



Halloween



BANCROFT NEWSLETTER

October

SHINE ON HARVEST & BLUE MOON

2020

Blue Moon: Did you know that we have a blue moon every two or three years? Well guess what, this year on October 31st. Halloween evening we will have a full moon and it is a **blue moon**. This means two moons in one month. That's where the saying "once in a blue moon" comes from.

History of Halloween. The tradition originated with the ancient Celtic festival of Samhain, when people would light a bonfire and wear costumes to ward off ghosts. In the eighth century Pope Gregory 111 designated November 1st. a time to honor All Saints. Soon all Saints Day incorporated some of the Samhain. The evening before was known as All Hallows Eve, was to honor the old saints and later was called Halloween. Over time Halloween evolved into a day of activities like trick- or- treating , carving jack-o-lanterns, festive gathering, donning costumes and eating treats.

Halloween: Bancroft will be following the time and **date** set by Putnam County for Halloween. Be careful , Social distance and wear a mask. Maybe wear gloves too. The Virus is real.

Corona Virus We have had some outbreak of the Virus in Bancroft lately. Also at Poca too. We all have to be careful all the time.

Annual Clean up day was a big success in Bancroft. Three of the E. and L. trailers packed full and one with metal one half full and Habitat for Humanity. The town had 30 volunteers to help. One Family had three generations of their family that helped. Norma Bonnett, David and Michelle Bonnett and their two sons.

Police calls: 9/1 Burglary on 1st. Ave. 9/3 Fall on Rockwood Dr. 9/17 DVP violation Rockwood Dr. 9/20 complaint at Town Park 9/22 Disturbance Drew St. 9/26 ATV disturbance complaint on Washington St.

Sprucing up the park. New Chains on the swings. The Gazebo finished. The picnic tables all varnished . All the swings painted. Looks really nice. A

reminder that you need to be sanitary at the park. Keep hands sanitized. Social distance and remember there has been an out break of the virus in Bancroft.

Bancroft in the early 1900's :By Peg Dailey Small appliances and Lawnmowers. Many small appliances were coming onto the market . Mixers, Ice cream makers, Can openers etc. I had to cut grass and I was the most excited when we got a push mower. We had a sickle before that. We had no boys in our family, so I helped my daddy with all the hard chores. He never got home from the coal mine 'til almost dark.

Birthdays Happy Birthday Marie Dailey

Happy Kanawha River: Sure came alive here at Bancroft this summer. Looked like a vacation spot. Lots of seadoos, family's in pontoon boats that had giant inner tubes that they pulled kids on. Canoes, saw 6 one day paddling in sequence. Bass boaters fishing along the edges, large paddle boats , A show Boat , Barges too.

Churches: Church of God Mission and Elizabeth Baptist church are still streaming on line at 11:00 am on Sunday Mornings. Go to Town of Bancroft WV on facebook and punch in the churches that are streaming.

2nd. Chronicles 7:14 "If my people which are called by my name shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land.

Editorial: We need information on birthdays births, weddings, acheivements etc. Fish storys, child hood memories or whatever. Be a part of the paper. Send information or storys to Bancroft Newsletter, care of Carla Dailey at P.O. box 341 Bancroft, WV 25011

Bancroft Volunteer Fire Department

1 OCTOBER starts fire season. Open burning is not allowed between the hours for 7am to 5pm.

General Burning Guidelines

All fires must have a ring or safety strip.

The safety strip itself must be cleared of burnable material and be at least 10 feet wide, fully encompassing the debris pile.

Fire must be attended until completely extinguished.

Only vegetative materials such as leaves, brush and yard clippings are permitted to be burnt

Fines for forest fires due to negligence range from \$100 to \$1,000 with additional civil penalty of \$200.

The State shall recover from the person or persons, firms or corporations whose negligence or whose violations of any provisions of this article cause ANY fire at ANY time on any grass or forest land in the amount expended by the State.

A landowner must take all practicable means to suppress ANY fire on his property.

If he fails to do so, the State shall collect from him the amounts expended by the State for such purposes.

To burn during prohibited periods for commercial burning, a permit must be obtained from the Division of Forestry.

The fire department responded to the following calls for the month of July:

EMS 2

Structure Fires

Box Alarms 2

Service Calls 1

Thank You for Allowing Us to Serve You

