

# The Hurricane Breeze

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## Putnam County Vet Ordered to Pay \$956,709 in Penalties

Acting United States Attorney for the Southern District of West Virginia Lisa G. Johnston announced a default judgment of \$956,709 against Putnam County veterinarian Clara Ann Mason on Tuesday, August 5. Mason was unable to account for 9,796 dosage units of oxycodone HCL, hydrocodone/acetaminophen and other controlled substances. Dr. Mason has provided veterinarian services for horses and small animals in Putnam County for around ten years.

United States District Judge Robert C. Chambers ordered Mason, 64, of Winfield, to pay the maximum civil penalties. The Court found that Mason ordered thousands of doses of opioids and other drugs, failed to keep these drugs secured, failed to keep track of these drugs, and apparently fabricated records to cover her failures.

According to court documents, between March 8, 2018, and July 10, 2023, Mason ordered 14,200 dosage units of hydrocodone/acetaminophen at 10/325 milligrams each, 800 dosage units of oxycodone HCL at 10 milligrams each, and 600 dosage units of oxycodone HCL at 5 milligrams each from a veterinary pharmaceutical wholesale supplier. At the time, Mason was

licensed under the laws of West Virginia to practice veterinary medicine and was registered with the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) as a practitioner authorized to dispense controlled substances to the extent permitted by federal law.

For the years 2021, 2022, and 2023, Mason ordered substantially more hydrocodone/acetaminophen from the supplier than any other individual customer. Between January 2021 and January 2023, Mason's oxycodone HCL orders accounted for 74 percent of all oxycodone HCL dosage units sold by the supplier.

On October 11, 2023, investigators executed an administrative inspection warrant at the address Mason registered with DEA in Winfield and found controlled substances unsecured in numerous locations throughout the property. During the execution of the warrant, Mason was unable to produce any records of dispensing scheduled medications, the required DEA forms recording her purchases of controlled substances, or inventory records also required by federal law. Mason voluntarily surrendered her DEA registration number during the execution of the warrant.

Investigators took

## Zoology Zone Hosts Baby Gator Meet and Greet



Meeting Baby Gator was an exciting experience for everybody except the gator who displayed reptilian emotion.

By Ron Allen

Zoology Zone Science Center at Valley Park was filled with excitement on Friday, August 8, as the Center introduced a new resident — an 18-month old baby alligator. Unlike humankind, alligators do not reveal their gender when they enter the world. The new arrival's temporary name is Baby Gator and will remain that way for another six months. Alligators must

wait until their second birthday party before engaging in gender reveal festivities.

For a goodly number, the event was extra-extra exciting. There are few experiences which can match the first-time feel of touching an alligator. The event was more than exciting. For Lily's Place, a facility in Huntington which treats babies born with substance addiction issues, the event provided

needful donations. Donations were rewarded free admission to Zoology Zone. In addition to monetary gifts, suitable items included diapers (all sizes), pull-ups (all sizes), baby wipes, diaper cream, infant rattles/sensory toys, and all things appropriate for baby shower gifts.

Lily's Place opened in 2014 in response to the growing substance use epidemic in Huntington to treat babies born with Neonatal Abstinence Syndrome (NAS). Lily's

Place offers private rooms with a quiet atmosphere and dim lighting, which are best for babies with NAS who are sensitive to light and sound. Over the years, the organization has expanded, and now provides resources for prevention treatment education, behavioral health and more. They have served more than 350 babies and families since their inception. For more information, go to <https://lilysplace.org>

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## Parks Commission Restores Upkeep to Hometown Park



(l-r): Brittany Willard, Becky Richmond, Justn Williams, Jim Bowyer, James Vanoy, Greg Mick, and Doug Pierson.

By Ron Allen

The Putnam County Parks and Recreation Commission met on Thursday, August 7th, at the Valley Park Conference Center with approximately thirty members of the public in attendance. Public attendance at Parks and Recreation meetings rarely numbers more than three or four.

The unusually large public presence was prompted by a transaction of the commission at its prior meeting. On June 5th, the commission voted to abandon upkeep of the Hometown Park.

The Hometown Park? It would be fair to state that most Putnam residents lack knowledge of the park's existence. The park, known locally as the Grove or Mitchell's Grove, has been in existence for close to 100 years and is home

to two historical markers made possible by the West Virginia Humanities Council's Rivers to Ridges Heritage Trail. The suspension of upkeep at the park was viewed as a prudent cost cutting move for a facility that saw little use.

The first order of business on August 7th was to vote upon a motion to fund upkeep at the Hometown Park for the coming year. The vote was rewarded with applause.

One individual present asked the commission the reason for reversing its abandonment of the park. "We received additional information" was the quick reply.

The additional information included letters to reconsider which were submitted by Rob Vanater (Program Director for Rivers to Ridges

Heritage Trail), Delegate Kathie Hess Crouse (Dist. 19), the Bancroft Town Council, Kelli Steele (Executive Director of Putnam County Tourism) and seven members of the public.

Putnam County Parks Director Justin Williams also provided members of the commission with a summary of costs relating to park upkeep and statistics documenting park usage gathered by Putnam Tourism. The annual cost of upkeep is an estimated \$4,756 with a yearly visitor total of 3,200. The 3,200 number was determined by the presence of mobile devices and, consequently, does not count every attendee.

Following the vote to continue upkeep, about two-thirds of the public exited the meeting. Other business focused

## Walk-N-Roll — 'Dancing in the Rain' for Challenged Children



Valley Park soccer field was the site of the 2025 Sweet Julia Grace Foundation's Walk-N-Roll in the State of West Virginia. The Sweet Julia Grace Foundation serves families in Putnam and Kanawha Counties, as well as families in Northern Virginia. The SJGF organization grants

wishes that bring joy and change lives, fill in gaps other services are unable to fill, and provide support with day-to-day needs for families going through the unimaginable with their child.

The unimaginable happened to Sara and Jason Knight in 2013 when their

daughter Julia passed away due to complications of a rare disease called I-cell. Julia lived 12 beautiful years inspiring everyone who knew her, read about her, and loved her.

SJGF was founded by Sara, a Hurricane High School graduate, in Julia's honor. The Sweet Julia Grace Foundation Walk-N-Roll is an inclusive fundraiser where children

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## Town of Eleanor Founding Celebration, Aug. 15-16

The Town of Eleanor is proud to announce the celebration of its 90th anniversary, commemorating nine decades of community, progress, and tradition since its founding in 1935.

The town invites residents, families, former citizens, and guests to join in a series of special events and festivities planned mostly upon Valley Park, consisting of discussion of plans, future events, and maintenance updates.

throughout the weekend of August 15 - 16. This milestone offers a unique opportunity to honor the town's rich history, recognize those who have helped shape the town, and celebrate all things Eleanor.

The town looks forward to sharing this historic occasion with everyone who calls Eleanor home - past, present, and future.

Turn to Page 2 for more information and a complete schedule of events.

### WEATHER SUMMARY

August 5 - 11		
	Low	High
August 5		
Hurricane	59°	83°
August 6		
Hurricane	58°	84°
August 7		
Hurricane	61°	87°
August 8		
Hurricane	58°	88°
August 9		
Hurricane	58°	88°
August 10		
Hurricane	58°	88°
August 11		
Hurricane	62°	93°
*RAIN None recorded		

# 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 THROUGH THE END OF OCTOBER

- The Putnam County Farmer's Market will be held 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.

## NOW - AUGUST 16

Summerfest will be held around the South Charleston Mound. For a schedule of events, go to <https://cityofsouthcharleston.com/events>

## AUGUST 14

- There will be a ladies' board game night from 6:30 to 8 p.m. at Winfield Nazarene Church, 10822 Winfield Road.

- Putnam Aging will hold its 2025 Senior Picnic from 10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at Valley Park in Hurricane. The theme will be the Groovy 70's.

## AUGUST 15 - 16

- Hillbilly Days Fair will be held at the Lincoln County Memorial Fairgrounds in Hamlin.

- Homestead Days - Eleanor's 90th Anniversary Celebration - will be held in Eleanor.

## AUGUST 15

- The Nitro Fishing Tournament will be held at Ridenour Lake. Registration starts at 4:30 p.m. and the event lasts all night.

- There will be an Eleanor Community Pool Party starting at 6 p.m. with a 5K, live music, games, and more.

- The Meeks Mountain Trails Slush Fun Run Hike and Bike will start at 6 p.m. Meet up at the big red barn at Hurricane City Park.

- Poolside Pages will be held from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. at Valley Park in Hurricane. Admission is \$5. Come read or relax for an evening of self care. Adults only.

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## Town of Eleanor to Celebrate 90th Anniversary This Weekend

Big things are coming to the Town of Eleanor this weekend, August 15 and 16, as the town celebrates 90 years of community, history, and hometown pride! Get ready for a weekend full of fun, food, music, and memories!

### Event Schedule

Friday, August 15  
6 - 10 p.m. - Community Pool Party at the Eleanor Pool

7 p.m. - 90th Anniversary 5K; start/finish at the Eleanor Pool (Event To Be Determined)

Saturday, August 16

10 a.m. - 4 p.m. - 3rd Annual George Washington Elementary School Music Vendor Fair in Room C (upstairs at Fire Department)

Noon - 4 p.m. - Art Gallery/Competition and Town Hall Tours at the Homestead Room at Town Hall

1 - 3 p.m. - Bingo in Room B (Downstairs of Fire Department)

5 p.m. - Official Welcome Ceremony at Town Park Gazebo

5 - 10 p.m. - Free community hot dog picnic in Room C. Evening celebration at town park; inflatables for children, free cotton candy and popcorn

6-7p.m. - Performance by the North Putnam Community Band

7 0 8 p.m. - Dancer's Choice square dance demonstration

8 p.m. - Live music by Not Quite Paradise

### Community Pool Party

Kick off the celebration at the Eleanor Pool! The party starts off at 6 p.m., and with your energy, it could be one of the best nights of the year. Admission is just \$3 at the gate - but free for kids 5 and under and anyone who visited the pool earlier that day. There will be a DJ spinning your favorite tunes, food trucks in the parking lot, and plenty of fun for the whole family.

The Eleanor Pool opened in 1970. Operated for many years by Putnam County, it has been proudly run by the Town of Eleanor since 2012. Look for the commemorative plaque on the pool house to see some familiar names who helped make the pool a reality.

### 3rd Annual GWES Music Vendor Fair

### Free Ad Space

The Breeze is offering free ads to individuals and organizations. Yard sales, estate sales, home appliances, personal items, etc.

Space is limited. Submission by email is preferred ([breezenews@citynet.net](mailto:breezenews@citynet.net)).

### FOR SALE

For Sale: Fayzah Spanos Dolls. 304-419-6672.

For Sale: John Deere 1025R Sub Compact Utility Tractor. 120R Loader & Canopy -Garage Kept. 60" Mower - Auto PTO - 880 Hours. \$18,500.304-541-4262.

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- The 2025 West Virginia Cupcake Festival will be held at Valley Park in Hurricane. For a schedule of events, go to <https://wvcupcakefestival.com>

### AUGUST 21

- The monthly Night Market - featuring vendors, food trucks, and local bands - will be held from 6 to 9 p.m. at Valley Park in Hurricane. This month's theme will be 90's Night.

## The Way We Were, The Way We Are

By Brenda Burke

*"Life is like a mountain railway, with an engineer that's brave*

*We must make the run successful, from the cradle to the grave,*

*Heed the curves and hills and tunnels, never falter never fail,*

*Keep your hand upon the throttle, and your eye upon the rail.*

*Blessed Savior, thou will guide us,*

*Till we reach that blissful shore,*

*Where the angels wait to join us,*

*In God's praise for evermore.*

*As we roll along the mainline, they'll be storms and they'll be night,*

*They'll be sidetracks unexpected, on the left and on the right,*

*But with the straight always before us, and our hearts upon the prize,*

*They'll be no disembarkation until we reach paradise."*

— Internet /Anderson

A friend of mine is looking for a house to buy in Hurricane/Teays Valley. I told her to look near the train tracks but not too, too close.

I remember when I drove up from South Carolina to buy a little house in 1998. I had to keep an apartment there to teach one more year as I promised. Thus, I could only buy something I could afford... two places with expenses. I found a small house in Scott Depot.

My daughter and her husband met me (from Indiana) that spring break. I told them, "Before we look, you must realize that we are between the railroad and the interstate most places." We were...

We looked at more houses than one can imagine. Mike joined us and inspected a few for me. The little one in Scott Depot was a tiny cottage. The highway took it later, and I bought a bigger

Eleanor's founding and growth over the last 90 years. From architectural features to rare glimpses into the town's earliest days, the tour offers a meaningful way to connect with Eleanor's unique past.

### History Alive! "Minnie Reed"

Putnam County Library is pleased to sponsor a FREE History Alive! performance of "Minnie Reed," portrayed by Mary Dailey. This living history exhibit surveys the rich history of music in Appalachian culture through the fictitious life of "Minnie Reed" brought to life by actress and historian Mary Dailey. Her performance begins at 11am on Saturday, August 16 at town hall.

### B-I-N-G-O

Residents and visitors are invited to take part in a special afternoon of bingo on Saturday, August 16th. The event will be held from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. in Room B. All ages are welcome, and players will have the chance to win a variety of lighthearted prizes. To help support the event, participants are kindly asked to bring a \$1 item to donate that can be used as a prize during the games. In addition to this special anniversary event, bingo is held every Thursday in Room B from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. throughout the year. These weekly games offer a chance to gather and

home in Teays Valley, with the help of my son. I loved Green Acres.

My friend is not having much luck but keeps looking. I hope she finds something soon. There are not many for sale.

I was so excited to be returning to Putnam County but not so much to Scott Depot. However, I did like the house. I waited from 1969 to 1999 to finally settle back in my home county. The first year I owned the house, I traveled back and forth from South Carolina. I had an efficiency apartment there close to Myrtle Beach.

The railroad never bothered be. The train did wake my grand girls in the middle of the night when they visited.

The little house in Scott Depot was too close to the interstate and noisy. I preferred being close to the railroad.

I have written about my years a million times.

I have written about the long, lonesome sound of the train as it passes through. It is as if it is announcing,

"Here I am. Notice me. I have a presence. Don't ignore me." Then it's gone for awhile until next time.

My Indiana family and I have discussed taking a train trip. They travel between NYC and DC on the train. We might do that . I must insert here that as I write this, some of my family is vacationing in Maine and some in California. At any given time, some of us are flying. Maybe the train would be nice.

My readers know my favorite places...where I have family and friends.

Until next time I go home to WV, I will remember the sound of that train... and I will enjoy that gospel song about the train because the way we were is the way we are.

have fun.

### Saturday Evening Celebration and Activities

The evening festivities begin at the gazebo, where Mayor Cam Clendenin will offer an official welcome to kick off the evening at 5:00 p.m. Immediately following, the community is invited to gather for a group photo in front of the gazebo which will serve as a commemorative snapshot celebrating Eleanor's 90 years since its founding in 1935. After the photo, guests can make their way to Room C for a free hotdog picnic, where volunteers will be serving hotdogs, chips, refreshments, and desserts. The picnic is open to all and offers a great chance to relax and enjoy the evening with neighbors and friends. Entertainment begins at 6:00 p.m. and continues throughout the night with a lineup that highlights local talent.

If you are looking for a souvenir for the event, there will be 90th Anniversary T-Shirts (\$15 each) and refrigerator magnets (\$2 each) for sale.

From historic displays to live music and family fun, Eleanor's 90th Anniversary promises to be a celebration to remember. Everyone is invited to come out and be part of this special day in the heart of the community.

# Serving Their Community



Five members of the Putnam County Lions Club volunteered at the Winfield Nazarene Church's Food Bank on Saturday, August 9th. Lions President Trudy Oliver attended for the first time, and was welcomed by Pastor Scott Buell. Pictured are Lions Club members Lynda Smith, Larry Frye, Paul Reford, and Suzette Redford.

# Walk-N-Roll — 'Dancing in the Rain' for Challenged Children

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with serious medical issues and complex special needs are the stars of the show — a joyful celebration of inclusion and community. Numerous volunteers in the community and beyond were on hand for the event on Saturday, August 9, to cheer and provide encouragement to children and families who are experiencing that

which the Knights endured more than a decade ago. Hurricane Mayor Scott Edwards, the Marshall University Cheerleaders, and the Dirty Birds baseball team mascot were present to cheer the children and their families as they walked and rolled to and through the finish line in wheelchairs, riding adaptive bikes, using gait trainers, scooters, or strollers — all while raising

awareness and funds for foundation. Every child received a medal and got to enjoy the Family Fun Day after the walk. The children blessed, celebrated, and loved in honor of Julia Grace are lovingly called "Raindancers" because despite the storms they face every day, they have learned to "Dance in the Rain" as Julia Grace did.

# Putnam Veterinarian Ordered to Pay \$956,709 in Penalties

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that at least 6,593 dosage units of hydrocodone and oxycodone were unaccounted for along with other controlled substances. In the days and weeks following the execution of the warrant, Mason provided purported records alleging she dispensed large quantities of opioids to dogs and cats prior to euthanasia. Investigators believe these documents were largely fabricated. Investigators also interviewed several pet owners, and none said they witnessed

Mason administering oral medications to their pets. "The Court concluded that Dr. Mason jeopardized the safety of the community, which has been severely harmed by the opioid epidemic, by failing to properly secure and track these drugs," Johnston said. "The Court assessed the maximum penalties in this case. This outcome is the result of the excellent work by the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA), our office's Affirmative Civil Enforcement and Health Care Fraud Investigative Specialist Tyler E. Japhet, and

Assistant United States Attorney Gregory P. Neil." "DEA registrants are responsible for handling controlled substances responsibly and ensuring complete and accurate records are being maintained in compliance with the Controlled Substance Act," said Special Agent in Charge Jim Scott, head of DEA's Louisville Division. "Failure to comply with controlled substance regulations puts our communities in grave danger, and any registrant who fails to meet these standards will be held accountable."



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](http://www.wvencyclopedia.org).

blood-stained \$7,000 was recovered.

Aug. 14, 1941: Singer Connie Smith was born in Indiana but was raised in Summers County. She became the first female country artist to have a number one record for eight weeks. Dolly Parton once said, "There are only three great singers: Connie Smith, Barbra Streisand, and Linda Ronstadt. The rest of us are just pretending."

Aug. 14, 1943: Astronaut Jon Andrew McBride was born in Charleston. McBride became an astronaut in 1979 and piloted the space shuttle Challenger on an eight-day mission in 1984.

Aug. 15, 1867: The cornerstone was laid for the Fairmont Branch

Normal School (now Fairmont State University).

Aug. 15, 1906: The Niagara Movement began a five-day meeting at Storer College in Harpers Ferry. The organization was founded the previous year by a group of Black intellectuals, including W. E. B. Du Bois.

Aug. 15, 1946: The first FM radio station in the state, WCFC of Beckley, began regular programming.

Aug. 16, 1851: William Hope "Coin" Harvey was born in Buffalo, Putnam County. Harvey, a social reformer, was nominated for president of the United States by the Liberty Party in 1932.

Aug. 16, 1913: Helen Holt was born in Illinois. In 1957, Governor Cecil Underwood appointed her to fill the secretary of state's unexpired term, making her the first woman to hold statewide office in West Virginia.

Aug. 17, 1944: Staff Sergeant Stanley Bender of Fayette County earned the Medal of Honor in southern France. Bender rushed through intense machine gun fire and grenades, and knocked out two German machine guns with rifle fire. His actions inspired the rest of his company to take out a German roadblock, kill 37 enemy soldiers, and take 26 prisoners.

Aug. 17, 1946: Old-

time musician Dwight Diller was born in Rand but spent most of his life in Pocahontas County, documenting, teaching, and performing traditional music.

Aug. 17, 1976: The National Mine Health and Safety Academy opened at Beaver, near Beckley. The academy, located on a 76-acre campus, is the world's largest educational institution devoted solely to safety and health in mining.

Aug. 18, 1749: Explorer Celoron de Blainville buried a leaden plate at Point Pleasant, after burying another at Wheeling, to claim the

Ohio Valley for France.

Aug. 18, 1885: Artemus Ward Cox was born on a farm at Red Knob, Roane County. In 1914, Cox bought the George Ort Department Store on Capitol Street in Charleston. That store became the first in a chain of 21 A. W. Cox stores in West Virginia, Virginia, Ohio and Kentucky.

Aug. 19, 1863: Union cavalry under Brigadier General William W. Averell destroyed the Confederate saltpeter works near Franklin. It was the first of a series of Union raids in West Virginia led by Averell that month.

Aug. 19, 1997: Fiddler

Curly Ray Cline died. Born in Logan County, Cline was a member of the Lonesome Pine Fiddlers and Ralph Stanley's Clinch Mountain Boys.

Aug. 20, 1851: The oldest statue in West Virginia, a nine-foot wood carving of Patrick Henry, was dedicated at the county courthouse in Morgantown.

Aug. 20, 2004: Eldora Bolyard Nuzum died in Elkins. While working for the Grafton Sentinel in 1946, she became the first female editor of a daily newspaper in West Virginia. For three decades, she was editor of the Elkins Inter-Mountain.

**Cpl. William B. Fulks Detachment 1474 invites all interested in becoming part of the Marine Corps League to its August 18 meeting at Hurricane City Hall at 3255 Teays Valley Road, Hurricane, at 1800 hours.**



**The Marine Corps League provides an avenue by which members may express loyalty to one another and reach out in support to the families of those Marines who never got to come home. Through numbers the League works to protect the benefits of all veterans.**

**One can join at any detachment meeting by filling out and signing a MCL membership application, showing character of service with a copy of discharge papers (DD-214), and pay the annual membership dues of \$30.00**

### NOTICE OF TESTING

The Putnam County Sheriff's Office is testing for probationary deputy sheriff on September 27th, 2025, at 9:00 AM at the sheriff's office located at 236 Courthouse Dr., Winfield, WV. The test will include a physical agility test and a written exam. Please call the sheriff's office at 304-586-0256 for any questions.

A Message from UNION OIL & GAS and TEAVEE OIL & GAS  
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Immediately evacuate the house or building and nearby area, travel upwind and advise others to stay away.



Do not use your phone from inside the house or in the immediate vicinity.



Do not turn lights on or off, or use the garage door opener.



Leave doors and windows open to allow gas to travel outside the house.



From a safe place, call Union Oil & Gas, and call 911. Wait for someone from the gas company to tell you it's safe to return to your house, building or property.

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# Fillers Page

Edited by Betsy Allen



## August

From Jeff Burkhardt's "Rhyme and Reason"  
Submitted by Myra Simmons

August stay, that we might play,  
please let our summer linger  
Lest the trees, let loose their leaves,  
and turn to bony fingers

Lay still upon the grass in August:  
find a four-leaf clover  
Wish upon it quickly, that the  
summer not be over

In the early evening, feel the chill  
not felt in June  
Whispering a quiet call that  
fall is coming soon

Memories of summer, did and done  
but still remembered  
August had its way but soon,  
will fall into September

### 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

## Power Your Summer with 100% Orange Juice

(Family Features) Whether you're lounging by the pool or hitting the trails for a family hike or bike ride, exposure to summer heat can leave you feeling dehydrated and fatigued.

Comprised of nearly 90% water and delivering essential electrolytes like potassium and magnesium, 100% orange juice can serve as a healthy complement to your hydration routine. These electrolytes are crucial in helping to maintain fluid balance and muscle function regardless of the time of year, but they're especially important during the warmer summer months when you are exerting more.

Consider these unexpected ways Florida Orange Juice can help power your summer.

### Support Immunity

100% orange juice isn't just a tasty drink; it's also packed with essential nutrients that support your immune system. An 8-ounce glass of 100% orange juice is an excellent source of vitamin C, plus it provides key nutrients such as folate, potassium and thiamin, as well as vitamin D and calcium (in fortified juices), that help support the immune system all year long.

### Add Healthy Flavor to Meals

Fat-free, cholesterol-free and sodium-free with no added sugar, 100% orange juice is a healthy addition to any diet, adding a burst of flavor to favorite dishes. Consider using Florida Orange Juice as part of the marinade in these Orange Juice Citrus Chicken Kebabs or as a base for salad dressings to create a perfect balance that will delight your taste buds.

### Electrolyte and Hydration Support

With many kids participating in summer sports and other outdoor demands on families during the warmer months, it can be difficult to provide your family with healthy, hydrating beverages. However, an option like this On-the-Go Orange Juice Sports Drink helps to replenish carbohydrates and electrolytes during and after physical activity, such as running, biking, exercising or playing sports.

Find more nutritious and delicious recipes to keep your family energized during summer activities at FloridaJuice.com.

### Orange Juice Citrus Chicken Kebabs

Recipe courtesy of Aaron Himrod on behalf of the Florida Department of Citrus  
Servings: 8 (2 kebabs per serving)

- 1 large Florida Orange, zest only
- 1 lime, zest only
- 1/2 teaspoon ground thyme
- 2 tablespoons vegetable oil
- 1/4 teaspoon granulated garlic
- 1 teaspoon salt
- white pepper, to taste
- 1 cup Florida Orange Juice
- 1 cup lemon-lime soda
- 2 pounds chicken tenders
- 8 wooden skewers

To make marinade: In medium mixing bowl, combine orange zest; lime zest; thyme; oil; garlic; salt; white pepper, to taste; orange juice; and soda.

Add chicken and completely coat with marinade. Cover bowl and place in refrigerator at least 1 hour.

Soak wooden skewers in water 20-30 minutes.

To make kebabs: Remove chicken from fridge and lace through each skewer using weaving motion. Repeat for all chicken tenders and set aside.

When skewers are prepared, drizzle extra marinade over chicken.

Heat grill to medium. Place chicken on grill. Cover and cook 3 minutes per side, or until center of meat reaches internal temperature of 170 F.

Remove from grill and serve immediately, or cover with foil and serve later.

Tips: Cover kebabs with foil for at least 20 minutes after cooking to trap in flavor and juices.

Add vegetables to kebabs, if desired, to increase flavor.

### On-the-Go Orange Juice Sports Drink

Recipe courtesy of the Florida Department of Citrus  
Servings: 1

- 8 ounces Florida Orange Juice
- 8 ounces water
- 1 pinch salt

Mix orange juice and water.  
Add pinch of salt.

Pour into small bottle or reusable pouch.

## Fillers from Linda

Submitted by Linda~Lavender Armstead  
Washington Hill Road, Hurricane

We do not need to travel the world when the source of all joy and all beauty is right within us.

Humans may leave, but the doggie's devotion never fades. That's friendship is pure form, fur real.

I'm too old for games, too tired to pretend, and too wise for lies.

You glow differently when you have good people in your life.

Old age isn't so bad when you consider the alternative.

Do you long for one true friend? You have one - Jesus Christ!

Nothing is sadder than a doggy abandoned by the one it trusted most.

The older you get, the more you look out your house windows.

It's not selfish to make yourself a priority. It's necessary.

Do we pass on what we got or get back what we pass on?

How you love yourself is how you teach others to love you.

Forgiveness is simply choosing to see the offender with different eyes.

This too shall pass. It may pass like a kidney stone, but it will pass.

Protect your hands, you need them to pick up your paycheck.

This is a wonderful day. I've never seen this one before.

One cat just leads to another. - Ernest Hemingway

If at first you don't succeed, try, try again.

Raise your children; don't just grow them.

Shine bright with kindness.

Root out the violence in your life, and learn to live compassionately and mindfully.

Men never think their fortunes too great, nor their wit too little.

Every saint has a past, and every sinner has a future. - Oscar Wilde

What I love most about my home is who I share it with.

A moment of self-compassion can change your entire day.

I wrote a book on pigs but can't get it published. I should've used paper.

I took my doggy to the vet after he ate a box of scrabble tiles - no word yet.

Worry never sleeps, but God's children do.

I wonder how many wishes a star can give.

In a world full of roses, be a sunflower.

There's so much power and believing that



everything will work out.

Everything is created twice, first in the mind and then in reality.

It's easier to get back on your feet - just miss two car payments.

I'm thankful I only have to grow old once, I don't think I could do it twice.

One day you'll look back and be thankful It went God's way and not yours.

If you obey all of the rules, you miss all of the fun. - Katharine Hepburn

Love is an unconditional commitment to an imperfect person.

If you see cows lying in a field, it must mean it's pasture bedtime.

Teach your children to love animals - they'll be better adults.

God's love is like blades of grass - always growing, always reaching.

Love is immortality. - Emily Dickinson

Praise youth and it will prosper.

Don't spit into the wind.

Love the life you live.

Aspire to inspire.

Love is not what the mind thinks, but what the heart feels.

Even death is not to be feared by one who has lived wisely.

To conquer oneself is a greater victory than to conquer thousands in a battle.

Love is something eternal; the aspect may change, but not the essence. - Vincent Van Gogh

Love is a fruit in season at all times, and within the reach of every hand. - Mother Teresa

Take away love and our earth is a tomb. - Robert Browning

Til I loved I never lived. - Emily Diskinson

Only the dead have seen the end of the war.

Life is the flower for which love is the honey.

Strong and bitter words indicate a weak cause.

Never love anyone who treats you like you're ordinary. - Oscar Wilde

Winning isn't everything, but wanting to win is. - Vince Lombardi

Better to have it and not need it than to need it and not have it.

An injured friend is the bitterest of foes. - Thomas Jefferson

If at first you don't succeed, do it the way

your wife told you.

The wise man does not grow old, but ripens. - Victor Hugo

Success is a journey, not a destination.

From caring comes courage.

Keep an eye open for opportunities.

Beauty comes from within you and how you treat others.

Life gets easier with a positive outlook.

You can't make a goal from standing on the sidelines; get out and make it happen.

Sometimes we need to open our eyes wider to acknowledge what we already have.

Too many parents are quick to complain, but slow to compliment.

Stop trying to please everyone. You can't make everybody happy.

Don't be afraid to be different. We all have our own special talents.

Stop thinking that you're not good enough. You need to believe in yourself.

Don't sacrifice your happiness. Remember to take care of yourself.

Your job as a man is make sure she doesn't need another man.

Sometimes you have to do it yourself if you want it done.

The most useful tool in life is a good smile.

Cleanliness is a good way to stay healthy.

Home is where your soul feels safe.

Smile. It's the key that fits everybody's heart.

Sickness is felt, but health not at all. - Thomas Fuller

Everyone thinks they have the best doggie, and none of them are wrong.

Your words may represent your thoughts, but your efforts represent you.

Be a good person, love who you can, help when you can, give what you can.

Beautiful people are not always good, but good people are always beautiful.

What we want to ignite in others, must first burn inside yourself.

## Bible Verse



My goal is that they may be encouraged in heart and united in love, so that they may have the full riches of complete understanding, in order that they may know the mystery of God, namely, Christ.  
— Colossians 2:2

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**Request for Bid**  
**Teays Valley Volunteer Fire Department**

**Re: Type 1 Ambulance for Teays Valley Volunteer Fire Department Bid # 25-001**

Date: August 28, 2025

Bid Opening: Bid packets must be received on or before August 28, 2025, at 4:00 p.m. at the Teays Valley Volunteer Fire Department, 62 Scott Depot, WV 25560. (P.O. Box 57, Scott Depot, WV 25560 if mailed). Bids will be opened on Wednesday, August 29, 2025, at 5:00 pm at 62 Scott Depot Rd, Scott Depot, WV 25560.

**INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS:**  
**PLEASE USE THIS FORM AS THE COVER SHEET FOR YOUR BID**

Bids must be received in a sealed envelope with the date, time, and bid number referenced on the outside of the envelope. Faxed/emailed bids will not be accepted.

Bid must specify F.O.B. Delivery Point, unless otherwise indicated. All bids should be signed by the responsible party indicating all facts of the bid the total amount of the bid.

The Teays Valley Volunteer Fire Department reserves the right to accept or reject any part or in whole any bid submitted, whichever is in the best interest of the Teays Valley Volunteer Fire Department.

ITEM: Type 1 Ambulance

**SPECIFICATIONS:**  
 Teays Valley Volunteer Fire Department

Primary Contact Person: Cody Smoot, Fire Chief  
 Secondary Contact Person: Joey Puterbaugh, Deputy Fire Chief  
 Teays Valley Volunteer Fire Department  
 62 Scott Depot Rd.  
 P.O. BOX 57  
 Scott Depot, WV 25560  
 Voice: (304) 757-7075  
 Fax: (304) 757-7717

**BID OPENING: (2) copies of bids must be received in a sealed envelope, with the date and time of the bid opening on the outside of the envelope, on or before Thursday, August 28, 2025, at 4:00 p.m. at the Teays Valley Volunteer Fire Department, 62 Scott Depot, Scott Depot, WV 25560. (P.O. Box 57, Scott Depot, WV 25560 if mailed). Bids will be opened on Friday, August 29, 2025, at 5:00 pm at 62 Scott Depot Rd, Scott Depot, WV 25560.**  
**Faxed or e-mailed bids will not be accepted.**

**SPECIFICATIONS:** The following specifications are intended to describe the Type 1 Ambulance design necessary for daily EMS operations of the TVFD. The final pricing will include appropriate packaging and shipping of the purchased equipment for the Teays Valley Volunteer Fire Department. The details contained in these specifications are not designed to exclude any vendor from bidding but are offered as a means of describing the needs of the Teays Valley Volunteer Fire Department. Where brand names may be used, the words "or equal" are assumed to be followed.

All specifications are minimum requirements. 8-7-21

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

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

Estate No.: 5822  
 Estate Of: Donald Ray Gillispie  
 Administrator  
 dbn: Robert Eggleton, Sheriff  
 12093 Winfield Road  
 Winfield, WV 25213

Estate No.: 6137  
 Estate Of: Linda M. Baier  
 Executrix: Kimberly M. Wine  
 34 Spruce Lane  
 Poca, WV 25159

Estate No.: 6175  
 Estate Of: Sandra Ann Joyce  
 Co-Executrix: Victoria Ann Martin  
 307 Plantation Drive  
 Hurricane, WV 25526  
 Co-Executrix: Timothy Joyce  
 1156 Champion School Rd  
 Belleville, WV 26133

Estate No.: 6184  
 Estate Of: James Albert Call  
 Executor: Albert Eugene Call  
 4009 Big Spings Ridge Rd  
 Friendsville, TN 37737

Estate No.: 6193  
 Estate Of: William Barry Martin  
 Executrix: Amy Michelle Roberts  
 404 Castle Vale Road  
 Irmo, SC 29063

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 August 7, 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 August 7, 2025. Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 31st day of July 2025.  
 Fiduciary Supervisor  
 Putnam County Commission  
 10293 Winfield Road,  
 Winfield, WV 25213  
 8-7-21

**LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT**

**NOTICE OF SUCCESSOR TRUSTEE'S SALE**

Notice is hereby given, by virtue of the authority vested in the undersigned Successor Trustees, James W. Lane, Jr. and L. Elizabeth King, by that certain Credit Line Deed of Trust made by Brian K. Legg and Shanna E. Baxter, dated April 19, 2016, and recorded April 27, 2016, in the office of the Clerk of the County Commission of Putnam County, West Virginia in Trust Deed Book 1126, at page 779, the said Successor Trustees acting by virtue of that certain Appointment of Successor Trustee dated January 15, 2025, and recorded February 7, 2025, in the aforesaid Clerk's office in Trust Deed Book 1381, at page 204, and default having been made in the payment of the Note secured by the aforesaid Deed of Trust, and having been requested in writing by the owner and holder of the Note, will offer for sale, at public auction, to the highest bidder at the front door of the Courthouse of Putnam County County, West Virginia, on Wednesday, September 10, 2025, at 12:00 p.m., all that certain lot, piece, or parcel of real property, together with the improvements thereon and the appurtenances thereunto belonging, described as follows: ALL THAT CERTAIN PARCEL OF REAL ESTATE TOGETHER WITH THE IMPROVEMENTS THEREON AND THE APPURTENANCES THEREUNTO BELONGING, SITUATE IN TEAYS VALLEY DISTRICT OF PUTNAM COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA, DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

BEING ALL OF LOT 8 OF MANOR WAY, A SUBDIVISION, AS THE SAME IS SHOWN UPON THE MAP OF SAME DATED NOVEMBER 5, 2004, ENTITLED, "FINAL LAYOUT SECTION ONE MANOR WAY SUBDIVISION" PREPARED BY ROGER K. RANDOLPH, PLS #1346, RECORDED IN MAP CABINET D, SLIDE 178.

AND BEING THE SAME PROPERTY CONVEYED UNTO BRIAN KENNETH LEGG AND SHANNA E. BAXTER, AS JOINT TENANTS WITH THE RIGHT OF SURVIVORSHIP, AND NOT AS TENANTS IN, BY DEED DATED MARCH 23, 2015 AND RECORDED IN THE OFFICE OF THE RECORDERS IN PUTNAM COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA IN THE DEED BOOK 540 AND PAGE 135.

THE SAID PARTY OF THE FIRST PART FURTHER GRANTS AND CONVEYS UNTO THE SAID PARTY OF THE SECOND PART, SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS, THE NON-EXCLUSIVE RIGHT TO USE THAT CERTAIN STREET, AS SHOW AND DESIGNATED UPON THE AFORESAID MAP FOR THE PURPOSE OF INGRESS AND EGRESS TO AND FROM THE PROPERTY HEREIN CONVEYED AND HURRICANE CREEK ROAD.

THIS CONVEYANCE IS MADE SUBJECT TO ANY AND ALL COVENANTS, RESTRICTIONS, EASEMENTS AND RESERVATIONS WHICH MAY BE A MATTER OF RECORD IN THE CLERK'S OFFICE AFORESAID AND RUNNING WITH THE LAND, INCLUDING THE SUBDIVISION RESTRICTIONS FOR MANOR WAY.

SUBJECT TO ALL EXISTING RESERVATIONS, RESTRICTIONS, AND EASEMENTS CREATED IN PRIOR DEEDS IN THE CHAIN OF TITLE TO THE PROPERTY HEREBY CONVEYED AND SUBJECT FURTHER TO THE LIEN OF THE 2015 REAL ESTATE TAXES WHICH SHALL BE PRORATED BETWEEN THE PARTIES HERETO, THE SAID PARTY OF THE FIRST PART COVENANTS TO AND WITH THE SAID PARTIES OF THE SECOND PART, THAT THE PROPERTY HEREIN CONVEYED IS FREE AND CLEAR OF ALL LIENS AND ENCUMBRANCES, AND HE WILL WARRANT GENERALLY THE TITLE TO THE PROPERTY HEREIN CONVEYED.

**TERMS OF SALE:** The Premises will be sold "AS IS, WHERE IS," in its present condition and with all faults and defects, if any. The property will be conveyed by deed with no covenants of warranty of title. The property shall be sold subject to all liens not discharged by the sale, including, without limitation, liens for real estate taxes, incinerator, sanitary and sewer charges and liens with priority to the Deed of Trust pursuant to which this sale is being conducted. The property shall be sold 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. 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 stamps to be affixed to the deed). The Successor Trustees and Star USA Federal Credit Union shall not be responsible for the removal of any person or personal property from the Premises. The property will be sold to the highest bidder, who shall be obligated to pay an initial deposit to the Trustees at the time of sale in the minimum amount of 10% of the bid amount, and the remaining balance shall be paid to the Trustees on or within 20 days of the date of the auction.

Pursuant to the Deed of Trust, the Successor Trustees may postpone the sale by public announcement at the time and place designated and act by agent in the execution of the sale. The parties secured by the Deed of Trust reserve the right to purchase the Premises at such sale.  
 Dated: July 30, 2025

**L. ELIZABETH KING**  
 Eric M. Johnson, Esq.  
 L. Elizabeth King, Esq.  
 Successor Trustees  
 200 Capitol Street  
 Charleston, WV 25301  
 (304) 205-6377  
 8-14-21

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**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING CITY OF WINFIELD BOARD OF ZONING AND APPEALS**

The Winfield Board of Zoning Appeals will hold a Public Hearing at 6:00 p.m. on September 15, 2025 at City Hall, 12448 Winfield Road, Winfield, WV 25213, on the Following:

BZA Case # 2025-2026-2, the application of Darin & Donna Lester seeking a variance from Article 1347.07(a)(3) R1 Single Family Residential Setbacks, of the Winfield Codified Ordinances; to allow side yard setbacks less than the required 6 feet.

The property is located at 10454 Winfield Road, Winfield, WV 25213.

Interested parties are invited to attend this hearing and express their opinion with respect thereto. The Board will vote on this matter after the Public Hearing, if time permits, otherwise they will announce the date and place the vote will be taken. For anyone wishing a transcript of this hearing, they should provide the necessary equipment and personnel for such. Please call Winfield City Hall at (304) 586-2122 with any questions.

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**Tariff Form No. 8-C**

**PUBLIC NOTICE OF CHANGE IN RATES UPON APPLICATION (Tariff Rule No. 30-C)**

NOTICE is hereby given that Union Oil & Gas, Inc., a public utility, has filed with the PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF WEST VIRGINIA an application containing increased rates, tolls and charges for furnishing natural gas service to 6,800 customers in the Counties of Cabell, Kanawha and Putnam, West Virginia.

The proposed increased rates and charges will become effective November 1, 2025, unless otherwise ordered by the Public Service Commission, and will produce an increase of approximately \$1,096,000 annually in revenue, an increase of 17.5%. The average monthly bill for the various classes of customers will be decreased as follows:

	\$ INCREASE	% INCREASE
Residential (5 mcf usage)	\$ 10.43	19.3%
Commercial (25 mcf usage)	\$ 52.15	24.0%

The increases shown are based on averages of all customers in the indicated classes. Individual customers may receive increases that are greater or less than average. Furthermore, the requested increased rates and charges are only a proposal and are subject to change (increases or decreases) by the Public Service Commission in its review of this filing. Any change in rates and charges will not become effective until authorized and approved by the Public Service Commission. If a hearing is scheduled, notice will be given of the time and place of hearing.

A complete copy of the tariff, as well as a representative of the Company to provide any information requested concerning it, is available to all customers, prospective customers or their agents at 85 Ferry Street, Winfield, WV 25213. A copy of the tariff is also available for public inspection at the offices of the Executive Secretary of the Public Service Commission at 201 Brooks Street, Charleston, WV 25301.

The Rule 30C procedure is designed to provide a procedure for changing rates charged to customers by natural gas distribution utilities based exclusively on the costs of purchased gas. Consequently, protest should be limited to the reasonableness of such costs and the method by which they are calculated. Anyone desiring to protest or intervene should file a written protest or notice of intervention within twenty-five (25) days following the date of this publication, unless otherwise modified by Commission order. Failure to timely intervene can affect your rights to protest any rate changes and to participate in future proceedings. Request to intervene must comply with the Commission's rules on intervention. All protests and intervention should be addressed to Executive Secretary, Public Service Commission of West Virginia, P.O. Box 812, Charleston, WV 25323.

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**Tariff Form No. 8-C**

**(Tariff Rule 14.2 et seq. (Historical Rule 30-C))**

**PUBLIC NOTICE OF CHANGE IN RATES UPON APPLICATION**

NOTICE is hereby given that MOUNTAINEER GAS COMPANY, a public utility, has filed with the PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF WEST VIRGINIA, an application containing increased rates, tolls and charges for furnishing natural gas service to approximately 218,000 customers at various locations in the Counties of Barbour, Berkeley, Boone, Braxton, Brooke, Cabell, Calhoun, Clay, Doddridge, Fayette, Gilmer, Grant, Greenbrier, Hancock, Hardy, Harrison, Jackson, Jefferson, Kanawha, Lewis, Lincoln, Logan, Marion, Marshall, Mason, McDowell, Mercer, Mineral, Mingo, Monongalia, Monroe, Morgan, Nicholas, Ohio, Pendleton, Preston, Putnam, Raleigh, Randolph, Ritchie, Roane, Summers, Tucker, Tyler, Upshur, Wayne, Wetzel, Wirt, Wood, and Wyoming.

The proposed changes in rates and charges will become effective November 1, 2025, unless otherwise ordered by the Public Service Commission, and will increase revenue approximately \$44,564,000 annually, an increase of approximately 39.2%. The average monthly bill for the various classes of customers of MOUNTAINEER GAS COMPANY who purchase their gas from MOUNTAINEER GAS COMPANY will be changed as follows:

	INCREASE	INCREASE
Residential	\$ 12.51	15.56%
Commercial	\$ 62.49	19.80%
Industrial	\$ 440.00	9.18%
Resale	\$ 1,479.55	28.10%

Proposed PGA rates for each Mountaineer rate schedule, which include Business and Occupation Tax, are as follows:

Rate Schedule	Present	Proposed	Increase \$	Increase %
RS	\$ 3.460	\$ 3.960	\$ 0.500	14.45%
RS Demand	\$ 11.08	\$ 20.59	\$ 9.51	85.83%
GS	\$ 5.308	\$ 7.391	\$ 2.084	39.24%
LGS	\$ 2.860	\$ 3.960	\$ 1.101	38.46%
WS	\$ 5.080	\$ 7.074	\$ 1.995	39.25%
IS	\$ 2.860	\$ 3.960	\$ 1.101	38.46%
LIS	\$ 2.860	\$ 3.960	\$ 1.101	38.46%

Resale customers of MOUNTAINEER GAS COMPANY include Canaan Valley Gas Company, Cardinal Natural Gas Company, Consumers Gas Utility Company, Hope Gas, Inc., Megan Oil and Gas Company, and City of Philippi.

The increases shown are based on averages of all customers in the indicated class. Each class may receive an increase greater or less than stated here. Individual customers may receive increases that are greater or less than average. Furthermore, the requested increased rates and charges are only a proposal and are subject to change (increases or decreases) by the Public Service Commission in its review of this filing.

This filing also contains proposed changes to MOUNTAINEER GAS COMPANY's rate components for customers that purchase their gas from an alternative supplier/marketer and purchase only transportation services including MDFQ, Storage Balancing Fee, Firm Standby Fee, and Fuel Retention Percentage from MOUNTAINEER GAS COMPANY. These transportation service rates are applicable to customers that voluntarily elect to subscribe to transportation service. The proposed changes to the rate components are as follows:

Rate Component	Present	Proposed	Increase \$	Increase %
MDFQ	\$ 12.952	\$15.861	\$ 2.909	22.46%
Storage Balancing Fee	\$ 0.483	\$ 0.609	\$ 0.126	26.09%
Firm Standby Fee	\$ 1.833	\$ 2.648	\$ 0.815	44.46%
Fuel Retention	4.00%	4.00%	N/A	0.00%

Any change in rates and charges will not become effective until authorized and approved by the Public Service Commission. If a hearing is conducted, notice will be given of the time and place of hearing.

A complete copy of the proposed rates, as well as a representative of the Company to provide any information requested concerning it, is available to all customers, prospective customers, or their agents at the following offices of the Company:  
 Mountaineer Gas Company Office  
 • 501 56th Street SE, Charleston, West Virginia 25304.

A copy of the proposed rates is available for public inspection at the office of the Executive Secretary of the PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION at 201 Brooks Street, Charleston, West Virginia.

The Rule 30-C procedure is designed to provide a procedure for changing rates charged to customers by natural gas distribution utilities based exclusively on the cost of purchased gas. Consequently, protest should be limited to the reasonableness of such costs and the method by which they are calculated. Anyone desiring to protest or intervene should file a written protest or notice of intervention within twenty-five (25) days following the date of this publication unless otherwise modified by Commission order. Failure to timely intervene can affect your rights to protest any rate adjustments and to participate in future proceedings. Requests to intervene must comply with the Commission's rules on intervention set forth in the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure. All interventions must be mailed or hand-delivered and be addressed to Executive Secretary, Public Service Commission of West Virginia, P.O. Box 812, Charleston, WV 25323. Protests may be filed online through the Commission website using the "Submit a Comment" link or may be mailed to the Executive Secretary, Public Service Commission of West Virginia, P.O. Box 812, Charleston, WV 25323.  
 8-7-21

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

In Re: Change of Name from Ashley Elizabeth Dawson to Aschleigh Quinzel Gainsborough

**LEGAL NOTICE OF PUBLICATION CHANGE OF NAME PROCEEDING**  
 Civil Action No. 25-P-81  
**Circuit Court of Putnam County, West Virginia**

Notice is hereby given that on the 22nd day of August, 2025, at 9:30 a.m. on said day, or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, before the Honorable Judge Phillip Stowers, Ashley Elizabeth Dawson will apply by Petition to the Circuit Court of Putnam County, West Virginia for the entry of an order by said Court, changing her name from Ashley Elizabeth Dawson to Aschleigh Quinzel Gainsborough, at which time and place any interested party may appear and be heard, if they so desire.

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

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

ENTERED by the Clerk of said Court this 29th day of July, 2025.  
 Stephanie M. Smith/hcn  
 Putnam County Circuit Clerk

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

Wesbano Bank, Inc  
 61 Fourteenth Street  
 Wheeling WV 26003, Plaintiff  
 v. Civil Action No. 25-M40C-00127  
 Nathan A Dillard  
 4283 Fishers Ridge Road  
 Liberty, WV 25124, Defendant

The object of the above entitled action is to obtain judgment in the amount of: \$5,844.07 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 September 15, 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

8-7-21

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

The undersigned Substitute Trustee, by virtue of the authority vested in him by that certain Deed of Trust, dated June 10, 2024, and duly recorded in the Office of the Clerk of the County Commission of Putnam County, West Virginia, in Book No. 1366, at Page 142, Joshua Glen Pack and Ashley Dawn Pack did convey unto Chris Eller, 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 Gateway First Bank, a division of Gateway Mortgage Group to foreclose thereunder, will offer for sale at public auction at the front door of the Putnam County Courthouse in Winfield, West Virginia, on

September 25, 2025 at 12:00 PM

the following described real estate, together with its improvements, easements and appurtenances thereunto belonging, situate in 10 - Scott District, Putnam County, West Virginia, and more particularly described as follows:

All of that certain lot, tract or parcel of land, together with the improvements thereon and the appurtenances thereunto belonging, situate on the Waters of Coon Creek, Scott District, Putnam County, West Virginia, and being all of Lot #6 of Ashton Woods Subdivision, and shown on that certain map titled, "ASHTON WOODS SUBDIVISION SECTION 1 SCOTT DISTRICT PUTNAM COUNTY WEST VIRGINIA", dated March 3, 1999, a copy of which is of record in the Office of the Clerk of the County Commission of Putnam County, West Virginia, in Plat Cabinet C, Slide 631.

The Grantors do further GRANT and CONVEY unto the Grantees, their successors and assigns in title, the right to use in common with others having the same right, that certain forty (40) foot right of way easement designated as Heather Court on the above-referenced map, for the purpose of ingress and egress to and from the property herein conveyed and Scott Lane.

The property conveyed is made subject to the terms of the following instruments: "Declaration of Covenants, Conditions, Restrictions, Reservations and Easements For Ashton Woods Scott District, Putnam County, West Virginia", dated June 1, 1998, of record in the Clerk's Office in Miscellaneous Book 48, at Page 280; First Amendment to Covenants and Restrictions of record in Miscellaneous Book 49, at Page 397; and Second Amendment to Covenants and Restrictions of record in Miscellaneous Book 49, at Page 608.  
 LSOT: Deed Book 425, Page 576, dated January 23, 2002.

At the time of the execution of the Deed of Trust, this property was reported to have an address of: 106 Heather Ct, Scott Depot, WV 25560-8813.

The referenced real estate will be conveyed with no covenants of warranty, and subject to all covenants, restrictions, easements, rights of way and reservations which may be a matter of record in the aforesaid Clerk's Office or visible upon the ground, all prior liens and encumbrances, including, without limitation, liens for real estate taxes, incinerator, sanitary and sewer charges. The purchasers at the sale shall be responsible for paying the recording costs and also the tax on the privilege of transferring real property (the cost of the tax stamp to be affixed to the deed). The purchasers shall be responsible for payment of all real estate taxes.

The subject property will be sold in "AS IS" condition. The Substitute Trustee shall be under no duty to cause any existing tenant or person occupying the subject property to vacate said property.  
 TERMS: \$9000.00 in cash and/or certified funds as deposit at the time of sale with the balance due and payable within 30 days of the day of sale.

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

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

SENECA TRUSTEES, INC.  
 5000 Coombs Farm Drive, Suite 104  
 Morgantown, WV 26508  
 (304) 413-0044  
 (304) 292-2918  
 Toll free: (888) 534-3132  
 Reference File No. 91688  
 8-14-21

**Property Transfers**

The following property transfers were recorded by the Putnam County Clerk between July 14, 2025, and July 22, 2025:

Todd and Michelle Townsend to Darin and Amy Lloyd - Lot, Teays Valley Meadows North, Teays Valley District for \$450,000.00

Jeanette Perry and Montina Hoefle to Robert and Barbara Fronk - Lot, North Park Subdivision, Buffalo Town District for \$42,000.00.

Larry Wills to Sara McMillian - Parcel, Eleanor District for \$285,000.00.

Misti Witt Hicks to Jared Nelson and Anna Davis - Lot, Berry Hills, Winfield District for \$205,000.00.

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# Other Side of the Fence



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On one side of the fence is the safety of home – on the other side is the big, wide, world. When we climb over, what will we do? Will we have direction or wander aimlessly? There is rough territory out there, yet, as well as the pitfalls, beauty and joy await. If we know our Savior, the Good Shepard who watches over us, the falls can be cushioned with faith. As we journey through the narrow paths of life, the Holy Spirit will guide us. Worship this week and learn how God's love can guide you.

### Weekly Scripture Reading

1 Thess.	1 Thess.	1 Thess.	1 Thess.	1 Thess.	2 Thess.	2 Thess.
1.1-10	2.1-16	2.17-3.13	4.1-18	5.1-28	1.1-12	2.1-17

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## BASIC BIBLE

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### Trust the Lord Proverbs 3:1-12

"My son, forget not my law . . ." The opening words of Proverbs 3 are those of a father to his son. How one reads these words is dependent upon one's perception of the speaker. The book of Proverbs, or the vast majority of the book, is attributed to Solomon. Many scholars contend that Solomon either collected or authored most of the wise sayings that are recorded in this book. For such scholars, the speaker is a wise father, a father whose words should be considered and heeded.

Bible believing Christians know the true identity of the wise father. The wise father is the author of all scripture. Christians recognize the voice of God, Our Father. We are not to forget His law. His law is the law which He gave to Moses. God has given us His commandments such that we might know Him. If we forget or disregard His law, our relationship with Him is undermined. It is through His law that we know that we have sinned against Him and have need of redemption through Christ Jesus. Believers are sons of God, born not of blood or of flesh or of our own will. We are born of God by receiving and believing in the Lord Jesus Christ (Jn. 1:12-13).

"Let thine heart keep my commandments." These words can be applied to the commandments of a wise father or to the Wise Father. God directs believers to respond with their hearts. God does not instruct His sons to dutifully keep His commandments. He instructs us to fulfill the desires of our heart by keeping His commandments. If it is not the desire of a believer's desire to please God, a believer's heart is wrong and he cannot do as God has instructed. God's instruction is directed to them who seek to please Him. His commandments are to be kept out of love for Him. The basis of that love is rooted in what God has given, even His only begotten Son.

The length of days, long life, and peace which are added to a son (v. 2) are contingent upon giving loving obedience to one's father. No earthly father can extend the days of an earthly son. The Father which is in heaven extends the life of earthly sons. God the Father has extended the lives of all His adopted sons for all eternity. The length of days, long life, and peace are gifts of His love.

When one honors his father with loving compliance to his directives, stress, worry and conflict are silenced. The blessings of long life and peace are a natural consequence of a life powered by love. God's commandment to honor thy father and thy mother comes with a promise attached: that thy days may be long upon the land. God tells us of the blessings of His love because He wants all men to claim the gift that He freely gives (II Pet. 3:9).

The father instructs the son to not let mercy and truth forsake him (the son) [v. 3]. Mercy and truth are attributes of God. Mercy and truth are gifts, which if unused, are of no benefit. God would have His attributes be seen in all men. When used (when seen in men), mercy and truth elevates one in the eyes of men and pleases God.

The wise father instructs his son to trust in the Lord and to lean not to his own understanding (v. 5). Individuals possess differing understandings. The intellectually gifted are tempted to trust in themselves. The wise father knows best. The Wise Father instructs His sons to trust in Him and to lean not to earthly understandings.

The earthly wise father directs his son to acknowledge the Lord God with the expectation that God will respond by directing the son's ways (v. 6). Believers are to acknowledge the Father by doing as the Son has directed. We are to love one another and to go and to tell others of the Father's love.

When one trusts in his own efforts, one does not acknowledge God. God does not force His will upon men. He does not direct the paths of them who cast Him aside. He who trusts in himself is wise only in his own eyes. In verse 7, being wise in one's own eyes is presented as an direct opposite to fearing the Lord and shunning of evil. When one acknowledges God with fear (deserving respect) and by doing as He directs, "It shall be health to thy navel, and marrow to thy bones" (v. 8). Health to the navel and marrow to the bones are physical images of spiritual blessings. The wise earthly father directs his son to seek the spiritual blessings of the Father above.

The father's instruction in verse 9 is to honor God with his substance and with the first fruits of his increase. This is the instruction which the Lord has set forth in the law given to Moses. The law requires men to tithe and to present the first fruits of their harvest as an offering to the Lord. The first fruit, unlike the later harvest, is free of insect damage. First fruits are the best and the best is to be reserved for the Lord.

The material blessing of filled barns and plentiful wine (v. 10) is linked to honoring God. Do as God directs and He shall do as He has said.

In verses 11 and 12, the father tells the son not to despise the chastening of the Lord. God's chastening is with purpose. God corrects them whom He loves. God cares. God wants men to honor him and themselves. God's chastening is evidence that He wants us to do better. God wants us to be successful. He wants His will to be done in us.

God has a plan, a glorious plan for all who will place their trust in Him. May we embrace His mercy and His truth trusting in Him to direct us in the paths of His love.



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## KIDS TALK ABOUT GOD

BY CAREY KINSOLVING AND FRIENDS

*Can I Be Sure God is With Me? (Psalm 23:6)*

"Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life; and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever" (Psalm 23:6).

"The verse means that God will dwell with me all my life," says Devon, age 10. "It also means that God will stay with me in my house."

Devon, God stays at my house, too. But as King David recalled his days as a shepherd boy, I think he had something greater in mind.

First, let's consider what Collin, 6, says about being shadowed by goodness and mercy: "God will follow us wherever we go."

Do you ever sense that someone is following you? Sheep always have this sense because sheepdogs constantly follow them. Dogs keep sheep from straying and ward off predators with their loud barking.

After Francis Thompson read this psalm, he wrote his celebrated poem, "The Hound of Heaven." Like a faithful sheepdog, God pursues us with his love. Some let God catch them, and others just keep running.

At times, our awareness of God's pursuit and presence is more acute, says Jordan, 11: "Sometimes when I am scared, like when I have to go outside in the dark, I pray. And I feel God with me. He's there. I know He is because after I pray, I don't feel as scared anymore."

We have a natural tendency to fear and worry because we sense that many things in our lives are beyond our control. A simple trip to the grocery store could result in a fatal car accident. Sheep under the care of a good shepherd don't always have to know "Why?" They can rest in the care of the shepherd.

Under the care of a wise shepherd, sheep graze on weeds and naturally fertilize barren, scrubby areas so that they become

lush pastures. Similarly, those who receive God's grace transform barren deserts into fields of goodness and mercy.

Now, we come back to the house, as in "I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever." Brook, 10, says, "This means to be dwelling under the love of the Lord."

"The house of the Lord" is not a physical building. Solomon's temple didn't exist when David wrote this psalm and has long since been destroyed. Originally, the word "church" meant a gathering of Christians, not a building of stained glass and pews. Early Christians met in homes, under trees in open fields and even underground in catacombs when hiding from Roman soldiers.

Adrianna, 8, explains it this way: "We will live in his kingdom forever."

Amazingly, Adrianna has captured the sense of dwelling in the Lord's house. It's in the same sense that we say the House of Windsor or the House of Stuart. It doesn't refer to a literal house but to a royal family or kingdom. Just as the sheep belong to the shepherd's house, God's people belong to the house or kingdom of the Lord Jesus.

As with every royal house, one must be born into it. Jesus told a Jewish ruler that he couldn't even see God's kingdom unless he was born by God's Spirit. Today, God dwells in living temples — in the hearts of people who have trusted the Good Shepherd as the Lamb of God who took away the sin of the world.

Think About This: Receive Jesus by faith into your temple, and he will welcome you into his royal house.

Memorize This Truth: Psalm 23:6 as quoted earlier.

Ask This Question: Do goodness and mercy increase wherever you go?

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**Obituaries**

**PAUL BLANKENSHIP**  
Paul Blankenship, 90, of Eleanor, passed away Monday, August 5, 2025, at Emogene Dolin Jones Hospice House in Huntington. He was a proud U.S. Navy veteran serving for eight years during the Cuban Missile Crisis. He retired from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. Paul loved to spend time outdoors hunting, fishing and camping. He also enjoyed woodworking in his spare time.

in Marion, Ohio, before moving back home to West Virginia and working many years and retiring from Ravenswood Aluminum Corp. In his spare time, he was an avid outdoorsman, enjoying hunting and fishing. He taught many members of his family how to bow hunt. He also enjoyed woodworking, and was a car enthusiast, known to tinker around on cars quite often. Most of all, he loved his family, especially his grandkids, and all kids in general.

Born September 12, 1934, in Branchland, he was the son of the late Lark and Pansy Blankenship. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his son, Paul Anthony Blankenship; daughter, Sherri Lea Blankenship; grandsons, Brian Hopkins and Corey Alexander; sister, Pauline Adkins; brothers, Forrest Blankenship, Earl Blankenship, Frank Blankenship and Anthony Blankenship.

Born September 9, 1948, he was the son of the late Clodus and Audren Riffle Buck. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death in 2021 by his wife of 50 years, Ava "Donna" Buck; his son, Jesse Buck; and his siblings, Burdell Buck, Barbara Barnette, Darrell Buck, Fred Buck, and Ronnie Buck.

Survivors include his loving wife of 44 years Judy Frazier Blankenship; daughters, Paula (David) Compston of Athens OH, Mary Eplin of Grove City OH, Laura Jo (Brian) Casto of Liberty, Cheryl Lively of Hurricane, Leisa (Mike) Young of Kernersville NC; son, Mike (Brenda) Hopkins of Hurricane. Paul is also survived by 13 grandchildren and 10 great grandchildren.

He is survived by his daughter, Tonja Klingler of Buffalo; grandchildren, Courtney Klingler (Austin Hissom), Chad Klingler (Breanna Chapman), Hunter Buck, Bradeon Buck, and Jacob Buck; great-grandchildren, Baileigh Rose Hissom, Addison Hissom, and Atticus Klingler; sisters, Ilean (Mickey) Hurst, and Karen Buck; brother, Gary Owen Buck; as well as several nieces, nephews, extended family, and friends.

Funeral service was Thursday, August 7, 2025 at Raynes Funeral Home, Eleanor, with Rev. Randy Parsons officiating. Burial with military honors was in Haven of Rest Memory Gardens, Red House.

Funeral service will be held at 2:00 P.M. on Saturday, August 16, 2025 at Raynes Funeral Home, Buffalo, with Military honors presented by the United States Army Honor Guard. Private family burial will take place at a later date. The family will receive friends one hour prior to the service at the funeral home in Buffalo.

**RODNEY 'BUTCH' BUCK**

Rodney Wayne "Butch" Buck, 76, of Buffalo, passed away Friday, August 8, 2025 at his home following a long illness. He was a 1966 graduate of Point Pleasant High School. Butch served his country in the U.S. Army, 25th Infantry, 101st Airborne Division during the Vietnam War. He was a highly decorated veteran, including two Bronze Star Medals for heroism in action, the Combat Infantryman Badge, the Air Medal, and two awards of the Army Commendation Medal.

**ROY WALLACE HARPER**

Roy Wallace Harper, 81, was born in Putnam County on July 9, 1944, and passed away August 3, 2025, at his home in Liberty. He was the son of Walter Gordon Harper and Sylvia Mae Williams Harper. Roy worked as a block mason and construction from the 1960's until he retired. He helped build numerous buildings in Charleston and surrounding areas. He also worked for Sonny Smailly Construction and

Dave Hobba Construction in his later years until he retired. He loved fishing, gardening and working on lawn mowers and small machinery. He lived in Cross Lanes for many years but decided to move back to his hometown of Liberty to be near his family.

He is preceded in death by his second wife, Stachie Harper, his brother Ronald Harper, and sister Rosalee Brown.

He is survived by his daughter Robin Dillon (Kenneth Stover); grandson Hunter Dillon; granddaughters Morgan and Madison Dillon all of Liberty; brothers Sherden Harper of Liberty, Donald (Missy) Harper of Liberty, and Danny (Tammy) Harper of Poca; sisters Arlene Gay (DT) of Florida, Ruth McCoy of Liberty, Nancy Rollyson of Leon, Doris Thomas of Poca, and Beverly Adkinson of Red House.

Roy was a hardworking, caring and loving father, grandfather, brother and friend. He was loved and will be missed by many.

Burial was in the Brown Cemetery, Liberty.

**DANELLE MCCRAY**

Danelle Jeanne McCray, of Hurricane, went to be with the Lord on Saturday, August 2, 2025, after a brief illness. She was only 52 years old, born on March 25, 1973. The family is deeply saddened and shocked by her passing.

Danelle was the daughter of the late Daniel W. "Danny" Cline and Donna Jean Gandee. She was also preceded in death by her maternal grandparents, Holbert E. and Dona A. Drake, and her paternal grandparents, Jimmy E. and Doris J. Cline.

She is survived and greatly missed by her husband, Russ McCray, her daughter, Taylor McCray-Hair, son-in-law, Dylan Hair, and granddaughter, Kennedy Hair. She also leaves behind her half-brother, Brandon Cline (Megan), nephew, Lincoln Cline, half-sister Whitney Williams (Nathan), and niece, Brooklynn Williams.

Danelle had a deep love for travel, and she cherished the memories made with her family in Indian Shores, Florida and Turks and Caicos. She loved the sunshine and ocean breeze. She also enjoyed her many years at the softball field,

supporting her daughter in her endeavors.

Memorial service was held Saturday, August 9, at Allen Funeral Home, with Pastor Robin Crouch officiating.

**CHERYL LYNN NULL**

Cheryl Null, 77, of Winfield, passed away peacefully on August 9, 2025 surrounded by her family.

She was born on January 17, 1948, to the late Reba Gladys Hartman and Orlando Hartman of Hurricane. In addition to her parents, Cheryl was also preceded in death by her stepmother, Evelyn and stepsister, Sherry Hutchinson.

She attended Mount Vernon Baptist Church throughout her childhood and teen years, then attended Midway United Methodist Church. She retired from the Putnam County Circuit Clerks Office after more than 30 years of service.

Cheryl enjoyed opening her home to all family and friends, and she really enjoyed celebrating all holidays, especially Christmas.

She is survived and greatly missed by her sons: Greg (Rhonda) of Hurricane, and Brian (Jennifer) of Fort Myers, FL; sister, Debbie Hanna of Scott Depot; stepsister, Diana Sharp of St. Albans; grandchildren: Dustin Null of Winfield, Madison (Brandon) Null of Milton, Amber (Ian) Donohoe of Barboursville; and three great grandchildren.

Funeral service for Cheryl was Tuesday, August 12, 2025 at Chapman Funeral Home, Winfield, with Pastor Jeff Pitchford officiating. Entombment was in Haven of Rest Memory Gardens, Red House.

**CHARLES LEE 'CHUCK' THOMPSON**

Charles Lee "Chuck" Thompson, 82, of Scott Depot, passed away on Wednesday, August 6, 2025 at Hubbard Hospice House, Charleston.

He was born on September 16, 1942, in Charleston, to the late Grover Cleveland and Imogene Evelyn Snyder Thompson. He is also preceded in death by his brother-in-law, Dr.

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He is survived by his loving wife of 35 years, Bonnie A. Thompson; son, Scott Rogers; grand-



dog, Rocky; brother, Bob Thompson (Susan); nephews, Robbie Thompson (Courtney) and Jordy Thompson (Denise); sister, Betty Burke; nephew, Jonathan Burke (Kristy); nieces, Jennifer Moeschberger (Scott), Mary Auxier (Jonathan) and Christina Cudney (Steven); and several great nieces, great nephews and a host of family and friends.

Funeral service was Tuesday, August 12, 2025 at Bartlett-Nichols Funeral Home, St. Albans, with Pastor Darick Biondi officiating. Entombment was in Cunningham Memorial Park, St. Albans, with military honors.



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SHAWN WALLACE Indianapolis, Indiana 31st Birthday August 14	STEPHANIE FLYNN Kentucky 56th Birthday August 15
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DEANA MEADOWS Eleanor 70th Birthday August 14	TERESA DONOHEW ROARK Huntington Birthday August 15
KAREN DOLIN	HUNTER HORN 5710 Silver Spurs Lane

Galloway, Ohio Birthday August 15
REGINA GRANT 3605 Poindexter Road Frazier's Bottom Birthday August 15
JACOB WHITE Hurricane Birthday August 15
COLYBE "BEAR" RICHMOND Pyrite Lane Hurricane Birthday August 15
REV DAN LONDEREE Fairview Drive Huntington 50th Birthday August 16
KELSEY RHODES 412-B Whitten Ridge Road Frazier's Bottom 30th Birthday August 16
VANESSA SMITH 3588 McComas Road Milton 58th Birthday August 16
LARRY WEARS Hurricane 48th Birthday August 16
BARBARA BAYLESS 118 Clubview Drive Barboursville 82nd Birthday August 16
KYLE GRANT 300 Savilla Drive Hurricane Birthday August 16
ROGER CLARK East Mud River Road Milton Birthday August 16
FREDA BIRD Sleepy Hollow Road Hurricane 68th Birthday August 16
PATTY SOVINE THOMASON 2744 Benedict Road Culloden 68th Birthday August 16
MELAINE FANNIN Hurricane 83rd Birthday August 17
MICHAEL NEWSOME South Point, Ohio 57th Birthday August 17
STEPHANIE TRIMBLE Huntington 62nd Birthday August 17
ALEXANDRA GLENN 10101 S Indian River Road Ft. Pierce, Florida 27th Birthday August 17
TODD WESTFALL 402 Ada Dell Avenue Hurricane Birthday August 17
EVA BALL 120 Deer Run Road Huntington 40th Birthday August 17
ALAN YOUNG Cow Creek Road Hurricane 67th Birthday August 17
LINDA~LAVENDER FISHER ARMSTEAD 732 Washington Hill Road Hurricane 76th Birthday August 18 HAPPY BIRTHDAY, NANA! WE LOVE YOU! FROM KELCI & BRAEDEN
TONY SPURLOCK Sanford, Florida 65th Birthday August 18
CHARLOTTE DONEFF #17 Lee Circle Hurricane Birthday August 18
PAM LISS 423 Salt Creek Parkway Valpariso, Indiana 67th Birthday August 18
TOMMY JACKSON #9 Midland Trail Culloden 81st Birthday August 18
REV. DOUGLAS PETERS 2612 Virginia Avenue

**History Alive!  
Presents Minnie  
Reed in Eleanor**

As part of the Town of Eleanor's 90th Anniversary Celebration, Putnam Library is pleased to sponsor a FREE History Alive! performance of "Minnie Reed," portrayed by Mary Dailey. This living history exhibit surveys the rich history of music in Appalachian culture through the fictitious life of "Minnie Reed" brought to life by actress and historian Mary Dailey. Her performance begins at 11 a.m. on Saturday, August 16 at the Red House (Eleanor Town Hall) as part of the Town of Eleanor's 90th Anniversary Celebration weekend. All ages are welcome!

**Summer Snacks  
With Marshall  
Health**

Savor the goodness of summer in this educational program by Marshall Health pediatric dietitian Rachel, who makes healthy eating easier for the whole family. She'll be at the Putnam County Main Library in Teays Valley on Monday, August 18, to teach new things and share ideas (and samples). This event starts at 11 a.m. All ages are welcome!

**Wade Chapel  
To Host Fifth  
Sunday Service**

Wade Chapel Church, located at 4490 McLane Pike, Red House, will have a Fifth Sunday Evening Service on August 31, beginning at 7 p.m. Special singing by the Buffalo Methodist Church, including their choir and soloists. Tag team preaching by pastors Mark and Logan Harris. Handicapped accessible. Everyone is welcome!

Hurricane 76th Birthday August 19
VERNON SCOTT FISHER P.O. Box 511 Milton 55th Birthday August 19
BILL CLINTON New York 79th Birthday August 19
MELISSA COLEMAN CANTERBURY White Pine Pliny 56th Birthday August 19
FANNIE DISNEY 544 Blackburn Avenue Fairfield, Ohio 89th Birthday August 19
JOHNNA ELLIS DAMRON Catlettsburg, Kentucky 39th Birthday August 19
KATE WALLACE 46 Hillsdale Circle Scott Depot Birthday August 19
NORMAN HINKLE Frazier's Bottom 74th Birthday August 19
KATHY GILLISPIE PHILLIPS Roanoke, Virginia Birthday August 19
BRADLEY SCOTT ARMSTEAD 155 Walmott Drive Huntington 51st Birthday August 21 Happy Birthday to Our Handsome Daddy! Lots of Love from Kelci & Braeden
DENISE ELLIS Hurricane Birthday August 20

**Happy 57th Anniversary**



Kenntn and Barbara (Davis) Rooper of Teays Lane, are celebrating fifty-seven wonderful years of marriage. They were married on August 16th and have spent a lifetime building a legacy of love, laughter, and family. Through every season, they've shown what true partnership looks like — supporting each other with grace and sharing joy with all who know them. Cheers to 57 Years!



**Developmental  
Screening**

Putnam County Schools Developmental Screenings will be held on Wednesday, August 27, at the Teays Valley Baptist Church on Teays Valley Road. Children ages 2 1/2 to 4 years will be screened for speech/language, hearing, vision, motor skills, social skills, self-help, and cognition. Please call 304-586-0500 ext. 1133 to schedule an appointment.

**Online Edition**

The online edition of the Hurricane Breeze can be accessed at [www.hurricanebreezenews.com](http://www.hurricanebreezenews.com)

**Annual Bancroft  
Town Picnic**

Celebrate the best of small town life at Bancroft's Annual Town Picnic on Saturday, August 30. Enjoy grilled lunch, delicious Huskey's ice cream, music by Jay the DJ, along with games, door prizes, and local history memorabilia. Festivities from 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. with lunch anticipated to be served around noon.

The residents of Bancroft take pride in their town and being great neighbors so put it on your calendar to share the good times with them!

*Happy Anniversary*

Paul and Kat Askew Gillispie of Portsmouth, Ohio, celebrated their thirteenth wedding anniversary on July 21.	August 17.	Larry and Cindy Call of Cow Creek Road in Hurricane will celebrate their fifty-second wedding anniversary on August 18.
Ralph and Tamara Minnix Rozzi of 3199 Howell's Mill Road in Ona will celebrate their thirty-second wedding anniversary on August 14.		Rev. Dan and Jennifer Londeree of Fairwood Road in Huntington will celebrate their twenty-fifth wedding anniversary on August 19.
Vern Scott and Edith Fisher of Milton will celebrate their sixteenth wedding anniversary on August 15.		Mike and Debbie Welch of #5 Washington Hill Road in Hurricane will celebrate their forty-eighth wedding anniversary on August 20.
Gerald and Martha Williams of Little Rock, Arkansas, will celebrate their twenty-eighth wedding anniversary on August 16.		Rodney and Morene McCallister of Culloden will celebrate their forty-ninth wedding anniversary on August 20.
Tim and Rosemary Keeling of #52 Revere Road in Hurricane will celebrate their thirty-fourth wedding anniversary on August 16.		Jim and Eloise Rollins of 2045 Whitten Ridge Road in Milton will celebrate their wedding anniversary on August 20.
Clifton and Billie Jean Harshbarger Clark of 271 Teays Lane in Hurricane will celebrate their seventeenth wedding anniversary on August 16.		Bob and Susan Henson Thompson of 403 Edgewood Road in Hurricane will celebrate their fifty-third wedding anniversary on August 20.
Timothy and Kristi Erwin Dunlap of 107 Laurel Crossing in Huntington will celebrate their twenty-third wedding anniversary on August 17.		Tim and Katie Cornell of 201 50th Avenue in Long Island, New York, will celebrate their second wedding anniversary on August 20.
Dustin and Heather Casto Bonham of Winfield will celebrate their first wedding anniversary on August 17.		Darrell and Pat Smith of Huntington will celebrate their fifty-ninth wedding anniversary on August 21.
Greg and Melissa Morrison of 385 Old Farms Road in Luray, Virginia, will celebrate their twenty-ninth wedding anniversary on		Joe and Debbie Calliflower of 3149 Howell's Mill Road in Ona will celebrate their fifty-fifth wedding anniversary on August 21.



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