

The Hurricane Breeze

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HURRICANE CITY COUNCIL NEWS
**Stoplight Agreement
 Makes for Woodworth
 Construction Start**

By Ron Allen
 The April 6, 2026 Hurricane City Council meeting included reports from 2025 Ms. and Pre-Teen Hurricane Independence Day queens and updates from department heads in addition to conduction of regular business.
 One business item, a resolution to authorize entering into an agreement with the West Virginia Department of Transportation, is more important than its name might suggest. The agreement will give ownership to a stoplight to the City of Hurricane. The light will be installed at the entrance of the soon-to-be Woodworth Farms at the junction of Main Street and Harbour Lane. The agreement will immediately allow contractors to begin infrastructure construction for the 400+ unit subdivision. As owner

of the light, the city must pay electricity use and maintenance costs. The light's timing control will also belong to the City.
 Council held the second reading of an ordinance to annex 4.92 acres on Harbour Lane into city limits. The property is adjacent to Kelly's Cove. The property owner, AB Contracting, plans to construct a 95-unit residential housing complex. In a related but separate action, council approved a request from AB Contracting to have certain fees waived.
 Council approved a change in city code which will allow city building code officers to do side work, providing the work is outside of city limits. Council also approved a change in definition of "family" in the city code. The new definition, modeled after

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Founders' Day Produces Pictures of Buffalo's History



An interior view of the recently renovated Buffalo Welcome Center during the Founders' Day celebration.

By Betsy Allen

Even before Putnam County was established, the town of Buffalo existed as a settlement

along the Kanawha River, where it benefited from wide river bottoms and trade on the waters. And even before that, the area which would later become

Buffalo was the location of several Native American settlements from ancient days to more modern times.
 Buffalo's long history was celebrated last Saturday, April 4, with a Founders' Day Celebration hosted by the Friends of Buffalo WV History group. All of the buildings in the town's Historic Square – the Welcome Center, Methodist Church, Academy, and Historical Square Community Church – were open to the public for the duration of the event. Local historian Dr. Philip Hatfield discussed the Battle of Atkeson's Gate, a skirmish which was fought near Buffalo on September 27, 1862. Hatfield is part of an effort to get a Civil War Trails marker installed on the property, which was recently purchased by Google for a data center. Other Founders' Day activities included a tour

of the Historic Square and a birthday cake to celebrate the town's birthday.
 The Buffalo Welcome Center was recently renovated after extensive water damage from various leaks, and these restoration efforts were commemorated with a rededication ceremony on Saturday. The town spent almost \$20,000 on this project, which included adding new flooring, window sills, remodeling the restroom, and mold removal. The Welcome Center houses historical displays, photographs, and artifacts from Buffalo's past; a listing and photo directory of Buffalo veterans; and the Buffalo Hall of Fame, a showcase of notable Buffalonians who have achieved accomplishments on a state or national level. Among the eighteen people in the Hall of Fame are Kallie Cart, reporter

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Clearing the Way for Commercial Development

By Ron Allen

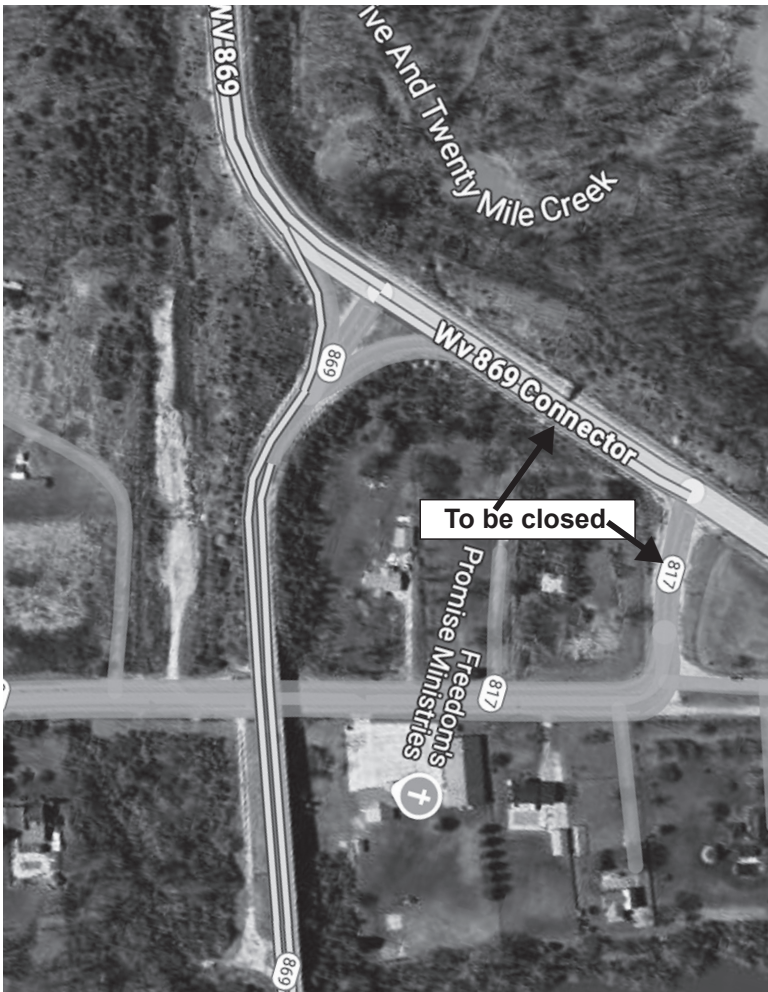
The removal of trees and shrubs on property bordering the junction of State Routes 19 and 34 in Hurricane has produced a formerly hidden view of the landscape. The clearing is the first step of a project by the property owner (P & L Associates) which will create 8 acres ready for commercial use. The clearing operation does not include the trees on the State Road right of way.

The 8 acres consists of three separate parcels – the former Cummings property (5 acres), the former DOH property (2 acres), and parking area behind Glad Tidings Assembly (1 acre). P&L will install a conduit for the creek, then fill and level the entire area. No completion date has been submitted to City of Hurricane officials. The project became possible last December when P&L purchased the Glad Tidings property. P&L previously acquired the Cummings property in 2024 and the DOH property from the Hurricane Development Authority in June of 2025.



Pictured is a view from the Glad Tidings Assembly of God parking lot on Mill Road in Hurricane.

Traffic Pattern Change At Buffalo Bridge

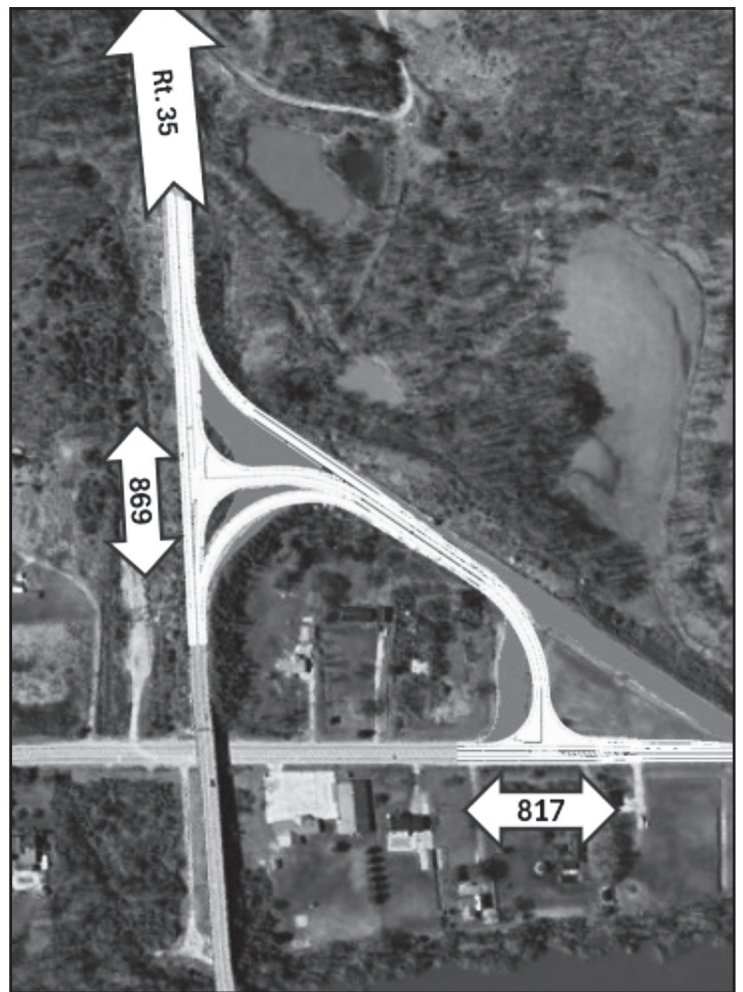


The WV 869 Connector and a section of WV 817 will be rebuilt.

Motorists seeking to access the Buffalo Bridge from State Route 817 will need to find a new route beginning today (April 9). Northbound traffic on WV 817 must use either

Hurricane Creek Road or Putnam Business Park Drive to reach U.S. 35, proceed north to WV 869 and turn right (WV 869 terminates at its junction with State Route 62 on

the north side of the Kanawha). Southbound 817 traffic must use Plantation Road (CR 9) to access U.S. 35, proceed to WV 869 and turn left.



Pictured is the rebuilt approach to the Buffalo Bridge.

Direct access to WV 869 and the Buffalo Bridge will be restored when the construction project to eliminate the curve on the

869 approach to the bridge is complete. Traffic delays can be expected. The construction has an end of September completion target date.

WEATHER SUMMARY		
March 31 - April 6		
	Low	High
March 31		
Hurricane	52°	79°
April 1*		
Hurricane	52°	76°
April 2		
Hurricane	52°	83°
April 3		
Hurricane	65°	79°
April 4*		
Hurricane	54°	83°
April 5*		
Hurricane	35°	61°
April 6		
Hurricane	28°	62°

*RAIN
 0.4 inch recorded Mar. 27
 0.1 inch recorded Apr. 4
 0.8 inch recorded Apr. 5

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.

APRIL 10 - 11

• There will be a spring vendor fair to support Putnam County 4-H from noon to 5 p.m. on Friday and 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday at the Eleanor Fire Department.

APRIL 10

• There will be a Jesus And Music (JAM) Session at 6:30 p.m. at Oma Chapel Church, 949 Arbuckle Creek Road, Leon. Come out for an evening of unscripted music.

• The Nitro Antique Car Club will be holding a cruise-in from 5 to 8 p.m. in front of the Nitro City Hall and Living Memorial Park, 2009 20th Street, Nitro.

• The next Business Before Business will be held from 7:30 to 9 a.m. at Poca Valley Bank, 12737 Winfield Road, Winfield. To RSVP, call 304-757-6510.

APRIL 11

• There will be a spring craft show from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Greene Center, 10494 Charleston Road, Kenna.

• Roots to Bloom, 2777 Charleston Road, Poca, will be holding their grand opening from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Floral gifts, jewelry, seasonal decor, apparel, and more.

• Harmons Church of the Nazarene, 360 Harmons Creek Road, Poca, will be holding Spring Awakening Gospel Sing with The Lordsmen and Chasity Dye starting at noon.

• Harmons Church of the Nazarene, 360 Harmons Creek Road, Poca, will be hosting a Harmons Creek and Poca River clean-up. Meet up at the church parking lot at 10 a.m.

• The Thrifty Rose thrift shop, 404-B Midland Trail, Hurricane, will be celebrating their grand opening from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

• The wood chipper will be operating every second Saturday of the month from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the

Putnam Recycling Drop Site located on Midland Trail in Hurricane.

• The Hurricane First Church of God, 3225 East Putnam Avenue, will be holding their springtime church-wide yard sale beginning at 8 a.m. and continuing until about 1 p.m.

APRIL 12

• Poca River Hunting, Fishing, and Recreation Club, 789 Dupont Road, Poca, will be holding a trout tournament from 2 to 4 p.m.

• Greater Vision will be performing at 4 p.m. at Teays Valley Baptist Church, 3926 Teays Valley Road, Hurricane. To reserve a spot, go to <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/greater-vision-concert-tickets-1985376191634>

APRIL 13

• Putnam Aging will be hosting a Meet the Candidates Event from 10 to 11:30 a.m. at the Buffalo Senior Center.

APRIL 14

• The Town of Eleanor will be holding a puzzle competition from 6 to 8 p.m. at the Eleanor Fire Department, upstairs room. Teams of 2-4 people; \$20 per team. To register, call 304-586-2319.

• There will be a planning committee meeting for the Putnam County Homecoming at 6:30 p.m. at Winfield United Methodist Church, 20 Radwin Drive, Winfield. All are welcome to attend.

• Brett from Burke & Herbert Bank will be discussing the FHLB Loan for first time home buyers, in-house portfolio loans, and other conventional programs at noon at Area 34, 971 WV Route 34, Teays Valley. RSVP by calling (304) 757-6510.

• Putnam Crew's Young Professionals Group will be hosting Off the Clock, an evening meet-up event, at 5 p.m. at FireSide Grill in Teays Valley. RSVP by calling (304) 757-6510.

• The Putnam County Crochet Club will be meeting from 6 to 8 p.m. at St. Timothy's in the Valley Episcopal Church, 3434 Teays Valley Road, Hurricane.

• Scrapbook Swap Meet and Club will be held at 6 p.m. at the Valley Park Conference Center in Hurricane. Bring your own supplies to use and/or swap with others.

• There will be a sensory friendly meet and greet with first responders at 6 p.m. at the Hurricane Fire Department on Midland Trail.

APRIL 15

• There will be a community baby shower from 4 to 6 p.m. at the Eleanor Fire Department. For more information, call 304-936-1048.

• Explore the Meeks Mountain Bluebird Trail starting at 6 p.m. Meet up at the red barn at Hurricane City Park. To register, go to <https://runsignup.com/Race/WV/Hurricane/BluebirdTrail>

APRIL 16

• The Putnam County Chamber of Commerce will be hosting Business After Hours, sponsored by Backpack Buddy and Charleston Dirty Birds, at 5 p.m. at the Valley Park Conference Center in Hurricane. Call 304-757-6510 to register.

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

• Putnam Aging will be hosting a Meet the Candidates Event from 10 to 11:30 a.m. at the John Henson Senior Center in Hurricane.

April and May Full of FOOTMAD Music and Dance

The Kanawha Valley Friends of Old-Time Music and Dance known as "FOOTMAD" is celebrating the end of their season with three dance events, a concert and an annual cookout with its customary potluck and jam session. Visit FOOTMAD.org or call 304-729-4382 for more information or to purchase tickets.

On Friday, April 10, the dancing begins with the family-oriented community dance 7pm at the Kanawha United Presbyterian Church (KUPC). With live music provided by fiddler Dan Carney and friends and calling by the local calling cooperative, all are welcome, no experience necessary. A donation of \$7 is suggested for admission and family rates are available.

On Saturday evening, April 11 singer-songwriter Joe Jencks will take the stage at the WV Culture Center at 7:30pm for the last concert of the FOOTMAD season. Jencks knew and was influenced by Pete Seeger and has been allied with Si Kahn. His songs celebrate who we are as Americans and what we hold dear, what we struggle with and what we share. Many of his songs will inevitably become audience sing-alongs. Known for his strong and smooth delivery and love for mankind, Joe Jencks is a man for our times that all ages will enjoy.

Tickets for the Saturday evening concert are \$25 in advance, \$30 at the door, and students of any age are only \$10. Children under 13 are admitted free at the door.

From Friday evening, May 1 to Sunday afternoon May 3 the

annual FOOTMAD dance weekend pulling together dance gypsies from across the United States will be held at Fayette County's 4-H Camp in Beckwith, WV. Featuring two energetic bands and three callers, this "Whitewater Whirl" will likely sell out. Register at FOOTMAD.org/whirl, \$130 for age 30 and over, \$80 for younger dancers. An on-site meal plan is available for purchase and cabin lodging or camping is free.

On Sunday, May 17, the FOOTMAD board of directors invites supporters to the grounds of Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church at 1600 Kanawha Boulevard East for the group's annual meeting. Hot dogs and hamburgers and fixings are provided starting at 2pm. Participants should bring potluck additions to the celebration. Musicians will gather for an Old-Time jam after a short board report so all are invited to bring instruments and play.

And on Friday, May 29, re-scheduled from the snowed-out Old-Time Winter Breakdown IV, The Kessinger Brothers Band and caller Steve Ballman will host a square dance at KUPC from 7pm to 10pm. Part of FestivALL, admission is free. Inexperienced dancers should come at 7pm as the dances will build steam as the night goes on. All ages are welcome!

As an educational non-profit, FOOTMAD has presented traditional music and dance in the Kanawha Valley for 45 years. This presentation is made possible with funding from WV Tourism and the National Endowment for the Arts.

Explore the Meeks Mountain Bluebird Trail

The Meeks Mountain Bluebird Trail is not our typical trail—it's a hands-on conservation experience that connects people with nature in a meaningful way. Designed to support the recovery of Eastern Bluebirds, the trail features a network of carefully placed nesting boxes that provide safe habitats for these beautiful birds, whose populations once declined dramatically due to habitat loss and invasive species.

What makes this initiative truly special is the Bluebird Trail Together App, which brings the experience to life. Through the app, participants can become citizen scientists—tracking nesting activity, observing egg laying and fledging, and contributing real data that supports bird conservation efforts. It turns a simple walk on the trail into an interactive, educational journey.

Led by Tim Daly, the creator and builder of the Bluebird boxes, this project blends craftsmanship, conservation, and community. Each box is thoughtfully built and placed to give bluebirds the best chance to thrive, while also inviting people of all ages to learn and engage.

Whether you're a nature enthusiast, a family looking for an outdoor activity, or someone curious about local wildlife, this is a unique opportunity to get involved.

Come out on Wednesday, April 15, for a free outreach and education event—experience the Bluebird

Trail, learn how you can participate, and see firsthand how small efforts can make a big impact for wildlife and our community. Meet up at the Big Red Barn at Hurricane City Park at 6 p.m. for the Bluebird Trail experience.

Register here: <https://runsignup.com/Race/WV/Hurricane/BluebirdTrail>

The Way We Were, The Way We Are

By Brenda Burke

I was remembering the other day... special times and special places...

I remember when Mike and I and Dorothy and David went to Burger Boy in St. Albans often. Mike ordered burger, fries, drink for himself and same for me. I did not eat much, so I shared part of mine with him. He ate more... of course... D and D ordered the same... we liked those burgers. As a present vegetarian, the thought doesn't make me thrilled today. lol (I really miss Dorothy and wish she could have grown old along with me...) "Grow old along with me..."

When I was expecting my son and my daughter, I was on intravenous feeding most of the pregnancies. I think I was allowed dry toast in the last month. Real food no. Long story. I was so, so sick. I digress. As soon as our son was born... as soon as our daughter was born... Mike went to Shoney's to get me a Big Boy with old sauce, fries and a Coke. Shoney's was our go to restaurant for special occasions. I also loved their spaghetti and garlic bread and salad.) I visited Shoney's in Summersville in 2017. I still like it even if I had to eat salad...

After each baby was born, Mike went to the local Hallmark store to get birth announcements and baby books. (We did not know if the babies would be a boy or girl.). Mike loved Mrs. Bennett in Hurricane, and I did too. He would go to her store to get the outfits for the babies to wear home. We visited her store often.

Our babies were miracles for various

Sensory Friendly First Responder Event

Come to the Hurricane Fire Department on Midland Trail on Tuesday, April 14, for a sensory friendly meet and greet with first responders at 6 p.m. Those with autism and special needs can meet and interact with local first responders in a safe, fun and welcoming environment.

Putnam County Food Pantries And Clothing Banks

for more information.

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

Organization offers food pantry, community programs, and special events; call or go to webpage

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.

reasons. Thank goodness for fertility drugs. We wanted children so badly. We wanted four but that was not meant to be. Our two are the best.

I remember so many things that we did back in the day. The movie theatre in St. Albans... drive in... the one in Huntington. The indoor movies in Charleston and Huntington. Memories.

Mother always shopped in Huntington. Before I started dating Mike, I do not remember shopping in Charleston, where his family did theirs. We became familiar with both cities as I did much shopping. No store can replace The Diamond. Oh, when this teenager walked into that big gorgeous store... almost like walking in NYC Macy's... I visited The Diamond often. A real experience. Barbara Byrnside Harris and I made it one of our favorites.

I remember... the stores in Charleston... walking the streets to shop, especially at Christmas. No place like it since. The big drab malls took over. I seldom go into malls anymore. We go to discount stores mostly like T. J. Maxx... back in the day, a trip to Charleston was a fun time. Huntington also... especially the little dress shops.

Why did someone or everyone think those impersonal malls were the answer?

I remember... I remember... My readers know that although I have moved 30 plus times... have visited 46 states... Canada and England more than once... the area in which I grew up will always remain in my memory. Fondly... because the way we were is the way we are. My daughter and I have some trips planned this year and hope to go home...

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

April 9, 1900: Physician Margaret Byrnside "Dr. Maggie" Ballard was born. She actively pursued her interest in genealogy and local history and was a founder of the Monroe County Historical Society.

April 10, 1806: American Revolutionary War general Horatio Gates died in New York. The victor of Saratoga, he was relieved of command after his disastrous defeat at Camden, South Carolina. Before and during the war, he regularly visited his home Traveller's Rest in present-day Jefferson County.

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

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

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

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

April 11, 1923: Fiddler Glen Smith was born in Virginia and eventually settled in Elizabeth, Wirt County. Known for his powerful playing style, his honors included the 1998 Vandalia Award, the state's highest folklife recognition.

April 11, 1940: Award-winning artist Susan Poffenbarger was born in Charleston. Her work can be found in many galleries as well as the state museum,

IRS National Computing Center in Martinsburg and the Federal Courthouse Annex in Wheeling.

April 11, 1964: Writer Pinckney Benedict was born in Lewisburg. His two collections of short stories, *Town Smokes* and *The Wrecking Yard*, as well as his novel *Dogs of God* were named Notable Books by the New York Times Book Review.

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

April 12, 1885: Photographer George James Kossuth was born. After opening his Wheeling studio in 1909, he achieved broad fame for his photos of the city and insightful portraits of world celebrities, including Richard Strauss, Jascha Heifetz, Leopold Stokowski, Clarence Darrow and Richard Nixon.

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

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

April 14, 1774: Surveyors met at the mouth of the Kanawha River to establish military bounty claims in Kentucky. They became involved in several skirmishes with Indians in the region. This was the start of Dunmore's War, the name given to the conflict in the Ohio Valley in the spring of 1774.

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

April 14, 1982: Twelve 135-foot-tall smokestacks were detonated at the

Buffalo Founders' Day Celebration

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for WCHS TV8 and Fox 11 Eyewitness News; Anthony Whittington, baseball player for the Anaheim Angels in 2004 and 2005; and Timothy "Timmy" Eads, WVU Mountaineer mascot from 2019 – 2020.

The building which houses the Buffalo Welcome Center was originally the Buffalo Bank, which was built in 1930 and closed in 1962. The bank was robbed in 1953 by a pair of armed robbers who stole over \$9,000, an incident which went down in Buffalo history. The other buildings in the town's Historic Square include the Buffalo Academy, which began as a private liberal arts school in 1849 and later served as a public school until its closure in 1952;



The Buffalo Historic Square is a collection of buildings which were built between the 1840's to 1930's.

the Buffalo Presbyterian Church (now Historical Square Community Church), which was built in 1857; and the Buffalo Methodist Church, which

was built in 1870. The Friends of Buffalo WV History group welcomes the public to their meetings, which take place at the Buffalo

Welcome Center, which is located on Route 62. Upcoming meetings will be held on May 31, August 16, and October 18. Each meeting starts at 3 p.m.

HURRICANE CITY COUNCIL NEWS

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Martinsburg's, is more stringent than the previous definition.

Fire Chief Paul Niedbalski reported that Dow Chemical has contracted to use Hurricane Fire & Rescue's

Regional Training Center for its employees.

In his update, Police Chief Mike Mullins informed council HPD responded to 19 domestic violence calls (an unusually high number) during March. During the month, the department

responded to a total of 761 call, made 22 State arrests, 11 City arrests, and issued 104 tickets.

City manager Andy Skidmore informed council that the contract to build a pickleball court near the Main Street entrance to Bridge Park

has been awarded to Raynes Excavating.

In other business, Vernon Wysong was reappointed to serve on the Hurricane Building Commission.

The next regular Hurricane council meeting will be Monday, May 4, at 6:30 p.m.

Putnam County Marriages

The following marriages were recorded by the Putnam County Clerk during the month of March:

Andrew Todd Campbell to Jericka Sue Hayes
James Randall Tiller to Patricia Ann Shepherd
Donald Eugene Wallace to Melissa Dawn Clay
Aaron Bradly Williams to Whitney Nicole Stone
Cesar Lopez to Monserrat Lopez
Noah Andrew Miller to Cathryn Elizabeth Mayberry

Camren Brooks Lee Cash to Lily Madeline Gray
Shane E. Lanham to Abigail Ann Darnold
Daniel Lee Dawson to Cristina Lynn Elmore
Derek Hunter Stanley to Megan Rose Crouch
James Scott Cochran to Rhonda Marie Cassell
Russ Edward Williams to Wendi Kay Votroubek
Jayden Paige Griffy to Hayley Dawn Sears
Christopher Allen White to Natalie Dawn Smith

Dalton Lee Osborne to Falea Jo Bartram
Roger Allen Clark to

former Libbey-Owens-Ford plant in Charleston. The factory, built in 1916, was the world's largest sheet glass manufacturer in the 1920s. It shut down in 1980.

Shante Leann Presley Arhum Ahmed Shahab to Amal Nadeem Khan
Christopher James Bulger to April Nicole Withrow

Marriage Licenses were issued to the following individuals during March which marriages were not recorded as of March 31, 2026:

Michael Dylan Warner

to Jennifer Renee Hambrick
Roger Lee Akers II to Brittney Renea Goble
Justin Alan Delwarte to Cynthia Kay Elkins
Isaiah Andrew Burns to Sydnee Jade Bell
David Franklin Coleman to Cheyenne Abigail Guthrie
Brandon Scott Stephens to Maitlyn Sage Hines
David Kirt Richardson IV to Cloe Maria Bayes
Austin Roger Francis to Jordan Breane Poston
Elijah Malachi Owen

Casey Sowards to Emily Lynn Maynard
Christopher Martin Townsend to Zaiyah Michelle Priddy
Gregory David Church to Denielle Jo Jarvis
Larry Gene O'Bryan Jr. to Zhenli Xie
Arion Anthus Rogers to Kaitlyn Jo Collins
Tanner Austin Williams to Savannah Bree Hinton
Scott Bradley Whitwer to Amy Christine Williams
Chay Justin Anthony to Ashely Nicole Johnson



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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE is hereby given pursuant to and by virtue of the authority vested in the Substitute Trustee, WV Trustee Services, LLC, by that certain Deed of Trust dated August 20, 2021, executed by Borrower(s), Trevor Miller, to John Dorsey, the Trustee of record in the office of the Clerk of the County Commission of Putnam County, West Virginia, in Book 1297, at Page 741. At the time of the execution of the Deed of Trust, this property was reported to have a mailing address of 102 Rustic Highlands, Hurricane, WV 25526. WV Trustee Services, LLC were appointed as Substitute Trustees by APPOINTMENT OF SUCCESSOR TRUSTEE dated February 20, 2026, of record in the Clerk's Office. The borrower(s) defaulted under the Note and Deed of Trust and the Substitute Trustees have been instructed to foreclose under the Deed of Trust. Accordingly, the Substitute Trustees will sell the following described property to the highest bidder at the front door of the Courthouse of Putnam County, in Winfield, West Virginia, on the following date:

17th day of April, 2026 at 11:10 a.m.

All that certain lot, tract, or parcel of land, together with the improvements thereon and the appurtenances thereunto belonging, situate in Scott District, Putnam County, West Virginia and being more particularly described as All of Lot Two (2) of Rustic Highlands Section II, as the same is set out on a Map and Survey entitled, "The Highlands, a Teays River Development", prepared by Randolph Engineering Company dated May 25, 1988, a copy of which is recorded in the Office of the Clerk of the County Commission of Putnam County, West Virginia in Map Book Number B, at page 22.

Being all of the same property conveyed unto Carroll Thomas Gartley and Mary Sue Gartley, by Teays River Development, Inc., by Deed dated May 1, 1990, of record in the Office of the Clerk of the County Commission of Putnam County, West Virginia in Deed Book 325, at page 544, and Re-Recorded in Deed Book 333, at page 87. Carroll Thomas Gartley died as a resident of Putnam County, West Virginia on April 18, 2021, and pursuant to the survivorship provisions contained in the aforementioned deed the property vested solely in Mary Sue Gartley.

SUBJECT TO that certain Plat Showing a Right of Way from Poplar Fork Road, dated August 8, 1984, prepared by Roger K. Randolph, P.E. # 6246, of record in the aforesaid Clerk's Office in Map Book A, at page 180-A.

SUBJECT TO all of the protective covenants, restrictions, easements, and reservations pertaining to Rustic Highlands, Section II, as set forth in that certain Declaration duly filed of record in the Office of the Clerk of the County Commission of Putnam County, West Virginia in Miscellaneous Book 25, at page 267. Further SUBJECT TO that certain Amended Declaration of record in the aforesaid Clerk's Office in Miscellaneous Book 70, at page 70. SUBJECT TO that certain Agreement to Merge Owners Associations dated November 12, 1992, by and between Rustic Highlands Association and Deer Run Association, of record in the aforesaid Clerk's Office in Miscellaneous Book 37, at page 585.

SUBJECT TO that certain Agreement to Share Maintenance Costs of Common Right of Way dated July 28, 1993, by and between Rustic Highlands Owners Association and The Highlands of Teays Valley Owners Association and Teays River Development, of record in the aforesaid Clerk's Office in Miscellaneous Book 38, at page 594.

SUBJECT TO the By-Law of Rustic Highlands Owners Association, Inc., as set forth and described in that certain agreement of record in the aforesaid Clerk's Office in Miscellaneous Book 70, at page 107.

TERMS OF SALE:

1) The property will be conveyed in an "AS IS" physical condition by Deed containing no warranty, express or implied, subject to the Internal Revenue Service right of redemption, all property taxes, prior Deeds, liens, reservations, encumbrances, restrictions, rights-of-ways, easements, covenants, conveyances and conditions of record in the Clerk's office or affecting the subject property.

2) The Purchaser shall be responsible for the payment of the transfer taxes imposed by the West Virginia Code § 11-22-1.

3) The Beneficiary and/or the Servicer of the Deed of Trust and Note reserve the right to submit a bid for the property at sale.

4) The Trustee reserves the right to continue sale of the subject property from time to time by written or oral proclamation, which continuance shall be in the sole discretion of the Trustee.

5) The Trustee shall be under no duty to cause any existing tenant or person occupying the property to vacate said property, and any personal property and/or belongings remaining at the property after the foreclosure sale will be deemed to constitute ABANDONED PROPERTY AND WILL BE DISPOSED OF ACCORDINGLY.

6) Pursuant to the Financial Crimes Enforcement Network's Residential Real Estate Reporting Rule (31 C.F.R. Part 1031), effective March 1, 2026, certain non-judicial foreclosure sales involving purchasers that are legal entities or trusts that include cash consideration may be subject to federal reporting requirements. Any successful bidder that is a legal entity or trust and paying cash shall be required, as a condition of sale, to retain a licensed West Virginia attorney to conduct the closing, who shall be designated in writing as the Reporting Person responsible for all required FinCEN filings and record retention. Trustee shall not

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act as the Reporting Person and shall have no responsibility for compliance with FinCEN reporting requirements.

7) The total purchase price is payable to the Trustee within thirty (30) days of the date of sale, with ten (10%) of the total purchase price payable to the Trustee at sale.

WV Trustee Services, LLC, Substitute Trustee BY: Jim Ashley, Limited Signing Officer WV Trustee Services, LLC McGuire Office Center 618 Tenth Street, Suite 108 Huntington, WV 25701 (304) 853-3336 jim.ashley@wvtrusteeservices.com 3-26-3t

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF PUTNAM COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA

IN RE: BESSIE WILLIAMS, an alleged protected person Case No. 26-G-3

ORDER OF PUBLICATION

NOTICE is hereby given to any known or unknown relatives of Bessie Williams that a Petition for the Appointment of a Guardian/Conservator has been filed by Lia A. Billups on behalf of Genesis Healthcare, in the Circuit Court of Putnam County, West Virginia, Case Number 26-G-3. The attorney for Genesis Healthcare is Lia A. Billups, MacCorle Lavender PLLC, 300 Summers Street, Suite 800, Charleston, West Virginia 25301. Genesis Healthcare has used due diligence to ascertain the residence or present whereabouts of any known or unknown relatives of Bessie Williams, without effect. This notification is to advise any known or unknown relatives of Bessie Williams that a copy of the Petition which has been filed in regard to Bessie Williams may be obtained from the Office of the Clerk of the Court of Putnam County, West Virginia, 12093 Winfield Road, Winfield, West Virginia 25213, and that any known or unknown relatives of Bessie Williams must appear on or before the hearing set for May 4, 2026 at 1:30 p.m.

The clerk is hereby ORDERED to forward a copy of this Order to counsel of record.

Entered this 27th day of March, 2026.

STEPHANIE SMITH/sy Stephanie M. Smith, Clerk Putnam County Circuit Court 12093 Winfield Rd. Winfield, WV 25213 4-2-2t

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NOTICE TO REDEEM

2023-C-000272 - Putnam County To: REBECCA STARKEY WEBB, RICHARD W. RHOADES, TRUSTEE, ASSOCIATES FINANCIAL SERVICES OF AMERICA, INC., DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE C/O U.S. ATTORNEY'S OFFICE SOUTHERN DISTRICT, or heirs at law, devisees, creditors, representatives, successors, assigns, all known heirs, guardians, conservators, fiduciaries, administrators, lienholders, co-owners, other parties having an undivided interest in the delinquent property, and other parties that may have any interest in the subject property.

DISTRICT SCOTT MAP 214 PARCEL 0015 0000 0000

You will take notice that CLAY CLODFELTER, the purchaser of the following real estate, Cert. No. 2023-C-000272, located in SCOTT District, LOT CROOKED CRK, which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of STARKEY DARLENE RUTH, and was sold by the deputy commissioner of delinquent and nonentered lands of PUTNAM County at the sale for the delinquent taxes on JUNE 18, 2024. CLAY CLODFELTER, requests that you be notified that a deed for such real estate will be made on or after June 1, 2026, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before May 31, 2026 will be as follows:

Amount equal to the taxes and charges due on the date of the certification, with interest, for tax year ticket number 2022 - 26525. \$131.45 Back tax tickets, with interest, and charges due on the date of certification for ticket number \$0.00 Subsequent of taxes paid on the property, with interest to for tax year 2023-26614. \$54.45 Additional taxes with interest. \$0.00 Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest. \$219.00 Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest. \$703.22 Additional Statutory Fees with interest. \$781.08 Total Amount Due and Payable to WV State Auditor - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check. \$1,889.20

You may redeem at any time before May 31, 2026, by paying the above total less any unearned interest.

If the above real estate is your primary residence, you may petition the Auditor to redeem the real estate in not more than three incremental payments that equal the total amount required to redeem the real estate prior to the issuance of the deed described above. Given under my hand March 27, 2026 Christal G. Perry Christal G. Perry Deputy Commissioner of Delinquent and Nonentered Lands of PUTNAM County, State of West Virginia Please return this letter and payment to the West Virginia State Auditor's Office, County Collections Division 1900 Kanawha Boulevard East, Building 1, Room W-114, Charleston, West Virginia, 25305. Questions please call 1-888-509-6568 4-2-3t

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF PUTNAM COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA

State of West Virginia, West Virginia Department of Human Services, Petitioner, V. Civil Action No. 25-JA-95 Brian Scott Boone, Jr., Respondent.

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The object of the Petition filed in this matter is to provide protection to the infant child, E.B., whose date of birth is 02/12/2013.

To the above-named Respondent:

Please take notice that you have been named as the purported father to the above-named child. This matter will come on for an adjudicatory hearing or any other appropriate relief before the Honorable Derek C. Swope, Judge of the Circuit Court of Putnam County, West Virginia, on the 27th day of April, 2026, at 10:00 a.m., at which time and place you may be present to protect your interests, if you so desire. You are further advised that the infant child and respondents in this proceeding shall have the right to counsel at this hearing and every stage of the proceedings; that if you cannot pay for the services of counsel, the Court shall appoint counsel for you; and that said proceeding could result in the permanent termination of your parental rights. You are further advised that if an answer or appearance is not made by you at said hearing, thereafter, judgment upon proper hearing and trial may be taken against you for the relief demanded in the petition. An original and copies of the petition have been filed in the Office of the Circuit Clerk of Putnam County, West Virginia, at the Putnam County Judicial Building, 12093 Winfield Road, Winfield, West Virginia, 25213, and a copy of said petition is available for each respondent at said office upon request.

STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA By Counsel, /s/ Paige W. Hoffman Assistant Prosecuting Attorney Putnam County, West Virginia DATE: 3-25-26 4-2-2t

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TRUSTEE'S SALE OF VALUABLE REAL ESTATE

The undersigned Substitute Trustee, by virtue of the authority vested in it by that certain Deed of Trust dated August 1, 2006, and duly recorded in the Office of the Clerk of the County Commission of Putnam County, West Virginia, in Deed of Trust Book 808, at Page 310, Amie D. Matheny did convey unto Eric S. Embree, Trustee, certain real property described in said Deed of Trust; and the beneficiary has elected to appoint Pill & Pill, PLLC as Substitute Trustee by a Substitution of Trustee recorded in the aforesaid Clerk's Office; and default having been made under the aforementioned Deed of Trust, and the undersigned Substitute Trustee having been instructed by the secured party to foreclose thereunder, will offer for sale at public auction at the front door of the Putnam County Courthouse, in Winfield, West Virginia, on April 16, 2026, at 5:00 PM The following described real estate, with its improvements, easements and appurtenances thereunto belonging, situate in the Scott District, Putnam County, West Virginia, and more particularly described as follows: All of the following described real estate, together with the improvements thereon and the appurtenances thereunto belonging, situate in Scott District, Putnam County, West Virginia and being all of Lot No. Ninety (90), as the said lot is shown and designated upon that certain map entitled, "Property of Calvin Jones Scott District Putnam County Scale: 1" = 40", said map prepared by J.D. Brackernich, RPE 3994, and dated March, 1973, said map having been recorded in the Office of the Clerk of the County Commission of Putnam County, West Virginia in Map Book 5, page 42.

Being the same real estate conveyed unto Amie D. Matheny by Donna Lurena Reed Turner, John Harlan Reed, III, and Ellis Miller reed by deed dated August 1, 2006, to be recorded in the aforesaid Clerk's Office Simultaneously with this instrument.

At the time of the execution of the Deed of Trust, this property was reported to have a mailing address of Amie D. Matheny, 1035 Marina Drive, Hurricane, WV 25526. AND BEING the same real estate which was conveyed to Amie D. Matheny, by Deed dated August 1, 2006, from Donna Lurena Reed Turner, John Harlan Reed, III, and Ellis Miller Reed, and recorded in the Office of the Clerk of the County Commission of Putnam County, West Virginia, in Deed Book 467 at Page 902. The above-described property will be sold subject to any covenants, restrictions, easements, leases and conditions of record, and subject to any unpaid real estate taxes. The subject property will be sold in an "AS IS" condition. The Substitute Trustee shall be under no duty to cause any existing tenant or person occupying the subject property to vacate said property. TERMS: Ten percent (10%) of the purchase price as a deposit with the balance due and payable within 30 days of the day of sale.

Pill & Pill, PLLC, Substitute Trustee Richard A. Pill, Member P. O. Box 440, 85 Aikens Center, Martinsburg, WV 25404 Phone (304) 263-4971, Fax (304) 267-5840, e-mail: foreclosures@pillwvlaw.com 3-26-3t

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Hurricane City Council will hold a Special Council Meeting to Lay the Levy for FY2027 on Tuesday, April 21, 2026 at 6:30pm at Hurricane City Hall, 3255 Teays Valley Road, Hurricane, WV 25526. 4-9-2t

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

The Winfield Board of Zoning Appeals will hold a Public Hearing at 6:00 p.m. on May 11, 2026 at City Hall, 12448 Winfield Road, Winfield, WV 25213, on the Following:

BZA Case # 2025-2026-14, the application of Courtyard Developers seeking a variance from Article 1347.07(a)(3) R1 Single Family Residential Setbacks, of the Winfield Codified Ordinances; to allow front yard setback less than the required 20 feet and the back yard setback less than the required 25 feet

The property is located at Valley Street/Boxwood Drive, Winfield, WV 25213. Deed book 475, Page 438, Map 12, Parcel 1 1.13 acres

Interested parties are invited to attend this hearing and express their opinion with respect thereto. The Board will vote on this matter after the Public Hearing, if time permits, otherwise they will announce the date and place the vote will be taken. For anyone wishing a transcript of this hearing, they should provide the necessary equipment and personnel for such. Please call Winfield City Hall at (304) 586-2122 with any questions. 4-9-1t

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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.: 6408 Estate Of: Ira Lee Belcher Executrix: Kendra L. Burch aka Belcher 15171 Truman Manor Ln. Waldorf, MD 20601

Estate No.: 6412 Estate Of: Della Jill Litton Administrator: Michael R. Litton 48 Jordan Addition Scott Depot, WV 25560

Estate No.: 6431 Estate Of: Gretna Burns Forest Michels Executrix: Dennis R. Dodrill 39 Bexdley Drive Scott Depot, WV 25560

Estate No.: 6427 Estate Of: Charles W. Miller Co Executrix: Kimberly Lynn Perraut 707 Charlie St. Hurricane, WV 25526

Co Executrix: Deborah Ann Gray 856 Walker Rd Charleston, WV 25311

Estate No.: 6372 Estate Of: Thomas Edward Mullooly, II Executrix: Lisa Chanbers 1 Woodvale Heights Hurricane, WV 25526

Estate No.: 6426 Estate Of: Claude Edward Null Jerry Null PO Box 488 Eleanor, WV 25070

Estate No.: 6405 Estate Of: Havern Eric Parsons Administrator: Tamara Larabee-Parsons 108 Muddy Gut Rd Poca, WV 25159

Estate No.: 6341 Estate Of: James Nathan Reed Executrix: Cynthia Ann Reed 293 E. Mud River Rd. Milton, WV 25541

Estate No.: 6350 Estate Of: Dorothy Faye Saunders Administrator: Brandi F. Saunders 842 Pumpkin Vine Rd. Buffalo, WV 25033

Estate No.: 6370 Estate Of: Michael Lawrence Sipe Administrator: Haven M. Sipe 156 Oakwood Est. Scott Depot, WV 25560

Estate No.: 6441 Estate Of: Janet C. Young Executrix: John Edward Young 6 Richland Drive Hurricane, WV 25526

All persons having claims against the estate(s) of any of the above-named deceased persons whether due or not, are notified to exhibit their claims with vouchers thereof, legally verified, to the fiduciary of such deceased person as shown above within 60 days of April 9, 2026, or, if not, to exhibit the same at the office of the undersigned Fiduciary Supervisor at the address shown below by said date; otherwise any or all such claims may by law be excluded from all benefits of said estate(s). No claims against the estate shall be accepted by the fiduciary supervisor after said date. All beneficiaries of said estate(s) may appear either before the above-named fiduciary by the date first shown above, or thereafter before the undersigned fiduciary supervisor by the date last shown above to examine said claims and otherwise protect their respective interests. All persons seeking to impeach or establish a will must file a complaint pursuant to W. Va. Code. Any person objecting to the representative's qualifications, venue or jurisdiction must file a complaint within 60 days of April 9, 2026. Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 1st day of April 2026 Fiduciary Supervisor Putnam County Commission 10293 Winfield Road, Winfield, WV 25213 4-9-2t

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CITY OF HURRICANE NOTICE OF SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING

Hurricane City Council will hold a Special Council Meeting to Lay the Levy for FY2027 on Tuesday, April 21, 2026 at 6:30pm at Hurricane City Hall, 3255 Teays Valley Road, Hurricane, WV 25526. 4-9-2t

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

Under authority of that certain Deed of Trust dated August 24, 2016, from Phyllis J. Harris and Brittany Danielle Skaggs to Marc B. Lazenby, Trustee, of record in the office of the Clerk of the County Commission of Putnam County, West Virginia in Trust Deed Book No. 1144, at page 374, securing a promissory note in the principal amount of \$78,024.35, 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 Trustee will offer for sale at the front door of the Putnam County Courthouse in Winfield, West Virginia on April 27, 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 lot, tract and parcel of land, together with the improvements thereon and the appurtenances thereunto belonging, as follows: Situate on West Virginia State Route 34 in the Curry District, Putnam County, West Virginia. As shown on Placement Survey, by Timothy L. Keely - WV PS No. 972. . . dated September 21, 2016". Being more particularly described as follows;

LOT (A) 0.153 Acre;

Beginning at an old 1/2" iron pipe found on the western right of way of West Virginia State Route 34, at the common northern corner of a 0.23 Acre Parcel and a 0.32 Acre Parcel owned by Phyllis J. Harris, thence with a curve of said right of way, having an arc distance of 132.26' and a chord of S 21°43'26"E, 132.01' to a 1000 nail set; thence leaving Route 34, and now making a new division line through the two aforesaid parcels, N 69°40'09"W, 114.95' to a railroad spike set on the western boundary of the old 0.32 Acre Parcel owned by Phyllis J. Harris; thence with said western boundary, N 20°04'00"E, 99.00' to an old 3/4" steel pin found; thence with the northern boundary of said 0.32 Acre Parcel, S 67°34'19"E, 27.00' to the point of beginning, containing 0.153 Acre, more or less.

Together with a certain 2010 CMH Manufactured Home, Serial No. CAP024065TNABC.

Being the same property conveyed from Phyllis J. Harris to Phyllis J. Harris and Brittany Danielle Skaggs by Deed dated August 24, 2016, of record in the aforesaid Clerk's office in Deed Book No. 554, at page 466.

Terms of the sale: Cash or certified funds due on date of sale. Given under my hand this 19th day of March, 2026. /s/ Marc B. Lazenby Trustee 4-2-2t

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NOTICE TO REDEEM

2024-C-000028 - Putnam County To: EVELYN RAINES, or heirs at law, devisees, creditors, representatives, successors, assigns, all known heirs, guardians, conservators, fiduciaries, administrators, lienholders, co-owners, other parties having an undivided interest in the delinquent property, and other parties that may have any interest in the subject property.

DISTRICT BUFFALO MAP 9999 PARCEL 0000 0930 3004

You will take notice that WILLANDT RESOURCES LLC, the purchaser of the following real estate, Cert. No. 2024-C-000028, located in BUFFALO District, 1/8 Of 286.33 AC MIN 18 MILE CRK, which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of RAYNES EVELYN, and was sold by the deputy commissioner of delinquent and nonentered lands of PUTNAM County at the sale for the delinquent taxes on April 18, 2025. WILLANDT REROURCES LLC, requests that you be notified that a deed for such real estate will be made on or after June 1, 2026, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before May 31, 2026 will be as follows:

Amount equal to the taxes and charges due on the date of the certification, with interest, for tax year ticket number 2023 - 1738. \$104.13 Back tax tickets, with interest, and charges due on the date of certification for ticket number \$0.00 Subsequent of taxes paid on the property, with interest to for tax year 2024-1750. \$35.52 Additional taxes with interest. \$0.00 Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest. \$123.00

Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest. \$592.34 Additional Statutory Fees with interest. \$225.28 Total Amount Due and Payable to WV State Auditor - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check. \$1,080.27

You may redeem at any time before May 31, 2026, by paying the above total less any unearned interest.

If the above real estate is your primary residence, you may petition the Auditor to redeem the real estate in not more than three incremental payments that equal the total amount required to redeem the real estate prior to the issuance of the deed described above. Given under my hand March 20, 2026 Christal G. Perry Christal G. Perry Deputy Commissioner of Delinquent and Nonentered Lands of PUTNAM County, State of West Virginia Please return this letter and payment to the West Virginia State Auditor's Office, County Collections Division 1900 Kanawha Boulevard East, Building 1, Room W-114, Charleston, West Virginia, 25305. Questions please call 1-888-509-6568 3-26-3t

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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.: 6437 Estate Of: Kathryn Leeanna Burton Executrix: Julie Ann Leport 104 Corey Drive Poca, WV 25159

Estate No.: 906 Estate Of: Randy Lee Handley Administrator: Debra L. Handley 210 Middle Coach Dr. Hurricane, WV 25526

Estate No.: 6423 Estate Of: Billy Ray Gibson Administrator: 187 Mill Hollow Road Hurricane, WV 25526

Estate No.: 6390 Estate Of: Glenn David Jones Administrator: Deborah L. Jones 203 Taylor Drive Hurricane, WV 25526

Estate No.: 6432 Estate Of: Patricia Alta Lowen Administrator: Pamela S. Witt 9009 Helzer Creek Poca, WV 25159

Estate No.: 6362 Estate Of: Dorothy "Dottie" Lee McAllister Administrator: Randall L. Walker Cta: 982 Old Point Road St. Albans WV 25177

Estate No.: 6428 Estate Of: Eva Mae W. Miller Co-Executrix: Kimberly Lynn Perraut 707 Charlie Street Hurricane, WV 25526

Co-Executrix: Deborah Ann Gray 856 Walker Road Charleston, WV 25311

Estate No.: 4878 Estate Of: Franklin Delano Neary Executrix: C. Olevia Neary 1526 Bills Creek Rd. Winfield, WV 25213

Estate No.: 6340 Estate Of: Peggy Ann Reed Executrix: Cynthia Ann Reed 293 E. Mud River Road Milton, WV 25541

Estate No.: 6401 Estate Of: Joshua David Santrock Administrator: Susan Santrock 33 Regent Street Hurricane, WV 25526

Estate No.: 6353 Estate Of: Mary Frances Smith Executrix: Wanda L. Thomasson 7115 Winfield Road Winfield, WV 25213

Estate No.: 6339 Estate Of: Jackie Lee Stonestreet Administrator: Joseph Ray Stonestreet 1042 Marina Drive Hurricane, WV 25526

Delinquent Appraisments

Estate No.: 6311 Estate Of: Albert C. Humphreys, III Administrator: Sandra D. Humphreys 3360 Peach Ridge Rd. Hurricane, WV 25526

All persons having claims against the estate(s) of any of the above-named deceased persons whether due or not, are notified to exhibit their claims with vouchers thereof, legally verified, to the fiduciary of such deceased person as shown above within 60 days of April 2, 2026, or, if not, to exhibit the same at the office of the undersigned Fiduciary Supervisor at the address shown below by said date; otherwise any or all such claims may by law be excluded from all benefits of said estate(s). No claims against the estate shall be accepted by the fiduciary supervisor after said date. All beneficiaries of said estate(s) may appear either before the above-named fiduciary by the date first shown above, or thereafter before the undersigned fiduciary supervisor by the date last shown above to examine said claims and otherwise protect their respective interests. All persons seeking to impeach or establish a will must file a complaint pursuant to W. Va. Code. Any person objecting to the representative's qualifications, venue or jurisdiction must file a complaint within 60 days of April 2, 2026. Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 26th day of March 2026. Fiduciary Supervisor Putnam County Commission 10293 Winfield Road, Winfield, WV 25213 4-2-2t

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF PUTNAM COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA

In Re: Change of Name from Kevin Lamont Gatling to Kevin Lamont Workman

LEGAL NOTICE OF PUBLICATION CHANGE OF NAME PROCEEDING Civil Action No. 26-P-31 Circuit Court of Putnam County, West Virginia Notice is hereby given that on the 3rd day of June, 2026, at 10:30 a.m. on said day, or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, before the Honorable Judge Mark Sorsaia, Kevin Lamont Gatling 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 Kevin Lamont Gatling to Kevin Lamont Workman, 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 27th day of March, 2026. Stephanie M. Smith/cs Putnam County Circuit Clerk 4-2-2tw

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING
The Putnam County Commission will meet on Tuesday, May 26, 2026 beginning at 5:00 pm in Room 221 of the Putnam County Courthouse, 12093 Winfield Road, Winfield, WV. All interested parties are invited to attend. The following will be on the agenda for discussion and possible decision.

PCPC REZ 2026-01 Tammy Curry Smith has submitted a Zoning Amendment Application for a Rezoning for 126.05 ± acres (Tax Map 172, Parcel 5) in Winfield, WV 25213. The request is to rezone part of the parcel from "R-2" Mixed Residential District to "C-2" High Density Commercial District and the majority of the parcel from "R-R" Rural Residential District to "C-2" High Density Commercial District.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING
The Putnam County Commission will meet on Tuesday, May 26, 2026 beginning at 5:00 pm in Room 221 of the Putnam County Courthouse, 12093 Winfield Road, Winfield, WV. All interested parties are invited to attend. The following will be on the agenda for discussion and possible decision.

PCPC REZ 2026-02 W2 Investments has submitted a Zoning Amendment Application for a Rezoning for 0.94± acres (Tax Map 222E, Parcel 52.2) in Hurricane, WV 25526. The request is to rezone part of the parcel from "R-1" Single Family Residential District to "C-1" Suburban Commercial District.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF PUTNAM COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA

State of West Virginia, West Virginia Department of Human Services, Petitioner, V. Civil Action No. 25-JA-93 William Higginbotham, Respondent.

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The object of the Petition filed in this matter is to provide protection to the infant child, A.J., whose date of birth is 02/01/2010.

To the above-named Respondent: Please take notice that you have been named as the purported father to the above-named child. This matter will come on for an adjudicatory hearing or any other appropriate relief before the Honorable Derek C. Swope, Judge of the Circuit Court of Putnam County, West Virginia, on the 27th day of April, 2026, at 10:00 a.m., at which time and place you may be present to protect your interests, if you so desire.

You are further advised that if an answer or appearance is not made by you at said hearing, thereafter, judgment upon proper hearing and trial may be taken against you for the relief demanded in the petition. An original and copies of the petition have been filed in the Office of the Circuit Clerk of Putnam County, West Virginia, at the Putnam County Judicial Building, 12093 Winfield Road, Winfield, West Virginia, 25213, and a copy of said petition is available for each respondent at said office upon request.

STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA

By Counsel,

/s/ Paige W. Hoffman Assistant Prosecuting Attorney Putnam County, West Virginia

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF PUTNAM COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA

State of West Virginia, West Virginia Department of Human Services, Petitioner, V. Civil Action No. 25-JA-94 Jeremy Tartar, Respondent.

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The object of the Petition filed in this matter is to provide protection to the infant child, B.B., whose date of birth is 10/13/2011.

To the above-named Respondent: Please take notice that you have been named as the purported father to the above-named child. This matter will come on for an adjudicatory hearing or any other appropriate relief before the Honorable Derek C. Swope, Judge of the Circuit Court of Putnam County, West Virginia, on the 27th day of April, 2026, at 10:00 a.m., at which time and place you may be present to protect your interests, if you so desire.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF PUTNAM COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA

State of West Virginia, West Virginia Department of Human Services, Petitioner, V. Civil Action No. 26-JA-14 Anthony Lawson, Respondent.

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The object of the Petition filed in this matter is to provide protection to the infant child, K.M., whose date of birth is 07/11/2020.

To the above-named Respondent: Please take notice that you have been named as the purported father to the above-named child. This matter will come on for an adjudicatory hearing or any other appropriate relief before the Honorable Derek C. Swope, Judge of the Circuit Court of Putnam County, West Virginia, on the 5th day of June, 2026, at 1:00 p.m., at which time and place you may be present to protect your interests, if you so desire.

You are further advised that if an answer or appearance is not made by you at said hearing, thereafter, judgment upon proper hearing and trial may be taken against you for the relief demanded in the petition. An original and copies of the petition have been filed in the Office of the Circuit Clerk of Putnam County, West Virginia, at the Putnam County Judicial Building, 12093 Winfield Road, Winfield, West Virginia, 25213, and a copy of said petition is available for each respondent at said office upon request.

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By Counsel,

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DATE: 4-1-26

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

Johnson Properties P. O. Box 93 Scott Depot, WV 25560, Plaintiff v. Civil Action No. 26-M40C-00107 Austin Dale Parsons & Haley Parsons 21 Valley Addition/27 Wabash Lane Poca, WV 25159, Defendant

The object of the above entitled action is to gain possession of Real Property located at 21 Valley Addition - 27 Wabash Lane, Poca, WV 25159, the address above is the last known address for the Defendant.

And it appearing by an affidavit filed in this action that the Plaintiff has used due diligence to locate the Defendant and to gain possession of property located at: 21 Valley Addition - 27 Wabash Lane, Poca, WV 25159, it is ordered that She/He do serve upon Putnam Co. Magistrate Court, Sarah Weaver, Magistrate, whose address is 12093 Winfield Road, Suite 15, Winfield, WV 25213, an answer or other defense to the complaint this action on or before April 29, 2026, otherwise judgment by default will be taken against Her/ Him at any time thereafter.

Entered by Clerk of said Court Putnam Magistrate Court. DARRY CASTO/yc Magistrate Court Clerk

STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA

By Counsel,

/s/ Paige W. Hoffman Assistant Prosecuting Attorney Putnam County, West Virginia

DATE: 3-25-26

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF PUTNAM COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA

In Re: Change of Name from Alexander Lee Harmon to Alexander Lee Harrison

LEGAL NOTICE OF PUBLICATION CHANGE OF NAME PROCEEDING

Civil Action No. 26-P-33 Circuit Court of Putnam County, West Virginia Notice is hereby given that on the 1st day of May, 2026, at 11:00 a.m. on said day, or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, before the Honorable Judge Phillip Stowers, Joseph Harrison will apply by Petition to the Circuit Court of Putnam County, West Virginia for the entry of an order by said Court, changing his child's name from Alexander Lee Harmon to Alexander Lee Harrison, 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 31st day of March, 2026. Stephanie M. Smith Putnam County Circuit Clerk

STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA

By Counsel,

/s/ Paige W. Hoffman Assistant Prosecuting Attorney Putnam County, West Virginia

DATE: 3-25-26

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NOTICE OF ANCILLARY FILING WITHOUT ANY ADMINISTRATION OF ESTATE

Notice is hereby given that a foreign will or affidavit without administration of estate has been filed Putnam County Clerk's Office pursuant to the provisions of law as follows:

Decedent: HELEN JANE REA Filed By: WILLIAM COCHRAN 4630 JIM RIDGE ROAD LIBERTY, WV 25124

Any person interested person objecting to the filing of the foreign will or Affidavit or objecting to the absence of appointment or administration being made in this state must file a notice of an objection with the undersigned fiduciary supervisor within 60 days after March 25, 2026, or within 30 days of the service of the notice, whichever is later. If an objection is not filed timely, the objection is forever barred.

Given under my than this 2nd day of April 2026. Fiduciary Supervisor, Putnam County 12093 Winfield Road, Winfield, WV 25213

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CITY OF HURRICANE SEEKS PAVING BIDS

The City of Hurricane is seeking bids for asphalt paving for Cactus Lane which is approximately 707 square yards including mill transition joints, sweep and clean area, pave with 2" asphalt wearing course; asphalt paving for Virginia Avenue which is approximately 667 square yards including mill transition joints, sweep and clean area, pave with 2" asphalt wearing course; asphalt paving for AEP Way which is approximately 1300 square yards including mill transition joints, sweep and clean area, apply tack coat, pave with 2" asphalt wearing course; and asphalt paving for High School Avenue which is approximately 4,286 square yards including mill transition joints, sweep and clean area, level all low areas, pave with 1.5" asphalt wearing course. All questions and bids should be submitted to Andy Skidmore, City Manager, askidmore@hurricanewv.com, City of Hurricane, 3255 Teays Valley Road, Hurricane, WV 25526 by Thursday, April 23, 2026 at 3:00pm.

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ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Sealed bids for Roofing Projects for The City of Hurricane will be received by the City of Hurricane, 3255 Teays Valley Rd, Hurricane, WV 25526, until May 11th, 2026 at 1:00pm. Bids will be opened publicly and read aloud at the same time. Bids received after the scheduled closing time for the receipt of bids will be returned unopened to the bidders.

A mandatory pre-bid meeting will take place on April 27th at 10:00am starting at Hurricane Municipal Building (3255 Teays Valley Rd, Hurricane, WV 25526), then moving to two other sites within the City of Hurricane. The purpose of this meeting is to review the specifications and site conditions. Contractors failing to attend the pre-bid meeting will not be permitted to bid. Copies of the specifications will be provided at the pre-bid meeting. All bidding contractors must be Garland Approved prior to the pre-bid meeting. The City of Hurricane is purchasing materials directly from the manufacturer via federal contract pricing through Omnia Partners.

Participating contractors must be able to provide criminal background checks for all employees working on or around the property. All bidders must hold a current West Virginia contractor's license on the date of the Bid Opening. All applicable federal, state and local laws, rules and regulations apply. The owner reserves the right to reject any or all bids, and/or to waive any informality, infirmity, omission, defect, irregularity and/or disqualifying error in any bid.

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Property Transfers

The following property transfers were recorded by the Putnam County Clerk between March 12, 2026, and April 1, 2026:

Kayleigh Cleek to Javan Simmons - Lot, Wheeler Ridge Ranches, Curry District for \$235,000.00.

Ralph and Angela Wagner to Jordan and Allison Wagner - 2.66 Acres, Hurricane District for \$335,000.00.

Larry and Katrina Harmon to Joshua Sharp - 4.01 Acres, Teays Valley District for \$345,500.00.

Linda Gear and Leslie Hazelman to Wildwood Hollow LLC - Two Tracts, Union District for \$139,000.00.

Nancy Smith and Kelli Carroll to Green Valley Properties Inc - Two Lots, Lynnhurst Addition, Hurricane District for \$60,000.00.

Estep Investments LLC to Allison Jones - Lot, Sun Valley Estates, Scott District for \$332,500.00.

Wayne and Cheree Jarrell to Ryan and Kristian Barnett - Lot, Teays Valley Meadows North, Teays Valley District for \$355,000.00.

Glenmont Properties LLC to Jonathan and Lauren White - Two Lots, North Woods, Union District for \$10,000.00.

Philip Surface to Nancy Turner - Parcel, Winfield District for \$10,000.00.

Gary and Shirley Garrison to Ernest Shreve - Parcel, Union District for \$42,500.00.

Dan Duncan to John Megimose - Lot, Brierwood Estates, Scott District for \$285,000.00.

Tina Gagnon to Robert Evans and Lisa Sowards - Lot, Maplewood Estates, Scott District for \$489,900.00.

Frederick and Caroline Langworthy to Branson Martin - Lot, Teays Valley District for \$372,000.00.

Pifer Properties LLC and Three Hundred Twenty Holdings LLC to 302 Holdings LLC - Lot, Piedmont Addition, Curry District for \$72,000.00.

Jerry Chandler to Bill Crouch - Two Parcels, Poca District for \$325,000.00.

Putnam Holdings LLC to Warren Higginbotham - Lot, Poca Subdivision, Poca District for \$41,387.33.

Elk River Trustees Inc and Mark Slone to Stephen Williams and Austin Ervin - Two Tracts, Union District for \$90,000.00.

Carolyn Workman to Justin Workman - Lot, Teays Valley District for \$35,000.00.

Sherry McCallister to Michael Plumley - 3.52 Acres, Teays Valley District for \$35,000.00.

Christopher and Emma Luikart to Allen Jarvis - Parcel, Union District for \$38,000.00.

David Reynolds and Jody Null to Earl and Tina Coakley - Two Parcels, Teays Valley District for \$200,000.00.

Todd and Vicki Rule to Pifer Properties LLC - Parcel, Orchard Park Acres, Teays Valley District for \$110,000.00.

MAJO LLC to Elijah Mangone - Lot, North Park Subdivision, Buffalo town District for \$175,000.00.

Robert and Mary Blankenship to Joshua and Megan Pauley - Parcel, Teays Valley District for \$68,000.00.

Amy Ashmus to Taylor Ford - Lot, White Pine Subdivision, Scott District for \$335,000.00.

John and Janet Lett to Amanda Cunningham - Two Lots, North Nitro Addition, Union District for \$115,000.00.

FCFS LLC to Nancy Johnson - Lot, Sun View Subdivision, Scott District for \$182,450.00.

Advanced Property Development LLC to Kaitlyn Tucker - Two Parcels, Curry District for \$322,500.00.

Harold Rinehart to Three Sisters Property LLC - Parcel, Poca Town District for \$26,000.00.

ald Highley to Douglas Dunlap - Two Lots, Ranch Lake Estates, Scott District for \$175,000.00.

Donald and Marsha Craig to Johnathan and Jasmine Thomas - Lot, Poca Subdivision, Poca Town District for \$289,000.00.

Boyd and Breanna McClure to David and Debbie Devriend - Parcel, Scott District for \$349,000.00.

James and Sarah Conner to Zachary and Samantha Berry - Lot, Sunnybrook Estates, Teays Valley District

for \$240,000.00.

Haleigh Cooper to Melissa Hill - Two Parcels, Poca District for \$11,000.00.

1026 LLC to 320 Holdings LLC - Lot, Corbly Addition, Hurricane District for \$80,000.00.

Robert Walker to Wesley and Megan Walker - Lot, Riverdale, Scott District for \$140,000.00.

Green Valley Properties Inc to Samuel Hartman - Lot, Virginia Avenue Addition, Hurricane District for \$182,000.00.

WV State Auditor and Roger Melton to WVTK LLC - 1.67 Ac Poca River Road, Poca District for \$329.09.

WV State Auditor and A. Isaac to Willand Resources LLC - 1/2 of 115 Ac Poplar Fork, Scott District for \$175.84.

WV State Auditor and Ruby Phillips to Willand Resources LLC - All Min Lying Under Browning & Wymer Tracts of LD, Scott District for \$1,000.00.

3/31 Gregory and Lori Ludwig to Mauricio Garcia - Lot, Preston Place, Hurricane District for \$345,000.00.

Renee Lopez and Annette Montoya to Rex and Carolyn Matheny - Lot, Elite Heights, Hurricane District for \$281,845.00.

Larry and Selena Miller to Seth and Roquel Mack - 20.12 Acres, Buffalo District for \$370,000.00.

James and Tonya Miller to Christopher Mullins and Jessica Hall - 14 Acres, Poca District for \$275,000.00.

Adams and Merritt Investments LLC to Austin and Brianna Davis - Lot, Hime Builders Estates, Curry District for \$189,900.00.

Franklin Real Estates Company to Cumulus Group LLC - 1563.128 Acres, Buffalo District for \$22,788,855.00.

Nancy Turner to Eric Fredell - Two Parcels, Winfield District for \$775,000.00.

Lambo Properties LLC to Leon and Debra Brotsky - Lot, Nitro District for \$21,500.00.

Stephen and Heather McCrady to Travis and Alexandria McGrath - Lot, Woodridge Estates, Teays Valley District for \$634,000.00.

Marine Corps League Det #1474 presents the CPL Fulks Memorial 5K / 10K Trail. Includes a bulldog mascot wearing a Marine Corps helmet and a 'IUSMC' collar, a QR code, and the date MAY 9, 2026. MEEKS MOUNTAIN TRAILS HURRICANE, WV.

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Daily Bible Readings

I Corinthians	Exodus	Deuteronomy	Matthew	I Kings	Job	II Timothy
10:1-33	14:1-31	18:1-18	24:1-51	17:1-24	42:1-17	3:1-17

BASIC BIBLE

By Ron Allen
304-562-9881

The Destruction of False Teachers

II Peter 2:1-10a

This epistle was written by Peter shortly before his death (see 1:14). Peter harbored concerns, not for himself, but for fellow followers of the Lord Jesus. Peter was moved to warn believers of the dangers which they faced or would soon face.

“But there were . . .” (v. 1). The text before us begins with a “But” that serves as a link to the closing verses of chapter 1. All that Peter is about to say is framed by the fact that there are no secret (private) interpretations of scripture and that all prophecy is of the Holy Spirit. In Deuteronomy 13, Moses prophesied that false prophets would rise up — men who would attempt to turn men against God. This prophecy was of the Holy Spirit.

In the opening verse of the text before us, Peter states that there shall be (future tense) false teachers among believers who would “bring in damnable heresies, even denying the Lord that bought them.” The first false teachers in the early church were Judaizers. Judaizers did not deny Christ; they denied the fullness of God’s grace. Peter is not speaking of Judaizers; he is speaking of false teachers who shall deny the Son who gave Himself in payment of their transgressions.

False teachers, like false prophets, deny the truth which God makes known through the Holy Spirit (the Comforter). Deuteronomy 18:20 states: “But the prophet, which shall presume to speak a word in my name, which I have not commanded him to speak, or that shall speak in the name of other gods, even that prophet shall die.” The unchanging word of God proclaims His judgment against false prophets. The penalty for the false teachers of whom Peter speaks is the same as for false prophets because both deny God.

Today, as in Peter’s day, there are false teachers. False teachers twist the word and portray good to be bad, and bad to be good. False teachers spread teachings which are contrary to the truth which the Holy Spirit has revealed to us. Today, His word is before in print (both paper and electronic). False teachers teach how not to read the word, turning men from truth. True teachers, on the other hand, are empowered by the Holy Spirit to read scripture and expound upon the truths of God.

Peter warns, “And many shall follow their pernicious ways” (v. 2). Pernicious ways are harmful ways. The ways of false teachers are harmful because their ways turn men from God and produce judgments that bring swift destruction. “And through covetousness shall they with feigned words make merchandise of you” (v. 3). False teachers use words of pretense to exploit, manipulate, and treat people as commodities for gain. False teachers, unknowingly, bring judgment upon themselves because they shall be judged by the very word of God which they deny.

After stating that God’s judgment of false teachers will be sudden, Peter cites the manner in which God has brought judgment in past times. In verse 4 and following, Peter cites three examples in which God executed His judgment upon the ungodly. These examples reveal the manner in which God deals with them who would pervert His holy word. All three examples appear to be linked to happenings recorded in the book of Genesis. There is, however, disagreement among Bible scholars concerning God’s judgment against ungodly angels. Genesis 6 may or may not be linked to ungodly angels. Genesis 6 tells of ungodly sons of God who engaged in sexual encounters with the daughters of men. Some argue, citing Jude 6, that the sons of God are angels who abandoned the spiritual realm in their rebellion against God and took on physical bodies. God most certainly has the ability to judge angels (no supporting scripture needed). That said, God’s judgment against the old world, includes judgment against the ungodly sons of God, which judgment is recorded in Genesis 7. God’s judgment against the ungodly cities of Sodom and Gomorrha is found in Genesis 19.


God’s judgments against the ungodly in Genesis were total and sudden. All of the ungodly of the old world perished in the flood. All of the ungodly residents of Sodom and Gomorrha were turned to ashes in minutes. God’s destruction of the old world did not include Noah, a preacher of righteousness, and destruction of Sodom and Gomorrha did not include Lot, a just man. Noah and Lot did not perish with the ungodly because they acted upon God’s instruction. Doing as directed, they were spared.

These examples illustrate the manner in which God shall destroy false teachers at this future time. The destruction of false teachers shall be total and sudden but will not include followers of Christ who walk according God’s word. To them who do as the Lord directs, He shall provide a way of escape.

As previously stated, this judgment was future when Peter penned this epistle more than 1,950 years ago. Sudden does not mean immediate. A sudden and total destruction of false teachers and all ungodliness awaits Jesus’ return. In Matthew 24:15, Jesus issued an instruction to all who would read and understand. Those who will read and understand shall do as He has said and shall not perish with the ungodly.

In verse 9, Peter states that God knows how to deliver the godly out of temptation. Noah and Lot were delivered because they heard God, understood His message, believed His message, and acted. Their faith (belief) produced life-saving works.

God has placed these examples in His word for our learning (Rom. 15:4). God would have all men read, understand, and act. God counts belief for righteousness. God knows how to deliver the godly and how to reserve the ungodly for punishment in the day of judgment. These things are written such “That the man of God may be perfect, throughly furnished unto all good works” (II Tim.3:17).



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KIDS TALK ABOUT GOD

BY CAREY KINSOLVING AND FRIENDS

How Can Christians Be Unified?

“If Christians were on a basketball team, they’d have to pass the ball instead of hog it,” says Ethan, 10. “Jesus would probably be the coach and the MVP!”

That’s a great way to start thinking about unity. Jesus prayed in John 17 that His followers would be “one” just like he and the Father are one. That’s a pretty big request, especially when we sometimes struggle just to share the remote.

“I do not pray for these alone, but also for those who will believe in me through their word; that they all may be one, as you, Father, are in me, and I in you; that they also may be one in us, that the world may believe that you sent me” (John 17:20-21).

Jesus prayed this not just for His first disciples but for all Christians throughout history, including us. He wasn’t praying for us to all wear the same shoes or vote the same way. He prayed for a deeper kind of unity, the kind that reflects his relationship with his Father.

“Jesus and His Father love each other perfectly, and they never fight,” says Grace, 9. “So Christians should try to get along like that, even when we disagree.”

Yes! Unity doesn’t mean we’re all the same. It means we’re connected by something stronger than our differences. That “something” is really someone: Jesus. When we remember that he is the center and loves us unconditionally, it helps us stay close to each other. We value our brothers and sisters in Christ because we’re in the same family by God’s grace, which is God’s superglue that holds us together.

Jesus also said: “And the glory which you gave me I have given them, that they may be one just as we are one: I in them, and you in me; that they may be made perfect in one” (John 17:22-23).

That’s a lot of “ins”! But it makes sense. God lives in us through his Spirit, and that means we have access to the same love and unity that exist within the Trinity. That’s the New Covenant promise. God no longer dwells in a temple made of stone but in the hearts of believers.

“God’s love is like glue,” says Bella, 8. “It sticks us together.”

Exactly. We don’t get unity by trying harder to be nice. It comes from knowing we are already loved deeply by God and letting that love spill over onto others. Jesus prayed that the world would know God’s love by the way his people love one another.

Unity doesn’t mean we never mess up. It means we keep coming back to love, forgiveness, and truth. It means we choose humility over pride, listening over shouting, and peace over drama.

It also means we remember that all Christians, whether they go to a small church, a big church, whether they meet online or under a tree, are part of the same forever family.

Think About This: Christian unity comes from knowing God’s unconditional love and letting it guide how we treat each other.

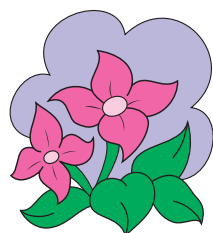
Memorize This Truth: “I in them, and you in me; that they may be made perfect in one, and that the world may know that you have sent me, and have loved them as you have loved me” (John 17:23).

Ask These Questions: Am I showing God’s love in a way that helps Christians feel united with Jesus and his followers? Are non-Christians being drawn to Christ because of the unity they see in me and the believers with whom I gather?



Fillers Page

Edited by Betsy Allen



Water We Doing

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

The Earth has changed in many ways
Since I have been around
The Internet, iPhone, A.I.
Inventions most profound

We even have self-driving cars
Although they cannot fly
We're headed to the Moon again
There's nothing we won't try

I asked myself "What's changed the most?"
My mind begins to puzzle
I search my brain for all that is
And all that ever wuzzle

Look at any globe or map
The World is mostly blue
Oceans, rivers, lakes and such
There's more than just a few

Water, water everywhere
We used to get it free
From the tap to drink a glass
Or flush away our pee

People buy it many ways
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Plastic bottles fill the seas
And wash up with foam

They say it's from the mountains
And they want you to believe
Ever notice Evian
Spelled backwards is Naive

Recipes

Submitted by Connie Reddington of Eleanor

Chili Corn Bread Salad

1 package (8-1/2 ounces) corn bread/muffin mix
1 can (4 ounces) chopped green chilies, undrained
1/8 teaspoon ground cumin
1/8 teaspoon dried oregano
Pinch rubbed sage
1 cup mayonnaise
1 cup (8 ounces) sour cream
1 envelope ranch salad dressing mix
2 cans (15 ounces each) pinto beans, rinsed and drained
2 cans (15-1/4 ounces each) whole kernel corn, drained
3 medium tomatoes, chopped
1 cup chopped green pepper
1 cup chopped green onions
10 bacon strips, cooked and crumbled
2 cups (8 ounces) shredded cheddar cheese
Prepare corn bread batter according to package directions. Sri in the chilies, cumin, oregano and sage. Spread in a greased 8-inch square baking pan. Bake at 400 for 20-25 minutes or until a toothpick inserted near the center comes out clean. Cool. In a small bowl, combine mayonnaise, sour cream and dressing mix; set aside. Crumble half of the corn bread into a 13-inch x 9-inch x 2-inch dish. Layer with half of the beans, mayonnaise mixture, corn, tomatoes, green pepper, onions, bacon and cheese. Repeat layers (dish will be very full). Cover and refrigerate for 2 hours. Yield: 12 servings.

Take to the Outdoors with a Fresh, Picnic-Friendly Sandwich

(Feature Impact) When the weather breaks and it's time to get outdoors, there's hardly any better place to be than resting on a deck, lounging in the backyard or curled up on a picnic blanket at a local park. Enjoy that leisurely time with loved ones by sharing a spread that includes these Picnic Party Sandwiches, perfect for a filling lunch that provides the energy you need for kicking around a soccer ball, playing tag or flying a kite.

Find more lunch ideas fit for enjoying the sunshine by visiting Culinary.net.

Picnic Party Sandwiches

Recipe adapted from "Crunch Time Kitchen"
Total time: 20 minutes
Servings: 4

1/4 cup salted butter
2 tablespoons fresh parsley, minced
1 large fresh baguette
1/4 cup fig preserves
6-8 ounces cured meats, such as prosciutto, salami and capocollo
6 ounces brie cheese, sliced
2 cups arugula
1 tablespoon lemon juice
1 pinch kosher salt

Mash together room temperature butter with fresh parsley. Set aside.
Cut fresh baguette length-wise and smear bottom half of the baguette with herbed butter. Top with fig preserves.

Layer on cured meats followed by slices of brie cheese. For brie, cut off any large pieces of rind.

In small bowl, toss arugula with lemon juice and salt. Add arugula to sandwich followed by top half of baguette.

Cut baguette into four even sandwiches and eat immediately or wrap each one tightly in paper or plastic wrap.

Jokes From Linda

Submitted by Linda
Lavender Armstead



Therapist: What would you say is your biggest regret?

Mr. Black: Not listening to my wife's advice.

Therapist: And what was that?

Mr. Black: I don't know, I wasn't listening.

What has three feet but can't walk?
A yardstick.

I have one head, one foot and four legs. What is?
Your bed.

Joel was in the bathroom on the scales sucking his belly in as he was going to get weighed.

His wife, Odessa said, "That won't do any good" as she giggled.

Joel said, "It will. It's the only way I can see the scales.

What did the hat say to the coat?

Why don't you hang there? I'm going on a head.

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, or email submissions to breezenews@citynet.net



Fillers from Linda

Submitted by Linda~Lavender Armstead
Washington Hill Road, Hurricane

Once you choose hope, anything is possible.

May your morning start with prayer and end with gratitude.

I don't have a purple problem. I have a purple passion.

Let there be peace on earth, and let it begin with me.

Medicine should heal people, not drain their bank account.

Best friends make the good times better and the hard times easier.

I know I'm a handful, but that's why you have two hands.

The happiest people are the givers, not the takers.

I'm young at heart, old everywhere else.

A happy life begins with positive thinking.

Once you choose hope anything is possible.

Do you ever think about what you think about?

Happiness grows where kindness flows.

Purple makes my heart smile purple.

Hummingbirds bring joy from God.

My faith is my most fabulous accessory.

A smile is your personal welcome mat.

Today I'm gonna give it my "almost."

I am built from every mistake I have ever made.

I'm not fat. God gave me airbags because I'm precious.

The difference between riding a unicycle naked and a bicycle dressed is attire.

Your smile comes from happiness, and mine comes from seeing you happy.

Common sense? That's the newest endangered species.

Ashes and diamonds, foe and friend, we are all equal in the end.

Take time to improve; don't waste time to prove.

If you do not step forward, you will remain in the same place.

When God measures a man, He puts the tape around the heart, not the head.

God's grace enables us to face the music even when we don't like the tune.

By grace, the true Christian can remain right-side-up in an upside-down world.

You can't hold a man down without staying down with him. - Booker T. Washington

Nothing is sadder than someone whose pockets are full but whose heart is empty.

God supplies the power



through prayer, but you must throw the switch.

Man's way leads to a hopeless end. God's way leads to endless hope.

Try and do 1 good deed every day for someone and you will find yourself happier.

God is like the Goodyear blimp - He gives you a heavenly lift.

Compassion is difficult to give away because it keeps coming back.

Are you wrinkled with burden? Come to the church for a faithlift.

Remember to take care of yourself mentally, physically and emotionally.

Make your life easier and get a head-start of tomorrow's chores.

Rule your mind or it will rule you.

One finds limits by pushing them.

Reality is something you rise above.

Only those who seek shall find.

Successful people reject rejection.

Opportunities are seldom labeled.

Simplicity is the key to brilliance.

Our illness is often our healing.

Seeing is not always believing.

Our intentions create our reality.

Don't run after the one who tries to avoid you.

Your mind set determines your success.

The best revenge is massive success.

Turn your wounds into wisdom.

Read yourself, not people.

I built a beehive with no exit. It was unbeeleaveable.

If no one told you today, just remember you're loved.

Our biggest purpose in life is to let God love us.

If you see a toilet in your dream, don't use it.

The beach sand is wet because the seaweed.

Old will always be older than me.

Be kind to yourself.

Don't talk about it. Build it.

Faith doesn't just make life better - faith makes you better at life.

Every prayer is a seed and your faith is the water

that will make it grow.

I wondered how to turn Siri off. My spouse said, "Walk through the room naked."

I do not exist to impress the world. I exist to live my life in a way that will make me happy.

The person who graduates today and stops learning tomorrow is uneducated the day after.

May your heart have the strength to keep going and the courage to never give up.

Forgive: without forgiving is like taking poison and expecting your enemy to die.

The most important thing in communication is hearing what isn't said.

The major intelligence is the ability to change. - Albert Einstein

Friend is such a simple word for one of the great necessities of life.

It is health that is real wealth and not pieces of gold or silver.

If your only goal is to become rich, you will never achieve it.

Falling leaves are like a million little love notes from nature.

Faith doesn't erase exhaustion - it gives you a place to sit and rest.

Never love anything in this world more than you love Christ.

To earn more, you must learn more.

There's always room at the top.

Be humble. You won't stay fresh forever.

The problem contains the solution.

The harder you work, the luckier you get.

Courage is a love affair with the unknown.

Do it now. Sometimes later becomes never.

Successful people reject rejection.

Imagination is more important than knowledge.

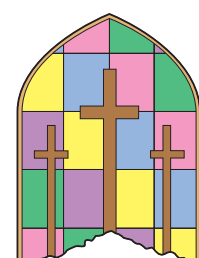
Allow yourself to be a beginner of things. No one starts off as excellent.

Distance yourself from the people that you don't want to become.

Tears and excuses will get you sympathy. Sweat gets you results.

Listen if you want to be heard.

Bible Verse



Do not deceive yourselves. If any of you think you are wise by the standards of this age, you should become "fools" so that you may become wise. - 1 Corinthians 3:18



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80th Birthday April 9 | LESLIE ORD DEEL
4109 – 41st Street
Nitro
56th Birthday April 11 |
| ROSALIE RAINES
Route 2, Box 268
Red House
25th Birthday April 10 | NATALIE CORRIGAN
124 Forest Drive
Ona
48th Birthday April 11 |
| KIM ORDERS LEWIS
2039 Parkwood Road
Charleston
65th Birthday April 10 | JOYCE HANDLEY HAYES
N. Ridgeville, Ohio
81st Birthday April 11 |
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#15 Poplar Hill
Hurricane
18th Birthday April 10 | DONNA MILBEE
2125 SW 23rd Street
Cape Coral, Florida
77th Birthday April 11 |
| ANDREA MARIE YOUNG CAMPBELL
Florida
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Florida
34th Birthday April 12 |
| LUCAS BLOSS
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P.O. Box 200
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61st Birthday April 12 |
| BRIAN ESCUE
1655 Washington Hill
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75th Birthday April 13
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- DEBBIE COLLIFLOWER
3149 Howell's Road
Ona
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- MARGARET LAURA "MILA" HAGER
New York City, New York
13th Birthday April 13
- KATELYN WILLIAMSON
892 Coleman Creek Road
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Birthday April 13

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Birthday April 13
- TROY AARON NICELY
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32nd Birthday April 13

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84th Birthday April 14

- JASON MILLER
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Scott Depot
3rd Birthday April 16
- DON BELL
393 Misty Trail
Fancy Gap, Virginia
59th Birthday April 16

- HANNAH ROSE HAGEE

Eleanor Puzzle Competition

The Town of Eleanor will be holding a puzzle competition on Tuesday, April 14, from 6 to 8 p.m. at the Eleanor Fire Department, upstairs room. Teams of 2-4 people; \$20 per team. To register, call 304-586-2319.

Teams are 2-4 people, and the cost is \$20 per team. The winning team takes home 50% of all registration fees. Every team keeps their puzzle!

Only 20 spots available for teams. First 20 teams with a paid registration fee will compete. Payment due at registration. Call 304-586-2319 for more information.

Gather your team, sharpen your skills, and let's see who can piece it together the fastest!

Happy Anniversary



Chuck and Leigh McCreery of 219 Woody Oak Drive in Milton will celebrate their wedding anniversary on April 10.

Jeff and Anna Smith of 2763 Washington Blvd. in Huntington will celebrate their forty-sixth wedding anniversary on April 10.

Daniel Keith and Miranda Jividen of Poca will celebrate their fifth wedding anniversary on April 10.

Jarrod and Hanna Hage Childers of Hurricane will celebrate their thirteenth wedding anniversary on April 10.

Jeff and Kim Black of Culloden will celebrate their thirty-fourth wedding anniversary on April 11.

Bill and Dr. Jennifer Lynn Arnold of Boston, Massachusetts, will celebrate their eighteenth wedding anniversary on April 12.

Bob and Pat Litton of 116 Roger Circle in Hurricane will celebrate their fifty-seventh wedding anniversary on April 15.

Earl and Margaret Doneff-Lucas of 1001 Norton Avenue in Culloden will celebrate their fifty-eighth wedding anniversary on April 13.

Carl Dana and Janice McCallister Handley of 138 Bethesda Drive in Ona will celebrate their forty-ninth wedding anniversary on April 15.

Steve and Sharon King Joyce of 532 Whitt Road in Frazier's Bottom will celebrate their sixtieth wedding anniversary on April 15.

Rev. Jerry and Kathy Losh of Culloden will celebrate their sixty-first wedding anniversary on April 16.

Texas
21st Birthday April 16

JIM ANDERSON
792 Tackett's Branch Road
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74th Birthday April 16

JOANNA RYMER NEWSOME
1366 Haden Martin Road
Palmyra, Virginia
77th Birthday April 16

LEIGH ANN TREADWAY CUTLIP
2640 Virginia Avenue
Hurricane
63rd Birthday April 16

Happy Birthday



Happy Birthday Barbra Rooper (Davis)!
Born April 8, 1950 — a time of classic cars and the start of rock & roll — you've lived life with a spirit as free as the open road. From your love of riding motorcycles to the kindness and strength you show every day, you've made life an incredible journey. Wishing you a beautiful birthday filled with love and happiness!

Diamond Electric Hiring Event

Looking for a new job opportunity? Express Employment can help! Come to Diamond Electric, 62 Eleanor Industrial Park, Eleanor, on Thursday, April 23rd, for an exclusive hiring event from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Diamond Electric has immediate openings for multiple shifts and various positions. There are 60+ job openings available! There will be on-site interviews and you can potentially get working right away. For more details, call 304-746-8888 and ask for William.

Jesus and Music

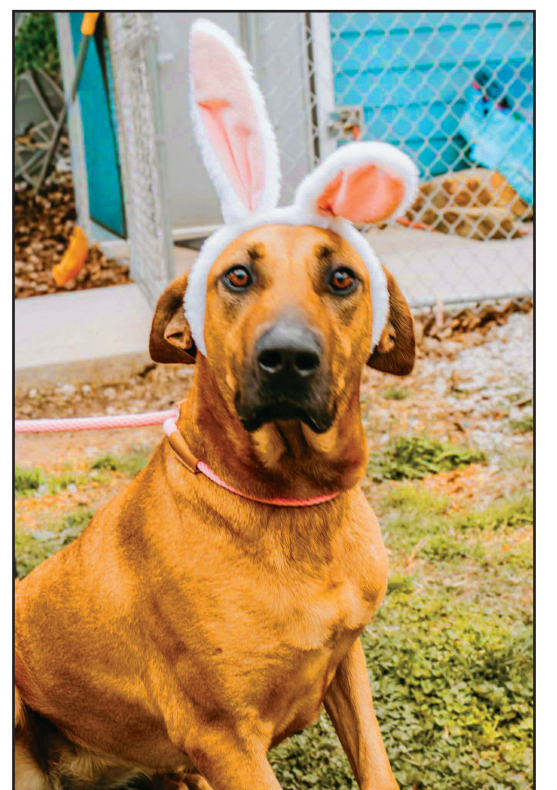
There will be a Jesus And Music (JAM) Session at 6:30 p.m. at Oma Chapel Church, 949 Arbuckle Creek Road, Leon, on Friday, April 10. Come out for an evening of unscripted music. Bring your instrument, your voice or just come out to listen to some great music.

Free Meals in Winfield


Winfield United Methodist Church, 20 Radwin Drive, offers free meals to the community on Tuesdays from 5 to 6 p.m. Pull under the portico and the church will bring the food to your car. Blankets and coats are also available.

Available Pets at the Putnam County Animal Shelter

These 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



Blair (PCVW-A-948) is a large mixed breed female dog.



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