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## Putnam County to Cops N Rodders Cruise-In Be Bitten by DOGE Season Off To Early Start

By Ron Allen

The West Virginia Humanities Council sponsors events, provides programs and supports projects that preserve the state's history and cultural heritage. The Council is dependent upon funding from the National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) to carry out this mission. The Department of Government Efficiency (DOGE) recently announced that all NEH funding will be terminated. Putnam County has benefited from past funding.

County libraries have used History Alive performers in its past programs and have hosted travel displays funded by the Council in recent years. Without NEH funding, the Council's activities will be greatly curtailed. History Alive! and traveling displays are programs which will be closed down.

The Board of Directors of the West Virginia Humanities Council issued the following:

### STATEMENT FROM THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The Board of Directors of the West Virginia Humanities Council [the Council], a nonpartisan nonprofit organization, was recently notified by the federal Department of Government Efficiency (DOGE), that support to our Council from the National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) was being terminated.

This abrupt termination of long-established and congressionally appropriated NEH funding support for the Council, which serves as the NEH's official affiliate in and for the Mountain State, if sustained, will cause the closure of all Council activities within West Virginia.

The financial support received from NEH

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David Smith of Hurricane brought his Candy Burgundy 1937 Chevy Business Coupe to the car show. He says that he likes the style of the cars from this era, because they remind him of his childhood. While Smith was born much later, there were still a few of these cars on the road, often driven by old timers who had purchased them in previous years.

By Betsy Allen

The first Cops N Rodders cruise-in of the season was held last

Saturday, April 19, on the parking lot of the Putnam County Bank Loan Center in Hurricane. Featuring over 80 vehicles of different makes and models from a variety of decades, the event provided an opportunity for owners of classic cars to show off their vehicles, visit old friends, and

make new acquaintances. In the past, the Cops N Rodders cruise-in season began in May, but because the weather was so good this year, the first show was moved up a month.

Awards were presented to the Best GM, Best Ford, Best MOPAR, Best Truck, best Street Rod,

Best Specialty Vehicle, and Best of Show.

Concessions were provided by the Calvary Baptist Academy middle school baseball team. There are plans for a different sports team

from the school to man the concession stand at each cruise-in

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## 2025 Hurricane Independence Day Pageant Winners Announced



The Queen and her court

(Photo courtesy of Charles W. Rollins)

The 2025 Hurricane Independence Celebration Day Pageants brought more than 40 participants to the Valley Park Conference Center on Saturday, April 12. The pageants produced twelve winners with Baby Miss, Tiny Miss, Toddler Miss,

Mini Miss, Petite Miss, Little Miss, Junior Miss, Pre-Teen, Teen, Ms., Mrs., and Queen contestants receiving crowns.

Delaney Roberts of Gallipolis Ferry is the 2025 Hurricane Independence Day Celebration Queen. She will represent her title

in Charleston in January at the 2026 West Virginia Association of Fairs and Festival along with over 85 other young women from around the state as they compete for the title of WVAFF to represent the 2026 State Fair of West

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## Kelly's Quilts to Hold Grand Opening



Erin Petry, Larry Hodges, and Kelly Hodges pose for a photo among the fabric displays.

By Betsy Allen

A remodeled horse barn does not seem a likely place for a quilt shop, but when Kelly Hodges was faced with

an empty barn, inspiration struck. The barn had been used to house her daughter's horses on the family's property, which is located on Foster Road in Hurricane. When her daughter graduated from high school and moved away, Kelly was left with a large, relatively new structure which had outlived its usefulness.

Having worked in construction for twenty years, Kelly traveled a lot and seldom enjoyed just being at home. When the time came to retire, she said to her husband, Larry, "Wouldn't it be great to work from home?"

An avid quilter, Kelly decided to convert the horse barn into a quilt shop which could also be used for various craft classes. She and Larry began remodeling the barn in March of 2024, first pouring a concrete floor and then working on the project in phases. They expanded the barn, incorporating the two lean-tos on either side into the main structure.

The grand opening of Kelly's Quilts will be held on Saturday, April 26, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. The event will feature a quilt turning – a tradition in which several quilts are laid on top of

each other and displayed upon a bed. As each quilt is turned back, its history and technique will be discussed. Sounds of Bluegrass, a local musical group, will be performing from 1 to 3 p.m. The grand opening will also feature door prizes and giveaways, as well as barbeque and hot dogs.

Kelly says that one of her goals is to create another community for quilters – not just a place to buy fabric, but a place for friends to meet and share their knowledge of quilting with each other.

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## 'Last Supper' Relived in Forrest Burdette UMC Production



By Betsy Allen

The Forrest Burdette Memorial United Methodist Church reenacted Leonardo di Vinci's famous painting of the Last Supper for Maundy

Thursday on April 17. The scene depicted the last meal which Jesus shared with His twelve disciples. After being given the shocking revelation that one of their number would betray Jesus, each disciple wondered if

he would prove to be the traitor among them.

Jesus and the Twelve Disciples were portrayed by Ellis Conley, Jake Herndon, Joe Kenaston, Jason Haught, J. D. Philyaw, David Haney, Matt

Williamson, Caleb Turner, Matt Cox, Wes Vassar, Luke Spurgeon, John Martin, and J. B. Marinacci. The production was directed by Brenda McBrayer, with Julie Conley serving as assistant director.

### WEATHER SUMMARY

April 15 - 21

Low High

April 15 Hurricane 41° 57°

April 16 Hurricane 31° 60°

April 17 Hurricane 26° 67°

April 18 Hurricane 43° 81°

April 19 Hurricane 55° 83°

April 20 Hurricane 55° 81°

April 21\* Hurricane 54° 78°

\*RAIN

0.1 inch recorded April 21

## 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.

### NOW - APRIL 26

- The Nitro Antique Car Club Spring Swap Meet will be held from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Wednesday through Friday, and 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday at the Winfield Riding Club.

### APRIL 24

- The Putnam County Fair Board will be meeting at 7 p.m. at the upstairs meeting room of the Eleanor Municipal Building (entrance is in the back up the ramp).

- The next Business After Hours sponsored by The Putnam County Chamber of Commerce will be hosted by Backpack Buddy at Teays Valley Church of the Nazarene from 5 to 7 p.m. RSVP by calling 304-757-6510.

### APRIL 25

- Heartbeat of the Valley, 28 Mission Way, Scott Depot, will be hosting Heartbeat's Hangout Cafe and Play for moms with kids up to 4 years old from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Register by calling 681-235-2097.

- The Rowseys will be performing at 7 p.m. at Valley View Free Will Baptist Church, 2499 Virginia Avenue, Hurricane.

### APRIL 25 - 26

- There will be a yard sale from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Friday and 8 a.m. to noon on Saturday at Putnam Aging, 2558 Winfield Road, St. Albans. Proceeds benefit Senior Olympics participant fees.

### APRIL 26 - 27

- The Spring Pumpkin Festival will be held from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. both days. Crafts, vintage items, petting zoo, and pony rides. Tickets are \$5; children 10 and under get in free.

### APRIL 26

- Pick of the Litter Animal Rescue will be having a Clear the Rescue Adoption Event from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Rural King in Cross Lanes.

- There will be a plant

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swap at 1 p.m. at Bake My Day, 14 Bank Street, Nitro.

- There will be a seed and plant swap from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Poca Library.

- There will be an ATV/Jeep/4Wheeler benefit ride for vintage Buffalo Fire Truck restoration. The ride will start at the Buffalo Boat ramp parking area at 8 a.m. The cost is \$10 per rider.

- Kelly's Quilts, 450 Foster Road, Hurricane, will be holding their grand opening celebration from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

### APRIL 27

- There will be a workshop on Wild Foraging 101 from 2 to 4 p.m. at Shelter 5 at Ridenour Park in Nitro. Search the woods for wild forages, edibles, and medicinals.

- The Upper Vandalia Historical Society will meet at 2 p.m. at the Bancroft Mission, located on Route 62. Parking is behind the church.

### APRIL 28

- Raechel from WVU's Putnam County Extension Office will be at the Eleanor Library at 4 p.m. to place eggs into an incubator. Every Monday after this, she will explain what is happening inside the shells until the eggs hatch, likely around May 19.

- There will be a ribbon cutting ceremony at noon for Putnam Chiropractic Center, 3520 Teays Valley Road, Hurricane.

### APRIL 30

- Facing Hunger Foodbank will be holding a mobile food pantry at Buffalo United Methodist Church, 27 High Street, Buffalo, from 11 a.m. to noon.

- Sergio's Cucina Italiana and Steaks, 2801 Main Street, Hurricane, will be holding a Reality TV trivia night starting at 7 p.m. Test your knowledge of The Real World, Real Housewives, and other American reality TV shows.

### MAY 1 - 3

- The Town of Eleanor will be holding their spring yard sales from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

### MAY 1

- There will be a community baby safety event for new and expectant mothers from 4 to 6 p.m. at Heartbeat of the Valley, 28 Mission Way, Scott Depot.

- There will be a trivia night from 5:30 to 8 p.m. at Area 34, 971 WV Route 34, Teays Valley. The cost to play is \$10; RSVP by calling 304-757-6510.

### MAY 2 - 3

- The Winfield Baptist Church Annual Yard Sale will be held from 5 to 9 p.m. on Friday and 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday at the church, located at 12902 Winfield Road.

### MAY 2

- There will be a pool tournament from 10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the Buffalo Senior Center.

- The Nitro Antique Car Club will be holding a cruise-in starting at 5 p.m. on Second Street.

- Bancroft Mission will be holding an evening of praise and thanksgiving at 7 p.m. at the Bancroft Park.

- Putnam County Support Center will be holding a resource fair from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at 10822 Winfield Road, Winfield.

- Business Before Business will be held at Gresham Plumbing, 1195 US Route 60, Hurricane. RSVP by calling the Putnam County Chamber of Commerce at 304-757-6510.

## Become A Lifesaving Volunteer By Giving Blood With the Red Cross

During National Volunteer Month in April, the American Red Cross asks donors to help keep the blood supply stable by making an appointment to give blood now. Type O blood and platelets are especially needed to ensure hospitals are fully stocked with lifesaving blood products this spring.

The Red Cross depends on thousands of volunteer donors to collect more than 12,000 blood donations every single day. Blood drives and donation centers also depend on the generosity and valuable time of those who make it possible for the Red Cross to help people in need.

As spring travel and activities fill calendars, volunteer blood donations remain essential to critical medical care. Book a time to give blood now by visiting RedCrossBlood.org, calling 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or enable the Blood Donor Skill on any Alexa Echo device to make an appointment or for more information. All blood types are needed to ensure a reliable supply for patients. A blood donor card or driver's license or two other forms of identification are required at check-in. Individuals who are 17 years of age in most states (16 with parental consent where allowed by state law), weigh at least 110 pounds and are in general good health may be eligible to donate blood. High school students and other donors 18 years of age and younger also must meet certain height and weight requirements.

All who come to give

### SATURDAYS STARTING MAY 3

- The Putnam County Farmer's Market is open for the season from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the field beside Exxon, across from the Putnam County Library in Teays Valley.

- The County Roads Farmers' Market will be held from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Valley Park in Hurricane.

### MAY 3

- The 2nd Annual Harmony House Renaissance Faire will be held at Harris Riverfront Park in Huntington. Enjoy a day browsing oddities from more than 40 local artisans as you listen to music and watch dozens of performances of horseback archery, combat, belly-dancing, and more! Tickets are \$25 adult, \$10 child.

- The Nitro Church of the Nazarene, 1400 Sattes Circle, will be holding their spring bazaar from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

- Fish On Bassmasters - WV will be holding an open tournament starting at the Nitro Boat Ramp from 7 a.m. to 3 p.m.

- Poca River Hunting, Fishing, and Recreation Club, 789 Dupont Road, Poca, will be holding a family fun day from 4 to 7 p.m. Fishing tournament, Mother's Day crafts, games, and more.

- The 5th Annual Putnam Career and Technical Center SkillsUSA Car Show will be held from noon to 3 p.m. at the school in Eleanor. Registration is from 10 a.m. to noon.

- Witcher Creek Vintage will be having a spring fundraiser sale from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at The Pulse Church, 5368 WV Route 34, Winfield.

- There will be a rummage sale from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

- There will be a flea market parking lot sale from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Valley Vintage, 404B Midland Trail, Hurricane.

- The Main Street Spring Festival will be held in Hurricane from 1 to 5 p.m.

- There will be a barn quilt painting class from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. at Kelly's Quilts, 450 Foster Road, Hurricane. For more information and to register, call 304-741-5321.

- The Knights of Columbus Hurricane Meal Packing event will be held from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Forrest Burdette Memorial United Methodist Church.

April 14-30, 2025, will get an exclusive Red Cross T-shirt, while supplies last, plus be automatically entered for a chance to win a \$5,000 prize. There will be three winners. See RedCrossBlood.org/Hope.

In May, all who come to give May 1-18, 2025, will get a \$20 e-gift card to a merchant of choice. Plus, throughout May, those who come to give will be automatically entered to win a U.S. trip of choice for two. For details, visit RedCrossBlood.org/May.

### How to donate blood

Simply download the American Red Cross Blood Donor App, visit RedCrossBlood.org, call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or enable the Blood Donor Skill on any Alexa Echo device to make an appointment or for more information. All blood types are needed to ensure a reliable supply for patients. A blood donor card or driver's license or two other forms of identification are required at check-in. Individuals who are 17 years of age in most states (16 with parental consent where allowed by state law), weigh at least 110 pounds and are in general good health may be eligible to donate blood. High school students and other donors 18 years of age and younger also must meet certain height and weight requirements.

Blood donors can save time at their next donation by using RapidPass® to complete their pre-donation reading and health history questionnaire online, on the day of their donation, before arriving at the blood drive. To get started, follow the instructions at RedCrossBlood.org/RapidPass or use the Blood Donor App.

### Amplify your impact – volunteer!

Another way to support the lifesaving mission of the Red Cross is to become a volunteer blood donor ambassador at Red Cross blood drives. Blood donor ambassadors help greet, check in and thank blood donors to ensure they have a positive donation experience. For more information and to apply for any position, visit redcross.org/carvolunteer.

### About the American Red Cross:

The American Red Cross shelters, feeds and provides comfort to victims of disasters; supplies about 40% of the nation's blood; teaches skills that save lives; distributes international humanitarian aid; and supports veterans, military members and their families. The Red Cross is a nonprofit organization that depends on volunteers and the generosity of the American public to deliver its mission. For more information, please visit redcross.org, or follow the Red Cross on social media.

## Monthly Tire Collection Event

The Putnam County Solid Waste Authority holds a tire collection event the first Saturday of every month from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the City of Winfield public works lot located beside Payne's Produce.

Limit 10 tires per Putnam resident. Personal passenger tires only.

For more information, call 681-235-3276.

## The Way We Were, The Way We Are

By Brenda Burke

The business of life... my families are so busy... we are still trying to plan my trip to Indiana/WV/Ohio... I was supposed to go in March... then April... things got in the way. We are hoping for June at this point.

Condo living is not for the faint of heart. My son bought this condo when I moved here, and we worked out a way of life that I am happy about. I do not want anyone taking care of me... I do live close to them... when I get my mail, I can see their home because it is higher in the sky than the condos. LOL

Last year, we had workers almost 24/7 painting and working on the exterior of the buildings. Key West colors are so pretty... mine is yellow... that took almost a year... they are not finished as now the repairs are going on and then more painting... then hurricane Debbie came. I spent much time in the airport during that storm going to and from Indiana... don't ask... I know the Indiana airport well, but the long hours.

Well, we don't need to talk about Hurricane Helene and Milton. For those two, I had to leave the building, and for the latter, my son and the boys and his wife emptied my condo. Yes... I moved out... everything went to an upper floor at their home... days of moving out and back in. For awhile, we had peace here, and I was able to stay put.

So far this year, we have had a termite tenting... out again... moving some things... cleaning every inch of everything... just as I was settled, the cable company evidently hit a water line... now, we are without water for hours at a time, while the old plumbing is repaired in various units, but this was unexpected. Fortunately, we keep big bottles of water for emergencies... my son wanted me to come to the house, but since it was just 24 hours, I stayed put... okay... I thought, "This is it... we are back."

The next day, I stepped off the patio, and there

in the yard... several deep ditches... the cable company is doing some upgrades... when I was walking for my 8th walk that evening, some of the neighbors asked me if we would ever be settled. Now, the contractors are repairing parts of the exterior buildings and then painters come and finish. The faint of heart? I think not... these are just a few of the little aggravations that happen when one is not in charge of one's living quarters.

HOA has the final say... we go along with it... that all being said, this is a safe, nice location... I walk without my phone, even in the dark... residents are always on their porches/patios, and there are always walkers and dogs. I like this complex. Last night, for the first time this year, I crossed the driveway to sit and read by one of the pools. I don't swim, so I avoid the pools. It was nice and quiet.

Would I choose to live in a condo? No... if I had my house at Green Acres in WV, I would be happy... am I fine here? You bet... I can get to my grocery, pharmacy, Dollar General (if it ever opens again after Milton), Dollar Tree... all within a mile or so... best location ever. Best weather ever.

When I leave the complex... behold... there is the Gulf (of Mexico)... my life is pretty easy... I go with the flow, and when my family and I get it together, I will get a flight on Allegiant... and I will go to Indy to family there... to "Almost Heaven" to friends, and I hope to stop in Ohio... see friends... we will see... my daughter wants me to come for several weeks, but i am such a homebody now... so... for those of my readers thinking of selling their homes... do NOT... as long as you can... stay in your own resident... the time will come for Assistant Living and/or Nursing Homes. Who would have thought that as we get close to 80, we still live alone? We are strong because the way we were is the way we are... WV STRONG...

## Regular Events At Putnam Libraries

### Storytime for Children

Mondays at 10 a.m.: Putnam County Main Library in Teays Valley

Tuesdays at 10 a.m.: Eleanor and Poca Branch Libraries

Wednesdays at 10 a.m.: Putnam County Main Library

Thursdays at 10 a.m.: Buffalo and Hurricane Branch Libraries

Thursdays at 6 p.m.: Putnam County Main Library Inclusive Story Time: Second Saturday of the month at 10 a.m. at the Putnam County Main Library

### Book Clubs

Buffalo Library Book Club - First Thursday at 5 p.m. Hurricane Library Book Club - First Thursday at 5:30 p.m.

Freedom to Read Book Club - Third Tuesdays, Main Library, 5:30 p.m.

### Other Clubs

Yarn Spinners - First and third Mondays, Main Library, 5 p.m.

Twisted Stitches - First and fourth Mondays, Buffalo Library, 10 a.m.

Writer's Group - First and third Tuesdays, Main Library, 5 p.m.

LEGO Club: Free Build - Second Tuesday, Hurricane Library, 3 p.m.

Chess Club - Second Wednesday, Main Library, 3 p.m.

### Reoccurring Events

Morning Movie for Children: Saturdays at 10 a.m. at the Putnam County Main Library

### For More Information

To keep up to date with library events, go to https://www.facebook.com/putnamlibrarywv or https://putnamlibrarywv.org

# Hurricane Independence Day Pageant Winners

# Putnam to Be Bitten by DOGE



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represents 50% of the Council's annual budget. That funding is matched dollar-for-dollar by donations from West Virginians which together provide the funds that enable the Council to host events, provide programs, and support projects that preserve our state's history and cultural heritage, and promote public discussions about issues that matter to West Virginians.

These funds enable the Council to create sustainable partnerships between the public and private sectors which contribute well over a million dollars every year to our state's cultural economy, in the form of the grants and programs we provide to West Virginia cultural organizations, historical societies, schools, community centers, municipalities, and other entities.

As the Council's Board of Directors, we come from all areas of West Virginia, from communities of every size. We have seen firsthand, in our hometowns and in every county, the profound impact of the Council's work.

Rescinding of congressionally appropriated funding for the NEH means that our

capacity to serve West Virginians will disappear, as will our significant contribution to our state's rapidly growing cultural economy.

The impact will be felt everywhere, nowhere more directly than in the rural areas of our state. Our work is accomplished through the work that West Virginians do themselves. These dollars are locally directed; the projects they support are locally designed and locally delivered. Our work is a model of federal funding done responsibly and cost-effectively, by returning tax dollars to the people of West Virginia in support of programs they themselves support, create, and execute in their home communities.

West Virginians have historically demonstrated a culture of working past our differences to achieve ends that benefit us all. We call on our congressional representatives to defend and ensure the delivery of NEH funding appropriated in support of the West Virginia Humanities Council—funding that has, for 50 years, worked to serve all West Virginians.

Signed by Board President George 'Gib' Brown on April 11, 2025 on behalf and at the request of the West Virginia Humanities Council Board of Directors

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Hurricane at various events throughout the entirety of 2025. The 4th of July will be a big day for all with Hurricane's

annual parade to be followed by festivities at City Park.

The winners were: Baby Miss - Penelope Mullins of Clendenin; Tiny Miss - Clara Wise of Sissonville; Toddler Miss - Riley Jo Hunter of Wayne; Mini Miss - Caroline Wise of Sissonville; Petite Miss - Eliza Hill of Charleston;

Little Miss - Harper Tucker of Barboursville; Junior Miss - Rowan Ashley of Elizabeth; Pre-Teen - Paisley Mitchell of Buffalo; Teen - Kailyn Williams of Camden-on-Gauley; Ms. - Emilee Butcher of Lizemore; Mrs. - Cathy Garvin of Diana; and Queen - Delaney Roberts of Gallipolis Ferry.



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.

Alexander Welch Reynolds was born in Lewisburg. He served in both the U.S. and Confederate armies. After the war, Reynolds accepted a commission as a colonel in the forces of the khedive of Egypt, which ruled Egypt under the Ottoman Empire.

April 26, 1900: Baseball great Lewis Robert "Hack" Wilson, whose 1930 single season runs-batted-in record stands today, was born in Pennsylvania. He started his pro career with the Martinsburg Blue Sox. He returned to Martinsburg after his retirement and is buried at Rosedale Cemetery.

April 26, 1937: The first West Virginia highway historical marker was installed in Charleston, detailing the many travels of our state capital.

April 27, 1758: Fort Upper Tract in present-day Pendleton County was destroyed by an Indian attack during the French and Indian War. The next day, Delaware and Shawnee warriors destroyed Fort Seybert in the same county.



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Every Saturday, beginning May 3rd and ending October 25th, 9am-1pm, at Valley Park in Hurricane, WV

Seasonal produce, meat, eggs, plants, jams, baked goods, dried products, handcrafted items, and more!

Follow us on Facebook for information about week-to-week vendors and upcoming events!

# Fillers Page

Edited by Betsy Allen



## Smart Phones Can Be Dangerous

From Jeff Burkhardt's "Rhyme and Reason"

Submitted by Myra Simmons

Rectangular devices that  
Compel you to reach out  
And grasp them knowing they've  
Become what life is all about

Learn about a recipe  
That if you like you'll print it  
Or ponder Einstein's principle  
In fractions of a minute

A little bit of knowledge  
Can be dangerous; I know  
But all the things man's ever learned  
Await our minds to blow

People tweeting thoughts they have  
Before they stop to think  
That they have only hurt themselves  
They're only bleeding ink

Enough with these emojis  
Give me words, they make me tick  
Put a pen to paper  
Tell some one you love them: Quick!!

Learning's what it's all about  
So, here's the rule of thumb  
Smartphones are a marvel  
Just don't let them make you dumb

## 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.

You can also email submissions to breezenews@citynet.net

## Easy, Creamy Spring Goodness

(Family Features) For a soup that smells as divine as it tastes, warm up your home with the fresh scents and flavors of Creamy Asparagus Soup. Pair with chicken salad croissants for a simple weeknight meal without the hassle then visit Culinary.net to discover more spring soup solutions.

### Creamy Asparagus Soup



Recipe courtesy of "Cookin' Savvy"  
Servings: 4-6

- 2 asparagus bundles
- 3 tablespoons butter
- 1 tablespoon onion powder
- 1 tablespoon garlic powder
- 3 cups broth of choice, divided
- 4 ounces cream cheese
- 1 cup Parmesan cheese
- 2 teaspoons celery salt
- 2 teaspoons Italian seasoning
- 1/2 cup heavy cream
- salt, to taste
- pepper, to taste
- chicken salad croissants, for serving

Chop asparagus into bite-size pieces. In large pot, place asparagus, butter, onion powder, garlic powder and 1 cup broth. Cook over medium heat until asparagus gets tender.

Transfer to blender with 1 cup broth and blend until smooth. Transfer back to pot and, over medium heat, mix in cream cheese, remaining broth and Parmesan cheese. Add celery salt and Italian seasoning. Cook while stirring, blending seasonings in well, then add heavy cream.

Season with salt and pepper, to taste. Serve with chicken salad croissants.



## Fillers from Linda

Submitted by Linda~Lavender Armstead  
Washington Hill Road, Hurricane

There are two things we get every day when we wake up: a chance and a choice.

Truth does not mind being questioned. A lie does not like being challenged.

The happier you are privately, the less you need to show it off publicly.

He who blames others has a long way to go on his journey. He who blames himself is halfway there. He who blames no one has arrived.

People who love you want you to be happy. There are no exceptions.

Apply forgiveness to keep wrinkles away.

Glue sticks are not Chapstick, but they are quieter.

As long as you're trying to do better, better is going to come.

Don't buy your wants and then beg for your needs.

I thought a thought but the thought I thought wasn't the thought I thought I thought. If the thought I thought I thought had been the thought I thought, I wouldn't have thought so much.

Distance is the only answer to disrespect.

Fear is a reaction. Courage is a decision.

Bathe thoroughly in the word of God.

God gave us two options: repent or perish..

Overthinkers notice everything.

Sometimes I think we are hugged by people in our sleep who aren't there. Their souls stop by and leave us some strength.

We all have issues because we all have a story. And no matter how much work we've done on ourselves, we all snap back sometimes.

Don't watch the clock; do what it does. Keep moving.

The harder you work for something, the greater you'll feel when you achieve it.

Your limitation is only your imagination.

Push yourself, because no one else is going to do it for you.

Great things never come from comfort zones.

Dream it. Wish it. Do it.

Success doesn't just find you. You have to go out and get it.

The only limit to our realization of tomorrow is our doubts of today.

In the garden of prayer, we cultivate our relationship with God.

Stay positive, work hard. Make it happen.



The way to get started is to quit talking and begin doing.

The secret of getting ahead is getting started.

It's not whether you get knocked down; it's whether you get up.

Difficulties in life are intended to make us better, not bitter.

Don't stop when you're tired. Stop when you're done.

The older you get the more you become like a computer. You start out with plenty of memory and drive, but then you become outdated and you have to have all your parts replaced.

Some people just make you feel better when you are around them. They are sunshine for your soul and medicine for your mind.

Whatever our individual troubles and challenges may be, it's important to pause every now and then to appreciate all that we have, on every level.

A man asked a gardener why his plants grew so beautifully. The gardener said, "I don't force them to grow. I remove what stops them."

You often feel tired, not because you've done too much, but because you've done too little of what sparks a light in you.

The greatest wealth is being healthy, having peace in your mind, and being surrounded by caring people.

Doggies are not disposable. Doggies are family.

Leave a box of goodies in your mailbox for your mail carrier.

Allow yourself to lavish appreciation on the people and things you value today.

Grief is not a mental illness, but it sure feels like one sometimes.

You can never be overdressed or overeducated. - Oscar Wilde

In the garden of prayer, we cultivate our relationship with God.

Do something worth remembering. - Elvis Presley

God's love has no limit, His grace has no measure.

What defines us is how well we rise after we fall.

People who play roles will eventually forget their lines.

God will make a way when there seems to be no way.

Take time to be kind and say "thank you."

How you influence others is your choice.

Gratitude turns what we have into enough.

If it's the thought that counts, nail it.

In prayer, it is better to have a heart without words than words without a heart.

Happiness is when what you think, what you say, and what you do are in harmony.

Look at this weather being all springy and cute like it didn't just try to kill us last week.

All things appear and disappear because of the concurrence of causes and conditions.

Whenever you find that you are on the side of the majority, it is time to reform. - Mark Twain

Being deeply loved by someone gives you strength, while loving someone deeply gives you courage.

Yesterday is gone. Tomorrow has not yet come. We have only today. Let us begin. - Mother Teresa

The best things are still the old ones - jeans, books, friends, songs, movies, cars, and memories.

Faith is the strength by which a shattered world shall emerge into the light. - Helen Keller

Nowadays, people don't defend what is right, they defend who they like and benefit from.

I thought about cleaning the house today. It's the thought that counts, right?

The average person spends 6 months of their lifetime waiting on a red light to turn green.

The future belongs to those who believe in the beauty of their dreams. - Eleanor Roosevelt

Trust is that rare and priceless treasure that wins us the affection of our Heavenly Father.

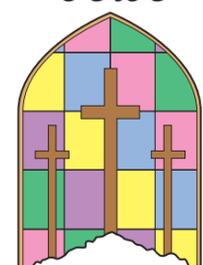
Faith is the strength by which a shattered world shall emerge into the light. - Helen Keller

Understanding is deeper than knowledge. There are many people who know you but few who understand you.

I have renamed my weekdays: Thisday, Thatday, Otherday, Someday, Yesterday, Today, and Nextday.

When you get a puppy, your job is to love them until their dying day.

## Bible Verse



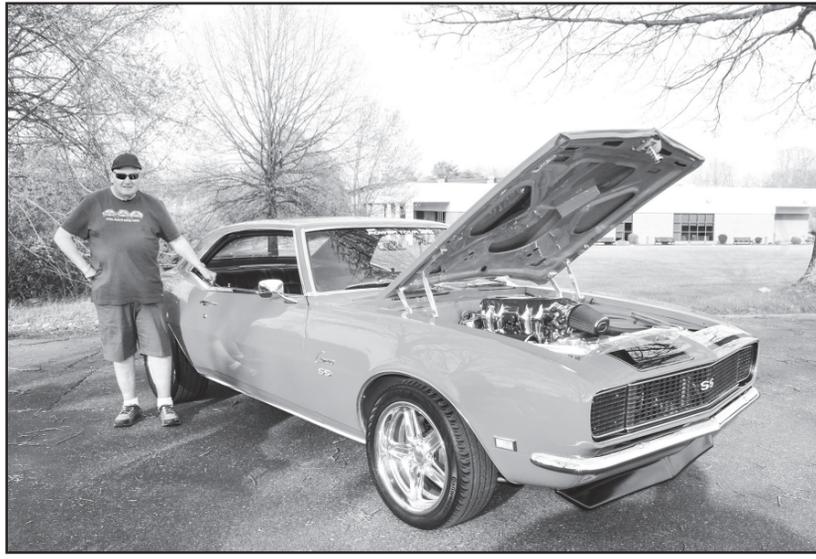
Cast all your anxiety on him because he cares for you.

— 1 Peter 5:7

# Cops N Rodders Cruise-In Season Off to Early Start



Mike and Donna Mannion of Nitro pose beside their Perfect Blue 2015 Holden SS, which was imported from Australia. A limited-edition vehicle, it is one of only 65 models which were ever made.



Paul Barnette of Teays Valley brought his 1968 Camaro SS to the cruise-in. His son was born in 1968, and he purchased the vehicle because it was made in the same year. The Camaro is viper red with black stripes.



Kevin Dudding of Tornado poses beside his 1951 Chevy Deluxe. The vehicle is Huggler Orange, and features flame decals on the hood.



Jeremy Vaughn of Culloden brought his 1972 Chevy Camaro, which is Huggler Orange with black accents. He says he always wanted a classic car, and the Camaro was a surprise 40th birthday present which was given to him by his wife Mary. He redid the seats with orange and black stripes to match the exterior.

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throughout the season.  
Cops - N - Rodders

Classic Car Club cruise-ins are held from 5 p.m. to dusk on the third Saturday of each month. Future events will be held on May 17, June 21, July 19, August 16, September 20, and October 18.

## Kelly's Quilts to Hold Grand Opening



Kelly's Quilts offers a variety of fabrics and sewing notions.

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Kelly emphasizes that quilting is not just "an old lady craft." She would like to see quilters of all ages, and she expresses an interest in educating youth. The shop will be partnering with the Under Our Wings program by Quilts of Valor, which teaches youth and adult community service organizations how to make quilts for veterans. Kelly's Quilts will also be a Quilts of Valor designated drop-off location.

Kelly's Quilts offers a variety of classes, including Barn Quilt Painting with Meribeth Shreve of Sew Blessed Barn Quilts, Beginner Quilting Class with instructor Erin Petry, Make It Merry Sew Gathering, and Paper Piecing. There will also be Sew Days, in which quilters who need a place to sew can stop by and have access to all the facility offers.

The shop has an online presence as well

as a physical one, and customers can purchase fabric, batting, kits, and other supplies from the website, which is located at <https://www.kellysquilts.net>

Kelly says that her love of quilting comes from her mother, who made potholders with other women in the community. Potholders and quilts require like crafting skills and process. Kelly got into quilting in 2020, when she took a year off work to care for her father. She completed her first quilt all by herself, but since then she has taken quilting classes from Quilts by Phyllis in Hurricane and West Virginia Quilts in Barboursville. She is also a member of a sewing group at Poca Baptist Church.

"I thank everyone for sharing in our journey, and look forward to sharing a love of quilting with the community," Kelly says.

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### Weekly Scripture Reading

|         |         |         |         |           |         |         |
|---------|---------|---------|---------|-----------|---------|---------|
| Matthew | John    | John    | Hebrews | Hebrews   | Hebrews | Hebrews |
| 28.1-20 | 20.1-31 | 21.1-25 | 4.1-13  | 4.14-5.14 | 6.1-20  | 7.1-28  |

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## BASIC BIBLE

By Ron Allen  
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### The Wedding Feast of the Lamb Revelation 19:5-10

Beginning with the breaking of the first seal in chapter 6 and ending with the termination and destruction of Babylon the great (the world system responsible for the blood of prophets, saints, and martyrs), John witnessed judgment upon judgment. In the text before us, John was shown something quite different. He witnessed the praises of "much people" in heaven. Their praises were directed to the Lord God in response to His righteous judgments.

"And a voice came out of the throne, saying Praise our God . . ." (v. 5). The voice belongs to a singular speaker who knows God as "our God" and speaks from the very throne of God. In the text before us, John witnessed this voice interact with a presence that is described as the voice of a great multitude (v. 5-8). In verses 9 and 10, John recorded the interchange between himself and the voice which came out of the throne of God.

The voice instructed all who are servants of God and all who fear Him to praise Him. John heard the voice of many cry out in response. John heard the words: "Alleluia: for the Lord God omnipotent reigneth." Alleluia (Greek) is the word which John recorded. Had John penned Revelation in the English language, he would have substituted hallelujah for alleluia. The literal meaning of hallelujah is praise Yahweh. Yahweh is the proper name of the one true God. Use of the Lord's proper name implies that one enjoys a personal, covenantal relationship with God.

The voice of many declares the reason it cries out "Alleluia." The voice cried out because the Lord God omnipotent reigns. It is not a declaration of faith. It is a declaration of the actual state of affairs on Planet Earth that came into effect when Babylon was thrown down, thrown down to never rise again (see Rev. 18:21). In verse 7, the voice which came out of the throne announced that the marriage of the Lamb is come. The marriage of the Lamb is a three-part happening — the betrothal, the presentation, and the feast. The betrothal is the promise. Believers of the present day rejoice because God's promises are certain. The presentation shall be when believers, both dead and alive, shall be gathered in heaven to meet the Lamb face to face following the rapture (1 Thess. 4:17). The third part of the marriage is the marriage feast which shall take place at the beginning of Christ's rule from the throne of David.

"... his wife hath made herself ready" (v. 7). How can and does the bride make herself ready? The bride is arrayed in fine linen which is the righteousness of the saints. The righteousness of the saints is righteousness which is produced by believing God. God counts believing Him for righteousness. The righteousness of the saints is not separate from God. The bride was granted the privilege to don fine linen, clean and white, which was produced by believing God.

That which the voice spoke in verses 7 and 8 was spoken to all who are servants of God and fear Him. In scripture, servants of God are individuals who are dedicated to God's will and faithfully carry out His purposes. The term is used to describe prophets like Moses, David, and Isaiah. Individuals become servants of God by allowing God to use them for His purposes.

"Blessed are they which are called to the marriage supper of the Lamb" (v. 9). This is the fourth "Blessed" which appears in the book of Revelation. Obtaining the blessing of the "Blessed" is conditional. In this instance, one must be called to the marriage feast. The one who calls guests to the wedding feast is the father of the groom. It is He who makes feast preparations (see Matt. 22:3). All who are called to the marriage supper of the Lamb are known to the Father through the Son. The Father loves them who love the Son (Jn. 16:27). Those called to the marriage supper of the Lamb are blessed because they love the Lamb who first loved them.

John knew the Lamb and loved the Lamb. In the gospel bearing his name, John refers to himself as the disciple Jesus loved. John heard the voice say, "These are the true sayings of God" (v. 9). John heard and was overwhelmed. He fell down to worship the voice. John was about to bestow an honor upon the voice that belongs to God alone (Ex. 20:3-6). It did not happen. The voice did not let it happen.

John was overwhelmed. He, unknowingly, was about to sin against God. Believers sin daily against God because we fail to let His holy goodness be seen in us at all times. We fail to worship Him in a deserved manner. We are on earth; John was in heaven before the very throne of God.

John did not sin because God did not allow him to do so. The voice out of the throne would not allow it. In verse 10, the voice identifies himself as a fellowservant who possesses the testimony of Jesus. The voice instructed John to worship God because the testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy. The phrase, spirit of prophecy, captures an image of the realization of unseen things that were once future. The weddingfeast of the Lamb is the culmination of unseen things of which Moses, David, Isaiah, and other fellowservants have spoken. Let us joy in Him who fills our cups with oil.

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# Obituaries

### DEMPSEY DICKSON II

It is with deep sadness that we announce the passing of Dempsey Orville Dickson II, age 56, of Scott Depot, on April 14, 2025. Dempsey passed away peacefully, surrounded by loved ones, following complications from Influenza A.

Dempsey was born on June 21, 1968, in Dearborn, Michigan, to John and Janice Dickson. He graduated from Hurricane High School and went on to build a career with Verizon and the state of West Virginia. Dempsey was a dedicated professional who found great fulfillment in his work, always fully engaged and committed to doing his best.

Dempsey Dickson was a man who loved whole heartedly. His presence brought warmth and joy to everyone who knew him. Dempsey was encouraging, compassionate, and always present for those who needed him. Thoughtful in his words and actions, he had a heart for the Lord and sought to live with kindness and understanding. He enjoyed life to the fullest—whether it was through photography, exercising, music, or hiking with those he loved. He was always up for a challenge and a bowl of ice cream. His love, laughter, and loyalty will never be forgotten.

Dempsey is survived by his two beloved sons, Chandler (Olivia) Dickson and Grant Dickson who will carry his memory forever with love.

A celebration of life was held on April 17, 2025, at Allen Funeral Home in

Hurricane. The service was officiated by Dempsey's close friend, Pastor James Bowles, whose unwavering support and compassion have been a true blessing to the family.

### JOHN MARK HAGER

John Hager, 60, of Scott Depot, died April 13, 2025. He was a 1983 Hamlin High School graduate, a U.S. Air Force Veteran and a Truck Driver for Pitt Ohio for several years.

Funeral service was Thursday, April 17, 2025 at Koontz Funeral Home, Hamlin. Interment was in Lincoln Memorial Park, Hamlin.

### JOSEPH HOLLEY

Joe, aged 90, passed away on Saturday, April 19, 2025, at home in Hurricane. He was born on June 29, 1934, in Hurricane to Early and Nannie (Whitt) Holley. Joe was a well respected and cherished member of his community, willingly helping friends and strangers alike. After graduating from Hurricane High School in 1952, he worked in the heavy equipment construction industry until going to work at INCO (Special Metals) in 1964. He retired in 1994 and finally had time to enjoy his youngest two grandchildren. Joe and Joyce enjoyed taking all the grandkids camping and fishing.

Joe was a man of God and a prayer warrior throughout his life. His Bible was always at his side. His peaceful demeanor assisted in keeping

those around him calm.

Joe is survived by three children, Malinda Shanklin (David), Bradley Holley, and Mark Holley (Terri). Five grandchildren, Clifton Shanklin (Alyson), Adam Holley (Jenny), Tracy Garrett (Jason), Nicholas Holley (Kaylee Mullins), and Chloe Ashton (Hunter). He is also survived by six great-grandchildren, Bryce Pfeiff, Makenzy Shanklin, Annabelle Garrett, Haley Shanklin, Elliana Garrett, and Barrett Holley. He leaves behind three siblings Marvin Holley, Janice Blackshire, and Judy Houck. He was preceded in death by his parents and two brothers, Hersel Holley and David Holley.

He leaves a huge hole in many people's lives and has left high standards to live up to. But he once told us, "I know you'll miss me and cry for me but remember this is what I have lived my whole life for."

Funeral service was Thursday, April 24, 2025, at Allen Funeral Home with Pastor Larry Cooper officiating. Burial was in Holley Cemetery.

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### Submissions

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**EARLDINE ELOISE INGRAM**

Earldine Eloise Ingram, 92, of Poca, went home to be with the Lord on Thursday, April 17, 2025, in the Hubbard Hospice House West surrounded by her loving family.

She was born on December 20, 1932, to the late Orda and Lurie West. She is a member of Heizer Creek Community Church and Hometown Senior Center where she loved singing in the choir. She loved her family and put them first and foremost. She enjoyed cooking, canning, sewing, and spending time with her family.

In addition to her parents she is preceded in death by her husband Clyde Ingram, Sr.; son Steve Ingram; son-in-law Robert Swanson; daughters-in-law Oma Ingram and Shirley Ingram; and sister Elostine Phillips.

Left to cherish her memories are her seven children, Pamela Swanson, Clyde (Kathy) Ingram, Mike Ingram, Rodney Ingram, Donna Ingram, Regina Leiva, and Tim (Cindy) Ingram; 12 grandchildren, 17 great grandchildren, 5 great-great grandchildren and a host of nieces and nephews.

A tribute to the life of Earldine Ingram was held Tuesday, April 22, 2025, at Gatens-Harding Funeral Home Chapel with Pastor Randy Carter officiating. Burial was in Tyler Mountain Memory Gardens.

**HOMER MEADOWS**

Homer Owen Meadows, 94, died peacefully in the early hours of April 19, 2025.

Homer was born on March 15, 1931 in Rumble, WV, to the late Leonard B. and Dessie (Walker) Meadows. He was married to Martha E. (Snodgrass) Meadows on June 17, 1949. Homer lived most of his life in Hurricane, but moved with Martha to Oklahoma City late in 2021.

Homer worked for 37 years with Union Carbide before his early retirement in 1986 and was an active and beloved member of the Hurricane First Church of

the Nazarene until moving to Oklahoma.

He is remembered as a positive example of the Silent Generation for his love of family, his strong work ethic, his sense of civic duty, and his thriftiness. Homer and Martha imparted the importance of family connection, love of travel, and playfulness not only to their children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren, but also to nieces and nephews. To quote one of his grandsons, "...my grandfather [was] the shining example of [a] gruff exterior and big softy on the inside. He leaves us a legacy of love, commitment, get'er done attitude, and a desire to travel and explore the beauty of this country." Homer led several cross-country car expeditions during his life (1965, 1983, and 1994) taking children and grandchildren through national parks and sharing their joy in the natural and historical wonders of the United States. There were also camping trips all over West Virginia, and lots of trips to the parks in Orlando; however, his very favorite place (and now a favorite of most of his family) was Sunset Beach, NC. He spent endless hours as the official lifeguard to his family, walking in the sand, bodysurfing, and introducing the youngest family members to the ocean by holding their hands and shouting to the waves, "Take it easy, Joe! I'm ticklish!" The little voices giggled, and the kids began to feel at ease in the water.

From baseball and football to dominoes, Phase 10, and Qwirkle, Homer had a love of sport and games. Family times at the Meadows household always include spending time together playing. To say Homer was competitive would grossly understate just how much he enjoyed besting everyone around the table or playing field - thankfully there was almost always a grin that let everyone know that he was also there for the fun.

In addition to his wife of nearly 76 years, Homer is survived by his children, Andria Phillips, Marsha (John) Billet, Thomas Meadows, and Julie Miller. He also was the

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proud grandfather of 10 wonderful grandchildren, great-grandfather to 18 beautiful young souls, and cherished uncle to many nieces and nephews.

Visitation will be held on Friday, April 25, 2025, from 6pm-8pm at the Allen Funeral Home in Hurricane. Funeral services will be held at Hurricane First Church of the Nazarene on Saturday, April 26, 2025 at 11am.

**JANET SUE MIDKIFF**

Janet Midkiff, 81, of Milton, entered Heaven on Tuesday, April 15, 2025. Janet was the daughter of Oliver (Pete) and Violet Childers. She devoted nearly 60 years of loyal service as the organist at Antioch Baptist Church, where she and her sister, Brenda, were the first members to join the church when they opened their doors on Little Fudge in 1966. She retired from Putnam PSD in Teays Valley. She was a graduate of Milton High School in 1961 and enjoyed every school reunion; visiting classmates and reminiscing.

Janet was preceded in death by her parents, her son; Darren Midkiff, her sister; Brenda K. Lane, and her brother; Everett L. Childers. She is survived by her husband of 62 years; Larry Midkiff, her daughter; Dee Harner, her son-in-law; Ed Harner, her granddaughter; Tabatha Cooper (Andy) and her grandchildren; Reagan and Tyson Cooper.

A memorial service was conducted Saturday, April 19, 2025, at Allen Funeral Home in Hurricane by Pastor Troy Nicely.

**SUSAN ELISE MILLER**

Susan Elise Miller, 71, of Hurricane, passed away on April 17, 2025.

Susan was born May 19, 1953, to the late Gwendolyn and James Draper Jr. in Albion, New York. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Michael James Miller; and sisters: Wendy

Kennedy and Terri LaClair.

Susan enjoyed spending time with her family, watching old TV shows, reading, playing card games with friends, anything Elvis and her 2 beloved cats: OC and Jack.

Left to cherish her memory is her son, Jason Scott Miller; and grandchildren: Olivia and Aiden Miller.

Per her request there will be no services.

**WILLIAM R. 'YANK' MOORE**

William R. "Yank" Moore, 81, of Rock Branch, passed away April 16, 2025, at home.

Yank was born on January 16, 1944, to the late Roy and Clarice Moore. He is a graduate of Poca High School and retired from Robert Young Contracting. Yank served his country proudly and is an Army Veteran and enjoys woodworking. Along with his parents he is preceded in death by his brothers Eugene Moore and Hubert "Dink" Moore.

Left to cherish his memories are his brother Roy "Junk" and wife Goldie Moore; and a host of nieces, nephews, great nieces and great nephews.

At his request there will be no services.

**LESTER CARLOS SEARLS**

Lester Carlos Searls, 83, of Winfield, passed away on Thursday, April 17, 2025 at home.

He was born on September 5, 1941 to the late Virgil and Flossie Nelson Searls in Lincoln County. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his sisters: Donnafine Ray, Patricia Gates, Janavive Trolio; and brothers: Winsel, Delvin, Hollis, Mansel, O.J., and Ronnie Searls.

Lester was a Christian, proudly served his country in the US Army, retired from AEP after 30 years of service and an active member of the Putnam County Republican Club.

He is survived by his wife, Shirley; daughters:

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Lesla Sass (Dan) of Charlotte, NC, Donna (Brian) Gray of Winfield, and Tara Altadonna (Larry) of Smith Mountain Lake, VA; brother, Steven Searls (Sherry) of Fraziers Bottom; grandchildren: Brett Rorabaugh, Brook Rorabaugh, Taylor Vories, Isabella Altadonna and Alessia Altadonna; a great-grandchild: Alani Vories; special nephew that he considered a son, David Searls; as well as numerous other family, friends and neighbors.

Funeral service for Lester was Tuesday, April 22, 2025, at Chapman Funeral Home, Winfield. Burial was in Winfield Cemetery, Winfield.

**ROY EDWARD SNYDER, JR.**

Roy Edward Snyder, Jr., 59, of Poca, passed away April 17, 2025, in CAMC Hospice.

Junior is a graduate of Charleston High School and an avid Pool Player playing on many different leagues.

He is preceded in death by his brothers Dennis LeRoy Snyder and David Edward Snyder.

He is survived by his parents Doloris and Roy Snyder; sister Marsha Snyder; brother Donald Ray Snyder; and a host of nieces and nephews.

A tribute to the life of Roy E. Snyder, Jr. was held Wednesday, April 23, 2025 at Gatens-Harding Funeral Home Chapel. Burial was in Sunset Memorial Park.

**EMMET WILLIAM WHITE III**

Emmet William White III, 67, of Nitro, left this world for his eternal life in the early morning hours of April 11, 2025.

He was born May 24, 1957, to the late Emmet Jr. and Mickey (Holston) White in South Charleston. In addition to his parents, he was also preceded in death by his dad, Lee Linkfield.

Emmet lived in the Kanawha Valley his whole life. He was a band kid during his years at

Hurricane High School then went on to join ROTC while attending WV State College in Institute. Emmet and Melinda (Griffith) married right out of college and raised 4 children together. He was a hard worker and he enjoyed serving the community. He worked at Kanawha Valley Data Control and later MTEch in Dunbar before becoming a clerk at Video Town in Saint Albans. While he loved movies, he soon moved on to gas stations. He worked at Go-Mart briefly before switching to One Stop where he worked for decades in various stores around the Valley. When it was time for Emmet to settle into a quieter job, he enjoyed a spell at Kinkos in Charleston before he retired.

Emmet spent most of his adult life volunteering at Dunbar Jr High School, where Melinda was the computer teacher. He loved helping students learn to appreciate computers the way he did. He shared his love of programming and video games with all who cared to learn. He also helped coach the chess team. He enjoyed helping others and sharing his love of strategy games and puzzles almost as much as he enjoyed sharing corny puns and "dad" jokes. Perhaps the role Emmet loved more than Dad or teacher, was Grandpa. The promotion to Paw-Paw Emmet came in 2000 and he embraced it with open arms, supporting his own children in the raising of theirs in every way he knew how and beaming along the way.

He was a loving husband and father who will be mourned by his wife of 46 years, Melinda Griffith White; his children: Shanna Kingry (Barry), Susan White (Norman), James White (Sarah), and Jonny White; grandchildren: Josh, Tyler, Samantha, Leanna, Kiran, Emily, and Eli; as well as all the students and friends he encouraged along the way.

Memorial service was Thursday, April 17, 2025 at Pine Grove Church of Christ, Scott Depot.

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**NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE**  
 NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE is hereby given pursuant to and by virtue of the authority vested in the Substitute Trustee, WV Trustee Services, LLC, by that certain Deed of Trust dated September 7, 2018, executed by Borrower, Isadora L. McCarty, to Marc J. Slotnick, Esq., the Trustee of record in the office of the Clerk of the County Commission of Putnam County, West Virginia, in Book 1197, at Page 262. At the time of the execution of the Deed of Trust, this property was reported to have a mailing address of 43 Cloverleaf St, Winfield, WV 25213. WV Trustee Services, LLC were appointed as Substitute Trustees by APPOINTMENT OF SUCCESSOR TRUSTEE dated February 27, 2025. The borrower defaulted under the Note and Deed of Trust and the Substitute Trustees have been instructed to foreclose under the Deed of Trust. Accordingly, the Substitute Trustees will sell the following described property to the highest bidder at the front door of the Courthouse of Putnam County, in Winfield, West Virginia, on the following date:

**25th day of April, 2025 at 12:30 p.m.**

All that certain lot, tract, or parcel of real estate, together with the improvements thereon and the appurtenances thereunto belonging, situate in Winfield Town District, (previously part of Scott District) Putnam County, West Virginia, and being more particularly bounded and described as follows: Being known and designated as all of Lot Number 4, of Country View Estates Section 1, as shown on a Map entitled "Country View Estates Section 1 Winfield, West Virginia", dated July 27, 1992, as prepared by Roger K. Randolph, P.E. #6426, and duly of record in the Office of the County Commission of Putnam County, West Virginia, in Map Cabinet B, at slide 389. And being the same property conveyed unto Stuart N. Swope from Shirley S. Jividen, by Deed dated May 21, 2008, of record in the aforementioned Clerk's Office in Deed Book 483, at Page 902. This conveyance is SUBJECT TO the restrictive covenants set out in and of record in the aforesaid Clerks' Office in Miscellaneous Book 38, at page

457, along with any amendments thereto. This conveyance is made SUBJECT TO any and all prior Mineral reservations, rights of ways, easements, reservations, terms, and/or conditions previously set forth and/or reserved in the chain of title.

**TERMS OF SALE:**

- The property will be conveyed in an "AS IS" physical condition by Deed containing no warranty, express or implied, subject to the Internal Revenue Service right of redemption, all property taxes, prior Deeds, liens, reservations, encumbrances, restrictions, rights-of-ways, easements, covenants, conveyances and conditions of record in the Clerk's office or affecting the subject property.
- The Purchaser shall be responsible for the payment of the transfer taxes imposed by the West Virginia Code § 11-22-1.
- The Beneficiary and/or the Servicer of the Deed of Trust and Note reserve the right to submit a bid for the property at sale.
- The Trustee reserves the right to continue sale of the subject property from time to time by written or oral proclamation, which continuance shall be in the sole discretion of the Trustee.
- The Trustee shall be under no duty to cause any existing tenant or person occupying the property to vacate said property, and any personal property and/or belongings remaining at the property after the foreclosure sale will be deemed to constitute ABANDONED PROPERTY AND WILL BE DISPOSED OF ACCORDINGLY.
- The total purchase price is payable to the Trustee within thirty (30) days of the date of sale, with ten (10%) of the total purchase price payable to the Trustee at sale..

WV Trustee Services, LLC, Substitute Trustee  
 BY: Jim Ashley, Limited Signing Officer  
 WV Trustee Services, LLC  
 McGuire Office Center

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**LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT**

**IN THE FAMILY COURT OF PUTNAM COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA**

To: Magistrate Court Case  
**Lucas Randal** No.: 24-M40D-00189  
**Lynch**

Respondent's Name Family  
 391 Slaton Hollow Rd Court Civil:  
**Grafton WV 26354** Court Civil:  
 Respondent's Address Civil Action  
**11-10-1982** No.: 24-DV-143  
 Date of Birth

**ORDER OF PUBLICATION (PROTECTIVE ORDER / HEARING DATE)**

- The object of this suit is to obtain protection from the Respondent.
- The object of this publication 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 6-15-2025.

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 15th day of April, 2025.  
 STEPHANIE SMITH/jo  
 Circuit Clerk  
 4-24-1tw

**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 February 23, 2009, and duly recorded in the Office of the Clerk of the County Commission of Putnam County, West Virginia, in Document No. 002600420006, in Book No. 894, at Page 199, Bryan F Hager and Maria F Hager did convey unto Tommy J. Dixon, 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 U.S. Bank Trust National Association, not in its individual capacity but solely as owner trustee for Legacy Mortgage Asset Trust 2018-RPL2 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 19, 2025 at 11:30 AM

the following described real estate, together with its improvements, easements and appurtenances thereunto belonging, situate in 06 - Hurricane Town District, Putnam County, West Virginia, and more particularly described as follows:

All that certain property situated in the District of Teays Valley, County of Putnam and State of West Virginia, situate on the waters of Tackett Branch of Hurricane Creek, containing 2.09 acres, more or less being more fully described in a Deed Volume 371 and page 63, Map # 16 and Parcel # 19.2.  
 Tax Map or Parcel ID No.: 16-19.2

At the time of the execution of the Deed of Trust, this property was reported to have an address of: 58 Beaver Drive, 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: \$6000.00 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.

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 Reference File No. 81192  
 4-17-2t

**ORDER OF PUBLICATION IN THE MAGISTRATE COURT OF PUTNAM COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA**

Teays Meadows Neighborhood Assoc., Inc.  
 151 Teays Mdws  
 Scott Depot WV 25560, Plaintiff  
 v. Civil Action No. 25-M40C-00031  
 Loranza Dow Justice  
 82 Kara Lane  
 Scott Depot, WV 25526, Defendant

The object of the above entitled action is to obtain judgment in the amount of: \$993.40 plus all court costs.

And it appearing by an affidavit filed in this action that the Plaintiff has used due diligence to locate the Defendant, it is ordered that She/He do serve upon Putnam Co. Magistrate Court, Jean Luikart, Magistrate, whose address is 12093 Winfield Road, Suite 15, Winfield, WV 25213, an answer or other defense to the complaint this action on or before May 14, 2025, otherwise judgment by default will be taken against Her/ Him at any time thereafter. A copy of said complaint can be obtained from the undersigned Clerk at her office.

Entered by Clerk of said Court Putnam County.  
 DARRY CASTO/yc  
 Magistrate Court Clerk  
 4-24-2t

**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.: 6066  
 Estate Of: Ronald M Briscoe  
 Administrator: Donald Pauley  
 921 Joyce Rd  
 Scott Depot, WV  
 25560

Estate No.: 5912  
 Estate Of: Millard R Mitchell  
 Executor: Veetta L Withrow  
 8 Woodclyffe Rd  
 Hurricane WV 25526

Estate No.: 6006  
 Estate Of: Emma Jane Mynes  
 Administrator  
 Cta: Charles Derrick  
 Mynes  
 264 Jessie Lane  
 Milton, WV 25541

Estate No.: 5990  
 Estate Of: Harry Michael Tucker  
 Executrix: Lisa Blake  
 105 Oak Tree Lane  
 Nitro, WV 25143

Estate No.: 6056  
 Estate Of: Virginia Vangilder  
 Administratrix: Judith C Davis  
 5473 Hurricane Creek  
 Road  
 Hurricane, WV 25526

Estate No.: 6058  
 Estate Of: Connie Sue Wilmoth  
 Executor: William Maxwell  
 Wilmoth  
 155 Timms Street  
 Buffalo, WV 25033

Estate No.: 5994  
 Estate Of: Robert Charles  
 Womack  
 Executrix: Cheryl Roberts  
 207 E. First Street  
 Culoden, WV 25510

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** 4-10-3t

**LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT**

**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  
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**LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT**

**Notice of Proposed Settlement of Estates**

To the Creditors, Distributees and Beneficiaries of the within named persons:

I have before me the final settlement of estates of the following persons, which shall be presented to the County Commission of Putnam County, at the Courthouse, in the City of Winfield, on Tuesday the 13th day of May 2025 at 9:00 a.m. for their approval which settlements have been presented to me by the Fiduciary of such estates and which proposed settlements I have approved as indicated below:

Decedent: Charles Eugene Hughes  
 Fiduciary: Diana Lynn Sowards  
 Address: 2470 Washington Avenue  
 Hurricane, WV 25526

Any persons having an interest in the estate of any such person, may before the County Commission at the time and place hereinabove specified and thereupon protest his interest as they may appear or else may forever thereafter be barred from asserting such interest.

Given under my hand this 16th day of April 2025.  
 Fiduciary Supervisor,  
 Putnam County  
 12093 Winfield Road,  
 Winfield, WV 25213

**LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT**

**PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF WEST VIRGINIA CHARLESTON**

CASE NO. 24-0904-W-S-PC

WEST VIRGINIA-AMERICAN WATER COMPANY, THE CITY OF NITRO and NITRO SANITARY BOARD  
 Joint Petition for consent and approval of acquisition of utility assets.

**NOTICE OF FILING AND HEARING**

On November 20, 2024, West Virginia-American Water Company (Company), the City of Nitro (City), and the Nitro Sanitary Board, d/b/a Nitro Regional Wastewater Authority (NRWA) (together with the City, the Seller Parties) filed with the Public Service Commission of West Virginia (Commission) a joint application (Joint Application) for Commission consent and approval of an asset purchase agreement (Agreement) for the sale of the City's sewer distribution system to the Company (Acquisition).

Following the Acquisition, the Seller Parties' sewer distribution assets will be owned and operated by the Company subject to Commission jurisdiction and regulation. From and after the closing of the Acquisition, the Seller Parties' former customers will be customers of the Company. The Agreement provides that the rates and charges to be charged to the Seller Parties' former customers on and after closing of the Acquisition (Closing) will be phased in over a 36-month period to match the Company's statewide base rates as follows:

| Effective Date         | Phase-In %                 |                           |
|------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------|
|                        | At Closing                 | 71% of Company Base Rates |
| 12 Months Post-Closing | 77% of Company Base Rates  |                           |
| 18 Months Post-Closing | 83% of Company Base Rates  |                           |
| 24 Months Post-Closing | 89% of Company Base Rates  |                           |
| 30 Months Post-Closing | 94% of Company Base Rates  |                           |
| 36 Months Post-Closing | 100% of Company Base Rates |                           |

Qualified low-income customers will have access to the Company's low-income discounted rates. If the Acquisition is approved, the impact of the phase-in of the present Company rates on the average residential, commercial, industrial, and other public authority customer would be as follows:

| Phase-In to Company Base Rates (%) | Average Usage of 3,000 Gallons Per Month |  | Incremental Increase (%) | Incremental Increase (%) |
|------------------------------------|--|--|--------------------------|--------------------------|
|                                    | Nitro Present Rates (\$)                 | At Phase-In Present Company Base Rates Including WSIC (\$) |                          |                          |
| At Close                           | 71%                                      | \$41.04  | \$54.62                  | 33%                      |
| 12 mos. after Closing              | 77%                                      | \$41.04  | \$59.23                  | 44%                      |
| 18 mos. after Closing              | 83%                                      | \$41.04  | \$63.85                  | 56%                      |
| 24 mos. after Closing              | 89%                                      | \$41.04  | \$68.46                  | 67%                      |
| 30 mos. after Closing              | 94%                                      | \$41.04  | \$72.31                  | 76%                      |
| 36 mos. after Closing              | 100%                                     | \$41.04  | \$76.93                  | 87%                      |

| Phase-In to Company Base Rates (%) | Average Usage of 9,200 Gallons Per Month |  | Incremental Increase (%) | Incremental Increase (%) |
|------------------------------------|--|--|--------------------------|--------------------------|
|                                    | Nitro Present Rates (\$)                 | At Phase-In Present Company Base Rates Including WSIC (\$) |                          |                          |
| At Close                           | 71%                                      | \$104.82   | \$153.22                 | 46%                      |
| 12 mos. after Closing              | 77%                                      | \$104.82   | \$166.17                 | 59%                      |
| 18 mos. after Closing              | 83%                                      | \$104.82   | \$179.12                 | 71%                      |
| 24 mos. after Closing              | 89%                                      | \$104.82   | \$192.07                 | 83%                      |
| 30 mos. after Closing              | 94%                                      | \$104.82   | \$202.86                 | 94%                      |
| 36 mos. after Closing              | 100%                                     | \$104.82   | \$215.81                 | 106%                     |

| Phase-In to Company Base Rates (%) | Average Usage of 21,500 Gallons Per Month |  | Incremental Increase (%) | Incremental Increase (%) |
|------------------------------------|---|--|--------------------------|--------------------------|
|                                    | Nitro Present Rates (\$)                  | At Phase-In Present Company Base Rates Including WSIC (\$) |                          |                          |
| At Close                           | 71%                                       | \$220.72   | \$348.83                 | 58%                      |
| 12 mos. after Closing              | 77%                                       | \$220.72   | \$378.31                 | 71%                      |
| 18 mos. after Closing              | 83%                                       | \$220.72   | \$407.79                 | 85%                      |
| 24 mos. after Closing              | 89%                                       | \$220.72   | \$437.27                 | 98%                      |
| 30 mos. after Closing              | 94%                                       | \$220.72   | \$461.84                 | 109%                     |
| 36 mos. after Closing              | 100%                                      | \$220.72   | \$491.32                 | 123%                     |

| Phase-In to Company Base Rates (%) | Average Usage of 15,500 Gallons Per Month |  | Incremental Increase (%) | Incremental Increase (%) |
|------------------------------------|---|--|--------------------------|--------------------------|
|                                    | Nitro Present Rates (\$)                  | At Phase-In Present Company Base Rates Including WSIC (\$) |                          |                          |
| At Close                           | 71%                                       | \$164.12   | \$253.41                 | 54%                      |
| 12 mos. after Closing              | 77%                                       | \$164.12   | \$274.83                 | 67%                      |
| 18 mos. after Closing              | 83%                                       | \$164.12   | \$296.24                 | 80%                      |
| 24 mos. after Closing              | 89%                                       | \$164.12   | \$317.66                 | 93%                      |
| 30 mos. after Closing              | 94%                                       | \$164.12   | \$335.51                 | 104%                     |
| 36 mos. after Closing              | 100%                                      | \$164.12   | \$356.92                 | 117%                     |

These amounts do not reflect amounts associated with municipal B&O or excise taxes. The Company's current base rates and WSIC rates are subject to change, potentially modifying the percentage and dollar amounts shown above.

The Joint Application is on file with and available for public inspection at the Commission, 201 Brooks Street, Charleston, West Virginia, and is available online at the Commission website ([www.psc.state.wv.us](http://www.psc.state.wv.us)).

Anyone desiring to intervene or protest should file a written request to intervene or protest no later than thirty (30) days following the date of this notice, unless such period is otherwise modified by Commission Order. Failure to timely intervene may affect your right to participate in the proceeding. All requests to intervene should briefly state the reason for the request to intervene and comply with the rules on intervention set forth in the Commission's **Rules of Practice and Procedure**. All written comments, protests and requests to intervene should state the case name and number and be addressed to Executive Secretary, P.O. Box 812, Charleston, West Virginia 25323.

The Public Service Commission has scheduled an in person public comment hearing on July 16, 2025, at 4:00 p.m. in the Howard M. Cunningham Hearing Room, Public Service Commission Building, 201 Brooks Street, Charleston, West Virginia.

Public comments may also be filed online at <http://www.psc.state.wv.us/scripts/onlinecomments/default.cfm> by clicking the "Formal Case" link or by sending them to Executive Secretary, P.O. Box 812, Charleston, West Virginia 25323. Please include the case name and number at the top of this Notice in your comments.

In the absence of substantial protest received within thirty (30) days of the issuance of this notice, the Commission may waive formal hearing and grant the Joint Application based on the Commission's review of the evidence submitted with the Joint Application.

If a formal evidentiary hearing is needed, it will be held at 9:30 a.m. on July 17, 2025, in the Howard M. Cunningham Hearing Room, Public Service Commission Building, 201 Brooks Street, Charleston, West Virginia.

WEST VIRGINIA-AMERICAN WATER COMPANY,  
 THE CITY OF NITRO, and NITRO SANITARY BOARD  
 4-17-2t

**LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT**

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF PUTNAM COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA**

SENECA TRUSTEES INC.,  
 SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE,  
 Plaintiff,  
 v. Civil Action No. CC-40-2025-C-9  
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 ANY/ALL UNKNOWN HEIRS OF  
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Upon consideration whereof, this Order of Publication is granted, and is ORDERED that any interested persons do appear here on or before 5/10/2025, which date is no sooner than thirty (30) days after entry of this Order of Publication.

And it is further ORDERED that this Order of Publication be published once a week for two (2) successive weeks in The Hurricane Breeze newspaper, a newspaper of general circulation in the County of Putnam, West Virginia.

Entered, this 10 day of April, 2025.  
 Stephanie Smith/cs  
 Clerk

I ASK FOR THIS:  
 Lakyn D. Cecil, Esq. (WVSB #14121)  
 Samuel I. White, P.C.  
 5000 Coombs Farm Road, Suite 104  
 Morgantown, WV 26508  
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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.: 5973  
Estate Of: Joyce Ann Abbott  
Administratrix  
Cta: Brenda Abbott-Fowler  
134 Abbott Lane  
Red House, WV  
25168

Estate No.: 5969  
Estate Of: Roger Lee Ball, Sr.  
Executor: Thomas E. Smith  
123 Whistle Creek  
Wayne, WV 25570

Estate No.: 6072  
Estate Of: Lawrence Leon  
Hoptry  
Executrix: Erika C. Hadesty  
PO Box 451  
Gordon, PA 17936

Estate No.: 5967  
Estate Of: Ray Russell  
Richardson  
Executor: Perry W. Richardson  
572 Eagle Run Road  
Scott Depot, WV  
25560

Estate No.: 6062  
Estate Of: Thomas James  
Cummings, Jr.  
Executrix: Candida Ann Reggi  
7523 18 Mile Creek  
Rd  
Buffalo, WV 25033

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 24, 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 24, 2025.

Subscribed and sworn to before me on the 16th day of April 2025.  
Fiduciary Supervisor  
Putnam County Commission  
10293 Winfield Road,  
Winfield, WV 25213  
4-24-21

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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 - 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 *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.**  
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**TRUSTEE'S SALE OF VALUABLE REAL ESTATE**

**20A Carol Dr, Hurricane, WV 25526**

In a Deed of Trust dated September 11, 2018, and duly recorded in the Office of the Clerk of the County Commission of Putnam County, West Virginia, in Deed of Trust Book 1197, at page 699 Brian A. Cook did convey unto Metz law Office, Trustee, certain real property. The beneficial holder of that Deed of Trust has elected to appoint Terra Abstract Trustee West Virginia, Inc. as substitute trustees by a Substitution of Trustee recorded in the aforesaid Clerk's Office. Default having occurred under the Deed of Trust and the beneficial holder having instructed the undersigned Trustees to foreclose, this real property will be sold at public auction at the front door of the Putnam County Courthouse, 12093 Winfield Road, Putnam County Courthouse, Winfield, WV 25213 on:

**June 11, 2025 At 12:00 PM**

The property for sale as described by the Deed of Trust is as follows:

ALL THAT CERTAIN PARCEL OF REAL ESTATE, TOGETHER WITH THE IMPROVEMENTS THEREON AND THE APPURTENANCES THEREUNTO BELONGING, SITUATED IN SCOTT DISTRICT, PUTNAM COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA, DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

SITUATE ON CAROL DRIVE (CARROLL DRIVE) AND BEING LOT NO. 20-A OF TEAYS VALLEY ESTATES AS SHOWN UPON A MAP PREPARED BY WILKINSON SURVEYING AND ENGINEERING, INCORPORATED, DATED JULY 16, 1974, AND REVISED JULY 22, 1976, OF RECORD IN THE OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF THE COUNTY COMMISSION OF PUTNAM COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA, WHICH PROPERTY IS DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

BEGINNING AT THE FRONT COMMON CORNER OF LOTS 20-A AND 20-B ON CARROLL DRIVE AS SHOWN UPON THE MAP HERETOFORE MENTIONED; THENCE RUNNING WITH CARROLL DRIVE, S. 31 DEGREES 25' E. 135.92 FEET TO A STEEL ROD SITUATE AT THE FRONT COMMON CORNER OF SAID LOTS 20-A AND 22; THENCE WITH THE DIVISION LINE OF SAID LOTS S. 52 DEGREES 19' W. 369.42 FEET TO A STEEL ROD, THE REAR COMMON CORNER OF SAID LOTS 22 AND 20-A; THENCE N. 59 DEGREES 57' W. 146.04 FEET TO THE COMMON CORNER OF SAID LOTS 20-A AND 20-B; THENCE WITH THE DIVISION LINE OF SAID LOTS 20-A AND 20-B, N. 59 DEGREES 19' E. 439.63 FEET TO THE PLACE OF BEGINNING.  
MAP NO.: 223K  
PARCEL NO.: 7

The purchaser will take the propThe purchaser will take the property subject to all exceptions, reservations, rights of way, easements, conditions, covenants, restrictions, leases and other servitudes of record, if any, pertaining to said real property.

The purchaser will be responsible for paying any transfer stamp, excise taxes, and recording costs associated with recording the Trustee's Deed into their name.

The purchaser will be responsible for paying any unpaid property taxes owed to the Sheriff of Putnam County prior to or following the sale directly to the Sheriff.

The purchaser will take the property subject to any deed of trust, judgment, lien, and any other encumbrance having priority over the deed of trust referred to herein.

The purchaser will take the property subject to any deed of trust, judgment, lien, and any other encumbrance that is junior ("junior claims") to this Deed of Trust and to which sufficient notice was not given. In that case, unless such right to notice is waived, the chain of title shall not merge with this Deed of Trust as to those unnoticed deeds of trust, judgments, liens, and other encumbrances and will be subject to a further noticed and published sale under this Deed of Trust pursuant to W.Va. Code 38-1-4, in which bidding shall resume at the last highest bid given. In the event of a surplus of such sale, the mortgagors and noticed junior lienholders are hereby on notice that if such surplus is less than Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$2,500.00), then the Substitute Trustee will disburse those proceeds to the most senior interest holder as it sees fit, unless an objection is made in writing.

The Trustees do not guarantee or represent that the boundaries described above are accurate, are not encroached upon, or that any particular structure located on the property is contained within the described boundaries. The property is therefore sold subject to an accurate survey at purchaser's expense.

The Trustees reserve the right to adjourn the sale, for a time, or from time to time, by announcement at the time and place of sale described above or any adjournment thereof. Such adjournment will be noticed by posting a notice at the front door of the county courthouse or where such notices are traditionally posted at the county courthouse. Such notice will include the date and time when such sale will reconvene.

The Trustees reserve the right to reject any and all bids for any reason.

The Trustees make no representations as to the condition of the property. The property will be sold in "AS IS" condition.

The Trustees make no representations as to whether the property is occupied. The purchaser is responsible for gaining access and possession of the property. Trustees shall be under no duty to cause any existing tenant or person occupying the subject property to vacate said property.

The purchaser may assign its rights prior to the delivery of the trustee's deed by a signed request in writing to the trustee; the assignee of the purchaser shall be bound by all terms and conditions applicable to the purchaser.

The Trustees will deliver a trustees' deed to the purchaser without any covenant or warranty (express or implied) in the form prescribed by W. Va. Code §38-1-6. The Trustees make no representations and warranties about the title of the real estate to be

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2022-C-000189 - Putnam County To: MICHAEL R. HALAD, DONAL. 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 *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  
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conveyed. If the Trustees are unable to convey insurable or marketable title to purchaser for any reason, purchaser's sole remedy is return of deposit.

TERMS OF SALE: Purchaser must bring \$19000 cash in hand at the time of sale as a deposit in the form of a certified check or cashier's check made payable to "Stern & Eisenberg, PC, counsel for Terra Abstract Trustee West Virginia, Inc." Those appearing without their deposit will not be allowed to bid. The balance of the successful purchaser's bid must be proffered in cash within 30 days of the date of the sale. Purchaser shall pay for transfer stamps and recording fees. Additional terms of sale may be announced prior to the sale.

Terra Abstract Trustee West Virginia, Inc.  
1581 Main Street, Suite 200  
The Shops at Valley Square  
Warrington, PA 18976  
(215) 572-8111, Fax: (215) 572-5025  
sterneisenberg.com 4-17-21

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2022-C-000063 - Putnam County To: EARL DAVIS, KENNETH DAVIS, ELLIS DAVIS, GLEN 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  
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**AAA: Take Action Against Distraction**

**Inattention Behind the Wheel Can Lead to Deadly Consequences**

AAA East Central is announcing a new awareness campaign to engage the public in fighting the rise of distracted driving, which can be as deadly

as impaired and drowsy driving.

The #ActionAgainstDistraction pledge campaign on Instagram aims to encourage responsible driving by asking the public to make a commitment to driving distraction-free.

According to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), distracted driving claimed 3,308 lives and caused nearly 290,000 injuries in 2022—an average of nine fatalities daily. When a motorist takes their eyes off the road for just five seconds while driving at 55 miles per hour, it's like driving the length of a football field blindfolded. AAA is committed to reinforcing distracted driving laws and promoting safer driving habits.

"Distracted driving has become one of the deadliest behaviors behind the wheel, and its claiming lives every day," says Theresa Podguski, director of legislative affairs, AAA East Central. "Anything that diverts your attention reduces your chances of reaching your destination safely and puts you in a position of potentially harming others."

According to the latest AAA Foundation for Traffic Safety's annual Traffic Safety Culture Index, most drivers (93%) recognize the dangers of texting, emailing, and reading while driving. However, many drivers reported sending a text/email (27%), reading a text/email (37%), or holding and talking on a phone (36%)

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**NOTICE TO REDEEM**

2022-C-000063 - Putnam County To: EARL DAVIS, KENNETH DAVIS, ELLIS DAVIS, GLEN 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 *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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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 - 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 *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.*

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**TERMS OF SALE:**

- The property will be conveyed in an "AS IS" physical condition by Deed containing no warranty, express or implied, subject to the Internal Revenue Service right of redemption, all property taxes, prior Deeds, liens, reservations, encumbrances, restrictions, rights-of-ways, easements, covenants, conveyances and conditions of record in the Clerk's office or affecting the subject property.
- The Purchaser shall be responsible for the payment of the transfer taxes imposed by the West Virginia Code § 11-22-1.
- The Beneficiary and/or the Servicer of the Deed of Trust and Note reserve the right to submit a bid for the property at sale.
- The Trustee reserves the right to continue sale of the subject property from time to time by written or oral proclamation, which continuance shall be in the sole discretion of the Trustee.
- The Trustee shall be under no duty to cause any existing tenant or person occupying the property to vacate said property, and any personal property and/or belongings remaining at the property after the foreclosure sale will be deemed to constitute ABANDONED PROPERTY AND WILL BE DISPOSED OF ACCORDINGLY.
- The total purchase price is payable to the Trustee within thirty (30) days of the date of sale, with ten (10%) of the total purchase price payable to the Trustee at sale.

WV Trustee Services, LLC, Substitute Trustee  
BY: Jim Ashley, Limited Signing Officer  
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(304) 853-3336  
jim.ashley@wvtrusteeservices.com  
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while driving in the past 30 days.

To stay focused behind the wheel and help prevent tragedies, AAA recommends motorists:

Utilize the Driving Focus feature on smartphones to minimize distractions.

Pull over safely to make a call or send a text.

While a passenger, speak up if the driver of the vehicle is distracted.

Put phones out of sight to reduce temptation.

Program GPS before starting a trip, not while driving.

Ask passengers for help with navigation, calls, or texts.

Don't be a distraction—avoid calling or texting others while they're driving.

For more information about AAA's #ActionAgainstDistraction pledge campaign, read stories of lives impacted by distracted driving, and watch PSA's and a distracted driving documentary called "Sidetracked," visit AAA.com/DontDriveDistracted.



April 27, 1978: An accident at the Willow Island Power Station on the Ohio River killed 51 men. The scaffolding that had been erected for use in the construction of a new cooling tower collapsed, sending the workers plunging to the ground.

April 28, 1914: An explosion at the Eccles No. 5 mine in Raleigh County killed 174 men. The mine connected with Eccles No. 6, operating in another coal seam. Nine men in No. 6 died of injuries and of afterdamp, the deadly gas left after a mine explosion.

April 28, 1920: The Monongahela National Forest was created by presidential proclamation. It is the only national forest completely within the boundaries of West Virginia.

April 28, 1924: An explosion ripped through the Benwood coal mine south of Wheeling, killing 119 miners.

April 28, 1948: Watt Powell Park opened in Charleston. About 8,000 people, including Governor Okey L. Patteson, attended the city's inaugural game in the Class A Central League. After the 2004 season, Watt Powell Park was replaced by what is now known as GoMart Ballpark, and the old park was demolished in 2005.

April 29, 1863: Confederate General William E. "Grumble" Jones waged a battle at Fairmont that involved a force of 500 regulars, home guards and volunteers. The Confederates prevailed, burning the personal library of Francis Pierpont, governor of the Restored Government of Virginia, and exploding an iron railroad bridge across the Monongahela River.

April 30, 1871: Coach Fielding "Hurry-Up" Yost was born in Marion County. He was a tackle on West Virginia University's football team in 1895 and 1896, while earning a law degree. In 1901, Yost's first season as coach at University of Michigan, the Wolverines compiled an 11-0 record, including a 49-0 defeat of Stanford in the first Rose Bowl.

April 30, 1927: An explosion roared through the Federal No. 3 mine owned by New England Fuel and Transportation Company of Everettville, Monongalia County. The explosion, subsequent fire and gas in the mine killed 97 men.



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| TOM ARMSTEAD<br>1123 Turkey Creek Road<br>Hurricane<br>66th Birthday April 25           | Huntington<br>27th Birthday April 26   |
| CHARLES PAUL<br>TAYLOR JR<br>Blue Sulfur Road<br>Ona<br>70th Birthday April 25          | MELANIE TRUMP<br>Washington DC<br>55th Birthday April 26   |
| LOWELL CARRICO<br>105 Alma Avenue<br>South Point, Ohio<br>87th Birthday April 25        | MAE ERWIN<br>496 Erwin Road<br>Winfield<br>82nd Birthday April 27                                |
| MARGARET DONEFF-<br>LUCAS<br>1001 Norton Avenue<br>Culloden<br>76th Birthday April 25   | RANDALL WITT<br>Winfield<br>Birthday April 27  |
| KENDALL BAKER<br>1311 Walnut Street<br>Kenova<br>17th Birthday April 25                 | CURTISS SHELTON<br>BROOKS<br>69 Henson Road<br>Hurricane<br>31st Birthday April 27               |
| LISA KAY<br>TEMPLETON<br>1635 Jenkins Creek Road<br>Glenwood<br>Birthday April 25       | HANNAH EDGAR<br>FLYNN<br>Hurricane<br>29th Birthday April 27                                     |
| APRIL RICHARDS-<br>RUTHERFORD<br>Culloden<br>52nd Birthday April 25                     | SABRINA DONAHUE<br>MOORE<br>#5 Campview Road<br>Barboursville<br>48th Birthday April 27          |
| SCARLETT BALL<br>120 Deer Run Road<br>Huntington<br>16th Birthday April 25              | MADYSON BREANNE<br>CHAPMAN<br>MESSINGER<br>Raccoon Creek<br>Branchland<br>25th Birthday April 27 |
| DAVID HILLIARD<br>340 Jone's Cove<br>Hurricane<br>70th Birthday April 25                | MADELINE ROSE<br>SHOWALTER<br>Georgia<br>15th Birthday April 27                                  |
| MIKE STARKS<br>2601 Larwood Drive<br>Charleston<br>79th Birthday April 25               | CARTER CHAPMAN<br>219 Huston Drive<br>Belmont, North Carolina<br>15th Birthday April 27          |
| MIKE CAIN<br>713 7th Avenue<br>St. Albans<br>Birthday April 26                          | JIM JUSTICE<br>74th Birthday April 27  |
| SUE ANN WITHERS<br>313 Main Street<br>Huntington<br>74th Birthday April 26              | JACOB CHAPMAN<br>107 Green Drive<br>Hurricane<br>10th Birthday April 28                          |
| WILMA SAVIDGE<br>216 North 8th Street<br>Upper Sandusky, Ohio<br>81st Birthday April 26 | JUNE WOOD POLK<br>Barboursville<br>Birthday April 28   |
| ZACH SMITH<br>& twin sister<br>RACHEL SMITH   | KYLE COOK<br>616 Sunset Drive<br>Ashland, Kentucky<br>88th Birthday April 28                     |
|   | JACOB HUTCHINSON<br>100 Windy Ridge Road<br>Lavalette<br>33rd Birthday April 28                  |

### Buffalo Methodist to Host Revival

Buffalo Methodist Church, located at 27 High Street, Buffalo, will be holding a revival on May 5-7, at 7 p.m. nightly. The theme of the revival is "Ignite the Spark" with guest speaker Rev. Bob Herdman. Special singing nightly. The church is handicapped accessible and everyone is welcome.

CRAIG GRANT  
Frazier's Bottom  
61st Birthday April 28

CAROLINE GILLISPIE  
KING  
166 Willow Tree Way,  
Apt. 309  
Hurricane  
73rd Birthday April 28

TOM TURNER  
#77 Frontier Lane  
Hurricane  
Birthday April 28

JAKE ALLEN  
EDWARDS  
Tennessee  
24th Birthday April 28

GARRETT WILLIAM  
EDWARDS  
Barboursville  
24th Birthday April 28

JACKIE SAUNDERS  
1818 Jerry's Run Road  
Apple Grove  
53rd Birthday April 28

RILEY HANCOCK  
Gallatin, Tennessee  
1st Birthday April 28

EARL G. TRAWICK, SR.  
Culloden  
80th Birthday April 29

CODY ALLEN TAYLOR  
Hurricane  
28th Birthday April 29

DEE CRESAP  
19210 N Concho Circle  
Sun City, Arizona  
81st Birthday April 29

WILLIE NELSON  
Spicewood, Texas  
92nd Birthday April 29

MEGAN SIERRA  
SLACK STATON  
Hurricane  
34th Birthday April 29

TODD NISCHAN  
Crestwood, Kentucky  
Birthday April 30

ROY NEACE  
HC 68 Box 6  
North Springs  
67th Birthday April 30

CURTIS GRANT  
#3 Riverdale Estates  
Winfield  
78th Birthday April 30

CONNIE BIRD  
P.O. Box 703  
Hurricane  
Birthday April 30

BOBBY GLENN  
4020 Kanawha Road  
Frazier's Bottom  
50th Birthday April 30

TYLER MORRISON  
Indian Meadows  
Ona  
Birthday April 30

DRAKE JORDAN  
HUMPHREY  
57 Crandall Drive  
Culloden  
12th Birthday April 30

JOE COX  
Winfield  
77th Birthday April 30

JODIE GILLISPIE  
BOGESS  
Maysville, Kentucky  
48th Birthday April 30

ROGER KELLEY  
Cape Coral, Florida  
56th Birthday April 30

LINDSEY REED  
187 Jones Cove  
Hurricane  
36th Birthday April 30

### Vintage Fire Truck Restoration Fundraiser

There will be an ATV/Jeep/4Wheeler benefit ride to benefit the restoration of a vintage Buffalo Fire Truck on Saturday, April 26. Registration will start at the Buffalo Boat ramp parking area at 8 a.m. and will have a mapped out route that brings you right back where you started. There will be food sales starting at 8 a.m. until sell out; items include sausage biscuits, pepperoni rolls, hot dogs, baked goods, and drinks. The ride starts at noon. The cost is \$10 per rider.

All funds donated will go towards the restoration of the 1939 General Built Co Fire truck that served as the Town of Buffalo Volunteer Fire Department's first ever fire truck. All labor work has been donated but the cost of parts and paint need to be fundraised!

Upon completion, the fire truck will be used as a restored piece of town history and driven in annual parades.

Parking is also available behind the Buffalo Fire Station, as well as overflow parking at the OLD Buffalo High School Parking lot. There will be plenty of room to haul them in!

### Free Clogging Course

The Guyan River Cloggers will be offering a FREE 8-week beginner clogging course starting on Tuesday, May 6, at Forrest Burdette United Methodist Church, Putnam Avenue, Hurricane.

This is a perfect opportunity for anyone who's ever wanted to try clogging or get back into it! Class will run from 5-6 p.m. Please arrive at 4:45 p.m. to complete registration! For more information, visit [www.guyanrivercloggers.com](http://www.guyanrivercloggers.com)

### Happy Anniversary

Boyce and Tina Gabbard Baker of Ironton, Ohio, will celebrate their fourth wedding anniversary on April 25.

Roy and Mary Young of 37 Winfield Avenue in Winfield will celebrate their thirty-ninth wedding anniversary on April 26.

Rod and Peggy Setliff of 4583 5&20 Mile Road in Frazier's Bottom will celebrate their fortieth wedding anniversary on April 26.

Clinton (Bud) and Xylphia Beaver of 2253 Hurricane Creek Road in Hurricane will celebrate their sixty-first wedding anniversary on April 27.

Bill and Debbie McCallister Gibson of 2861 Hurricane Creek Road in Hurricane will celebrate their fortieth wedding anniversary on April 27.

Rickey and Susan Reynolds of 66 Pine Grove Road in Culloden will celebrate their thirty-first wedding anniversary on April 30.

Tim and Jeanna Spears of #5 Hillview Lane in Milton will celebrate their thirty-first wedding anniversary on April 30.

Scott and Morgan Hedrick Ashley of 105 Brentwood Road in Nitro will celebrate their third wedding anniversary on April 30.

### High School Seniors Needed For Elaine Howell Scholarship

Every year since Elaine Howell's death 26 years ago, the Hurricane Woman's Club has awarded a scholarship to a female senior at Hurricane High School. There will be two \$500 scholarships this year. Applications are available in the school counselor's office. Deadline for submission of application is April 30.

#### Biography of Elaine Howell

Elaine Nelia Edwards Howell was manager of a successful bookstore in Charleston, WV. Born in 1924, she was a 1943 graduate of Hurricane High School, she was a lifelong resident of Hurricane, WV. After graduating, she worked in the Works Progress Administration in Winfield, WV and later, during World War II, the government agency that oversaw rationing of commodities throughout the war. In 1945 she married Lowell Howell of Winfield and, after the birth of her son David and daughter Nancy, moved to Hurricane, WV.

Elaine was an advocate for the establishment of the Hurricane Library in the early 1960s, reflecting her love of books. She worked for the Putnam County Library Hurricane branch and delivered books throughout Putnam County on the library's

### Historical Society to Meet

The Upper Vandalia Historical Society will meet at 2 p.m. on Sunday, April 27, at the Bancroft Mission, located on Route 62. Parking is in the lot behind the church.

### 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, or visit [animalshelter.putnamcountywv.gov](http://animalshelter.putnamcountywv.gov)



Meet Kilala! This handsome boy is a 10-month-old neutered pup weighing in at approximately 30 pounds – the perfect medium size for cuddles and adventures! Kilala has so much love to give, but he has a few specific needs for his ideal family. He would do best in a home without young children and would prefer to have zero cats in the household. While Kilala enjoys the company of other dogs, it's important that he meets any potential canine siblings first to ensure a happy pack dynamic. If you think Kilala could be the missing piece in your life, please head over to the website to fill out an adoption application.



Slim is a male domestic shorthair cat. He is estimated to be two years old, and weighs 10 pounds.



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