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## Waiting on the Judge

By Ron Allen

Valley Outdoors began selling firearms at its location at 3034 Mount Vernon Road in Hurricane sometime during June of this year and is continuing to sell firearms.

Before January 12, 2021, the sale of firearms in any zoned unincorporated area in Putnam County was not allowed. The 3034 Mount Vernon Road is zoned C-1. After January 12, firearms sales in C-1 zoned areas was made possible contingent upon a business applying for and being granted a Special Permit.

Special Permits are granted after the Putnam County Commission determines that the issuance of a Special Permit is in the best interests of Putnam County. The County Commission does not act upon a Special Permit application unless it is first approved by the Board of Zoning Appeals (BZA).

Valley Outdoors applied for a Special Permit. On May 27, 2021, the Putnam County Planning Commission notified the public through a legal advertisement that the BZA would consider Valley Outdoors' request on July 1, 2021.

Valley Outdoors did not wait for Putnam County Commission approval. Valley Outdoors did not wait for the BZA to meet. It began selling firearms in June without the

required Special Permit.

On July 1, the BZA rejected the Special Permit request. The Putnam County Commission has never considered a Special Permit to allow firearms sales by Valley Outdoors or by any other business.

Following the BZA ruling, Valley Outdoors appealed the BZA ruling in circuit court and was granted a stay which allowed it to continue firearms sales.

How does it happen that a business can continue to sell that which it never had a permit to sell? Maybe the circuit court judge who ordered the stay can explain it.

The sale of firearms in zoned unincorporated areas of Putnam County was made possible by a change in the county's zoning laws. Here is how the law was changed.

On December 7, 2020, the Putnam County Planning Commission, of which the owner of Valley Outdoors is a member, submitted a legal advertisement to the Hurricane Breeze, which advertisement follows:

**Notice of Special Meeting Public Hearing** – *The Putnam County Planning Commission will meet on Tuesday, January 5, 2021, 7:00 p.m. in Room 202, of the Putnam County Courthouse, 12093 Winfield Road, Winfield, WV in order to hold the following Special Meeting public hearing:*

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## Putnam Records First Covid Deaths in Three Months

By Ron Allen

The DHHR reported Monday, August 9, that two Putnam residents died from COVID infection in the most recent 7-day period. The two deaths are the first coronavirus deaths to be reported in the county since May 17. The deceased were females, ages 64 and 90. The DHHR did not disclose the vaccination status of the two individuals.

While vaccination is not 100% effective in preventing Covid infections, it is 100% effective in reducing the severity of the disease. Nearly 60% of the eligible (12 years and older) of the county's population have been vaccinated for the virus. While Putnam's vaccination rate is high (only five counties have a higher rate), the active Covid cases have increased 400% in the last 30 days. The DHHR only reports statewide hospitalization numbers. Hospitalizations throughout the state have skyrocketed from 19 on June 30 to 101 on August 9, a 432% increase.

The vaccination rate in Putnam among the most vulnerable, the 65 years and older group, is 89.8%. The vaccination rate for the 12-18 year old population is 32.8%. The severity of the virus is reduced for children under 12 and vaccinations are not recommended.

The much advertised Delta variant first showed up in Putnam on July 29 when the DHHR reported 3 cases. The DHHR does not routinely test for Covid variants. There were 76 new cases of the corona virus in the 7-day period ending on August 6. The DHHR reported new four variant test results during that period. To date, only 24 variant tests have been conducted on Putnam residents. Twenty tested positive for the Alpha (United Kingdom) variant and four for Delta (India) variant.

Many individuals have chosen not to be vaccinated. DHHR data reveals that 97 residents per day chose to be vaccinated between May 12 and July 1. Between July 1 and August 10, the daily average was only 28.

## Story Booth Characters Bring Excitement to Valley Park



Belle (Leslee Stover of Clay) waves to visitors to the Story Booth Adventure Drive Thru. (Photo by Betsy Allen)

By Betsy Allen

Beloved fairy tale characters visited Valley Park on Saturday, August 7, for the Story Booth Adventure Drive Thru. This event, which

was developed with the pandemic in mind, allows families to interact with costumed actors from their cars. The actors, who portrayed popular characters such as the Little Mermaid, Alice in

Wonderland, Sleeping Beauty, and Snow White, were spread out along the park's roads, where they waved at the cars coming and going.

The Story Booth Characters started this

drive thru event last year during the height of the COVID-19 pandemic. Since the country was in lockdown, there were few activities open to the public. For this

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## Grace Randolph Receives Mayo Lester Award



Grace Randolph

On Friday, July 30, the Putnam County Chamber of Commerce named Grace Randolph the 2020 Mayo Lester Community Service Award Recipient.

Grace became a business owner in Putnam County in 1976. She and her husband, Roger, started their engineering firm in their basement. Over the years the company has grown to be successful, innovative

Putnam's percentage vaccination is above the state average but it is not high enough to prevent a September surge when the daylight hours rapidly shorten. The surge in new case numbers is expected to increase in the weeks following the start of the school year on August 24.

and award-winning engineering firm.

As a founding member of Randolph Engineering, Grace's responsibilities

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### WEATHER SUMMARY

August 3 - 9

Low High

August 3\* 54° 83°

August 4 59° 80°

August 5 57° 85°

August 6 57° 88°

August 7 63° 88°

August 8 63° 88°

August 9 60° 88°

\*RAIN

1.1 inch recorded August 3

## Generation Putnam Young Leader Award

## Chamber of Commerce Honors Brandon Porter

Brandon Porter received the Generation Putnam Young Leader Award at the Chamber of Commerce annual dinner on July 30.

Brandon has been a true servant and leader in Putnam County. As a young professional, he started his career in Putnam County at the AEP Hurricane Call Center as an engineer serving business and industrial customers. His career advanced with Appalachian Power as a Business Account Manager working

with the surrounding municipal leaders in Putnam County, to his current role as Senior Account Manager assisting local engineers, schools, and industry/utility customers with their power needs. What makes Brandon very special is his service to the community. He recently completed a two year term as the president of the Rotary Club of Putnam County where he exemplified "Service Above Self" the Rotarian Crede. As president (Continued to Page 3)

## The Centennial History of Hurricane

## Meet Some of Hurricane's Oldest Families

In 1988, The Centennial History of Hurricane, WV was published to commemorate the town's 100th anniversary. Since the Centennial History is now out of print, the Breeze is reprinting articles from the book as space allows. This week's selection will be the 205th installment of the Centennial History.

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LONNIE WILLIAM SMALLRIDGE

Submitted by Carolyn Ann Wood (granddaughter)

Lonnie William Smallridge is a life-long resident of Putnam County. Born on October 3, 1894, he is the first child and only son of Cephas William Smallridge (March, 1873 - March, 1944) and Mary Susan Manning Smallridge (1873 - October, 1897). His mother died when he was a small child, and he and his sister Lena Margaret Smallridge Wood (June 7, 1897 - February 25, 1970) were raised by close relatives. His father eventually remarried Elizabeth (Continued to Page 3)

## 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.

### THURSDAYS

Hope for Addiction meetings are held every Thursday at 6:30 p.m. at Mount Vernon Baptist Church, 2150 Mount Vernon Road, Hurricane.

### THURSDAYS

**THROUGH AUGUST**  
The Kiwanis Free Swim Night will be held every Thursday at the Nitro Pool through Aug. 26 from 6:00-8:30 p.m.

### FRIDAYS DURING SUMMER

Food Truck Friday is held every Friday from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

### SATURDAYS UNTIL OCTOBER

The Putnam County Farmers' Market will be open from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Valley Park, Hurricane.

### SUNDAYS DURING SUMMER

Thankful Valley Farms will be giving away fresh produce every Sunday this summer from 3 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. in the parking lot of Stokes Grocery in Buffalo.

### NOW - AUGUST 14

The Mason County Fair will be held at the Mason County Fairgrounds, 1277 Fairground Road, Point Pleasant. For a schedule of events, go to <http://www.masoncountyfairwv.com>

The Back to School Kids Consignment sale will be held at the Valley Park in Hurricane. For a list of sale hours, go to <http://amtkids.com>

### AUGUST 12 - 21

The State Fair of West Virginia will be held in Lewisburg. For a schedule of events and more information, go to <http://www.statefairwv.com>

### AUGUST 13

Putnam County Schools Title I Program will host their annual Back to School Blast at Putnam Career & Technical Center from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Families and students will remain in their vehicles and backpacks

### THE HURRICANE BREEZE

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will be distributed to them directly. For any questions, please call Putnam County Schools at 304.586.0500 ext. 1122 or ext. 1133.

Hurricane First Church of God, 3225 East Putnam Avenue, Hurricane, will be holding a Gospel concert at 7 p.m.

### AUGUST 14

The Fix'Em Clinic will hold a dog swim from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the St. Albans City Pool, 931 Observatory Drive, St. Albans. The entry fee is \$10 for one dog; \$15 for two dogs; and \$20 for three.

The Nitro Antique Mall, 110 21st Street, Nitro, will be holding a Lego build contest starting at noon. The cost to enter is \$12.

The Whittington Reunion will start at noon at the Eleanor Park, Shelter #6. For more information, call 304-937-3492.

The Winfield High School Band Boosters will hold a rummage sale from 7:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the school.

There will be a community yard sale starting at 8 p.m. at 2102 3rd Street, Culloden.

Teays Valley Church of God, Connection Point, Scott Depot, will be holding their annual community event from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. There will be a classic and custom car cruise-in, food trucks, and school supply giveaway.

The Hurricane Citywide Yard Sale will be held throughout Hurricane. Lists of sales around the city will be published on Facebook and [hurricanewv.com](http://hurricanewv.com)

### AUG. 15, 29

There will be stand up paddleboard lessons from 1 to 3 p.m. at the Hurricane Reservoir and 4 to 6 p.m. at the Winfield boat launch. The cost is \$25 for one session or \$40 for both sessions. Text 304-610-8999 to make your reservation.

### AUGUST 15

The Cupcakes and Catfish Fish Off will be held from 3 to 7 p.m. at Fox Trot Fishing Lake, 3380 Scott Depot Road, Scott Depot. The cost is \$20 per person.

### AUGUST 18 - 21

Summerfest 2021 will be held at the mound at South Charleston from 4 to 9 p.m. each evening.

### AUGUST 20 - 21

West Virginia Hillbilly Days will be held at the Lincoln County Memorial Fairgrounds, State Route 3, Trace Creek Road, Hamlin. For more information, go to [www.lcfairsandfestivals.com](http://www.lcfairsandfestivals.com)

### AUGUST 21

Brothers In Blue River Valley Chapter will be hosting Ride to Remember for Shane "Derby" Jividen. Meeting at the Eleanor, WV Fire Department. Registration starts at 10 a.m., Kickstands up at noon.

Community Autism Resources & Education Systems (CARES) will hold a summer day camp, 167 Fletcher Road, Scott Depot, at Camp Appalachia from noon to 6 p.m. To sign up, go to [www.wvcaresforautism.org](http://www.wvcaresforautism.org)

The Tri-County YMCA will be holding Healthy Kids Day & Back to School Splash Bash 2021 at Camp High-Tor, 179 Church Camp Road, Hurricane, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. For more information and to register, go to 304-757-0016.

The Cops-N-Rodders Classic Car Club will be

## Second Friday Gospel Concert

The Hurricane First Church of God would like to invite everyone to their monthly second Friday Gospel Concert on August 13th at 7 p.m.

The featured group this month will be a Trio from Point Pleasant called Covered By Love. Additional singers will include soloists Sister Wanda Cooper from Alum Creek, and Brother Jimmy Mcknight from Institute. Concert Musicians and singers include Gary Sargent, Peggy Cooper, Eddie Rushbrooke, and Dorsey Johnson.

The church features traditional church hymns and Southern Gospel music at concerts.

There will be a time of fellowship with refreshments and food after the service.

The church is located at 3225 East Putnam Ave, one block north of the former Rite-Aid store.

Please come and receive a blessing.

## Crafters Needed for Fall Festival

St. John United Methodist Church in Scott Depot is requesting crafters to become a part of their Fall Festival on September 18th at 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. Table reservations will be \$20.00 and food will be provided for purchase. Please contact Cindy at 304-951-8380 for information and reservations.

holding a cruise-in from 5 p.m. until dusk at the Putnam County Bank parking lot in Hurricane.

### AUGUST 22

The Sidewalk Prophets will be performing at 7 p.m. at the Teays Valley Church of the Nazarene, 3937 Teays Valley Road, Hurricane. Tickets are \$17.99 - \$49.99. To purchase, go to [swpgbfr-hurricanewv.eventbrite.com](http://swpgbfr-hurricanewv.eventbrite.com)

River Ridge Church, Saturn Way, Hurricane, will be holding the Amazing Race, a city-wide scavenger hunt for students. For more information or to register, go to [riverridge.tv/amazingrace](http://riverridge.tv/amazingrace)

### AUGUST 24

The Valley Park will be holding a fall kickball league starting at 3 p.m. The cost will be \$25 per person. To register, go to [putnam-county-parks.ticketleap.com/fall-vp-kickball-league-21/details](http://putnam-county-parks.ticketleap.com/fall-vp-kickball-league-21/details)

## The Way We Were, The Way We Are

By Brenda Burke

*And all because two people met... one day... a long time ago... and they lived happily ever after... for a long time...*

At the turn of the 20th Century, in 1920, a young man was born in Putnam County. He met a young woman eventually... from that union, there are ten children (and spouses), twenty-one grandchildren (and spouses), and forty-eight great grandchildren with eleven great greats... too many for me to try to count. All because at one moment in time, two people fell in love, and the rest, as we know it was (is) history...

Mack Carylsle Searls was born on Turkey Creek, out the road from Hurricane, in August of 1920. I can't imagine what that must have been like because, thankfully, I wasn't born yet. There would have been so much going on in the world outside of Turkey Creek. One important event was that the 19th Amendment to the U. S. Constitution was passed during the month Mack was born... giving every citizen the right to vote. That was an important time in America, but I am sure nothing was as important as the birth of that son.

The population of our country was 106, 021, 5376... one more in the Searls family, a dynasty somewhat in West Virginia, Putnam County, Hurricane... and then there were more... many more... the U. S. population would grow in some part due to this young man.

On Clymer's Creek, nine years later, a little baby girl made her entrance into this world... almost a decade after Mack Searls. Annie Bell Bird was born May 19, 1909. She would grow up to meet and marry the Searls' boy, and together, they would make a life... together... until death did part them... Clymer's Creek joins with Turkey Creek... two of my favorite places... two of my favorite people.

My friend, Linda, (these are her parents) is not positive, but she believes her parents met at Mt. Moriah Church... awww... one of my favorites... Mt. Moriah Church and a young couple. They married in March of 1927 and began their life together.

Mr. and Mrs. Mack



Searls had six sons, Mack Jr., Leslie, Melvin, Robert, Danny, and Randy. Their daughters (four) Kathelene, Merdith, Phyllis, and Linda. All of the kids graduated from Hurricane High School and settled in West Virginia, most of them in the Hurricane area.

Mack worked at Carbide and worked a 77 acre farm just outside of Hurricane, on Rt. 34. The Searls' family raised a huge garden (feeding a huge family) of vegetables, crops of field corn, strawberries, and of course, they raised tobacco. Mack's pride and joy came from raising purebred Hereford cattle. He always had a team of fine work horses. He worked at the plant, came home and worked the farm... I am sure his children were helping him.

Annie's pride and joy came from being a homemaker, and her children maintain to this day that she was the best cook on earth. No one could surpass her delicious pies and cakes, and anyone could stop by her home for a meal. All were welcome... I know this personally, and I sat at her kitchen table many times and enjoyed the best pinto beans, corn bread, and fried potatoes. As Linda and Phyllis have told me often, "she was a wonderful mother, a peacemaker with ten children—she had to be... a nurturer and loving..."

The girls remember there being company often, aunts, uncles, and cousins... friends... she made butterscotch pies... her chocolate pies wonderful... her cakes were, of course, made from scratch... ahhh... the memories...

Saturdays were spent shopping at Sumner's Department Store in town... I remember seeing the family there when my mother and I went shopping also on Saturdays... Main Street... Hurricane, West Virginia. The Searls family depended on local merchants to feed and clothe their family. We all did that.

This is a valiant family. Junior served in the Korean War; Robert was a Vietnam Veteran; Leslie was in the National Guard and went to Washington for Bay of Pigs... all of the Searls' siblings contributed to the world... making it a better place... they come from good stock... Mack and Annie... a love story.

Mack Searls died in August of 1975; Annie

died in April of 2000. I have to wonder what Mack would think today... born in a new century as he was... what would he say about this century in which we live? Would he continue to farm, keep cattle, and have his horses? Would he move into town and become a city man? I doubt it... Farming was in his blood... What would Annie think if she lived in the days when we are instantly doing so much? I can see her smile, shake her head, and say, "Thanks for coming... come back soon." They would wonder what on earth would be next.

Annie all of the years after her husband died in her home out Rt. 34. Her kids visited... Phyllis and Linda often taking her laundry home... Sundays found them at her home cooking for those who continued to come... I remember standing at her kitchen window, looking up on the hillside and wishing for a cottage there... If I was visiting Mother, I knew where I would find Linda on Thursday nights... A to Z with her Mom doing the grocery shopping... I might find her or Phyllis picking up prescriptions, cleaning her house... all they could to help... All of the kids pitched in and did things, but I was around these two girls the most...

Because this couple fell in love, married, raised a family, there are so many offspring that we can't imagine how many. The Searls family is one that others wish they might be a part of... all because the way we were will always be the way we are... happy to know the members of this family... missing those who have gone before... Mack Jr., Leslie, Melvin, Robert, Danny, Kathelene... wishing the best for those still prospering... Merdith, Phyllis, Linda, and Randy... oh my goodness, those were the days when big families gathered at the holidays for laughter and fellowship... we are thankful this young man met this young woman, and they gave us those we love... Let's see... ten children... ten spouses... twenty one grands... twenty one spouses... 48 great grands... some spouses... eleven great great... that adds up to about more than 120 from one couple... they should be written about in a book... and so it goes... the love story of a century... it all happened on a farm in Hurricane, West Virginia...

## Have You Seen This Cat?



Normy lived in Rosewood Place in Hurricane with her caretaker, Eddie King. She was trapped by a resident of the subdivision and dropped in an unknown location. There is a considerable REWARD for her return or the location where he dropped her.

Normy is a longhair gray and white female cat with a black back and tail. She is around six years old.

If you have seen this cat, call Eddie M. King at 304-543-3529 and leave a message. Mr. King lives at 501 Rosewood Place, Hurricane, WV 25526.

# Grace Randolph Receives Mayo Lester Award



Grace Randolph was joined by family members at the award ceremony. From left to right are Heather White, Jacob White, Grace Randolph, Justin Randolph, Phoebe Randolph, and Trina Grigsby. (Photo by Betsy Allen)

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have grown significantly over the years from managing a start-up company to being responsible for the day to day operations of a full service engineering firm

including management of the administrative staff as well as advertising and marketing. In addition to her many roles within the company, she is active in local professional organizations including the Putnam County

## The Centennial History of Hurricane

### Meet Some of Hurricane's Oldest Families

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(Betty) Carpenter on May 26, 1900. They were the parents of two daughters: Alta Mae Smallridge Johnson (August 16, 1901 - April 4, 1959) and Catha Mildred Smallridge Bird (March 29, 1903 -). His paternal grandparents were Sampson Smallridge (January, 1825 - May, 1909) and Mary Jane Arbaugh Smallridge (July, 1846 - October, 1899).

After serving his country in World War I, he came back home and married Lula Blanch Wood on March 28, 1920. She was born February 10, 1902 and died February 15, 1969. They bought a 100 acre farm on Lick Creek Road which he still owns. There they raised their five children: Velva Aline Smallridge Bird, born July 12, 1922; Vala Marie Smallridge Sloan, born May 11, 1924; Geraldine Icily Smallridge, born March 5, 1926; Sherman

William Smallridge, born February 12, 1930; and Vannalene Ellen Smallridge Garrett, born April 8, 1932. Most of his closest relatives still live in the Hurricane area. He has not remarried and he is the oldest member of five living generations. He has 5 children, 12 grandchildren, 14 great-grandchildren, and 3 great-great-grandchildren.

Lonnie, better known to his neighbors as "Uncle Lon" and to his relatives as "Pap" is a quite reserved man. He has little formal education but can read and write. Joining Mt. Moriah Baptist Church on November 18, 1917, he has attended regularly until his health began to fail in the past two years. His livelihood has been that of a farmer but he has never owned any modern farm equipment. Tending his land with his farm horses, he raised such crops as tobacco, com, and hay as well

Chamber of Commerce and takes a dynamic role in Randolph Engineering's support of various community programs.

She is a member of the Putnam County Chamber of Commerce and the National Association of Professional Women.

Grace is known for her kindness. She's always the first to volunteer whether it is a large community event or local blood drive. She has been an active member of the Putnam Chamber since its beginning. She has served on the board of the Putnam Chamber and many other organizations in the area.

The Mayo Lester Community Service Award was the first annual program established by the Chamber of Commerce. It is given annually to an individual who has excelled in community service to Putnam County, the award was named after one of the Chamber's founding members and first Chairman, the late Mayo

Lester. To receive the award an individual's personal attributes and contributions to the community may include, but not be limited to:

(1) Personal involvement in county-wide or local civic improvement projects.

(2) Active participation in community organizations.

(3) Support of a community project(s) and/or organization(s). Support may include personal involvement or financial contribution, but not necessarily membership in a particular organization.

(4) An example of what a citizen and community leader should be in donating time, energy and personal resources for the betterment of their community.

(5) Showing some degree of personal sacrifice for an organization or toward the accomplishment of a community project.

Grace is all of this and more.

## Generation Putnam Young Leader Award

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of the Rotary Club of Putnam County where he exemplified "Service Above Self" the Rotarian Crede. As president elect, he helped lead the construction of a comfort station (a self contained outdoor restroom fully sustainable facility) in Eleanor Park. He led and served on many other projects to help Putnam County, such as trail clean-up, bridge/walkway construction, and other outdoor projects. During the pandemic, Brandon volunteered at multiple Putnam County Health Dept. COVID-19 vaccine

as a large vegetable garden. Celebrating his 93rd birthday this past October, he has lived a long and prosperous life; loved and respected by family and friends.

A digital copy of the Centennial History can be obtained from the Hurricane City Hall for a small donation. For more information, call the City of Hurricane at (304) 562-5896.

clinics, helped fix up treat bags to support Generation Putnam's trunk at the YMCA's Boo Thru drive thru, and helped gather information from the Health Dept., Putnam Rotary, and local businesses for Generation Putnam's submission for Putnam County to WV Healthy People Healthy Places program.

Brandon has volunteered numerous times for the United Way of Central WV and led AEP employees in completing service projects in Putnam County for the United Way Day of Caring. He also serves on the United Way on Citizens Review committee reviewing grant application requests. He has helped many Putnam County community organizations such as organizing fundraising events and drives to support foster children through Mission WV, volunteering with Putnam County builds with Habitat for Humanity, and helping construct a wheel chair swing for Putnam County "raindancers" through the Sweet Julia Grace Foundation serving special medical needs. His service extends outside the county coordinating gifts for at risk youth at the Cammack Children's Center, handing out food at the Mountaineer Food

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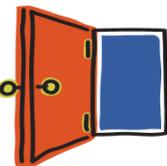
Immediately evacuate the house or building and nearby area, travel upwind and advise others to stay away.



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## PSC to Hold Public Comment Hearings on Suddenlink

The Public Service Commission is holding three public comment hearings to give customers the opportunity to express their concerns with Suddenlink's quality of service. Interested members of the public are welcome to attend. The hearings will be held in person:

Monday, August 23, 2021 at 5:00 p.m. in the Ceremonial Courtroom at the Raleigh County Courthouse, 215 Main Street, Beckley

Tuesday, August 24 at 10:30 a.m. and at 6:00 p.m. in the Commission's main hearing room at 201 Brooks Street, Charleston, WV 25301

Those who want to make their thoughts known to the Commission but choose not to participate in a public

comment hearing may send a letter to the Commission at 201 Brooks Street, Charleston, WV 25301 or they can submit a comment on the Commission's website.

"The Commission has received thousands of complaints from Suddenlink customers about the unacceptable level of service provided by the Company," said Public Service Commission Chairman Charlotte Lane. "Listening to citizens' input is a critical part of how the Commission decides cases. We provide several ways for customers to comment on the cases in front of us and actively encourage customers to be part of the process."

Intervenors in the case include the Commission's

Consumer Advocate Division; the Cities of Beckley, Charleston and Elkins; and the Kanawha County Commission.

Those attending the hearings will be required to wear a mask.

More information, including documents filed in this case and the full procedural schedule, may be found on the Commission website: www.psc.state.wv.us by referencing Case No. 21-0515-CTV-SC-GI.

### Submissions

The deadline for submissions to the Breeze is Monday at noon. Submissions may be emailed to: hurricanebreeze@citynet.net or mailed to: Hurricane Breeze, PO Box 310, Hurricane, WV 25526

# Fillers Page

Edited by Betsy Allen



## Recipes

Submitted by Connie Reddington of Eleanor

### German Chocolate Pecan Pie Bars

Makes about 2 dozen  
Hands on time: 20 minutes  
Total time: 3 hours, 40 minutes

3 cups pecan halves and pieces  
1 3/4 cups all-purpose flour  
3/4 cup powdered sugar  
3/4 cup cold butter, cubed  
1/4 cup unsweetened cocoa  
1 1/2 cups semisweet chocolate morsels  
3/4 cups firmly packed brown sugar  
3/4 cup light corn syrup  
1/4 cup butter. Melted  
3 large eggs, lightly beaten  
1 cup sweetened flaked coconut

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Bake pecans in a single layer in a shallow pan 8 to 10 minutes or until lightly toasted and fragrant, stirring halfway through.

Line bottom and sides of a 13x9-inch pan with heavy-duty aluminum foil, allowing 2 to 3 inches to extend over sides. Lightly grease foil.

Pulse flour and next 3 ingredients in a food processor 5 to 6 times or until mixture resembles coarse meal. Press mixture on bottom and 3/4 inch up sides of prepared pan.

Bake crust at 350 degrees for 15 minutes. Remove from oven, and sprinkle chocolate morsels over crust. Cool completely on a wire rack (about 30 minutes).

Whisk together brown sugar and next 3 ingredients until smooth. Stir in coconut and tasted pecans, and spoon into prepared crust.

Bake at 350 degrees for 25 to 30 minutes or until golden and set. Cool completely on a wire rack (about 1 hour). Chill 1 hour. Lift baked bars from pan, using foil sides as handles. Transfer to a cutting board; cut into bars.

#### Try This Twist

German Chocolate-Bourbon-Pecan Pie Bars

For a spirited kick, whisk 1/4 cup of your favorite bourbon into brown sugar mixture in Step 5.

## Plan a Perfect Reunion for Family and Friends

(Family Features) After an extended period of social distancing, this year will be a time for reuniting with family and friends. Picnic get-togethers filled with delicious food are one of the best ways to reunite with loved ones when you're ready for those long-overdue laughs.

While planning the perfect outdoor gathering can feel overwhelming, it doesn't have to be. With these simple tips, it can be easy to organize a memorable picnic reunion.

Make it fun. Whether it's a water balloon toss or a three-legged race, organizing a few games for your guests can be a simple way to reconnect and have fun together. Outdoor games like ring toss and potato sack races or arts and crafts are activities all ages can enjoy.

Reach for pantry staples. No picnic is complete without good food. When planning your menu and packing your cooler, don't stress. Before you make an extra trip to your local farmers market or grocery store, be sure to check your pantry. You probably already have the makings for simple yet delicious meals and snacks. For example, canned fruits, vegetables and proteins – like wild-caught tuna, salmon and sardines – can help you create and elevate your picnic recipes.

Host an eco-friendly picnic. Good food and good weather help make a successful picnic, but ensuring you leave your space as you found it is equally important. To minimize waste, invest in reusable picnicware, like utensils and plates. Also consider swapping your paper napkins for cloth versions. Not only are they more environmentally friendly, but they'll also elevate the overall look of your picnic.

No grill, no problem. As more people seek out substitutes for red meat, change up your menu and serve seafood as a delicious alternative. For those taking part in the day's games and activities, try these Salmon Rollups which make perfect handheld snacks.

For more recipe inspiration while planning your next picnic reunion, visit [chickenofthesea.com](http://chickenofthesea.com).

#### Salmon Rollups

Total time: 15 minutes

Servings: 4

1 can (5 ounce) Chicken of the Sea Pink Salmon  
1 package (8 ounces) cream cheese, softened  
1/2 cup thick and chunky salsa, plus additional for dipping (optional)  
1 cup shredded cheddar cheese  
1 cup corn chips, crushed  
4 flour tortillas (8 inches)  
4 large leafy green lettuce leaves, washed and patted dry

In bowl, combine cream cheese and 1/2 cup salsa until light and fluffy. Stir in salmon, cheese and corn chips.

Spread 1/4 filling to within 1/2 inch of each tortilla edge. Arrange one lettuce leaf over filling. Roll up tortillas and wrap in plastic wrap. Refrigerate 1-3 hours.

To serve, remove plastic wrap, trim ends from rolls and cut each into 3-4 slices. Serve with additional salsa, if desired.

## Jokes From Linda

Submitted by Linda Lavender Armstead



Six-year-old Billy was asked, "Do you know why there is no school?"

He said, "Yes, because there is no toilet paper."

Why does a rooster crow so early in the morning?

To get a word in the for the hens wake up.

Teacher – Give me a sentence using the word defense, defeat and detail.

Student – When a horse jumps over the fence, defeat goes before detail.

Alexandria went to her dad's office and asked him if he could come outside and play with her.

Her dad, Joel, told her he would in a few minutes as he was contemplating on his sermon.

A few minutes later the little girl came back to the office door and asked her dad again.

Again, the same answer was given. This went on for a few minutes. When Alexandria came back and asked her dad, "Are you still constipated?"

## Fillers from Linda

Submitted by Linda~Lavender Armstead  
Washington Hill Road, Hurricane

When we are open to new possibilities, we find them. Be open and skeptical of everything.

Don't let your kids grow up in a house where money matters more than love.

If overthinking situations burn calories, I'd be dead.

Perhaps the butterfly is proof that you can go through a great deal of darkness yet still become something beautiful.

A throw of the dice will never illuminate chance.

The bad news: time flies. The good news: you're the pilot.

Let God's light shine not only in your words but by your deeds.

Not sharing your gratitude is like holding a snickers bar in your mouth for a week. You'd still get cavities.

Sometimes when you're in a dark place, you think you've been buried. But you've actually been planted. Be patient - your time to grow is coming.

God does not come for us to make us comfortable but to make us comforters.

Gratitude is like a food group. It's essential for being alive.

One day or day one. You decide.

Without wisdom wealth is worthless.

You cannot know the wine by the barrel.

Abortion is the gravest human rights abuse of our time.

Happiness makes up in height for what it lacks in length. - Robert Frost

A truly happy person is one who can enjoy the scenery while on a detour.

One of the best gift you can give someone is thanking them for being part of your life.

Saying you believe in yourself does not guarantee your success, but saying you don't believe in yourself will guarantee your failure.

Some church members get more upset over sound, temperature, music and sermon length, than empty pews, prayer rooms, altars and baptisteries.

The truly wise man is he who always believes the Bible against the opinion of any man.

Making other people feel small doesn't make you big. It makes you a jerk.

Did a little mechanics work today. Put a rear end in a recliner.

The fastest land mammal is the toddler who has been asked what's in his mouth.

Never discourage anyone who makes continual progress, no matter how slow.



Don't do something permanently stupid because you're temporarily upset.

Stop trying to make everybody happy, you're not tequila.

Be who you needed when you were younger.

When you forgive you heal. When you let go you grow.

Be happy with what you have and you will have plenty to be happy about.

If you have a gun you can rob a bank but if you have a bank you can rob everyone.

Forgiveness does not change the past but it does enlarge the future.

When you make a commitment you build hope, when you keep it you build trust.

I am a woman. What's your superpower?

May your choices reflect your hopes not your fears.

The best time to plant a tree was 20 years ago. The second best as now.

Givers have to learn to give limits because takers don't have any.

Be bold enough to use your voice, brave enough to listen to your heart, and strong enough to live the life you imagined.

God uses broken people like you and me to rescue broken people like you and me.

The storms of life are only temporary, but the blessings of God are forever.

What God knows about me is far more important than what anyone thinks about me

Be happy with the little you have. There are people who have nothing and still manage to smile.

The best medicine in the world is a kiss from your grandchild!

Don't let the funeral director host your next family reunion.

Keep your eyes on the stars and your feet on the ground. - Theodore Roosevelt

Having a pet in your life is the same as having a child. Their welfare and safety should always come first.

Drive carefully on this road called "life" because people will switch lanes on you without a signal.

At your absolute best, you still won't be good enough for the wrong person. At your worst, you'll still be worth it to the right person.

Switch your mentality

from "I'm broken and helpless," to "I'm growing and healing," and watch how fast your life changes, for the better.

No matter what happens in life, be kind to people. Kindness is a wonderful legacy to leave behind.

If today wasn't all you wanted, don't lose hope. Tomorrow is a brand new day.

I bought a new pair of shoes with memory foam insoles No more forgetting why I walked into the kitchen.

Remember just because you went to college doesn't make you smarter than anyone else. Commonsense doesn't come with a degree.

Guess who got a lot done today. Not me, but congratulations to someone out there who did.

I'm so lovable, the doctors gave me a special jacket so I can hug myself.

One spiritual mercy is worth more than all temporal blessings.

I never realized how funny I was until I started talking to myself.

Some people suck the nice right out of you.

We live, not as we wish to, but as we can.

Your degree is just a piece of paper, your education is shown in your behavior.

When I was a child, I thought nap time was a punishment. Now as a grown-up, nap time feels like a vacation.

If you dislike someone, dislike them alone. Don't recruit others to join your cause.

Sometimes what you're looking for, comes when you're not looking at all.

Sometimes you get so busy taking care of others that you forget that you are important too.

The people whose first instinct is to smile when you make contact with them are some earth's greatest treasures.

Words and hearts should be handled with care for words when spoken and hearts when broken are the hardest things to repair.

A dead battery can't jump a dead battery. Get away from people who can't charge your spirit when you need a jump.

Stop disliking people over what you heard, and be thankful God isn't disliking you over what He knows.

## Bible Verse



For the LORD God is a sun and shield; the LORD bestows favor and honor; no good thing does he withhold from those whose walk is blameless. —Psalm 84:11

# Story Booth Characters Bring Excitement to Valley Park



Kelsey Blankenhorn of Charleston, founder of the Story Booth Characters, greet visitors as Moana, along with Gavin Ramirez of Clendenin, who portrays Maui. (Photo by Betsy Allen)



Jocelyn Cabauatan of Dunbar portrays Raya from "Raya and the Last Dragon." This is a new character for the Story Booth Characters line up. (Photo by Betsy Allen)

## Waiting on the Judge

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There is a proposal for Text Amendments to the Zoning Ordinance for the Zoned Unincorporated Areas of Putnam County, WV, in order to modify Article 600 "C-1," Article 650 "C-2," and Article 1700 "Supplementary." These changes would modify Permitted Principal and Special Permit Uses in the "C-1" and "C-2" zones, including, but not limited to, Automobile Service Station, Automobile Washing or Detailing, Fast Food Restaurant, Personal Storage Facility, Restaurants which serve alcohol, Retail Business size limits, Golf Course, Hospital, Hotel with conference facilities, Retail Sales/Pawnshop/Firearms, Warehousing, and Large Truck and Trailer Sales, Lease, Rental or Service.

All interested parties are invited to attend and will be granted an opportunity to speak.

The notice was published December 10 and 17, 2020.

The January 5 Planning Commission meeting resulted in a presentation of the Text Amendment to the County Commission one week later. Members of the Planning Commission are Jason Asbury, Jim Dodrill, Marnie Edwards, Ron Foster, David Hobba, Bryan Hoylman, Vic Mays, David Meadows, Thor Meeks, David Mills, Jacob Pack, Steve Perry, and Glenn Yeager, II.

On January 12, 2021, the Text Amendments were submitted to the County Commission for approval. The Commission voted to make Retail Sales/Pawnshop/Firearms a special permitted use in C-1 zones and a permitted principal use in C-2 zones.

The ordinance does not allow the sale of firearms in a C-1 zoned area

unless a special permit is obtained.

On May 20, 2021, the Putnam County Planning Office submitted a legal advertisement to the Hurricane Breeze, notifying the public that the Board of Zoning Appeals would meet at 7:00 p.m. on July 1, to consider a request from Valley Outdoors which advertisement included the following wording:

Valley Outdoors has submitted a Variance Request from the requirement of Article 1700.07 of the Zoning Ordinance for the Zoned Unincorporated Areas of Putnam County, WV. The applicant requests to have retail sale of firearms within 300 feet of a church, school, or residential building. The retail sale of firearms is proposed to take place at 3034 Mt. Vernon Road in Hurricane, WV (Tax Map 213, p/o Parcel 71). The property is zoned "C-1" Suburban Commercial.

Valley Outdoors has requested a Special Permit for a Change of Land Use to allow retail sales of firearms at 3034 Mt. Vernon Road in Hurricane, WV (Tax Map 213, p/o Parcel 71). The property is zoned "C-1" Suburban Commercial.

Valley Outdoors asked the BZA to do two things. The first was to allow that which current zoning law forbids — sale of firearms within 300 feet of a residence. The second was to allow that which the County Commission approved on January 12 to happen — request a special permit.

On July 28, 2021, the Planning Commission's Ordinance Review Subcommittee met. The meeting agenda included the following action: Discussion and decision on clarifying Retail Sales/Pawnshop/Firearms - in particular Article 600, Article 650, and Article

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reason, many towns and organizations began hosting neighborhood parades and drive thru events. The Story Booth Adventure Drive Thru was held several times at the park last year, and the organization participated in other events held at the park once the state began to open back up.

This year's Story Booth Adventure featured double the number of volunteers as well as several new characters, including Baymax from the "Big Hero" movies, Megara from "Hercules," Raya from "Raya and the Last Dragon," and Pocahontas.

In addition to the drive thru adventure, there was also a games tent where children could play Spin the Wheel and Plinko and receive prizes of small toys and candy.

The Story Booth Characters was founded by Kelsey Blankenhorn of Charleston, who is originally from Clay County. She started the non-profit organization to help entertain children whose families could not afford to go to Disney World by bringing the characters to them. The Story Booth Players got their start at the Clay Apple Festival, and then began to spread out to other areas in West Virginia.

The Story Booth Players plan to return to Valley Park for the upcoming Cupcake Festival, as well as for Halloween.

1700.

As of Monday, August 9, minutes of the July 28 Subcommittee meeting were not available for public inspection. The Subcommittee's last previous meeting was on May 12, 2021. Subcommittee members are Jason Asbury, Jim Dodrill, Bryan Hoylman, and David Mills.

Waiting on both the Judge and the Subcommittee minutes.



Mary Poppins (Hannah Stricklin of Roan County) and Merida (Haley Ellison of Sissonville) hang out with some penguins at the park. (Photo by Betsy Allen)

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## Chamber of Commerce and Secretary of State Honor Putnam's Oldest Businesses



The Putnam Chamber of Commerce and the WV Secretary of State Mac Warner teamed up to honor four businesses that have been in continuous operation for over 100 years. Honored at the Chamber's annual dinner on Friday, July 30, were Putnam County Bank - 1901, Hurricane Breeze - 1900, Rappolds Barber Shop - 1906 and Allen Funeral Home - 1916.



The Hurricane Breeze was honored for being in business for over 100 years. Shown above are Betsy and Ron Allen.

## High School Football Schedules

Buffalo High School			Poca High School		
08/27	7:00pm	H - Greenbrier West	08/27	7:00pm	A - Nitro
09/03	7:00pm	A - Petersburg	09/03	7:00pm	H - Chapmanville
09/10		Open	09/10	7:00pm	A - Independence
09/17	7:00pm	H - Williamstown	09/17		Open
09/24	7:00pm	H - Roane County	09/24	7:00pm	A - Mingo Central
10/01	7:00pm	A - Man High School	10/01	7:00pm	H - Sissonville
10/08	7:00pm	A - Tyler Consolidated	10/08	7:00pm	H - Winfield
10/15	7:00pm	A - Tolsia	10/15	7:00pm	H - Logan
10/22	7:00pm	H - Ravenswood	10/22	7:00pm	H - Scott
10/29	7:00pm	A - Van	10/29	7:00pm	A - Herbert Hoover
11/05	7:00pm	H - Wahama	11/05	7:00pm	A - Wayne
Hurricane High School			Winfield High School		
08/27	7:00pm	H - Winfield	08/27	7:00pm	A - Hurricane
09/03	7:30pm	H - Huntington	09/03	7:00pm	H - Herbert Hoover
09/10	7:30pm	A - Geo. Washington	09/10	7:00pm	A - Chapmanville
09/17	7:30pm	A - Cabell Midland	09/17	7:00pm	H - Wayne
09/24	7:30pm	H - St. Albans	09/24	7:00pm	A - Logan
10/01	7:30pm	A - Parkersburg	10/01		Open
10/08	7:30pm	A - Lincoln County	10/08	7:00pm	A - Poca
10/15		Open	10/15	7:00pm	H - Sissonville
10/22	7:30pm	H - Capital	10/22	7:00pm	H - Nitro
10/29	7:30pm	H - So. Charleston	10/29	7:00pm	A - Scott
11/05	7:30pm	A - Spring Valley	11/05	7:00pm	H - Point Pleasant



The Putnam County Bank was honored for being in business for over 100 years. Shown above, from left to right, are Dave Gilpin, Jarrod Summers, Gary Young, and Glen Yeager. (Photo by Betsy Allen)

# A PATH TO THE SEA



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Along the boardwalk and over the dunes, suddenly the sea appears in all its glory. Hidden until you are almost on top of it, it is always there waiting. Our Creator is always there waiting, too, even though we may become tired and discouraged because the path is not always clear. Learn more of God's path for you at your house of worship this week. He can lead you to a life of beauty and peace; He will help you find your way.

### Daily Devotional Reading

Deut. 5:23-33	Deut. 7:1-26	Deut. 8:1-20	Deut. 9:1-29	Deut. 10:1-22	Deut. 11:1-32	Deut. 12:1-32
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## BASIC BIBLE

By Ron Allen  
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### Jesus Corrects and Commends John Matthew 11:1-15

In verse 1, Matthew writes that Jesus made an end of commanding His disciples and began to teach and preach in their cities. The disciples were drawn to Jesus because they believed that He was the Promised One. The disciples were called for a specific purpose: they were to deliver the gospel to all who would believe. That which Jesus said in the verses before us was spoken to a much larger audience than His disciples. It is addressed to an audience that included those who had heard the message of John the Baptist and had been baptized by him.

This larger audience heard the inquiry made of Jesus by two of John's disciples. They heard John's disciples ask, "Art thou he that should come, or do we look for another?"

John's question would seem to fly in the face of that which John said when he baptized Jesus (Matt. 3:3). At Jesus' baptism, John was certain that Jesus was the Messiah whose coming he was called to declare. John, now in prison and having heard the works which Jesus had done, now wondered if he should look for one other than Jesus.

Jesus' answer is for both John and the audience which heard John's question. Jesus said, "Go and show John again those things which ye do hear and see" (v. 4). Why was there need for John to be told those things a second time? When one takes a second look, one is forced to consider information that was not fully considered previously.

Jesus made the things that John had not fully considered known in verse 5. John knew that Jesus had caused the blind to see, the lame to walk, lepers to be healed, the deaf to hear, and the dead to be raised up. He knew that Jesus had preached good news to the poor (see Matt. 5:3). He knew these things but he thought Jesus might not be the Messiah. Isaiah prophesied that the Messiah would do these things (see Isa. 29:18, 61:1). It would appear that John was looking for a Messiah who would rule with a strong hand (see Isa. 40:10). There were many in the audience who looked for a Messiah who would be their king, a king who would expunge Judea of Roman rule. They, like John, needed to consider the things which Jesus had done in a different light.

In verse 6, Jesus said that those who would not be offended because of Him would be blessed. Believers are not offended. We are blessed. This is not the case, however, for those who do not believe. One is offended by that which is contrary to one's values and beliefs. Many scribes and Pharisees were offended when Jesus said that their righteousness was insufficient to enter the kingdom of heaven (Matt. 5:20).

After John's two disciples departed. Jesus addressed the audience who had heard Him say that John needed to rethink that which he had heard. As noted earlier, this audience included many who held John in high regard and were among those baptized by him. Those holding John in high regard might be offended by that which Jesus had just said.

Jesus asked the multitude why that they had been drawn to John and then supplied the answer. They believed that John was a prophet. They were drawn to John because he declared words given to him by God.

Jesus declared that John was, in deed, a prophet. Jesus then added that John was more than a prophet. John was more than a prophet because he was a prophet whose coming had been declared by Isaiah. God, through Isaiah, said "Behold, I send my messenger before thy face, which shall prepare thy way before thee" (Isa. 40:3). John was the messenger of whom Isaiah spoke.

In verse 11, Jesus stated that there were none born of women greater than John the Baptist. John was second to no one in greatness. The Lord followed with a statement that would have surprised His audience. He said that the least in the kingdom of heaven was greater than John. John's greatness was not of the magnitude needed to qualify for entry in the kingdom of heaven. The least in the kingdom of heaven would be greater than John. Entry into the kingdom of heaven is not dependent upon one's greatness.

That which Jesus spoke in verses 12 through 14 is for all who have the ears to hear (see v. 15). In verse 12, Jesus said, "And from the days of John the Baptist until now the kingdom of heaven suffereth violence, and the violent take it by force." Suffereth violence, *biazo* in the Greek, is a single word which carries the thought of being subjected to force. The violent are those who forcibly attempt to enter the kingdom of heaven. Before John the Baptist, men sought entry into the kingdom of heaven by relying upon their own effort, by keeping the law (a forceful attempt). They sought to enter on the strength of works. John preached that entry into the kingdom of heaven was dependent upon changing one's ways (Matt. 3:2). In verse 14, Jesus made it known that John's ministry was that which was prophesied by Malachi (Mal. 4:5-6). John was the Elijah whose ministry would result in a relationship that did not previously exist. That new relationship is created when one repents of one's works and comes to Christ believing that He is the supplier of the righteousness necessary to enter into the kingdom of heaven.

Only believers have the ears to hear. Let us declare the gospel such that all may hear.



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# Obituaries

### WAYNE J. BATTEN

Wayne J. Batten, 88, of Poca, passed away August 5, 2021 at home surrounded by his family.

Wayne is survived by his loving wife of 59 years, Mrs. Bonnie Batten; daughter Vickie Clendenin of Cross Lanes; sons Tom (Debbie) of Richmond, VA and Jim (Keith) of Clearwater, FL; grandchildren Stacey Davis (Mike) of Kenna, Sara Clendenin (Frank Meadows) of Cross Lanes and Brian Batten of IN; great grandchildren Craig Haynes (Cierra), Chase Clendenin, Madison Woody and Tarah Higginbotham and great-great grandson Jayden Haynes.

Wayne is a member of the Nitro Masonic Lodge and a former employee of Monsanto Chemical Co.. He drilled water wells all over Putnam and Kanawha Counties and enjoyed his antique cars. He also had a great love for his dog Axle.

At his request there will be no services.

### JERRY LEE BENNETT

Gone from our sight, but never from our hearts Jerry Lee Bennett went home to be with the Lord, Saturday, July 31, 2021. He was born in Charleston on December 3rd, 1945, to Winfred and Virginia Bennett. He was raised in Hurricane and graduated

from Hurricane High School in 1963. He enlisted in the Army in August 1964 and was honorably discharged in August 1967. On September 19th, 1964, he married the love of his life, Betty Ruth Gibson. Jerry and Betty went on to have three children, Duska, Jerry Lee, and Jeremy. After serving in the military Jerry worked full time while earning a bachelor's degree from West Virginia State University. He spent 30 plus years in the Cable Television Industry and retired from the West Virginia Public Service Commission in 2010. He enjoyed traveling, riding motorcycles, playing the drums, and trapshooting, a beloved hobby he passed on to his sons. He was a loving father and grandfather known by his grandchildren as "Pa Jerry." He never missed a birthday and was never without a moon pie or some kind of sweet.

He is preceded in death by his parents: Winfred and Virginia Bennett; his wife Betty Bennett. Those left to cherish memories of him are his children Duska Arbaugh of Hurricane; Jerry L. Bennett II (Vanessa) of Bay Springs, MS; Jeremy Bennett (Bridget) of Mt. Juliet, TN; His brother Larry Bennett (Diana) of Cross Lanes; his grandchildren Bronwyn and William

Arbaugh; Raeghan and Kynlee Bennett; Ainsley and Branson Bennett.

Service was Friday, August 6, 2021, at Allen Funeral Home in Hurricane, with the Rev. Charles Larue officiating. Burial was in Valley View Memorial Park, Hurricane.

### LEWIS PRESTON CROUCH

Lewis Preston Crouch, 60, of Hurricane, went home to be with our Lord August 6, 2021, after a long illness.

He was preceded in death by his father Ronald K. Crouch Sr. and nephew Alan Dwayne Stanley.

He is survived by his mother Mamie E. Johnson Crouch, brothers Ronald K. Crouch Jr., Donald K. Crouch and sisters Bonnie E. McCord (Dennis) and Malinda T Stanley (Bobby) all of Hurricane, He leaves behind 8 nephews and 2 nieces, many great and great grand nephews and nieces, cousins, Aunts Uncles and very close friends who loved and admired him.

Funeral service was Sunday, August 8, 2021, at Allen Funeral Home with Elder Harold Johnson and Anthony Edwards of Fairview Primitive Church officiating. Burial was in Carpenter Cemetery.

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a foster parent, and he loved those children and his family and friends with his whole heart.

Cole was preceded in death by his grandad, James Holliday, his grandmother, Brenda Kay Johnson, great grand-parents, Eva Marie and Matt Johnson, and his Uncle Mark Wingate.

A celebration of Cole's life will be held August 14, 2021 at St. Timothy's In-the-Valley Episcopal Church, Hurricane.

RONALD RAYNES

Ronald Stanton "Burr Head" Raynes, 72, of Fraziers Bottom, went home to be with the lord on Thursday, August 5, 2021 at his home. He was a 1968 graduate of Buffalo High School and retired from the WV Department of Highways with over 42 years of service. He loved to fish and was a former state champion in archery.

He was preceded in death by his parents, William L. Raynes and Ruby E. Shank Raynes.

Survivors include his loving wife of 20 years, Jeanie Raynes; daughters, Ronda Hughes and Janet Raynes; son, James Raynes; step sons, Daniel Ferguson and Tommy Ferguson; brother, Keith L. (Joetta) Raynes; sister, Ann Elliott; seven grandchildren and one great grandchild.

Graveside service was Thursday, August 12, 2021 at Bowcott Cemetery, Pliny with Pastor Rex Nance officiating.

RANDALL JAMES REED

Randall James Reed, 66, of Scott Depot, passed away suddenly on August 5, 2021 at CAMC

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MARY ANN ELLIOTT

Mary Ann Elliott, 74, of Buffalo, went home to be with the Lord on Friday, August 6, 2021. She was a Christian and a life-long member of Leon Community Church. Ann was a homemaker and loved her family and took good care of them. She loved animals and spending time outdoors, and traveling to the family camp in the mountains. Ann was a wonderful wife, mother, grandmother and sister, and will be sadly missed by those who are left to cherish her memory.

Born March 26, 1947, she was the daughter of the late John Wes Stover and Mary Agnes Gordon Stover.

She is survived by her loving husband of 45 years, Ronnie Elliott; her son, Zane Ray Elliott of Buffalo; her granddaughter, Zoey Rayanne Elliott; her brothers, Roger (Loretta) Stover, Larry Stover, Marty (Sue) Stover, Wesley (Stephanie) Stover, Victor Stover, and Timmy (Regina) Stover, all of Leon, WV; as well as a host of nieces, nephews, and extended family and friends.

Funeral service was Thursday, August 12, 2021 at Raynes Funeral Home Buffalo with Pastor Pete Cobb officiating. Burial was in the Elliott Family Cemetery, Buffalo.

JACK L. GARTON

Jack L. Garton, 82, of Red House, entered his heavenly home on Friday August 6, 2021 at his home following a short illness. He was a graduate of Poca High School and retired from Putnam County Schools with 17 years of service. He was a man of God and pastored several local churches over many years. He loved farming, fishing, hunting and could always be found outside "piddling" around as he called it. Above all he loved his family. Jack was truly a blessing and a friend to everyone he met. He was the best dad a girl could ask for. He was

our comfort, strength and teacher of God. He will be missed by many.

Jack was the last surviving child of Dewey Dewitt Talmage Garton and Vera Claire Blake Garton. In addition to his parents he was preceded in death by his loving wife of 58 years, Sharon Sue Garton; brothers, Dewey T. "Junior" Garton Jr., Gerald Sylvester Garton, William Benton Garton; sisters, Shirley Edith Innell and Janette Y. "Hoodley" Luikart .

He is survived by his three daughters, Suzanna (Brad) Harbour of Steel Ridge, Tammy Garton Arbaugh of Napoleon, Ohio, and Anita (Steven) Fellers of Steel Ridge; grandchildren, Ashley and Joshua Bowman, Erica and Homer McDaniel, Jerry Randolph, Jr. and Brandy and RV Arthur; great-grandchildren, Katie, Connor, Jessie, Luke, Caden, Dakota, Noah and Owen;

He is also survived by several nieces, nephews, extended family and friends.

Funeral service was Tuesday, August 10, 2021 at Raynes Funeral Home, Eleanor, with Pastor Rick Legg officiating. Burial was in Parkins Cemetery, Liberty.

COLE MATTHEW JOHNSON

It is with great sadness that the family of Cole Matthew Johnson, of Hurricane, announces his passing on August 2, 2021. Cole will be lovingly remembered and forever missed by his wife, Susan Rakes Johnson, his mother, Anne Holliday Johnson, his father, Matthew L. Johnson (Tonya), his brother, Logan Johnson (Kate), his sister, Ali Johnson Owens (Chris), his god-brother, John Michael Holliday, stepsisters Laci Shantie and Chloe Holtzapfel, grandmother, Sally Holliday, and his aunts, uncles, cousins, and many dear friends. Cole was a compassionate, kind and gentle soul, and those qualities shone through everything he did and touched everyone he met. His greatest joy was being

Memorial Hospital.

He is survived by his loving wife, Lois Reed, of Scott Depot; daughter, Danielle Reed of Scott Depot; son, Clifford (Brandy) Reed of Sissonville; father, James Reed of Sissonville; sisters, Sandy (Steve) Horton of Sissonville and Sue (Rick) Reed of Clendenin, and a multitude of grandchildren, nieces, and nephews.

Services were held privately for the family at Cunningham Parker & Johnson Funeral Home in Charleston.

PAUL DON SAMPLES

Paul Don Samples, 87, of Scott Depot, passed away after an illness on Thursday, August 5, 2021. He was born in Chelyan, WV on February 8, 1934.

He was preceded in death by his wife Dorothy "Dot" Samples, parents, Edward Conaway Samples and Alta Williams Samples, and his sister, Norma Jean Smith.

Don was dedicated to living a life of integrity to honor God, love family, and serve others. His marriage to Dot, wife of 63 years, was a love of inseparability and devotion until she passed and was a great example to all who knew them. He was a proud veteran of the United States Navy during the Korean War and known to wear his many hats to celebrate his service. He was an avid reader with a special interest in World War II history and weather. He was always ready to let you know about the weather and to deliver a humorous comment in any situation to brighten anyone's day. He was active in many churches

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over the years, most recently St. John United Methodist in Scott Depot, but also East Bank UMC, Bridgeport UMC and Broad St (Weston) UMC. He was employed by Consolidated Natural Gas Transmission Corporation for 40 years across several locations in the state.

He is survived by his son, Paul Kevin Samples (Lisa), cherished grandchildren Megan Mikesell (Zane), Colleen Cole (Ethan), Geoffrey Samples (Katie), his great-grandsons, Levi and Sawyer Cole. A service to celebrate the lives of Don and Dot was held Monday, August 9, 2021 at St. John United Methodist Church.

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# Putnam County Marriages

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

Bodie Lee Johnson to Chelse Raye Jobe

John Edwin Mitchell to Kansas Mackenzie Gillispie

Russell Eugene Morrison to Stephanie Amber Bird

Andrew Edward Harper to Angel Nichole Whittington

Gabriel Philip Roberts to Chasity Nicole Foster

Mark Anthony Jobe to Kendra Dawn Boggess

Chase Michel Wyszong to Hope Danielle Painter

Michael Edward Waller to Mary Elizabeth Lewis

Cody Russell Hamm to Savannah Guillermina Cerda

Eric Matthew Hill to Amy Lynn Holland

Steven Adam Rhodes to Laura Kristin Campbell

Eral William Kosa to Allyn Marie Snyder

Jacob Cole Mount to La Keria Ashlie Browning

Ronnie Dale Thompson to Nina Lynn Thompson

Donald Chase Rittenhouse to Hannah Beth Balentine

Preston Joe Mallett to Maddison Alivia Bostick

Trevor Scott Lewis to Aivy Laguras Mapili

Micah Christopher Doss to Hannah Sadie-Mae Cater

John Christopher Fowler to Stephanie

Dawn Spaulding

Kenneth Shane Litton to Shannon Marie Gibson

Benjamin Mark Roberts to Mikayla Dawn Hastings

Justin Michael Myers to Olivia Krystine Clark

Stephen Tyler Moss to Hollie Nicole Means

Dylan Bruce Adkins to Jessica Lynn Martin

Scott David Farley to Hannah Rose Atkins

Richard Kenton Ward to Stephanie Christine Duling

Justin Paul Gatens to Stormy Renae Bays

Roy William Dickerson to Lisa Diane Ikner

Terrence Terrell Adams to Shalina Lynn McCallister

Nathaniel Gene Embree to Gisselle Estefanie Molinari

Timothy Allen-Grimes Maynard to Samantha Elizabeth Harris

Steven Ray Crilow II to Natalie Marie Harris

Blake Isaac Gibson to Alisha Nicole Smoke

William Donald Pauley III to Amy Jo Mitchell

Nicholas Lane Lemon to Virginia Ann Campbell

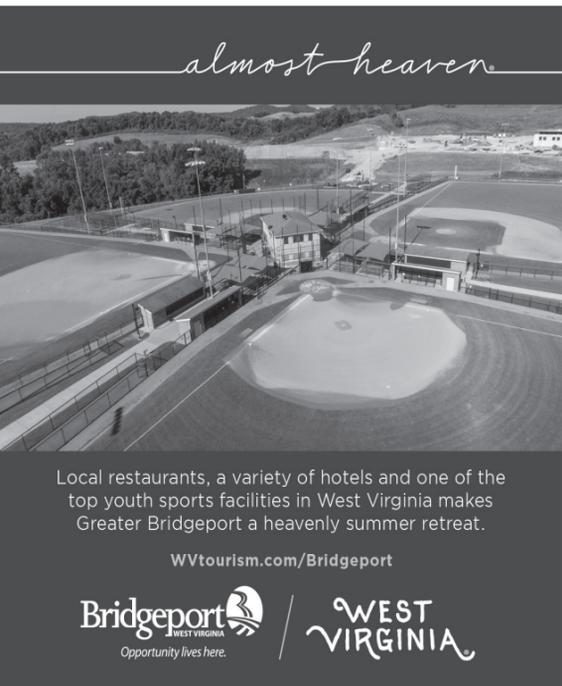
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The proposed increased rates and charges will become effective November 1, 2021, unless otherwise ordered by the Public Service Commission, and will increase revenue approximately \$31,500,000 annually, an increase of approximately 34.3%.

The average monthly bill for the various classes of customers of MOUNTAINEER GAS COMPANY will be changed as follows:

	INCREASE	INCREASE
Residential	\$ 8.70	14.03 %
Commercial	\$ 43.50	17.54 %
Industrial	\$ 3,807.96	19.06 %
Resale	\$ 834.19	24.37 %

Resale customers of MOUNTAINEER GAS COMPANY include Canaan Valley Gas Co., Cardinal Natural Gas Company Northern Division (formerly known as Lumberport-Shinnston Gas Company and Blacksville Oil & Gas Company, Inc.), Consumers Gas Utility Co., Dominion Energy WV, Megan Oil and Gas, City of Philippi, and Southern Public Service.

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

A complete copy of the proposed rates, as well as a representative of the Company to provide any information requested concerning it, is available to all customers, prospective customers, or their agents at the following offices of the Company:

Mountaineer Gas Company Office  
501 56th Street SE, Charleston, West Virginia 25304.

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

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

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

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The proposed increased rates and charges will become effective November 1, 2021, unless otherwise ordered by the Public Service Commission, and will produce an increase of approximately \$636,000 annually in revenue, an increase of 12.2%. The average monthly bill for the various classes of customers will be increased as follows:

	(\$) INCREASE	(%) INCREASE
Residential (4 mcf usage)	\$ 5.65	12.8%
Commercial (22 mcf usage)	\$31.06	16.9%

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

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

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CASE NO. 21-0416-G-390P

HOPE GAS INC., dba DOMINION ENERGY WEST VIRGINIA, a public utility, Bridgeport, Harrison County. Surcharge on Infrastructure Improvements.

## NOTICE OF FILING AND HEARING

On May 28, 2021, Hope Gas, Inc., doing business as Dominion Energy West Virginia (Hope) filed its Annual Pipeline Replacement and Expansion Program (PREP) Application with revised PREP Rates, pursuant to W.Va. Code §24-2-1k, which authorizes the Public Service Commission of West Virginia to approve cost recovery of projects to replace, upgrade, and expand natural gas utility infrastructure that are deemed to be just and reasonable and in the public interest.

In its Application, Hope projects PREP capital investment for calendar year 2022 of \$59 million as part of its Core Distribution System and Gathering Facilities multi-year plans. The Application also contains a true-up for actual versus projected 2020 calendar year PREP capital investment activity in its Core Distribution System. The PREP covers several categories of plant asset replacements and improvements, including mains, service lines, regulator stations and other plant equipment in its Core Distribution System and Gathering Facilities. These plant investments are proposed to be made in Hope service territories throughout the State. These projects are identified in the Application, which is on file and available for public inspection at the Commission's offices at 201 Brooks Street, Charleston, West Virginia.

Hope proposes to recover costs associated with these investments through an additional increment within the fixed or volumetric, base rate component of its rates depending on the applicable rate schedule under which service is rendered, to be effective on November 1, 2021. Hope projects that if the program and rate increments are approved as requested, the average monthly bill for its various classes of customers will be changed on November 1, 2021, as follows:

TYPE OF CUSTOMER	Hope Proposed	
	\$ INCREASE	% INCREASE
Residential	\$2.92	4.22%
Commercial	\$41.29	6.04%
Large Commercial	\$130.99	1.60%
Industrial	\$628.37	5.46%
Resale	\$351.67	2.88%
Gathering (PGAS)	\$401.76	1.03%

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The Commission set a procedural schedule, including a hearing on the Application, if necessary, that will begin at 9:30 a.m. on Thursday, September 23, 2021, in the Howard M. Cunningham Hearing Room at the Commission's offices at 201 Brooks Street, Charleston, West Virginia. If no opposition to the Application is received by the Commission within one week of the hearing date, the hearing may be waived and the Commission may issue a final order within 150 days of the Application filing date.

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HOPE GAS, INC., dba DOMINION ENERGY WEST VIRGINIA

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## BETTY JANE STEWART

Betty Jane "Granny" (Hoover) Stewart, 87, of Hurricane, passed away August 7, 2021 at home peacefully surrounded by family after long extended illness. She is preceded in death by her parents Rondie & Areda Hoover; brother, James Kenneth Hoover; brother-in-laws,

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HURRICANE MUNICIPAL PLANNING COMMISSION PUBLIC HEARING August 30, 2021 6:00 PM 3255 TEAYS VALLEY ROAD HURRICANE, WV 25526

The Hurricane Municipal Planning Commission will have a Public Hearing on August 30, 2021 at 6:00 pm at the Hurricane Municipal Building: 3255 Teays Valley Road. The purpose of this hearing will be to review a request from Crystal Tincer for a zoning change from R-1 to R-2 at 3239, 3243 and 3247 Kanawha Avenue, Hurricane. The public is invited to attend.

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HOPE GAS INC., dba DOMINION ENERGY WEST VIRGINIA, a public utility, Bridgeport, Harrison County. Surcharge on Infrastructure Improvements.

## NOTICE OF FILING AND HEARING

On May 28, 2021, Hope Gas, Inc., doing business as Dominion Energy West Virginia (Hope) filed its Annual Pipeline Replacement and Expansion Program (PREP) Application with revised PREP Rates, pursuant to W.Va. Code §24-2-1k, which authorizes the Public Service Commission of West Virginia to approve cost recovery of projects to replace, upgrade, and expand natural gas utility infrastructure that are deemed to be just and reasonable and in the public interest.

In its Application, Hope projects PREP capital investment for calendar year 2022 of \$59 million as part of its Core Distribution System and Gathering Facilities multi-year plans. The Application also contains a true-up for actual versus projected 2020 calendar year PREP capital investment activity in its Core Distribution System. The PREP covers several categories of plant asset replacements and improvements, including mains, service lines, regulator stations and other plant equipment in its Core Distribution System and Gathering Facilities. These plant investments are proposed to be made in Hope service territories throughout the State. These projects are identified in the Application, which is on file and available for public inspection at the Commission's offices at 201 Brooks Street, Charleston, West Virginia.

Hope proposes to recover costs associated with these investments through an additional increment within the fixed or volumetric, base rate component of its rates depending on the applicable rate schedule under which service is rendered, to be effective on November 1, 2021. Hope projects that if the program and rate increments are approved as requested, the average monthly bill for its various classes of customers will be changed on November 1, 2021, as follows:

TYPE OF CUSTOMER	Hope Proposed	
	\$ INCREASE	% INCREASE
Residential	\$2.92	4.22%
Commercial	\$41.29	6.04%
Large Commercial	\$130.99	1.60%
Industrial	\$628.37	5.46%
Resale	\$351.67	2.88%
Gathering (PGAS)	\$401.76	1.03%

The increases shown are based on averages of all customers in the indicated classes. Each class may receive an increase greater or less than stated here. Individual customers may receive increases that are greater or less than average. Furthermore, the requested increased rates and charges are only a proposal and are subject to change (increase or decrease) by the Public Service Commission in its review of this filing. Any increase in rates and charges will not become effective until authorized and approved by the Public Service Commission.

The Commission set a procedural schedule, including a hearing on the Application, if necessary, that will begin at 9:30 a.m. on Thursday, September 23, 2021, in the Howard M. Cunningham Hearing Room at the Commission's offices at 201 Brooks Street, Charleston, West Virginia. If no opposition to the Application is received by the Commission within one week of the hearing date, the hearing may be waived and the Commission may issue a final order within 150 days of the Application filing date.

Anyone desiring to intervene should file a written petition to intervene within 20 days following the date of this publication unless otherwise modified by Commission order. All requests to intervene should briefly state the reason for the request to intervene and comply with the rules on intervention set forth in the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure. The Commission will receive public comments until the beginning of the hearing. All written comments and requests to intervene should state the case name and number and be addressed to Executive Secretary, Public Service Commission of West Virginia, P.O. Box 812, Charleston, West Virginia 25323, with copies to Brien J. Fricke, Senior Counsel, Hope Gas, Inc., dba Dominion Energy West Virginia, 120 Tredegar Street, RS-2, Richmond, Virginia 23219, and Kurt L. Krieger, P.O. Box 1588, Charleston, West Virginia 25326-1588.

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Gary Parrish & Shannon Dorsey; nephews, Kevin Welch, and Rondie Welch.

Betty was a nurse for over 60 years. She retired from Saint Francis hospital. She was a member of Eastern Star association.

Betty is survived by her sisters, Brenda Parrish, Shirley Dorsey; children, Charles Stanley (Linda), Ricky Stanley (Teresa), Beverly McCune, Kody Russell, and Jenny Mullins; grandchildren, Sharon Snodgrass, Catherine Lawrence, Chad Stanley, Amanda Gilliland, Misty Harris, Casey Mullins, Rachael Russell, and Charlie Russell; nieces, Becky Botkin (Tim) &

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### Notice of Public Hearing

The Putnam County Planning Commission will meet on Thursday, September 21, 2021, 7:00 p.m. in Room 202, of the Putnam County Courthouse, 12093 Winfield Road, Winfield, WV in order to conduct regular business, and hold the following public hearing:

Geoffrey Richardson has requested a Classification Variation for division of two (2) lots at 1.01 and 1.62 acres from the original lot of 2.63 acres; located on Tax Map 216, Parcel 52.13, under Article 100.01 (III) CLASSIFICATION VARIATION of the Putnam County Subdivision Regulations to be classified as an administrative subdivision.

Jimmy Calhoun, P.E., of Calhoun Engineering in Hurricane, WV, is petitioning for a Text Amendment to revise Article 650, §650.2, "C-2" High Density Commercial District, PERMITTED PRINCIPAL USES, and Article 150, §150.2, Definitions, of the Zoning Ordinance for the Zoned Unincorporated Areas of Putnam County, West Virginia; to add Heavy Construction and Farm Equipment sales, lease, or services as a permitted principal use.

All interested parties are invited to attend and will be granted an opportunity to speak.

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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.: 4747  
Estate Name: William A. Bennett  
Executrix: Michelle Chambers  
164 Canyon Lakes Way  
San Ramon, CA 94582

Estate No.: 4753  
Estate Name: Diana Kay Edwards  
Executrix: Christie Edwards  
2606 Virginia Avenue  
Hurricane, WV 25526

Estate No.: 4740  
Estate Name: Judith Ann Fisher  
Executrix: Stephanie M. Jividen  
226 Frazier Lane  
Buffalo, WV 25033

Estate No.: 4749  
Estate Name: Denver Junior Flowers  
Administratrix: Gloria J. Flowers  
P. O. Box 72  
Bancroft, WV 25011

Estate No.: 4568  
Estate Name: John William Glaspell  
Administratrix: Phyllis A. Glaspell  
144 Glenwood Lane  
Hurricane, WV 25526

Estate No.: 4670  
Estate Name: Garland Miller Morris  
Administratrix: Patricia A. Morris  
32 Edwarter Drive  
Poca, WV 25159

Estate No.: 4713  
Estate Name: James Alan Schad  
Executrix: Sheila L. Schad  
1223 Forest Drive  
Hurricane, WV 25526

Estate No.: 4587  
Estate Name: Larry Arnold Stover  
Executrix: Emily Catherine Stover  
13655 Winfield Road  
Winfield, WV 25213

All persons having claims against the estate(s) of any of the above-named deceased persons whether due or not, are notified to exhibit their claims with vouchers thereof, legally verified, to the fiduciary of such deceased person as shown above within 60 days of August 12, 2021; or, if not, to exhibit the same at the office of the undersigned Fiduciary Supervisor at the address shown below by said date; otherwise any or all such claims may by law be excluded from all benefits of said estate(s). No claims against the estate shall be accepted by the fiduciary supervisor after said date. All beneficiaries of said estate(s) may appear either before the above-named fiduciary by the date first shown above, or thereafter before the undersigned fiduciary supervisor by the date last shown above to examine said claims and otherwise protect their respective interests.

All persons seeking to impeach or establish a will must file a complaint pursuant to W. Va. Code. Any person objecting to the representative's qualifications, venue or jurisdiction must file a complaint within 60 days of August 12, 2021.

Putnam County Commission  
10293 Winfield Road,  
Winfield, WV 25213

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Sherrie Strickland (Gary); nephews, Michael Dorsey (Teresa) & Sparkie Dorsey (Susie); several great grandchildren and close friend, Lisa Cunningham.

Service was Wednesday, August 11, at Tyler Mountain Funeral Home, Cross Lanes, with Pastor Charles Stanley officiating. Entombment was in Tyler Mountain Memory Gardens, Cross Lanes.

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Estate No.: 4743  
Estate Name: Jean G. Audet  
Administrator  
Cta: Anthony G. Audet  
73 Evergreen Road  
Fairfax, VT 05454

Estate No.: 4666  
Estate Name: Jennifer Lee Baldwin  
Administrator: John L. Summers  
1868 Palm Drive  
Charleston, WV 25312

Estate No.: 4725  
Estate Name: Charlene Cardea  
Executrix: David E. Sowards  
Post Office Box 113  
Salt Rock, WV 25559

Estate No.: 4646  
Estate Name: Sharon Jean Crowell  
Executrix: Russell E. Crowell  
P. O. Box 111  
Buffalo, WV 25033

Estate No.: 4692  
Estate Name: Phillip Keith Darby  
Executrix: Mark A. Darby  
1281 South Winterhawk Drive  
St. Augustine, FL 32086

Estate No.: 4739  
Estate Name: Rhea Laverne Duke  
Executrix: Ladonna Escue  
145 Cline Avenue  
Hurricane, WV 25526

Estate No.: 4578  
Estate Name: Franklin Delano Fannin  
Executrix: Melanie S. Fannin  
28 Hillsdale Circle  
Scott Depot, WV 25560

Estate No.: 4688  
Estate Name: Carl Murray Gagnon  
Executrix: Tina L. Gagnon  
149 Maplewood Estates  
Scott Depot, WV 25560

Estate No.: 4732  
Estate Name: Viva Louise Goddard  
Administratrix: Teresa L. Wolfe  
659 Bills Creek Road  
Winfield, WV 25213

Estate No.: 4539  
Estate Name: Mary Rebecca Layton  
Administrator: Edward A. Layton  
309 Pebble Creek Drive  
Fraziers Bottom, WV 25082

Estate No.: 4741  
Estate Name: Richie Allen Martin  
Administrator: John Lachance  
101 Wildcat Road  
Burlington, CT 06013

Estate No.: 4696  
Estate Name: Charles Timothy Mendenhall  
Administratrix: Shaylyn Noelle Hampton  
2348 Walcot Way  
Lexington, Ky 40511

Estate No.: 4679  
Estate Name: Charles Manville Savilla, II  
Administratrix: Kerri Spears Savilla  
627 Sapphire Drive  
Hurricane, WV 25526

Estate No.: 4742  
Estate Name: Judith Kay Simpson  
Executrix: Kindra Simpson  
2408 Myers Avenue  
Apt. 1  
Dunbar, WV 25064

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Notice is hereby given that the following described tracts or lots of land in the County of Putnam have been certified by the Auditor of the State of West Virginia to G. Russell Rollyson, Jr., Deputy Commissioner of Delinquent and Nonentered lands of said County, for sale at public auction. The lands will be offered for sale by the undersigned Deputy Commissioner at public auction in the Old Courtroom at the Putnam County Courthouse beginning at 9:00 AM in the morning, on the 9th day of September 2021.

Each tract or lot as described below, will be sold to the highest bidder. The payment for any tract or lot purchased at a sale shall be made by check or money order payable to the sheriff of the county and delivered before the close of business on the day of the sale. If any of said tracts or lots remain unsold following the auction, they will be subject to sale by the Deputy Commissioner without additional advertising or public auction. The deputy commissioner sale may include tracts or lots remaining unsold from a previous auction not required by law to be readvertised and described for this subsequent auction of those same tracts and lots. All sales are subject to the approval of the Auditor of the State of West Virginia.

CERT NO	YEAR SOLD	NAME1	NAME2	DESCRIPTION	DISTRICT
403105	2017	PHILLIPS JOHN C ET UX		0.12 AC PLANATION CRK	BUFFALO
403106	2017	CROUCH DONALD K ET UX		LOT 20 SEC 3 BRYN MAWR	CURRY
403108	2017	FINERTY JOESPH M		LOT EE-20 SEC E LAKE WASHINGTON	CURRY
403109	2017	FRAZIER SARAH RENE		LOT A-20 LAKE WASHINGTON	CURRY
403110	2017	JAERAE HOLDINGS LLC		LOT FF-40 SEC F LAKE WASHINGTON	CURRY
403111	2017	LEMON RICHARD ET UX		LOT FF-30 LAKE WASHINGTON	CURRY
403112	2017	NEWTON STEVEN MICHAEL		1/2 INT 3.4112 AC SYCAMORE RD	CURRY
403113	2017	NUNN DAVID WESLEY		LTS F22 & F23 LAKE WASHINGTON	CURRY
403115	2017	PERRY THOMAS J ET UX		LOT 13 SEC 2 (0.64 AC) MOUNTAIN VIEW	CURRY
403116	2017	VICKERS WOODROW E ET UX		LOT FF-36 LAKE WASHINGTON	CURRY
403117	2017	EDWARDS BRIDGET ET AL	LANHAM DAVID (2019)	.388 AC NR NURRICANE	HURRICANE CORP
403118	2017	ROSE WENDELL E		LOT 54 & LOT 55 VIRGINIA AVENUE ADDN	HURRICANE CORP
403119	2017	GILLISPIE LINDSAY D		PARCEL B (12,740.5 SQ FT) NR NITRO	NITRO CORP
403120	2017	NARBERTH COMPANY INC		1.93 AC CALC	NITRO CORP
403121	2017	BAILEY FRANK ET UX		LOT 13 NITRO ANNEX	POCA
403123	2017	CAMPBELL ROY A	PLUMLEY ROALEE JUBA (2019)	LOT 237 FOREST PARK	POCA
403124	2017	DAVIS ROBERT ET UX		LOT 10 POCA RIVER	POCA
403125	2017	FABER TERRY LEE ET UX		1.34 AC LHF KINGS BR	POCA
403126	2017	GILES MISSOURI HRS		1/2 OF 19 AC LHF	POCA
403127	2017	GILES MISSOURI HRS		COAL 4 AC	POCA
403128	2017	GILLISPIE DONALD R		LOT 98 SEC A HULBERT HTS	POCA
403129	2017	KELLEY L T & ARETTA (2017)	KELLEY ARETTA A (2018)	1.904 AC FLOODED LAND	POCA
403131	2017	MATHEWS REBECCA HUGHES		2.25 EIGHTS INT IN 92.741 POCA RIVER	POCA
403132	2017	MATHEWS REBECCA HUGHES		INT IN 1.14 AC POCA RIVER & HILLS	POCA
403133	2017	MATHEWS REBECCA HUGHES		1/8 INT IN 2.23 AC HARMONS CRK THOMAS TRACT	POCA
403134	2017	PRICE MARY ET AL	MCCOWN KELLY LYNN ET AL	2.25 EIGHTS INT IN 92.741 POCA RIVER	POCA
403135	2017	PRICE MARY ET AL	MCCOWN KELLY LYNN ET AL	INT IN 1.14 AC POCA RIVER & HILLS	POCA
403136	2017	PRICE MARY ET AL	MCCOWN KELLY LYNN ET AL (2019)	5/8 INT IN 2.23 AC HARMONS CRK THOMAS TRACT	POCA
403137	2017	PRICE MARY HUGHES	MCCOWN KELLY LYNN (2019)	3.50 EIGHTS INT IN 92.741 POCA RIVER	POCA
403138	2017	PRICE MARY HUGHES	MCCOWEN KELLY LYNN (2019)	INT IN 1.14 AC POCA RIVER & HILLS	POCA
403139	2017	PRICE MARY HUGHES		2/8 INT IN 2.23 AC HARMONS CRK THOMAS TRACT	POCA
403140	2017	RAY HARRY W JR		LOT 56 ORTIN HTS	POCA
403141	2017	REED KENNETH L ET UX	CREIGHTON JAMES E & ANTHONY E	E 1/2 OF LOT 87 SEC 1 FOREST PARK	POCA
403142	2017	ROSE NORVAL LEE JR		.7 AC RHF POCA	POCA
403143	2017	WYMER DEBRA J	PLUMLEY ROSALEE JUBA (2019)	PRT LOTS 136, 137 & 138 (0.50 AC) ORTIN HTS	POCA
403144	2017	ADKINS RICHARD S		27,000 SQ FT OR TRACT 3	SCOTT
403145	2017	COLE STEVE		LOT 377 SEC 3 RANCH LAKE EST	SCOTT
403146	2017	COMBS EUNICE ELAINE		LOT 450 SEC 3 RANCH LAKE EST	SCOTT
403147	2017	DOLAN PAMELA		REV PLOT 3 (0.94 AC)	SCOTT
403148	2017	FEDERAL LAND & IMPROVEMENT CORP		LOT 110 SEC 2 SUNRISE ACRES	SCOTT
403149	2017	FEDERAL LAND & IMPROVEMENT CORP		LOT 95 SEC 2 SUNRISE ACRES	SCOTT
403150	2017	FIRST ALERT SECURITY LLC		LOT 924 SEC 3-A RANCH LAKE EST	SCOTT
403151	2017	FIRST ALERT SECURITY LLC		LOT 528 SEC 4 RANCH LAKE EST	SCOTT
403152	2017	FIRST ALERT SECURITY LLC		LOT 706 SEC 5 RANCH LAKE EST	SCOTT
403153	2017	FIRST ALERT SECURITY LLC		LOT 713 SEC 5 RANCH LAKE EST	SCOTT
403154	2017	FIRST ALERT SECURITY LLC		LOT 654 SEC 5 RANCH LAKE EST	SCOTT
403155	2017	FIRST ALERT SECURITY LLC		LOT 772 SEC 5 RANCH LAKE EST	SCOTT
403156	2017	GALT RUTH E		LOT 4 WOODBINE ACRES	SCOTT
403157	2017	GODWIN BARBARA J ET AL		LOTS 333, 334 & 335 SEC 3 RANCH LAKE EST	SCOTT
403158	2017	HEBERT ROBERT H ET UX		LOT 110 SEC 1 RANCH LAKE EST	SCOTT
403159	2017	JAERAE HOLDINGS LLC		OIL, GAS & MIN RESERVED ON 1.79 AC POPLAR FORK RD	SCOTT
403160	2017	KELLEY LESTER T ET UX (2017)	KELLEY ARETTA A (2018)	LOT 162 SEC 2 RANCH LAKE EST	SCOTT
403161	2017	KELLEY LESTER T ET UX (2017)	KELLEY ARETTA A (2018)	LOT 173 SEC 2 RANCH LAKE EST	SCOTT
403162	2017	KELLEY LESTER T ET UX (2017)	KELLEY ARETTA A (2018)	LOT 379 SEC 3 RANCH LAKE EST	SCOTT
403163	2017	KELLEY LESTER T ET UX (2017)	KELLEY ARETTA A (2018)	LOT 462 SEC 3 RANCH LAKE EST	SCOTT
403164	2017	KELLEY LESTER T ET UX (2017)	KELLEY ARETTA A (2018)	LOT 439 SEC 3 RANCH LAKE EST	SCOTT
403165	2017	KELLEY LESTER T ET UX (2017)	KELLEY ARETTA A (2018)	LOTS 572 & S 15 FT LOT 573 SEC 4 RANCH LAKE EST	SCOTT
403166	2017	LEONARD EDWARD ET UX		LOT D & W 1/2 OF LOT C SEC 2A RANCH LAKE EST	SCOTT
403167	2017	MARTIN DAVID L ET UX		LOT 1 (.425 AC) BIG SCARY	SCOTT
403168	2017	MCCORMICK C O JR ET UX		LOT 356 SEC 3 RANCH LAKE EST	SCOTT
403169	2016	REBUILD AMERICA INC (2016)	AYALA LORENA MORALES (2017)	13.23 AC POPLAR FORK	SCOTT
403170	2017	SCOTT JOHN K JR		0.07 AC	SCOTT
403171	2017	SHEPPARD TAMMY CAROL		LOT 719 SEC 5 RANCH LAKE EST	SCOTT
403172	2017	SIMPSON SAMUEL L & REBECCA L		PRT LOT 7R	SCOTT
403173	2017	WEST VIRGINIA LAND CORP		LOT 596 SEC 4 RANCH LAKE EST	SCOTT
403174	2017	WITHROW ALBERT D ET UX C/O WITHROW RICHARD		LOT 89 SEC 2 SUNRISE ACRES	SCOTT
403175	2017	WOMACK GALENA		LOT 732 SEC 5 RANCH LAKE EST	SCOTT
403177	2017	KELLEY L T (2017)	KELLEY ARETTA A (2018)	LOTS 120, 121, 299 & 300 HENSON LAND	TEAYS VALLEY UNION
403179	2017	BARNETT & BARNETT LLC		LOT 2 KANAWHA VIEW	UNION
403180	2017	BARNETT & BARNETT LLC		LOT 25 KANAWHA VIEW	UNION
403181	2017	FIRST ALERT SECURITY LLC		PRT LOT 18 BLK 13	UNION
403182	2017	HANSEN THOMAS ARTHUR & TINA MARIE		1 AC 18 MILE CRK	UNION
403183	2017	PERSINGER JAMES		LOT 6 BLK 3 N NITRO	UNION
403184	2018	JAERAE HOLDINGS LLC		LOTS 1 & 2 (CONTAINING 1 AC)	BANCROFT TOWN
403185	2018	BRADFIELD FAMILY TRUST 4/13/99		.50 ACRES 18 MILE CRK	BUFFALO
403186	2018	SCOTT FONTAINA	JONES TRACY D (2020)	PARCEL C-2 (2.15 AC) & C-3 (1.74AC)	BUFFALO
403187	2018	SEVY CHARLOTTE L		LOT 10 CANNADAY SUBD PLINY VILLAGE	BUFFALO
403188	2018	GRIFFITH DEANNA		LOT 116 PLT 2 HURRICANE HTS ADD	CURRY
403189	2018	HAYMAKER PROPERTIES LP		TRACT 6 (0.40 AC) MINERAL LESS COAL BIG CREEK	CURRY
403190	2018	JAERAE HOLDINGS		LOT EE-23 LAKE WASHINGTON	CURRY
403191	2018	JAERAE HOLDINGS LLC		10.87 AC CAL GRASS LAND	CURRY
403192	2018	JAERAE HOLDINGS LLC		6 AC GREEN LAND	CURRY
403193	2018	JAERAE HOLDINGS LLC		LOT E-10 SEC E LAKE WASHINGTON	CURRY
403194	2018	KELLEY ARETTA A		LOT GG-12 SEC G LAKE WASHINGTON	CURRY
403195	2018	KELLEY ARETTA A		LOT AA-5 SEC A LAKE WASHINGTON	CURRY
403196	2018	KELLEY ARETTA A		LOT EE-24 LAKE WASHINGTON	CURRY
403197	2018	KELLEY ARETTA A		LOT F-1-A, LOT 47 & LOT LAKE WASHINGTON	CURRY
403198	2018	KELLEY ARETTA A		LOT R-1 LAKE WASHINGTON	CURRY
403199	2018	MCGREW MARK LEE ET UX		LOT 64 MT OLIVE HOMESITES	CURRY
403200	2018	PROPERTY GROUP V INC		0.14 AC	CURRY
403201	2018	RAINES DENNIS E		1/10 INT IN 24.5 AC TURKEY	CURRY

403202	2018	SOWARDS ERNEST C JR ET AL		CRK	CURRY
403203	2018	TATUM LA BELLE		LOT E-2 LAKE WASHINGTON	CURRY
403204	2018	BOWLES CAROLYN ET AL		LOT F-49 LAKE WASHINGTON (SURFACE) BEING BEHIND LOTS 3, 4, 5, 9 & 10 PRT 6 MAPLE HTS	HURRICANE TOWN
403205	2017	HAMMICKS MARVEL (17BT)	JACKSON RONALD (2018)	PRT LOTS 14 & 12 PRT 10 MAPLE HTS	HURRICANE TOWN
403206	2018	GRASSIE ALICE		PRT LOT J MEEMOE HEIGHTS (.035AC)	POCA
403207	2018	HARMON R F		1.28 AC SALT LICK	POCA
403208	2018	HARMON R F		2.12 AC SALT LICK	POCA
403209	2018	HARMON R F		MIN 26.75 AC RESERVED	POCA
403210	2018	HARMON T H		MIN 37.25 AC RESERVED	POCA
403211	2018	PERRY ANNIE ELIZABETH		1/6 UND INT IN 1/2 OF 48 AC OIL & GAS	POCA
403212	2018	TOLBERT GARY D ET AL		LOT 18 & 1/2 OF LOT 19 BUTLER SUBD	POCA
403213	2018	UNION BOILER COMPANY		.985 AC (PRT OF PLOT II) NITRO	POCA
403214	2018	CHARLESTON WELDING CO LLC		.85 AC RT 34	SCOTT
403215	2018	CROSS LUANA L	VANCROSS FAMILY LIVING TRUST	TRACT C (.10 AC) BILLS CRK	SCOTT
403216	2018	DONAHUE JACKIE JR	CHINUNTDET PAUL	LOT 6 RUSTIC HIGHLANDS SUBD	SCOTT
403217	2018	GASPAROVIC LOUISE E		LOTS 704 & 705 SEC 5 RANCH LAKE EST	SCOTT
403218	2018	GRAY GEORGE H ET UX		LOTS 280 & 281 SEC 3 RANCH LAKE EST	SCOTT
403219	2018	JAERAE HOLDINGS LLC		LOT 88 SEC 1 RANCH LAKE EST	SCOTT
403220	2018	JAERAE HOLDINGS LLC		LOT 100 SEC 1 RANCH LAKE EST	SCOTT
403221	2018	JAERAE HOLDINGS LLC		LOT 210 SEC 2 RANCH LAKE EST	SCOTT
403222	2018	JAERAE HOLDINGS LLC		LOT 371 SEC 3 RANCH LAKE EST	SCOTT
403223	2018	JAERAE HOLDINGS LLC		LOT 456 SEC 3 RANCH LAKE EST	SCOTT
403224	2018	JAERAE HOLDINGS LLC		LOT 344 SEC 3 RANCH LAKE EST	SCOTT
403225	2018	JAERAE HOLDINGS LLC		LOT 534 SEC 4 RANCH LAKE EST	SCOTT
403226	2018	JAERAE HOLDINGS LLC		LOT 535 SEC 4 RANCH LAKE EST	SCOTT
403227	2018	JAERAE HOLDINGS LLC		LOT 542 SEC 4 RANCH LAKE EST	SCOTT
403228	2018	JAERAE HOLDINGS LLC		LOT 544 SEC 4 RANCH LAKE EST	SCOTT
403229	2018	JAERAE HOLDINGS LLC		LOT 546 SEC 4 RANCH LAKE EST	SCOTT
403230	2018	JAERAE HOLDINGS LLC		LOT 707 SEC 5 RANCH LAKE EST	SCOTT
403231	2018	JAERAE HOLDINGS LLC		LOT 711 SEC 5 RANCH LAKE EST	SCOTT
403232	2018	LANHAM ROY E ET UX		LOTS 305 & 477 SEC 3 RANCH LAKE EST	SCOTT
403233	2018	LONG JOHN & MELINDA		LOT 161 SEC 2 RANCH LAKE EST	SCOTT
403234	2018	LONG JOHN & MELINDA		LOT 451 SEC 3 RANCH LAKE EST	SCOTT
403235	2018	LONG JOHN & MELINDA		LOT 846 SEC 5 RANCH LAKE EST	SCOTT
403236	2018	LONG W DALE ET AL	KANAWHA-CHARLESTON HUMANE ASSOCIATION: 13.5 % INT IN MIN RES ON 4.71 AC LONG BR(2020) MCCOPPIN GEORG	MIN RES ON 4.71 AC LONG BR (2018)	SCOTT
403237	2018	M & B DEVELOPMENT CO LLC		2.89 ACRES (2018) 2.14 (2019)	SCOTT
403238	2018	M & B DEVELOPMENT CO LLC		2.51 ACRES (2018) 1.65 ACERS (2019)	SCOTT
403239	2018	MCCLURE ASA RAY ET UX		LOT 513 SEC 4 RANCH LAKE EST	SCOTT
403240	2018	PARSONS GLENN L ET UX		LOT 529 SEC 4 RANCH LAKE EST	SCOTT
403241	2018	PENNINGTON ROGER G ET AL		1/2 INT IN PRT LOT 54 SCARY	SCOTT
403242	2018	PENNINGTON ROGER G ET AL		1/2 INT IN PRT LOT 54 SCARY	SCOTT
403243	2018	POST GEORGE MICHAEL	ROBINSON LONNIE & TRACY	LOT VINTROUX FARMS	SCOTT
403244	2018	PROSPECTOR LLC		LOT 18 GRANADA EST	SCOTT
403245	2018	RICHLIN INVESTMENTS LLC		3.55 AC RT 34 (2018) 3.55 AC (2019)	SCOTT
403246	2018	SHIRKEY AMANDA ET AL		TRACT B (1.89 AC)	SCOTT
403247	2018	STEPHENSON JOHN ET AL		LOT 466 SEC 3 RANCH LAKE EST	SCOTT
403248	2018	STEPHENSON JOHN ET AL		LOT 710 SEC 5 RANCH LAKE EST	SCOTT
403249	2018	STEPHENSON JOHN ET AL		LOT 717 SEC 5 RANCH LAKE EST	SCOTT
403250	2018	STEPHENSON JOHN ET AL		LOT 720 SEC 5 RANCH LAKE EST	SCOTT
403251	2018	THOMAS DAVID L		LOT 318 SEC 3 RANCH LAKE EST	SCOTT
403252	2018	THOMAS DAVID L		LOT 329 SEC 3 RANCH LAKE EST	SCOTT
403253	2018	THOMAS DAVID L		LOT 331 SEC 3 RANCH LAKE EST	SCOTT
403254	2018	WELLESLEY COLLEGE		1/2 OF 1/2 OF 11 AC	SCOTT
403255	2018	QUENTRILL BARBARA J		.12 AC OLD COUNTY RD	TEAYS VALLEY UNION
403256	2018	H3 LLC		1/3 INT MIN 44 AC 18 MILE CRK LESS COAL	UNION
403257	2018	HARMON MAGGIE		20 SQ RDS MCLEAN PIKE	UNION
403258	2018	JAERAE HOLDINGS LLC		130 SQ POLES (0.81 AC)	UNION
403259	2018	SAUNDERS ALVA L ET UX		0.12 AC (PRT LT 18 KAN VIEW)	UNION

Any of the aforesaid tracts or lots may be redeemed by any person entitled to pay the taxes thereon at any time prior to the sale by payment to the Deputy Commissioner of the total amount of taxes, interest, and charges thereon up to the date of redemption. Lands listed above as escheated or waste and unappropriated lands may not be redeemed. Given under my hands this 5th day of August 2021.

G. Russell Rollyson, Jr.  
Deputy Commissioner of Delinquent and Nonentered Lands for Putnam County





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| SHERRIE KANE<br>Charleston<br>Birthday August 10  | KATIE LUIKART<br>#29 Country View<br>Winfield<br>Birthday August 12                             |
| SAMMY RUNION<br>Hurricane<br>Birthday August 10   | SHARON (SHUG)<br>LYKINS<br>5678 5&20 Road<br>Frazier's Bottom<br>70th Birthday August 12        |
| ROCKY BO ARMSTEAD<br>6220 Walmott Drive<br>Huntington<br>1st Birthday August 11         | JEFFREY LYKINS<br>5678 5&20 Road<br>Frazier's Bottom<br>32nd Birthday<br>August 12              |
| JASON DANIEL<br>BLACK<br>Whitten Ridge Road<br>Milton<br>26th Birthday August 11        | BRIANA HAGA<br>1769 Butcher Road<br>Pt. Pleasant<br>18th Birthday August 12                     |
| DALLAS YOUNG<br>1923 US Route 60<br>Culloden<br>71st Birthday August 11                 | KYLE NEAL<br>Salt Rock<br>32nd Birthday<br>August 12  |
| ROGER PERKINS<br>473 Sunnybrook Drive<br>Hurricane<br>74th Birthday August 11           | JIM ROLLINS<br>2045 Whitten Ridge<br>Road<br>Milton<br>Birthday August 12                       |
| JOHN DANFORD<br>Glenwood<br>79th Birthday August 11                                     | RUTH GRANT KOONTZ<br>1915 Martin Lane<br>Culloden<br>72nd Birthday<br>August 12                 |
| STEVEN LEADMAN<br>Fairmont<br>50th Birthday August 11                                   | CLARENCE "CC"<br>WALKUP<br>1929 Blackstone Circle<br>Naples, Florida<br>58th Birthday August 12 |
| TIMOTHY DUNLAP<br>107 Laurel Crossing<br>Huntington<br>Birthday August 11               | DEBBIE DAVIS<br>3243 Putnam Avenue<br>Hurricane<br>Birthday August 12                           |
| DANNY RAY<br>FERGUSON<br>5065 Hughes Branch<br>Road<br>Huntington<br>Birthday August 11 | CONNIE DANFORD<br>Glenwood<br>76th Birthday August 13   |
| STEVE SMITH<br>2154 Washington Hill<br>Road<br>Hurricane<br>43rd Birthday August 11     | LARRY FOSTER JR<br>5&20 Road<br>Frazier's Bottom<br>Birthday August 13                          |
| AMY NASH<br>3504 Wellington Drive<br>Hurricane<br>Birthday August 11                    | BETTY DOSS<br>4123 Teays Valley Road<br>Scott Depot<br>Birthday August 13                       |
| JAY HARVEY<br>Cincinnati, Ohio<br>42nd Birthday<br>August 12                            | JOSHUA RYAN   |

**Happy Birthday, Angel**



Angel Wheeler of Hurricane will celebrate her 49th birthday on August 23rd. Happy birthday!

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| BARTON<br>#5 Maple Lane<br>Scott Depot<br>31st Birthday August 13                                    | 52nd Birthday<br>August 15  |
| DARRELL SMITH<br>Huntington<br>77th Birthday August 13   | ROGER STANLEY<br>Clayton Avenue<br>Hurricane<br>73rd Birthday August 15 |
| ROGER STANLEY<br>Putnam Avenue<br>Hurricane<br>52nd Birthday<br>August 13                            | TERESA DONOHEW<br>ROARK<br>Huntington<br>Birthday August 15             |
| ASHLEY SETLIFF<br>3583 5&20 Mile Road<br>Frazier's Bottom<br>Birthday August 13                      |   |
| JOE TOMBLIN<br>6626 Millstone Road<br>Apple Grove<br>17th Birthday August 13                         |   |
| EZRA SCOTT<br>BOSCHERT<br>Proctorville, Ohio<br>5th Birthday August 13                               |   |
| KELCI ARMSTEAD<br>6220 Walmott Drive<br>Huntington<br>15th Birthday August 14                        | Nana Linda's & Papaw<br>George's Favorite<br>Granddaughter!!            |
| SHAWN WALLACE<br>Indianapolis, Indiana<br>27th Birthday August 14                                    |   |
| KEITH CHAPMAN<br>Crab Creek<br>Apple Grove<br>Birthday August 14                                     |   |
| KAREN DOLIN<br>Scott Depot<br>75th Birthday August 14  |   |
| JACK STONESTREET<br>901 Oak Bridge<br>Hurricane<br>Birthday August 14                                |   |
| LOUISE MILLER<br>210 Hedrick Road<br>Scott Depot<br>66th Birthday August 14                          |   |
| CONSTANCE JUNE<br>MEADOR SMITH<br>STEWART<br>Hendersonville,<br>Tennessee<br>80th Birthday August 14 |   |
| RON WILLIAMS<br>Winfield<br>68th Birthday August 15  |   |
| STEVEN GRISNIK<br>8517 Wild Diamond<br>Avenue<br>Las Vegas, Nevada<br>37th Birthday August 15        |   |
| SUE DEEL<br>Apple Grove<br>84th Birthday August 15   |   |
| DEBBIE SUMNER<br>10248 Summit Square<br>Drive<br>Leesburg, Florida<br>63rd Birthday August 15        |   |
| TERRY ANDERSON<br>DRAKE<br>1221 Forest Road<br>Hurricane<br>72nd Birthday<br>August 15               |   |
| STEPHANIE FLYNN<br>Kentucky  |   |

**Two Birthdays,  
One On Earth And One In  
Heaven**



Destiny Kelly of Hurricane and her late grandmother, Diana Edwards, were born on the same day, August 9.

Happy 21st Birthday, Destiny Kelly!  
In loving memory of Diana Edwards  
August 9, 1953 - April 30, 2021

**Board Of Education Approves  
Dental And Vision Incentives For  
Existing And Retired Employees**

For decades the Putnam County School system has been regarded as one of the premier school systems in West Virginia. The citizens of Putnam County have repeatedly authenticated their value of quality education for our children by supporting an excess funding of our education system. This commitment from the community, combined with the efforts of each of our employees throughout the years, has resulted in an expectation of excellence from our school system. This expectation of high achievement began many years ago and has continued well into the twenty-first century.

With the recent approval of the excess levy by the citizens of Putnam County, the Putnam County Board of Education (PCBOE) has opted to provide additional dental and vision incentives to current Putnam County Schools (PCS) employees and retirees.

"The Board of Education members and the superintendent value our employees, both past and present. We appreciate the efforts of our current employees and take great pride in the tradition and foundation our retired employees established. We revere our rich history for excellence as we look to the future with excitement and anticipation of the continued success of our school system," said PCBOE President Rob Cunningham.

At its meeting held June 21, the PCBOE approved an increase of Clifton and Billie Jean Harshbarger Clark of Teays Lane in Hurricane will celebrate their thirteenth wedding anniversary on August 16.

Tom and Anne Johnson of 110 Rosewood Drive in Hurricane will celebrate their sixty-fourth wedding anniversary on August 17.

Timothy and Kristi Erwin Dunlap of 107 Laurel Crossing in Huntington will celebrate their nineteenth wedding anniversary on August 17.

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*Happy Anniversary*

Tim and Anna Armstead of Elkview will celebrate their thirty-first wedding anniversary on August 12.

Danny and Drema Pauley of 2345 Cherry Street in Hurricane will celebrate their thirty-eighth wedding anniversary on August 13.

Courtney and Autumn Tusing of 438 Cow Creek Road in Hurricane will celebrate their ninth wedding anniversary on August 13.

Joey and Tracee Hinkle of Bartown Drive in Barboursville will celebrate their wedding anniversary on August 13.

David and Marla Racer of 210 Bartown drive in Barboursville will celebrate their twenty-eighth wedding anniversary on August 14.

Ralph and Tamara Minnix Rozzi of RR 3, Box 99-E in Ona will celebrate their twenty-eighth wedding anniversary on August 14.

Vern Scott and Edith Fisher of Milton will celebrate their twelfth wedding anniversary on August 15.

Clyde and Shelby Shumate of 3357 Bryn Myer Drive in Huntington will celebrate their sixty-third wedding anniversary on August 16.

Gerald and Martha Williams of Little Rock, Arkansas, will celebrate their twenty-fourth wedding anniversary on August 16.

Tim and Rosemary Keeling of #52 Revere Road in Hurricane will celebrate their thirtieth wedding anniversary on August 16.

Kenneth and Barbara Rooper of 390 Teays Lane, Hurricane, will celebrate their fifty-third wedding anniversary on August 16.



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