#### **CCCOA NEWS**

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## The future of humanity depends on a great movement of rehumanization.

(Quote from LIFE IS MESSY by Matthew Kelly)

To understand this, we must first understand dehumanization. The definition of dehumanization is the process of depriving a person or group of positive human qualities. It seems that we ever-increasingly live in a society of brutality, not love and respect. The normalization of grotesque immoral actions or of even persistent unkindness persistently further decays our morality and integrity without us actually noticing.

We have become a civilization of desensitized human beings. Every form of evil is permitted to thrive in society: oppression, poverty, discrimination, destruction, violence, corruption, inequality, and that is only a few. The evil we normalize will only grow increasingly in our society if we willingly continue to normalize it. As this normalization persistently advances, it becomes harder and harder to discern true north.

Television, social media, news, etc., have all aided in desensitizing us. Television, for example, is saturated with violence and brutality toward one another. It seems what we watch on tv for entertainment contains a never-ending flood of violence, murder, nudity, drug use and sexual assault – and puts us on the slippery slope of viewing all of it as "normal."

Social media has become a platform for gossiping and bullying while remaining safely insulated from the target, and has made it easier than ever to ruin a person's standing or reputation. We must realize or remember that the power of speech is so powerful. Gossip can never be undone, and it is cruel, demeaning, and divisive. It can rob the victim of dignity and opportunity. Not only can gossip destroy a person's reputation, affect the direction of their lives and shatter their self-esteem, it can also lead to depression, anxiety, addiction, and even suicide.

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#### February Birthday Club

Ron Gordon 2nd Danny Badgett 3rd Jim Mullenax 5th Keith Poling 5th Karen Carter 6th Robert Sturms 7th Romaine Walburn 8th Randy Richards 10th Brian Lamont 12th Janette Tingler 12th Sarah Poen 13th Steve Miller 15th Violet Hardway 18th Roger Smith 19th Donald Tallhammer 20th Carolyn Cain 21st Richard Starcher 21st Carol Kanalley 22nd Carlton Wilson 24th Joan Ward 27th

#### **Employees**

Sam Nicholson 23rd Brenda Ackley 26th CCCOA- Bingo played daily at 10:45am unless otherwise stated. Cards played daily from 8:00am- 10:00am, games, puzzle table, pool table, cornhole, darts, wii, exercise room, library, craft room, BINGO and more available.

CASH BINGO DATES Feb 12th & 26th beginning @ 10:45am

#### **Local Events**

Feb 3rd Town Council Meeting; 6:00 – 7:00pm; City Office

Feb 8th Mike Stump Invitational; 8:00am – 2:00pm; Calhoun Middle High

School

Feb 8th Join Starling Holbert and his fellow musician's for an evening of fun

in the dining hall of the Grantsville CCCOA, beginning @ 6pm

Feb 10th Calhoun County Commission Meeting; 9:00 – 10:30am; Small

**Court Room** 

Feb. 14th GAME NIGHT @ 7:00pm; BREW UNTO OTHERS & CCCOA

welcome all ages to join us for a night of fun and games.

Feb 14th Faculty Sent and PLC; 8:00 – 9:00am

Feb 18th Calhoun County- No School OS Day

Feb 26th Calhoun County Commission Meeting; 6:00 – 7:00pm; Small Court

Room

Mar. 1st 8th grade BINGO- 6:00 – 9:00pm CMHS

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#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

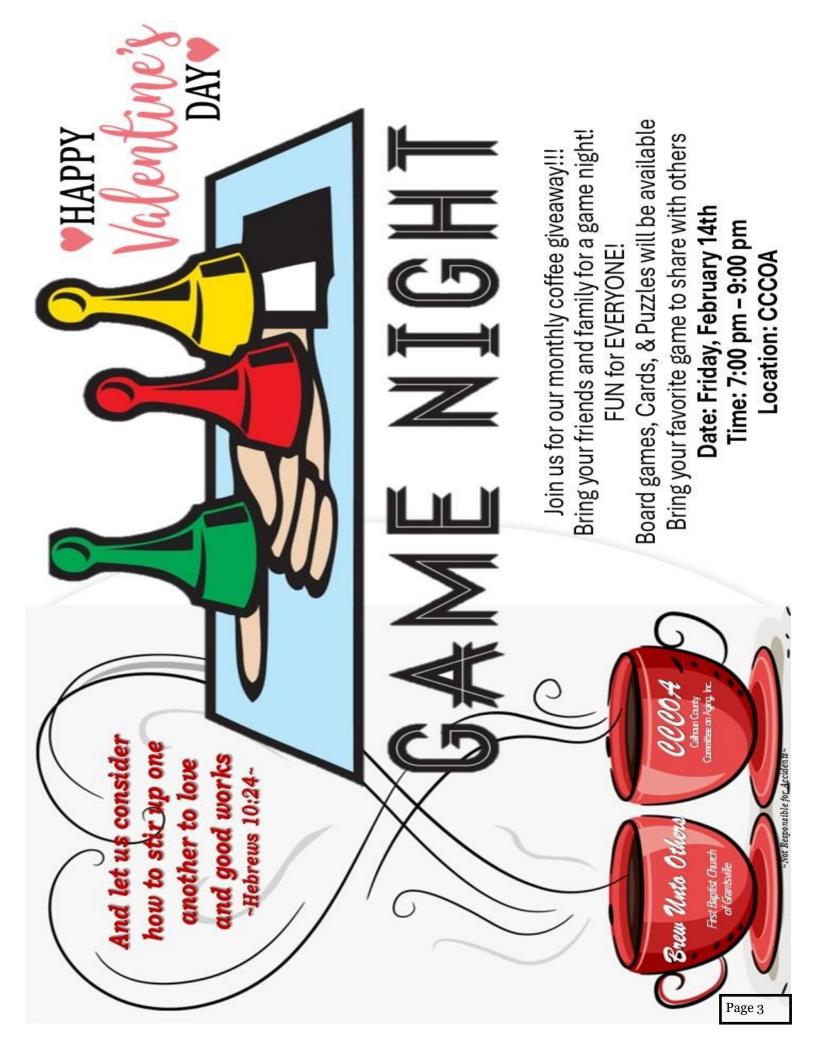
- QUARTER BINGO Feb. 12th & 26th @ the Grantsville CCCOA @ 10:45am
- 1st & 3rd Saturday of the month-Lions Club Bingo @ the Lions Club beginning @ 6pm
- New Pet Store Now Open in Arnoldsburg! Come check out the newest pet store in town! They are open Tuesday through Saturday from 11 AM to 5 PM, located at 856 Arnoldsburg Rd, right next to the bank and Par Mar. They've got everything you need for your furry friends—stop by today!
- Cain's Veterinary Clinic in Spencer has sold and the new owners will be opening soon.
- Cain's Veterinary Clinic in Big Bend is still open and Dr. Cain's hours of operation are:

Monday 12:00AM - 2:00PM Tuesday 4:00PM - 6:00PM Wednesday 5:00PM - 6:00PM

Thursday CLOSED

Friday 9:00AM - 11:00AM Saturday 9:00AM - 10:00AM

Sunday CLOSED



# MARK YOUR CALENDARS

April 12 **Taste of** Sicily

May 17th

Spicy China July 19th **Taste of** Britain Taste of the Middle East June 21st

Fall Festiva October

Taste of

Cuba

September

**13th** 

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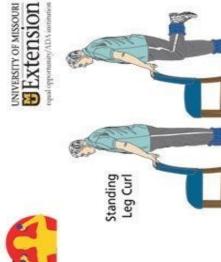
Other Important Events remember

Spring Break-March 24th-28th April 18th-Performing Arts April 26th-Prom

Molasses Festival - September 25-27 Wood Festival 1st weekend in June May 23rd - Graduation

Stay Strong, Stay Healthy







Biceps





Seated Row

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May 8th-10th Theater Spring Production

## Sound Advice

Winter is not over yet; however, Spring is right around the corner. Spring projects can be daunting, so plan to ease things a bit.

Some things that may be on a list...

Gravel added to the driveway.

Trees trimmed back or cut down.

Clean up yard from winter.

Clean out that shed you've been putting off for years.

Clean out gutters as ice and snow may have had impact on them and tend to any repairs they may need.

Paint the house, especially the side that tends to get the southern exposure.

Get an alignment on your vehicles, all the freezing and thawing this winter has certainly caused a lot of potholes that impact your vehicle.

Arrange for your lawn to be mowed weekly.

Clean out closets and donate or prepare for a yard sale.

It's not too early to think about gardens or plants either.

Have your a/c unit serviced and be ready for summer, and while you're at it have your furnace serviced also.

If you had problems with the cold this winter, it would be a good time to have these problems fixed so you don't have to deal with the same problems again in the future.

Laborers are hard to come by, so get yours early and treat them well and you will be treated well also.

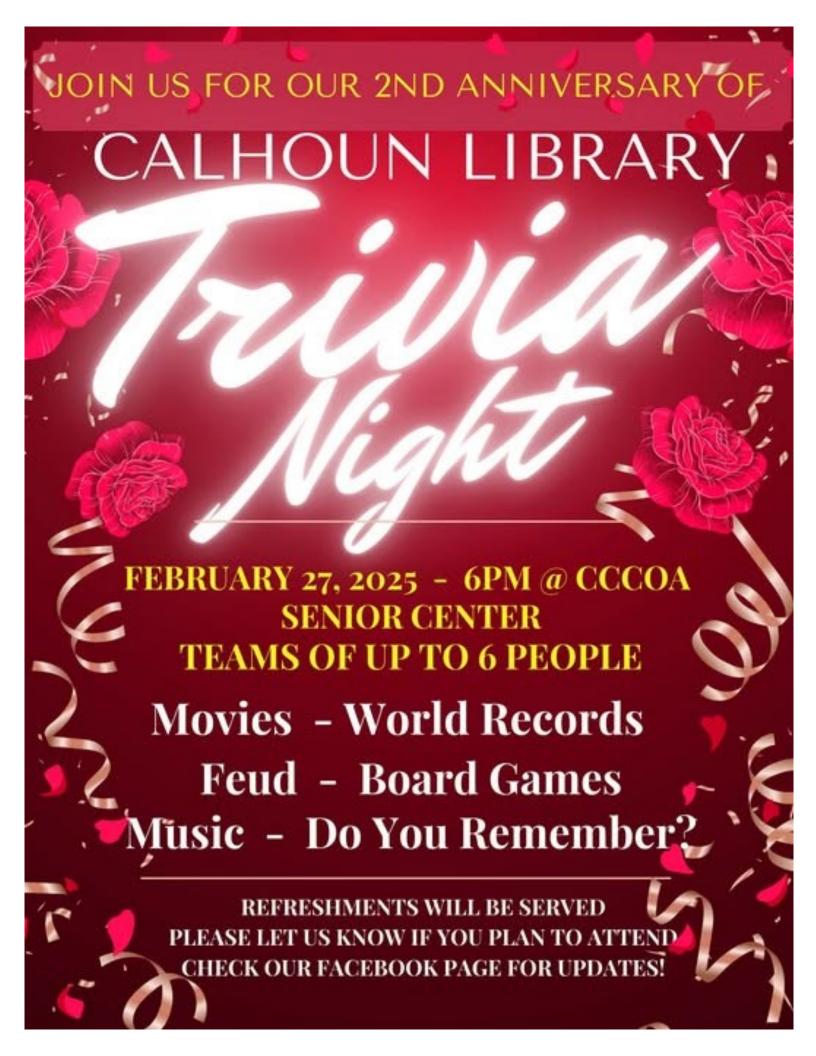
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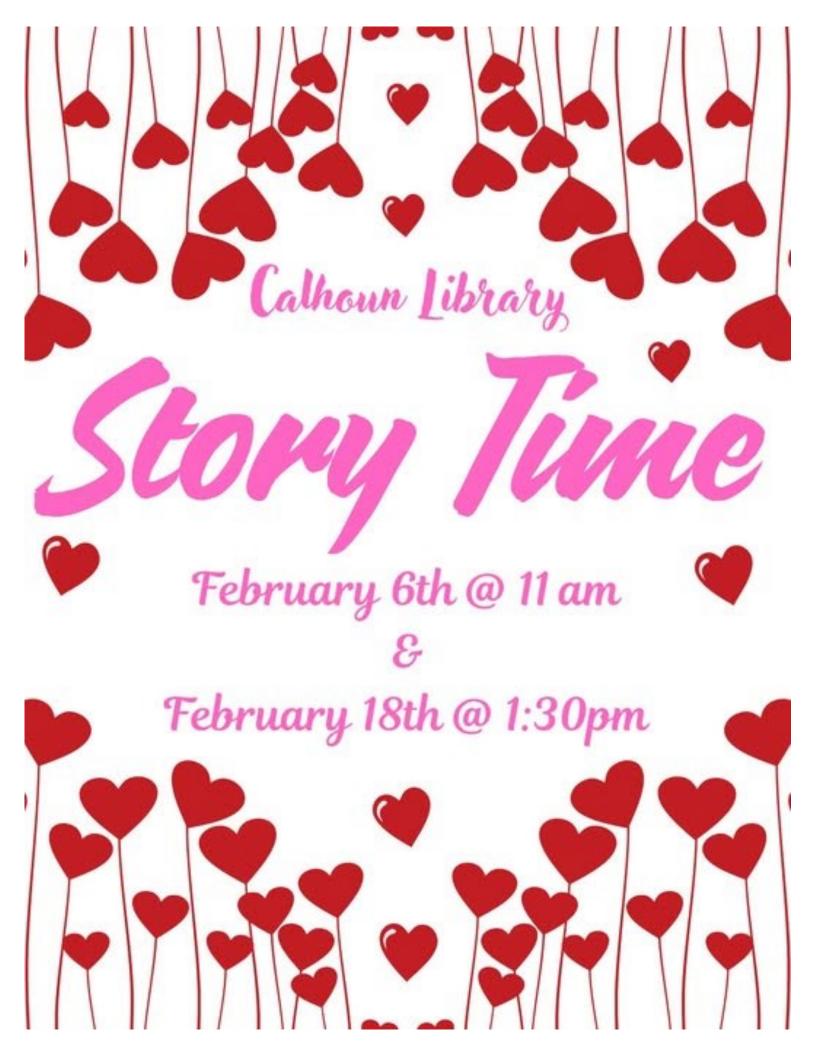
## **Calhoun County Library**

#### **Hours of Operation**

Monday 8:00AM - 3:00PM, Tuesday 10:00AM - 6:30PM, Wednesday 8:00AM - 3:00PM, Thursday 10:00AM - 6:30PM, Friday 8:00AM - 3:00PM, Saturday -CLOSED, Sunday -CLOSED

**Public Notary Services Available!** 





# Ways to Eat Well As You Get Older





# Know what a healthy plate looks like

See how to build a healthy plate at ChooseMyPlate.gov



**Use recommended** 

servings

Learn the recommended

daily servings for adults

aged 60+ at

heart.org



# Look for important nutrients

Eat enough protein, fruits and vegetables, whole grains, low-fat dairy, and Vitamin D.





#### **Stay hydrated**

Water is an important nutrient too! Drink fluids consistently throughout the day.







#### **Read nutrition labels**

Be a smart shopper! Find items that are lower in fat, added sugars, and sodium.

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# Stretch your food budget

Get help paying for healthy food at

BenefitsCheckUp.org/getSNAP

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#### **Avocado Toast with Burrata**

Burrata (cream-filled fresh mozzarella cheese) takes this avocado toast recipe to the next level for a weekday-friendly breakfast.

#### **Ingredients**

- 1 slice whole-grain toast (3/4 inch thick)
- 1/2 large ripe avocado, thinly sliced
- 1 teaspoon lemon juice
- 1/8 teaspoon kosher salt
- 1/8 teaspoon ground pepper
- 1 ½ ounces burrata or fresh mozzarella cheese
- 1 teaspoon finely sliced fresh basil
- 1 teaspoon minced fresh chives
- Pinch of Aleppo pepper



#### **Directions**

Top toast with avocado. Drizzle with lemon juice and sprinkle with salt and pepper. Top with burrata (or mozzarella), basil, chives and Aleppo pepper.

#### Continued from the front page.

The news is saturated with viewpoints to hold people's attention, attain ratings and thereby lure larger payments from advertisers to increase the network owners' profits. The artistry of reporting the news has been replaced by priorities, agendas and opinions. The media is no longer satisfied with reporting facts with professionalism. Opinion and agendas now take precedence over factual findings.

I will leave you with this thought . . . do you want to live in a world of love and respect or a world of brutality? Do we want to live in a world of searing judgement and unforgiveness or one of kindness and second chances? Until evil touches us personally, we either don't think of it at all or we think of it as a distant issue.

I ask that we take a moment and evaluate how we can make the world a better place. Instead of engaging in dehumanization, let's engage in rehumanization. Rehumanization is an effort to reverse the effects of dehumanization by restoring human dignity, helping others develop a healthy sense of self, and reprioritizing people above money, objects, systems and institutions. The process of rehumanization reminds us of what it means to be an individual, gives us a healthy sense of personal identity, and helps restore humanity.

Rehumanization is about learning to see others and ourselves as human beings who often make mistakes.

Remember to check on that person that is having a bad day. You could be the difference between a smile or a frown, happiness or despair, or even life and death. Just letting people know you care can make all the difference.

In a world where you can be anything, please be kind, empathetic, understanding and above all . . . LOVE ONE ANOTHER! The big payoff is: what you give, you will also receive!

If you ever have the chance to read "Life Is Messy" by Matthew Kelly, I highly recommend it. It certainly will give you a different perspective!

### Grantsville Site









Join us for CASH BINGO! MUST BE 18 years old to play! Games start at 10:45am -11:30am

February Dates: 12th & 28th in the dining hall of the Grantsville CCCOA. All are welcome!

#### West Fork Site



















The seniors enjoyed their Christmas Gift Exchange and holiday events. Remember to join them on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday for all the fun and games as well as a delicious meal! If you have any questions give Marty a call, 304-655-8805.

# Mix it Up Bingo

Saturday, March 8th, 2025

# 20 games for \$20 6:00 pm

Doors open at 5:00 pm \*Early bird drawing\*

# **Arnoldsburg Community Building Sponsored by: CCCOA Minnora Site**

## **Concessions Will Be Sold**

20 games, raffles, 50/50 drawings, Auction, Door Prizes

All baskets and bags will be filled USSelection of Longaberger baskets, case knives, & Thirty-One bags

# Proceeds will go to Minnora CCCOA Site for future projects.

For More information call 304-655-8805

## **QUILT RAFFLE**



CCCOA Minnora Site is raffling a quilt.

Proceeds go to the Minnora CCCOA Site. Tickets are being sold for \$1 each or 6 for \$5. For more information call 304-655-8805



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HUGS
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CARDS
ROSES
FLOWERS

CANDY
CUPID
KISSES
CHOCOLATE
LETTER
HAPPY



# Calhoun County Committee on Aging, Inc. February 2025

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	Happy Valentine's Day		Menu Subject To Change Without Notice	2% Milk And Margarine Served Daily
3 Salisbury Steak Mashed Potatoes Gravy broccoli Fruit Ww Roll	4 Tomato Soup Cheese Salad Sandwich Ww Crackers Fruit	5 Rib Sandwich w/ Onions Potatoes Brussel Sprouts Fruit Ww bun	6 Pinto Beans w/ham Greens Onion Applesauce Ww Cornbread	7 Fish Coleslaw Carrots Ww Roll Juice
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CENTER CLOSED FOR PRESIDENT'S DAY	18 Chicken pasta vegetables Fruit Ww roll	I 9 Fish Potatoes Green beans Ww Roll Juice	20 Hamburger ww Bun Onion/ Mayo/pickle Ranch Potatoes Banana Pudding	21 Cabbage roll Mashed potatoes peas Ww roll juice
24 Chicken Patty French Fries Vegetables Fruit Ww roll	25 Pork BBQ Bake beans Coleslaw Applesauce Ww roll	26 Ww Pizza Corn vegetable Fruit w/jell-o	27 Sausage Gravy Potatoes Apples Ww Biscuits	28 Chili w/ Meat & Beans Crackers Peanut Butter Sandwich Fruit Ww bread

## Executive Director: Rick Poling Board of Directors

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Dottie Rader—Secretary

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Dorothy McCauley

Martha Haymaker



The CCCOA Board of Directors meet the fourth Monday of each month at CCCOA.

Interested citizens are always welcome at board meetings and encouraged to attend.

Some services provided to Calhoun County Senior Citizens by CCCOA include:

Congregate Meals Transportation

Meals on Wheels In-Home Care

Satellite Site Minnora Medicare Counseling

Trips and Excursions Book lending Library

Daily Activities Exercise Room

CCCOA News newsletter Social Support

Internet Café Health Fairs

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Senior Citizens (age 60 and over) of Calhoun County, to providing the highest quality services and to be advocates for the greater good of the people we serve. Services are provided equally and without discrimination to all who qualify for said services.

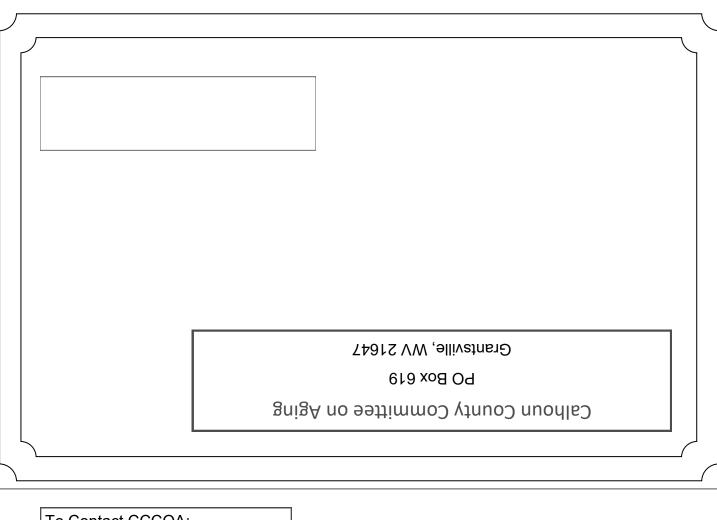
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