½-yr. female, been w/goats since a puppy, good disp., \$650. Eric Napier, 6834 White Crk. Rd., Wayne, 25570; 304-544-9742.

Hay, sq. bales of quality mixed grass, lg. bales, \$6/bale. Larry Parsons, 276 Maple Dr., Evans, 25241; 304-372-4575.

Wagon wooden wheels w/long tongue, shed kept, \$500; Generator, 120-240 volt, 4,200 watts, excel. cond., \$500. Alan Rudley, 441 Falling Springs Farm Rd., Renick, 24966; 304-497-2261.

Apples: Yellow Transparent, \$13/bu., bring

containers, call for avail. Paula Ruggles, 131 Ruggles Orchard Rd., Levels, 25431; 304-492-5751.

Aust. Heelers, Red & Blue: pups, out of working stock, health guaranteed, \$500; older heelers, \$200/up, excel. farm dogs. Judy Saurborn, 454 Cobun Crk. Rd., Morgantown, 26508; 304-288-1179.

75% Anatolian Shep./25% Great Pyreneese 5/25 pups, 7 females, raised on a working farm, been exposed to cattle & goats, vacc./wormed, \$200. Tina Siers, 4514 Tuckers Crk. Rd., Elizabeth, 26143; 304-481-6594.

Full Great Pyreneese 5/25 pups, parents on premise, good blood, \$400. Brian Swagger, 244 Deland Rd., Wallace, 26448; 304-695-0097.

Straw: round bales, \$30/bale; sq. bales, \$6/bale; hay, round bales, \$35/bale. Tom Wilson, 12621 Charleston Rd., Leon, 25312; 304-675-5724; 304-674-1866.

Hay: 1st cut, in the barn, \$5/bale; 2nd cut, \$6/bale. Milton Yoder, 295 Seminole Rd., Forest Hill, 24935; 304-466-0611.

Miscellaneous Wants

Want to buy Williams Stone Burr mill, complete, handle/clutch for JD a 1B floor model corn sheller; bucket for a JD 4010 or 4510; apple cider press. Harold Farnsworth, 38 Trainier Rd., Buckhannon, 26201; 304-940-0994.

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FFA SPOTLIGHT

JAPETH BAYES

AGE: 18

GRADE: FRESHMAN

SCHOOL: WVU

FFA CHAPTER: WHEELING PARK FFA

FFA ADVISOR: ETHAN BLOOMFIELD

Japeth: I joined FFA when I was a freshman in high school at Wheeling Park. My first ag teacher was Ms. Fox. She introduced me to the greenhouse. She's now the FFA advisor at Tyler Co. Mr. Bloomfield took over for her. Greenhouse is my favorite class of the day. I get to be outside instead of inside a traditional classroom. It's hands-on work. We grow a bunch of plants, a bunch of flowers, and have a great time doing it. We have a huge selection. Each May we open up the greenhouse to the public for a big sale. Last year and this year, I was president of our FFA chapter. FFA has done so much for me. It's gotten me to come out of my shell. I'm a lot better at communicating. It's given me the opportunity to meet so many people and travel all across the state doing ag events. None of that would have happened without FFA. I start college in the fall. I'm going to WVU. I'll be majoring in animal sciences, and I hope one day to be a livestock veterinarian.



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GARDEN CALENDAR


JULY/AUGUST

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| JULY 1 Seed late cabbage and cauliflower.
Seed or plant endive. | JULY 11 For the largest flowers, remove side shoots
from main stem. | JULY 23 Water young trees and shrubs during
dry periods. |
| JULY 2 Seed late corn, snap beans, kale and broccoli. | JULY 12 Seed dill. Turn compost. | JULY 24 Pinch basil to retain four pairs of leaves
per plant. |
| JULY 3 Watch for early and late tomato blight.
Seed carrots and Swiss chard. | JULY 14 Harvest summer squash frequently. | JULY 26 Add non-seedbearing weeds to compost. |
| JULY 4 Plant grape or cherry tomatoes for fall. | JULY 15 Seed collards and kale for fall.
Don't let weeds go to seed. | JULY 28 Seed beets. |
| JULY 5 Seed late sweet corn and beets.
Order garlic cloves for fall planting. | JULY 16 Transplant cauliflower, broccoli
and Swiss chard. | |
| JULY 7 Watch for Japanese beetles.
Order garlic seed. | JULY 17 Seed fall cucumbers. | AUGUST 1 Water plants deeply each time. |
| JULY 8 Plant Chinese cabbage.
Remove raspberry canes after fruiting. | JULY 18 Seed wildflowers as beneficial insect and
pollinator attractant around perimeter of garden. | AUGUST 2 Seed beans and peas for fall crop.
Plant cabbage for fall crop. |
| JULY 9 Harvest new potatoes with tender skins.
Seed borage. | JULY 19 Plant peppers for fall crop.
Seed summer squash for fall crop. | AUGUST 4 Plant napa Chinese cabbage.
Seed spinach. Seed fall carrots. |
| JULY 10 Pinch the top of black raspberry canes. | JULY 21 Take cuttings from herbs. | AUGUST 5 Seed lettuce for fall crop.
Watch for downy mildew. |
| | JULY 22 Mulch garden to conserve soil moisture. | |

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