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ASSUMPTIONS CLASH WITH REALITY Teays Valley Road Widening Project Canceled

By Ron Allen
When the WVDOH announced in July of 2024 that federal money was available to widen Teays Valley Road, most everyone assumed that road widening meant making the section of Teays Valley between Great Teays Boulevard and Apple Lane look like the section of Teays Valley Road between Mountain View Elementary and State Route 19 in Hurricane.

Wrong assumption. Money was never available for that purpose. The money which was available was from the Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) Improvement Program. Projects supported with CMAQ funds must help meet the requirements of the Clean Air Act (CAA). Adding a center turn lane and sidewalks does not meet CAA standards. Adding bicycle lanes, however, does meet CAA standards because it makes alternative zero emission vehicle transportation possible.

Most (including this reporter) who viewed both the addition of the center turn lane option and the roundabout option at the July 16, 2024 public meeting at Teays Valley Christian School wondered why the roundabout option was a serious proposal. Why would anyone want roundabouts? No one wants to make a left turn

on to Teays Valley Road by turning right and motoring a quarter mile or more to a roundabout. People do not enjoy inconvenience. Most in attendance at the meeting assumed that user convenience would play a major role in which option the DOH would pursue.

Wrong assumption. Convenience was not a consideration. The DOH's major consideration was safety. At the March 31 meeting of the Putnam County Transportation Committee, DOH officials stated that roundabouts were far more safe than center turn lanes and less expensive. Traffic studies reveal that the longer routes made necessary by roundabouts actually reduce accident frequency. Roundabouts slow traffic flow. Slow traffic results in fewer accidents. Faster travel reduces time on the road at the expense of safety.

At the October 14 Putnam County Commission meeting, Teays Valley residents opposing the roundabout option asked the commission to support a Teays Valley Road widening option different from roundabouts. This request was predicated on the assumption that funding was available for widening that did not involve roundabouts.

Wrong assumption. On Friday, October 17, West Virginia Transportation

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Buffalo Octoberfest — Fun Blended with Vendor Variety



There nothing like the thrill of a first-ever pony ride. (For additional Octoberfest photos, turn to Page 9)

By Ron Allen
The annual Buffalo Octoberfest has been an annual event for 37 years ago. This year's event was held Saturday, October 18. This year's Octoberfest featured close to record number of vendors. Vendor fees finance the cost of free fun for the youngsters in attendance.

This year's freebies included a petting zoo, inflatables, and pony rides. A vendor supplied wagon ride was available for \$5. The entire grounds that once

were home to the Buffalo Shopping Center with suppliers of handmade

crafts, seasonal offerings, antiques, flea market items, carnival-style and

home-cooked food, and more.



Well over one hundred vendors offered their wares for sale.

A Sign of Action on the New Hurricane Middle School



By Ron Allen
The sign is up at the site of the new Hurricane Middle School. The money to build the school was approved by voters in November of last year. The project is funded by \$25 million from the State and \$39 million from the \$50 million School Bond. The project is expected to be put out for bid before the end of the current school year. Construction is slated to commence next August and projected to see completion before the start of the 2028-29 school year. It is possible that the new school will be student-ready on opening day in August 2028.

Some design details, however, have yet to be determined. Traffic flow

has been a problem for years at Hurricane Middle School on Midland Trail as many parents drop off and pick up children at the beginning and close of the instructional day. That problem will shift to the new school which will be adjacent to Hurricane High School. A study is underway to determine a design that will best address the traffic congestion issue at both the new school and Hurricane High School. The study is expected to be completed before the end of the calendar year.

When full design details are determined, the design will enable educators to provide a curriculum which can be adjusted to meet the

challenges of ever evolving technologies in a very safe and secure setting. Design details should be finalized when next spring arrives.

WEATHER SUMMARY			
October 7 - 13			
		Low	High
October 7*	Hurricane	59°	76°
October 8	Hurricane	43°	65°
October 9	Hurricane	38°	62°
October 10	Hurricane	37°	69°
October 11	Hurricane	41°	72°
October 12	Hurricane	45°	70°
October 13	Hurricane	46°	68°

*RAIN
1.5 inch recorded Oct. 7

County Commission Meeting Notes

By Ron Allen

The Putnam County Commission meeting of October 14 opened with Sheriff Bobbie Eggleton recognizing Shane Shamblin's 27 years of service with the Putnam County Sheriff's Department. The business

that followed mainly consisted of finalizing business of previous meetings and hearing DAEA (Dilapidated and Abandoned Building Enforcement Agency) cases.

The previously unfinished business consisted of issuing a five-

year, \$861,518 contract to INdigital to supply Call Handling Equipment and Network Upgrade to Putnam County 911 and the signing of an order to rezone 28.65 acres at 16209 State Route 817 from Rural Residential to Mixed Residential. The property

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Hometown Hootenanny Spelled Fun



Skill from every age group was on display during cornhole tournament competition.

Visitors to the Hometown Senior Center had a good time at the Hometown Hootenanny, held last Saturday, October 18. This fun event, which serves as a fundraiser for the center, featured a cornhole

tournament, handmade crafts by seniors, a petting zoo, face painting, music, and other fun things.

The Hometown Senior Center depends upon fundraisers like the Hootenanny to raise money

for activities and trips. set up in the parking lot, and the center's thrift shop was open for business. A variety of donated items were raffled off to benefit the center and its travel and activities fund.

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 - NOVEMBER 1

- Fear on the Farm, 8325 Winfield Road, Winfield, is open for the season on Fridays and Saturdays from 7 p.m. to midnight. For more information, call 681-203-3683.

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.

OCTOBER 23

- The Hometown Advantage Career Fair will be held from 5 to 8 p.m. at the Putnam Career and Technical Center in Eleanor.

- There will be a seminar on advance estate planning at 5:30 p.m. at the Putnam County main library in Teays Valley.

- 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 Fright Night.

OCTOBER 24 - 25

- Test your wits, skill, and fearlessness by attempting the Abandoned Asylum Escape Room at the Putnam County Main Library on Friday and Saturday. Reserve a time slot for your group of 5 or less by calling the Main Library at 304-757-7308. This event is FREE. Ages 10 and up.

OCTOBER 24

- Gritts' Fun Farm in Buffalo will be holding Trick or Treat from 2 to 7 p.m. For more information, go to www.grittsfarm.com
- Harvest in the Grove will start at 5:30 p.m. at Mitchell's Grove (formerly known as Hometown Park), 10101 Charleston Road, Red House. Trick or treat, pumpkin carving, costume contest.

- Fear on the Farm, 8325 Winfield Road, Winfield, will be hosting candlelight

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Are You Afraid of the Dark? Bloody Mary Scary Tales from 8 to 10 p.m. For more information, call 681-203-3683.

- There will be a board game night from 6 to 10:30 p.m. at Game Grove, Putnam Village Shopping Center, Teays Valley.

- My Family Preschool and Childcare Center, 1101 Hospital Drive, Hurricane, will be holding trunk or treat from 6:30 to 8 p.m.

- There will be an American Red Cross Blood Drive from noon to 5 p.m. at the Forrest Burdette Fellowship Hall, Putnam Avenue, Hurricane. Register at: RedCrossBlood.org and enter HURRICANECOM.

OCTOBER 25, 30, 31

- Discover the haunted side of Hurricane Bridge Park from 6 to 9 p.m. Enter on the Main Street side of the park.

OCTOBER 25

- Slasher Saturday Movie Night will start at 10 p.m. at Nitro Living Memorial Park.

- Coffee With A Twist, 101 Main Avenue, Nitro, will be holding a craft vendor fair from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

- Town N Country Lanes, 409 1st Avenue, Nitro, will be holding their first annual Halloween party from 5 to 8 p.m. Costume contest, chili cook off, and more.

- Gritt's Fun Farm in Buffalo will be holding Tractors and Treats from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. For more information, go to www.grittsfarm.com

- The Putnam County Animal Shelter, 12908 Charleston Road, Red House, will be hosting Tails & Treats Trunk or Treat at 6 p.m.

- The Poca Supermarket will be hosting Spookymarket from 4 to 6 p.m. Games, activities, candy, and prizes.

- The Putnam County Main Library will be showing the movie "Coraline" at 10 a.m.

- There will be a Basic Witch Cookie Making Class at 11:30 a.m. at Teays Valley Church of the Nazarene, 3937 Teays Valley Road, Hurricane. To register, go to <https://the-baked-flamingo.square.site/product/basic-witches-cookie-class/153>

- Calvary Baptist Church, 3653 Teays Valley Road, Hurricane, will be having their food pantry starting at 9 a.m.

- Putnam Care and Rehabilitation Center, 300 Seville Road, Hurricane, will be holding a fall festival from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Homemade applebutter, concessions, and more.

- Hurricane's Pumpkin Carving Extravaganza will be held from 3 to 6 p.m. at Hurricane Bridge Park.

- Studio LM, 1773 US Route 60, Hurricane, will be holding trunk or treat at 5 p.m.

- Country Roads Farmers Market will be holding their fall fun festival from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Valley Park in Hurricane.

- The Board Room, located behind the Hurricane Walmart, will be giving away free comics for Trick-or-Read 2025. Come in costume, and get 2 more free comics.

OCTOBER 26 - 29

- There will be a fall revival at Hurricane First Church of the Nazarene, 358 US Route 60. Services on Sunday at 10:40 a.m. and 6 p.m. and Monday through Wednesday at 7 p.m.

OCTOBER 26

- Buffalo United Methodist Church, located at 27 High Street in the Buffalo Historic Square, will be celebrating their 192nd year of founding and

West Virginia Paranormal Trail Returns with Four New Spine-Chilling Stops

Just in time for fall trip planning, the West Virginia Department of Tourism has announced the reopening of the popular West Virginia Paranormal Trail. The statewide quest returns with four new stops, bringing the total number of hair-raising locations to 21. In just three months of the trail's opening last year, participants from 45 states and four countries checked in, leading to over 2,000 prize redemptions.

"We are so excited to bring back the Paranormal Trail this fall, featuring four new mysterious stops for travelers to explore," said West Virginia Department of Tourism Secretary Chelsea Ruby. "When planning your leaf-peeping trips to the Mountain State, be sure to add some of these spooky adventures to your list. From stunning color to one-of-a-kind experiences, I have a feeling this autumn will be one of the best we've ever had."

To experience the haunts of West Virginia and uncover chilling tales, travelers can register to participate in The West Virginia Paranormal Trail online and instantly receive the digital passport via email or text. Spooky enthusiasts then have the chance to explore eerie locations around the state while earning exclusive prizes along the way - including an official sticker, keychain, hat, and adventure-ready lantern.

Accessing the Paranormal Trail Passport is easy

To get started, visit wvtourism.com/paranormal and register for your free West Virginia Paranormal Trail Passport by filling out your contact information. After signing up, the digital passport will be delivered to your phone via text or to the email provided. Now you can explore the haunts of West Virginia and check in at participating locations to earn these exclusive prizes along the way:

Check in at three or

155 years in their current church building, beginning at 10:30 a.m.

- The First Baptist Church of Nitro, 2200 2nd Avenue, Nitro, will be holding trunk or treat from 5 to 6:30 p.m.

- Paint rocks with an autumn theme at Halloween ROCKS! from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. at the Poca Library.

- The Upper Vandalia Historical Society will meet at 2 p.m. at the Bancroft Mission on Route 62. Park in rear of building.

- Open Door Bible Church, 6711 State Route 34 S, Culloden, will be holding their fall festival from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Games, inflatables, food, and more.

- Grace Life Church, 93 Joy Lane, Culloden, will be holding trunk or treat from 4 to 6 p.m.

OCTOBER 27

- Oakwood Homes, 1 Pickens Road, Nitro, will be holding trick or treat from 4 to 6 p.m.

- The Chapel, 501 Roosevelt Avenue, Eleanor, will be holding trunk or treat from 6 to 7:30 p.m.

- The Putnam County Republican Party will be hosting "Stand and Speak: Honoring Charlie Kirk," at 6:30 p.m. at the Putnam County Courthouse's upstairs ceremonial courtroom in Winfield.

- The Board Room, located behind the Hurricane Walmart, will be hosting a board game night featuring the racing

more spots and receive a holographic sticker.

- Check in at seven or more spots and receive a custom keychain.

- Check in at 15 or more spots and receive an official Paranormal Trail trucker hat.

- Check in at all locations and receive a limited edition lantern.

New Spooky Stops Apollo Civic Theater Martinsburg

- Step back into a building born in the vaudeville age, where history lingers in every brick and beam. Alive with stage acts and roaring applause in 1914, it's believed that some of the performers have never truly left.

Carnegie Hall Lewisburg

- One of only four Carnegie Halls in the world still in use, this Lewisburg gem has a legacy that runs deeper than music and art. Built in 1902 after a mysterious fire consumed the original Lewisburg Female Institute, there's been reports of unexplained footsteps, flickering lights, and spectral whispers.

Greenbrier Valley Theater Lewisburg

- If you dare — visit and catch a showing of The Greenbrier Ghost, one of the many interpretations of the local Greenbrier County legend, where the trial of Zona Heaster Shue's murder in 1897 was won based on the testimony of a ghost.

Seneca Caverns

- Long known as a gathering place for Native Americans, these vast underground chambers are said to hold secrets, and perhaps spirits, that linger in the shadows. Visitors often reform mysterious sounds and otherworldly stillness that make this natural wonder both breathtaking and bone-chilling.

- For more information on West Virginia's Paranormal Trail or to register for a digital passport, visit wvtourism.com/paranormal

game Hot Streak.

OCTOBER 28

- The Halloween Hoedown, one of the biggest trunk or treats in the region, will be held at Nitro Living Memorial Park. Costume and dance contests.

- There will be Scary Movie Trivia starting at 6:45 p.m. at Valley Park in Hurricane. \$20 per team - 50% goes to prize money. For more information, call (304) 562-0518.

- The Putnam Puzzler Competition will be held from 6 to 8 p.m. at Valley Park Conference Center in Hurricane. The cost is \$20 per team. For more information, call (304) 562-0518.

- Come to the Meeks Mountain Trails at Hurricane City Park at 6:30 p.m. for tricks and treat. Event is free; register at <https://runsignup.com/Race/WV/Hurricane/TricksTreatsAndMeeksMountainTrails>

OCTOBER 29

- Wade Chapel United Methodist Church, 4490 McLane Pike, Red House, will be holding trunk or treat starting at 5 p.m.

- The Putnam County STOP Team will be holding trunk or treat from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. at the Putnam County Courthouse parking lot in Winfield.

- Bethel Baptist Church, Hurricane Creek Road, will be holding trunk or treat with dinner starting at 6 p.m.

The Way We Were, The Way We Are

By Brenda Burke

"There's a lighthouse on the hillside that overlooks life's sea

When I'm lost, you know it sends out a light

A light that I might see... that light shines in darkness and leads me over...

I know if it wasn't for the lighthouse, well, I know my ship would sail no more...

Everybody that lives around us they say tear that lighthouse down...

We all know ships don't sail this way...

In my mind, it goes way on back to that stormy night just in time...

Thank God I saw the light...the light of that old lighthouse...

It still stands up there...

I thank God for the lighthouse...I owe my life to Him...

Jesus is the lighthouse... from the rocks of sea...

He has shone His light around me, so that I could clearly see...

If it wasn't for the lighthouse, where would this ship be?"

— Lighthouse Family, The Goodmans, The Hinsons

My readers know I love love gospel music... I also love country and old time Rock and Roll... I can still hear Dorsey singing this song... my CD is gone... somewhere in my moves... but I remember.

Imagine this... a lighthouse guiding us home... well... as my readers know, I have needed that lighthouse more than most... there have been times, if not for the lighthouse, I would have given up. I have started over so many times... spending my children's inheritance...of which there is little if any...

When I was alone and going to Glenville State College, I spent hours in prayer hoping I would

survive... no one can imagine truly.. there were other times in my life... if not for that lighthouse, this woman would not have come through the fire.

I have always loved lighthouses, whether at the beach, at Cape Cod...New England... I have worked them into counted cross stitch pictures...worked puzzles... written about them... and all the time, from the age of eight, I have truly known who the real lighthouse is. Imagine those who don't know that lighthouse...Imagine that ARK so long ago closing those doors to those who didn't know... the ones on the outside pounding on those doors to get inside... too late... imagine that.

This is an uplifting song... despite the nostalgia attached to it. If I were to choose my favorite hymn... No, I cannot... there are too many, but this one resonates with me as I begin to move again... starting over with little... this minimalist has learned that if I don't use it, I don't keep it around. My belongings go into a few boxes and the car, and I like it like that.

Therefore, as I move back to Indiana, and as I purchase (yet again) some furniture... others wonder if I am crazy to do this...

leave the condo my son purchased and remodeled and almost furnished... the weather in Florida... the lifestyle here... well, perhaps it is not the best decision, but for me, at this time of life, this is the decision I am making. I am excited, and I know for certain, there will be the lighthouse in Indiana, just as here, guiding me along because the way we were is the way we are... always looking toward that lighthouse...

Cryptids: Fact or Folklore? Fairmont State's Debate Team Tackles Big Issues

From eerie shadows in the hills to glowing eyes in the night, West Virginia's legendary creatures have captured imaginations for generations. Are these monsters real, or just spooky campfire stories passed down through the years?

In a two-part Halloween debate, the Fairmont State University Debate Team will face off over the truth behind the Mountain State's most famous cryptids. The debate will be held at the Frank and Jane Gabor West Virginia Folklife Center on Monday, Oct. 27, at 6 p.m., and Tuesday, Oct. 28, at 12:30 p.m. Both events are free and open to the public. Refreshments will be available.

"We can't wait to watch the facts and folklore

fly," said Folklife Center Director Lydia Warren, Ph.D. "We're wondering if Veggie Man or any other local cryptids will be in attendance to ensure their side is heard."

Fairmont State's Policy Debate Team competes regionally and nationally, tackling challenging issues in U.S. labor, policy and governance. Revived under the College of Liberal Arts, the team is dedicated to research-driven advocacy, critical thinking and persuasive communication. While their usual work unfolds in fast-paced academic tournaments, the team is eager to step into the public spotlight with this special Halloween debate—bringing their competitive edge and love of argumentation to the Fairmont community for a night of spirited, spooky fun.

"Our students love finding creative ways to make debate accessible and fun," said Dr. Samantha Godbey, director of the Civics Institute and debate team coach. "This event channels that energy into something perfectly West Virginian—where folklore meets critical inquiry."

The Frank and Jane Gabor West Virginia Folklife Center is located on Squibb Wilson Boulevard in Fairmont. The building is accessible, with an elevator and handicapped parking. For questions or assistance, call 304-367-4286.

OCTOBER 30

- Oma Chapel Church, 949 Arbuckle Creek Road, Leon, will be holding Truth and Treat from 5 to 7 p.m.

- There will be Trick or Treat in Bancroft and Nitro from 6 to 8 p.m.

- There will be a homeschool science class at 10 a.m. at the Putnam County library in Teays Valley. Come in costume for a contest at the end of the lesson.

- There will be a Skeletons and Silks aerial acrobatics class from 6 to 7:30 p.m. The cost is \$20. Ages 18 and up. To register, go to <https://app.classfit.com/class/2205267>

Teays Valley Road Widening

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Secretary Todd Rumbaugh announced that there is no option other than the DOH proposal which solves the transportation problem and that the project has been canceled.

The problem which the DOH sees is meeting both federal funding guidelines and the expectations of the community. Reality is what it is. The DOH can change neither federal guidelines or community expectations. Cancellation

was necessary.

The community is experiencing a quality of life problem — the inadequacy of the present Teays Valley Road to handle traffic needs. It is a problem which can be fixed with funding — funding not possible with the reality of federal guidelines.

Assuming that funds will become available is wishful thinking. When assumptions clash with reality, reality always wins.

County Commission Meeting Notes

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is owned by Mark and Sarah Drennan. INdigital's bid for the project was considered on September 9 but had been tabled for review.

The DAEA case discussions involved updates on preview cases, followed by dismissal or an order to comply within a set time frame. The reoccurring nature of a DAEA case involving property located in Hometown, prompted the commission to direct the DAEA Board to research ordinances concerning structures which remain vacant for extended periods of time and to propose such an ordinance

to the commission for adoption. The City of Hurricane has an ordinance which requires owners of vacant structures to pay a registration fee if not a structure remains unoccupied for more than one year.

The commission went into executive session for a period of 37 minute to discuss a possible property purchase and adorned without taking action. In its prior meeting, the commission also entered into executive session for property purchase discussion without taking action.

The commission will next meet on October 28th at 5 p.m.

Putnam County Sheriff's Office Posts Facebook Warning

We have received various complaints regarding speeding and reckless drivers on many of the county's side roads. Sheriff Eggleton has directed road patrol deputies to look into these complaints. First out of the batter's box, Thompson Road, Cow Creek Road, Mount Vernon Road and the "straight stretch" on Dairy Road by River Valley Estates. Advertise it? Sure,

because issuing citations is a last resort so why not give everyone a forewarning to start slowing down NOW. You have been Facebook friendly warned. In the future, different roadways will be featured for targeted patrols so don't fret DuPont Road, Cross Lanes Drive, Hurricane Creek Road and Scott Depot Road. We are coming your way soon.

Putnam County Republicans to Honor Charlie Kirk and Celebrate First Amendment

The Putnam County Republican Party is excited to host "Stand and Speak: Honoring Charlie Kirk," an event honoring the late Charlie Kirk, founder of Turning Point USA and leading advocate for free speech, on Monday, October 27, 2025 at 6:30 p.m. at the Historic Putnam County Courthouse's upstairs ceremonial courtroom. This community-focused event aims to promote First Amendment rights, inspire civic engagement, and empower residents, especially young people, to exercise their freedom of expression.

The event will feature an appearance by William D'Amico, Turning Point

USA's regional aiel representative, alongside remarks from West Virginia Republican Party Chairman Josh Holstein and WVGOP Executive Director Ryan Jacinto. Additional speakers to be announced later. Attendees will participate in discussions on the importance of free speech and learn how to establish Turning Point USA chapters in local high schools to foster youth-led advocacy.

"We are thrilled to honor Charlie Kirk for his unwavering commitment to free speech and empowering young people in the democratic process," said Tony Hodge, Chairman

of the Putnam County Republican Executive Committee. "This event is a call to our community to come together, celebrate our First Amendment rights, and ensure they are protected for future generations. We especially invite young people to join us and discover how they can defend free speech wherever life takes them."

Attendees at the Stand and Speak event can expect an evening of inspiration and action. This will be a great networking opportunity designed to foster dialogue and encourage active involvement in civic issues at all levels.

The Putnam County Republican Party invites

state, county, and local community leaders to participate. "We want to empower people, especially young people, to speak freely and engage meaningfully with their friends to stand for the values that we hold so dear," added Hodge. "In light of the tragedy that took Charlie Kirk from us, this event is about celebrating our rights and building a stronger, bolder, more connected community."

The event is open to the public and admission is free. Members of the media are welcome to attend the event. For questions, please email PutnamWVGOP@gmail.com.

WV Ag Director of Plant Industries Addresses Putnam Lions Club

Tim Brown, Director of Plant Industries for the West Virginia Department of Agriculture was the guest speaker at Putnam County Lions Club on Monday, October 20th. Mr. Brown gave an overall view of the division's role within the department, with particular attention to the immense ecological damage being generated by an insect native to China, India, and Vietnam which made its way to Berks County, Pennsylvania in 2014 and is spreading throughout West Virginia.

The beautiful spotted lanternfly poses a significant threat to agriculture in the U.S., as it destroys habitats for countless species, harms trees and forests, and deposits waste that causes fungal diseases on plant life. Its favorite host is tree of heaven—yet another invasive species from Asia. The insect also attaches itself to shiny metal surfaces, hitchhiking on planes, trains, and

automobiles to other parts of the country. Mr. Brown reported that "the spotted lanternfly was recently discovered in the Chicago stockyards, and as it moves westward, California vineyards are extremely worried."

Mr. Brown distributed informational materials and advised removal of all tree of heaven plants, destroying all egg masses found, and killing all adult lanternflies that you encounter.

On a different note, JoAnn Samson announced that Putnam Lions will be selling poinsettias again this year, Putnam County businesses are pleasantly encouraged to place their orders. Last year's customers were very pleased with the size, quality, and price of their poinsettias. Delivery date is December 4, the Thursday after Thanksgiving. For further information, please contact Trudy Oliver at 304-380-6782 or machievel@aol.com.



Tim Brown, Director of Plant Industries



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.

Oct. 23, 1890: The Fast Flying Virginian passenger train wrecked due to a rockslide near Hinton, killing engineer George Alley. It became the source of a folk song known variously as "The Wreck on the C&O," "Engine 143," and "The FFV," among other titles.

Oct. 23, 1913: In 1975, newspaper journalist Jack Maurice became the first West Virginian to earn a Pulitzer Prize for Journalism for his coverage of the Kanawha County

Textbook Controversy.

Oct. 23, 1943: German prisoners arrived at Camp Ashford in White Sulphur Springs. Built by the U.S. War Department, Camp Ashford was one of two camps in West Virginia that housed prisoners of war during World War II.

Oct. 24, 1929: Composer George Crumb was born in Charleston. In 1968, Crumb was awarded the Pulitzer Prize for "Echoes of Time and the River: Four Processionals for Orchestra."

Oct. 25, 1918: Athlete Marshall "Biggie" Goldberg was born in Elkins. He led the Chicago Cardinals to the 1947 NFL championship in 1947 (its last to date) and was

elected to the Pro Football Hall of Fame in 1958 and the International Jewish Sports Hall of Fame in 1980.

Oct. 25, 1926: Professor Roy B. Clarkson was born and raised in Cass. He would become the state's most historian of the timber industry, particularly through his book Tumult on the Mountains, and of the state's most prominent botanists.

Oct. 25, 1951: Writer Denise Giardina was born in Bluefield and raised in neighboring McDowell County. She is best known as a novelist and also has a long history of community activism, including a run for governor.

Oct. 26, 1801: Jefferson County was established from a portion of Berkeley County by the Virginia General Assembly and named for Thomas Jefferson.

Oct. 26, 1888: Baseball player Dick Hoblitzell was born in Waverly (Wood County). Despite two outright World Series

rings, Hoblitzell is best known today for being "Babe" Ruth's roommate with the Boston Red Sox and his rare T-205 baseball card.

Oct. 26, 1934: Athlete Rodney Clark "Hot Rod" Hundley was born in Charleston. Hundley earned first team All-American recognition his senior year at West Virginia University. He averaged 24.5 points per game and scored 2,180 points over his college career, ranking second in WVU history.

Oct. 27, 1879: Howard B. Lee was born in Wirt County. He was elected state attorney general in 1924, and served for eight challenging years. His term saw the impeachment of a state auditor, the lawlessness of Prohibition and labor troubles in the coalfields.

Oct. 28, 1929: Painter Charles Lewis "Chuck" Ripper was born in Pittsburgh and later moved to Huntington. He was one of the country's best-known wildlife artists, with paintings appearing on nearly 100 magazine covers and 80 U.S. postage stamps.

Oct. 28, 1972: Brad Paisley was born in Glen Dale. Paisley has received the Entertainer of the Year award from the Country Music Association,

Oct. 29, 1861: Confederate commander Robert E. Lee ended his ill-fated western Virginia campaign. His three months in the region were marked by rain, mud, inexperienced officers, diseases among the troops and rampant criticism of his leadership.

e-WV: The West Virginia Encyclopedia is a project of the West Virginia Humanities Council. For more information contact the West Virginia Humanities Council, 1310 Kanawha Blvd. E., Charleston, WV 25301; (304) 346-8500; or visit e-WV at www.wvencyclopedia.org.

Trick or Trunk at A-Z Storage October 31

Anyone who would like can come and set up from 6 to 8 p.m.

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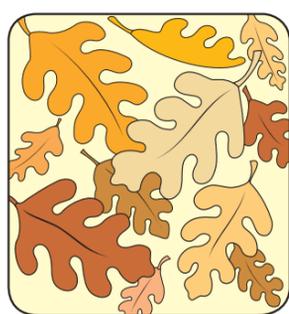
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Fillers Page

Edited by Betsy Allen



Recipes From Brenda By Brenda Burke

Some friends and family asked me for some of my favorite recipes. Yes, I have been a vegetarian since 1992, never having wavered, but they don't ask for my veggie burger recipes usually. They want my WV, from Mother, recipes.

When I am in Indy, the family wants Nana's West Virginia mashed potatoes. There is not another mashed potato like Nana's, according to the girls. (My Burke family fixes the food here because of the allergies.)

Nana's WV Mashed Potatoes

Boil (I use microwave) golden chopped and peeled potatoes... I DO NOT cook with salt, but one must add a dash to this water.

Mash... add butter or margarine to taste...

Mash... add Carnation evaporated milk to taste.

Voila... easy as can be, but there is something about these potatoes... could it be the LOVE Mother put into them and now Nana does?

*Mother and Nana Stuffing/Dressing... since I don't usually cook the meals anymore... the Taylors do in Indy... I have to make do with the broth. I make one batch with broth for the Taylors and one batch with vegetarian broth for Nana.

Chop finely green onions and celery... add stuffing mix... croutons... seasoned... tons and tons and tons (did I say a lot?) of SAGE... yes... fresh if you have it... if not, canned will do. Add the broth... bake to taste... or make into patties and bake...I don't time this. I use 350 oven... this is usually made mostly for my son-in-law and yours truly. Good leftovers.

Nana's Potato Soup

The girls love Nana's potato soup. Made with love. Boil golden potatoes (in microwave again) I add dash salt or not.

I use as many as I want... no real recipe here either. Usually six medium... chopped and peeled, of course.

I cook in a pan on the top of the stove (I cook mostly in microwave and toaster oven/air fryer/convection contraption.)

Add 1 tablespoon minced onion (or chop small onion)

Garlic salt to taste or just garlic

2 or 3 cans of Carnation evaporated milk

1 small can low salt veggie broth (use other broth if not a vegetarian)

2 T butter or margarine

1 can celery or cheese soup

Cheese to taste (not too much if you use cheese soup)

Water to thin the soup as much as you want

Cook until taste is done...

THIS recipe is just a dump and go soup... change what you want... it always turns out yummy...

Nana's Jello Salad

Taylors love Nana's jello salad.

1 large box strawberry jello

Mix in 2 cups boiling water

Add small drained can of crushed pineapple

Add almost a full bag of frozen strawberries chopped

(This recipe calls for bananas, but for some reason, late in my life bananas (even the smell) make me sick)

Pour one half into a dish... add on top a small container of SOUR CREAM... does not matter if it mixes in... that makes it even tastier

Fridge until firm... serve... yum....

No-Bake Cherry Yum Yum

Use a graham cracker crust or make your own

Mix a small cool whip and small cream cheese... add 1 T sugar or little more

Put mixture on top of crust

Add a can of cherry pie filling on top

Fridge... firm... serve....

Salmon Cakes/Patties

My son-in-law loves my salmon cakes/patties... simple.

1 can of salmon, drained and chopped

Add about 8-10 white crackers mashed

Use an egg if you choose... he likes this, so I do

Three ingredients... this is the only food I fry...just for him.

Chili (My Own Recipe)

I have a delicious lasagna recipe (from Becky Burke) and a delicious spaghetti recipe (from Betty Burke)... I have a yummy cream cheese/chili sauce dip recipe (Phyllis Canterbury)... I try to replicate Linda's pinto beans to no avail... and her fried potatoes and corn bread and cabbage... well... I do my best.

Enjoy these recipes... we do not have them often. WE are all pretty much eating healthy now... I make a yummy vegetarian chili... it is so so so good... and other vegetarian recipes. I cook daily.

One can drained kidney beans (or two)

One can drained sweet potatoes mashed

One can of tomato sauce or crushed tomatoes (more if you like more sauce)

One T sugar

1/2 package of Chili-O (or use cumin and chili powder from your spices)

I cook this for about fifteen minutes in the microwave. Let me tell you... this is my favorite chili... Eat with Ritz crackers or Fritos or White crackers...

Why do we cook? Because the way we were is the way we are... loving eating always.

Jokes From Linda

Submitted by Linda
Lavender Armstead



Pete and Henry were chatting at a party. Pete said, "Your wife certainly brightens the room. Her mere presence is electrifying."

Henry said, "It should. Everything she's wearing is charged."

Who's the most popular sea creature in the ocean?

The starfish.

Edna: "I scratched the front fender a little, dear."

Her husband, Bill went to look. Edna said, "If you want to see it, it's in the backseat."

Jackie went to the doctor's office with his mother. She was expecting her third child. The doctor did an ultrasound, and when the little boy saw the baby's picture and the umbilical cord on the screen, he got very excited and blurted out, "Look, Mom, the baby is on a leash so he can't get away when you are sleeping."

What has a head, tail, is brown, and has no legs? A penny.

One evening, Tina was babysitting her neighbor's six-year-old, Marie. She kept staring at Tina, and then she asked her why she was so ugly. She had acne and wore braces.

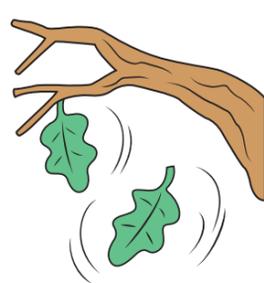
Without thinking, Tina said, "I'm you from the future." Marie cried for the next 20 minutes.

Why did the man fall down the well?

Because he couldn't see that well.

Why are elevator jokes so good?

They work on many levels.



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Fillers from Linda

Submitted by Linda~Lavender Armstead
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Success is not measured by what you do compared to what others do. It is measured by what you do with the ability God gave you.

How to politely tell someone they're stupid: "Wisdom has been chasing you but you've always been faster."

You were designed for accomplishment, engineered for success, and endowed with the seeds of greatness.

The chief cause of failure and unhappiness is trading what you want most for what you want right now.

You were born to win, but to be a winner, you must plan to win, prepare to win, and expect to win.

Among the things you can give and still keep are your word, a smile, and a grateful heart.

The first step to getting what you want is to have the courage to get rid of what you don't.

Sometimes your circle decreases in size but increases in value.

Old age is like underwear; it'll creep up on you.

He who avoids the temptation avoids the sin.

Don't let someone get comfortable with disrespecting you.

I'm not old fashioned; I'm just from a time when everything was better.

When you catch a glimpse of your potential, that's when passion is born.

You never know when a moment and a few sincere words can have an impact on a life.

The first step in solving a problem is to recognize that it does exist.

Someone is grateful right now because you exist.

The truest loyalty you'll ever know comes from a doggy.

A lot of people have gone further than they thought they could because someone else thought they could.

Time is the only currency you spend without ever knowing your balance. Use it wisely.

The foundation for a balanced success are honesty, character, integrity, faith, love and loyalty.

The greatest of all mistakes is to do nothing because you think you can only do a little.

Don't let someone who gave up on their dreams talk you out of going after yours.

If you refuse to learn, no one can help you. If you're determined to learn, no one can stop you.

The quiet of the countryside speaks louder to my heart than any city ever could.

Happy people focus on what they have; unhappy



people focus on what's missing.

You gotta spoil yourself with that same love you keep trying to give to everyone else.

Trials often drive us to a strengthening of our faith and a richer testimony of His faithfulness.

The worst part about online shopping is having to get up and get your card out of your purse.

Time moves slowly, but passes quickly.

Future is an event, not a person.

It's not how far you fall, but how high you bounce that counts.

Positive thinking will let you use the ability which you have.

No matter how you feel. Get up. Dress up. Show up. And never give up.

Forgiveness is not an occasional act. It is a permanent attitude.

You're already blessed in so many ways, focus on that.

Building a better you is the first step toward building a better America.

Expect the best. Prepare for the worst. Capitalize on what comes.

You have to Be before you can Do, and Do before you can Have.

Some people find fault like there is a reward for it.

Make failure your teacher, not your undertaker.

Encouragement is the fuel on which hope runs.

Leave footprints of kindness wherever you go.

Avoiding people for peace is self-care.

Your life is as good as your mindset.

Make today memorable.

An investment knowledge pays the best interest. - Benjamin Franklin

We never know the love of a parent 'till we become parents ourselves. - Henry Ward Beecher

The most important part of education is proper training in the nursery.

Two wrongs don't make a right, but they make a good excuse.

I finally know why they call me a grown up; I groan every time I get up.

Every success is built on the ability to do better than good enough.

Wise people are not always silent, but they know when to be.

Motivation get you

going and habit gets you there.

If you aim at nothing, you'll hit it every time.

He climbs highest who helps another up.

Satan trembles when he sees the weakest saint upon his knees.

Work is not man's punishment. It is his reward and his strength and his pleasure.

Smiling doesn't always mean you're happy. Sometimes it just means you're strong.

A great tragedy of life is not unanswered prayer, but unoffered prayer.

Of all the things you wear, your smile is the most important.

The gingerbread man makes his bed with cookie sheets.

Please and thank you are good words to use.

A man's worth is no greater than his ambitions.

Always take time to be polite.

I'll look in the mirror to see me smiling back.

Wonder is the desire for knowledge.

Life is fragile - handle with prayer.

I'm at that age where I can get sore from doing nothing.

Laughter is the best medicine unless you have diarrhea.

Never be a prisoner of your past. It was a lesson, not a life sentence.

You don't "give" seniors benefits; you return what they already paid for.

This world needs more kindness, more smiles, and more people who lift others up.

Don't worry about getting older, you're still going to do dumb stuff, only slower.

When you empty the vacuum cleaner, you become the vacuum cleaner.

Your biggest competition is yourself. Challenge yourself to be better every day.

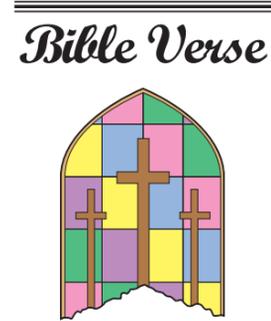
Protecting your peace sometimes means losing people, and that's ok.

Sometimes the best way to stay out of trouble is to go for a nap.

There should be a calorie refund for things that didn't taste good.

Trust the timing. Even delays have a purpose.

Bible Verse



For our light and momentary troubles are achieving for us an eternal glory that far outweighs them all.

—2 Corinthians 4:17

Doggone Happy



In Memory of Gibson

A dog's life may not be the worst thing.... He takes what comes, doesn't hold grudges, and shows unconditional love no matter what. He loves his master and trusts that his master will take care of him. It's that simple. As humans, our lives are not quite that simple...we have responsibilities, emotions and free will. Yet, we, like our dog, can love our Master and trust Him to take care of us. He wants us to love Him as He loves us. Visit His House this week and learn how to live a simple life with joy and peace. And be happy!

Weekly Scripture Reading

Isaiah 2.1-22	Isaiah 3.1-15	Isaiah 5.1-30	Isaiah 11.1-16	Isaiah 24.1-23	Isaiah 29.15-24	Isaiah 32.1-20
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BASIC BIBLE

By Ron Allen
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God Sees the Samaritan Woman

John 4:5-19, 28-29

The account before us reveals that Jesus' ministry was not to the Jew only, but also to them who were outside of Judaism. Samaritans were considered to be half-breeds who were practitioners of a false religion. The Samaritan population had descended from Jews who had intermarried with their Assyrian conquerors hundreds of years earlier. While holding to books of Moses as scripture, Samaritans considered Mount Gerizim, not Jerusalem, to be the proper center of worship.

John 4:4 states that Jesus needed to go through Samaria. One would assume that Jesus chose the direct route through Samaria to save time, but this does not appear to be the case because He stayed an additional two days there (see v. 40). The real reason that Jesus needed to go through Samaria was to deliver the message that the Father seeks them who would worship Him in spirit and in truth (see v. 23).

Neither the worship at Jerusalem or the worship at Sychar (v. 5) was that of true worshippers. Sychar was a one and a half days distant from Jerusalem. The city was close to the parcel of land which Jacob purchased from the sons of Hamor (Gen. 33:19) and was the location of the well which, according to tradition, Jacob dug.

The Samaritans were well aware of the disdain with which the Jews viewed them. It was with this knowledge that the woman at the well asked Jesus, "How is it that thou, being a Jew, askest drink of me, which am a woman of Samaria?" (v. 9). From her question, one can infer another question: "Why do you not shun Samaritans as other Jews do?" Not knowing anything of Jesus, the woman realized that Jesus was different. New Testament believers know how Jesus is different. He is God. God reaches out to all, and would have all come to repentance (II Pet. 3:9). New Testament believers know God because all who believe have received the gift of the Father, His only begotten Son. Jesus was different because He was the Messiah — the Messiah of whom Isaiah prophesied, saying, "But he was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon him; and with his stripes we are healed" (Isa. 53:5).

Jesus in answering said, "If thou knewest the gift of God, and who it is that saith to thee, Give me to drink; thou wouldest have asked of him, and he would have given thee living water" (v. 10). Jesus' promise to supply living water was conditional. The woman did not know the gift of God and was not able to ask. God the Son was the Father's gift. Jesus had come to be given but He had yet to be given as the atoning sacrifice at this time. The woman would have to wait until Jesus died and arose before she could know the gift of God. Then, and only then, could she ask and receive the living water.

The woman had no idea of the nature of the living water but she knew that it was superior to the water of Jacob's well, and, like the water from Jacob's well, it must be drawn from a reservoir of some nature. She ruled out the possibility that Jesus could draw living water from Jacob's well. She asked Jesus the source of the living water and then asked if Jesus were greater than father Jacob (v. 11, 12). She wanted to know more. She wanted to understand the living water of which Jesus spoke. Jesus possessed no visible means by which He could draw water from a well and Jesus did not appear to be carrying a water supply with Him.

"Art thou greater than our father Jacob, which gave us the well. . . ?" (v. 12). This question focuses upon Jesus' identity. The well from which she came to draw water had been in use for fifteen hundred years. The well was regarded as a gift from the patriarch Jacob. Was He greater than the patriarch?

Jesus did not respond to her question of how He would draw water or of its source. He responded to her need. Jesus told her of the living water which He offered. Jesus did not explain how or why He could supply living water. He simply stated that all who drank of Jacob's water would thirst again, but those who drank of His water would never thirst again but receive water that yields eternal life.

Jesus' answer revealed His greatness and His identity (a greatness beyond father Jacob's) with the words: ". . . the water that I shall give him shall be in him a well of water springing up into eternal life." The only way by which she could know if Jesus were greater than father Jacob was to drink the water which Jesus had to offer. The only access to that water was to ask Jesus to supply it.

The living water which Jesus offers requires one to believe. In verse 15, the woman asks of the water without believing. She wanted the water because, upon drinking, she would have no need to draw water from Jacob's well. In verses 17 and 18, Jesus gives her a reason to believe that He possesses the power to supply living water. He tells her things of herself that He, a stranger, could not know.

In verses 23 and 24, Jesus tells her of the true worship which is yet to come — worship that is in spirit and in truth. The woman then confesses her belief that the Messiah shall come and explain all things (v. 25). Her words reveal that she is not looking to her own understandings, but to that which will be furnished by God. The woman was ready to worship in spirit and in truth because she was looking for the Messiah to come and supply understanding.

"I that speak unto thee am he" (v. 26). When Jesus told her that He was the Messiah, she believed and went and told others. She was ready to drink of the living water! She did not know what Jesus must do (go to the cross), but she knew that He could supply the promised living water because He revealed things to her which only God could reveal.

New Testament believers of today have cause to go and to tell others because we believe. The Son has made the Father known to us. We know the Gift of God. God is revealed to all who worship Him in spirit and in truth. Let us declare His truth: Believe and you shall receive.



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KIDS TALK ABOUT GOD

BY CAREY KINSOLVING AND FRIENDS

What Can We Learn From Jesus Inviting His First Disciples To Follow Him?

"We can learn from John the Baptist to tell people who Jesus really is," says Danae, 10. "John had many followers himself, but he didn't try to compete with Jesus."

told his brother Simon, "We have found the Messiah" (John 1:41). When Jesus saw Simon, he immediately changed his name to Cephas, which means stone or rock. The name Cephas in the Aramaic language is the same as Peter in Greek.

Nothing is more challenging to successful ministers than to keep pointing people to Jesus Christ. Everyone has the tendency to take credit for a work that the Lord did through us. Don't do it. Keep pointing people to Christ.

When we follow Jesus, we give up our own identity for one that God gives us. Jesus knew that Simon would change. His testimony that Jesus is the Christ would serve as the foundational rock upon which Jesus would build his church (Matthew 16:13-20).

"Jesus invited simple fishermen to follow him," says Emily, 12. "I think he did that to show us that God's love is for everyone, not just the people who are pretty, smart or popular."

"Jesus wants everyone to come to him," says Rebekah, 6. "Jesus has time for everyone and will not say u2018hurry up' or tell them to go away because he is busy."

Jesus didn't set up a recruiting office at the Jerusalem school for rabbis. He began his ministry in a remote desert place where two disciples of John the Baptist followed him.

In an age where technology speeds up the way we communicate with each other, it's hard to imagine a God who has time for us. If we don't make time to "come and see" Jesus, we'll never get to know him in a way that motivates us to tell our loved ones about him. Spending quality time with Jesus will result in telling others about him.

"What do you seek?" Jesus asked them. By asking this question, Jesus forced his disciples to think about their motives. People follow Jesus for different reasons.

"When you are being open and willing to allow people to follow you, it might make them curious," says Sarah, 11.

Many Jews wanted the Messiah to overthrow the Romans. They saw Jesus as a splendid king (Isaiah 9 and 10). Jesus didn't come the first time to crush his enemies, but to put himself into the hands of those who would crush him (Isaiah 53). Jesus had to explain to his disciples that the cross must come before the crown.

Jesus provoked people's curiosity. We see that all the way through his ministry. He asked a lot of questions to which he already knew the answers.

When the disciples asked Jesus where he was staying, he said, "Come and see" (John 1:39). When we follow Jesus, he doesn't show us everything at once. Every day, we must come and see what he has for us.

Think about this: Jesus was the master fisherman of people. He knew how to provoke people's curiosity so that they wanted to know more about God.

"We can learn that once we learn about Jesus, we should tell others," says Anna, 10.

Memorize this truth: "Then He said to them, 'Follow Me, and I will make you fishers of men'" (Matthew 4:19).

After only one day with Jesus, Andrew

asked this question: Are you fishing for people by pointing them to Jesus Christ?

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Obituaries

MICHAEL S. ANTHONY
Michael S. Anthony, 71, of Eleanor, passed away Sunday, October 19, 2025 at Hubbard Hospice House. He was a 1972 graduate of Buffalo High School and retired from Parkline after 41 years of service. He was a Christian and member of the Buffalo Church of God. Mike loved motorcycle rides, camping, fishing, Buffalo High School athletics and the WVU Mountaineers. Born January 28, 1954, he was the son of the late Don and Thelma Anthony. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his son, Justin Anthony; brothers, Noel Anthony, Glenn Anthony and Jim Anthony; brother-in-law, "Popeye" Herdman.

Tenia is survived by her daughter, Amanda Estep-Burton (Caitlin); sister, Nancy Toler; four beloved grandchildren, Kylea Robinson, Colin Robinson, Layla Cook, and Eden Cook; and a host of nieces, nephews, and extended family who will forever carry her memory in their hearts.

A tribute to the life of Tina was held Thursday, October 16, 2025, at Gatens-Harding Funeral Home Chapel with Pete Thompson officiating. Burial was in Haven of Rest Memory Gardens, Red House.

He is survived by his loving wife of 50 years, Debbie Anthony; sister, Ireta (Joe) Nease of Parkersburg; brother, Ed Anthony of Paducah KY; sister-in-law, Betty Herdman; special nephews, Oliver Herdman and Jeff Nease. Mike is also survived by several nieces, nephews, extended family, friends that he loved dearly and his special buddy, Brooks Casto.

Funeral service was Thursday, October 23, 2025 at Raynes Funeral Home, Eleanor, with Pastor David Panaro Jr. and Pastor Mitchell Burch officiating. Entombment was in Haven of Rest Memory Gardens, Red House.

STEPHEN HODGES JR.

Stephen Hodges Jr., 95, of Scott Depot, suddenly passed away at home on October 14, 2025.

He was born on September 7, 1930 to the late Stephen and Marguerite Erwin Hodges in Winfield. In addition to his parents, he was also preceded in death by his siblings: Lyle Hodges, Reba Sutlovich, Oma Bowen, Lillian Hodges, Wilma Hodges Leslie, Jerrel Hodges, and Dorsel Hodges.

Stephen was baptized on October 19, 1942, by Rev. P.A. Mitchell at the Hodges Grade School on Hurricane Creek Road and was a faithful member of Adda Baptist Church, where he served as the former Sunday School Superintendent. He was involved with many organizations and served on various boards to improve the community. Stephen started building houses in 1959, lastly serving as President of Stephen Hodges Homebuilders. He later served as a Putnam County Commissioner for 14 1/2 years, was a founding member and previously on the Board of Directors of Milton Tri-County Bank, he was currently serving on Putnam County Bank Board of Directors for over 30 years.

TINA MARIE ESTEP

Tina Marie Estep, 62, of Poca, passed away peacefully on Tuesday, October 14, 2025, at the Hubbard Hospice House surrounded by her loving family.

Tina was a devoted homemaker who found her greatest joy in caring for her family. She was a loving mother, grandmother, sister, and friend. Tina loved spending time on her porch, sharing laughter with those she loved most. She enjoyed bowling, shooting pool, and could often be found with a cold Pepsi in hand. Her love for all things Disney was unmatched, and she cherished any opportunity to share that magic with her grandbabies — the lights of her life.

She is preceded in death by her parents, Daymond and Shirley Estep, and brothers, Dwight and David Estep.

Stephen is survived by his wife of 45 years, Karen Thomas Hodges; sons: Stephen (Lorra) Hodges III of Myrtle Beach, SC and Roger (Tammy) Hodges of Hurricane; grandchildren: Stephen (Darlene) Hodges IV of Lugoff, SC and Amanda McCallister of Culloden; great grandson, Connor; sister, Wanda Gibson; many nieces and nephews; and several other extended family members.

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EDDIE JOHNSON

Eddie Johnson, 71, of Red House, passed away Saturday, October 18, 2025, at his home. He was a U.S Army veteran and worked as a diesel mechanic throughout his career. He was a member of the New Vision Church of God. Eddie was a good Christian man who loved the Lord. He will always be remembered for his excellent singing voice and loved to sing in church.

He was preceded in death by his father, Troy Schoolcraft; brother, Fenton Hudnall and an infant daughter.

Survivors include his mother, Wanda Bailey of Red House; wife, Janie Johnson of Red House; daughter, Jill (Russell) Cox of Arkansas; son, Bo Coburn of Texas; step daughter, Summer Henderson of Winfield; brother, Roger (Patricia) Hudnall of Red House; grandchildren, Lily, Brielle and Truett; niece, Karissa (Doug) Stewart; nephew, Jeremy Hudnall.

Funeral service will be held at 1:00 P.M. on Friday, October 24, 2025, at Raynes Funeral Home, Eleanor, with Pastor Denny Lambert officiating. Burial will follow in Haven of Rest Memory Gardens, Red House. The family will receive friends one hour prior to the service at the funeral home.

DREMA MELTON SCOTT

Drema Eleanor (Melton) Scott, 90, passed away Tuesday, October 14, 2025. She was blessed to continue to reside in her Nitro home and be surrounded by family and friends during the final chapter of her very full life.

Drema was born September 22, 1935 to John and Audra Melton in Lanham. She grew up on the family farm alongside her six siblings where close family ties, sense of community, respect for the land, hard work ethic and gaining an education were core values. She was a devoted daughter and loyal sister who welcomed three generations of nieces and nephews across her lifespan. She was the loving wife of James "Jim" Scott from their wedding in 1971 until his untimely death from cancer in 2002. Together they shared years of wit and humor, travel, and daily adventures rooted in love and friendship.

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She is preceded in death by her parents John and Audra Melton, Aunt Teanie and Uncle Roy McClanahan, her siblings Rosalie Purdy, James Melton, and Peggy James, and her husband James Scott. She is survived by her sisters Betty Melton of Nitro, and Sharon (James) Mullins of Florida, as well as brother-in-law Morris Purdy of Poca, sister-in-law Wanda Melton of Buffalo, and her many nieces and nephews.

Her education began in the one-room Fish School in Lanham and she graduated from Poca High School. She went to attend Morris Harvey College (now University of Charleston) and Marshall University where she earned her master's degree in education. Drema used the education she gained to educate others, working in elementary education for 40 years. She taught at Poca Elementary and Point Harmony Elementary, and spent the majority

of her teaching years at Pickaway Township in Circleville, OH before retiring in 1992.

Drema will be remembered fondly for her giving spirit, sense of humor, and her vibrant personality. She was a creator. She developed her talent for art and created gorgeous masterpiece watercolor paintings, often inspired by flowers or familiar landscapes. She created stories, retelling memories with suspense and detail that drew you in or making books come alive as she drew children into her lap to read aloud. She created close life-long bonds especially in the relationships with her sisters. Celebration her life was held Monday, October 20, 2025, at First Presbyterian Church in Nitro. Burial was in the Melton Family Cemetery, Poca.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF PUTNAM COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA
 In Re: Change of Name from Melissa Jane Ferrell to Melissa Jane Tackett

LEGAL NOTICE OF PUBLICATION CHANGE OF NAME PROCEEDING
 Civil Action No. 25-P-121
Circuit Court of Putnam County, West Virginia
 Notice is hereby given that on the 21st day of November, 2025, at 11:00 a.m. on said day, or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, before the Honorable Judge Phillip Stowers, Melissa Jane Ferrell 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 Melissa Jane Ferrell to Melissa Jane Tackett, 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 16th day of October, 2025.
 Stephanie M. Smith
 Putnam County Circuit Clerk

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF PUTNAM COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA
 In Re: Change of Name from Jonah Christian Ferrell to Jonah Christian Talbot

LEGAL NOTICE OF PUBLICATION CHANGE OF NAME PROCEEDING
 Civil Action No. 25-P-122
Circuit Court of Putnam County, West Virginia
 Notice is hereby given that on the 21st day of November, 2025, at 11:00 a.m. on said day, or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, before the Honorable Judge Phillip Stowers, Melissa Jane Ferrell will apply by Petition to the Circuit Court of Putnam County, West Virginia for the entry of an order by said Court, changing her child's name from Jonah Christian Ferrell to Jonah Christian Talbot, 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 16th day of October, 2025.
 Stephanie M. Smith
 Putnam County Circuit Clerk

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF PUTNAM COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA
 In Re: Change of Name from Porker May Ferrell to Elyria May Talbot

LEGAL NOTICE OF PUBLICATION CHANGE OF NAME PROCEEDING
 Civil Action No. 25-P-123
Circuit Court of Putnam County, West Virginia
 Notice is hereby given that on the 21st day of November, 2025, at 11:00 a.m. on said day, or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, before the Honorable Judge Phillip Stowers, Melissa Jane Ferrell will apply by Petition to the Circuit Court of Putnam County, West Virginia for the entry of an order by said Court, changing her child's name from Porker May Ferrell to Elyria May Talbot, 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 16th day of October, 2025.
 Stephanie M. Smith
 Putnam County Circuit Clerk

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF PUTNAM COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA
 In Re: Change of Name from Nickolas Ryan Ferrell to Noah Steven Talbot

LEGAL NOTICE OF PUBLICATION CHANGE OF NAME PROCEEDING
 Civil Action No. 25-P-124
Circuit Court of Putnam County, West Virginia
 Notice is hereby given that on the 21st day of November, 2025, at 11:00 a.m. on said day, or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, before the Honorable Judge Phillip Stowers, Melissa Jane Ferrell will apply by Petition to the Circuit Court of Putnam County, West Virginia for the entry of an order by said Court, changing her child's name from Nickolas Ryan Ferrell to Noah Steven Talbot, 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 16th day of October, 2025.
 Stephanie M. Smith
 Putnam County Circuit Clerk

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF PUTNAM COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA
 In Re: Change of Name from Jemma Kate Ferrell to Charley Jane Talbot

LEGAL NOTICE OF PUBLICATION CHANGE OF NAME PROCEEDING
 Civil Action No. 25-P-125
Circuit Court of Putnam County, West Virginia
 Notice is hereby given that on the 21st day of November, 2025, at 11:00 a.m. on said day, or as soon thereafter as the matter may be

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heard, before the Honorable Judge Phillip Stowers, Melissa Jane Ferrell will apply by Petition to the Circuit Court of Putnam County, West Virginia for the entry of an order by said Court, changing her child's name from Jemma Kate Ferrell to Charley Jane Talbot, 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 16th day of October, 2025.
 Stephanie M. Smith
 Putnam County Circuit Clerk

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF PUTNAM COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA
 In Re: Change of Name from Jaynee Annalese Ferrell to Eva Annalese Talbot

LEGAL NOTICE OF PUBLICATION CHANGE OF NAME PROCEEDING
 Civil Action No. 25-P-126
Circuit Court of Putnam County, West Virginia
 Notice is hereby given that on the 21st day of November, 2025, at 11:00 a.m. on said day, or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, before the Honorable Judge Phillip Stowers, Melissa Jane Ferrell will apply by Petition to the Circuit Court of Putnam County, West Virginia for the entry of an order by said Court, changing her child's name from Jaynee Annalese Ferrell to Eva Annalese Talbot, 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 16th day of October, 2025.
 Stephanie M. Smith
 Putnam County Circuit Clerk

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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.:	6220
Estate Of:	Gary Keith Asbury, Sr.
Executor:	G. Keith Asbury, Jr. 7084 18 Mile Creek Road Buffalo, WV 25033
Estate No.:	6171
Estate Of:	Annable Marie Garren
Executor:	Mark L. Garren 10 Rustic Highlands Hurricane, WV 25526
Estate No.:	6207
Estate Of:	Toni Frances King
Administrator:	Aaron S. King 2819 Cross Creek Rd. Buffalo, WV 25033
Estate No.:	6249
Estate Of:	Inge Renate Klein
Executrix:	Drema K. Davis 202 Poplar Point Estates Poca, WV 25159
Estate No.:	6245
Estate Of:	Teresa Searls Moore
Executrix:	Katlynn M. Westfall 712 7th Street Nitro, WV 25143
Estate No.:	6239
Estate Of:	Douglas Kent Pickering
Administrativ:	Heather N. Stamper 300 Shetland Drive Scott Depot, WV 25560
Estate No.:	6198
Estate Of:	Benjamin L. Sears
Administrativ:	Dominique Ellis 102 Mount Savage Drive Ashland, KY 41101
Estate No.:	6235
Estate Of:	Rosalea M. Sommerville
Administrator:	Troy D. Sommerville 1599 Spite Rd Hurricane, WV 25526
Estate No.:	6231
Estate Of:	Charles Thomas
Administrativ:	Regina A. Gibson 63 Heizer Creek Poca, WV 25159
Estate No.:	6212
Estate Of:	Vicky Thomas
Executrix:	Regina A. Gibson 63 Heizer Creek Poca, WV 25159

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 October 23, 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 October 23, 2025.
 Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 16TH day of October 2025.

Fiduciary Supervisor
 Putnam County Commission
 10293 Winfield Road,
 Winfield, WV 25213

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF PUTNAM COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA
 In Re: Change of Name from Leigh Ann Hannas to Leighann Hannas Surface

LEGAL NOTICE OF PUBLICATION CHANGE OF NAME PROCEEDING
 Civil Action No. 25-P-113
Circuit Court of Putnam County, West Virginia
 Notice is hereby given that on the 5th day of November, 2025, at 10:30 a.m. on said day, or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, before the Honorable Judge Mark Sorsaia, Leigh Ann Hannas 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 Leigh Ann Hannas to Leighann Hannas Surface, 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 7th day of October, 2025.
 Stephanie M. Smith
 Putnam County Circuit Clerk

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

NOTICE is hereby given by virtue of that certain Deed of Trust executed by **DAVID M. SMITH and KIMBERLY A. SMITH**, dated the 26th day of June, 2018, of record in the Office of the County Commission of Putnam County, West Virginia, in Trust Deed Book 1192, page 480, conveyed unto J. R. Wilson, Trustee; and by virtue of that certain Substitution of Trustee, dated September 26th, 2025, of record in the aforesaid Clerk's Office in Book 1396, page 632, appointing Eric S. Embree in place of stead of, J. R. Wilson, as Trustee, the maker of the note and obligation having failed to pay the same as provided for under the terms of the Note and Deed of Trust and the holder of said Note having declared the balance to be due and payable and having requested the undersigned to make sale of the real estate described in said Deed of Trust, the undersigned will offer for sale and sell at public auction to the highest bidder on the 20th day of November, **2025 at 12 p.m.**, at the north front door of the Courthouse of Putnam County, in Winfield, West Virginia, the following described real estate:

All of the following described real estate, together with the improvements thereon and the appurtenances thereunto belonging, situate in Curry District, Putnam County, West Virginia and being more particularly bounded and described as follows:
 BEGINNING at a 5/8" rebar set in the southern line of a 30' right of way of Putnam County Secondary Route 50 (Sycamore Road) a corner to David Hodges, Deed Book 485, page 56 and being referenced S 55° 25' 00" E, 32.08', from a 5/8" rebar found with a E. L. Robinson Engineering cap; thence, N 53° 28' 20" E, 589.12', with said Road right of way to a 5/8" rebar set; thence, S 43° 13' 42" E 113.47', running through the land of which this is a part to a 5/8" rebar set; thence S 53° 13' 12" W, 562.96', with same to a 5/8" rebar set and being referenced N 48° 02' 00" W, 14.08' from a 20" white oak tree found with 3 hack marks and said rebar being in the line of said Hodges' land; thence, N 55° 25' 00" W, 121.73', with said Hodges' line to the point of beginning and containing 1.51 acres, as shown upon a survey prepared by Randolph Engineering Comp., bearing the signature and seal of Donald R. Hayes, PS #902, dated March 5, 2012, and titled "Plat showing parcel "A" containing 1.51 acres and being severed from Lot 1 of the Fizer Estate, situate in Curry District, Putnam County, West Virginia".

It is the intention of this notice to sell the secured property by proper description as was intended to be transferred and conveyed in the aforesaid deed of trust. The described real estate is reported to have a mailing address of: 5535 Sycamore Ridge Road, Hurricane, West Virginia, 25526.
TERMS OF SALE: Sale will be made without warranty, as is, subject to all unpaid real property taxes and special assessments, if any, and also subject to any exceptions, reservations, restrictions, covenants, conditions, agreements and easements as found in the chain of title which affect any part of the property aforesaid, specifically including any which may be incorporated by reference in the aforesaid deed of trust. Any buyer is advised to retain counsel before the sale.

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.
 Trustee at sale is under no duty to cause any existing tenant or person occupying the subject 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 by certified check, cash or the equivalent within thirty (30) days of the date of sale, with ten (10%) of the total purchase price payable to the Trustee at sale by certified check, cash or the equivalent.
 Should any party have any inquires, objections to the sale or protests regarding the sale, or request regarding the sale, please notify the Trustee below.
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.

The part(ies) secured by the Deed of Trust reserve the right to purchase the property at such sale. If the purchaser at sale is unable to complete the terms of purchase within 30 days, the Trustee reserves the right to transfer the property to

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the next highest bidder.
 Any sale hereunder may be adjourned from time to time without any notice other than oral proclamation, at the time and place appointed for this sale or by posting of a notice of the same. Should the Trustee not appear at the time appointed for the sale and there is no notice posted of a continuance please contact the office of the Trustee to make further inquiry. Any sale may be conducted or adjourned by the designated agent or attorney of the Trustee. The undersigned is fully vested with the authority to sell said property as Trustee by instrument of record.
 Given under my hand this 14th day of October, 2025

ERIC S. EMBREE, Substitute Trustee
 Tyree Embree and Associates, PLLC
 3564 Teays Valley Road
 Hurricane, West Virginia 25526
 Phone: (304) 757-0021

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IN THE FAMILY COURT OF ROANE COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA

IN RE: Civil Action No. **2024-D-88**
 The Marriage of:
 Jeffery McCroskey
 Petitioner
 and
 Penny McCroskey
 Respondent

ORDER OF PUBLICATION

THE OBJECT OF THIS SUIT IS TO OBTAIN A DIVORCE. THIS IS A PUBLICATION BY CLASS II LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT.
 To the Above-Named Respondent:
 It appearing by affidavit filed in this action that Penny McCroskey is a non-resident of the State of West Virginia or has an unknown address. It is hereby ordered that Penny McCroskey serve upon Petitioner, whose address is 2626 River Rd., Walton WV 25286, an Answer, including any related counterclaim or defense you may have to the Petition For Divorce filed in this action on or before December 9, 2025 @ 10:00 a.m. If you fail to Answer the Petition For Divorce, a judgment may be taken against you for the relief demanded in the Petition.
 A copy of said Petition can be obtained from the undersigned Clerk's Office.
 Entered by the Clerk of said Court, October 14, 2025.
 ANDREA STOCKNER
 Clerk of the Court

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NOTICE TO REDEEM

2024-C-000223 - Putnam County To: **JIMMY L. SNYDER, CAROL Y. SNYDER, OCCUPANT, HEIRS AT LAW, DEVISEES, ALL KNOWN REPRESENTATIVES, SUCCESSORS, ASSIGNS, ALL KNOWN HEIRS, GUARDIANS, CONSERVATIVES, FIDUCIARIES, ADMINISTRATORS, LIENHOLDERS, CO-OWNERS, OTHER PARTIES THAT HAVE AN INTEREST IN SUBJECT DELINQUENT PROPERTY,** 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 any interest in the subject property.

DISTRICT POCA MAP 226B PARCEL 0038 0002 0000

You will take notice that JACOB GATES, the purchaser of the following real estate, **Cert. No. 2024-C-000223**, located in POCA District, LOT 2 HELEN M BUTLER SUBD, which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of SNYDER JIMMY L 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 18, 2025. JACOB GATES, requests that you be notified that a deed for such real estate will be made on or after March 1, 2026, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before February 28, 2026 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 2023 - 16950.	\$181.83
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 for tax year 2024-17068.	\$111.15
Additional taxes with interest. \$0.00	
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest.	\$118.10
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, Publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest.	\$1,240.10
Additional Statutory Fees with interest.	\$0.00
Total Amount Due and Payable to WV State Auditor - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	\$1,651.18

You may redeem at any time before February 28, 2026, 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 not 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 September 25, 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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Legal Notice
 October 14, 2025

The West Virginia Health Care Authority announced that it has received a Letter of Intent from ProSource Staffing, LLC, CON File #25-2/3-13435-Z, for the establishment of a Home Health Agency providing services to Wayne, Putnam, Lincoln and Cabell Counties in West Virginia. Capital Expenditure \$64,000
 Further information regarding the Letter of Intent, including the Certificate of Need application when submitted, is on the Authority's website at www.hca.wv.gov.

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TRUSTEE'S SALE OF VALUABLE REAL ESTATE

The undersigned Substitute Trustee, by virtue of the authority vested in it by that certain Deed of Trust dated February 29, 2024, and duly recorded in the Office of the Clerk of the County Commission of Putnam County, West Virginia, in Deed of Trust Book 1360, at Page 870, Jeff Peters aka Jeff Allen Peters did convey unto Todd Taylor and Dan Kennedy, Trustees, certain real property described in said Deed of Trust; and the beneficiary has elected to appoint Pill & Pill, PLLC as Substitute Trustee by a Substitution of Trustee recorded in the aforesaid Clerk's Office; and default having been made under the aforementioned Deed of Trust, and the undersigned Substitute Trustee having been instructed by the secured party to foreclose thereunder, will offer for sale at public auction at the front door of the Putnam County Courthouse, in Winfield, West Virginia, on

November 5, 2025, at 5:00 PM

The following described real estate, with its improvements, easements and appurtenances thereunto belonging, situate in the Scott District, Putnam County, West Virginia, and more particularly described as follows:
 A parcel of land situated in the District of Scott, County of Putnam, State of West Virginia, to-wit:

All that certain lot, tract or parcel of land, together with the improvements thereon and the appurtenances thereunto belonging, situate in near Scary, on the southwest side of Teays Road, in Scott District, Putnam County, West Virginia, and being more particularly bounded and described as follows:

TRACT NO. 1: BEGINNING at a telephone pole on the south side of Teays Valley Road in a bend of said road and running along said road S. 18 16' E. 45.0 feet to a peg; thence S. 3 00' E. 97.0 feet to an iron pin, a corner to Lot No. One (1) and Lot No. Two (2); thence leaving said road and running along the line of lot No. Two (2) to a 10 foot alley; thence S. 87 10' W. 457.0 feet to an iron pin, a corner to Lot No. One (1) and Lot No. Two (2); thence N. E. 16 feet with said alley to an iron pin, a corner to Lot No. One (1); thence N. 40 30' W. 203.5 feet along a 20 foot street to an iron pin, a corner to Lot No. One (1) and Lot No. Seventeen (17); thence leaving said street and along the line of Lot No. Seventeen (17) N. 49 30' E. 332.48 feet to an iron pin, a corner to Lot No. One (1) and Lot No. Seventeen (17); thence leaving said line and running S. 41 35' E. 195.0 feet to an iron pin, a corner to Lot No. One (1); thence leaving said corner and running S. 69 30' E. 225.0 feet to the place of beginning, containing three and eleven one hundredths (3.11) acres, more or less, being Lot No. One (1), as shown on a plat or map known as the Kanawha Heights Baby Farms to St. Albans, Scott District, Putnam County, West Virginia, surveyed by C.C. Lovett, C.E. Hurricane, West Virginia, in May 1938.

There is hereby conveyed by the parties of the first part to the party of the second part such right as the parties of the first part hold for the use of a well situate on or near said premises as reserved in deed from T.B. McQuain and wife to George S. Christian and Enos Christian.

TRACT NO. 2: BEGINNING at an iron pin at the north corner of Tract No. 1 and Seventeen (17), S. 49 30' W. 332.48 feet to an iron pin on east side of 20 foot street, corner to Tracts No. 1 and Seventeen (17); thence N. 40 30' W. 185 feet along the east side of street to an iron pin, corner to Tracts Number Seventeen (17) and Sixteen (16); thence with boundary line of Tracts Number Seventeen (17) and Sixteen (16); thence with boundary line of Tracts Number Seventeen (17) and Sixteen (16), N. 49 30 E. 328.48 feet to an iron pin, corner to Tract Number Seventeen (17) and Sixteen (16); thence S. 41 35 E. with the Racer Line and line of Tract Number Seventeen, 185.06 feet to the place of beginning, and being Lot No. Seventeen (17), Kanawha Heights, Baby Farms Addition to St. Albans, Scott District, Putnam County, West Virginia, containing 1.40 acres more or less.

At the time of the execution of the Deed of Trust, this property was reported to have a mailing address of 10140 Teays Valley Road, Scott Depot, WV 25560.

AND BEING the same real estate which was conveyed to Jeff Peters aka Jeff Allen Peters, by Deed dated September 25, 1992, from Everett Dixon, Jr. and Barbara A. Dixon, and recorded in the Office of the Clerk of the County Commission of Putnam County, West Virginia, in Deed Book 343, at Page 89.
 The above-described property will be sold subject to any covenants, restrictions, easements, leases and conditions of record, and subject to any unpaid 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: Ten percent (10%) of the purchase price as a deposit with the balance due and payable within 30 days of the day of sale.

Pill & Pill, PLLC, Substitute Trustee

Jonathan L. Wertman,
 Authorized Signatory
 P. O. Box 440, 85 Aikens Center,
 Martinsburg, WV 25404

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TRUSTEE'S SALE OF VALUABLE REAL ESTATE

The undersigned Trustee, by virtue of the authority vested in him by that certain Deed of Trust, dated November 28, 2022, and duly recorded in the Office of the Clerk of the County Commission of Putnam County, West Virginia, in Book No. 1337, at Page 1, Lucas Scholl did convey unto Seneca Trustees Inc., Trustee(s), certain real property described in said Deed of Trust; and default having been made under the aforementioned Deed of Trust, and the undersigned Trustee having been instructed by MidFirst Bank to foreclose thereunder, will offer for sale at public auction at the front door of the Putnam County Courthouse in Winfield, West Virginia, on

November 25, 2025 at 1:30 PM

the following described real estate, together with its improvements, easements and appurtenances thereunto belonging, situate in 04 - Curry District, Putnam County, West Virginia, and more particularly described as follows:

All of those certain lots, tracts or parcels of land, together with the improvements thereon and the appurtenances thereunto belonging, situate in Curry District, Putnam County, West Virginia, and being more particularly bounded and described as follows:
 Parcel One:

BEGINNING at an iron pin in the southerly right of way line of Oak Drive, corner to Lot 18, Sunset Heights; thence running with the line of Lot 18, S. 50° 00' 00" W., 197.74 feet to a 5/8" iron pin in the line of Lot 13, Sunset Heights; thence leaving the line of Lot 18 and running S. 39° 55' 00" E., 44.77 feet to a 5/8" pin; thence running S. 56° 05' 10" E., 36.68 feet to a 5/8" pin; thence running N. 50° 00' 00" E., 187.59 feet to a pin in the line of Oak Drive; thence running with

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

Notice is hereby given by the undersigned Successor Trustee, in accordance with the provisions of that certain Deed of Trust, dated February 23, 2009 of record in the Office of the Clerk of the County Commission of Putnam County, West Virginia, in Trust Deed Book 894, at page 342 (the "Deed of Trust"), to secure indebtedness described therein payable to Summit Community Bank in the amount of \$49,837.02 as evidenced by that certain Note dated February 23, 2009, to the order of Summit Community Bank (along with any renewals, adjustments, extensions, or modifications, the "Note"). The Deed of Trust covers certain real estate situate in Kanawha County, West Virginia, more particularly described herein.

Pursuant to authority granted in the Deed of Trust, Burke & Herbert Bank & Trust Company, as successor to Summit Community Bank, and by virtue of that certain Memorandum of Assignment of Security Instruments recorded at Book 68, page 904 of the aforesaid Clerk's office, is the owner and holder of the Note secured by the Deed of Trust, appointed P. Corey Bonasso and Zachary J. Rosencrance, to serve collectively as Successor Trustee, by that certain Appointment of Successor Trustee, dated August 19, 2025, and recorded on August 28, 2025, of record in the aforesaid Clerk's office in Trust Deed Book 1394, page 376.

Burke & Herbert Bank & Trust Company, the owner and holder of the Note secured by the Deed of Trust, has notified the Successor Trustee that Grantor is in default under the terms of the Note and under the terms of the Deed of Trust, and has requested, in writing, that the Successor Trustee sell the real property described in the Deed of Trust at public auction, in accordance with the terms of the Deed of Trust and applicable law.

TAKE NOTICE that the undersigned Successor Trustee will offer for sale at public auction on the 12th day of November, 2025, at 11:00 a.m., prevailing Eastern time, at the front door of the Putnam County Courthouse, 12093 Winfield Road, Winfield, West Virginia, all those certain lots, tracts, or parcels of land together with the buildings and improvements thereon, easements, rights of way, and the appurtenances thereunto belonging, situate in Putnam County, West Virginia, and more particularly designated and described as follows (hereinafter, the "Real Property"):

PROPERTY DESCRIPTION

All that certain lot, tract, or parcel of land situate on the right hand fork of the lower left hand fork of Poca River, Poca District, Putnam County, West Virginia, and being more particularly bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at a stake above the dwelling house on the west side of the creek S. 38° W. of and 20 links from 2 willows and running thence across the Bottom and up the hill N. 80° W. 21 poles to a stake on the hillside S. 10° W. 16 poles to a stake above the Eureka Pipe line thence down the hill S. 80° E. 18 poles to a stake on the bank of the creek thence up the creek N. 18° E. 17 poles to the beginning, containing the dwelling house of the late Wm. H. Landers and two and two-tenths (2-2/10) acres of land.

Being the same property conveyed to Ryan Lee Burdette by deed from Gary Wayne Burdette dated October 7, 2008, recorded October 14, 2008, recorded in Deed Book 486, page 550.

TERMS OF SALE

The Real Property will be sold for cash in hand on the date of sale, or under any different, other, or additional sale terms as the Successor Trustee, in his or her reasonable discretion, determines to be appropriate or advisable. The sale shall be further subject to the following:

1. Real estate taxes delinquent, due or payable or to become due and payable, all of which shall be the responsibility of the purchaser;
2. Any statutory lien or liens that may affect the subject property;
3. All covenants, conditions, restrictions, reservations, easements and rights-of-way appearing of record in the chain of title to the property, or which may be visible from a physical inspection of the subject property;
4. All liens and encumbrances of any nature whatsoever, including, without limitation, liens for real estate taxes, incinerator, sanitary and sewer charges, having priority over the deeds of trust referred to herein.
5. The purchaser at the sale shall be responsible for paying the costs of recording the Successor Trustee's Deed and the tax imposed by the State of West Virginia on the privilege of transferring real property (the cost of the tax stamps to be affixed to the Deed).
6. All of the property to be sold will be sold "AS IS, WHERE IS" in the present condition and with all faults and defects, if any, and without any warranty or representation, express or implied. The Successor Trustee shall be under no duty to cause any existing tenant or person occupying the Real Property to vacate said property. The Successor Trustee will deliver a trustee's deed to the purchaser without any covenant or warranty (express or implied) in the form prescribed by W. Va. Code § 38-1-6. The Successor Trustee makes no representations and warranties about the title to the real estate to be conveyed. If the Successor Trustee is unable to convey insurable or marketable title to the purchaser for any reason, purchaser's sole remedy is return of deposit.
7. 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 this sale or the period allowable for redemption under local law, whichever is longer.
8. The undersigned Successor Trustee expressly reserves the right to reject any and all bids, and the right to adjourn the sale from time to time without notice other than oral proclamation at the time and place appointed for the sale. Such adjournment may be for a period of time deemed expedient by the beneficial owner and shall not be construed to be a waiver of the right to make the sale contemplated by this Notice.
9. The beneficiary of the Deeds of Trust and holder of the Note thereby secured reserves the right to submit a bid for the Real Property at the sale, which bid may be in the form of a credit bid.

10. The successful bidder will be required to execute a memorandum of sale upon the acceptance of the successful bid by the Successor Trustee.

11. The sale is subject to post-sale confirmation that none of the grantors filed for bankruptcy protection before the conclusion of bidding, in which case the sale will be null and void and the purchaser's sole remedy, at law or in equity, will be return of deposit without interest.

12. The trustee's sale shall be open to online bidders.

13. A 10% buyer's premium will be added to the high bid for the Real Property. The high bidder shall pay the buyer's premium plus an additional 10% of its bid on the day of the sale (the "Good Faith Deposit"), with the balance to be paid in cash at closing within 14 days after the date of sale.

14. To the extent any discrepancy exists between the legal description identified herein and any third party marketing materials, the legal description in this Notice shall control.

Additional terms of sale may be announced prior to the sale.

Any inquiries regarding this sale may be directed to P. Corey Bonasso or Zachary J. Rosencrance, Successor Trustee, 600 Quarrier Street, Charleston, West Virginia 25301, telephone (304) 347 1100.

DATED: October 17, 2025

/s/Zachary J. Rosencrance
Zachary J. Rosencrance,
Successor Trustee
/s/P. Corey Bonasso
P. Corey Bonasso,
Successor Trustee

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Obituaries

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BILLY LEE THORNTON SR.

Billy Lee Thornton Sr, 80, of Hurricane, passed away peacefully October 14, 2025, surrounded by family at St Mary's Hospital.

He was preceded in death by his parents J.J. and Naomie Thornton. Three brothers Tommy, Roger and David, also a sister Gertie.

He was a Navy Veteran of Vietnam. He retired from Blenko Glass and worked several years as a people Greeter at Walmart.

He attended Fairview Primitive Baptist Church in Culloden, West Virginia.

He is survived by his wife Norma, two sons Billy Lee and Jeremy both of Hurricane. Granddaughter

Cali of Ashland, KY. Three brothers Connie of Huntington, Don (Bev) of Hurricane, James of Ohio, Four sisters Virgie (John) of Ohio, Linda (David) and Mary (John) of Barboursville, and Loretta of Milton, and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral service was Monday, October 20, 2025, at Allen Funeral Home with elders Harold Johnson and Toney Edwards officiating. Burial was in Mt. Moriah Cemetery.

CARL E. WELCH, JR.

Carl E. Welch, Jr., 61, of Leon, passed away on October 15, 2025.

Carl was born on December 5, 1963, in South Charleston to the late Carl and Freda Welch. He was a kind-hearted man who loved

the simple joys of life. He enjoyed listening to music, watching wrestling, and was truly a big kid at heart — someone who could always find a reason to smile and make others do the same.

He is survived by his brother, James Welch; sister, Lisa (Newton, Jr.) Blevins; and his beloved nieces and nephews, Sabrina Baldwin, Brittany Slate, Bridgit Blevins, Emily Blevins, Betsy Blevins, and Newton Blevins III.

In honoring Carl's wishes, there will be no services. He was laid to rest in New Antioch Cemetery, Red House.

RALPH W. WORKMAN

Ralph W. Workman, 89, of Poca, went home to be with the Lord on October

14, 2025, surrounded by his loving family.

Ralph was retired from FMC and faithfully preached the gospel for more than 50 years throughout the Kanawha Valley, as well as in South Carolina, Illinois, and Jamaica. He and his beloved wife, Mert, joyfully shared their ministry in both word and song—she at the piano and Ralph with his rich voice, known especially for his stirring rendition of "When They Ring Those Golden Bells." His life was a testimony of unwavering faith, love for others, and dedication to the call of Christ.

He was preceded in death by his loving wife, Marietta June "Mert" Workman; parents, Lawrence and Anna Workman; brothers, Woodrow, Brady, Otis,

LeRoy, and Treve; and sister, Freda Painter.

Ralph is survived by his two daughters, Portia Lynn (Alex Hedrick) Payne and Tracy June (Joel "Kip") Arthur; four grandchildren, David Allen (Miranda) Payne, Dr. Lynnetta Faith (Deana) Payne, Erika Danielle (Travis) Bailey, and Whitney Rachel (Gabe) Conley; and ten great-grandchildren, Gavin, Adyson, Piper, Isaac, Sophia, Tori, Ava, Layla, Lucy, and Lennon.

A tribute to the life of Ralph was held Sunday, October 19, 2025, at Bancroft Mission with Pastors James Legg, and Tim Martin officiating. Burial was in Haven of Rest Memory Gardens, Red House.



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| SCOTT AUGERI
Sleepy Creek Road
Hurricane
50th Birthday October 18 | DELMER CHAPMAN
5086 5&20 Mile Road
Frazier's Bottom
81st Birthday October 26 |
| RUBY GIBSON
P.O. Box 132
Frazier's Bottom
Birthday October 23 | SARA GRACE CLAY
Dayton, Ohio
29th Birthday October 26 |
| RONNIE CALL
2492 Sugar Camp Road
Winfield
44th Birthday October 24 | BETTY REED
1660 Charlie's Creek Road
Culloden
82nd Birthday October 26 |
| KENNY LIVINGSTON, JR.
Route 3, Box 141
Leon
60th Birthday October 24 | KELLY JO BATES
Marysville, Tennessee
Birthday October 26 |
| JAYNA ANN FISHER THOMPSON
Orange City, Florida
29th Birthday October 24 | CHRISTIAN LEFFINGWELL
Patriot, Ohio
29th Birthday October 26 |
| JIM SAVIDGE
216 North 8th Street
Upper Sandusky, Ohio
84th Birthday October 24 | REV. SAM MORRIS
Milton
82nd Birthday October 26 |
| MARICIA REBECCA ERWIN
5570 Hurricane Creek Road
Hurricane
44th Birthday October 25 | CAROL CREMEANS
311 Virginia Avenue
Hurricane
77th Birthday October 27 |
| CHRYSTALEE POWERS
Hurricane
Birthday October 25 | LEAH LOSH
#13 Steiner Blvd.
Barboursville
49th Birthday October 27 |
| OLIVIA ANN GLENN
7319 Reserve Creek Drive
Fort Pierce, Florida
26th Birthday October 25 | MEAGAN TAYLOR JOHNSON
Hurricane
33rd Birthday October 27 |
| HOWARD LEADMAN
Poindexter Road
Hurricane
Birthday October 25 | JIM WALLACE
5704 Saint Paul Road
Ashville, Ohio
82nd Birthday October 27 |
| BRADLEY GRANT
P.O. Box 811
Poca
29th Birthday October 25 | MATTHEW RAINES
Red House
30th Birthday October 27 |
| JUDY HINCHMAN
2704 McComas Road
Barboursville
Birthday October 25 | OWEN JAMES SNYDER
Florida
8th Birthday October 27 |
| TYLER EGGLETON
Culloden
27th Birthday October 26 | GLENDIA JEAN EDWARDS
1045 Jane Drive
Culloden
76th Birthday October 28 |
| HILLARD RODHAM CLINTON
New York
78th Birthday October 26 | VERNON EUGENE BIRD
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77th Birthday October 29 |
| | PHYLLIS GOFF BAYS
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80th Birthday October 29 |

Buffalo UMC to Celebrate Historic Milestones

Buffalo United Methodist Church, located at 27 High Street in the Buffalo Historic Square, will be celebrating their 192nd year of founding and 155 years in their current church building, on October 26, beginning at 10:30 a.m. Guest speaker will be George Webb, the pastor of Humphries United Methodist in Sissonville. Special singing will be by the group Inheritance. A covered dish dinner will be served after the service. The church is handicapped accessible and everyone is welcome to come and help Buffalo UMC celebrate! For more information, check out the church's Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/BuffaloWVUMC>

Mount Vernon Fall Harvest Market

Mt. Vernon Baptist Church, 2150 Mount Vernon Road, Hurricane, will be holding their Fall Harvest Market on Saturday, November 8, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Food and crafts. Interested vendors can contact Chuck Stump at (304) 545-2964 or at Chuck@PGroup.US

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Hurricane
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252 Southshore Lane
Dallas, Georgia
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Poca
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| JESSICA CHAPMAN
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21st Birthday October 30 | BRANDON SCOTT CANTERBURY
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48th Birthday October 30 | MICHAEL JOHNSON
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Milton
Birthday October 30 |
| WESLEY NEAL
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Birthday October 30 | ROGER CHANEY
103 Winners Circle
Hurricane
82nd Birthday October 30 |
| LEONIDAS JON PAUL SHANK
Frazier's Bottom
8th Birthday October 30 | REV. LARRY COOPER
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Hurricane
64th Birthday October 30 |
| WES AMORES
Red House
39th Birthday October 30 | |

October Events At Putnam Libraries

October is unbelieveably packed with events and programs at the library! Put your faves on your calendar today!

Come share a spooky and sweet Story Time with Halloween themed books, songs, games, and trick or treating through the library stacks of the Main Library in Teays Valley on Thursday, October 23, beginning at 6 p.m. Costumes are welcome!

Can you escape the Abandoned Asylum, or will confinement drive you mad? Test your wits, skill, and fearlessness by attempting the Abandoned Asylum Escape Room at the Main Library on Friday, October 24 and Saturday, October 25. Reserve a time slot for your group of 5 or less by calling the Main Library at 304-757-7308. This event is FREE, and the library does suggest ages 10 and up.

On Saturday, October 25, the Saturday Morning Movie will be *Coraline*, showing at 10 a.m. at the Main Library.

On Wednesday, October 29, paint rocks with an autumn theme at Halloween ROCKS! from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. at the Poca Library.

If your kids aren't playing Reading Dragons, now's the time to read books to earn exciting playing cards that you can use for games, trading, or just collecting. October's limited edition Reading Dragon is Caramel Apple. Visit any Putnam Library location to get a reading tracker and start your collection.

For more information, go to <https://putnamlibrarywv.org>

Happy Anniversary

Brian and Jodi Escue of 1655 Washington Hill Road in Hurricane will celebrate their fifteenth wedding anniversary on October 24.

Elliott and Brigitte Breedlove of #31 Jones Cove in Hurricane will celebrate their twenty-third wedding anniversary on October 24.

Chris and Crystal Dawn Harper Colland of Morgantown will celebrate their eleventh wedding anniversary on October 25.

Bret and Haley King of Bloomdale, Ohio, will celebrate their eleventh wedding anniversary on October 26.

Delmer and Pam Chapman of 5086 5&20 Mile Road in Frazier's Bottom will celebrate their sixtieth wedding anniversary on October 26.

Gregy and Rebecca Woodard Rowsey of Milton will celebrate their twenty-fourth wedding anniversary on October 27.

Danny and Missy Neville of Barker's Ridge Road in Milton will celebrate their twenty-first wedding anniversary on October 28.

Jimmy and Carol Cremeans of 311 East Virginia Avenue in Hurricane will celebrate their fifty-ninth wedding anniversary on October 30.

Jerry Alan and Deanna Kathryn Coyner Woods of 109 Pine Grove Drive in Culloden will celebrate their first wedding anniversary on October 30.

Cross Lanes UMC Craft Show

Cross Lanes United Methodist Church, 5320 Frontier Drive, will be holding their annual craft show and bake sale Saturday, November 1, from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Table and space rental are \$30. Space only is \$25. Reservations are required by October 24 by contacting Suellen Bottorf at ishop257@hotmail.com, or (304) 415-3194 for a reservation form.

Begin your shopping with a homemade cinnamon roll or biscuit and coffee. Lunch concessions, soup, barbecue or hotdogs. Eat in or to go.

Also included in the event is the Cross Lanes Woman's Club Health Fair from 9 a.m. to noon.

Local Historian To Discuss Book

Local historian Philip Hatfield PhD will be at the Hurricane City Hall on Saturday, November 1, from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. to discuss his book "The Other Feud: William Anderson 'Devil Anse' Hatfield in the Civil War."

A little known fact about the Hatfield and McCoy Feud is that nearly all of the men involved were also Civil War veterans. The Hatfield patriarch, William Anderson "Devil Anse" Hatfield, served in the Confederate army 1861-1865. He fought in numerous skirmishes along the border territories of western Virginia and Kentucky. Unfortunately, most popular accounts of Devil Anse's Confederate service are based on legends rather than facts. Many also overlooked important details linking his Civil War service to the famous feud. Using official military records, newspaper accounts, and other historic sources, the author debunks several myths and sheds more insight into one of the most mysterious characters in American folk history.

For more information or to register, email putnamcountymg@gmail.com

Master Gardeners Harvest Hootenanny

Putnam County Master Gardeners are having a Harvest Hootenanny on October 24 and 25 at Camp Virgil Tate near Charleston.

On Friday, October 24, there will be a Farm to Table Dinner including a Star Party presented by the Kanawha Valley Astronomical Society afterwards, weather permitting. The cost is \$75, and the dinner starts at 6:00 p.m.

On Saturday, October 25, the Master Gardeners will present classes during the day. Registration is 8 to 9 a.m. The cost is \$55. There will be snack breaks and a light dinner from 5:30 to 7 p.m.

Presenters are: Water in the Garden - Eric Nowlen

Jams & Jellies - Kathy Talley

Appalachian History/Storytelling - Tim Sayre

Introduction to Bee Keeping - Tami Craig

Propagating House Plants - Anna Holly

Growing in Low Tunnels/Starting Seeds - Kami Morris

Gardening Painting take home project - Myra Simmons

Canning Class - Kathy Talley & Tim Sayre

There will also be kids' activities, plant sales, and other exhibits.

Kids' meals are \$20 for the first kid, and \$15 each for two or more.

There will be a FOOTMAD Community Dance that evening from 7 to 9 p.m.

Overnight lodging is available at Camp Virgil Tate by calling 304-741-5657.

For more information or to register, email putnamcountymg@gmail.com

Cavalry Baptist Food Pantry

Calvary Baptist Church, 3653 Teays Valley Road, Hurricane, will be having their food pantry on Saturday, October 25, starting at 9 a.m.

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



Softball (PCWV-A-26365) is a young female domestic shorthair cat.



Banjo (PCWV-A-1136) is a male mixed breed medium-sized dog.



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