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Community Calendar

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NOW - JUNE 26

- Oma Chapel Church, 2116 Arbuckle Creek, Leon, will be holding Climb Aboard the Happy Day Express Vacation Bible School from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. each evening.
- Elizabeth Baptist Church, 523 Washington Street, Bancroft, will be holding Jesus Is Master of All Vacation Bible School from 7 to 8:30 p.m. each evening.
- Hometown Apostolic Church, 47 2nd Avenue S, Hometown, will be holding True North Vacation Bible School from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. each evening.
- Freedom's Promise Ministries, 19966 Winfield Road, Fraziers Bottom, will be holding Illumination Station Vacation Bible School from 6 to 8 p.m. nightly.
- The Macholah Ballet, 6422 Teays Valley Road, Scott Depot, will be offering Masterpiece Dance and Art Camp for ages 6-10 from 10 a.m. to noon. The cost is \$125 per student. For more information, check out the Macholah Ballet on Facebook.
- Bethel Baptist Church, Hurricane Creek Road, Hurricane, will be holding Vacation Bible School from 6 to 8 p.m. nightly. Nursery to adult classes.

JUNE 25

- The Night Market at Valley Park will be held from 6 to 9 p.m. Local vendors and live entertainment. This month's theme is Superheroes Night.

JUNE 26

- Fitness Friday: Moxie Fitness instructors will be teaching a yoga class at 10 a.m. at the Putnam County Main Library in Teays Valley.
- There is karaoke and dance music every Friday at 8 p.m. at midnight at the Putnam County Moose Lodge, located in Putnam Village Shopping Center in Teays Valley.
- The Putnam County Solid Waste Authority will be holding a homeschool

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science class from 10 a.m. to noon at the red barn at Hurricane City Park.

JUNE 27

- The Town of Eleanor will be holding a free family movie night at the George Washington School Baseball Field at dark. The movie will be "October Sky."
- There will be a launch party for Bean Theory Coffee, 1273 Charleston Road, Poca, from 9 a.m. to noon.
- There will be a community car show fundraiser to support Ty Laughery and his family from noon to 5 p.m. at the Winfield Baptist Church.
- Bent Whiskey will be performing from 8 p.m. to midnight at the Putnam County Moose Lodge, located in Putnam Village Shopping Center. Open to the public.

- There will be a Pilates class at 10 a.m. at Valley Park in Hurricane. For more information, contact Sip & Sculpt on Facebook.
- There will be a reverse craft show from 10 a.m. until everything is gone at Valley Park Conference Center in Hurricane. This is a yard sale for crafters.
- Meet up at 5:30 p.m. at the bowl at Meeks Mountain Trails, located at Hurricane City Park, to celebrate Meeks Mountain Milestones. For more information, go to <https://runsignup.com/Race/WV/Hurricane/MeeksMountainMilestonesACommunityCelebration>

JUNE 28 - JULY 1

- Calvary Chapel, 212 Dudding Avenue, Hurricane, will be hosting Youth Encounter Week from 7 to 9 p.m. nightly.

JUNE 28

- Adam's Voice will be performing at 6 p.m. at Hurricane First Church of the Nazarene, 358 US Route 60, Culloden.
- River Cities Bully Buddies will be hosting a meet and greet and donation drive from 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Tractor Supply in Hurricane.

JUNE 30

- United Talent will be hosting an on site job fair from 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Diamond Electric, 207 Eleanor Industrial Park Drive, Eleanor.
- Books & Ballerinas: Ballet de Seuss will be held at 10 a.m. at Valley Park in Hurricane. The Macholah Ballet will be performing dances inspired by Dr. Seuss books.
- There will be a seaside scene instrutional painting class from 6 to 8:30 p.m. at Valley Park in Hurricane. The cost is \$35 and all supplies are included. To register, go to <https://304tix.com/events/instructional-art-class-6-30-2026>

- There will be a ribbon cutting celebration at 11 a.m. for the new ConvenientCare, located at 16 Hurricane Creek Road, Hurricane.

JULY 1

- Mini Melodies, a Kindermusik inspired event, is held at 10 a.m. every Wednesday at Coffee With A Twist, 101 Main Avenue, Nitro.
- There will be an ultraviolet mushroom hunt with Drew Palmer at Meeks Mountain Trails at the Hurricane City Park. Meet up at 7:30 p.m. at the big red barn.

JULY 4

- The 13th Annual Buffalo July 4th 5K Run/Walk will start at 7 a.m. at the Town Hall. Entry is \$15 per person. For more information or to register, call 304-546-0763.
- The Buffalo Welcome Center in the Buffalo Historic Square will be

Marshall to Host Summer Science Camps in July

Marshall University's College of Science will again be offering summer science camps for students in kindergarten through eighth grade in July. There are all-day camps for middle-schoolers and half-day camps for elementary school students.

Middle school camps

The middle school camps go on from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and are for students in fifth through eighth grades. They're offered in partnership with the National Youth Science Academy. Cost is \$150, with lunch and snacks included, and need-based scholarships are available. Contact Holly Cyphert at damron40@marshall.edu for more information.

The schedule for the middle school camps is as follows:

July 7-10: Water Explorers STEAM Day Camp (This camp is four days and costs only \$20, due to partnership) — This camp is for all kids drawn to streams, rivers and creeks. They'll explore Earth's most precious resource, water. From getting close-up looks at aquatic bugs and fish to learning how water is woven into all aspects of our life, this camp has it covered. Campers will also get introduced to mysterious wetlands and the plants and creatures who live there. This camp will be led by Tomi Bergstrom, West Virginia Project WET coordinator at the West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection, with guest field trip leaders from state and federal agencies, as well as local municipalities.

July 13-17: Crime Science Summer Camp — Sponsored by the Department of Criminal Justice, Criminology, and Forensic Sciences, this camp delves into the fascinating world behind solving crimes and understanding the justice system. Campers will step into the roles of investigators, analysts and problem-solvers, exploring real-world criminal justice topics in an age-appropriate, interactive setting. Through guided activities and simulations, campers will learn how evidence is identified, documented and collected. They'll learn how digital investigators track down criminals in the online world and will uncover hidden data, recover deleted files, analyze real digital evidence and discover how cyber skills are used to fight crime, protect national security and power some of the fastest-growing careers in the world. They'll also explore criminal justice and legal ethics, have a mock trial and learn the role of science and critical thinking in the justice system.

open from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. At noon, the Buffalo Methodist Trumpet Quartet will be playing the National Anthem and other selections at the Buffalo Academy.

- The Buffalo 4th of July Car Show will be held from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Buffalo High School.
- The Hurricane Independence Day Celebration starts with a parade at 3 p.m., and there will be activities at Hurricane Bridge Park from 4 to 10 p.m.
- Rewind the Walkman will be performing at the Hurricane July 4th Celebration at 8:15 p.m. at Bridge Park.

July 20-24: Numbers Explosion: Exploring Physics and Math — Campers will explore math in pat-terns, shapes and games. They'll learn how addition and triangles are related, how to order exactly the right number of chicken nuggets, what shapes a bubble can take, how to guard an art gallery, how to pick the right door in a game show, how to beat your friends at the game NIM and more. They'll also explore physics and use creativity, problem-solving and teamwork to see how math can appear in surprising places.

Register at <https://www.marshall.edu/sciencecamps/middle-school-mu-camps/>.

K-5 Camps

Summer science camps for children in grades kindergarten through second grade are from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m., and camps for children in third through fifth grades are from 1 to 4 p.m. The weekly camp cost is \$130, with snacks included. Need-based scholarships are available. Contact Holly Cy-phert at damron40@marshall.edu for more information.

The schedule for the K-5 camps is as follows:

July 13-17: Mad Science — This is the perfect week for inquisitive kids who love asking, "Why?" and "How?" This high-energy camp takes kids on a wild ride through the amazing world of science. They'll dive into physiology to discover how our bodies work, explore the forces of physics that make things move, mix up colorful reactions in chemistry and investigate the living world through hands-on biology experiments. Each day features interactive experiments, jaw-dropping demonstrations and creative challenges designed to spark curiosity and critical thinking. From bubbling potions to gravity-defying fun, campers won't just learn science — they'll experience it.

An email will go out the week prior to camp to guide campers on room locations and other camp details. Register at <https://www.marshall.edu/sciencecamps/k-5-camps>

Putnam County Food Pantries And Clothing Banks

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

The Way We Were, The Way We Are

By Brenda Burke

"Take me home country roads to the place I belong..." As we left interstate and turned right, I saw the hotel, my hotel, in my hometown of Hurricane, WV. Wingate... I stayed here last June with my daughter and her dad.

This year, she is in Charleston at docs with her dad, and I am staying by myself and eating out with friends... my daughter will join me the last night here. I am content when we unload the car. I am excited because I know friends will come...

I walked in the door and was greeted with a smile. My room is large and comfy. I am close to stores and restaurants. My friends pick me up... we reunite since it has been a year since I have seen them. Too long. I need to come more often.

I know there are hotels in the valley close to more eating places, and I may stay there sometime, but for now, this is my place. I am happy here. It is convenient for my friends. The friendly staff with friendly cleaning staff draws me back. Again and again... not to mention close to Pizza Hut where I meet my friends for a million meals. Thin pizza with pineapple can't be better.

When we get to Hurricane, I breathe

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differently. I am home. If it were not so far from my children, this would be my forever home. Alas... in the meantime, I am like most West Virginians... we always go home. Something draws us. I have no answers other than there is a feeling... a coziness... a warmth that I don't feel anywhere else. How blessed are those with the address of Hurricane. I do realize my friends have their own lives, and I appreciate them spending time with me.

Seeing the houses where I grew up... driving out country roads... the little country churches that are my favorite... excited about the new businesses and homes... the fire station... wow... amazing... Roy Clark Bridge... new bank in the valley... my home on Green Acres... sunset in the hills... oh, there are too many places to mention. What will be next? Hope to see a new middle school started when I return. I guess if I were to change anything, it would be for the schools to be on the land in Hurricane. Woodworth's farm... out of the valley... sidewalks and walkable...

I loved lunching with Linda and going to the new nice Dollar General... sharing our memories with a delicious treat... lunch with other friends and catching up... dinner with special people and remembering... memorable... special times... I will never forget... Flora Lee came to the hotel for a sweet visit. We love and cherish her.

I love my hometown. I love Hurricane, WV. I hope that restaurants come to this area... Olive Garden... Outback... Cheddars... Culver's... even Chick-Fil-A... just some choices... in the meantime, I am happy because the way we were is the way we are... loving home...

Do not forget... The Wingate... family reunions... class reunions... there are meeting rooms... guests can stay and attend at the same place... convenient... the best manager ever...

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

Renaissance Hidden in Hills



A bard serenades a fair maiden with a song.



Boom Boom Shake is a world music and belly dance performance group who are regular performers at the West Virginia Renaissance Festival.



Aluma the Littlest Dragon puts on a fire breathing show at the Hobbit Hole stage.



Warriors spar with shield and sword in the tournament ring.

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a Bacchanalia theme, will be final one for the 2026 West Virginia Renaissance Festival. Guests are encouraged to come dressed in togas and Roman inspired costumes. Of course, there will be plenty of folk in medieval and fantasy costumes as well. For more information and a schedule of events, go to <https://www.wvrenfest.com>

Right: Betsy Allen tries on a hat which was crafted by Bee & Elephant Handmade Hats and Accessories.



A Cops-N-Rodders Conversation



Classic vehicles at the cruise-in ranged from young old to old old.

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“Antique plates are issued every ten years. The cost is prorated. The cost depends upon the date of registration.”

I followed, asking, “Many of the older vehicles are from the pre-seat belt era. Do these vehicles need to be modified to be street-legal?”

“No, there is no seat belt requirement for antique vehicles,” he said.

I did not have any



Every antique plate carries a July 2035 expiration date.

more car show questions continued for a bit. Car show people are the best.

Cpl. William B. Fulks Detachment 1474 invites all interested in becoming part of the Marine Corps League to its July 20 meeting at Hurricane City Hall at 3255 Teays Valley Road, Hurricane, at 1800 hours.



The Marine Corps League provides an avenue by which members may express loyalty to one another and reach out in support to the families of those Marines

who never got to come home.

Through numbers the League works to protect the benefits of all veterans.

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



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RONNIE LEWIS Route 2 Box 131 Milton 80th Birthday June 27	SHARON GILLISPIE 802 Oakbridge Drive Hurricane Birthday June 29
RICK CHAPMAN 495-A Fudges Creek Ona 70th Birthday June 27	CAMERON TODD DUNMIRE Hurricane 28th Birthday June 30
SAMPSON ROYAL SHEETS Huntington 12th Birthday June 27	JUSTIN WILLIS DARRELL BLACK 4708 Hurricane Creek Road Hurricane 37th Birthday June 30
LISA GRANT RHODES Frazier's Bottom 57th Birthday June 27	REAGAN RIDDLE Candler, North Carolina Birthday June 30
BAILEY SMITH 4708 Hurricane Creek Road Hurricane 14th Birthday June 27	LESLIE FERRELL 3472 1/2 Tackett's Branch Road Hurricane 76th Birthday June 30
BRANDON PHILLIPS Cincinnati, Ohio 45th Birthday June 28	ROSANNE REESE Thompson Road Culloden 77th Birthday June 30
SHERMAN ASHWORTH 4655 5&20 Road Frazier's Bottom 74th Birthday June 28	AARON CHAPMAN 376 Martin Lane Culloden 59th Birthday June 30
DR JOHN SIMMONS Pierre, South Dakota 54th Birthday June 28	JOHN GRIFFITH 800 St. Mary's Street Raleigh, North Carolina 77th Birthday June 30
RODNEY McCALLISTER P.O. Box 859 Culloden 71st Birthday June 28	JOHN WHITE 1036 Kelly's Creek Road Hurricane 77th Birthday July 1
JOSEPH TY CHAPMAN 14716 Old vermillion Drive Huntersville, North Carolina 44th Birthday June 28	MARGIE WHITT 3244 Virginia Avenue East Hurricane Birthday July 1
BOB JOHNSON P.O. Box 82 Hurricane 77th Birthday June 28	JENNA PALMER REED Huntington 13th Birthday July 1
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Happy Anniversary

Brian and Kathy Armstead of 101 Porter Creek Road in Milton will celebrate their thirty-ninth wedding anniversary on June 26.	Jeffrey and Debora Allen of #509 Edgewood Road in Hurricane will celebrate their thirty-second wedding anniversary on June 26.	Jeff and Sabrina Donahue Moore of #5 Camp View Road in Barboursville will celebrate their twenty-seventh wedding anniversary on June 26.	Christopher and Sara Holley Ashworth of 4717 5&20 Road in Frazier's Bottom will celebrate their sixteenth wedding anniversary on June 26.	Larry and Anna Boling of 111 Elite Heights in Hurricane will celebrate their fifty-sixth wedding anniversary on June 27.	Aaron and Katie Morrison Jarvis of Estero, Florida, will celebrate their sixth wedding anniversary on June 27.	Gary and Vanessa Hawkins of Brown's Creek Road in St. Albans will celebrate their fifty-first wedding anniversary on June 28.	Michael and Cindy Lusher Collins of Culloden will celebrate their forty-sixth wedding anniversary on June 28.	Cody and Katrina Noel Bowers of Elk Hills will celebrate their twelfth wedding anniversary on June 28.	Dr. David and Donna Jeremiah of 10007 Riverford Road in Lakeside, California, will celebrate their sixty-third wedding anniversary on June 29.	Craig and Andrea Litton
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Ultraviolet Mushroom Hunt

Step into the heart of the forest after dark and experience the trails in a whole new light—literally! Join expert forager Drew Palmer of Mountaineer Mushroom Hunting on Wednesday, July 1, for a unique UV Mushroom Hunt and night hike at Meeks Mountain Trails at Hurricane City Park.

The walk will begin in the daylight, as Drew teaches how to identify wild mushrooms and safely forage in local forests. As dusk settles in, the group will head deeper into the woods equipped with UV flashlights, uncovering a hidden world of glowing fungi and bioluminescent organisms that remain invisible during the day.

From the subtle shimmer of fluorescent mushrooms to the surreal glow of lichen and other forest dwellers, the night will come alive with wild, natural wonder.

Whether you're an experienced mycophile or simply curious about the

Ballet de Seuss

The pre-professional dancers from The Macholah Ballet celebrate silly storytelling with an original performance at Valley Park in Hurricane on Tuesday, June 30, at 10:00 a.m., followed by meet-and-greet and opportunity to read a book with a dancer!

This year, they're going wacky and wonderful with selections based on books by Dr. Seuss. Which do you have better dance technique, the Cat in the Hat or a Fox in Socks?

Houston of 116 Woodland Forrest in Winfield will celebrate their twenty-fifth wedding anniversary on June 30.

Sherman and Karen Ashworth of 4655 5&20 Road in Frazier's Bottom will celebrate their fifty-fourth wedding anniversary on June 30.

Gary and Doris Sovine of Milton will celebrate their thirty-seventh wedding anniversary on June 30.

Tom and Kim Erwin Matteson of #3 Davis Court West in Lee Meadows, Luray, Virginia, will celebrate their thirty-sixth wedding anniversary on June 30.

Nicholas and Christine Smith of Barker's Ridge in Ona will celebrate their nineteenth wedding anniversary on June 30.

Dwayne and Sheila Bird of 2180 Cow Creek Road, Hurricane, will celebrate their fiftieth wedding anniversary on July 2.

Paul and Tammy Sowards Call of 68 Beauton Lane, Hurricane, will be celebrating their forty-second wedding anniversary on July 2.

Charlie and Sherrie Thomas of 1004 Elm Street, Hurricane, will be celebrating their forty-second wedding anniversary on July 2.

Billy and Phyllis McCallister Smith of 969 Hurricane Creek Road, Hurricane, will be celebrating their sixtieth wedding anniversary on July 2.

Ronnie and Gancie Newsome Kearns of 4610 Glen Coe Street, Leesburg, Florida, will celebrate their thirty-second wedding anniversary on July 2.

magic of the forest after dark, this is an adventure for all ages and experience levels.

Meet up at 7:30 p.m. at the big red barn at Hurricane City Park. Bring a headlamp or small flashlight, and a UV flashlight (and your sense of wonder!). Comfortable walking shoes and bug spray are recommended.

Registration is required – reserve your spot by going to <https://runsSignup.com/Race/WV/Hurricane/UltravioletMushroomHuntWithDrewPalmer>

Friends of Buffalo History 4th of July

The Friends of Buffalo WV History wish to invite everyone to celebrate Independence Day with them. On Saturday, July 4, the Welcome Center in the Historical Square on Route 62 will be open from 10 a.m. till 2 p.m. Refreshments available.

Then at noon, come to the flag pole in front of the Buffalo Academy as Boy Scout Troop 164 will lead the Pledge of Allegiance and the Buffalo Methodist Trumpet Quartet plays the National Anthem and other patriotic selections.

Adrienne Altizer On Western Carolina Chancellor's List

Adrienne Altizer of Hurricane has been named to the Spring 2026 Chancellor's List at Western Carolina University. To qualify for this honor, students must achieve a GPA of 3.8 or higher. Students named to the Chancellor's list are also named to the Dean's List.

As the westernmost institution in the University of North Carolina System, WCU attracts students from around the globe for its nationally ranked programs, affordability through NC Promise and exceptional student support. Recognized as a top adventure college and surrounded by the Blue Ridge and Great Smoky Mountains, students can explore the region's vast natural diversity through unrivaled experiential learning and recreational activities. Offering residential, hybrid and online programs for undergraduate and graduate degrees at our main campus in Cullowhee, WCU in Asheville located at Biltmore Park, and wherever students are through distance learning.

Students Named To Cedarville Dean's List

Students at Cedarville University have been named to the Dean's Honor List for the Spring 2026 semester. This recognition requires the student to obtain a 3.75 GPA or higher for the semester and carry a minimum of 12 credit hours.

Samuel Clark of Hurricane

Sarah Clark of Hurricane

Cedarville University, an evangelical Christian institution in southwest Ohio, offers undergraduate and graduate residential and online programs across arts, sciences and professional fields. With 7,265 students, it is among Ohio's largest private universities and is ranked among the nation's top five evangelical universities in The Wall Street Journal's 2026 Best Colleges in the U.S.

Meeks Mountain Milestones

Come to the bowl at Meeks Mountain Trails at Hurricane City Park on Saturday, June 7th, for a laid-back evening celebrating everyone who has helped make Meeks Mountain Trails what it is today.

This is a true community celebration recognizing not only the volunteers who have given their time over the years, but also those who show up, use the trails, and make this place special. There will be special recognition for significant volunteer milestones achieved.

Food will be provided by the Bridge, and there will be soft drinks, water, and more to share. Bring a chair and anything else you'd like to enjoy.

This is a free event, but please RSVP by going to <https://runsSignup.com/Race/WV/Hurricane/MeeksMountainMilestonesACommunityCelebration>

Caleb Delph Makes Belmont Dean's List

Belmont University released the Dean's List for the spring 2026 semester, with approximately 49% of the University's 6,724 undergraduate students earning the academic recognition. Caleb Delph is among the Dean's List students.

"The Dean's List recognition reflects a commitment to excellence that is both personal and shared across our community," said Dr. David Gregory, provost and executive vice president for academic excellence.

Dean's List eligibility is based on a minimum course load of 12 hours and a quality grade point average of 3.5 with no grade below a C.

Located near the heart of thriving Nashville, Tenn., Belmont University consists of nearly 9,000 students who come from every state and 33 countries. The University is nationally recognized for its innovative approach as well as its commitment to undergraduate teaching (U.S. News & World Report). As a Christ-centered, student-focused community, Belmont's mission is to develop diverse leaders of purpose, character and wisdom who possess a transformational mindset and are eager and equipped to make the world a better place.

Melissa Mayer Named to Troy Chancellor's List

Melissa Mayer of Hurricane has been named to the Chancellor's List at Troy University for Term 3 of the 2025-2026 academic year.

The Chancellor's List honors full-time undergraduate students who are registered for at least 12 semester hours and who earn a grade point average of 4.0.

Troy University is a public, historic, international university with and more than 170,000 alumni. Students choose TROY for its quality academic programs, reasonable costs and availability of financial aid, outstanding faculty, and flexible in-class and online class offerings. Students on the Troy, Ala. campus enjoy a traditional college experience, while adult students are the centers of attention at campuses in Dothan, Montgomery and Phenix City, Ala., as well as at locations around the world and online.

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Obituaries

SANDRA YVONNE DILLARD

Sandra Yvonne Dillard, 68, of Hurricane, passed away Monday, June 15, 2026, at CAMC Memorial Division.

Sandra retired from CAMC General Division after many years of dedicated service. She enjoyed spending time with her family, especially her grandchildren, and treasured the companionship of her beloved dog, Penny.

She was preceded in death by her lifelong partner, Kenneth Dillard, Sr.; her parents, Londa and Juanita Boggess; and her brother, Roger Boggess.

Those left to cherish her memory include her son, Kenneth (Lindsay) Dillard; her siblings, Junior Boggess, Katherine Smith, Sue Davis, Jimmy Boggess, Mitchell Boggess, Ricky Boggess, and Timmy Boggess; her grandchildren, Olivia Frazier and Kaynen Dillard; and her niece, Michaela Dillard, and her son, Eli Lemaster.

Sandra will be remembered for her love of family, her caring nature, and the joy she found in life's simple moments.

In accordance with her wishes, there will be no service.

away on June 16, 2026 at Hubbard Hospice House in Charleston.

He was born on Sept. 12, 1939, to the late John W. and Edna H. Dials Hulett in Ashland, KY.

Robert was retired from Cannelton Coal Company as a Senior System Analyst and proudly served his country in the US Air Force.

He is survived by his loving wife of 39 years, Anna L. Williams Hulett; children: Mickey (Mary) Stover of Beckley, and Teresa Santichavalitskul of Hurricane; grandchildren: Sarit, Danielle (Adam), Matthew, Heather and Ben; 10 great grandchildren; as well as other family members.

Graveside service for Robert was Wednesday, June 24, 2026, at Sunset Memorial Park, South Charleston, with Pastor Gary Maynor officiating.

JANICE LOU JONES

Janice Lou Jones, 89, of Scott Depot, passed away June 19, 2026 at Hubbard Hospice House.

Janice was born to the late Ross and Gladys Wisman in Tornado, WV. She was a proud 1955 graduate of St. Albans High School. After high school she went on to graduate from West Liberty University and become a Dental Hygienist.

Janice was a member of Humphrey's Union Methodist Church in Tornado, where she spent many hours organizing and participating in various activities.

She is survived by her husband of 67 years, Roy Jones; son, Steve (Marsha) Jones; daughter, Susan Swords; grandchildren: Amy Jones, Natalie (Hayden) Letchworth of Charleston, SC, Christin Cease; great-grandson, J.W. Chapman; twin sister, Janette (Jimmy) Baldwin of Baton Rouge, LA; brother, Mike Wisman of Gonzales, LA; as well as a host of other family and friends who will miss her dearly.

A Celebration of Janice's life will be held at a later date.

MANFORD MOLES

Manford Volley "Manny" Moles, 86, of Liberty, went home to be with the Lord on Thursday, June 18, 2026, at Cabell Huntington Hospital.

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logger who spent his life working hard and providing for his family. He was a faithful servant of the Lord, serving as a deacon at Paradise Bible Church and as a member of Victory Baptist Church in Okeechobee, Florida. In his spare time, Manny enjoyed golfing with his sons, fishing, and reading his Bible. He will be remembered for his strong faith, his love for his family, and his kind and gentle spirit.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Lonzo and Alberta Moles; all of his siblings; his son, Charlie Absten; and his grandson, Michael Moles.

Those left to cherish his memory include his beloved wife of 51 years, Norma Absten Moles; his children, Stanley Moles, Gene Moles, Tony (Sandy) Moles, and Darlena Walters; his grandchildren, Nathan Moles, Mandy Moles, Tyler Moles, Adam Walters, Brandon Walters, Kaitlyn (Ben) Garlick, and Cecilia (Marcus) Matthews; and his great-granddaughter, Aspen Walters. He also leaves behind many extended family members, church family, and friends who will miss him dearly.

A tribute to the life of Manford "Manny" Moles was held Monday, June 22, 2026, at Gatens-Harding Funeral Home Chapel with Pastors Doug McComas and Paul Browning officiating. Burial was in New Antioch Cemetery.

JERRY MYNES

Jerry Mynes, 83, of St Albans, went home to be with the Lord on June 20, 2026 with his granddaughter Erica by his side. Born on March 26, 1943, to Harold and Mae Mynes of Hurricane, Jerry lived a life rooted in faith, service, and love. A member of St Francis of Assisi and a former Knights of Columbus, he was known for his kindness, generosity, humility, and compassion as he touched the lives of all those that crossed his path.

Jerry graduated from Hurricane High School

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choir and volunteered his time when needed.

Ed worked hard but enjoyed life. He was an avid boater who loved to hunt and fish. He also enjoyed gardening, wood-working, along with other activities that allowed him the opportunity to be outdoors. Many things brought Ed joy, but nothing was greater than being "Papa" to his two granddaughters: Gwyn and Ainslee.

In addition to his parents, he is preceded in death by his sister, Christine Hunt; and brother-in-law, Duke Queen.

Surviving Ed is his loving wife of 51 years,

Donna Quinn; daughter, Krista (Curtis) Capehart; granddaughters: Gwyn (Nicco Petrozelli) Capehart and Ainslee Capehart; sister, Ann (Roland) Schoolcraft; brothers: Steve and Ken (Donna) Quinn; sister-in-law, Phyllis Queen; brother-in-law, John Hunt; nephews: Shawn, Tim, Patrick, and George; niece, Regina; as well as a host of other family and friends who will miss him dearly.

Graveside funeral service for Ed was held Thursday, June 25, 2026 at Community Memorial Gardens in Wayne.

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God Grants Israel a King

I Samuel 8:1-18

At the time of Samuel, the nation of Israel was governed by judges. The system of judges had been established by God some three hundred years earlier following the death of Joshua. In the years after Joshua when Israel turned from God, the Lord responded to their disobedience by allowing the heathen to oppress them for periods of time. Oppression by these ungodly people continued until God raised up a judge to deliver Israel. When the judge died, Israel, invariably, returned to their rebellious ways. Rebellion against God, oppression by the ungodly, and deliverance by a judge had been a repeating pattern for more than three hundred years.

In the text before us, the elders of Israel gathered and came to Samuel at his home in Ramah. The elders purported cause for seeking him is revealed in the first three verses of chapter 8. Samuel was old. Samuel had judged Israel by traveling in a circuit to distant cities to settle disputes. He could no longer travel to Beersheba in southern Judah because it was too distant. Samuel delegated the authority to judge at Beersheba to his two sons. His sons did not judge in the manner which God would have had them judge. The elders wanted a change and demanded of Samuel that he “make us a king to judge us like all the nations” (v. 5). The elders looked at the nations around them rather than to God. The real reason for which elders of Israel came, demanding a king, was they did not trust God to provide a judge to lead them.

Samuel’s sons were corrupt. They were evil. They sought to enrich themselves by virtue of their authority. The elders’ demand for a king was propelled by their supposition that a different system of government would cure evil. They looked at the nations around them and concluded that rule by a king was a better way. They did not trust God, nor the way that God had showed them.

Samuel did not think that which God had instituted should be abolished. He went to God in prayer. The Lord answered, saying, “Hearken unto the voice of the people in all that they say unto to thee” (v. 7). God instructed Samuel to grant the demand of the elders. This is not the answer that one might expect. The Lord allows men to reject Him and to disobey Him.

The Lord explained to Samuel why he should grant their request. Israel’s rejection of judges was a rejection of the Lord. Israel had been given the law. Israel knew to love the Lord. Israel knew to worship the Lord God alone. Israel willfully disobeyed God. God said: “Now therefore hearken unto their voice: howbeit yet protest solemnly unto them, and show them the manner of the king that shall rule over them” (v. 9).

God’s reveals His ways to us. God made His will known, He told His people the consequence of disobedience, and then allowed His people to disobey. This is what occurred in Eden. God told Adam and Eve not to eat of the tree, told them the consequence —death. The Lord knew that Adam and Eve would eat of the fruit and made provision to counter the consequence of that action before they did eat (see I Peter 1:19-20).

Likewise, it is not God’s will that New Testament believers should sin. The Lord, knowing that we would sin, made a provision for our sin. “If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness” (I John 1:9). The Father provided a high priest (His Son) to intercede for us. It is God’s intent that we avail ourselves of the provision which He has supplied.

It was not the Lord’s will that His people should turn to a king for deliverance following the demise of a judge. The Lord would have all men look to Him for future deliverance.

In answering Samuel’s prayer, the Lord made it known that their rejection of him (Samuel) was actually rejection of Him (the Lord). In verse 8, God states that Israel’s rejection of His ways have continued from beginning when He led them up out of Egypt.

With the words, “. . . so do they also unto thee,” the Lord gave Samuel comfort. The Lord did not want Samuel to throw up his hands in despair. God wanted Samuel to deliver a message to the elders. The Lord told Samuel to show them the manner of the king that would reign over them.

Their king would take their sons and use them for his purposes, to enrich himself. Their king would take their daughters and use them to support his lavish lifestyle. Their king would take their fields, their vineyards and their oliveyards. Their king would take that which He, the Lord God, had given them and give it to whom he pleased. Their king would take a tenth of their seed and their vineyards and give it to his officers and servants. The tenth which the king would take is a tithe. The king would demand for himself the same which the law requires one to give in support of the priests and Levites.

God wanted Israel to know that the day would come when they would call out to Him and that He would not hear them. The Lord wanted Israel to know that He would not deliver them from the king of their choosing in that day to come (v. 18). Grace would not be found in that day.

God wants all people to know that His time of grace is not forever. Judgment shall come. In that day, He will not hear the plea of those who have refused to trust in Him and His grace.

God instructed Samuel to warn Israel of the day to come, the day in which He would no longer hear them. God has, likewise, issued instruction to New Testament believers. Today is the day of His grace. We are to warn all people that grace shall not be found in the day of judgment.



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KIDS TALK ABOUT GOD

BY CAREY KINSOLVING AND FRIENDS

Why Didn't The Disciples Understand That Jesus Must Rise From The Dead?

"If I saw an empty tomb, I'd check for zombies," says Logan, 9. "I wouldn't think, 'Oh, Jesus rose from the dead!' because that would sound like a fairy tale."

That may be exactly what the disciples thought at first. On that first Easter morning, Mary Magdalene arrived at the tomb early and saw the stone rolled away. She didn't shout, "He's risen!" Instead, she ran to tell Peter and John that someone had taken Jesus' body.

When Peter and John got to the tomb, they found the linen burial cloths still there, folded, not ripped or scattered like you'd expect if someone had stolen the body. But even then, John 20:9 says, "For as yet they did not know the Scripture, that he must rise again from the dead."

How could Jesus' closest friends miss something so important?

People tend to hear what they want to hear. The idea of a suffering, crucified Messiah didn't fit what the disciples were hoping for. Like many in Israel, they were looking for a strong king to defeat the Romans, not a Lamb who would be sacrificed for the sins of the world.

When someone you love dies, your world turns upside down. Grief can cloud your thinking. The disciples were heartbroken, confused and scared. Resurrection wasn't on their radar.

But that empty tomb began to change everything.

C.S. Lewis once wrote, "He has forced open a door that had been locked since the death of the first man. He has met, fought, and beaten the King of Death." The resurrection is not just a nice ending to the story. It's the story's turning point.

As author Josh McDowell said, "The resurrection of Jesus Christ is either the most wicked, heartless hoax ever foisted upon the

minds of men, or it is the most fantastic fact of history."

The apostle Paul put it this way: "If Christ is not risen, then our preaching is empty and your faith is also empty" (1 Corinthians 15:14). In other words, without the resurrection, Christianity collapses.

Why is the resurrection so central? Because it proves that Jesus is who he said he is. He's the Son of God, the Savior, the one with power over death. If Jesus stayed in the tomb, we'd have no reason to hope. But because he rose, we have every reason to trust him with our lives and futures.

"Sometimes God tells us things we're not ready to understand," says Noah, 11.

Yes, and the same is true for us today. God's promises may not always make sense right away, especially in moments of grief or fear.

No matter how famous or prosperous, everyone succumbs to death. Not Jesus. He defeated death and now offers that same victory to all who believe in him.

The disciples didn't understand at first. But Jesus met them in their confusion. He showed them his scars. He opened their minds to understand the Scriptures. And their confusion turned into conviction so strong that they were willing to die for what they saw and believed. They went from hiding behind locked doors to boldly preaching in the streets.

Think About This: The resurrection of Jesus is the foundation of the Christian faith. It proves that life wins over death, truth wins over lies, and God keeps his promises, even the ones we don't yet understand.

Memorize This Truth: "For as yet they did not know the Scripture, that he must rise again from the dead" (John 20:9).

Ask This Question: If Jesus really rose from the dead, what should that change about the way I live today?

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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-33 Jonathan Troyer, Respondent. LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT The object of the Petition filed in this matter is to provide protection to the infant child, T.T., whose date of birth is 11/23/2013. 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 9th day of July, 2026, at 3:00 p.m., at which time and place you may be present to protect your interests, if you so desire. You are further advised that 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: 6-12-26 6-18-2t	Notice of Proposed Settlement of Estates To the Creditors, Distributees and Beneficiaries of the within named persons: I have before me the final settlement of estates of the following persons, which shall be presented to the County Commission of Putnam County, at the Courthouse, in the City of Winfield, on Tuesday the 30th day of June 2026 at 5:00 p.m. for their approval which settlements have been presented to me by the Fiduciary of such estates and which proposed settlements I have approved as indicated below: Decedent: Lois Ann Bowen Fiduciary: Vicki A. Hogan, Executrix Address: 5271 Walden Ct. SE Southport, NC 28461 Any persons having an interest in the estate of any such person, may before the County Commission at the time and place hereinabove specified and thereupon protest his interest as they may appear or else may forever thereafter be barred from asserting such interest. Given under my than this 16TH day June 2026. Fiduciary Supervisor, Putnam County 12093 Winfield Road, Winfield, WV 25213 6-25-1t
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF PUTNAM COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA Civil Action No. 25-JA-63 IN RE: B.G. LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT FOR UNKNOWN FATHER The object of the Petition filed in this matter is to provide protection to the infant child, B.G., whose date of birth is 06/06/2014, and who was born to mother, R.G. Please take notice that this matter will come on for an adjudicatory and termination hearing or any other appropriate relief before the Honorable Derek C. Swope, Judge of the Circuit Court of Putnam County, West Virginia, on the 10th day of September, 2026, at 9:30 a.m., at which time and place anyone claiming to be the father of the infant child may be present to protect their interests, if they 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 to the child. 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: 6-12-26 6-18-2t	LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT NOTICE TO REDEEM 2025-C-000169 - Putnam County To: ELIZABETH MYERS, PAULA BURNS, ELIZABETH MYERS, PAULA BURNS, 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 CURRY MAP 9999 PARCEL 0000 2860 0000 You will take notice that H3 LLC, the purchaser of the following real estate, Cert. No. 2025-C-000169, located in CURRY District, 1/7 OF 120 AC MIN LICK CRK, which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of MYERS ELIZABETH, and was sold by the deputy commissioner of delinquent and nonentered lands of PUTNAM County at the sale for the delinquent taxes on April 13, 2026. H3 LLC, requests that you be notified that a deed for such real estate will be made on or after November 1, 2026, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before October 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 2024 - 6474. \$86.02 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 2025-6384. \$24.59 Additional taxes with interest. \$0.00 Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest. \$119.15 Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest. \$786.44 Additional Statutory Fees with interest. \$0.00 Total Amount Due and Payable to WV State Auditor - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check. \$1,016.20 You may redeem at any time before October 31, 2026, by paying the above total less any unearned interest. <i>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.</i> Given under my hand June 3, 2026 <i>Christal G. Perry</i> 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 6-11-3t

e-WV: The West Virginia Encyclopedia at www.wvencyclopedia.org.

June 25, 1811: Bridge builder Lemuel Chenoweth was born near Beverly, Randolph County. His many bridges included the earliest covered bridge at Beverly and the famous Philippi covered bridge.

June 25, 1950: The Korean War began when the armies of Communist North Korea pushed across the 38th parallel into South Korea. Army private Kenneth Shadrick of Wyoming County was among the first U.S. servicemen killed in action, on July 5, 1950.

June 26, 1887: Sheriff Don Chafin was born in Logan County. Chafin was a bitter foe of union organizers and, with financial support from coal companies, used his many deputies to keep labor organizers out of Logan County, most notably during the 1921 Battle of Blair Mountain.

June 26, 1892: Pearl Buck was born in Hillsboro in the home of her maternal grandparents. She received the Pulitzer Prize for The Good Earth and was the first American woman to win the Nobel Prize for Literature.

June 26, 1936: Basketball star Hal Greer

was born in Huntington. Greer was the first Black athlete to play at Marshall College (now University). When his pro career ended in 1973, he held the NBA record for most games played and ranked in the top 10 in points scored, field goals attempted and field goals made.

June 27, 1961: Honey in the Rock was first performed at Grandview State Park near Beckley. The play by Kermit Hunter depicts the founding of the Mountain State in 1863.

June 28, 1936: Athlete Chuck Howley was born in Wheeling. Howley starred at West Virginia University and played linebacker for 12 seasons for the Dallas Cowboys. A six-time All-Pro, he is the only Super Bowl MVP in history to play for a losing team.

June 29, 1952: Writer Breece D’J Pancake was born in South Charleston and grew up in Milton, Cabell County. Many of Pancake’s stories are set in Milton, fictionalized as “Rock Camp.”

June 29, 2012: A violent storm called a derecho raced across West Virginia, leaving downed trees and damaged homes in its wake. About 688,000 homes and businesses lost power for a week during a widespread heat wave.

Obituaries

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LARRY SHILTZ

Larry David “Eggy” Shiltz, 85, of Bancroft, passed away peacefully to his Heavenly home on June 15, 2026.

Born up Plymouth Hollow at the mouth of Alphie Hollow near Scouts Pool on December 4, 1940, to his parents, Arnold and Marie (Persinger) Shiltz.

Larry was a resident of Plymouth until 1952 when then moved to Bancroft until his passing.

Larry proudly served in the US Military as an Army Scout in the Korean War. After an Honorable Discharge from the Army, Larry was a Boiler Welder for Viscose in Nitro and a welder for Unit Rig and a Machinist for Chem Valley Machine.

What Larry enjoyed the most was building precision bench rest rifles and building and racing drag race cars. Larry raced drag cars from the mid 1970’s until 2019 when his long-time racing buddy, Joe Holloway, passed away.

Larry leaves behind a host of friends, racing buddies and 2 cherished friends, Judy Bayless and Dennis Arthur and his beloved cat, Daisy.

At Larry’s request there will be no funeral services.

MARK ALLEN SMITH

Mark Allen Smith, 53, of Leon, passed away Friday, June 19, 2026, at University of Kentucky Hospital in Lexington, following a long illness. He was a 1990 graduate of Buffalo High School and was a heavy equipment operator. He enjoyed farming, hunting and spending time outdoors.

He was preceded in death by his grandparents, Hollie and Margaret Smith, Jack and Lillie Jividen; uncle and aunt, Bill and Margaret Jividen; aunt, Patty Smith and uncle, Kenny Smith.

Survivors include his parents, Rodney and Jane Smith of Liberty; brother, Michael Smith of Ruston, Louisiana. Mark is also survived by several aunts, uncles, extended family, longtime friends; Eric Asbury and April Spencer; friends, Teddy Cossin, J. Philips and Gilbert Clark.

Funeral service was Wednesday, June 24th, 2026, at Raynes Funeral Home, Eleanor,

with Pastor Pete Cobb officiating. Burial was in Mt. Zion Cemetery, Given.

TERRY LYNN WELLS

Terry Lynn Wells, 78, of Winfield, passed away on June 17, 2026, from complications of a long battle with Parkinson's Disease.

He was born on July 14, 1947, to Arlene Joyce Wells and the late Otis Wells in Newport News, VA.

Terry was a standout athlete at Winfield High School, most notably as All State and All American fullback, as well as a 1963 football State Champion. He served in the US Navy, and after returning home he married his high school sweetheart Bonnie L. Bott. He then joined his father in what would become a multigenerational family commercial construction business, building churches all over North America. He eventually started BPI, Inc. in 1988 and continued building churches, commercial buildings, and hundreds of cell towers in our region. Locally he built the Lower Tram at Pipestem State Park as well as the addition and remodel of Teays Valley Church of the Nazarene, Teays Valley Christian School, Good Shepherd Baptist, and Scott Depot Christ Fellowship-now known as The Bridge Church.

He was a lifelong Christian, most recently attending Winfield Baptist. Terry’s family was the highlight of his life, always attending his grandchildren’s sporting and other events, even after his health was failing.

In addition to his mother, Terry is survived by his loving wife of 57 years, Bonnie L. Wells; children: Brent (Tabitha) Wells of Barbourville, KY, Stacy (Mike) Taylor of Winfield and Christian (Kristen) Wells of Winfield; Grandchildren: Dr. Tanner (Caleigh) Wells, Abigail Taylor, Brody Wells, Caden Taylor, Emerson Wells and Case Wells; Great grandson, Beau Wells; Brother, Roger (Sherry) Wells; and many special nieces, nephews and cousins.

A Celebration of Terry’s Life was held Tuesday, June 23, 2026, at Chapman Funeral Home, Hurricane, with Rev. Charles V. Williams officiating.



Fillers Page

Edited by Betsy Allen



July

From Jeff Burkhart’s “Rhyme and Reason”
Submitted by Myra Simmons

The glassy lake, the leaping frog,
the darting dragonfly
No school for children underfoot,
let's welcome warm July

The hottest days, this fiery month,
light up the barbecue
Succumb to whim, go take a swim,
and take your love with you

Just drop a line with hook and bait,
and wait and watch and wish
July will let you laze the day,
while trying to outsmart fish!

Your skin turns brown, you loll around,
the summer's spell is cast
Enjoy it all, soon comes the fall,
good things seem not to last

The fireflies a-sparkle, lighting
up the sky at night
I don't know if there's a God:
but something got it right!

Jokes From Linda

Submitted by Linda
Lavender Armstead



Three preachers were
in a boat together. They
wanted to "let their hair
down."
They decided to tell a
secret apiece.
The first preacher said
he cheated and hardly ever
paid his taxes.
The second preacher
sneaked out at night and
gambled.
They waited and waited
for the third preacher to
tell his weakness.
He finally said, "I gossip
and I can't wait to get off
this boat."

Recipes

Submitted by Connie Reddington of Eleanor

Chicken Casserole
2 cans soup (cream of chicken and cream of celery soup)
8 oz. carton sour cream
2 cups chicken broth
1 box stove top dressing (chicken)
4 chicken breasts (cooked and cut into small pieces)
Mix soups, sour cream and chicken broth. Add box of stuffing and mix well, spread 1/2 inch in lightly greased casserole dish. Then add chicken pieces and rest of stuffing mix over chicken. Cover and refrigerate until ready to use. Remove 15 minutes before baking. Uncover and bake at 350 degrees for 1 hours.

The bride, Kathy, said she wanted three children while the young husband, Thomas, said two would be quite enough for him. They discussed the discrepancy for a few minutes until the groom boldly said, "After our second child, I'll just have a vasectomy."
Without a moment's hesitation, Kathy said, "Well, I hope you'll love the third one just like your own."

An At-Home Solution With the Taste of Takeout

(Feature Impact) If you’re cozying up at home but takeout cravings are calling, it may just be time for a pantry refresh that brings bold flavors straight to your kitchen. No matter what kind of cook you are – Bumble Bee Snackers are your new secret snack-section solution.

For unbeatable convenience and flavor, consider Bumble Bee Snackers for an at-home recipe enhancement. They’re shaking up the tuna aisle in single-serve cans with a variety of bold flavors that are perfect for snacking or light lunches, including zesty Lemon Pepper, rich and savory Hickory Smoke, tastebud-tingling Sweet Heat, spicy-sweet Thai Chili and nostalgic Tuna Salad. If you’re more of a traditionalist, classic Chunk Light Tuna is an ideal complement for crackers or veggies.

The premixed 3-ounce cans can be enjoyed on their own or paired with other favorites like celery sticks, carrots, cucumber, crackers or tortilla chips.

Snack menu shakeups are sweeping the country; in fact, 50% of Americans agree it’s hard to find snacks that meets all their needs, according to a survey conducted by Bumble Bee Sea-foods and FleishmanHillard’s TRUE Global Intelligence. The survey also found hungry families are looking for more “bang for their buck,” affordability, protein and ease for eating on the go.

While value and convenience are important, great taste still tops the list – flavor remains the single biggest driver of snacking decisions. To ensure convenience and flavor is on your menu, consider these Spicy Tuna Sushi Rice Cups as an easy way to enjoy the taste of takeout from the comfort of your own kitchen.

Visit BumbleBee.com to discover more ways to shake up snacking at home.

Spicy Tuna Sushi Rice Cups
Recipe courtesy of @amateur_husband on behalf of Bumble Bee Seafoods

Sushi Rice:
2 cups sushi rice, cooked
2 tablespoons rice vinegar
1 tablespoon sugar
1 teaspoon salt

Tuna Mixture:
1 can (5 ounces) Bumble Bee Snackers Lemon Pepper
3-4 tablespoons mayonnaise
1-2 teaspoons Sriracha, or to taste
1/2 teaspoon soy sauce
1/4 teaspoon wasabi (optional)

Assembly:
nori (seaweed sheets)
furikake seasoning
spicy mayo or Sriracha, for topping
wonton crisps, for topping

Heat oven to 375 F.
To make sushi rice: Mix cooked rice with rice vinegar, sugar and salt. Let cool slightly.
To make tuna mixture: In bowl, combine tuna (no draining needed), mayonnaise, Sriracha, soy sauce and wasabi, if desired. Mix well.
To assemble: Cut nori sheets into squares and press into cups of muffin tin to line them.
Fill each nori-lined cup with sushi rice, pressing gently to form small nest shape. Sprinkle furikake over rice then top with spoonful of tuna mixture.
Bake 8-10 minutes until heated through and edges are slightly crispy.
Remove cups from muffin tin, drizzle with spicy mayo or Sriracha and top with wonton crisps.

Fillers from Linda

Submitted by Linda~Lavender Armstead
Washington Hill Road, Hurricane



Volunteers are paid in
six figures - S M I L E S.

Once we accept our
limits, we go beyond
them.

Never let a fool kiss
you, or a kiss fool you.

In all things that you
do, consider the end.

Hold a true friend with
both your hands.

May your day be as
bright as your smile.

A nickel ain't worth a
dime anymore.

No one was ever wise
by chance.

God is in control, but
He doesn't expect you to
lean on a shovel and pray
for a hole.

Wise men speak
because they have
something to say, fools
speak because they have
to say something.

The difference between
an ordinary experience
and an exceptional one
is in the details noticed
along the way.

The only thing worse
than being blind is having
sight but no vision.

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

I'm at the age where
I can cross off, "dying
young" from my list of
things to worry about.

Life can be pretty
grim when you pass 80,
especially if there's a state
trooper behind you.

The hammer is one of
the oldest tools, it was
used to break apart wood,
stone, and bone.

It's hard to walk in a
single woman's shoes -
that's why you need really
special shoes.

You need to overcome
the tug of people against
you as you reach for high
goals.

When you are
enthusiastic about what
you do, you feel this
positive energy.

I was raised to believe
it's better to be 10 minutes
early than one minute late.

It's time to rise and
shine - or at least get
up and pretend to be a
functional adult.

A painting in a museum
hears more ridiculous
opinions than anything
else in the world.

Persistent people begin
their success where others
end in failure.

planned.

You are learning
valuable lessons from
yourself every day.

A friend may well be
reckoned the masterpiece
of nature.

Surround yourself with
those who only lift you
higher.

Rest and be kind;
you don't have to prove
anything.

I'm wishing you smiles,
hugs and lots of purple.

All photos are accurate.
All of them are the truth.

Even the largest
avalanche is triggered by
small things.

With the new day
comes new strength and
new thoughts.

Neutrality is at
times a graver sin than
belligerence.

Without hard work,
nothing grows but weeds.

Stay close to people
who feel like sunshine.

Do not cut the tree that
gives you shade.

You can never plan the
future by the past.

Family means no
one gets left behind or
forgotten.

The way to cover our
sin is to uncover it by
confession.

Pursue what catches
your heart, not what
catches your eyes.

Stop acting so small.
You are the universe in
ecstatic motion.

The less people speak of
their greatness, the more
we think of it.

Believe with all of your
heart that you will do what
you were made to do.

If we are facing in the
right direction, all we have
to do is keep on walking.

There is only one
person who could ever
make you happy, and that
person is you.

The smallest of actions
is always better than the
noblest of intentions.

Who looks outside,
dreams. Who looks inside,
awakens.

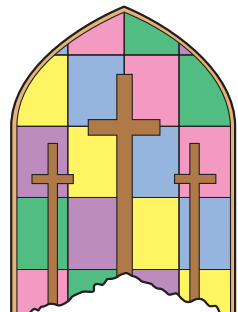
If the wind will not
serve, take to the oars.

Whoever is happy will
make others happy, too.

Intelligence is the
ability to adapt to change.

The most effective way
to do it, is to do it.

Bible Verse



Those who want to get
rich fall into temptation
and a trap and into many
foolish and harmful desires
that plunge people into ruin
and destruction.
— 1 Timothy 6:9

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

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

You can also email submissions to breeze@citynet.net

Freedom is not given, it is taken.

Don't think I don't think about it.

Small progress is still progress.

Thought is the seed of action.

Everything is practice.

My presence is a gift.

Doggies don't need reason to love, they just do.

Small deeds done are better than great deeds