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Autism Awareness Highlights Hurricane Council Meeting

By Ron Allen

The Hurricane City Council meeting of April was a time of Autism Awareness for an audience that included members of the Hurricane High Red Hot Show Choir and their families. Bella Ramey, an autism victim, helped Mayor Scott Edwards call the meeting to order by striking the gavel. Following the Pledge of Allegiance, Edwards read a Proclamation declaring April 2025 as Autism Awareness Month in the City of Hurricane.

The Red Hot Show Choir members were presented Certificates of Recognition for their accomplishments this school year. The Red Hots, in addition to defending their West Virginia State Show Choir Championship, placed first in national competition held in Nashville, Tennessee.

In the conduct of regular business, council heard updates from the Hurricane Police and Fire Departments, the City Manager, and Director of Marketing.

Fire Chief Paul Niedbalski reported that the HFD will receive a \$472,000 grant for the construction of a training tower. The tower facility will allow HFD to become a regional training center serving fire department in West Virginia and neighboring states. Niedbalski expects the facility to be built and in use before the close of the 2026 calendar year.

Niedbalski also informed council that the department had trimmed response time to calls from one minute and 34 seconds to one minute and 11 seconds. Niedbalski said the shorter response times may allow Hurricane

residents to qualify for lower insurance rates.

City Manager Andy Skidmore was pleased to announce that he has received glowing reports from visitors using the ball parks at Bridge Park. Skidmore said ball park users included visitors who slept over at the Wingate by Wyndham in Hurricane.

Marketing Director Amanda Ramey said that both professional and amateur disc golfers will compete in a tournament that utilizes both Bridge Park and Valley Park. The professional competition will begin 9 a.m. this Saturday (April 12) with 140 pros teeing off. The amateurs will tee off at the Valley Park course.

Putnam County Solid Waste Authority Director Rob Vanater addressed council concerning the new recycling center which will be located at 1000 Midland Trail in Hurricane. The center will accept paper and cardboard, aluminum cans, and certain plastics and is scheduled to open in June. Plastics is limited to #1PET plastics (clear food grade containers). Bottle caps should be removed. Vanater said that mixing #1PET with other plastics makes it necessary to deposit the entire collection into a land fill. "Landfill costs cause plastic recycling to fail," Vanater said.

In other business, council approved a request by Thor Meeks to rezone 2530 Main Street, 161 and 163 Hale Street from Residential to B-3. Access to the property will be from Main Street. Council also approved a variance which allow CitySwitch to a taller than allowed sign on CSX property on Mill Road.

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The Eagle Has Returned



This bald eagle was photographed by Officer Brady Burton of the Hurricane Police Department at City Park on Monday, April 7. Bald eagles have been spotted at the reservoir adjacent to the park in recent years. This particular bird looks like the eagle that landed at Hurricane High School on the the very first day of school in August of 2023.

WVSU Partners with Buffalo High School to Advance Agribusiness Education Opportunities

West Virginia State University announced on Monday, April 7, that the school is partnering with Danielle Grant, a Future Farmers of America teacher at Buffalo High School, to provide immersive agribusiness course modules for students.

This collaboration provides students with hands-on instruction and practical applications of agricultural business principles, deepening their understanding of the industry.

With years of experience in agricultural education, Grant navigates students through essential topics such as agribusiness economics, marketing strategies and financial management.

"We are thrilled to have Danielle Grant on board for this initiative," said Dr. Saman Bandara, associate professor of economics at WVSU. "Her

unwavering commitment to agricultural education and passion for student success have profoundly enriched our program."

This partnership between WVSU and

BHS is part of a broader initiative to improve agricultural education across West Virginia. The program aims to ensure that students have access to top-notch learning

experiences that equip them for successful futures in agribusiness. This program is supported by the USDA National Institute of Food and Agriculture.

Tooth Fairy Pop-Up Sale

By Betsy Allen

The Tooth Fairy is bringing a formalwear pop-up shopping event to Hamlin, but it won't cost you your teeth to buy from her.

The Tooth Fairy's Closet will be open on Saturday, April 12, at The Nancy, 8049 Court Avenue, Hamlin, from 1 to 7 p.m. The closet currently has over 200 prom, homecoming, formal, bridesmaid, and special occasion dresses, as well as over 65 pairs of shoes. There will also be a wedding dress raffle (dress is size 10).



Pictured are some of The Tooth Fairy's Closet offerings at The Nancy in Hamlin.

The creator of the Tooth Fairy's Closet is Sarah Deleon, a dental hygienist from Hurricane who practices in Hamlin and other locations. "I got the idea because I had patients talking to me about how difficult it is being able to afford things nowadays. Working in a rural community, I also know how hard it can be for people to get out of the town. So I got to thinking that I could very well have patients who aren't able to attend the events because they can't afford to go. So I have been collecting dresses to bring to the town for a pop-up event."

Sarah would like to do other events throughout the year as well, such as a back-to-school event featuring clothing and backpacks, a children's clothing and toy event in the summer, and a winter formal event.

"The idea is to save people money and support local because I got most of my dresses second hand from very generous women," Sarah explains.

With over 200 dresses in a variety of sizes, the Tooth Fairy's Closet features a large selection

of formalwear options for prom season, as well as special occasion dresses for all the graduation ceremonies and celebrations which will be held at the end of the school year. Dresses range from \$5 to \$75; shoes \$5-25; and purses \$5-20. Cash payments are preferred. For more information, check out the Tooth Fairy's Closet on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=61574927220705>

WEATHER SUMMARY

April 1 - 7

Low High

April 1 Hurricane 33° 52°

April 2 Hurricane 33° 80°

April 3* Hurricane 57° 68°

April 4* Hurricane 52° 58°

April 5* Hurricane 53° 72°

April 6* Hurricane 33° 55°

April 7* Hurricane 33° 51°

*RAIN

1.7 inch recorded April 3

1.6 inch recorded April 4

0.1 inch recorded April 5

0.4 inch recorded April 6

0.1 inch recorded April 7



The Hurricane High School Red Hot Show Choir (pictured) was honored at the April Hurricane Council meeting. Members are: Mia Adams, Ethan Adkins, Madelyn Aldridge, Robert Barbe, Brook Brown, Maya Brown, Jordan Browning, Julia Carney, Braxton Carver, Brody Carver, Addison Chaffin, Autumn Cooper, Harley Davis-Boyle, Aidan Dunn, Brandon Eckhart, Shelby Eddy, Kalea Edwards, Peyton Edwards, Payton Elliott, Cooper Ellis, Lena Gillispie, Kaylyn Granger, Kathryn Grose, Gabriel High, Zachary Hodges, Cooper Holland, Owen Howard, Tyler Joyce, Makenna Justice, Matthew Kerrigan, Hailey Kincaid, Aiden Kinser, Cole Lemons, Frida Leyva, Kendall Marcum, Talia Marcum, Adam McCartney, Dante McKinney, Matthew Metheny, Elijah Miller, James Mullins, Jana Naylor-Aten, Gavin Niedbalski, Jillian Noel, Carter Parsons, Isabella Paxton, Addison Poling, Connor Poling, Savannah Priestley, Dorothy Robie, Alexis Ruby, Avery Shaffer, Katelynn Siders, Valerie Simpkins, Chloe Smith-Zimmerman, Regan Spencer, Tanner Sutherland, Riley Thornhill, Colbi Vickers, Lucas Vite Mosqueda, Ashton Warner, Jacob Wiley, Emme Wills, Weston Smith, Abigail Collins, Audra Price, Makayla Young, Zane Boyd, Joshua Kerrigan, Luke Elliott, Lorelei Jones, Jada Brown, Joshua Gooden, Irene Niteo.

Community Calendar

If you want your event listed in the Community Calendar, write to the Hurricane Breeze at PO Box 310, Hurricane, West Virginia 25526, or phone 304-562-9881. If you have email, send it to breezenews@citynet.net and mark your subject line "Community Calendar." There is no charge for posting an event in the calendar.

NOV - APRIL 11

- Lighthouse Baptist Church, located on Route 60 in Hurricane, will be having a clothing giveaway from 5 to 7 p.m.

APRIL 11

- Gritt's Farm in Buffalo will be hosting Tastes and Tulips from 6 to 9 p.m. Tickets are \$85. To register, go to <https://www.simplertix.com/e/gritt-s-farm-tastes-tulips-tickets-209076>
- Business Before Business sponsored by the Putnam County Chamber of Commerce will be held at 7:30 a.m. at Sleep Inn & MainStay Suites in Liberty Square. Call 304-757-6510.
- Chad Jones will be performing at 8 p.m. at the Putnam County Moose, located in Putnam Village Shopping Center in Teays Valley.
- Game Grove, located in Putnam Village Shopping Center in Teays Valley, will be hosting a demonstration at 6:30 p.m. on how to play the game SOUL.
- Teays Valley Church of the Nazarene, 3937 Teays Valley Road, Hurricane, will be holding a Glow Easter Egg Hunt from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

APRIL 12

- The Nitro Women's Club, 2205 2nd Avenue and 23rd Street, Nitro, will be celebrating their ninetieth anniversary from noon to 3 p.m.
- The Mad Hatter Tea Party will be held at noon at Valley Cakes and Catering in the Poca Plaza. The cost is \$20 per person. Call 681-233-1400 to register.
- Frazier's Bottom Church of God, located at 19064 Winfield Road, will be holding an Easter egg hunt at 1 p.m.
- There will be a food pantry from 9 a.m. to noon at the Winfield Nazarene Church, 10822 Winfield Road, Winfield.
- Teays Valley Church of God, Connection Point, Scott Depot, will be holding

an Easter Extravaganza from 2 to 4 p.m. Rain or shine.

- Celebration Villa of Teays Valley, 4000 Outlook Drive, Hurricane, will be holding an Easter Eggstravaganza from noon to 3 p.m. Children 12 and under welcome.
- The Putnam County Farmers Market April Off Season Market will be held from 9 a.m. to noon at Area 34, 971 WV Route 34, Teays Valley.
- Life After Loss, a peer based grief support group, will meet at 1 p.m. at Creekside Church, 488 Charleys Creek Road, Culloden.
- Mt. Vernon Baptist Church, 2150 Mount Vernon Road, Hurricane, will be holding an Easter egg hunt from noon to 2 p.m.
- The 2025 Hurricane Independence Day Pageants will start at 10 a.m. at Valley Park Conference Center in Hurricane.
- Pinnacle Karate Center, 153 Commerce Drive, Hurricane, will be offering a free beginner kids and family workshop at 11 a.m.
- Forrest Burdette United Methodist Church, Putnam Avenue, Hurricane, will be holding their annual spring fling craft fair from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

APRIL 13 - 16

- Holy Week Services for Buffalo Churches: Faith Christian Fellowship, April 13 at 6 p.m.; Buffalo Methodist April 14 at 7 p.m., Buffalo Historical Square Church, April 15 at 7 p.m., and Buffalo Church of God, April 16 at 7 p.m.

APRIL 13

- John's Cyclery will be holding their monthly mountain bike ride starting at 2 p.m. at Ridenour Park in Nitro. Meet up at the trailhead beside the pump track.
- Frazier's Bottom Methodist Church, 1 Church Drive, Fraizer's Bottom, will have an Easter Egg Hunt at 1:30 p.m.
- The Bridge Kids of BridgeChurch will be singing on Palm Sunday at 10:30 a.m. at The Bridge Church, 6496 Teays Valley Road, Hurricane.
- Pottery With the Stars will be held from 2 to 5 p.m. at MadeBy Pottery, 2805 Main Street, Hurricane. The cost is \$100 per person. To purchase tickets, go to <https://madebypottery.com/schedule/event-five-klfkp-55g4y>

BEGINNING APRIL 14
There will be a 5-week hand quilting and crochet class starting on April 14, from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. at Valley Park in Hurricane. The cost is \$40; bring your own supplies.

APRIL 15

- Sourdough & Sugar is hosting an Easter cookie decorating class at Hometown Apostolic Church, 204 2nd Ave., Hometown, at 10 a.m. and a second class at 6 p.m. To register, call (304) 444-5500.
- "Off the Clock" with Putnam Crew will be held from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. at FireSide Grille, 55 Grille Lane, Hurricane. To RSVP for this Chamber of Commerce event, call (304) 757-6510.
- There will be an Easter egg hunt at 1 p.m. at Hurricane First Church of the Nazarene, located on Route 60.
- There will be a First Responder Meet and Greet at 6 p.m. at Hurricane Fire and Rescue, 1 Rescue Way, Hurricane. This is a sensory friendly event for those with autism, disabilities,

and inform their county DOH garage if they need supplies. To register, call 1-800-322-5530 or send an email to dep.aah@wv.gov. If you reach the REAP voicemail, please leave your name, phone number, group name, date of cleanup, number of participants, and the county where your adopted road is located.

Over 2,000 volunteers from more than 240 groups participated in last year's Adopt-A-Highway Spring Cleanup, removing 75,000 pounds of litter from over 500 miles of roadway.

REAP, whose motto is 'Keeping WV Clean and Green,' was created in 2005 and strives to clean up West Virginia and rid the state of litter. The program provides technical, financial, and resource assistance to citizens and communities for cleanup and recycling efforts. More information is available on the REAP webpage.

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Annual Adopt-A-Highway Spring Cleanup Set for April 26th

The West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection (WVDEP) is now accepting registrations for the Adopt-A-Highway Spring Statewide Cleanup set for Saturday, April 26. Co-sponsored by the WVDEP and the state Division of Highways, the Adopt-A-Highway program is administered by the WVDEP's Rehabilitation Environmental Action Plan (REAP) and improves the quality of the state's environment by encouraging public involvement in the elimination of highway litter.

Individuals, families, churches, businesses, schools, civic organizations, government agencies and communities can register to pick up trash on almost any state-maintained road, back road or main route. Private roads and interstate highways are not eligible for adoption.

The Adopt-A-Highway program provides garbage bags, work gloves and safety vests to volunteers, and takes care of disposing of collected trash. Volunteers must be at least 12 years old to participate. One-time cleanups are encouraged but must be registered.

Groups must register in advance by April 16th

Mission West Virginia Expands Bridge Program

Mission West Virginia (Mission WV) is proud to announce that the Claude Worthington Benedum Foundation has awarded a \$100,000 grant to support the expansion of the Bridge Program, which provides intense academic support to high school youth in foster and kinship care. The funding will enable the addition of two new onsite mentors, enhancing the program's capacity to serve at least 60 high school students and improve educational and post-secondary outcomes.

The Bridge Program is an evidence-based initiative focused on helping youth in foster and kinship care overcome challenges related to attendance, behavior, and academic performance.

The Benedum Foundation's investment will directly increase the capacity to serve more students in foster or kinship care onsite full-time mentors. Support those students to achieve a 90% graduation rate for 12th-grade students enrolled in the program and ensure that 90%

and other special needs.

APRIL 16 - 19

- Mount Union Church, 19268 Jerry's Run Road, Pliny, will be holding Holy Week Services at 7 p.m. nightly.

APRIL 16

- The Rowseys will be singing at 7 p.m. at Sycamore Missionary Baptist Church, 5832 Sycamore Road, Hurricane.

APRIL 17

- Mountain State Flower Farm in Poca will be holding an Easter centerpiece workshop at 6 p.m. To register, go to <https://www.mountainstateflowerfarm.com/shop/easter-centerpiece-workshop-thursday-41725>
- "The Living Last Supper" will be presented Maundy Thursday, April 17, at 7:30 p.m., at Forrest Burdette United Methodist Church, 2848 Putnam Avenue, Hurricane.
- Tale and Trail, an Easter event for families,

and inform their county DOH garage if they need supplies. To register, call 1-800-322-5530 or send an email to dep.aah@wv.gov. If you reach the REAP voicemail, please leave your name, phone number, group name, date of cleanup, number of participants, and the county where your adopted road is located.

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of graduating seniors develop a concrete post-secondary plan, including higher education, technical training, or workforce entry.

Kelly Thompson, Executive Director of Mission WV, expressed her gratitude for the Benedum Foundation's support: "We are incredibly thankful for the opportunity to expand the Bridge Program. This funding ensures that more youth in foster and kinship care receive the support they need to stay in school, succeed academically, and transition successfully into adulthood."

The Bridge Program has already demonstrated remarkable success during the 2024 school year. Among the 339 students enrolled:

- 98.6% graduation rate, surpassing the state average.
- 100% of graduates moved into post-secondary education or career plans, including:
 - 23% entering the workforce
 - 23% attending technical school

will be held from 6 to 7:15 p.m. at Valley Park in Hurricane. This event is hosted by RidgeKids Teays Valley.

- The Larch Family will be singing at 7 p.m. at Sycamore Missionary Baptist Church, 5832 Sycamore Road, Hurricane.

APRIL 18

- The Bridge Church, 279 Dairy Road, Poca, will be holding a Good Friday service starting at 6:30 p.m.
- Magician and Comedian Joey Stepp will be coming to the Zoology Zone Science Center, located at Valley Park in Hurricane, from 6 to 8:30 p.m. Tickets start at \$30. For tickets, go to <https://www.zeffy.com/en-US/ticketing/adult-comedy-night>

APRIL 19

- The Charleston Vintage Fest will be held from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. at the Beni Kedem Temple, 100 Quarrier St, Charleston.

The Way We Were, The Way We Are

By Brenda Burke

When I write my columns, I am usually remembering the times of past... thinking about the now... wondering about the future... that of me, my family, and my friends... When I think of friends, I wonder what became of so many of them... where are they? What are they doing? Are they wondering what 80 will be like, as we approach that age too quickly? I wonder.

When I was a little girl, before I started first grade, I fell in love with reading. I didn't have friends then. If I did, I do not remember them. We lived with my grandmother, and although we went to church, I do not remember the kids there except Paul Crouch and his sister... and she was older than we were. That being said, I do not remember friends coming to the house, only cousins...

Starting school was eye opening for me. Almost six years old, and a classroom of friends. Oh yes, the books in the teacher's room, Mrs. Pauley... amazing... I know by second grade, I was loving *Little Women* and those like that book. Still my favorite. Mother or my grandmother walked me to school and back... finally, they let me ride the bus, where I met a sweet boy, Sonny... He and I have stayed friends all of our lives... nice kid... always...

Friends mean so much to me. I keep them nestled in my heart... I love my friends. My dearest friends are the oldest friends I have... Sonny, Linda, Flora Lee, and a few

- 47% enrolling in four-year colleges
- 5% joined the military
- 1% attending Job Corps
- 66% decrease in absences and an 89% decrease in behavioral interventions.

Mission WV's Bridge Program provides consistent, personalized support to youth in foster and kinship care, ensuring they have the tools and resources to succeed. The addition of new mentors will enhance the program's ability to offer guidance, strengthen relationships, and improve outcomes for even more students.

This grant reflects the Benedum Foundation's ongoing commitment to improving educational opportunities and long-term success for West Virginia youth. For more information about the Bridge Program or Mission WV, visit www.missionwv.org.

About Mission West Virginia

Mission West Virginia works to create positive futures for West Virginia's youth and families by providing support, education, and resources. The organization's Bridge Program is dedicated to helping youth in foster and kinship care succeed academically, socially in high school and beyond.

About the Claude Worthington Benedum Foundation

The Claude Worthington Benedum Foundation is committed to encourage human development in West Virginia and Southwestern Pennsylvania through strategically placed charitable resources.

others... Oh, I have blog friends... I read blogs, and these writers email me... I have a sweet teacher friend in WV... much younger than we are... friends in Ohio, Indiana, other states... you name it... they care about me... the ones we are closest to are the oldest...

When I went to first grade, I already knew Linda, as anyone who reads my columns, knows... she and I are connected for life... we should get a house for her, Phyllis, and I and live there the rest of our days... a huge mansion somewhere... alas... not to be...

I digress... my friends are special... through the years, some have come and gone... death... distance... circumstances... I don't want my friends to beat me over the head with politics and/or their religion, if it is different from mine... don't get above your raising and try to look down on those of us who love WV... just be the way we always have been... happy and sweet...

When I think of my friends, I remember so many happy days. I don't seem to dwell on the negative parts of life... I get enough of that when I read blogs of doom and gloom about the state of the country...

I remember good times... laughter and giddiness... girls acting silly at Norma Kessler's PJ party when the boys drove up in the driveway to check on us... walking down the aisle as a bridesmaid for so many of my friends, the first, Beverly... going to the roller skating rink (Evans) and just skating for hours and hours... too bad the kids in Hurricane don't have that anymore... what a fun, social place to be... walking home up and down hills, those heavy skates hitting us on our tiny legs...

Sleigh riding on Virginia Avenue hill... oh my goodness... such fun... I also remember Mike and I taking his siblings to sleigh ride up in the valley before the subdivisions were built... and that valley road to St. Albans, whew... the curves... thank goodness for I-64, finally...

I remember the end of the year school picnic... wearing shorts... taking that familiar bologna sandwich in my lunch with juice or water... and a snowball cake... yummmmm... I started to buy one of those the other day, but I wondered if it would taste the same. As a vegetarian, the bologna escapes me... those picnics were fun... oh, that reminds me of Holiday Park swimming and Rock Lake pool... oh my goodness... Camden Park, the best place ever... I had the privilege of taking my grand girls there but never the boys... the girls loved it...

Well, we have gone down memory lane, yet again... as we have so often in this column... and we always will... each time, I hope a few words resonate with at least one reader... remember that there are good times to be had... we did... we do... we will... let us not concentrate on those unhappy things/events going on in this world... because the way we were is the way we are...

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HURRICANE COUNCIL NEWS

Autism Awareness



Present for the City of Hurricane Autism Awareness Month proclamation were Bella Ramey, her mom Michelle Ramey, her Dad Steve Ramey and her brother Kyan Ramey.

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The City of Hurricane Main Street Spring Festival will be May 3, from 1:00 - 5:00 p.m. Main Street will be closed between A-Z Storage and the old fire station during the festival.

The next regular council meeting will be Monday, May 5, at 6:30 p.m.

Proclamation

City of Hurricane, West Virginia

WHEREAS, anyone can be affected by autism, regardless of race, religion, socioeconomic status or geography; and

Whereas, children and adults with autism are our family members, friends and neighbors because autism affects 1 in 36 children - more than 5.4 million people in total in the United States; and

Whereas, each individual with autism carries a unique diagnosis across the spectrum and has distinctive skills, characteristics and qualities; and

Whereas, research shows that early intervention can improve a child's development and support provided by trained professionals can lead to better outcomes for individuals and caregivers; and

Whereas, individuals with autism may benefit from specialized services and community support to ensure their health and safety and successful participation in community life; and

Whereas, people with autism, families, professionals and community members are supported through

connecting with others in a variety of settings and the sharing of resources; and

Whereas, the aim for Autism Acceptance Month is to recognize the diverse nature and abilities of people with autism and to encourage support through family, friends, professionals and the community which will allow for a broader understanding and appreciation of these individuals.

Therefore I, Mayor Scott Edwards, do hereby proclaim April 2025 as

Autism Awareness Month

In the City of Hurricane, West Virginia

Given under my hand and the seal of the City of Hurricane, West Virginia this the Seventh day of April in the year 2025

Scott Edwards, Mayor

THIS WEEK IN THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES

For the week ending April 4, 2025

Members of the House of Delegates began the process of completing a balanced state for the next state Fiscal Year, which begins July 1, 2025.

The House passed its budget bill, House Bill 2026, by a vote of 80 to 17 with three Delegates absent Friday afternoon. The total General Revenue budget in the bill is \$5,113,274, 982 with an expected General Revenue surplus of \$128,750,000 reserved for what is commonly referred to as the "back of the budget."

The House Finance Committee built the budget using the Fiscal Year 2025 budget as its starting point and guide. The bill used long-standing vacancies in many agencies to effectuate a small 2% savings as well as roughly \$300,000 savings in salaries as a result of department mergers. House Bill 2026 increased the employer share to PEIA for all agencies by about \$40 million. The House budget put back the broad 10% cut made to the Department of Human Services last

year, as well as an increase to the Department's line items based on its requests for a total of about \$90 million. The Department of Health's Birth to Three program sees an increase of \$7 million and the Division of Corrections receives a \$30 million increase over the previous year's budget in House Bill 2026. Another increase from the previous budget included in this year's budget bill is \$5 million going to appointed counsel as well as a new \$1.8 million to court-appointed special advocates. The measure now goes to the Senate for debate.

The House passed Senate Bill 458, the Universal Professional and Occupational Licensing Act of 2025, by unanimous vote Monday. The measure would require the board of any profession regulated under W.Va. Code Chapter 30, which includes dentists, funeral directors, practical nurses, accountants, architects, foresters and physical therapists, to issue an occupational license to a resident of the state

who is licensed in at least one other state in the same discipline and who meets several requirements for good standing. The bill currently is with Gov. Morrisey for action.

House Bill 2002, Establishing the One-Stop Shop Permitting Process, also passed the full House Monday by unanimous vote. It has gone to the Senate for debate and would streamline the state's permitting processes while making them more accessible through a public dashboard. All 100 Delegates voted Tuesday to send House Bill 2152, the Prompt Payment Act of 2025, to the Senate for deliberation. It would require state agencies to pay legitimate and uncontested invoices within 45 days of receipt and late payments would be reported to the State Auditor, who would be required to publish an online list of noncompliant agencies.

The 60-day, regular legislative session ends at midnight April 12.

WVHC Grantmaking Suspended

The West Virginia Humanities Council is sorry to report that, due to federally mandated cuts to the National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH), our statewide grantmaking is suspended immediately.

The West Virginia Humanities Council relies upon federal support from the NEH, our primary

partner, to operate our grants program and to pay out the grants we award. Our grantmaking is contingent upon that federal support, which was secured for us in 2025, as it has been since 1974, through regular Congressional appropriations.

In early April, the West Virginia Humanities Council and every other state humanities council received a Notice of Grant Termination from the NEH, which cancelled our federal funds effective immediately, under the direction of the Department of Government Efficiency

River to establish military bounty claims in Kentucky. They became involved in several skirmishes with Indians in the region. This was the start of Dunmore's War, the name given to the conflict in the Ohio Valley in the spring of 1774.

April 14, 1945: Twenty people were killed when a commercial airplane on its way to Morgantown flew off course and crashed into the side of Cheat Mountain.

April 15, 1872: Peter Godwin Van Winkle died in Parkersburg. Van Winkle was a member of the Governor's Council of the Reorganized Government of Virginia, 1861-63, under Gov. Francis Pierpont. On August 4, 1863, Van Winkle was elected as one of West Virginia's first two U.S. senators.

(DOGE). No further federal funds are expected for the remainder of 2025.

With no further federal funds expected, and no indication whether any federal support for our work will be restored in the future, we must pause our grants program indefinitely, until Congressionally appropriated funding is again made available to us.

We are deeply aware of the immediate negative impact this will have on West Virginia's cultural life and economy. As the NEH's official state affiliate since 1974, the West Virginia Humanities Council provides over \$1 million every year to the statewide network of cultural organizations, local historical societies, schools, museums, libraries, community centers, and individuals who work to preserve, document, and celebrate the Mountain State's rich history and cultural heritage.

For 50 years we have worked to support and sustain one of the most vigorous, committed, and cost-effective statewide cultural networks in the nation. We remain committed to our mission, and will do everything possible to continue to be a resource for West Virginia's cultural institutions, so that our history, culture, and living traditions may be preserved for our state, our nation, and West Virginia's future generations.



The following events happened on these dates in West Virginia history. To read more, go to e-WV: The West Virginia Encyclopedia at www.wvencyclopedia.org.

April 10, 1848: John Kenna was born in Kanawha County. In 1883, the state legislature elected him to the U.S. Senate, unseating the powerful Henry G. Davis. Kenna is one of two West Virginians memorialized by a statue in the U.S. Capitol.

April 10, 1932: Entertainer Blaze Starr was born as Fanny Belle Fleming in Wayne County. The owner of a burlesque club rechristened her "Blaze Starr." Her story was the basis of the movie Blaze.

April 11, 1821: Congressman Jacob Beeson Blair was born in Parkersburg. Blair was the first West Virginian to be told by President Abraham Lincoln of Lincoln's support for making West Virginia a state.

April 11, 1847: Diarist Sirene Bunten was born in French Creek, Upshur County. As a teenager, she kept a diary about her daily activities, including emotional accounts of life on the West Virginia home front during the Civil War.

April 11, 1909: Writer Hubert Skidmore was born at Laurel Mountain in Webster County. In his novels, Skidmore depicted stoic endurance by mountain people in the face of misfortune and economic exploitation by outside interests.

April 11, 1940: Award-winning artist Susan Poffenbarger was born in Charleston. Her work can be found in many galleries as well as in the IRS National Computing Center in Martinsburg and the Federal Courthouse Annex in Wheeling. She died in 2025.

April 12, 1865: The 36th Virginia Infantry, known as the Logan Wildcats, disbanded. The Confederate company was created at Logan Courthouse on June 3, 1861, and consisted of about 85 men. The company saw its first action in the Battle of Scary Creek in Putnam County.

April 13, 1873: Lawyer, diplomat and 1924 Democratic candidate for president John William Davis was born in Clarksburg. Davis argued 141 cases before the U.S. Supreme Court. His last case was one of the most controversial, when he argued in 1952 to continue racial segregation in South Carolina.

April 13, 1951: Sculptor Bill Hopen was born. The Sutton artist's works appear in government buildings, museums, churches, and hospitals around West Virginia, across the nation, and abroad.

April 14, 1774: Surveyors met at the mouth of the Kanawha

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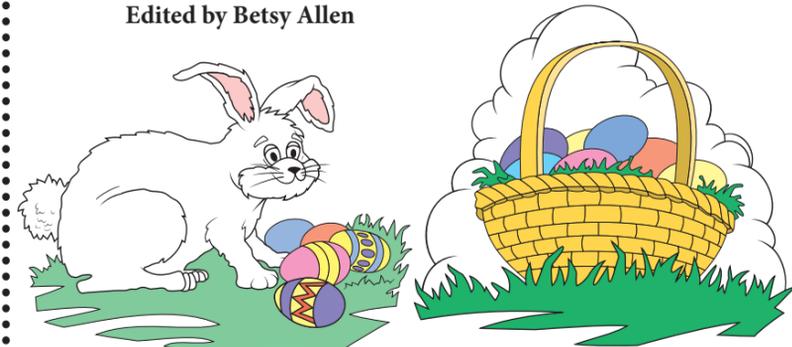
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Beware of the Pests

By Velma Kitchens of Culloden

Springtime is upon us and so is the better weather, I mean warmer weather. I have also heard and know that ticks are already out and about. I found one embedded in my skin and took some alcohol, rubbing, and tweezers and dug that thing out. It was awful but had to be done.

I have been taking my temperature to make sure I don't have tick fever. I had a tick once behind my leg and didn't know it was there until a week or so as I went on a hike at Chief Logan State Park. I did have on long pants, so I guess that thing just wandered up and dug in for life. Well, he died! I'm hoping all goes well and I am watching the site.

Beware of dogs and cats also. I was in the vets office on March 17th around all those animals and I may have picked it up there. Who knows? Last year the chiggers were awful, worst case I have ever had. I itched and itched, couldn't sleep for a few nights, but the medicine did help and Aveeno bath helped.

Several good things about winter is no snakes, no ticks, and no chiggers. I guess it just is in the food

chain. I never did like to use insect repellent, but I think I will use it even if it is a little greasy. Wasps are out; I have seen them also. Those stinging creatures. Got stung last year, first time in a long time, but all worked out. Had to pull the stinger out. Ouch, no problem.

Took me back to my childhood as we would get stung and Mom would pull the stinger out, wash it, and put rubbing alcohol on it, and said we would be fine. We didn't whine for three days about it. We always had rubbing alcohol and peroxide in our house just in case. Benadryl is good if you get stung and don't know if you are allergic to bee stings. Just drink a swig of Benadryl, and you'll be OK. But don't take my advice; call your doctor or pharmacist. You may have a condition that makes the cure worse than the sting.

We all go through the same experiences growing up and as adults. Pests are everywhere and all are not small little creatures either. There are more lurking around. Be careful - very, very careful.

Jokes From Linda

Submitted by Linda Lavender Armstead



A businessman went into the office and found an inexperienced handyman painting the walls. The handyman was wearing two heavy jackets on a hot summer day. Thinking this was a little strange, the businessman asked the handyman why he was wearing the two jackets on a hot day.

The handyman showed him the instructions on the paint can. They read: "For best results, put on two coats."

An elderly farmer, Don decided to check out his pond one evening, bringing a bucket to collect some fruit. As he got closer, he heard laughter and saw a group of young women skinny-dipping. Noticing him, they shrieked and swam in the deep end yelling "We're not coming out until you leave!"

Don replied, "I didn't come here to watch you swim naked or make you get out." Holding up his bucket, he added, "I'm here to feed the sharks."

Why shouldn't you tell jokes while ice-skating? Because the ice might crack up.

Fillers from Linda

Submitted by Linda~Lavender Armstead
Washington Hill Road, Hurricane

A mother will rearrange her whole life for her children.

The wealthiest thing to have right now is peace of mind.

You lose a part of yourself when you lose someone you love.

Hate never made any nation great.

Confidence in public comes from unseen work in private.

Never underestimate the power of stupid people in a large group.

Don't create sunshine for those who leave you in the rain.

It's not necessary to react to everything you notice.

You can only win when your mind is stronger than your emotions.

Imagine if you entertain your potential as much as you entertain your self-doubt.

Even a correct decision is wrong when it's too late. Life is a game of timing.

When it's hard to keep going, just take it one step at a time.

It's the friends we meet along the way that make us appreciate the journey.

You're allowed to rest without guilt. Healing takes time.

The most painful goodbyes are the ones that are never said.

I used to have a great memory, or at least that's what I think I remember.

Actions prove who someone is; words just prove who they pretend to be.

The highest rank you can have in the body of Christ is servant.

Kindness doesn't cost a thing, yet it is the richest gift you can give.

Control ego when you are winning. Control thoughts when you're losing.

No amount of time can erase the memory of a good doggie.

Old age is not a defeat but a victory, a crown of life.

Who else grew up leaving the oven door open a bit after baking to help warm the house?

You don't have to live like everybody else. In fact, you'll probably be happier if you don't.

Kindness is loaning someone your strength instead of reminding them of their weakness.

Even if you spend the whole day with him, your doggy misses you the moment you leave.

You have to be at your strongest when you're feeling at your weakest.

Both faith and fear demand you believe in something you can't see. You choose.



Strong people break, too. They just struggle in private and quietly rebuild.

The best gift a husband can give to his wife is his time, his attention and his love.

To know that God knows everything about me and yet loves me is indeed my ultimate consolation.

I wake up every morning and plan to be productive, and then the voice inside my head says, "hahaha."

People get in our way and slow things down, so we burn them with impatience.

Paying attention is one of the kindest things we can do for ourselves - and for others.

The hardest part of the puzzle isn't finding the pieces. It's finding my glasses to see them.

Never be ashamed about being broken, because strength is nothing but pain that's been repaired.

Sometimes in life, we just need a hug, no words, no advice just a hug to make us feel better.

Envision the most beautiful outcome possible, and then remember your place in the dream.

A season of suffering here on earth is a small assignment when compared to the great reward of heaven.

The calmer you are, the clearer you think. Let your decisions come from a place of peace, not reaction.

To make someone happy, just give them these three things: attention, affection, and appreciation.

Good friends are like quilts - they age with you and they never lose their warmth.

An eye for an eye will only make the whole world blind.

Experience is merely the name people give to their mistakes.

That moment when you realize your "children" are middle aged. Yikes!

Always pray. It's the most powerful tool against worry, doubt and fear.

A picture frame holds photos while a shoe holds five toes.

That move you're scared to make, just might be the one.

Do things at your own pace. Life's not a race.

A lot of what weighs you down isn't yours to carry.

I bought a new TV yesterday. It cost me 27 eggs.

The past is in your head. The future is in your hands.

The world will disappoint you. God won't.

Yesterday is heavy. Put it down.

Efforts are better than promises.

Replace anxiety with prayer.

Sensitivity is a superpower.

Discover how to have peace with God, peace from God, and the peace of God.

Isn't it nice to think that tomorrow is a new day with no mistakes in it yet?

I'm the kind of person who avoids watching a movie where the doggie dies.

Make a habit of reaching out to people just because they crossed your mind.

Life humbles you as you age. You realize how much time you wasted on nonsense.

Aging gracefully means cherishing the past, living the present, and embracing the future.

Unforgiveness is the poison you drink in hope that someone else will die.

We aren't called to be like Christians; we are called to be like Christ.

When I was a kid, I wanted to be older. This crap is not what I expected.

Your life does not get better by chance, it gets better by change.

What people hate in you, is missing in them. Keep shining.

Do things at your own pace. Life is not a race.

You are not spending time; time is spending you.

Don't blame distraction; improve your focus.

Wherever you go, bring your own sunshine.

Today is a perfect day to become better.

Grief is just love with nowhere to go.

My uncle who ran through the screen door strained himself.

Cleanse your heart daily with repentance.

A chicken crossed the road? Well, that's just poultry in motion.

Fillers Contributors Wanted

The Hurricane Breeze always needs Fillers Page contributors. We would like to print your recipes, inspirational sayings, poems, clean jokes, fun facts, and other submissions.

Please send contributions to The Hurricane Breeze Fillers Page, PO Box 310, Hurricane, WV 25526.

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Easter Apps Made Easy

(Family Features) If you'll be hosting friends and family for Easter this year, creating the perfect spread doesn't have to be hard. Make your gathering as simple as it is delicious by serving dishes that can be made ahead of time then easily put together on the big day.

Opting for an array of appetizers can help keep hungry people out of the kitchen until the main course is ready. Featuring easy prep and short cook times, these apps from "Cookin' Savvy" can let you spend more time creating memories with loved ones.

Whether you're celebrating with your nearest and dearest or hosting a larger crowd, these recipes can be halved or doubled to fit your needs. Plus, they feature many ingredients you may already have on-hand, making them easy to prep ahead of time to avoid spending too much time in the kitchen while trying to host.

Find more recipe inspiration to make your Easter celebration extraordinary at Culinary.net.

Spinach Bites

Recipe courtesy of "Cookin' Savvy"

Yield: 24 spinach bites

- 1 package (8 ounces) cream cheese, softened
- 1/2 cup mayonnaise
- 1/2 cup sour cream
- 1 cup thawed frozen spinach
- 1/2 cup Parmesan cheese
- 1/2 cup mozzarella cheese
- 1 package (2 1/2 ounces) real bacon pieces
- 1 teaspoon garlic powder
- 2 teaspoons onion powder
- salt, to taste
- pepper, to taste
- 1 package (2 sheets) frozen puff pastry

With hand mixer, blend cream cheese, mayonnaise, sour cream, spinach, Parmesan cheese, mozzarella, bacon pieces, garlic powder, onion powder and salt and pepper, to taste.

Heat oven to 400 F.

Thaw and roll out puff pastry sheets. Cut each sheet into 12 squares. Place each puff pastry square into hole in muffin pan then spoon spinach mixture into each square and pinch corners together. Bake 15 minutes and serve warm.

Notes: Spinach mixture can be made in advance and kept in refrigerator up to 5 days before using. Recipe can be halved or doubled depending on needs.



Bible Verse



Let us hold unwaveringly to the hope we profess, for he who promised is faithful.

— Hebrews 10:23



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Buffalo Holy Week Services
Buffalo Churches will hold their annual Holy Week Services April 13-16. The services will be held at Faith Christian Fellowship, April 13 at 6 p.m.; Buffalo Methodist April 14 at 7 p.m., Buffalo Historical Square Church, April 15 at 7 p.m., and Buffalo Church of God, April 16 at 7 p.m.
Check out the Buffalo Community Churches Facebook Page for complete details.

Easter Egg Hunt In Frazier's Bottom
Frazier's Bottom Methodist Church, located at 1 Church Drive, Fraizer's Bottom, will have an Easter Egg Hunt on Sunday, April 13, at 1:30pm. Lot's of refreshments, prizes, and fun for all the children. For complete details, check out the church Facebook Page. Everyone Welcome.

Happy Anniversary
Jeff and Kim Black of Culloden will celebrate their thirty-third wedding anniversary on April 11.
Bill and Dr. Jennifer Lynn Arnold of Boston, Massachusetts, will celebrate their seventeenth wedding anniversary on April 12.

Bob and Pat Litton of 116 Roger Circle in Hurricane will celebrate their fifty-sixth wedding anniversary on April 13.
Earl and Margaret Doneff-Lucas of 1001 Norton Avenue in Culloden will celebrate their fifty-seventh wedding anniversary on April 13.

Carl Dana and Janice McCallister Handley of 138 Bethesda Drive in Ona will celebrate their forty-eighth wedding anniversary on April 15.
Steve and Sharon King Joyce of 542 Whitt Road in Frazier's Bottom will celebrate their fifty-ninth wedding anniversary on April 15.

Rev. Jerry and Kathy Losh of Culloden will celebrate their sixtieth wedding anniversary on April 16.
Brad and April Gibson of 110 Derby Road in Hurricane will celebrate their thirty-second wedding anniversary on April 17.

Rev. Jim and Myra Dennis of Montana Avenue in Hurricane will celebrate their forty-ninth wedding anniversary on April 17.

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Easter Celebrations at Valley Park
Come to Valley Park on Saturday, April 19, for the biggest springtime event to date!
The Great Easter Egg Hunt, presented by Putnam County Parks and the City of Hurricane, will be held at 11 a.m. near the large shelter.
From 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., there will be free face painting and balloon twister presented by Old Colony Realtors; free kids' crafts presented by Hurricane Walmart; and visits with the Easter Bunny presented by Alto Design Mascot Rentals.

The Third Annual Fudge Off will be held from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the Valley Park Conference Center. The cost is \$5 for three tasting tickets (comes with one voting token), and \$2 for each additional tasting ticket.
There will also be a Springtime Vendor Event featuring over 30 local vendors to shop.

Forrest Burdette UMC Easter Egg Orders
The Forrest Burdette United Methodist Women are taking orders for decorated candy Easter Eggs. Each spring since 1969, this group of women have hand crafted half pound candy eggs in flavors of coconut, cherry nut, maple nut, vanilla and the most popular, peanut butter. They are dipped in either milk chocolate or dark chocolate then decorated with a pretty flower.
These delicious eggs can be purchased for \$5.00 at the Spring Fling at Forrest Burdette from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m. on Saturday, April 12. The

The Living Last Supper
"The Living Last Supper" will be presented Maundy Thursday, April 17, at 7:30 p.m., at Forrest Burdette United Methodist Church, 2848 Putnam Avenue, Hurricane. The drama is a re-creation of Leonardo DaVinci's famous painting "The Last Supper" with thirteen living characters. Set in the Upper Room where Jesus gathered his disciples to celebrate the Passover, this hour of drama, special music, and worship has the twelve disciples speaking their minds to themselves, to each other, and to the Lord in light of the words which they have just heard Jesus speak, "One of you will betray me."
Through the soliloquies, the audience learns about each disciple's relationship to Jesus as well as their relationship to each other. Thirteen men from the church will portray the characters. The play was written by Ernest Emurian and first presented at the Elm Avenue Methodist Church, Portsmouth, Virginia, Palm Sunday night, 1954. This 50 minute dramatic presentation will certainly be something that children and adults will appreciate and not want to miss.

event will feature vendors with a wide variety of merchandise. Lunch will be available with hotdogs, barbecue and drinks as well as many baked goodies.
Advance orders may be placed by calling the church at 304-562-5903 or by email to office@forrestburdette.com
The church is located at 2848 Virginia Avenue in Hurricane.

Available Pets at the Putnam County Animal Shelter
These are some of the many pets up for adoption at the Putnam County Animal Shelter. By the time that this issue of the Hurricane Breeze is published, these animals may have already been adopted and found forever homes. However, there are many pets at the shelter that still need homes.
For more information, call the Putnam County Animal Shelter at 304-586-0249.



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We have the opportunity to share God's love with each other every day in the simplest of ways. When you smile, your happy spirit shows through your eyes. When you speak to a friend, a gentle touch on the shoulder speaks volumes. Just listening with a sympathetic ear can be invaluable. It's as simple as loving one another without judgment. Visit God's House this week; share His glory and hope for the future. Then take it back out and share it with others.

Weekly Scripture Reading

Isaiah	Isaiah	Isaiah	Isaiah	Isaiah	Matthew	Matthew
40.1-31	49.1-26	51.1-23	52.1-12	52.13-53.12	20.1-19	20.20-34

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Babylon Is Fallen

Revelation 14:6-13

John recorded things which shall occur hereafter (future to the church age) beginning with Revelation 4. John saw the breaking of the seven seals and the judgments which followed. When the seventh seal was broken (chapter 8), John witnessed seven angels with trumpets prepared to unleash additional judgments. Following the sounding of the sixth trumpet, John was told that the mystery of God which He declared through His prophets would be finished when the seventh angel began to sound his trumpet (Rev. 10:7). The seventh angel began to sound in verse 15 of chapter 11. All that follows in Revelation 12, 13 and 14 is directly linked to the blowing of the seventh trumpet and the mystery which the Lord has spoken through His prophets.

Daniel prophesied of a prince who would come and cause obliteration to cease in the middle of the seven-year span which would precede the anointing of the Most High (Dan. 9:24, 27). Revelation 14 is a partial picture of things that shall transpire after this prince causes obliteration to cease.

"I saw another angel fly in the midst of heaven . . ." (Rev. 14:6). The angel carries an important message for all who dwell upon the earth, an inclusive message directed at every nation, every kindred, every tongue, and every people. The message is a call to act: "Fear God, and give glory to him; for the hour of his judgment is come: worship him that made heaven, and earth, and the sea, and the fountains of waters" (v. 7). The everlasting eternity of every human on earth at this time is dependent upon obedience to this command (the church is not present [see I Thess. 4:16-17]). God reaches out extending His grace to all who shall believe. Evidence of belief is found in them who fear Him and give glory to Him. It is not too late to trust God but one must trust in Him.

This angel was followed by a second angel, saying, "Babylon is fallen, is fallen" (v. 8). If one is to give glory to God, one must do so at this time. The Babylon which is fallen is not a reference to the Babylon of Daniel 5 which fell to the Medes and Persians in a single night. This city is the unchallenged seat of world power. This great city has caused "all nations to drink of the wine of the wrath of her fornication." Wine is produced by crushing grapes. The wrath is God's wrath. God's wrath is directed at spiritual fornication. Spiritual fornication is characterized by acts of unbelief. The wine which Babylon made all nations drink was produced from grapes of unbelief and blasphemy.

While all nations shall drink this wine, not every individual on Planet Earth shall drink of it. In verse 9, God sent a third angel with the message that His wrath is reserved for them who worship "the beast and his image, and receive his mark in his forehead, or in his hand." These shall drink of the wine of the wrath of God. This beast is the beast who John saw rise up out of the sea (see Rev. 13:1). This beast will speak blasphemy against God and will make war against the saints for forty-two months (13:5) and overcome them (13:7). Those who refuse to worship the image of the beast shall be killed (13:15) but will be blessed (see 14:13).

Those who drink of the wine (receive the mark of the beast) shall be tormented with fire and brimstone in the presence of the holy angels and the Lamb. They shall look upon the holy messengers whom they would not believe and look upon the sacrifice of God that they refused to receive. Those who receive the mark of the beast shall suffer both physical and mental torment for all eternity (v. 11).

In verse 13, John heard a message from God: "Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth: Yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labors; and their works do follow them." All who die in the Lord are martyrs. They died because they believed God and did as He had commanded. In verse 12, we see these martyrs through the eyes of God. They are the patience of the saints. A saint is one sanctified by God. One cannot sanctify himself. God counts belief for righteousness. God does not change. God counted Abraham's belief for righteousness in Genesis and God counts belief for righteousness in Revelation.

Verse 13 is a beatitude — words of blessing from God. It is a blessing that is extended to all who read, and hear the words of Revelation and do that which is written (see Rev. 1:3). May all men read, hear, do, and be blessed.

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Obituaries

JAMES EDWARD COBB
James Edward Cobb, 67, of Bancroft, passed away April 2, 2025.

He was born July 31, 1957 in South Charleston to the late Eugene and Helen Cobb. He is also preceded in death by his son Troy Cobb, sisters Patsy and Debby and brothers John and Steve.

Cobb is survived by his wife of 30 years, Kim Cobb; daughter Erica Garrison; and sister Libby and her husband Tom Steele.

At his request there will be no services.

sisters: Shirley Young, Donna Arbogast (Paul), and Terry Miller (Jim); brother, Jerry Taylor; sister at heart, Peggy Kidd (Jim); nephew, Andy Arbogast; and nieces: Shelly Bowles, Jessica Miller, Erica Riley, and Taylor Reid.

A Service to Honor the Life of Nancy was held Friday, April 4, 2025, at Snodgrass Funeral Home, South Charleston, with Pastor George Webb officiating. Burial was in Graceland Memorial Park, South Charleston.

Albans High School Class of 1971, he was a proud Red Dragon and loved those WVU Mountaineers. He attended WV State and WV Tech College, afterwards he worked for 38 years at Union Carbide Institute Plant, retiring in 2013.

Funeral Service for Clyde was Tuesday, April 8, 2025 at Chapman Funeral Home, Hurricane. Burial was in Mt. Tabor Church of God, St. Albans.

NANCY LEE CYRUS
Nancy Lee Taylor Cyrus, 74, of Hurricane, passed away peacefully on Sunday, March 30, 2025, at her home.

Nancy grew up in South Charleston. She graduated from South Charleston High School, Class of 1968. She retired as the Front-End Department Leader/ Customer Service Manager for the Kroger Company after 36 years.

Everyone enjoyed being around Nancy, because she was always the life of the party, with her vibrant personality and crazy sense of humor. She was a firecracker in a small package. She loved spending time at the beach with her friends and family.

Nancy was preceded in death by her mother, Dolores Bowman Taylor; her father, Julian R. Taylor; sister, Tina Gay Taylor; mother-in-law, Dorothy Adkins Cyrus; and father-in-law, Clyde S. Cyrus.

She is survived by her husband, Scott A. Cyrus;

CLYDE WILLIAM ELLIS
Clyde William Ellis, 71, of Hurricane, passed away on April 4, 2025 surrounded by family at home.

He was born in South Charleston to the late Rosalie Garner Ellis and Homer Garrett Ellis. In addition to his parents, he was also preceded in death by his sister, Judith Arlene Ellis Scarberry.

He is survived by his wife of 53 years, Connie Handy Ellis of Hurricane; son, William Ellis (Carolina) of Encino, CA; daughter, Suzanne Ellis Woods of Hurricane; 3 grandchildren that he was extremely proud of: Nicholas Wayne Woods and Emily Nicole Woods both of Hurricane and Jackson Grey Ellis of Encino, CA; brothers: Charles Ellis of Decaturville, TN, Dave and Doug Ellis of St. Albans; sister in-law and brother in-law: Frances and Danny Knight of Hurricane; as well as many nieces and nephews whom he loved dearly.

Clyde graduated from St.

DEBORAH C. ELLIS
Deborah C. Ellis, 46, of Bancroft, passed away Monday, March 31, 2025, in the Hubbard Hospice House West.

Deborah is a 1997 graduate of Poca High School and a homemaker. She loved music, photography, and her cats.

She is preceded in death by her parents James and Judy Quade, and sister Kimberly Quade.

Deborah is survived by her three children Jayson Ellis, William (Jaiden) Ellis, and Emalee Ellis and their father Lonzel Ellis, Jr.

A service will be held at a later date.

RODNEY WHITTEN LINVILLE
Rodney Whitten Linville, 82, of Hurricane, passed away on April 4, 2025 at St. Mary's Medical Center in Huntington.

He was born on April 18, 1942, to the late D. Wilson and Katherine "Kitty" Safford Linville in Huntington. In

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Obituaries

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In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his wife, Barbara A. Simmons Linville and his grandson, Alexander Linville.

Rod retired as Branch Manager from Putnam County Bank Teays Valley Branch and was the former Owner and Operator of Linville's Department Store in Hurricane. He also was a devoted and supportive parent, serving as a former President of Hurricane Little League Baseball and Hurricane Middle School Band Boosters.

He is survived by his sons and daughter in-laws: Martin (Shawna) Linville and Brian (Angela) Linville all of Hurricane; and his grandchildren: Andrew, Matthew, Christopher and Ian Linville.

Funeral service for Rod will be 1:00pm, Friday, April 11, 2025 at Chapman Funeral Home, Hurricane, with Pastor Jerry Losh officiating. Entombment will follow at Valley View Memorial Park, Hurricane.

LINDA LOU MALLETT
Linda Lou Mallett, 72, of Poca, passed away April 3, 2025 at CAMC Memorial.

She was born January 2, 1953, in Nitro to the late Clem and Juanita Myers. Also, preceding her in death is her brothers, Donald Myers and Virgil Myers.

She loved camping, sewing, treasure hunting and spending time with family at Myrtle Beach.

Surviving is her husband of over 55 years, Steven Dale Mallett of Poca; children, Steven Dale Mallett Jr. (Anita) of St. Albans, and Penny Lynn Mallett (Terry) of Hurricane; grandchildren, Devan (Karsyn), Hunter, Emily (Austin) and Ashley; great grandchildren, Grayson and Nolan; and many extended family and friends.

A memorial service will be held at a later date.

DIANA KAY PERSINGER

Diana Kay Grant Persinger, 75, of Culloden, passed away peacefully on April 3, 2025 at home.

She was born on January 7, 1950 to the late Mervin A. and Vonda I. Washington Grant in Winfield. In addition to

her parents, she was also preceded in death by her husband, Arnie Persinger Jr.; daughter and son in law: Lisa A. and Greg Sowards; granddaughter, Kathy Jo Sowards; great grandson, Hunter; and sisters: Ima McDaniel, Shirley Whitt and Patty Lewis.

Diana retired from McDonalds after several years of service and was a hairdresser prior to that.

Diana is survived by her son: Shawn (Joy) Persinger of Hurricane; grandchildren: Gregory (Christy) Sowards of Culloden, and Jessica (Matthew) Freed of Hurricane; great grandchildren: Hayley, Xander, Troy, Mason, Lindsey and Mikie; caregiver and sister, Carolyn Stanley of Southside, WV; sister, Debbie Forth of Hurricane; brothers: Billy (Mary Jane) Grant of OH and Jimmy Grant of Hurricane; several special nieces, nephews and other family members; as well as special friends: Leon Williams and Mary Young.

Funeral service for Diana was Wednesday, April 9, 2025 at Chapman Funeral Home, Hurricane. Burial was in Valley View Memorial Park, Hurricane.

VIRGINIA L ROCK

Heaven gained another angel with the passing of Virginia L Rock, 83, of Winfield, on March 31, 2025. She was born in Weston on June 5, 1941 and was preceded in death by her parents, Grover and Geraldine Nicholson.

Virginia, who was affectionately known as Ginny, was also preceded in death by her very loving husband of 57 years, Franklin D Rock.

Virginia's journey in life was marked by love, compassion, forgiveness, and an unwavering love for God.

Ginny was a member of the Boulevard Church of Christ since 1953 and later a member of the Pine Grove Church. She was a graduate of Charleston High School. Virginia retired after many years as the property manager of Carlton Court Apartments.

Virginia was a devoted mother to daughters Karen Hartwell of St Albans, Elaine Brady of Charleston and Lisa Rock from Florida. Ginny always said that their births changed

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her life for the better and there was not greater love.

Virginia adored her grandchildren: Samuel Hartwell (Theresa) of Winfield, Sean Brady (Rachel) of St Albans and Nick Brady (Kat) of Alaska.

Ginny had 7 great grandchildren: Bryson and Austin Hartwell; Rachel, Lydia and Natalie Brady; and Conner and Kaylee Owen.

Ginny loved to read, but her greatest enjoyment came from her family.

Virginia was a Godly woman, and her passing has left a void in the hearts of anyone who was fortunate enough to know her.

Celebration of Ginny's life was held Tuesday, April 8, 2025 at Tyler Mt. Funeral Home. Burial was in Tyler Mt. Memory Gardens, Cross Lanes.

DEBRA JEAN SHAMBLIN

Debra Jean Shamblin, 65, of Nitro, passed away Tuesday, April 1, 2025, in the Hubbard Hospice House West.

She is retired CNA from Genesis Teays Valley with 25 years of service. Debra loved her family, especially her grandchildren.

She is preceded in death by her parents Acie and Nancy Call and her son Rusty.

Debra is survived by her loving husband of 35 years, Boyd Shamblin. She is a loving mother to Nancy "Nick" and husband William Briscoe, Boyd "Bub" Shamblin, II, Gaige Shamblin, and Reagan Shamblin; a loving granny to Shannon (B.J.), Bodie, Jamie, Braydon, Colin, Carter, Taylor, Brandi,

and Marissa and 8 great grandchildren. She is also survived by her brother Terry Call; sisters Connie McNeil, Dreama (Carlton) Caines, and Pam Boggs and a host of other family and friends.

A tribute to the life of Debra was held Friday, April 4, 2025, at Gatens-Harding Funeral Home Chapel with Pastor Travis Bradley officiating.

MAE LEE WATSON

Mae Lee Wymer Watson, 88, of Pt. Pleasant, passed away on Saturday, April 5, 2025 at Cabell Huntington Hospital.

She was born on August 23, 1936 in Winfield to the late Edward and Erma Holcomb Wymer. She grew up in a home filled with love, laughter and eleven siblings.

In addition to her parents, she was also preceded in death by her husband, Jim Watson; siblings: Donald, Paul, and Norma; as well as her great grandson, Matthew.

She married James Carl Watson and began a life of adventure, his career led them to moves in multiple states including: Ohio, Kentucky, Indiana, Illinois, Pennsylvania, Georgia and South Carolina.

Mae Lee was a mom to every neighborhood child who needed love and support, she will be forever missed by those she leaves behind. May we have the strength she exhibited throughout her life.

She is survived by her siblings: Jim (Belinda) Wymer of Scott Depot, David (Janie) Wymer of Fraziers Bottom, Ruth Ann Hayzlett of Red House, Gary Wymer of Eleanor, Ron Wymer of Scott Depot,

Putnam County Marriages

The following marriages were recorded by the Putnam County Clerk during the months of February and March:

Christopher Travis Baldwin to Kristina Dawn Mullins

Ashley Owen Harper to Summer Nichole Schoolcraft

David William Swimm to Kristi Dawn Trout

Michael Roman to Betty Elizabeth Rivera

Rob Richie to Melanie Lynn Bailey

Christopher Dakota Dotson to Morgan Leann Grant

Dylan Ryan Dodrill to Makenzie Jayde Good

Donald Ray Williams to Rhonda Gail Schmidt

David Albert Young III to Amy Elizabeth Shawver

Steven Oidell Smith to Kristina Lee McGhee

Elijah Luke Howard to Elize Emily Wentz

Gregory Allan Rideout to Tammy Sue Clark

Fredrick Jacob Miller to Jessica Alaina Burns

Zachary Steven Pete to Victoria Morgan Malone

Jeremiah Lee Short to Annabelle Ruth McMillion

Logan Jakob Parsons to Lila Elise Morgan

Tyler Brooks Smith to Shannon Elizabeth Bench

Robert Michael Light to Karen Lee Lafon

Gary Lee Bishop Sr. to Catherine Louise Cozort

John William Tope to Amy Elizabeth Wright-Belcher

Mark Ryan Griffith to Tanille Marie Spencer

Logan Robert Davis to Emilee Rose Pugh

Marriage Licenses were issued to the following individuals during March which marriages were recorded as of March 31, 2025:

Justin Cory Paxson to Candida Gale Sanders

Devin Skyler Toomey to Katlyn M. Wulzer

Jeremy Neal Gannon to Hailey Brianne Richmond

Dana Lee Jividen to Tonya Lynn Huffman

Nolan Proctor Rose to Whitney Dawn Bailey

Stephen Richard Avila to Madilyn Martha Smith

Hayden Scott Bailey to Haley Dawn Huffman

Brandon Chase More to Caitlyn Alexa Short

Harry Tyler Hahn to Emily Suzanne Loudermilk

Aaron Michael Hayes to Abby Kate Hull

Doris Arthur of Marlinton, Rick Wymer of Grover, NC, and Karen Wymer of Winfield; daughters: Mari Anne (Ronnie) Royston of Elberton, GA and Anita Newman of Pt. Pleasant; grandchildren: Erin (Connor) Royston of Grovetown, GA, Christa (Justin) Denard of Tignall, GA, Kaitlin Royston of Elberton, GA, Allen Newman of Pt. Pleasant, and Michael (Penny) Newman of Smyrna,

GA; great grandchildren: Wyatt (Abby) Newman of Pt. Pleasant, and Aidyn Newman of Smyrna, GA; great great grandson, Waylon Newman of Pt. Pleasant.

Funeral service for Mae Lee was Thursday, April 10, 2025 at Chapman Funeral Home, Hurricane, with Rev. Billy Wymer officiating. Burial was at Fraziers Bottom United Methodist Church.

Igniting the spark through volunteering

By: DAV National Voluntary Services Director John Kleindienst

My personal journey into volunteering began in 2013 when I flew home to Texas to be by my grandpa's side before he died.

Grandpa was an Army veteran of the Korean and Vietnam wars and was forever changed by service. His kidneys and liver were shutting down because of the effects of toxic exposure. He knew his time was short, and wanted to spend his remaining time at home, not in a hospital.

We set him up with home hospice care. He died peacefully not long after. It was then, sitting by his side, that I realized how meaningful it is to be with people during their final moments. After he passed, I began volunteering in a hospice facility to sit with veterans who faced dying alone.

That sparked my passion to find more ways to help veterans in my personal life. I didn't have to look far.

In my hometown, I found motorized scooter batteries in need of changing, dangerous tree limbs to cut, and overgrown lawns to trim before residents faced eviction. Although these were simple tasks, they meant the world to the veterans who couldn't do these things on their own.

Realizing that just an hour of my time really could make a difference in a veteran's life, and feeling good about giving back, I knew I wanted to give that gift to others. Luckily, I can do that in my role as the national voluntary services director for DAV (Disabled American Veterans). DAV

is a nonprofit that provides a lifetime of support to veterans of all generations and their families at no-cost.

DAV Community Impact Day is that opportunity to give back. On Saturday, April 5, we invite folks to give an hour of their time helping a veteran in the local community. Folks can pledge their time at communityimpactday.org.

April is National Volunteer Month, so for folks who are not able to participate on April 5, can still make the pledge and give back at a different time. On the website, interested volunteers can also find resources and ideas on how to volunteer for veterans in their community and how to get connected with local DAV Chapter events.

As I've learned, giving back doesn't have to be complicated or time-consuming. It could include mowing a lawn, driving a veteran to a medical appointment, going grocery shopping or writing letters thanking veterans for their service.

At DAV, we know the most valuable gift you can give someone is your time. Regardless of how a person decides to give back, research shows—and I learned firsthand—that the physical and mental benefits are as valuable for the volunteer as they are for the recipient.

And who knows, perhaps this will be your spark to do even more, like my Grandpa was for me.

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ORDER OF PUBLICATION IN THE FAMILY COURT OF PUTNAM COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA

IN RE: Angela Treadway v. Derrick Soram Tabitha Guinn Case No.: 25-D-7

THE OBJECT OF THIS SUIT IS TO OBTAIN PETITION FOR GRANDPARENT VISITATION. It appears by affidavit filed in this action that DERRICK SORAM, whose address is unknown is a party in the above matter. It is hereby ordered that the above party submit an Answer to the Putnam County Circuit Clerk's office whose address is 12093 Winfield Rd, Suite 12, Winfield, WV 25213 within 30 days of this publication.

A copy of said Petition for Grandparent Visitation can be obtained from the Putnam County Circuit Clerk's office.

Entered by the Clerk of said Court this 4th day of April, 2025. STEPHANIE SMITH/sy Circuit Clerk 4-10-2t

LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF PUTNAM COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA

In Re: Change of Name from Michae Rae Thompson to MichaeRae Thompson Nicely

LEGAL NOTICE OF PUBLICATION CHANGE OF NAME PROCEEDING

Civil Action No. 25-P-31 **Circuit Court of Putnam County, West Virginia** Notice is hereby given that on the 25th day of April, 2025, at 11:30 a.m. on said day, or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, before the Honorable Judge Phillip Stowers, Michae Rae Thompson will apply by Petition to the Circuit Court of Putnam County, West Virginia for the entry of an order by said Court, changing her name from Michae Rae Thompson to MichaeRae Thompson Nicely, at which time and place any interested party may appear and be heard, if they so desire.

You are hereby notified that this matter may be rescheduled without further notice or publication.

A copy of said Petition can be obtained from the undersigned Clerk at her office at 12093 Winfield Road, Ste. 12, Winfield, WV 25213.

ENTERED by the Clerk of said Court this 24th day of March, 2025. Stephanie M. Smith Putnam County Circuit Clerk 4-10-2t

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FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2025 - JUNE 30, 2026 LEVY ESTIMATE - BUDGET DOCUMENT

STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA MUNICIPALITY OF BUFFALO, WEST VIRGINIA

In accordance with Code § 11-8-14, as amended, the Council proceeded to make an estimate of the amounts necessary to be raised by levy of taxes for the current fiscal year, and does determine and estimate the several amounts to be as follows:

The amount due and the amount that will become due and collectible from every source during the fiscal year INCLUDING THE LEVY OF TAXES, is as follows:

REVENUE SOURCE		
Unassigned Fund Balance	450,000	
Property Taxes - Current Expense	91,756	
Gas & Oil Severance Tax	4,000	
Excise Tax on Utilities	60,000	
Business and Occupation Tax	100,000	
Fines, Fees & Court Costs	1,500	
Licenses	500	
Franchise Fees	1,000	
IRP Fees (Interstate Registration Plan)	15,000	
Rents, Royalties and Concessions	10,000	
Gaming Income	12,000	
Interest Earned on Investments	150	
Video Lottery (LVL)	500	
Miscellaneous Revenues	2,500	
TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUE (GENERAL FUND)	\$ 748,906	

COAL SEVERANCE TAX FUND REVENUE SOURCE

Assigned Fund Balance	\$ 1,500
Coal Severance Tax	4,000

TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUE (COAL SEVERANCE FUND) \$ 5,500

	General Fund	Coal Severance Fund
ESTIMATED CURRENT EXPENDITURES		
Mayor's Office	12,300	-
City Council	9,050	-
Recorder's Office	8,725	-
City Attorney	5,000	-
Engineering	5,000	-
Rehabilitation of Property	15,000	-
Regional Development Authority	500	-
City Hall	114,631	-
Other Buildings	15,000	-
Contingencies	50,000	-
Police Department	86,800	-
Police Special Duty	34,000	-
Street & Highways	78,600	-
Street Lights	16,000	5,500
Signs & Signals	5,800	-
Parks & Recreation	107,500	-
Fair Associations/Festivals	15,000	-
Library	5,000	-
Beautification Programs	15,000	-
Capital Projects - General Government	150,000	-
TOTAL ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES	\$ 748,906	\$ 5,500

MUNICIPALITY OF BUFFALO, WEST VIRGINIA Regular Current Expense Levy FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2025 - JUNE 30, 2026

Certificate of Valuation Assessed Value for Tax Purposes	Levy Rate/\$100	Taxes Levied	
Class I			
Personal Property	\$ -	12.50	\$ -
Public Utilities	-	-	-
Total Class I	-	-	-
Class II			
Real Estate	20,022,300	25.00	50,056
Personal Property	386,446	-	966
Total Class II	20,408,746	-	51,022
Class IV			
Real Estate	4,948,740	50.00	24,744
Personal Property	3,604,275	-	18,021
Public Utilities	1,356,244	-	6,781
Total Class IV	9,909,259	-	49,546
Total Value & Projected Revenue	\$ 30,318,005	-	\$ 100,568
Less Delinquencies, Exonerations & Uncollectable Taxes		5.00%	5,028
Less Tax Discounts		2.00%	1,911
Less Allowance for Tax Increment Financing (if Applicable)		-	0
Total Projected Property Tax Collection		-	93,629
Less Assessor's Valuation Fund (Subtracted from regular current expense tax levy only)		2.00%	1,873
Net Amount to be Raised by Levy of Property Taxes		-	\$ 91,756

STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA COUNTY OF PUTNAM MUNICIPALITY OF BUFFALO

I, Ashley M Craig, Recording Officer of said municipality, do hereby certify that the foregoing are true copies from the record of the orders made and entered by the council of said municipality on the 26th day of March 2025.

Ashley Craig Recorder 4-3-2t

LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT

NOTICE TO REDEEM

2022-C-000189 - Putnam County To: MICHAEL R. HALAD, DONA L. HALAD, OCCUPANT, CITY OF NITRO, or heirs at law, devisees, creditors, representatives, successors, assigns, all known heirs, guardians, conservators, fiduciaries, administrators, lienholders, co-owners, other parties having an undivided interest in the delinquent property, and other parties that may have an interest in the subject property.

DISTRICT NITRO CORP MAP 1 PARCEL 0146 0000 0000

You will take notice that MAPA LLC, the purchaser of the following real estate, **Cert. No. 2022-C-000189**, located in NITRO CORP District, LOT 3714 37TH ST NITRO which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of HALAD MICHAEL R ET UX, and was sold by the deputy commissioner of delinquent and nonentered lands of PUTNAM County at the sale for the delinquent taxes on April 19, 2023. MAPA LLC, requests that you be notified that a deed for such real estate will be made on or after June 1, 2025, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before May 31, 2025 will be as follows:

Amount equal to the taxes and charges due on the date of the certification, with interest, for tax year ticket number 2021 - 12940.	\$424.73
Back tax tickets, with interest, and charges due on the date of certification for ticket number \$0.00	
Subsequent of taxes paid on the property, with interest to for tax year 2022-12963.	\$536.00
Additional taxes with interest.	\$0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest.	\$219.30
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest.	\$714.53
Additional Statutory Fees with interest.	\$618.90
Total Amount Due and Payable to WV State Auditor - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	\$2,513.46
You may redeem at any time before May 31, 2025, by paying the above total less any unearned interest.	

If the above real estate is your primary residence, you may petition the Auditor to redeem the real estate in or more than three incremental payments that equal the total amount required to redeem the real estate prior to the issuance of the deed described above.

Given under my hand April 1, 2025 *Christal G. Perry* Christal G. Perry

Deputy Commissioner of Delinquent and Nonentered Lands of PUTNAM County, State of West Virginia

Please return this letter and payment to the West Virginia State Auditor's Office, County Collections Division 1900 Kanawha Boulevard East, Building 1, Room W-114, Charleston, West Virginia, 25305. Questions please call 1-888-509-6568 4-10-3t

LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF PUTNAM COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA

BARBARA PLUMLEY, Petitioner, CIVIL ACTION NO.: 25-P-3 JUDGE: MARK SORSAIA

BIG CREEK BAPTIST CHURCH, Respondent.

ORDER OF PUBLICATION

TO THE ABOVE-NAMED RESPONDENT:

The Plaintiff filed *Verified Petition to Quiet Title to Real Property* in the above-styled action. A copy of the *Verified Petition to Quiet Title to Real Property* may be obtained from the Putnam Circuit Clerk located at the Putnam County Judicial Building, 12093 Winfield Road, Winfield, WV 25213.

The object of this action is to quiet title to that certain property located in the Curry District of Putnam County, West Virginia. The property consists of a small tract of land located in the Curry District of Putnam County, West Virginia, adjacent to an eight-acre tract of land, as shown on a Plat dated August 19, 1999, prepared by Donald R Hayes, P.L.S. # 902, and attached to a Deed of record in the Office of the Clerk of the County Commission of Putnam County West Virginia, in Deed Book 405 at page 629

Pursuant to an Affidavit filed by Plaintiff's counsel, the address of the Respondent is unknown.

Therefore, it is ORDERED that the Respondent must appear and defend within thirty (30) days by serving an answer or other defense to the *Verified Petition to Quiet Title to Real Property* upon the Plaintiff's attorney, Lisa M. Moye, whose address is P.O. Box 535, Winfield, West Virginia 25213. Otherwise, judgment by default will be rendered against the Respondent at any time thereafter.

Stephanie Smith/sy CLERK OF THE COURT 4-10-2t

LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT

LEGAL ANNOUNCEMENT

25-P-38 Please take notice that LISA LYNN CRITES, will petition the Circuit Court of Putnam County, at the Putnam County Judicial Annex, Winfield, West Virginia, on the 1st day of May, 2025, at 11:00 o'clock A.M., or as soon thereafter as may be heard, to change her name of LISA LYNN CRITES to LISA LYNN HATCHER, pursuant to Chapter 48, Article 5 of the West Virginia Code as amended. Any person who may be injured by the change of name or who knows of any reason why the name should not be changed may present objections to said Court on said date and time.

LISA LYNN CRITES By Counsel Stephanie Smith/sy Clerk of Court

David L. Hill Attorney for Petitioner P. O. Box 506 Hurricane, WV 25526 4-10-2t

LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT

NOTICE TO REDEEM

Cert. No. 402856 - Ernie R. Gillispie To: KATHY D HERDMAN, ROY A CAMPBELL AHOY LAND LLC, WV DEPARTMENT OF TAX AND REVENUE, or heirs at law, devisees, creditors, representatives, successors, assigns, all known heirs, guardians, conservators, fiduciaries, administrators, lienholders, co-owners, other parties having an undivided interest in the delinquent property, and other parties that may have an interest in the subject property.

DISTRICT POCA MAP 226B PARCEL 0039

You will take notice that Ernie R. Gillispie, the purchaser of the following real estate, Certification No. 402856, located in POCA District, .11 Ac Nr Nitro, which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of Herdman Kathy D, and was sold by the deputy commissioner of delinquent and nonentered lands of Putnam County at the sale for the delinquent taxes on 05/30/2024. Ernie R. Gillispie requests that you be notified that a deed for such real estate will be made on or after 05/19/2025, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before 05/19/2025 will be as follows:

Amount equal to the taxes and charges due on the date of the sale, with interest to 05/19/2025	\$1011.47
Amount of taxes paid on the property, since the sale, with interest to 05/19/2025	\$0.00
Amount paid for Title Examination and preparation of the list to be served and for preparation and service of notice with interest to 05/19/2025	\$665.32
Additional statutory fees with interest to 05/19/2025	\$0.00
Total Amount Payable to Sheriff - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check must be made payable to the The Honorable Robert Eggleton, Sheriff of Putnam County.	\$1676.79

You may redeem at any time before 05/19/2025, by paying the above total less any unearned interest. Given under my hand 3/20/2025 *Christal G. Perry* Christal G. Perry

Deputy Commissioner of Delinquent and Nonentered Lands of Putnam County, State of West Virginia

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LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT

NOTICE TO REDEEM

2022-C-000063 - Putnam County To: EARL DAVIS, KENNETH DAVIS, ELLIS DAVIS, GLEN DAVIS, DEBBIE DAVIS, DEBBIE DAVIS, KATHY ROBINETTE, EARL DAVIS, EARL DAVIS, EARL DAVIS, PUTNAM COUNTY BOE C/O ATKINS & OGLE LAW OFFICE, PUTNAM COUNTY BOE, RICHARD A. ADKINS, KENNETH DAVIS, CABELL HUNTINGTON HOSPITAL INC., GLEN DAVIS, DALE W. STEAGER, COMMISSIONER WEST VIRGINIA DEPT. OF TAX & REVENUE, or heirs at law, devisees, creditors, representatives, successors, assigns, all known heirs, guardians, conservators, fiduciaries, administrators, lienholders, co-owners, other parties having an undivided interest in the delinquent property, and other parties that may have an interest in the subject property.

DISTRICT CURRY MAP 251 PARCEL 0032 0015 6001

You will take notice that MAPA LLC, the purchaser of the following real estate, **Cert. No. 2022-C-000063**, located in CURRY District, 2.45 AC TRACE FORK, which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of DAVIS EARL ET AL, and was sold by the deputy commissioner of delinquent and nonentered lands of PUTNAM County at the sale for the delinquent taxes on April 19, 2023. MAPA LLC, requests that you be notified that a deed for such real estate will be made on or after June 1, 2025, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before May 31, 2025 will be as follows:

Amount equal to the taxes and charges due on the date of the certification, with interest, for tax year ticket number 2021 - 4502.	\$148.34
Back tax tickets, with interest, and charges due on the date of certification for ticket number \$0.00	
Subsequent of taxes paid on the property, with interest to for tax year 2022-4460.	\$72.20
Additional taxes with interest.	\$0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest.	\$219.30
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest.	\$951.59
Additional Statutory Fees with interest.	\$482.11
Total Amount Due and Payable to WV State Auditor - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	\$1,873.54

You may redeem at any time before May 31, 2025, by paying the above total less any unearned interest.

If the above real estate is your primary residence, you may petition the Auditor to redeem the real estate in or more than three incremental payments that equal the total amount required to redeem the real estate prior to the issuance of the deed described above.

Given under my hand April 1, 2025 *Christal G. Perry* Christal G. Perry

Deputy Commissioner of Delinquent and Nonentered Lands of PUTNAM County, State of West Virginia

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LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT

CITY OF HURRICANE SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING

Hurricane City Council will hold a Special Council Meeting to Lay the Levy for FY2026 on Tuesday, April 15, 2025 at 6:00pm at Hurricane City Hall, 3255 Teays Valley Road, Hurricane, WV 25526. 4-3-2t

LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT

To the Creditors and Beneficiaries of the following deceased persons estates:

I have before me the estates of the deceased persons and the accounts of the fiduciaries of their respective estates as listed below:

Estate No.: 5803 Estate Of: Garry Wayne Burkholder Administratrix: Jacinda L Burkholder 3851 Peach Ridge Road Hurricane, WV 25526

Estate No.: 6020 Estate Of: Ricky Howard Fields Executrix: Misty D McPhail 331 Nunley Drive Charleston, WV 25306

Estate No.: 6041 Estate Of: Wanda June McClanahan Executrix: Sharon Comstock 10471 Dock Street Jeanau, AK 99801

Estate No.: 5925 Estate Of: Margaret Dale Michau Executrix: Andrea Lea Graziano 209 Weatheridge Drive Hurricane, WV 25526

Estate No.: 5774 Estate Of: Phyllis Jean Stinnette Executor: William E Stinnette Jr 10031 Teays Valley Rd Scott Depot, WV 25560

Estate No.: 6022 Estate Of: Paul Marlin Westfall Executrix: Karen W Hanson 1034 Laurel Wood Drive Morgantown, WV 26508

Estate No.: 5978 Estate Of: Gary M Yowell Executrix: Katherine K Yowell 3605 Brookshire Dr. Hurricane, WV 25526

All persons having claims against the estate(s) of any of the above-named deceased persons whether due or not, are notified to exhibit their claims with vouchers thereof, legally verified, to the fiduciary of such deceased person as shown above within 60 days of April 3, 2025, or, if not, to exhibit the same at the office of the undersigned Fiduciary Supervisor at the address shown below by said date; otherwise any or all such claims may by law be excluded from all benefits of said estate(s). No claims against the estate shall be accepted by the fiduciary supervisor after said date. All beneficiaries of said estate(s) may appear either before the above-named fiduciary by the date first shown above, or thereafter before the undersigned fiduciary supervisor by the date last shown above to examine said claims and otherwise protect their respective interests.

All persons seeking to impeach or establish a will must file a complaint pursuant to W. Va. Code. Any person objecting to the representative's qualifications, venue or jurisdiction must file a complaint within 60 days of April 3, 2025.

Subscribed and sworn to before me on the 27th day of March 2025.

Fiduciary Supervisor Putnam County Commission 10293 Winfield Road, Winfield, WV 25213 4-3-2t

LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT

NOTICE TO REDEEM

Cert. No. 402796 - Ernie R. Gillispie To: KATHY D HERDMAN, ROY A CAMPBELL AHOY LAND LLC, WV DEPARTMENT OF TAX AND REVENUE, or heirs at law, devisees, creditors, representatives, successors, assigns, all known heirs, guardians, conservators, fiduciaries, administrators, lienholders, co-owners, other parties having an undivided interest in the delinquent property, and other parties that may have an interest in the subject property.

DISTRICT POCA MAP 226B PARCEL 0040

You will take notice that Ernie R. Gillispie, the purchaser of the following real estate, Certification No. 402796, located in POCA District, Lot 0.12 Ac Nr Nitro, which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of Herdman Kathy D, and was sold by the deputy commissioner of delinquent and nonentered lands of Putnam County at the sale for the delinquent taxes on 05/30/2024. Ernie R. Gillispie requests that you be notified that a deed for such real estate will be made on or after 05/19/2025, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before 05/19/2025 will be as follows:

Amount equal to the taxes and charges due on the date of the sale, with interest to 05/19/2025	\$572.18
Amount of taxes paid on the property, since the sale, with interest to 05/19/2025	\$0.00
Amount paid for Title Examination and preparation of the list to be served and for preparation and service of notice with interest to 05/19/2025	\$665.32
Additional statutory fees with interest to 05/19/2025	\$0.00
Total Amount Payable to Sheriff - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check must be made payable to the The Honorable Robert Eggleton, Sheriff of Putnam County.	\$1237.50

You may redeem at any time before 05/19/2025, by paying the above total less any unearned interest. Given under my hand 3/20/2025 *Christal G. Perry* Christal G. Perry

Deputy Commissioner of Delinquent and Nonentered Lands of Putnam County, State of West Virginia

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LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT
FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2025 - JUNE 30, 2026
LEVY ESTIMATE - BUDGET DOCUMENT
STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA
MUNICIPALITY OF HURRICANE, WEST VIRGINIA
In accordance with Code § 11-8-14, as amended, the Council proceeded to make an estimate of the amounts necessary to be raised by levy of taxes for the current fiscal year, and does determine and estimate the several amounts to be as follows:

REVENUE SOURCE
Unassigned Fund Balance 1,400,000
Property Taxes - Current Expense 1,277,700
Prior Year Taxes 65,000
Supplemental Taxes 105,000
Tax Loss Restoration 500
Property Taxes - Excess Levy 687,405
Tax Penalties, Interest & Publication Fees 19,000
Gas & Oil Severance Tax 30,000
Excise Tax on Utilities 473,000
Business and Occupation Tax 2,200,000
Wine and Liquor Tax 70,000
Hotel Occupancy Tax 135,000
Sales Tax 1,900,000
Fines, Fees & Court Costs 115,000
Licenses 30,000
Building Permit Fees 54,600
Franchise Fees 30,000
IRP Fees (Interstate Registration Plan) 265,000
Parks & Recreation 85,000
Landfill / Incinerator Fees 40,000
Federal Government Grants 10,000
State Government Grants 10,000
Other Grants 115,500
Contributions/Transfer from Other Entities 50,000
Gaming Income 10,500
Interest Earned on Investments 4,000
Refunds 40,000
Sale of Fixed Assets 5,000
Sale of Materials 750
Accident Reports 4,500
Confiscated Property, Forfeiture/Seizure 10,000
Video Lottery (LVL) 27,000
Miscellaneous Revenues 50,000
TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUE (GENERAL FUND) \$ 9,319,455

COAL SEVERANCE TAX FUND
REVENUE SOURCE
Assigned Fund Balance \$ 50
Coal Severance tax 23,500
TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUE (COAL SEVERANCE FUND) \$ 23,550
ESTIMATED CURRENT EXPENDITURES
Mayor's Office \$ 583,222
City Council 19,777
Recorder's Office 12,176
City Manager's Office 44,285
Treasurer's Office 19,309
Finance Office 151,243
City Clerk's Office 2,498
Police Judge's Office 6,709
City Attorney 19,890
Personnel Office 38,335
Regional Development Authority 166,790
Building Inspection 155,239
Data Processing 32,517
City Hall 477,650
Parking 3,000
Contingencies 100,000
Police Department 3,257,394
Fire Department 590,279
Dog Warden/Humane Society 3,625
Streets & Highways 1,696,131
Street Lights - 11,800
Snow Removal - 11,750
Parks & Recreation 1,760,383
Visitors Bureau 133,503
Fair Associations/Festivals 34,500
Library 6,000
Aging Program (Senior Citizens) 5,000
TOTAL ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES \$ 9,319,455 \$ 23,550

MUNICIPALITY OF HURRICANE, WEST VIRGINIA
REGULAR CURRENT EXPENSE LEVY
FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2025 - JUNE 30, 2026
Certificate of Valuation
Assessed Value Levy Taxes
for Tax Purposes Rate/\$100 Levied
Class I
Personal Property \$ - 12.50 \$ -
Public Utilities - - -
Total Class I - - -
Class II
Real Estate 257,008,020 25.00 642,520
Personal Property 145,416 364
Total Class II 257,153,436 642,884
Class IV
Real Estate 76,632,330 50.00 383,162
Personal Property 53,004,970 265,025
Public Utilities 37,126,711 185,634
Total Class IV 166,764,011 833,162
Total Value & Projected Revenue \$ 423,917,447 \$ 1,476,705
Less Delinquencies, Exonerations & Uncollectable
Taxes 5.00% 73,835
Less Tax Discounts 2.00% 28,057
Less Allowance for Tax Increment Financing (if Applicable) 71,037
Total Projected Property Tax Collection 1,303,776
Less Assessor's Valuation Fund 2.00% 26,076
(Subtracted from regular current expense tax levy only)
Net Amount to be Raised by Levy of Property Taxes \$ 1,277,700

MUNICIPALITY OF HURRICANE, WEST VIRGINIA
Street/Police Excess Levy
FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2025 - JUNE 30, 2026
Certificate of Valuation
Assessed Value Levy Taxes
for Tax Purposes Rate/\$100 Levied
Class I
Personal Property \$ - 6.25 \$ -
Public Utilities - - -
Total Class I - - -
Class II
Real Estate 257,008,020 12.50 321,260
Personal Property 145,416 182
Total Class II 257,153,436 321,442
Class IV
Real Estate 76,632,330 25.00 191,581
Personal Property 53,004,970 132,512
Public Utilities 37,126,711 92,817
Total Class IV 166,764,011 416,910
Value & Projected Revenue \$ 423,917,447 \$ 738,352
Less Delinquencies, Exonerations & Uncollectable
Taxes 5.00% 36,918
Less Tax Discounts 2.00% 14,029
Net Amount to be Raised by Levy for Budget Purposes \$ 687,405

STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA
COUNTY OF PUTNAM
MUNICIPALITY OF HURRICANE, WEST VIRGINIA
I, Linda L. Gibson, Recording Officer of said municipality, do hereby certify that the foregoing are true copies from the record of orders made and entered by the council of the said municipality on the 24th day of March, 2025.
LINDA L. GIBSON
City Recorder 4-3-21

LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT
Sheriff's Service of Process 9,500
Sheriff's Earnings 2,600
County Clerk's Earnings 125,000
Circuit Clerk's Earnings 40,000
Prosecuting Attorney's Earnings 500
Accident Reports 5,000
Motor Vehicle License Fee 4,500
Clerk Deed Fees 6,500
Rents & Concessions 19,000
Ambulance Fees 3,800,000
Franchise Agreement 225,000
IRP Fees (Interstate Registration Plan) 40,000
Fines, Fees & Court Costs 20,000
Regional Jail Operations Partial Reimbursement 60,000
Interest Earned 8,000
Miscellaneous Revenue 25,000
Sheriff's Commission 15,000
Commissions 1,200
Gaming Income 38,000
Video Lottery 170,000
Planning Commission Revenue 15,000
Refunds/Reimbursements (External Sources) 40,000
Sale of Fixed Assets 25,000
Transfers Other Funds 2,237,377
Emergency 911 Reimbursement 1,200,000
Home Confinement Reimbursements 45,000
General School Reimbursements 116,750
Magistrate Court Reimbursements 18,000
Total Estimated General Fund Revenues \$ 29,506,400
Estimated Revenues \$ 2,000
Coal Severance Tax 100,000
Total Coal Severance \$ 102,000
General Fund Coal Severance Tax Fund

ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES
GENERAL GOVERNMENT
County Commission \$ 732,786
County Clerk 977,882
Circuit Clerk 613,194
Sheriff - Treasurer 732,753
Prosecuting Attorney 1,335,017
Assessor 568,887
Statewide Computer Network 90,000
Fiduciary Supervisor 176,649
Agricultural Agent 70,560
Elections - County Clerk 410,202
Magistrate Court 1,000
Circuit Court 14,000
Civil Service 1,100
Courthouse 1,249,162
Other Buildings 1,843,134
Data Processing 228,000
Regional Development Authority 18,301
Economic Development 5,000
Industrial Development 215,000
Public Works Department 659,578
Rehabilitation of Property 50,000
Planning & Zoning 469,867
Litigation Reserve 50,000
County Clerk Operations 19,308
Contingencies - Not to Exceed 10% of Budget 400,000
TOTAL GENERAL GOVERNMENT 10,976,380
PUBLIC SAFETY
Sheriff -Law Enforcement 4,649,273
Sheriff - Service of Process 122,319
Regional Jail 1,200,000
Home Confinement 276,266
Emergency Services 384,291
Communications Center 1,904,933
Fire Department 1,525,990
Fire Coordinator 259,387
Ambulance Authority 5,108,932
Dog Warden/Humane Society 875,976
Central Garage 167,211
Courthouse Security 601,042
Community Based Corrections Program 180,000
TOTAL PUBLIC SAFETY 17,246,620
HEALTH AND SANITATION
Local Health Department 50,000
Mental Health 6,400
Water 185,000
TOTAL HEALTH AND SANITATION 241,400
CULTURE AND RECREATION
Parks & Recreation 385,000
4-H Camp 12,000
Fair Associations/Festivals 10,000
Library 320,000
TOTAL CULTURE & RECREATION 727,000
CAPITAL PROJECTS
Sheriff-Law Enforcement 250,000
Ambulance 65,000
TOTAL CAPITAL OUTLAY 315,000
Total Expenditures \$ 29,506,400 \$ 102,000

PUTNAM COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA
REGULAR CURRENT EXPENSE LEVY
FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2025 - JUNE 30, 2026
Certificate of Valuation
Assessed Value for Levy Taxes
Tax Purposes Rate/\$100 Levied
Class I
Personal Property \$ - 13.75 \$ -
Public Utility - - -
Total Class I - - -
Class II
Real Estate 2,339,131,788 27.50 6,432,612
Personal Property 18,507,592 50,896
Total Class II 2,357,639,380 6,483,508
Class III
Real Estate 498,912,280 55.00 2,744,018
Personal Property 663,532,546 3,649,429
Public Utility 634,915,671 3,492,036
Total Class III 1,797,360 9,885,483
Class IV
Real Estate 133,611,430 55.00 734,863
Personal Property 98,662,987 542,646
Public Utility 50,459,365 277,527
Total Class IV 282,733,782 1,555,036
Total Value & Projected Revenue \$ 4,437,733,659 \$ 17,924,027
Less Allowance for Uncollectibles, Exonerations and Delinquencies 7.50% 1,344,302
Less Tax Discounts 1.50% 248,696
Less Allowance for Tax Increment Financing (if Applicable) 1,070,801
Total Projected Property Tax Collection 15,260,228
Less Assessor Valuation Fund 2.00% 0
(Subtracted from regular current expense tax levy only)
Net Amount to be Raised by Levy of Property Taxes \$ 15,260,228

PUTNAM COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA
FIRE LEVY
FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2025 - JUNE 30, 2026
Certificate of Valuation
Assessed Value for Levy Taxes
Tax Purposes Rate/\$100 Levied
Class I
Personal Property \$ - 2.50 \$ -
Public Utilities - - -
Total Class I - - -
Class II
Real Estate 2,339,131,788 5.00 1,169,566
Personal Property 18,507,592 9,254
Total Class II 2,357,639,380 1,178,820
Class III
Real Estate 498,912,280 10.00 498,912
Personal Property 663,532,546 663,533
Public Utility 634,915,671 634,916
Total Class III 1,797,360 1,797,361
Class IV
Real Estate 133,611,430 10.00 133,611
Personal Property 98,662,987 98,663
Public Utility 50,459,365 50,459
Total Class IV 282,733,782 282,733
Total Value & Projected Revenue \$ 4,437,733,659 \$ 3,258,914
Less Delinquencies, Exonerations & Uncollectable Taxes 7.50% 244,419
Less Tax Discounts 1.50% 45,217
Net Amount to be Raised by Levy of Property Taxes \$ 2,969,278

STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA
COUNTY OF PUTNAM
MUNICIPALITY OF HURRICANE, WEST VIRGINIA
I, Linda L. Gibson, Recording Officer of said municipality, do hereby certify that the foregoing are true copies from the record of orders made and entered by the council of the said municipality on the 24th day of March, 2025.
LINDA L. GIBSON
City Recorder 4-3-21

LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT
Putnam County Commission Levy Estimate (Budget)
2025 - 2026 Fiscal Year
STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA
County of: Putnam, West Virginia
In accordance with Code §11-8-10, as amended, the Putnam County Commission proceeded to make an estimate of the amounts necessary to be raised by a levy of taxes for the current year, and doth determine and estimate the several amounts to be as follows:
Estimated Revenues
Property Taxes Current Year 14,955,023
Prior Year Taxes 1,308,000
Tax Penalties, Interest & Publication Fees 270,000
Property Transfer Tax 500,000
Gas and Oil Severance Tax 175,000
Wine & Liquor Tax 250,000
Payment in Lieu of Taxes 3,400
Miscellaneous Energy Tax (Coal Bed Methane) 3,000
Licenses 50
Building Permits 50,000
Federal Grants / Federal Payment in Lieu of Taxes 80,000
Total Value & Projected Revenue \$ 4,437,733,659 \$ 3,258,914
Less Delinquencies, Exonerations & Uncollectable Taxes 7.50% 244,419
Less Tax Discounts 1.50% 45,217
Net Amount to be Raised by Levy of Property Taxes \$ 2,969,278

I, BRIAN WOOD, CLERK OF THE COUNTY COMMISSION OF SAID COUNTY DO HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE FOREGOING ARE TRUE COPIES FROM THE RECORD OF ORDERS MADE AND ENTERED BY SAID COMMISSION ON THE 25TH DAY OF MARCH 2025.
BRIAN WOOD 4-3-21

LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT
LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT
TRUSTEE'S SALE OF VALUABLE REAL ESTATE
The undersigned Substitute Trustee, in virtue of the authority vested in him by that certain Deed of Trust, dated January 27, 2023, and duly recorded in the Office of the Clerk of the County Commission of Putnam County, West Virginia, in Book No. 1339, at Page 560, and modified by Corrective Affidavit recorded in Book No. 93, at Page 870, Joshua M Pauley did convey unto Pill & Pill, PLLC, Trustee(s), certain real property described in said Deed of Trust; and the beneficiary has elected to appoint Seneca Trustees, Inc., as Substitute Trustee; and default having been made under the aforementioned Deed of Trust, and the undersigned Substitute Trustee having been instructed by Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. to foreclose thereunder, will offer for sale at public auction at the front door of the Putnam County Courthouse in Winfield, West Virginia, on
May 6, 2025 at 11:30 AM

the following described real estate, together with its improvements, easements and appurtenances thereunto belonging, situate in 04 - Curry District, Putnam County, West Virginia, and more particularly described as follows:
All that certain real estate situate in Curry District, Putnam County, West Virginia, and described as follows:
Lots Nos. 9, 10, 11 of Sunset Heights Subdivision as the same are laid out and shown on the map thereof of record in the Office of the Clerk of the County Court of Putnam County, West Virginia, each of said lots fronting 65 feet on Southwest Street and running back between parallel lines a distance of 244 feet.
This conveyance is made subject to the following covenants and restrictions:

- 1. Said property shall be used for residence purposes only and not more than one residence shall be constructed on each lot, no portion of the foundation of which nor automobile garage shall be closer than thirty-five (35) feet to Southwest Street. Said residence including garage (attached or detached) to cost not less than \$ 7,500.00 and is not to be occupied until the entire exterior thereof has been completed. Neither trailers, temporary structures, nor other "Makeshift" facilities shall be occupied as a residence, and no so-called "Jenny Lind" structures shall be erected or maintained on the premises. The exterior of any cinder block structure shall not be considered fully complete until it is either painted or stuccoed, and the exterior of any frame building will not be considered fully complete until it has received at least two coats of paint. No outbuildings or accessory buildings shall be constructed on said premises closer to Southwest Street than the foundation line of the dwelling and any outhouses or accessory building constructed on the premises shall not be used until completed and shall be neat and of good workmanlike appearance.

- 2. Neither swine, cows nor goats shall be maintained on the premises or any part thereof. Chickens may be maintained on the premises provided they are kept to the rear of the residence and kept in a sanitary manner.
- 3. Residences shall be connected to a sanitary sewer system or a sanitary septic tank which is built and maintained in compliance with the West Virginia sanitation laws and regulations, and no outdoor toilets shall be permitted in any event.
- 4. A water drain line at least eight (8) inches in diameter shall be installed by the grantees in the drainage ditch of the abutting street at the intersection thereof with each driveway leading to the premises. Said drain shall extend for a sufficient length beyond the width of any driveway to prevent clogging and shall be not less than twenty feet long in any event. It shall be the duty of the owner of said premises to keep said drain line under said driveway free and open to repair and replace same when necessary. Said drain shall be installed prior to the entry on the premises of bulldozers, trucks, heavy equipment and other vehicles for construction purposes.
- 5. No sign or other advertising media shall be displayed on the premises and grantor or any owner in said subdivision may remove same in person or by agent without process of law.

This conveyance is further made subject to a present lease on said property for oil and gas between the parties of the first and Webster Myers, which oil and gas leases is dated August 14, 1951, and of record in said Clerk's office in Lease Book 45, page 201.
Saving and excepting the outconveyance of 0.4643 acres, more or less, of record in Deed Book 334, Page 662.
This conveyance is made subject to any and all covenants, restrictions, easements and reservations which may be a matter of record in the Clerk's office aforesaid and running with the land.
At the time of the execution of the Deed of Trust, this property was reported to have an address of: 111 Southwest St, Hurricane, WV 25526. The referenced real estate will be conveyed with no covenants of warranty, and subject to all covenants, restrictions, easements, rights of way and reservations which may be a matter of record in the aforesaid Clerk's Office or visible upon the ground, all prior liens and encumbrances, including, without limitation, liens for real estate taxes, incinerator, sanitary and sewer charges. The purchasers at the sale shall be responsible for paying the recording costs and also the tax on the privilege of transferring real property (the cost of the tax stamp to be affixed to the deed). The purchasers shall be responsible for payment of all real estate taxes.
The subject property will be sold

in "AS IS" condition. The Substitute Trustee shall be under no duty to cause any existing tenant or person occupying the subject property to vacate said property.
TERMS: \$9000.00 in cash and/or certified funds as deposit at the time of sale with the balance due and payable within 30 days of the day of sale.
FEDERAL TAX LIEN: In the event that there are Federal Tax Liens against the property, the United States would have the right to redeem the property within a period of 120 days from the date of such sale or the period allowable for redemption under local law, whichever is longer.
Pursuant to the Deed of Trust, the Trustee may postpone the sale by public announcement at the time and place designated or by posting a notice of the same, and act by agent in the execution of the sale. The parties secured by the Deed of Trust reserve the right to purchase the property at such sale.
SENECA TRUSTEES, INC.
5000 Coombs Farm Drive, Suite 104
Morgantown, WV 26508
(304) 413-0044
(304) 292-2918
Toll free: (888) 534-3132
Reference File No. 89954 4-3-21

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To the Creditors and Beneficiaries of the following deceased persons estates:
I have before me the estates of the deceased persons and the accounts of the fiduciaries of their respective estates as listed below:
Estate No.: 6018
Estate Of: Betty Lee Cunningham
Executrix: Virginia Cunningham
3545 Calispel Ridge Rd
Leon, WvV 25123
Estate No.: 5888
Estate Of: Phillip Edward Driggs, Jr.
Executor: Jeffrey Driggs
8490 Winfield Road
Winfield WV 25213
Estate No.: 5752
Estate Of: Lee Hamilton Hale
Executrix: Judith Ann Hale
10494 Winfield Road
Winfield, WV 25213
Estate No.: 5956
Estate Of: Deborah J Hatfield
Executor: Philip Hatfield
150 Leslie Place
Scott Depot, WV 25560
Estate No.: 5785
Estate Of: Doris Kathryn Henley
Executrix: Sherrie Hoyt
6051 101st Ave N
Pinellas Park FL 33782
Estate No.: 5977
Estate Of: Alva Allen Howard
Executrix: Judy Ball Howard
116 Southbrooke Drive
Hurricane, WV 25526
Estate No.: 5987
Estate Of: Elza Owen Johnson
Administrator: Coalan Johnson
1019 Clymers Creek Rd
Hurricane, WV 25526
Estate No.: 5986
Estate Of: Sharon L Kessel
Administratrix: Teresa Ann Creech
26 Sherwood Circle
Hurricane, WV 25526
Estate No.: 6026
Estate Of: Kimberly Lyn Maring
Adminsitator: Joey Wade Coulter
7 Royal Oak Ct.
Hurricane, WV 25526
Estate No.: 5955
Estate Of: Melba Rae Melton
Administrator: Hayley Tolley
205 Camrose Lane
Scott Depot, WV 25560
Estate No.: 6030
Estate Of: Michael A Stone, Sr.
Executor: Chad E. Stone
109 Christa Circle
So. Charleston, WV 25309
All persons having claims against the estate(s) of any of the above-named deceased persons whether due or not, are notified to exhibit their claims with vouchers thereof, legally verified, to the fiduciary of such deceased person as shown above within 60 days of April 10, 2025, or, if not, to exhibit the same at the office of the undersigned Fiduciary Supervisor at the address shown below by said date; otherwise any or all such claims may by law be excluded from all benefits of said estate(s). No claims against the estate shall be accepted by the fiduciary supervisor after said date. All beneficiaries of said estate(s) may appear either before the above-named fiduciary by the date first shown above, or thereafter before the undersigned fiduciary supervisor by the date last shown above to examine said claims and otherwise protect their respective interests.
All persons seeking to impeach or establish a will must file a complaint pursuant to W. Va. Code. Any person objecting to the representative's qualifications, venue or jurisdiction must file a complaint within 60 days of April 10, 2025.
Subscribed and sworn to before me on the 2nd day of April 2025.
Fiduciary Supervisor
Putnam County Commission
10293 Winfield Road,
Winfield, WV 25213 4-10-21

Qualified Newspapers

Only newspapers with a bonafide circulation are qualified to publish legal advertisements. A free distribution newspaper has a bonafide circulation of zero and does not meet state code requirements.

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PUBLIC NOTICE STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA Department of Environmental Protection Division of Water and Waste Management 601 57th Street SE Charleston, WV 25304 Telephone: (304) 926-0495 Fax: (304) 926-0463

Public Notice No.: BS-034-2025 Publication: Statewide/West Virginia Press Association Publication Date: April 10, 2025

The West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection's (WVDEP) Division of Water & Waste Management is proposing to reissue the West Virginia National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) General Water Pollution Control Permit WV0116025, which covers discharges to waters of the state from small municipal separate storm sewer systems (MS4s). The agency is proposing that the General Permit be issued for a five-year term.

An MS4 is a conveyance or system of conveyances that is: • Owned by a state, city, town, village or other public entity that discharges to waters of the U.S. • Designed or used to collect or convey stormwater (e.g., storm drains, pipes, ditches) • Not a combined sewer • Not part of a sewage treatment plant, or publicly owned treatment works (POTW).

This General Permit regulates storm water runoff from MS4s and is designed to prevent stormwater runoff from washing harmful pollutants into local surface waters. The draft permit and fact sheet are available on the WVDEP website at: https://dep.wv.gov/WVDEP/Programs/stormwater/MS4/Pages/default.aspx.

The public comment period for the Draft General Permit begins April 17, 2025 and ends on May 17, 2025. During the public comment period, any interested person may submit written comments on the draft permit and/or request a public hearing. Any interested person may submit written comments on the draft permit. Comments and/or a request for a public hearing shall be made in writing and can be sent via email to Billy Shirley at Billy.T.Shirley@wv.gov or by regular mail to:

Attention: Billy Shirley West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection Division of Water and Waste Management 601 57th Street SE Charleston, WV 25304

All comments received by the end of the comment period will be considered prior to the agency making its final decision on the draft General Permit. Comments and/or requests for a public hearing should include the name and contact information of the writer and a concise statement of the nature of the issues raised.

Hard copies are available for review at WVDEP headquarters in Charleston or any of the agency's regional field offices and can be mailed upon request. For more information, contact Billy Shirley at (304) 926-0499, Ext. 43893 or Billy.T.Shirley@wv.gov.

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NOTICE TO REDEEM 2022-C-000187 - Putnam County To: SHEILA LYNN HEROLD, OCCUPANT, SHEILA LYNN HEROLD, CITY OF NITRO, AMANDA HEROLD, JEREMY HEROLD, AMANDA HEROLD, JEREMY HEROLD, or heirs at law, devisees, creditors, representatives, successors, assigns, all known heirs, guardians, conservators, fiduciaries, administrators, lienholders, co-owners, other parties having an undivided interest in the delinquent property, and other parties that may have an interest in the subject property.

DISTRICT NITRO CORP MAP 1 PARCEL 0101 0000 0000

You will take notice that MAPA LLC, the purchaser of the following real estate, Cert. No. 2022-C-000187, located in NITRO CORP District, LOT 3918 39TH ST which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of HEROLD SHEILA LYNN ET AL, and was sold by the deputy commissioner of delinquent and nonentered lands of PUTNAM County at the sale for the delinquent taxes on April 19, 2023. MAPA LLC, requests that you be notified that a deed for such real estate will be made on or after June 1, 2025, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before May 31, 2025 will be as follows:

Amount equal to the taxes and charges due on the date of the certification, with interest, for tax year ticket number 2021 - 12959. \$513.27 Back tax tickets, with interest, and charges due on the date of certification for ticket number \$0.00 Subsequent of taxes paid on the property, with interest to for tax year 2022-12981. \$630.76 Additional taxes with interest. \$0.00 Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest. \$178.85 Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest. \$789.15 Additional Statutory Fees with interest. \$754.96 Total Amount Due and Payable to WV State Auditor - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check. \$2,866.99 You may redeem at any time before May 31, 2025, by paying the above total less any unearned interest.

If the above real estate is your primary residence, you may petition the Auditor to redeem the real estate in of more than three incremental payments that equal the total amount required to redeem the real estate prior to the issuance of the deed described above. Given under my hand April 1, 2025 Christal G. Perry Christal G. Perry Deputy Commissioner of Delinquent and Nonentered Lands of PUTNAM County, State of West Virginia Please return this letter and payment to the West Virginia State Auditor's Office, County Collections Division 1900 Kanawha Boulevard East, Building 1, Room W-114, Charleston, West Virginia, 25305. Questions please call 1-888-509-6568

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NOTICE TO REDEEM 2022-C-000450 - Putnam County To: LT WASHINGTON C/O BONNIE CRAIG, L T WASHINGTON C/O BONNIE CRAIG, BONNIE CRAIG, BONNIE CRAIG, or heirs at law, devisees, creditors, representatives, successors, assigns, all known heirs, guardians, conservators, fiduciaries, administrators, lienholders, co-owners, other parties having an undivided interest in the delinquent property, and other parties that may have an interest in the subject property.

DISTRICT TEAYS VALLEY MAP 9999 PARCEL 0000 1530 0000

You will take notice that MAPA LLC, the purchaser of the following real estate, Cert. No. 2022-C-000450, located in TEAYS VALLEY District, MIN 47 AC BIG HURRICANE which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of WASHINGTON L T, and was sold by the deputy commissioner of delinquent and nonentered lands of PUTNAM County at the sale for the delinquent taxes on April 19, 2023. MAPA LLC, requests that you be notified that a deed for such real estate will be made on or after June 1, 2025, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before May 31, 2025 will be as follows:

Amount equal to the taxes and charges due on the date of the certification, with interest, for tax year ticket number 2021 - 32288. \$121.73 Back tax tickets, with interest, and charges due on the date of certification for ticket number \$0.00 Subsequent of taxes paid on the property, with interest to for tax year 2022-32379. \$47.02 Additional taxes with interest. \$0.00 Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest. \$219.30 Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest. \$709.06 Additional Statutory Fees with interest. \$450.74 Total Amount Due and Payable to WV State Auditor - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check. \$1,547.85 You may redeem at any time before May 31, 2025, by paying the above total less any unearned interest.

If the above real estate is your primary residence, you may petition the Auditor to redeem the real estate in of more than three incremental payments that equal the total amount required to redeem the real estate prior to the issuance of the deed described above. Given under my hand April 1, 2025 Christal G. Perry Christal G. Perry Deputy Commissioner of Delinquent and Nonentered Lands of PUTNAM County, State of West Virginia Please return this letter and payment to the West Virginia State Auditor's Office, County Collections Division 1900 Kanawha Boulevard East, Building 1, Room W-114, Charleston, West Virginia, 25305. Questions please call 1-888-509-6568

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TRUSTEE'S SALE OF VALUABLE REAL ESTATE

The undersigned Substitute Trustee, by virtue of the authority vested in him by that certain Deed of Trust, dated May 5, 2009, and duly recorded in the Office of the Clerk of the County Commission of Putnam County, West Virginia, in Document No. 002670260012, in Book No. 901, at Page 640 and modified by Loan Modification Agreement recorded in Document No. 003453790008, in Book No. 1041, at Page 876 and modified by Loan Modification Agreement recorded in Document No. 003801980008, in Book No. 1095, at Page 303, and modified by Loan Modification Agreement recorded in Document No. 004257470008, in Book No. 1171, at Page 802 and modified by Loan Modification Agreement recorded in Document No. 004577800009, in Book No. 1208, at Page 649, Steven W Short and Shelley D Short did convey unto Lisa Moye, Trustee(s), certain real property described in said Deed of Trust; and the beneficiary has elected to appoint Seneca Trustees, Inc., as Substitute Trustee; and default having been made under the aforementioned Deed of Trust, and the undersigned Substitute Trustee having been instructed by Wilmington Savings Fund Society, FSB, as trustee of Stanwich Mortgage Loan Trust F to foreclose thereunder, will offer for sale at public auction at the front door of the Putnam County Courthouse in Winfield, West Virginia, on

May 6, 2025 at 11:30 AM

the following described real estate, together with its improvements, easements and appurtenances thereunto belonging, situate in 13 - Winfield Town District, Putnam County, West Virginia, and more particularly described as follows:

All that certain lot, tract or parcel of land, together with the improvements thereon and the appurtenances thereunto belonging, situate in Winfield Town District, Putnam County, West Virginia, being more particularly bounded and described as follows: BEING known, numbered and designated as all of Lot Number Eighteen (18) of the Riverview Subdivision, as the same is shown upon a map of said Subdivision made by C.B. Holsclaw and John A. Holsclaw, Civil Engineers, and duly of record in the Office of the Clerk of the County Commission of Putnam County, West Virginia, in Map Book 2, at pages 74 and 75. AND BEING THE SAME property conveyed unto Steven W. Short and Shelley D. Short, husband and wife, by Jerome W. Johnson by Deed dated the 5th day of May, 2009, said Deed to be recorded simultaneously herewith.

At the time of the execution of the Deed of Trust, this property was reported to have an address of: 21 Elm Street AKA 139 Elm Street, Winfield, WV 25213. The referenced real estate will be conveyed with no covenants of warranty, and subject to all covenants, restrictions, easements, rights of way and reservations which may be a matter of record in the aforesaid Clerk's Office or visible upon the ground, all prior liens and encumbrances, including, without limitation, liens for real estate taxes, incinerator, sanitary and sewer charges. The purchasers at the sale shall be responsible for paying

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the recording costs and also the tax on the privilege of transferring real property (the cost of the tax stamp to be affixed to the deed). The purchasers shall be responsible for payment of all real estate taxes.

The subject property will be sold in "AS IS" condition. The Substitute Trustee shall be under no duty to cause any existing tenant or person occupying the subject property to vacate said property.

TERMS: \$9000.00 in cash and/or certified funds as deposit at the time of sale with the balance due and payable within 30 days of the day of sale.

FEDERAL TAX LIEN: In the event that there are Federal Tax Liens against the property, the United States would have the right to redeem the property within a period of 120 days from the date of such sale or the period allowable for redemption under local law, whichever is longer.

Pursuant to the Deed of Trust, the Trustee may postpone the sale by public announcement at the time and place designated or by posting a notice of the same, and act by agent in the execution of the sale. The parties secured by the Deed of Trust reserve the right to purchase the property at such sale.

SENECA TRUSTEES, INC. 5000 Coombs Farm Drive, Suite 104 Morgantown, WV 26508 (304) 413-0044 (304) 292-2918 Toll free: (888) 534-3132 Reference File No. 36636

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NOTICE TO REDEEM

2022-C-000388 - Putnam County To: LEWIS MOBLEY, ELIZABETH MOBLEY SIMS, PHYLLIS JEAN MOBLEY, PHYLLIS JEAN MOBLEY, LEWIS MOBLEY, ESTATE OF NORMA JEAN MOBLEY, ESTATE OF NORMA JEAN MOBLEY, THOMAS ROGER MOBLEY, WILLIAM FRED MOBLEY, or heirs at law, devisees, creditors, representatives, successors, assigns, all known heirs, guardians, conservators, fiduciaries, administrators, lienholders, co-owners, other parties having an undivided interest in the delinquent property, and other parties that may have an interest in the subject property.

DISTRICT SCOTT MAP 9999 PARCEL 0000 2220 0000

You will take notice that MAPA LLC, the purchaser of the following real estate, Cert. No. 2022-C-000388, located in SCOTT District, LOT 5/16 MIN 55.75 AC MORRIS FORK which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of MOBLEY LEWIS ET AL, and was sold by the deputy commissioner of delinquent and nonentered lands of PUTNAM County at the sale for the delinquent taxes on April 19, 2023. MAPA LLC, requests that you be notified that a deed for such real estate will be made on or after June 1, 2025, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before May 31, 2025 will be as follows:

Amount equal to the taxes and charges due on the date of the certification, with interest, for tax year ticket number 2021 -

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24215. \$102.63 Back tax tickets, with interest, and charges due on the date of certification for ticket number \$0.00 Subsequent of taxes paid on the property, with interest to for tax year 2022-24250. \$29.61 Additional taxes with interest. \$0.00 Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest. \$219.30 Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest. \$802.34 Additional Statutory Fees with interest. \$829.14 Total Amount Due and Payable to WV State Auditor - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check. \$1,983.02 You may redeem at any time before May 31, 2025, by paying the above total less any unearned interest.

If the above real estate is your primary residence, you may petition the Auditor to redeem the real estate in of more than three incremental payments that equal the total amount required to redeem the real estate prior to the issuance of the deed described above.

Given under my hand April 1, 2025 Christal G. Perry Christal G. Perry Deputy Commissioner of Delinquent and Nonentered Lands of PUTNAM County, State of West Virginia

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IN THE FAMILY COURT OF PUTNAM COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA

To: Magistrate Court Case Daniel Logue No.: 24-M40D-00193 Dedrickson Respondent's Name Family 330 Linden Lane Court Civil: Culloden WV 25510 Civil Action Respondent's Address Civil Action No.: 24-DV-147

01-31-1986 Date of Birth

ORDER OF PUBLICATION (PROTECTIVE ORDER / HEARING DATE)

1. The object of this suit is to obtain protection from the Respondent. 2. The object of this publication by Class I legal advertisement is to notify Respondent of the PROTECTIVE ORDER prohibiting the above-named Respondent from having contact with certain individuals. This order may affect property and other rights of the Respondent. Violating this Order may subject the Respondent to criminal sanctions. The Respondent is strongly encouraged to obtain a copy of this Protective Order and Petition from the Circuit Clerk of the county listed above.

TO THE ABOVE-NAMED RESPONDENT:

It appearing by evidence duly taken in this action that you could not be found in or that you have left the State of West Virginia, you are hereby notified of the ORDER referenced above, a copy of the Petition and Order may be obtained at the Putnam County Circuit Clerk's office. This PROTECTIVE ORDER will remain in effect until 5-25-2025.

The Respondent may appeal this Protective Order pursuant to W. Va. Code § 48-27-510, within 10 days of the date of the order was entered.

Issued this 7th day of April, 2025. STEPHANIE SMITH/jo Circuit Clerk

Marshall University Community Cares Week

Marshall University is preparing to welcome hundreds of volunteers to its campuses for its annual Community Cares Week: Giving Back to the Herd.

All members of the #MarshallUniversity family, including alumni, community members, students, faculty and staff, are invited to volunteer their time and effort to help make Marshall shine. The sweat equity event is slated for May 20-23.

In 2024, the volunteer work surpassed the event's previous year by more than 50% with a total of 1,088 people who pre-registered or walked up to volunteer, working 3,415.5 service hours. Of those, 785 volunteered on Marshall's campuses, while 303 volunteered in their hometowns through their Marshall alumni affiliations. Approximately 100 staff members working as many as all eight shifts led projects and a dozen staff or cabinet members served lunches and drew raffle prizes each day.

Members of the public are invited and welcome to volunteer. Those who serve will receive a T-shirt, enjoy a free lunch on the day they serve and be entered to win door prizes.

For more information or to fill out a volunteer form, visit www.marshall.edu/cares.

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