

The Hurricane Breeze

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HURRICANE CITY COUNCIL NEWS
Recognitions, Updates, and a \$4,400.91 Check

By Ron Allen
 Prior to the Hurricane City Council meeting, the vacant seat on council was filled by the appointment of Jody Ogle. Ogle swore to uphold the prescribed duties of council as Mayor Edwards administered the oath. Ogle, 46, is a 21-year resident of the city.

The Hurricane Police Department, city workers, and WV DOT were all recognized for actions above and beyond their job descriptions.

Before citing any actions by individuals, Edwards made the public aware of an incident in which the police department utilized drone technology to locate and arrest an individual who had fled from officers. A drone with infrared detection capabilities was used to find an individual who had fled the scene and sought to hide in a wooded area in the dark of night. The mayor said he wants the public to know that running from the police department is not a wise choice.

City Construction Service workers and WV DOT workers were recognized for their rapid response to the emergency closure of the bridge to Lexington Estates. The temporary replacement was completed in a record time because the team was able to locate and move resources to the site without delay. The effort involved helping residents carrying supplies and necessities to and from

their homes. Edwards recognized the timely response of Hurricane Construction Services personnel in an instance in which a victim was found bleeding after suffering a stroke on Teays Valley Road. The victim, Bill Starkey of Milton, was present to personally thank those who assisted.

Members of the Hurricane High School Golf Team received certificates of recognition for winning the State Championship.

City Manager Andy Skidmore informed council that the city has received 12 proposals from contractors to oversee the construction of infrastructure for Woodworth Farms. Contract will be awarded once all proposals are evaluated.

David Boyles addressed council concerning language in the city code which defines the term Family. Boyles pointed to city codes of other West Virginia municipalities which are more stringent than that of Hurricane. Boyles believes changes of the definition would benefit residents.

In other business, council held the second reading of an ordinance which will expand the definition of Protective Screening. Council also approved placing the continuance of the 5-year levy to support the police

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Teays Valley Now Home to West Virginia Legends Museum



Greg Tidd searches through a bin filled with posters created by long-time basketball coach Tex Williams in tribute to great memories created by West Virginia's sporting greats.

By Ron Allen
 Each day thousands of motorists view a sign at the junction of Teays Valley Road with State Route 19 in Hurricane which reads "West Virginia Legends Museum." There is no location listed, just a telephone number. The number belongs to Greg Tidd.

Last fall, Greg informed the Breeze that the WV

Sports Legends would be moved from Artie in Raleigh County to Teays Valley. The museum houses memorabilia created by Coach Tex Williams.

Williams is remembered as the coach who led both St. Albans High School and Morris Harvey College (now University of Charleston) to their greatest years ever in basketball. Over the course of his long career, he

collected bits and pieces of West Virginia sports history. The bits and pieces included memorabilia featuring West Virginians who found legendary success in the NBA and NFL. Tex made friends with the greatest of the great and fashioned poster displays and hosted banquets in their honor. Inductions began with Jerry West, Randy Moss, Hot Rod Hundley, and Rod Thorn.

The museum provides a walk down memory lane for all who have ever been touched by the great sports talent which the Mountain State has produced.

Williams' hometown of Artie is off the beaten path and not easily accessible to visitors. Greg Tidd suggested moving the museum to Teays Valley where many could see Tex's

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Governor Morrissey Appoints Putnam Sheriff to the West Virginia Veterans Council

Governor Patrick Morrissey announced three new appointments to the West Virginia Veterans Council in a press release on Tuesday, December 30th.

Putnam County Sheriff Bobby Eggleton is the

first appointee listed. Eggleton graduated from Hurricane High School in 1983 and then enlisted in the Marine Corps, where he spent four years on active duty and two on reserve duty. In 1994, he joined the Charleston Police Department. During his 20 years of service, Eggleton held many positions including Patrol officer, Detective, FBI Sniper Task Force, Criminal Investigation Division I, and Special Events Coordinator to the Chief of Police. At the Charleston Police Department, Eggleton became Assistant Chief of Detectives and was promoted to Commander of the Special Enforcement Division. After retiring from the Charleston Police Department, he was appointed Chief of Police of the Winfield Police Dept. Winfield, WV. After two years, Eggleton was

hired as Chief of Police for the city of Nitro, WV, and was then elected as Sheriff of Putnam County in January 2021.

The other appointees to the Veterans Council are Kelvin Upson and Gary Roberts.

Upson is a Senior Cyber Professional and Systems Engineer with 24 years of military senior leadership and management experience. He is the Cyber Supply Chain Risk Management Engineering Lead for the V2X Company and has held a senior cyber engineering role at Raytheon for 5 years. Upson is also a Certified Advanced Instructor with the University of Phoenix, where he teaches courses in the areas of network defense and cyber security. His extensive knowledge and experience in leadership, management, education, information technology, risk management and cyber security provides a sound background for serving on the WV Veteran's Advisory Council.

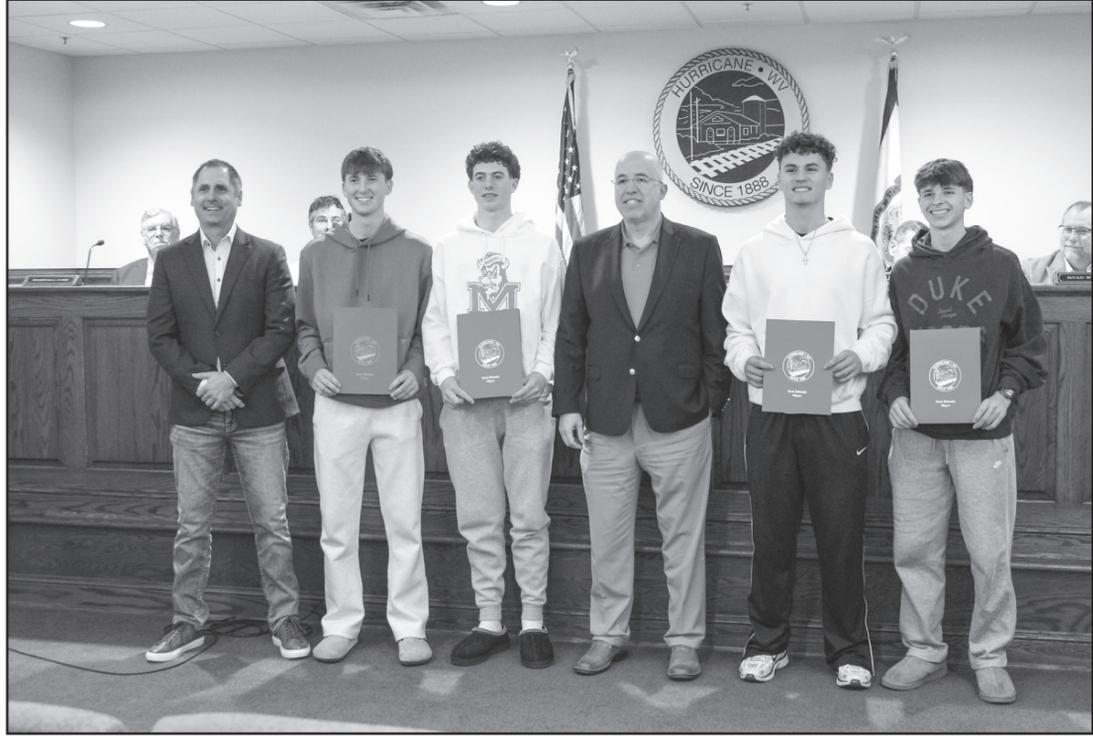
Upson served 24 years with the U.S. Navy, where he started as a helicopter pilot in 1993. He reported to the USS Kitty Hawk and served as the Assistant Strike Operations Officer and UNIX System Administrator. In 1999, Upson served on the USS Coronado, the Navy's Sea Based Battle Lab, as the Automated Data Processing Systems Director. Upson transferred to the National Reconnaissance Office in 2001 and served as the IT Program Manager for a Global Wide Area Network. In November 2003, he served on the USS Dwight D

Eisenhower as the Combat Systems Information Officer in charge of the communications suite and Information Assurance. He then served as a strategic planner for the Chief of Naval Operations in the areas of Information Operations, Computer Network Operations, Strategic Communications, and Information Assurance. In 2008, Upson reported to Space and Missile Systems Center in Los Angeles, California as the Chief of Networking for a major Department of Defense satellite program. In 2009, he served overseas in Baghdad, Iraq as the Director of Theater Operations responsible for all satellite, radio, network, and voice communications across the entire Joint Area of Operations. He then transitioned to Norfolk Virginia as the Assistant Chief of Staff for Communications at the Strike Force Training Atlantic responsible for training Atlantic Fleet Strike and Amphibious Readiness Groups for

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Pictured are members of the WV DOH and Hurricane Construction Services team which made it possible to replace the Lexington Estates bridge in less than a two-day span.



Pictured are Hurricane High Golf Team Coach Sam O'Dell, Carson O'Dell (senior), Bryce Davis (senior), Parker O'Dell (sophomore), Isaac Hayes (sophomore), and Mayor Scott Edwards.

WEATHER SUMMARY		
December 30 - January 5		
	Low	High
December 30	Hurricane 17°	25°
December 31	Hurricane 22°	33°
January 1	Hurricane 27°	31°
January 2	Hurricane 23°	35°
January 3	Hurricane 20°	31°
January 4	Hurricane 16°	40°
January 5	Hurricane 18°	53°
*RAIN None recorded		

Community Calendar

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

JANUARY 9 - 11

Hurricane's Red Hot and Heat Wave Show Choirs will be hosting a cabaret-style dinner and two amazing shows. Show times are Jan. 9 at 6:30 p.m.; Jan. 10 at noon and 6:30 p.m.; or Jan. 11 at 1 p.m. Reservations are \$25 for adults; \$15 Children 10 and under. Price at the door is \$30 Adults; \$20 children. Order tickets online at www.hurricaneshowchoirs.com

JANUARY 9

- There will be a foam dance party for children ages 7-14 from 7 to 9 p.m. at the Foam Garage, 2716 Putnam Avenue, Hurricane.

- There will be New Years Lofi Rinse and Reset Yoga at 6:30 p.m. at River Ridge Church, 1 Saturn Way, Hurricane.

JANUARY 10

- Murder and Merriment will be presenting a Roaring 1920's themed murder mystery dinner at 7 p.m. at EZ Street, 2796 Winfield Road, St. Albans. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. Tickets are \$35. For more information, call (304) 204-2455.

- The Swoon Society Romance Book Club will be meeting at 11 a.m. at Coffee With A Twist, 101 Main Avenue, Nitro.

- Southern Gospel group Inheritance will be performing from 6 to 9 p.m. at Bancroft Mission, 5936 Charleston Road, Bancroft.

- Battleground Wrestling is coming to Lee's Studio of Dance, 8325 Winfield Road, Winfield. Doors open at 6 p.m.; first match at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$20. For more information, call 304-437-2860.

- The Band Wagon will be performing at Barnyard BBQ, Hospital Drive, Hurricane, from 6 to 8 p.m.

- There will be a foam dance party for children ages 1-6 from 10 a.m. to noon at the Foam Garage,

2716 Putnam Avenue, Hurricane.

- There will be a workshop for empty nesters called How To Be Me Without Them at 9 a.m. at River Ridge Church, Saturn Way, Hurricane. To register, go to <https://www.life-seasons.com/offers/L2MEjwXa/checkout>

JANUARY 11 - 15

- Teays Valley Baptist Church, 3926 Teays Valley Road, Hurricane, will be hosting a winter revival. Hours are 9:30 a.m. and 5 p.m. on Jan. 11; and 7 p.m. on Jan. 12 - 15.

JANUARY 12

- There will be a genealogy meet-up at 4 p.m. at the Putnam County Main Library in Teays Valley.

JANUARY 13

- Battleground Wrestling is coming to Lee's Studio of Dance, 8325 Winfield Road, Winfield. Doors open at 6 p.m.; first match at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$20. For more information, call 304-437-2860.

- Black & Company will be presenting the 2025 Employer Benefits & Compensation Report, which focuses on local trends in health insurance, benefits strategy, employee retention, and financial wellness at noon at Area 34, 971 State Route 34, Hurricane. RSVP by calling (304) 757-6510.

- There will be an instructional 11x14 painting class at 6 p.m. at Valley Park in Hurricane. The cost is \$35 and supplies are provided. To register, go to <https://304tix.com/events/instructional-art-class-1-13-2026>

JANUARY 14

- Explore concepts of physics and engineering by making a snowball launcher at 3:30 p.m. at the Eleanor Library.

JANUARY 15

- Paint a painting of a deer in a forest from 6 to 8 p.m. at Brookse's Bar and Grill, 13184 Winfield Road, Winfield. Tickets are \$41.93. Register at <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/brookses-bar-grill-deer-in-forest-painting-tickets-1977008469552>

- There are weekly backgammon games from 6:30 - 8 p.m. at the Putnam Moose Lodge, located in Putnam Village Shopping Center. Open to the public.

- There will be a ribbon cutting at 4:30 p.m. at Beaconlight Counseling, 101 Carriage Way, Hurricane.

JANUARY 16

- There will be bingo at 6 p.m. at Coffee With A Twist, 101 Main Avenue, Nitro.

JANUARY 17

- There will be a basic safety/CCW class at 10 a.m. at the Putnam County Gun Club in Eleanor. The class will run appx 6-7 hours. The cost is \$60. Call 304-416-3275 to reserve a spot.

- There will be a concealed carry training class from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Valley outdoors, 3034 Mount Vernon Road, Hurricane. For more information, call (304) 760-0457.

JANUARY 18

- Poca High School Visual Volume presents Dot Debut. First show is at 2:30 p.m. with a spaghetti dinner at 1 p.m., and the second show is 5 p.m. with dinner at 3:30 p.m. The cost is \$15 per show.

JANUARY 19

- Empower & Inspire: Cancer Resources For Every Step will be held from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Valley Park in Hurricane. Learn about the various resources that are available for individuals battling cancer.

Missy Raines and Allegheny in Charleston January 10

West Virginia native and acclaimed bassist Missy Raines will open the new year for the Kanawha Valley FOOTMAD concert series at 7:30 pm, Saturday, January 10, at the WV Culture Center.

Bringing her band Allegheny, Raines is well known, having been named "Bass Player of the Year" ten times by International Bluegrass Music Association.

If the instrument Raines plays looks worn, it is with good reason. She's played it since she was 10 years old! She started performing as a young teenager, and since then she's worked with some of the greats across several generations: Mac Wiseman, Kenny Baker, Eddie Adcock, Bobby Osborne, Alison Brown, Bill Evans, Laurie Lewis, and Claire Lynch, to name a few.

Locals may have seen her on Mountain Stage or during the WV Music Hall of Fame induction ceremonies, which she co-hosted in 2023. Her band Allegheny is comprised of Ben Garnett (guitar),

Eli Gilbert (banjo), Ellie Hakanson (fiddle), and Tristan Scroggins (mandolin).

Says Raines, "Their love of traditional bluegrass runs as deep as mine does. They've studied and listened to it and are moved by it in the same way that I am." And yet, they're not afraid to innovate, Raines's vocals making plain the deep feelings she has for small town struggles and living close to the land and its people.

Tickets for this event are \$25 in advance, \$30 at the door, students of any age are only \$10. Visit FOOTMAD.org or call 304-729-4382 for more information or to purchase tickets. Children under 13 are admitted free at the door.

As an educational non-profit FOOTMAD has presented traditional music and dance in the Kanawha Valley for 44 years. This presentation is presented with funding from WV Tourism with support from the National Endowment for the Arts.

"Mountains Are Always Free"

Photo Contest

The West Virginia State Parks Foundation is announcing the commencement of the Mountains are Always Free Photo Contest. This contest, which will run through the end of February is intended to showcase the best of winter in West Virginia State Parks, Forests, and Rail Trails.

"West Virginia state park areas are absolutely beautiful in the wintertime", said Foundation Executive Director Brad Reed. "Our state is known as a four-season recreational paradise, and we would love to see those gorgeous landscapes and snowy weather family fun captured on film."

The contest is open to both amateur and professional photographers, and the winners will receive prizes from West Virginia State Parks. Prizes will be awarded in three categories: 1) Winterscape: photos of beautiful winter scenery/nature on WV State Park areas, 2) Fancy Facilities: winter photos of special WV State Park area buildings, facilities or features, 3) Outdoor Recreation: winter photos of your favorite WV State Park area outdoor recreation activities (hiking, fishing, etc.)

For more information and contest rules, visit <https://www.lovewvstateparks.com/events/>

About the WV State Parks Foundation:
The West Virginia

Free Ad Space

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

Submissions must be received by noon on Monday for publication on Thursday. With the exception of upcoming yard/estate sale notices, a new submission is required each week.

Space is limited. Submission by email is preferred (breezenews@citynet.net).

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Yorkie puppies. Tails docked, have shots, wormed, 16 weeks old. \$450. 304-593-1230.

The Way We Were, The Way We Are

By Brenda Burke

2026 is here... 2025 was bittersweet... let's hope this year brings us good health and happiness.

My word for the year is one I am recycling, BELIEVE. I believe things are good, can get better, and life is fantastic. Believe.

This is a hodgepodge column... I enjoyed reading the story of the train on The Breeze... read it online... it is intriguing to read of the past of our hometown. I do not remember hearing about this tragedy, but I am sure my family would have discussed it. Whew...so much history...

Mayor Edwards... again with this mayor... my readers know how I liked Mayor Peak. He was Hurricane... well, we realize that this mayor cares about our town. He is energetic and hardworking... always doing something to grow Hurricane, WV. If there are other mayors as innovative as this young man, well... enough said... we are lucky...

I was chatting with a sweet friend the other day when Billups Bargain Store came up. I am a vegetarian, but I remember their bologna. I would walk to the store, get a little Coke and carry home bread and bologna. I enjoyed looking at the school supplies and could not wait to get my items each year. I was writing already and loved the tablets and pencils. I wrote stories... I journaled before I knew what journaling was. Oh! I wanted a pen but too expensive... (mother was

good friends with the Billups' family and spent vacations with them in later years.) I miss those walks... I always hoped the drink would last all the way home... I could not wait to fix a sandwich. Yummy white bread and fresh bologna... It is fun to remember together. Our past...

Class of 1965 HHS. As far as I know, our class did not have a 60 year reunion. Maybe they combined it with 1964. I hoped there would be a get together. Flora Lee told me her class meets at Fat Patty's in a private room. Perhaps when I am in WV this year, some of us could do that... keep it simple...

I am settling in here at Grove Crossing, aged 55 and above. The biggest adjustment has been the weather. My daughter takes me everywhere. I do not want to drive on ice and snow. I do miss my Florida family... I enjoy my Indiana family. Should be two of Nana. (My apartment needs a few more items...). Will finish this year.

Moving is not for the faint of heart. Thirty plus times... whew...

I will continue to watch the Bowl games. My picks are sporadic. Indiana is excited of course. I work puzzles or read while watching the games.

Sometimes they are so exciting, I become hyper and antsy. Fun fun fun... we will see who wins. In the meantime, happy 2026... we bring in the new year because the way we were is the way we are...

State Parks Foundation is an independent 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization with a mission to "preserve, protect, and enhance West Virginia State Parks by providing leadership in communication, funding, and advocacy in partnership with individual Park Foundations."

Find them at www.lovewvstateparks.com

United Way Central WV Dancing with the Stars Season 5

The excitement is soaring! United Way of Central West Virginia is proud to unveil the glittering cast of Dancing with the Stars Season Five, the signature event that blends dazzling performances with powerful community impact. After four unforgettable seasons, the event has officially surpassed \$1 million raised to support United Way programs throughout Central West Virginia. Season Five promises to keep that momentum

going. Six standout couples will spend the coming months training, fundraising, and preparing to step into the spotlight for the social event of the season:

- Couple #1: Lauren Klymochko & Adam Zimmerman
- Couple #2: Danielle Waltz & Cameron Vance
- Couple #3: Dr. Jacqueline Stump & Tracy Abdalla
- Couple #4: Melanie Pagliaro & Jeff Preast
- Couple #5: Shea Paul & C. Anthony Parker

- Couple #6: Christie Goldman & Drew Elliot

Dancing With The Stars Season Five takes the stage on Friday, May 1, 2026, at the Charleston Coliseum & Convention Center.

- Reserve your spot now—sponsorships, tables, and tickets are available at 304-340-3500 or www.unitedwaycwv.org/dancing-stars
- Voting is officially open! Cast your vote for your favorite couple at: <https://fundraise.givesmart.com/vf/DANCE>

Putnam County Food Pantries And Clothing Banks

- Christian Community Cupboard**
2843 Virginia Avenue Hurricane
(304) 562-9373
Food pantry open from 10 a.m. to noon Tuesdays and Fridays
- Calvary Baptist Church**
3653 Teays Valley Road Hurricane
(304) 757-8829
Call for food pantry hours.
- Light House Baptist Church**
2440 US Route 60 Hurricane
304-562-3900
Food pantry on the second Saturday of each month from 9-11 a.m. Church also offers free clothing giveaways on a regular basis.
- Teays Valley Baptist Church**
3926 Teays Valley Road Hurricane
(304) 380-3100
Call for food pantry hours.
- Heartbeat of the Valley**
28 Mission Way Scott Depot
(681) 235-2097
heartbeatofthevalley.com

- For more information.
- Good Shepherd Baptist Church**
162 Tiger Lane Scott Depot
(304) 757-7621
Monday - Thursdays, 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. Call before coming.
- Salt & Light Food Pantry**
Winfield Church of the Nazarene
10822 Winfield Road
(304) 586-2180
Food pantry open second Saturday of the month; 9 a.m. - noon
- The Pulse Church**
5368 WV Route 34 Winfield
(304) 936-1679
Food pantry open from 2 to 4 p.m. on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month
- Putnam County Family Support Center**
108822 Winfield Road Winfield
Hours of operation: 8:30 - 4:30 p.m., Monday-Friday
Provides free resources, classes, and support to families.
- Eleanor Presbyterian Church**
647 Eleanor Circle Eleanor
Food pantry open second and third Tuesday from 11 a.m. - 2 p.m.; every fourth Thursday from 4 - 6 p.m.

- Buffalo Baptist Church**
287 High Street
<https://www.facebook.com/BuffaloBaptistWV>
Food pantry on the third Friday of the month from 6 to 7:30 p.m.
- Five Loaves Three Fishes Church**
Poca United Methodist Church
Silver Street
(304) 755-7341
Food pantry open from 9 a.m. to noon second and fourth Saturday
- Heizer Creek Community Church**
6580 Heizer Creek Road, Poca
Food pantry on the third Saturday of each month, 10 a.m. - noon.
- Food and More At The Bridge**
The Bridge Church
279 Dairy Road Poca
(304) 373-6068
Church offers hot meals, food pantry boxes, and a clothing closet from 5 to 8 p.m. on the third Thursday of each month
- Bridge Family Resource Center**
30 Mallory Lane North, St. Albans
304-727-6991
Resource Day is held on the third Saturday of each month from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. Clothing, furniture, household, and other items

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Hurricane City Council News



A copy of the check which the City of Hurricane received for unclaimed vendor checks and refund payments.

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and street departments on the May Primary Election ballot. The current 5-year levy expires on June 30, 2027 and must be approved at a regular primary or general election prior to its expiration.

Council has given the sole tenant of a mobile home located on the five acres which the city recently acquired to vacate the property within 120 days.

Earlier in the day and prior to the meeting, the West Virginia State Treasurer's office was present at city hall to assist residents in making property claim for property held by the State.

Treasurer Larry Pack presented the city with a check of \$4,400.91 which represented unclaimed vendor checks and refund payments.

Additionally, one person found that the State was in possession of \$35,000 which was being held in his name. During the course of the day, the Treasurer's Office found unclaimed property for 41 residents of Putnam County totaling \$52,846.

Information concerning unclaimed property held by the State can be found at www.WVUnclaimedProperty.gov.

The next city council meeting will be Monday, February 2, at 6:30 p.m.



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.

Jan. 8, 1866: William Gustavus Conley was born near Kingwood (Preston County).

Conley was West Virginia's 18th governor, serving from 1929 to 1933.

Jan. 8, 1919: The West Virginia legislature ratified the U.S. constitution's 18th Amendment in the Senate, 26-0, and in the House, 81-3. West Virginia was the 21st state to ratify the amendment. National prohibition went into effect under the Volstead Act on January 16, 1920.

Jan. 8, 1926: Comedian Soupy Sales was born Milton Supman. Raised in Huntington and graduating from Marshall College (now University), he achieved fame as a wacky television personality.

Jan. 9, 1911: Louise McNeill was born on the family farm in Pocahontas County. She was appointed poet laureate by Governor

Jay Rockefeller in 1979, holding that title until her death in 1993.

Jan. 9, 2014: Hazardous chemicals were discovered leaking into the Elk River, contaminating the water supply for a nine-county region.

Jan. 10, 1925: Judge Elizabeth Virginia Hallanan was born in Charleston.

She was West Virginia's first female federal court judge.

Jan. 10, 1928: Gov. Howard Gore appointed Minnie Buckingham Harper of McDowell County to fill the unexpired term of her husband, E. Howard Harper. She was the first Black woman to serve in a state legislative body in the United States.

Jan. 10, 1940: The Pond Creek No. 1 mine at Bartley in McDowell County exploded. The blast killed 91 miners, with another 47 escaping. Rescue teams worked five days to retrieve the bodies but found no additional miners alive.

Jan. 11, 1865: Confederate forces under General Thomas Rosser

Teays Valley Now Home to West Virginia Legends Museum



This display was part of the original Artie Post Office museum created by Tex Williams.



The museum includes contributions from Greats from other states who played against West Virginia Greats.

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tribute to WV's rich sports history and its beloved

figures. Williams accepted. The museum now sits in two Amish-built structures on Tidd's property high above Teays Valley near

the Crooked Creek I-64 exit. Tidd stated that he pleased in his role in making Williams' contributions to West Virginia sports history

known to a wider audience. Presently, visits are by appointment. Tidd can be reached at 304-389-6959.

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major combat operations. In 2012, Upson was the Cyber Requirements Lead for the Joint Chiefs of Staff at the Pentagon, where he oversaw the worldwide implementation of the Global Mission Network Transport project providing Internet Protocol services for

burned the covered bridge at Beverly. Bridge builder Lemuel Chenoweth rebuilt the damaged span in 1872-73.

Jan. 12, 1869:

Newspaperman Herschel Coombs Ogden was born near Fairmont. In 1888, he relocated to Wheeling and entered the newspaper business.

Jan. 13, 1905: Joseph H. Diss Debar died in Philadelphia. A supporter of the movement to create West Virginia, Diss Debar was commissioned in 1863 to design the Great Seal of West Virginia.

the wide area network telecommunications. In 2015, Upson transitioned into the private sector and has served in senior cybersecurity and information technology roles. He currently serves on the Board of Directors for Jefferson Security Bank providing strategic guidance and oversight in the areas of cybersecurity, information technology

and data management services.

Gary Roberts is a United States Marine Corps veteran with six years of active-duty service and a distinguished record of leadership in both military and civilian roles. He currently serves as a County Commissioner in Nicholas County, where he brings a professional, results-driven approach to local governance, fiscal responsibility, and community development. Roberts previously served as Commandant of his local Marine Corps League detachment and holds a bachelor's in business management and a master's degree in public administration.

Roberts is a member of the Appalachian Leadership Institute, having been selected

as one of only five representatives from West Virginia for the current cohort. He is strongly committed to veteran advocacy and veterans' rights, working to ensure that those who served the nation receive the care, support, and benefits they have earned. In addition to his public service, Roberts has been deeply involved in community initiatives throughout Nicholas County, supporting local organizations, youth programs, and efforts that strengthen the region's overall quality of life. His combined experience in military service, civic leadership, and professional administration reflects his dedication to advancing the well-being of communities across the Mountain State.

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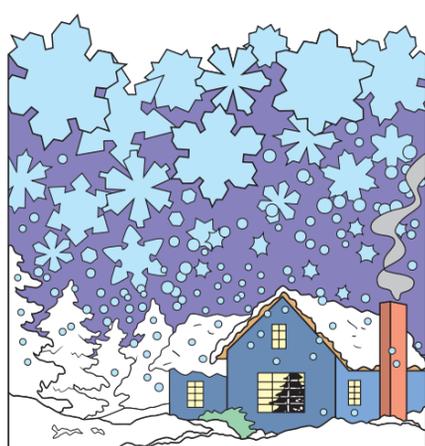
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Fillers Page

Edited by Betsy Allen



Resolve (Concerning New Year's Resolutions)

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

Quitting smoking's easy
Friends, I have done it lots of times
And fantasies of losing weight
Will make our dreams sublime

That time of year has come again
When New Year's resolutions
Succumb to our temptations
And begin their devolutions

Changing what we've done for years
Is changing who we are
A promise to ourselves not kept
Won't take us very far

The journey to a life-long change
Is done in tiny strides
Make your goals attainable
Results will show you've tried

When you begin to falter
Just go forward without fear
Always keep your goal in sight
This year will be your year

Fillers Contributors Wanted

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

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

You can also email submissions to breezenews@citynet.net

Jokes From Linda

Submitted by Linda Lavender Armstead



What do cats wear to bed?
Paw-jamas.

Why do vampires seem sick?
They're always coffin.

Why didn't the lamp sink?
It was too light.

What falls in winter but never gets hurt?
Snow.

Why are ghosts terrible liars?
Because you can see right through them.

What did the Baby Corn say to the Mama Corn?
Where is Pop Corn?

Fillers from Linda

Submitted by Linda~Lavender Armstead
Washington Hill Road, Hurricane

With money, you can buy a clock, but not time.

It always seems impossible - until it's done.

If you aim at nothing, you will hit it every time.

Dating when you're older is like finding a shopping cart with good wheels in the grocery store.

If your child grows up and becomes one of your best friends, you have won the lottery of life.

In my youth, I lost sleep over love; now I lose sleep because I drink water after 9 pm.

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

Did you know common sense is now officially an endangered species?

It's funny how the days we took for granted became the ones we miss the most.

Just because I don't always share my troubles, doesn't mean I don't have them.

You are just as guilty as the abuser if you know about animal abuse and do nothing.

Life is not a box of chocolates; it's more like mixed veggies with freezer burn.

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

Without integrity, success is only a shadow.

Would you call a cow's knee a burger joint?

Make failure your teacher, not your undertaker.

Don't sweat the fall stuff; just leaf it all behind.

Just believe that good things are on their way.

If time heals all wounds, then why do doctors exist?

A doggie's nose print is as unique as a human fingerprint.

Why are they called dentures and not substitooths?

True friends are the family we choose for ourselves.

Youth is a disease from which we all recover.

The sweetest joy, the wildest woe is love.

Your life has been a gift to those who know you.

People will abandon you. A doggie never will.

Example can be a great leadership.

Life is scary without Jesus.

No matter how old he gets, a gentle hug from your son is the best medicine in the world.

Sisters are like butterflies. Each one is different, each one is beautiful. Each one is special.



May your cup overflow with peace, love and bountiful blessings for a safe and happy day.

I'm a huge fan of saying "you're welcome" really loudly when people don't say thank you.

The right partner doesn't complete you, they help you grow into who you're meant to be.

I wonder if my recorded call has ever been used for training or quality purposes.

Blood isn't thicker than water anymore, because strangers help us more than our own relatives.

You've got to love the time change. There's nothing quite like watching the sunset while you're eating lunch.

The function of prayer is not to influence God, but rather to change the nature of the one who prays.

Do you ever feel like your brain has a lot of things to hold but there are no pockets?

Memories are special. Sometimes we laugh at days we once cried, and cry at days we once laughed.

Tell my mistakes to me, not to others. Because my mistakes are mine to correct, not theirs.

Doggies may not say "I love you," but they show it more deeply than anyone ever could.

I just opened my water bill and my electric bill at the same time. I was shocked.

I didn't grow up being told about respect; I grew up seeing it put into practice.

Look for opportunities to help others.

I believe animals have souls; but I am unsure about some people.

Doing what is right in life will make you trustworthy and well liked.

A healthy body is a guest-chamber for the soul; a sick body is a prison.

A rainbow is a beautiful way to end the rain.

Your smile is as bright as a sun and just as bright.

Every morning is an opportunity to start a new adventure.

We often forget to compliment or encourage those we see the most.

Believe in yourself and your challenges won't be so difficult.

Happiness is something follows you wherever you go.

A friend is someone who is always there to help, comfort, and share.

Remembering the good old days brings a smile to my face.

It is hard to discipline the you out of your own child.

To love is to receive a glimpse of heaven.

A lot of little kindness adds up fast.

Think back to a time when you had no worries and feel the smile on your face.

The grass delights to feel your bare feet and the winds like to play with your hair.

Romance is the glamour which turns the dust of everyday life into a golden haze.

You know you're getting old when you look at the clock to see it's late enough to go to bed.

Exercise would be so much more than rewarding of calories screaming while you burn them.

Keep steadily before you the fact that all true success depends at last upon yourself.

I don't care how old I get, if I'm in a store and I see a toy with "try me" on it, I'm pushing those buttons.

Anyone remember when appliances had zero "smart features," and they just worked forever?

Talent hits a target no one else can hit. Genius hits a target no one else can see.

If any thing is sacred, the human body is sacred. - Walt Whitman

Be not afraid of growing slowly, be afraid only of standing still.

Education is an ornament in prosperity and a refuge in adversity.

A good friend, and a 4-leaf clover are hard to find and a blessing to have.

Success is something you attract by the person you become.

I walk slowly, but I never walk backward. - Abraham Lincoln

You don't have to shine all the time. Sometimes peace is the brightest light.

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

Don't absorb other people's negativity. It's their problem, not yours.

Sisters are different flowers from the same garden.

Bible Verse



Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength.

— Mark 12:30

New Year, New Better-for-You Breakfast

(Family Features) Whether you're preparing to power through workouts or recharging for a day of play, a filling, satisfying breakfast is a fitting way to start the morning. Shaking off the sleepiness can begin with the meal of your dreams, one that's loaded with complex carbohydrates, electrolytes, antioxidants and protein.

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To learn more and discover better-for-you recipes for the new year, visit ncsweetpotatoes.com.

Sweetpotato Blueberry Baked Oatmeal

Recipe courtesy of Sarah Schlichter on behalf of the North Carolina Sweetpotato Commission

Prep time: 10 minutes

Cook time: 30 minutes

Servings: 6

2 cups uncooked rolled or old-fashioned oats
2 teaspoons cinnamon
1/4 teaspoon salt
1 1/2 teaspoons baking powder
1 1/2 cups 1% milk
2 large eggs
1 cup mashed sweetpotato
1 1/2 tablespoons butter, melted
1/3 cup maple syrup, plus more for drizzling
1 teaspoon vanilla extract
2/3 cup blueberries (fresh or frozen)

Preheat oven to 350 F.

Coat inside of 2-quart baking dish with butter, oil or nonstick cooking spray.

Mix oats, cinnamon, salt and baking powder.

Beat in milk, eggs, sweetpotato, butter, 1/3 cup maple syrup and vanilla extract.

Mix together, saving blueberries for last to prevent staining or crushing, and spread inside dish.

Bake 30-35 minutes until oats are tender and moisture has been absorbed.

Drizzle with maple syrup, to taste.



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"Great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised..."

— I Chronicles 16:25

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Worshiping God in His Sanctuary

I Chronicles 16:23-33

The book of I Chronicles consists of a list of genealogies followed historical accounts which focus mainly upon David's rule (1010-970 B.C.). The text before us is a portion of a psalm which proceeded from the lips of David when the ark of God was placed in Jerusalem.

The ark of God (ark of the testimony, Ex. 25) was a physical representation of God's spiritual presence. Its presence in Jerusalem speaks of God's dwelling in the midst of His people and of the establishment of a spiritual closeness to Him which was previously absent. The physical presence of the ark in Jerusalem was more than symbolic. The people experienced a heartfelt closeness to God and the occasion was cause for celebration. It was with celebration that this psalm leapt from David's heart.

The psalm, in its entirety, extends from verse 8 to verse 36. David exhorts the people to thank the Lord; to call upon the Lord's name; and to make known among the people that which God has done. The psalm expresses a closeness to God which the Lord would have all men enjoy.

In verse 23, David directs "all the earth" to sing unto the Lord. All is inclusive. All consists of the earth and all things in and on earth. David looked upon all the earth and could hear the earth sing, "This is what the Lord has done!" It was the desire of David's heart that others should hear all the earth sing the words which he heard. It was David's desire that all should know the God he knew.

"... shew forth from day to day his salvation" (v. 23b). Again, David is directing all the earth to sing of that which God has done. David is asking all the earth to sing and to sing daily of God's salvation. David knew God's salvation. The Lord had delivered David as a shepherd boy from a bear and a lion. The Lord had delivered David from Saul. In the psalms, we see time and time in which the Lord delivered David from despair.

God's salvation, His deliverance from trouble, is not constrained by time. The earth is to sing of that which God has supplied, is supplying, and shall supply tomorrow.

In verse 24, David calls upon all the earth to declare God's glory among the heathen. God's glory is the righteousness, love, and holy perfection which radiates outward from Him. David is directing all the world to do that which God wills. God would have the heathen know His righteousness, His love, and His holy perfection. God would have the heathen know His glory which exceeds all power of description. New Testament believers receive David's instruction knowing that God is not willing that any should perish but that all should come to repentance (II Pet. 3:9).

"... his marvellous works among all nations" (v. 24b). The works of God are marvelous. God makes things happen which should not happen. God made a great nation of Abram (a man whose youth had passed). God made the east wind part the sea. God does the impossible. Through David, God is calling all the earth to declare His marvelous works. God used a shepherd boy to fell a mighty giant. God now uses a shepherd boy turned psalmist to declare His glory and His works.

All the earth is to sing unto the Lord "For great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised" (v. 25). God is. All other gods are idols. All other gods are the manufacture of men, fashioned from that which God spoke into being.

Glory and honor cannot be separated from God. God is glory and honor. His presence is glory and honor. Strength and gladness cannot be separated from Him (v. 27).

"Give unto the Lord, ye kindreds of the people" (v. 28). David calls upon the kindreds of the people to give, to present an offering. What are the kindreds to give? The kindreds of the people are to give glory and strength. Glory and strength are joined with God who is. The kindreds are to offer up that which is of God. No man can offer that which he does not possess. Through the psalmist, God is calling the kindreds to give glory and strength which is of Him.

David's words reach out beyond Israel. Israel cannot be the kindreds of the people if Israel not be given the strength and gladness which cannot be removed from God. All who have received strength and gladness are instructed to "... bring an offering, come before him: worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness" (v. 29).

New Testament believers are blessed and empowered. The Comforter brings to remembrance the words which the Father gave to the Son. We can do the works of the Son. We can do all things through Christ who strengthens us (Phil. 4:13). We are to give that which we have received of Him and from Him.

All the earth is to "Fear before him" (v. 30). "Let ... the earth rejoice" (v. 31). "Then shall the trees of the wood sing out at the presence of the Lord, because he cometh to judge the earth" (v. 33). All creation shall shout out the glory of the Creator.

David's words resonate with New Testament believers because we are part of the all who have received the salvation which the Lord freely gives. All New Testament believers are directed to show the Lord's salvation day to day, every day. God's glory cannot be boxed. His glory is beyond human comprehension. Let us reflect that which we have received.

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KIDS TALK ABOUT GOD

BY CAREY KINSOLVING AND FRIENDS

What Did Jesus Mean When He Said, "Knock, And It Will Be Opened To You"?

"I keep on asking my mom if I can play Nintendo, and she finally says yes," says Clyde, 7.

clearly states.
If our eternal destiny isn't at stake here, why did Jesus command us to knock?

Well, Clyde, there's no doubt you've learned that persistence pays off. Your mother knows this, too. Give your mom a break, and apply that same persistence to things of God. You might be surprised at how much more rewarding it is.

"If you pray for something, and God doesn't answer it right away, he will answer you if you keep on praying," says Gerald, 6.

"When you are dead, you are knocking on the door to get into heaven. When you ask to come in, the door will open," says Connor, 6.

When Jesus spoke of knocking, he also mentioned asking and seeking. To illustrate what he meant, Jesus asked, "If you then, being evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father who is in heaven give good things to those who ask Him!" (Matthew 7:11).

Jokes abound about Saint Peter examining credentials for entering the pearly gates. Some people believe in second chances such as reincarnation. Let's see what the Bible says.

Even evil people give good gifts to their children. How much more does a good God give gifts to his children who ask? This is where persistence pays huge dividends. The key is to make sure you're asking for the right things and persist in asking, seeking and knocking.

"And as it is appointed for men to die once, but after this the judgment, so Christ was offered once to bear the sins of many. To those who eagerly wait for Him He will appear a second time, apart from sin, for salvation" (Hebrews 9:27-28).

"Don't quit following Jesus for one day. He will reward you," says Grace, 10.

Jesus died for our sins one time, and we have one life in which to decide whether we'll trust him with our eternal destiny.

In the context of knocking, this is persistent prayer for the advance of God's purpose and plan. We can pray boldly and confidently about many situations revealed in Scripture.

"Keep on trying hard, and you will receive everlasting life," says Bruce, 11.

For example, we know it's God's will for Christians to pray for government leaders "that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and reverence" (I Timothy 2:2).

This is a common belief that appeals to our pride. Many things in this life are earned by persistent hard work. Eternal life is not one of them. The price is higher than anyone can pay. That's why God sent the Lord Jesus to pay the price for us.

Think about this: Knocking on heaven's door on behalf of our country and friends is a ministry to which every Christian is called.

"If you keep asking Jesus into your heart, someday he will come," says Sara, 8.

Memorize this truth: "Ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you" (Matthew 7:7).

Sara, Jesus isn't reluctant to impart his life to those who want it. Begging isn't required. Jesus freely gives his eternal life to anyone who will "believe in him," as John 3:16 so

Ask this question: Do you believe in the goodness of God so that you will persist in asking him for good things that glorify him?

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Obituaries

CATHERINE ANN CHESHIRE
Catherine Ann Cheshire, of Poca, passed away unexpectedly and was welcomed into the arms of God on Thursday, January 1, 2026.

Childers, Gabrielle Browning and Dora Preiser. She is also survived by two great grandchildren Ace Browning and Tori Browning, extended family and friends.

Funeral service was Saturday, January 3, 2026, at Raynes Funeral Home, Eleanor, with Pastor Joel Sites officiating. Burial was in St. Patricks Cemetery, Scott Depot.

VICKIE LYNN DUNLAP
Vickie Lynn Dunlap, 60, of Nitro, passed away January 3, 2026.

Vickie is a graduate of Poca High School and former employee of Fruth Pharmacy in Nitro.

She is preceded in death by her parents John Cart and Mildred Cotroneo.

She is survived by her son Cody Dunlap; sister Debbie (Jimbo) Wiley; niece Sheri Parsons; and two great aunts Evelyn Taylor and Brenda Crites.

FAATALI P. 'TALI' GAYDOSZ

Faatali P. "Tali" Gaydosz, 60, of Fraziers Bottom, passed away at home surrounded by her family on December 31, 2025.

She was born to Perefoti and Tamia Nofoa Ieremia on December 18, 1965 in Pago Pago, American Samoa. She was preceded in death by her father, Perefoti Ieremia and her brother Aleki Ieremia.

She is survived by her devoted husband, Peter J. Gaydosz; her beloved children: Steven (Miranda) Gaydosz of Culloden, David (MacKenzi) Gaydosz of Scott Depot, Taylor (Evan) Haley of Hurricane; and her treasured grandchildren: Steven, Lincoln, Myles, Cruz, Vallie and Maven Gaydosz who were the light of her life; she is also survived by her loving Mother: Tamia Ieremia; Siblings: Filemoni Ieremia, Saaga Filoiali'i, Ta'avili Ieremia, Naomi Ieremia, Fa'afetai Ieremia, Helen Heather and Jeremiah Ieremia.

Tali graduated with her Bachelor of Science from WV SU and was a Counselor with a nonprofit, Council of Three Rivers, where she dedicated her time to helping and uplifting others. Above all else, Tali was a woman of deep and unwavering faith. She

lived her life as a reflection of God's love, through kindness, patience, generosity, and quiet strength. Throughout her courageous battle with cancer, she remained steadfast in her belief, choosing peace over fear and hope over despair. Even in her hardest moments, Tali only spoke of gratitude.

Family was at the center of Tali's heart. She found her greatest joy in time spent with her loved ones, especially her grandchildren. She was also deeply proud of her Samoan heritage and made it a priority to share her culture, values, and faith with others, honoring where she came from and glorifying God in all she did.

A Celebration of Tali's Life will be 12:00pm Friday January 9, 2026 at Chapman Funeral Home, Hurricane.

CHARLES 'CHUCK' MEADOWS

Charles "Chuck" H. Meadows, 68, of Winfield, passed away on January 1, 2026, at his home surrounded by family.

Chuck was born to the late Marshall and Bernie Jane Kingsbury Meadows on May 16, 1957, in Guyandotte. In addition to his parents, he was also preceded in death by his sisters: Joyce Austin and Sandy Scarberry; and his brother, Benny Meadows.

He was a former member of Winfield Vol. Fire Department, where he served 24 years and also on the Board of Directors there. He was very active in getting the WVFD Substation started and located in Fraziers Bottom.

He lastly worked for Hurricane Wrecker starting there in February, 1999 with Wayne Lively until Charleston Auto took ownership in October 2008.

Chuck is survived by his loving wife of 31 years, Judith A. Dawson Meadows; children: Bethany (Jason) Holley of Glenwood, Brent (Kelly) Meadows of Powell, OH, John (Sara) Lovejoy of Charleston, Jonathan

Meadows of Fraziers Bottom, Travis Meadows of Fraziers Bottom, Vanessa (Max) Bailes of Hurricane, and Joe Meadows of Winfield; brothers: Mike (Brenda) Meadows of Ona, Jeff (Debbie) Meadows of Talcott, and Rick (Teresa) Meadows of Ona; former wife and mother of his boys: Beverly (Dayton) Wilcoxen-Milhoan of Fraziers Bottom; 16 grandchildren and 4 great grandchildren.

Funeral Service for Chuck will be 2:00pm Sunday, January 11, 2026 at Chapman Funeral Home, Hurricane, with Pastor Gary Hale officiating. Burial will follow in Mount Moriah Church Cemetery on Turkey Creek Road in Hurricane.

Friends may visit the family 6:00pm until 8:00pm on Saturday at Chapman Funeral Home, Hurricane, as well as an hour prior to the service on Sunday.

SAMUEL C. PIERSON JR.

Pastor Samuel Carl Pierson, Jr., 44, of Hurricane, passed away on January 1, 2026, at his residence in Hurricane, from an untimely accident. His sudden passing has deeply shaken his family and his amazing church community, for everyone who knew this great godly man loved him. Sam will be remembered for his kind heart and the light that he brought into all the lives of those around him. He had a rare gift for brightening even the darkest days, a quality best described by the many who say, "he put a smile on my face every time I saw him". His ability to offer solace and bring genuine joy was a testament to his deeply compassionate and generous spirit.

Samuel C. Pierson, Jr. was born on June 22, 1981, in Newport News, Virginia, to Sam Carl Pierson and Cindy Christine Carte Pierson Simpson.

Sam attended Capital High School, where he was a member of the ROTC program. After graduating he enlisted in the West

Virginia Army National Guard, completing his training at Fort Gordon in 2001. He was promoted to Staff Sergeant in 2003 and later deployed to Iraq with the 201st Field Artillery Battalion, where he was awarded a Purple Heart for injuries sustained during Operation Iraqi Freedom. During his service, Sam also worked as a Federal Technician in various J6 roles, including COMSEC Custodian for West Virginia. Sam separated from enlisted service in 2009 due to his combat injuries. He would continue to serve his country and the State of West Virginia throughout his career as a Military Authority employee specializing in patching and database administration and security. Sam's career was marked with numerous awards including the Army Commendation Medal, and Combat Action Badge. He valued his military service, and his family is very proud of his dedication and sacrifice for all of us.

His treasured daughter, Alex, came to him in 2008 and gave him his first true purpose, brightening his life in immeasurable ways. He was foremost a devoted father, and it was rare to see him without his "Bear" as he called her, right by his side.

Sam married the love of his life Erin Beth Linville Huey on April 25, 2014, adding another beautiful daughter to his family, Layla Grace Huey. Together, they joyfully dedicated their lives to serving the Lord through the ministry He entrusted to them. Sam completed the WV South District School of Ministry where he later became an Ordained

Elder in the Church of Nazarene in July 2021. Sam served as the lead pastor at Grace Church of the Nazarene in South Charleston for seven and a half years where he saw a great potential for growth and had a clear vision for guiding the church to serve God's purpose. Under his guidance the small flock blossomed into a thriving community. His work will continue to inspire and guide the church for generations to come. Sam was known for his great sense of humor and for putting witty lines in the church's marquee along with investing in the church and his community. He dedicated his life to shepherding others with compassion, wisdom, and Christlike love.

Sam was the owner of Profix LLC, a residential and commercial construction company, where he combined skill and passion through building, remodeling, and repairing with care and craftsmanship. His hobbies included working on cars by customizing them with one of his best friends, Dave, autocross racing, camping, boating, and computers.

Samuel C. Pierson, Jr. is preceded in death by his paternal grandparents, Emma Jean Bowles Pierson and Charles Victor Pierson.

Sam is survived by his maternal grandparents, Gail Thomas Carte and David Carte, his parents Samuel C. Pierson, and Cindy C. Carte Pierson Simpson and David Simpson, his beloved wife Erin Beth Pierson, and their beautiful daughters, Alexandria Pierson and Layla Huey. Sam is lovingly remembered by so

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TRUSTEE'S SALE OF VALUABLE REAL ESTATE

The undersigned Substitute Trustee, by virtue of the authority vested in him by that certain Deed of Trust, dated January 27, 2023, and duly recorded in the Office of the Clerk of the County Commission of Putnam County, West Virginia, in Book No. 1339, at Page 560, and modified by Corrective Affidavit recorded on March 14, 2025, in Book No. 93, at Page 867, and modified by Corrective Affidavit recorded on March 14, 2025, in Book No. 93, at Page 870, Joshua M Pauley did convey unto Pill & Pill, PLLC, Trustee(s), certain real property described in said Deed of Trust; and the beneficiary has elected to appoint Seneca Trustees, Inc., as Substitute Trustee; and default having been made under the aforementioned Deed of Trust, and the undersigned Substitute Trustee having been instructed by Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. to foreclose thereunder, will offer for sale at public auction at the front door of the Putnam County Courthouse in Winfield, West Virginia, on

January 26, 2026 at 12:00 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 that certain real estate situate in Curry District, Putnam County, West Virginia, and described as follows: Lots Nos. 9, 10, 11 of Sunset Heights Subdivision as the same are laid out and shown on the map thereof of record in the Office of the Clerk of the County Court of Putnam County, West Virginia, each of said lots fronting 65 feet on Southwest Street and running back between parallel lines a distance of 244 feet. This conveyance is made subject to the following covenants and restrictions:

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

2. Neither swine, cows nor goats shall be maintained on the premises or any part thereof. Chickens may be maintained on the premises provided they are kept to the rear of the residence and kept in a sanitary manner.

3. Residences shall be connected to a sanitary sewer system or a sanitary septic tank which is built and maintained in compliance with the West Virginia sanitation laws and regulations, and no outdoor toilets shall be permitted in any event.

4. A water drain line at least eight (8) inches in diameter shall be installed by the grantees in the drainage ditch of the abutting street at the intersection thereof with each driveway leading to the premises. Said drain shall extend for a sufficient length beyond the width of any driveway to prevent clogging and shall be not less than twenty feet long in any event. It shall be the duty of the owner of said premises to keep said drain line under said driveway free and open to repair and replace same when necessary. Said drain shall be installed prior to the entry on the premises of bulldozers, trucks, heavy equipment and other vehicles for construction purposes.

5. No sign or other advertising media shall be displayed on the premises and grantor or any owner in said subdivision may remove same in person or by agent without process of law.

This conveyance is further made subject to a present lease on said property for oil and gas between the parties of the first and Webster Myers, which oil and gas leases is dated August 14, 1951, and of record in said Clerk's office in Lease Book 45, page 201.

Saving and excepting the outconveyance of 0.4643 acres, more or less, of record in Deed Book 334, Page 662.

This conveyance is made subject to any and all covenants, restrictions, easements and reservations which may be a matter of record in the Clerk's office aforesaid and running with the land.

At the time of the execution of the Deed of Trust, this property was reported to have an address of: 111 Southwest St, Hurricane, WV 25526.

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

TERMS: \$9000.00 in cash and/or certified funds as deposit at the

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time of sale with the balance due and payable within 30 days of the day of sale.

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

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

SENECA TRUSTEES, INC. 5000 Coombs Farm Drive, Suite 104 Morgantown, WV 26508 (304) 413-0044 (304) 292-2918 Toll free: (888) 534-3132 Reference File No. 89954

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

Under authority of that certain Deed of Trust dated May 2, 2008, from Billy Ray Kersey and Kathy Lynn Kersey to Casie McGee, Trustee, of record in the office of the Clerk of the County Commission of Putnam County, West Virginia in Trust Deed Book No. 869, at page 266, securing a promissory note in the principal amount of \$71,233.80, payable to Vanderbilt Mortgage and Finance, Inc., and default having been made under the promissory note secured by the aforesaid Deed of Trust and sale requested by Vanderbilt Mortgage and Finance, Inc., the undersigned Substitute Trustee will offer for sale at the front door of the Putnam County Courthouse in Winfield, West Virginia on January 22, 2026 at 4:30 p.m., subject to all reservations, exceptions, easements and other matters which appear of record, and subject to all unpaid taxes, if any, all that certain tract or parcel of land, together with the improvements thereon and the appurtenances thereunto belonging, situate in Union District, Putnam County, West Virginia, as the same is described upon the hereto attached and annexed plat or map entitled "Plat of Survey Showing Re-Survey of Tract for Marvin Cochran Located Along McLane Turnpike Now VVA Sec. Rt. #34 Being Tract Conveyed To B.M. Bailey By Vaughn Fisher Mar. 27, 1947 Recorded in DB 90 Pg. 18 Union District Putnam Co. VVA", dated the 13th day of June, 1974, Scale: 1" = 100' and being prepared by Jarrel A. Clendenin, L.L.S., License #259, and being more particularly described as follows:

BEGINNING at a 3/4" iron pipe near the top of a ridge being in the corner of the lands now or formerly owned by Beechie Bailey and the lands now or formerly owned by J. H. Unrue; thence leaving said beginning point with the line of Unrue S. 52° 00' E., 125 ft., to a concrete monument; thence continuing with said Unrue line N. 75° 00' E., 243.0 ft., to an iron pipe; thence leaving said Unrue line S. 20° 00' W., 400 feet to a point in West Virginia State Route No. 34; thence S. 2° 00' W., and crossing the right of way line of West Virginia State Route No. 34, 100 ft., to a nail driven in the pavement near the easterly right of way line of said West Virginia State

Route No. 34; thence S. 25° 00' W., crossing West Virginia State Route No. 34, 100 ft., to an iron pipe set in the westerly right of way line of the said West Virginia State Route No. 34; thence leaving said right of way line S. 82° 00' W., 100 ft., to an iron pipe; thence S. 60° 00' W., 100 ft. to an iron pipe set in the easterly right of way line of West Virginia State Route No. 34; thence continuing with the easterly right of way line of West Virginia State Route No. 34, N. 9° 00' W., to an iron pipe set by a maple, said iron pipe also being in a corner of the lands now or formerly owned by Beechie Bailey; thence with the Bailey line N. 68° 00' E., 122.5 ft., to an iron pipe; thence continuing with a line of Beechie Bailey, N. 6° 00' W., 176.0 ft. to the place of beginning and containing 3.57 acres, more or less.

Together with a certain Manufactured Home, Serial No. VAFL719AB63372.

Being the same property conveyed from Shelby Bailey and Blanche B. Bailey, his wife, to Billy Ray Kersey and Kathy Lynn Kersey, his wife, by Deed dated June 20, 1974, of record in the aforesaid Clerk's office in Deed Book No. 205, at page 89.

Terms of the sale: Cash or certified funds due on date of sale. Given under my hand this 30th day of December, 2025.

/s/ Marc B. Lazenby Substitute Trustee

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Notice of Proposed Settlement of Estates

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

I have before me the final settlement of estates of the following persons, which shall be presented to the County Commission of Putnam County, at the Courthouse, in the City of Winfield, on Tuesday the 13th day of January 2026 at 9:00 a.m. for their approval which settlements have been presented to me by the Fiduciary of such estates and which proposed settlements I have approved as indicated below.

Decedent: Shirlee Frances Lively
Fiduciary: Lisa A. Estes, Administratrix
Address: 1495 Hurricane Creek Rd. Hurricane, WV 25526

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

Given under my hand this 23rd day of December 2025.

Fiduciary Supervisor, Putnam County 12093 Winfield Road, Winfield, WV 25213

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TRUSTEE'S SALE OF VALUABLE REAL ESTATE

The undersigned Substitute Trustee, by virtue of the authority vesting in it by that certain Deed of Trust recorded on November 13, 2006, in the Office of the Clerk of the County Commission of Putnam County, West Virginia, in Book 809 at Page 684, Mark G. Slone and Katherine M. Slone did convey unto Kristine L. Vallette, as Original Trustee, certain real property described in said Deed of Trust; and the beneficiary has elected to appoint Elk River Trustees Inc., as Substitute Trustee by virtue of a Substitution of Trustee recorded on December 22, 2025, in Book 1403 at Page 182 in the aforesaid Clerk's Office; the undersigned Substitute Trustee has been requested, in writing, by the beneficiary of said Deed of Trust to sell the real estate described below, as there has been a default under the terms and conditions of said Deed of Trust. Therefore, the undersigned Substitute Trustee having been instructed by NewRez, LLC d/b/a Shellpoint Mortgage Servicing to foreclose thereunder will offer for sale, at a public auction at the front door of the Putnam County Courthouse in Winfield, West Virginia, on

February 2, 2026 at 11:00 AM

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

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BEING ALL OF THE FOLLOWING TRACTS OF LAND SITUATE ON THE WATERS OF SULUG BRANCH OF EIGHTEEN MILE CREEK IN UNION DISTRICT, PUTNAM COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA, AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY BOUNDED AND DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

TRACT NO. 1:

BEGINNING AT A HICKORY STANDING ON A SOUTH HILLSIDE, CORNER TO A LAND NOW OR FORMERLY BELONGING TO SARAH WARNER; THENCE LEAVING SAME, N. 73 DEG. W. 50 POLES 13 LINKS TO A STONE AND POINTERS ON THE WEST SIDE OF SULUG CREEK; THENCE S. 60 DEG. W. 41 POLES AND 6 LINKS TO A SMALL BEECH ON THE HILLSIDE; THENCE S. 23 DEG. W. CROSSING A DRAIN 47 POLES AND 22 LINKS TO A SMALL BLACK OAK ON A HILLSIDE; THENCE S. 65 DEG. E. 84 POLES 6 LINKS TO AN ASH ON TOP OF RIDGE; THENCE N. 86-1/4 DEG. E. 69 POLES 9 LINKS TO A PILE OF STONES NEAR THE TOP OF THE MAIN RIDGE; THENCE N. 25 DEG. E. 65 POLES 21 LINKS TO A STONE AND POINTERS ON A SOUTH HILLSIDE CORNER TO THE AFORESAID LANDS OF SARAH WARNER; THENCE WITH SAME, N. 73 DEG. W. 75 POLES TO THE PLACE OF BEGINNING, CONTAINING 73 ACRES, MORE OR LESS.

THERE IS EXCEPTED AND RESERVED FROM THE ABOVE-DESCRIBED TRACT NO. 1 A TRACT CONTAINING 1.378 ACRES AS SHOWN UPON A MAP DATED MAY 28, 2003, BY WILLIAM J. WHITMAN, P.S., WHICH IS BOUNDED AND DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

BEGINNING AT A REBAR, SAID REBAR BEING S. 64 DEG. 41' E. 126.78 FEET FROM A 1/2" REBAR FOUND AT THE COMMON CORNER OF TRACT 3 OF PARCEL ONE IN THE HERINAFTER MENTIONED DEED OF THE PARTIES OF THE FIRST PART; THENCE FROM SAID SET REBAR, S. 64 DEG. 41' E. 411.96 FEET TO A 1/2" REBAR, BEING A POINT ON THE LINE OF AFORESAID PARCEL; THENCE WITH FIVE (5) NEW DIVISION LINES, S. 55 DEG. 15' W, 137.17 FEET TO A REBAR; THENCE S. 86 DEG. 26' W. 177.49 FEET TO A REBAR; THENCE N. 81 DEG. 55' W. 177.49 FEET TO A REBAR; THENCE N. 3 DEG. 44' W. 51.06 FEET TO A REBAR; THENCE N. 6 DEG. 29' E. 185.98 FEET TO THE PLACE OF BEGINNING, CONTAINING 1.378 ACRES, LEAVING AS A RESIDUE CONVEYED HEREIN OF 71.622 ACRES, MORE OR LESS.

TRACT NO. 2:

BEGINNING AT A STONE AND POINTERS IN A DRAIN OF SULUG BRANCH OF EIGHTEEN MILE CREEK AT A CORNER TO PROPERTY NOW OR FORMERLY BELONGING TO E. V. JONES; THENCE DOWN SAID DRAIN S. 78 DEG. W. 39-3/5 POLES TO A STONE; THENCE S. 46 DEG. W. 54 POLES TO A STAKE; THENCE UP THE HILL, N. 85-1/2 DEG. W. 34 POLES TO A STAKE ON THE RIDGE; THENCE N. 10 DEG. E. 79 POLES TO A SMALL WHITE OAK IN LINE OF PROPERTY NOW OR FORMERLY OWNED BY D. V. BENNETT; THENCE WITH TWO LINE SAME, S. 64 DEG. E. 42 POLES TO A STAKE (FORMERLY AN ASH), AND N. 87 DEG. E. 69 POLES 9 LINKS TO A STONE ON THE RIDGE SAME BEING A CORNER TO PROPERTY NOW OR FORMERLY OWNED BY ELMORE WARNER E.V. JONES AND SAID D.V. BENNETT; THENCE WITH ONE LINE OF E. V. JONES, S. 24 DEG. W. 21-3/4 POLES TO THE PLACE OF BEGINNING, CONTAINING 30-3/4 ACRES, MORE OR LESS.

TRACT NO. 3(A):

BEGINNING AT A STONE AT A CORNER TO SAID D. V. BENNETT ON THE TRAC; WATERS OF SULUG BRANCH OF EIGHTEEN MILE CREEK; THENCE S. 21 DEG. W. 42 POLES TO A STAKE; THENCE N. 78 DEG. W. 34 POLES TO A STAKE; THENCE N. 6 DEG. W. 9 POLES, 8 LINKS TO A PINE; THENCE N. 24 DEG. E. 48 POLES TO A STAKE IN SAID LINE OF D. V. BENNETT; THENCE WITH LINE OF SAME, S. 10 DEG. W. 20 POLES; THENCE 85-1/2 DEG. E. 34 POLES TO THE PLACE OF BEGINNING, CONTAINING 9-1/2 ACRES, MORE OR LESS.

TRACT NO. 3(B):

BEGINNING ON THE WEST SIDE OF SULUG BRANCH AT A CORNER TO SAID D.V. BENNETT; THENCE WITH LINE OF SAME, S. 60 DEG. W. 41 POLES 6 LINKS TO A STAKE; THENCE S. 23 DEG. W. 23 POLES TO A CORNER OF PROPERTY

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NOW OR FORMERLY BELONGING TO THORNTON; THENCE N. 36 DEG. W. 33 POLES TO A HAVE BUSH; THENCE N. 19 DEG. W. 25 POLES TO A BEECH AT A CORNER TO PROPERTY NOW OR FORMERLY BELONGING TO A.L. STONE; THENCE N. 65 DEG. E. 33 POLES TO A STONE IN LINE OF SAID A.L. STONE; THENCE S. 53 DEG. E. 22 POLES; THENCE S. 71 DEG. E. 30 POLES TO THE PLACE OF BEGINNING, CONTAINING 12-3/4 ACRES, MORE OR LESS.

BEING THE SAME PROPERTY WHICH WAS CONVEYED UNTO MARK G. SLONE AND KATHERINE MOLZ SLONE BY DEED DATED THE 17TH DAY OF APRIL, 2006, FROM ARTHUR J. CHESTNUT, II AND ROBIN L. CHESTNUT, HIS WIFE, WHICH DEED IS RECORDED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF PUTNAM COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA, IN DEED BOOK 464 AT PAGE 758.

At the time of the execution of the subject Deed of Trust, the property was reported to have an address of: 5613 Bowles Ridge Road, Leon WV 25123

The above referenced real estate will be conveyed with no covenants of warranty and subject to any and all easements, rights of way, conditions, covenants, restrictions, exceptions, reservations, leases and other servitudes, which may be a matter of record in the aforesaid Clerk's Office or visible upon the ground. The sale of the referenced real estate will also be subject to all prior liens and including any and all other deeds of trust, judgments, liens, and all other encumbrances of any nature whatsoever, if any, having priority over the subject Deed of Trust.

The subject property will be sold in an "AS IS" condition. The Substitute Trustee makes no representations and warranties of any kind or character including, but not limited to, the condition of the real estate or the title to the real estate to be conveyed. The Substitute Trustee shall be under no duty to cause any existing tenant or person occupying the subject property to vacate said property.

In the event that there are federal tax liens against the property, the United States has the right to redeem the property within a period of one hundred twenty (120) days from the date of the sale. The Substitute Trustee reserves the right to adjourn the sale for a time, or from time to time, without further notice, by announcement at the time and place of the foreclosure sale described herein.

TERMS OF SALE

1. \$5,000.00 (Five Thousand Dollars) in cash and/or certified funds made payable to "Elk River Trustees, Inc." due as a deposit at the time of sale, with the balance due and payable within thirty (30) days of sale. Personal checks will not be accepted.

2. The purchaser at the sale shall be responsible for payment of all real estate taxes.

3. The purchaser shall be responsible for payment of the recording cost of the deed and also for payment of the tax on the privilege of transferring the real property (transfer tax) imposed by West Virginia Code § 11-22-2.

4. The parties secured by the Deed of Trust reserve the right to purchase the property at the foreclosure sale.

ELK RIVER TRUSTEES, INC. 714 Venture Drive, #132 Morgantown, WV 26508 Telephone: 304-241-6962 Fax: 330-436-0301 Reference file # 25-03098

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Notice of Public Hearings

The Putnam County Commission will hold a regular meeting and the following public hearings on Tuesday, February 10th, 2026, at 9:00 a.m. in Room 221 of the Putnam County Courthouse, 12093 Winfield Rd., Winfield, WV.

1. Proposed Text Amendment TA-2025-12: David Mills, President of the Putnam County Planning Commission, has requested an amendment to THE ZONING ORDINANCE FOR THE ZONED UNINCORPORATED AREAS OF PUTNAM COUNTY, WV. The proposal seeks to amend Article 700.02 - Permitted Principal Uses within the "H-I" Highway Interchange District to include "Truck Stop" and "Warehousing." This proposed amendment was recommended for approval by the Putnam County Planning Commission on Thursday, December 18th, 2025.

2. Proposed Text Amendment TA-2025-13: David Mills, President of the Putnam County Planning Commission, has requested an amendment to THE ZONING ORDINANCE FOR THE ZONED UNINCORPORATED AREAS OF PUTNAM COUNTY, WV. The proposal seeks to amend Article 150.02 - Definition of Terms to include a definition for "Truck Terminal." This proposed amendment was recommended for approval by the Putnam County Planning Commission on Thursday, December 18th, 2025.

All interested parties are invited to attend and provide comments.

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IN THE FAMILY COURT OF PUTNAM COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA

IN RE: Civil Action No. 25-D-271 The Marriage of Carrie Tee Rooper Petitioner

and Andantino Pradora 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 Andantino Pradora is

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a non-resident of the State of West Virginia or has an unknown address. It is hereby ordered that Andantino Pradora serve upon Putnam County Circuit Clerk's Office, whose address is 12093 Winfield Rd, Ste 12, Winfield WV 25213, an Answer, including any related counterclaim or defense you may have to the Petition For Divorce filed in this action on or before January 26, 2026. 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, December 29, 2025.

STEPHANIE SMITH/jo Clerk of the Court

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Notice of Proposed Settlement of Estates

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

I have before me the final settlement of estates of the following persons, which shall be presented to the County Commission of Putnam County, at the Courthouse, in the City of Winfield, on Tuesday the 13th day of January 2026 at 9:00 a.m. for their approval which settlements have been presented to me by the Fiduciary of such estates and which proposed settlements I have approved as indicated below:

Decedent: James R Griffith
Fiduciary: Loretta Lynn Griffith, Administratrix
Address: 194 Sycamore Lane. Hurricane, WV 25526

Any persons having an interest in the estate of any such person, may before the County Commission at the time and place hereinabove specified and thereupon protest his interest as they may appear or else may forever thereafter be barred from asserting such interest. Given under my than this 23rd day of December 2025.

Fiduciary Supervisor, Putnam County 12093 Winfield Road, Winfield, WV 25213

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF PUTNAM COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA

In Re: Change of Name from Renee Chandler Gorrell to Renee Chandler

LEGAL NOTICE OF PUBLICATION CHANGE OF NAME PROCEEDING Civil Action No. 25-P-162 Circuit Court of Putnam County, West Virginia

Notice is hereby given that on the 23rd day of January, 2026, at 3:00 p.m. on said day, or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, before the Honorable Judge Phillip Stowers, Renee Chandler Gorrell 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 Renee Chandler Gorrell to Renee Chandler, 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 12th day of December, 2025.

Stephanie M. Smith Putnam County Circuit Clerk

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Notice of Proposed Settlement of Estates

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

I have before me the final settlement of estates of the following persons, which shall be presented to the County Commission of Putnam County, at the Courthouse, in the City of Winfield, on Tuesday the 13th day of January 2026 at 9:00 a.m. for their approval which settlements have been presented to me by the Fiduciary of such estates and which proposed settlements I have approved as indicated below:

Decedent: Gregory Scott Estes
Fiduciary: Patsy L. Hedrick
Address: 153 Maplewood Estates Scott Depot WV 25560

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF PUTNAM COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA

In Re: Change of Name from Christopher Michael Luna to Christopher Michael Johnson

LEGAL NOTICE OF PUBLICATION CHANGE OF NAME PROCEEDING Civil Action No. 25-P-161 Circuit Court of Putnam County, West Virginia

Notice is hereby given that on the 15th day of January, 2026, at 10:30 a.m. on said day, or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, before the Honorable Judge Phillip Stowers, Christopher Michael Luna will apply by Petition to the Circuit Court of Putnam County, West Virginia for the entry of an order by said Court, changing his name from Christopher Michael Luna to Christopher Michael Johnson, 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 10th day of December, 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.: 6234
Estate Of: Sheila Renay Arthur
Administratrix: Megan Luikart
1100 Browns Creek Road Marlinton, WV 24954

Estate No.: 6248
Estate Of: James D. Cochran
Executrix: Melinda Barrett
115 Overlook Drive Hurricane, WV 25526

Estate No.: 6244
Estate Of: Warren D. Dickerson
Administrator: Warren D. Dickerson, Jr.
159 Clear Fork Road. Poca, WV 25159

Estate No.: 6272
Estate Of: Earnest Ray Emery
Executrix: Erich Britt Emery
480 Diana Ave Batavia, Ohio 45103

Estate No.: 6320
Estate Of: Shirley Jean Ferguson
Executrix: Sandra G. Donalson
107 Alexandria Way Nitro WV 25143

Estate No.: 6326
Estate Of: Raymond Allen
Executrix: Hinzman Samantha Light
1040 Pendleton Place Hurricane, WV 25526

Estate No.: 6299
Estate Of: Robert Stuart Horton
Executrix: Elizabeth R. Horton
1448 N. Poca River Road Poca, WV 25159

Estate No.: 6256
Estate Of: James Gary May
Administrator: Douglas R. May
PO Box 905 Poca, WV 25159

Estate No.: 6257
Estate Of: Margaret Ann Miller
Executrix: Melissa Dawn Henry
15749 Trible Road Leon, WV 25123

Estate No.: 6329
Estate Of: Donna Jean Mooney
Administratrix: Ctia: Melissa Ann Sovine
141 Timberlake Circle Scott Depot WV 25560

Estate No.: 6276
Estate Of: Angelina Maria Moore
Executrix: Billy Joe Moore
PO Box 1257 Eleanor, Wv 25070

Estate No.: 6217
Estate Of: Thomas Allan Robinson
Executrix: Beth Ann Robinson
206 Carrington Way Hurricane, WV 25526

Estate No.: 6047
Estate Of: Joseph Edward Sisco, Jr.
Administratrix: Peggy Ann Sisco
208 Saddlebred Lane Scott Depot, WV 25560

Estate No.: 6333
Estate Of: Michael Andrew Spence
Executrix: Hilda Glendale Spence
570 Luikart Ridge Red House, WV 25168

Estate No.: 6325
Estate Of: Veronica Joyce Thornhill
Administrator: Jeffery K. Moore
285 Lewis Creek Road Hurricane WV 25526

Estate No.: 6282
Estate Of: Ronald Wayne Watkins
Executrix: Sharon Kay Watkins
3973 39th Street Nitro WV 25143

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TRUSTEE'S SALE OF VALUABLE REAL ESTATE

The undersigned Substitute Trustee, by virtue of the authority vested in him by that certain Deed of Trust, dated May 5, 2009, and duly recorded in the Office of the Clerk of the County Commission of Putnam County, West Virginia, in Document No. 002670260012, in Book No. 901, at Page 640 and modified by Loan Modification Agreement recorded on May 28, 2012, in Document No. 003453790008 MOD, in Book No. 1041, at Page 876 and modified by Loan Modification Agreement recorded on March 25, 2015, in Document No. 003801980008 MOD, in Book No. 1095, at Page 303 and modified by Loan Modification Agreement recorded on October 3, 2017 in Document No. 004257470008 MOD, in Book No. 1171, at Page 802 and modified by Loan Modification Agreement recorded on February 28, 2019 in Document No. 004577800009 MOD, in Book No. 1208, at Page 649, Steven W Short and Shelley D Short did convey unto Lisa Moye, Trustee(s), certain real property described in said Deed of Trust; and the beneficiary has elected to appoint Seneca Trustees, Inc., as Substitute Trustee; and default having been made under the aforementioned Deed of Trust, and the undersigned Substitute Trustee having been instructed by Wilmington Savings Fund Society, FSB, as trustee of Stanwich Mortgage Loan Trust F to foreclose thereunder, will offer for sale at public auction at the front door of the Putnam County Courthouse in Winfield, West Virginia, on

February 23, 2026 at 11:30 AM

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

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

At the time of the execution of the Deed of Trust, this property was reported to have an address of: 21 Elm Street AKA 139 Elm Street, Winfield, WV 25213.
The referenced real estate will be conveyed with no covenants of warranty, and subject to all covenants, restrictions, easements, rights of way and reservations which may be a matter of record in the aforesaid Clerk's Office or visible upon the ground, all prior liens and encumbrances, including, without limitation, liens for real estate taxes, incinerator, sanitary and sewer charges. The purchasers at the sale shall be responsible for paying the recording costs and also the tax on the privilege of transferring real property (the cost of the tax stamp to be affixed to the deed). The purchasers shall be responsible for payment of all real estate taxes.
The subject property will be sold in "AS IS" condition. The Substitute Trustee shall be under no duty to cause any existing tenant or person occupying the subject property to vacate said property.
TERMS: \$9000.00 in cash and/or certified funds as deposit at the time of sale with the balance due and payable within 30 days of the day of sale.
FEDERAL TAX LIEN: In the event that there are Federal Tax Liens against the property, the United States would have the right to redeem the property within a period of 120 days from the date of such sale or the period allowable for redemption under local law, whichever is longer.
Pursuant to the Deed of Trust, the Trustee may postpone the sale by public announcement at the time and place designated or by posting a notice of the same, and act by agent in the execution of the sale. The parties secured by the Deed of Trust reserve the right to purchase the property at such sale.

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Reference File No. 36636

LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT

IN THE FAMILY COURT OF PUTNAM COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA

To: Magistrate Court Case
Jason Grant No.: 25-M40D-00282
Winter
Respondent's Name
811 Willow Lane Family
Pt. Pleasant, WV 25550 Court
Respondent's Address Civil Action
10-20-1975 No.: 25-DV-223
Date of Birth

ORDER OF PUBLICATION (PROTECTIVE ORDER / HEARING DATE)

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

TO THE ABOVE-NAMED RESPONDENT:

It appearing by evidence duly taken in this action that you could not be found in or that you have left the State of West Virginia, you are hereby notified of the ORDER referenced above, a copy of the Petition and Order may be obtained at the Putnam County Circuit Clerk's office. This PROTECTIVE ORDER will remain in effect until 1-27-2026.

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

Issued this 6th day of January, 2026.

STEPHANIE SMITH/jo
Circuit Clerk

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Obituaries

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many including his sister, Christina Thompson and husband Del, his sister, Monica Simpson, his brother, David Simpson and wife Rebecca, his brother, Daniel Joseph Pierson and his wife Hannah, his brother, Jacob Charles Pierson and his wife Lauren, and his numerous nieces, nephews, aunts, uncles, cousins and best friends.

Funeral service for Sam was Monday, January 5, 2026, at Teays Valley Church of the Nazarene with Rev. Earl Pennington officiating along with military honors.

NANCY L. PITCHFORD

Nancy L. Pitchford, age 84, of Putnam County, entered peacefully to be with her Lord and Savior at the Hubbard House on December 30, 2025.

Born on March 31, 1941, Nancy lived a life rooted in faith, love and service. She trusted deeply in God's promises and walked daily in His grace.

Alongside her husband, Nancy was the co-owner and operator of a gift shop that later evolved into NANDELs where she shared her creativity working with flowers. Nancy found great joy in God's creation. She loved working with flowers, decorating and spending time outdoors, especially the beach and mowing the lawn simply to feel the warmth of the sunshine. These moments brought her peace and reminded her of the beauty of the world God made.

She is survived and lovingly remembered by her husband of 64 years, Delbert, and their children, Melody (Joseph) Mendenhall and Angie (Tracy) Hatfield, the grandmother of five to Heather (Joseph) Kessler, Adam (Britani) Wright, Chad (Katie) Wright, Haley (Zack) Vannatter, Logan Swiger and 10 great grandchildren.

Nancy was preceded in death by her parents, Orié and Talma Rowe, a beloved daughter, Neda Swiger, and sister Maxine

Gardner.

Though we mourn her passing, we rejoice in knowing she has heard the words, "WELL DONE, GOOD and FAITHFUL DAUGHTER." Nancy now rests in eternal peace, reunited with loved ones and forever in the presence of her Lord and Savior.

JAMES L. TEED

James L. Teed, of Scott Depot, passed away peacefully at home after a long illness on December 29, 2025. He was born on March 20, 1947, and lived a life marked by hard work, dedication, and service to others.

Jim was a successful entrepreneur and business owner who founded and operated multiple businesses throughout his career, most notably Teed & Associates, CPAs. Through his work, he earned the respect of colleagues and clients for his professionalism, integrity, and commitment to excellence. Jim was a graduate of Morris Harvey College.

Beyond his professional achievements, Jim was devoted to his family and took pride in providing for them. He was known for his perseverance, wisdom, and strong work ethic, qualities that will continue to live on through those he loved.

Jim is survived by his brother, Gerald Teed (Gail) and sister, Joan Helmrich (Vic), daughter Marlene Mallory (Roger) and son Jonathan Teed (Tate), grandchildren, and many more family and loved ones, who will cherish his memory and the legacy he leaves behind. Jim is preceded in death by his parents, John and Shirley (Roby) Teed and daughter, Christina Teed.

James L. Teed will be deeply missed and fondly remembered.

PHYLLIS JANE VANDALE

Phyllis Jane Vandale (née Mayes), 86, of Scott Depot, was welcomed into the arms of Jesus on January 1, 2026, at Hubbard Hospice House in Charleston.

Born on February 27, 1939, in South Charleston, Phyllis was the daughter of the late John Philip Mayes I and Flossie Madelen Barker Mayes. She graduated from South Charleston High School and later completed secretarial training at Ben Franklin Career Center.

Phyllis built a dedicated career at the Kroger Warehouse in Kanawha City. Alongside her husband, Robert L. Vandale Jr., she co-owned and operated Bob's Wheel Estate and Ryder Truck

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Rental on Route 60 in Saint Albans for many years. She retired in 2005 at the age of 65.

A woman of deep faith, Phyllis was a devoted member of Scary Creek Church of God in Scott Depot. She found joy and purpose through worship and fellowship and was an active member of the church choir.

Phyllis is lovingly remembered by her daughter, Deborah Griffith Barker and companion Mark Bruton, brother John P. Mayes II and wife Joyce; grandsons Brandon Barker and Quincy Bruton; and great-grandsons Ezeekiel Offutt, Kashton Bruton, and Colson Bruton.

She was preceded in death by her parents and her husband, Robert L. Vandale Jr.

Phyllis found happiness in simple pleasures—cooking and baking for loved ones, fishing outdoors, and supporting her grandsons' school sports and wheelchair basketball events with pride and encouragement.

Her life was guided by enduring faith, holding close the words from John

14:2-3
"In my Father's house are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there ye may be also."

EMERY 'WOODY' WOODALL

It is with heavy hearts that we announce the passing of Emery "Woody" Layton Woodall II, age 76, of Culloden, who left us suddenly at home on Saturday, January 3, 2026. Born to the late Emery and Dorothy Martin Woodall, Emery was a proud graduate of Hamlin High School, Class of 1967, and dedicated many years of service to the United States Postal Service in Culloden.

He was a devoted husband to Mary Lee Bias Woodall, and a loving father to Michele Woodall, Chris Woodall (with spouse Alecia Lambert Woodall), and Jennifer Woodall Wooten (with spouse Derek Wooten). His legacy continues through his cherished grandchildren: Tyler Bird, Dylan Bird, Owen Wooten, and Alex Woodall. Emery is also survived by his brothers, Martin Woodall of Dallas and Wayne Woodall of Buckhannon.

Known for his warmth, dedication, and unwavering support for his family and friends, Emery touched the lives of all who knew him. His memory will live on in the hearts of those he loved and those who loved him.

A celebration of Emery's life will be held at a later date, allowing family and friends to gather and honor his remarkable journey.

Appalachian Power Enhances Customer Experience With Smart Meter Data And Weekly Updates

Appalachian Power Company (APCo) is using advanced technology to make energy management easier for customers. With 99% of customers' homes being equipped with Advanced Metering Infrastructure (AMI) meters, nearly all APCo customers can use tools to manage their energy use.

AMI technology also enables APCo to adjust billing cycles during high-usage winter months, reducing the impact of holiday-related delays and helping customers keep costs more predictable

when energy demand is high.

"With AMI metering providing daily readings, we can level out bill amounts by reducing extended winter billing cycles – often 35 days – down to about 30 days, while extending shorter spring cycles, when usage is typically lower," said Billy Brumfield, customer processes & systems manager.

"This helps keep costs predictable during high-usage months."

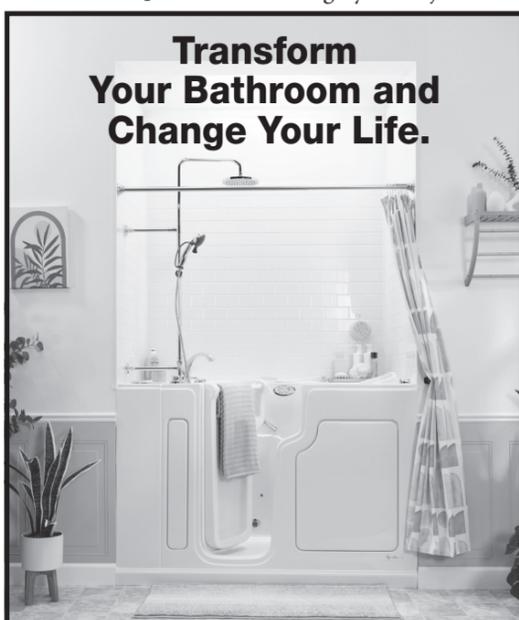
In addition to allowing billing-cycle adjustments,

AMI meters provide benefits by transmitting usage data in 15-minute intervals. This data is accessible through customers' online accounts or via the new Weekly Electricity Update emails launched in November. Delivered every Thursday to all residential customers with email addresses on file with APCo, these reports summarize the prior week's energy use, helping customers spot trends and adjust habits. The emails also include energy-saving tips and a projected monthly bill amount.

"It's our hope that the Weekly Electricity Update emails help our customers use data to make changes that impact their bill," said Tina Massey, customer services supervisor. "Recently, we spoke with a customer and used his specific data to identify the date and time his higher usage started. We were able to give him advice on what to check in his home. He was able to correct the issue mid-cycle – avoiding unnecessary costs and saving energy."

Customers who haven't received a Weekly Electricity Update email should check their spam folder or update their email address either through their online account at AppalachianPower.com/Account or by calling the Customer Operations Center at 1-800-956-4237. Customers can also learn more about how the Weekly Electricity Update can help them manage their electric usage by viewing this brief explanatory video.

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Birthday January 7

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1159 Cow Creek Road
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75th Birthday January 7

CARL DANA HANDLEY 75th Birthday January 9
138 Bethesda Drive
Ona
Birthday January 7

ABIGAIL JOHNSON 68th Birthday January 10
15014 Parakeal
Catlettsburg, Kentucky
17th Birthday January 7

JEREMY HAZELETT 83rd Birthday January 10
St. Augustine, Florida
Birthday January 7

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5517 Aryshire Drive
Dublin, Ohio
61st Birthday January 8

BRENNON CALL 16th Birthday January 10
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Brenda McGhee Thabit 108 Arthur Lane Hurricane 76th Birthday January 12
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Cindy Renee Tucker 2502 Hurricane Creek Road Winfield 46th Birthday January 13
Logan Orus Gibson Poindexter Road Hurricane 15th Birthday January 13
Hilda Gillispie Katy, Texas 73rd Birthday January 13
Lonnie Holley 2609 Montana Avenue Hurricane 86th Birthday January 14
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CALI ELLIS #56 Twp Road 342 Proctorville, Ohio 19th Birthday January 11

GLEN HODGES Apple Grove 84th Birthday January 11

SANDRA SPURLOCK Kenova 77th Birthday January 12

MARY MORENE MCCALLISTER P.O. Box 859 Culloden 71st Birthday January 12

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CLINTON FOSTER 3015 Middle Road Culloden 80th Birthday January 12

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CHARLIE THOMAS 1004 Elm Street Hurricane 64th Birthday January 13

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Menu consists of roast beef, mashed potatoes, green beans, rolls, dessert and beverage. Reservations are \$25 for Adults and \$15 Children 10 and under. Price at the door is \$30 Adults, \$20 children. Order your tickets online at www.hurricaneshowchoirs.com

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KATHRYN NICELY Milton Birthday January 14

JOHN EASTER 469 Lake Hollow Road Hurricane 59th Birthday January 14

NICHOLL MEADOWS 5759 Whitten Ridge Road Milton Birthday January 15

GREG GRANT Huntington 56th Birthday January 15

LUANNE BLACK RUNYON Frazier's Bottom Birthday January 15

Happy Anniversary



Greg and Darlena Ledsome of 74 Duddley Drive in Ripley will celebrate their forty-sixth wedding anniversary on January 12.

Jerry and Bea Sheets of 3346 Tackett's Branch Road in Hurricane will celebrate their fifty-fourth wedding anniversary on January 13.

David and Marcella Lincolnogger of 2259 US Hwy 60 in Culloden will celebrate their forty-third wedding anniversary on January 15.

John and Stephanie Naylor Burks of Hurricane will celebrate their forty-fifth wedding anniversary on January 15.

In Memory of Pete and Eva Fisher



My dad, Delmar "Vernie" "Pete" Fisher, and Eva Young were married on January 11, 1947, in Rev. Warren B. Moyer's house in Hurricane. He had to move the kids' toys to make room for dad and mom and their attendants to stand. I never did ask why they chose that minister.

They had true love for each other that lasted almost 64 years. It ended when dad died on November 6, 2010. It almost ended everything for mom as she mourned his death every day until her death on December 10, 2021.

They were totally devoted to each other. They were together almost all the time. They were called "Pete" and "RePete."

They would be celebrating 79 years of Wedded Bliss on Sunday, January 11, 2026, if the death angel hadn't intervened.

I miss my dad and mom very much. I loved them so very much. I can hardly wait to live in eternity with them!

Devoted daughter,
Linda Fisher Armstead

Local Students On Cedarville Dean's List

Students at Cedarville University have been named to the Dean's Honor List for the Fall 2025 semester. This recognition requires the student to obtain a 3.75 GPA or higher for the semester and carry a minimum of 12 credit hours.

Samuel Clark of Hurricane
Sarah Clark of Hurricane

Cedarville University, an evangelical Christian institution in southwest Ohio, offers undergraduate and graduate residential and online programs across arts, sciences and professional fields. With

Developmental Screening

Putnam County Schools Developmental Screenings will be held on Friday, January 9, at the Teays Valley Baptist Church on Teays Valley Road. Children ages 2 1/2 to 4 years will be screened for speech/language, hearing, vision, motor skills, social skills, self-help, and cognition.

Please call 304-586-0500 ext. 1133 to schedule an appointment.

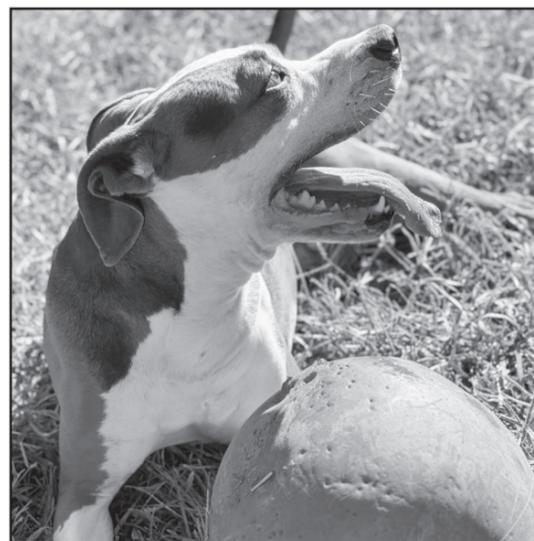
7,265 students, it is among Ohio's largest private universities and is ranked among the nation's top five evangelical universities in the Wall Street Journal's 2026 Best Colleges in the U.S.

Available Pets at the Putnam County Animal Shelter

This is one 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, this animal may have already been adopted and found a forever home. 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



Scrooge (PCWV-A-26913) is a 11 pound male domestic shorthair cat. He is estimated to be 4 and a half years old.



Brutus (PCWV-A-5) is a 60 pound mixed breed dog. He is estimated to be six years old.



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