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## Decision Time for Sour Season for Local Putnam County Commission Maple Syrup Producers

By Ron Allen

At its March 14th meeting, the Putnam County Commission heard budget requests for the upcoming fiscal year from the Sheriff, the County Clerk, the Assessor, and the Prosecuting Attorney. The county's budget must be submitted to the State before the end of March.

Sheriff Bobbie Eggleton asked for an increase sufficient to allow him to hire five additional deputies and to fund a program which would address deputy retention. Eggleton stated that the increase was necessitated by Putnam's growth. The Sheriff reported that law enforcement in Kanawha County is giving out \$15,000 signing bonuses to address retention needs. "We're going to have to do something," Eggleton said.

Commission president Andy Skidmore responded, "I meant to say this before you came up. Just for a basis, our initial numbers from what we have received from the Assessor's Office from the increase in real estate tax and the requests that have been put in, we are about a million and a half short of all the requests." Skidmore added that the Commission has difficult funding decisions

and that the Commission is aware of the Sheriff Department's need.

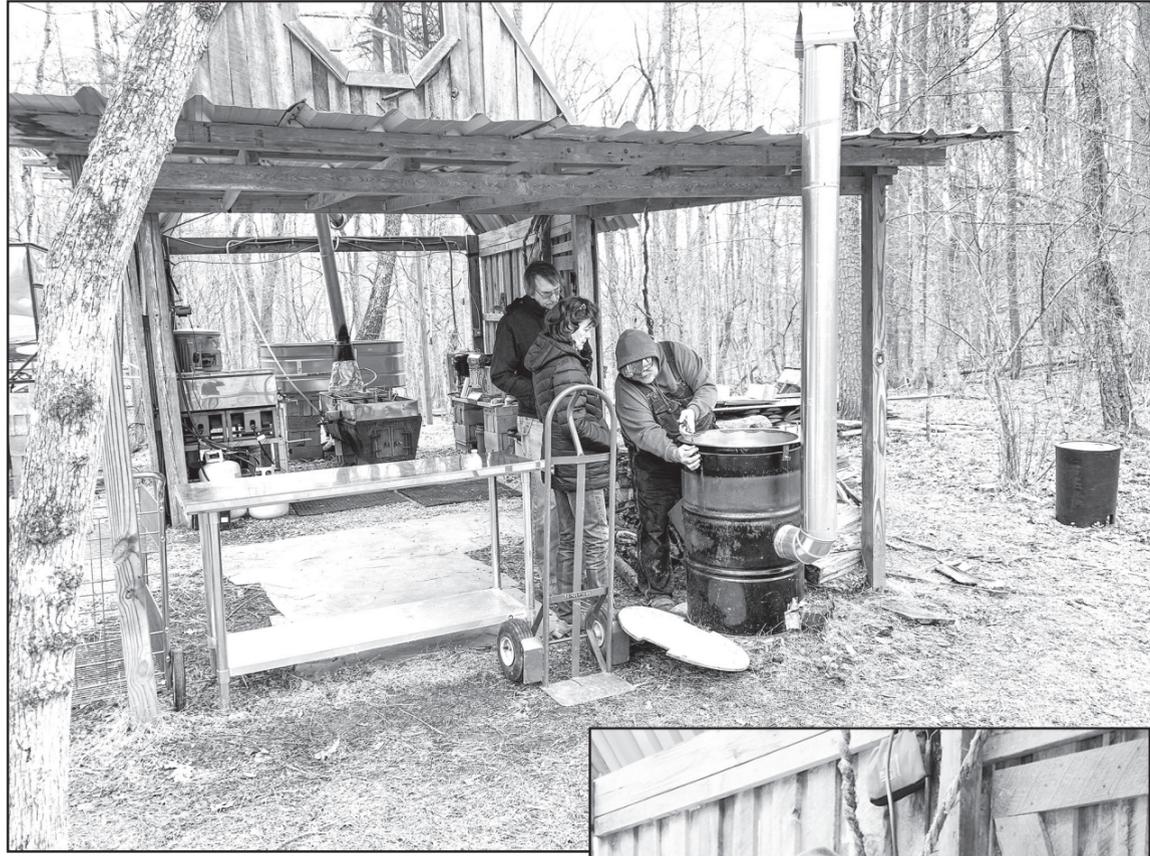
At its meeting on February 28, the Commission heard budget requests from Libraries, the Putnam County Health Department, Putnam County Fair, Parks & Recreation, County Day Report, WVU Extension Service, the Development Authority, and the Solid Waste Authority.

County Clerk Brian Wood asked for increases that would offset the increase in PEIA premiums to his staff and reduce the loss of purchasing caused by increased costs. Wood said that next year's Presidential Election would require additional funding.

Assessor Gary Warner requested a base pay for his employees. Warner said that the present starting pay of \$11.50 per hour is too low to interest applicants. Warner asked for an increase to \$13 per hour for starting pay and an overall pay increase of five percent.

Prosecuting Attorney Mark Sorsaia asked for a \$70,000 increase to allow him to add another attorney. Sorsaia said that the Magistrate Court case load is requiring his attorneys to put in 10 to 12-

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Above: Paul Ronk explains the operation of an evaporator which he employs to convert sycamore sap into sycamore syrup. Ronk's maple sap evaporator is pictured in the background.

Right: Ronk uses plastic taps and tubing to collect sap.

By Ron Allen

Saturday, March 18, was WV Maple Syrup Day at the Ronk Family Farm at 725 Whispering Pines Drive in Alum Creek. The event was originally scheduled to

be a second Maple Syrup Day at the farm but the first day, February 18th, was canceled by flood waters.

The actual sap-gathering season ended prior to February 18 when several days of continuously above-freezing temperatures caused maple tree buds to break dormancy. When buds come to life, an off flavor develops and the resulting syrup cannot be marketed.

The season for area maple syrup producers is always short — usually from mid-January to late February. This year's early ending caused Paul Ronk's production to be one-third of 2022.

Visitors to Saturday's event were treated to a free pancake and sausage breakfast, a complete step-by-step explanation of maple syrup making and an education of why maple syrup producers do what they do. The early season

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Strong.

Her organization helped her comprehensively respond to the needs of West Virginians as she learned of them. With the help of other organizations, businesses, and individuals, Jones provided hundreds of West Virginians with meals, supplies, clothing, and more.

WEATHER SUMMARY		
March 14 - 20		
	Low	High
March 14		
Hurricane	25°	32°
March 15		
Hurricane	18°	47°
March 16		
Hurricane	20°	60°
March 17*		
Hurricane	33°	53°
March 18		
Hurricane	21°	48°
March 19		
Hurricane	15°	36°
March 20		
Hurricane	13°	48°

\*RAIN  
0.2 inch recorded March 17



## Hurricane Resident Receives Rhododendron Award



Babydog looks on approvingly as Governor Jim Justice presents the Rhododendron Award to Braqundi Jones.

Gov. Jim Justice presented the latest Rhododendron Award to Brandi Jones Thursday, March 23.

"Brandi, you are so very deserving of this honor," Gov. Justice said. "I want to thank you for your dedication to helping people in your community and all across West Virginia."

The Rhododendron Award, created by First Lady Cathy Justice, recognizes individuals in West Virginia who have demonstrated goodness and worked for the betterment of

their communities. In particular, this award seeks to recognize the "unsung heroes" throughout West Virginia, whose work has made a significant difference in the lives of others.

"I am very honored and blessed to be receiving this award," Jones said. "At the end of the day, I am just a person helping other people who need it. I truly believe that if you cannot find the resource, you can be the resource and make a difference in your community."

Jones is a native of Hurricane. She has been

a member of the Board of Directors and Fundraising Committee at the Ronald McDonald House Charities of Huntington for over seven years. She has organized and hosted community-wide fundraisers, collections, and programs, and has invited the community to join her in those efforts.

When a devastating flood swept across many parts of West Virginia in June of 2016, Jones facilitated fundraising efforts to help West Virginians impacted by the flood, including an organization called Friends Helping Friends - WV

## Vernal Equinox Misnamed

Spring officially arrived on Monday, March 20, at 5:24 p.m. The time is exact because 5:24 p.m. Eastern Daylight Time was the precise moment in which the sun crossed the Earth's equator in its northward journey.

The event is termed the vernal equinox — equinox meaning equal day and equal night. The length of daylight and night-

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*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. In 1994, the Centennial Committee published a follow up book which included family histories which were not submitted in time for the 1988 Centennial History. This week's selection is the 36th history from The Centennial History of Hurricane WV Continued — 1994.

THE MYNES FAMILY  
The Mynes Family has a long history in the criminal justice system which all began here in Hurricane. Harold Mynes, Sr. and the late Mae Hedrick Mynes of Harbour Lane raised their six children in a hard working, Christian home and out of that produced three of Hurricane Police Department's finest, Frank Mynes, Jerry Mynes and Ernie Mynes.

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## 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.

### SATURDAYS THROUGH MARCH

There will be a free open gym for 1st through 5th graders from 8:30 to 10:30 a.m. at ZoneOut Sports, Morris Court, Hurricane.

### MARCH 24

Can You Outsmart the Librarians? Trivia Night will be held at 6 p.m. at the Eleanor Library.

Hard Reign will be performing at 6 p.m. at Connolly's Irish Pub, 2801 Main Street, Hurricane.

### MARCH 25

The Hurricane High School Cheer Spring Craft Fair will be held from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the old Big Bear building in Liberty Square in Teays Valley.

Calvary Baptist Church, 3653 Teays Valley Road, Hurricane, will be holding a food pantry at 8:30 a.m.

### MARCH 26

First Baptist Church of Hurricane, located on Main Street, will be holding their Easter cantata, "On A Hill Too Far Away" at 2:30 and 6:30 p.m.

Forrest Burdette Memorial United Methodist Church, Putnam Avenue, Hurricane, will be holding a family movie night starting at 5 p.m. The movie will be *Witch & the Lion, The Witch & the Wardrobe*.

### MARCH 27

Facing Hunger Foodbank will be holding a mobile food pantry from 11 a.m. to noon at the Buffalo United Methodist Church, 27 High Street, Buffalo.

### MARCH 28

The Pulse Church, 5368 State Route 34, Winfield, will be holding a food pantry from 2 to 6 p.m.

Manpower, 58 Mission Way, Suite 100, Scott Depot, is hosting an open interview day from 8 a.m.

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### MARCH 29

There will be an Intentional Grandparenting class at 5:30 p.m. at First Baptist Church of Nitro, 2200 2nd Avenue, Nitro.

### MARCH 30

River Ridge Church, Saturn Way, Hurricane, will be hosting Tailand Trail at 6 p.m. Children ages 2 through 5th grade will enjoy an interactive Easter stage show and then go on a Trail Egg hunt.

### MARCH 31

Kanawha Valley Community Band will be in concert at Teays Valley Church of God, 185 Connection Point, Scott Depot. The concert begins at 7 p.m., but come early for dessert provided by the church.

Crafts of the Coal, a mobile food trailer that serves premium handcrafted ice cream, will be holding their opening night from 5 to 9 p.m. at The Garage, 3057 Mount Vernon Road, Hurricane.

### APRIL 1 - 2

Guest speaker Lynn Hiles will be speaking at the Bancroft Mission, 5936 Charleston Road, Bancroft, at 6 p.m. on Saturday and 11 a.m. on Sunday.

### APRIL 1

The City of Nitro will be holding a veteran's outreach program from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Nitro War Museum, 2003 20th Street, Nitro. Veterans can learn about programs and benefits.

Mount Union Church, 19268 Jerry's Run Road, Pliny, will be holding their annual pancake breakfast at 9 a.m. and Easter egg hunt at 11 a.m.

The Buffalo Nazarene Easter Bazaar will be held from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

The Pulse Church will be holding an Easter Egg hunt at 4 p.m. at the Winfield Middle School.

Heartbeat of the Valley, Inc. will be holding a baby things sale from 1 to 3:30 p.m. at 58 Mission Way, Scott Depot.

There will be an AMT Kids Consignment Discount Day at Valley Park in Hurricane from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Light Up the Night for Autism will be held at 6 p.m. at Valley Park in Hurricane. There will be an egg hunt from 6 to 7:45, and lantern decorating from 7:45 to 8 p.m. Meet at Shelter 2 for the egg hunt, and at the pond for Light Up the Night.

Hurricane First Church of the Nazarene, located on Route 60, will be holding a Rise up With Jesus Family Easter Event at 2 p.m.

The Forrest Burdette United Methodist Church, Putnam Avenue, Hurricane, will be holding their spring festival from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

### APRIL 2

Buffalo United Methodist Church will be hosting an Easter egg hunt after Sunday worship.

Friends of Buffalo WV History will meet at the Buffalo Welcome Center, to celebrate the town of Buffalo's 186th Birthday.

Faith Christian Fellowship, Route 62, Buffalo, will feature Pastor Mitchell Burch preaching at 6 p.m.

## West Virginia Symphony Orchestra Presents "Blockbuster Adventures"

The West Virginia Symphony Orchestra (WVSO) presents the final offering in this season's ZMM Architects & Engineers Pops Series, Blockbuster Adventures on Saturday, March 25 at 7:30 p.m. in Charleston and Sunday, March 26 at 2:30 p.m. in Parkersburg.

Guest conductor Troy Peters joins the WVSO as the orchestra explores the music from our favorite blockbuster films, including pieces from E.T. the Extra-Terrestrial, Star Wars, Lord of the Rings, Harry Potter, Star Trek, and more! The Marshall University Orchestra appears as a special guest for a side-by-side during the first two pieces of the concert: Silbelius' Finlandia and the theme from Pirates of the Caribbean.

Peters is currently the Director of the UTSA Orchestra at the University of Texas San Antonio and Music Director of Youth Orchestras of San Antonio. Peters is also active as a composer, and he holds degrees from the Curtis Institute of Music and the University of Pennsylvania, where his primary compositional mentors were Ned Rorem and West Virginia native George Crumb.

The ZMM Architects and Engineers Pops Series concert on Saturday, March 25 is

## Drug Disposal Options

Turn in your unused or expired medications for safe disposal at the Putnam County Sheriff's Department. Hours are Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. The Sheriff's Department is located at 3389 Winfield Road, Winfield.

## Available Pets at the Putnam County Animal Shelter

These are a few of the many pets up for adoption at the Putnam County Animal Shelter. By the time that this issue of the Hurricane Breeze is published, these animals may have already been adopted and found their forever homes. However, there are many pets at the shelter that still need homes.

For more information, call the Putnam County Animal Shelter at 304-586-0249.



This is a one-year-old orange male cat.



Venus is a three-year-old female cat.

made possible by the generous support of City National Bank and the WV Lottery. Tickets for the Charleston concert start at \$19 and are available at wvsymphony.org, by visiting the Clay Center Box Office, or by calling 304-561-3570.

The Symphony Raffle drawing will take place immediately following the conclusion of Blockbuster Adventures. Tickets for the annual Raffle are \$100, and ticket buyers have the chance to win the grand prize \$10,000 or 14 other prizes, all while supporting the Symphony. Tickets are available by contacting the Symphony office at 304-957-9876.

The WVSO will also perform Blockbuster Adventures at Blennerhassett School in Parkersburg beginning at 2:30 p.m. on Sunday, March 26. Hosted by the West Virginia Symphony Orchestra of Parkersburg, tickets for the concert start at \$25 for adults or \$10 for students and are available at wvsop.org, at the door, or by calling 888.699.8767 (MYWVSOP). Support for this performance is provided by ZMM Architects & Engineers.

The West Virginia Symphony Orchestra is West Virginia's premier performing arts organization, presenting classical and pops concerts annually throughout the Mountain State. Currently in its 84th season, the WVSO is a proud member of the community and enriches the region by providing affordable, high-quality concerts, collaborations with West Virginia arts organizations and a nationally award-winning education program.

## The Way We Were, The Way We Are

By Brenda Burke

Do you remember the first time you held your baby in your arms? Do you remember the first time you held your grandchild? My goodness. The joy. Some blog writers state that they choose joy. I do not have to choose joy. I have joy in my life every day.

This past weekend, I saw the boys in their latest race. Usually, they get to run in their age group. When they do, the elder comes in first... the younger second. When they were called up for their awards, the announcer pronounced their name: BURKEY not BURKE... the BURKEY BOYS... we chuckled as this happens often.

When The Burke Boys

run in 19 and under, they come in fourth and fifth or thereabouts. I have seen them win first and second often. I do not attend all of the races, of course.

The elder grandson is ten; he will be eleven in April and move up. The younger grandson was eight in December. They are really fast. It is amazing. I remember holding each of them when they were babies; the years have flown by.

These grandsons are brainiacs (Nana calls them that). They attend a new school that is for gifted students...fifth and second grade. The elder will go to a gifted middle school this fall, in another town, close to us. They have studied Spanish for years. One tutor comes to the house once a week for several hours. The other tutor meets them at the library.

The grandsons enjoy Lacrosse after school. The elder did Karate for years, but now both boys do TKD each night during the week. They swim also and bike and have finished one triathlon... to me... like their parents...

They like the tennis courts and basketball court here at the condo. Whether they are on skateboards, scooters, bikes, or out on their boat, they are happy campers. Speaking of camping, that is their favorite vacation. They enjoyed the Virgin

## Buffalo United Methodist Church Easter

The congregation of Buffalo United Methodist Church would like to invite everyone to spend Easter with them. The church will have an Easter Egg Hunt for the kids after worship on Sunday, April 2. Then the church will host Holy Week Services on Monday, April 3 at 7 p.m.

The church will have its doors open for the community on Good Friday, April 7, from noon till 3 p.m., for anyone to come and have some quiet time of prayer and meditation in remembrance of Jesus' last few hours on the cross.

Then on Easter morning, the Church will be serving FREE Breakfast after the Sunrise Service at Buffalo Memorial Park.

If you're looking for a new church to attend this Easter, consider Joining Buffalo UMC. Sunday Morning Worship begins at 9:45 a.m. and the church is located in the Buffalo Historic Square.

Islands, the Keys, and other special places, but their favorite is camping in WV. This year, they will camp, go to NJ/NY for a concert, and they plan a trip to Ireland/Scotland. I know which the boys will like best.

Holding a grandchild... watching that grandchild grow in strength and character. These are kind boys. They know how to treat their Nana. They are special boys. The Burke Boys... always doing something...

I was happy the other day when the boys joined friends at the roller rink. That was something I did all of my life—until my 50's... loved it... they were surprised to learn that Nana actually liked roller skating. They have not seen me do sports... I walk... oh, I join them on the tennis courts, but I walk... no running... so skating was something they never dreamed I could do. After all, this Nana is closing in on 80...

Children and grandchildren are our gifts from God. We pray for them; we love them... after having three granddaughters, it has been different having grandsons. Not better... not less... just different... the fact that they live within walking distance is fantastic... they can be here in a minute... this is their place to come and be... to enjoy... we walk around the complex... go to the courts... or read... play board games... laugh and laugh and laugh.

The first time I held my son... the first time I held my daughter... I laughed... my laugh... Mom's laugh... Nana's laugh... I was so joyous that I thought my world might burst. Every day since... I have been thankful for that son and daughter... they are the joys of my life... my reason for living. They have always been good to me... kind and sweet... respectful... we did not live the teenage angst that I have heard from others... I am thankful for these two gifts from God.

The first time I held each of the five grandchildren, I laughed. My daughter has mentioned that often. "Mom, when you held Katelyn, Sophie, Margaret for the first time, you laughed out loud... it was a joyous sound..." It was a joyous feeling to know that those grands were mine. (I never pleaded or asked for grandchildren and had my own children not had any... it would have been fine...) My son and his wife had Aidan and Nicholas when he was in his forties... I was already an "elderly" Nana... I laughed when I held those boys... it was as if God looked down and decided I needed five more miracles... they are fantastic... wonderful... I do not have the adjectives to describe...

Whether I am watching the boys race... playing games with them... I am thankful that her in paradise, Florida, I have two little fellows who are the best of the best... because the way we were is the way we are... knowing that family is what life is about... we do not take anything with us when we leave this world, but we sure do leave the memories behind.

The Centennial History of Hurricane

# Meet Some of Hurricane's Oldest Families



Frank Mynes



Patrick and Stewart Mynes



Ernie and Jerry Mynes

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Department auxiliary Deputy, and Frank Mynes, (Deputy Dog), is a former Hurricane Police Officer, Constable for Putnam County and currently Putnam County Sheriff Deputy.

Frank Mynes has two sons, Patrick and Stewart who started their careers in the criminal justice system in 1989, after they both left Ft. Bragg, NC, where they were stationed as Paratroopers. Patrick moved to Brandon, FL, and gained employment with the Tampa Police Department and has since transferred to the Hillsborough County Sheriff Department as a Deputy Sheriff. Stewart lives on Harbour Lane and is employed at the Putnam County Sheriff Department as a Correction Officer and is a student of Criminal Justice at West Virginia State College.

All five of these officers were molded here in Hurricane and they reflect the Christian morals and values of the people in

# Sour Season for Local Maple Syrup Producers Putnam

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shutdown prevented live demonstrations of syrup production which past Maple Syrup Days have featured.

In addition to maple syrup production, Paul Ronk is experimenting with sycamore syrup manufacture. Sycamore sap is lower in sugar content than maple sap and requires much more sap to produce a marketable syrup. Ronk says that sycamore syrup has a distinctive butterscotch flavor.

Maple syrup products on sale at the event included maple cotton candy and whipped maple cream in addition to made-on-the-spot syrup.

Putnam residents do not need to visit the farm to make purchases. Ronk Family Farm Maple Syrup is available at Area 34 in Teays Valley.



A visitor awaits a free breakfast of pancakes and sausage topped with fresh maple syrup.

# Commission

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hour days on Wednesdays. The heard, but did not act upon, a request by Judith Pauley to hire a veterinarian for the Putnam County Animal Shelter.

In other business, the Commission appointed Jacob Pack and Heather Davis to the Putnam County Planning Commission and re-appointed Bryan Hoylman and Dave Hobba to the Planning Commission. Commissioner Steve Dewese voted to oppose Hobba's re-appointment. A motion to re-appoint Jason Asbury to the Planning Commission failed for lack of a second.

Commissioner Brian Ellis announced that construction of the new Sheriff's facility is expected to be completed in late June or early July.

The next scheduled county commission meeting will be Tuesday, March 30.

# Vernal Equinox Misnamed

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that experiences equal day and night on the vernal equinox is at the equator. All other locations have more than 12 hours of daylight because the Earth's atmosphere acts as a lens that allows the sun to be seen after it has set.

the younger sister of "Stonewall" Jackson, was born in Clarksburg. During the Civil War, she was a staunch Unionist and opened her home to care for sick and injured troops.



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

March 23, 2003: Private Jessica Lynch of Palestine, Wirt County, was serving as a supply clerk with the Army's 507th Maintenance Company when she was captured by Iraqi forces after her group was ambushed.

March 24, 1890: Confederate General William Lowther "Mudwall" Jackson died in Louisville. Jackson, who was born in Clarksburg, joined the Confederate

Army as a private. After helping to organize an infantry unit, he was promoted to colonel. He served on the staff of his cousin, Gen. Thomas J. "Stonewall" Jackson, and was jokingly nicknamed "Mudwall."

March 25, 1878: Attorney General Armistead Abraham "Cousin Abe" Lilly was born at Jumping Branch, Summers County. Lilly appealed the Virginia Debt Suit to the U.S. Supreme

Court; when settled, it was estimated that Lilly had saved the state a large sum of money.

March 26, 1851: Upshur County was created from parts of Randolph, Lewis and Barbour counties, with Buckhannon as the county seat.

March 26, 1863: The state's first constitution was overwhelmingly ratified by the voters, by a majority of 28,321 to 572. The constitution was drafted during the state's first Constitutional Convention at the federal custom house in Wheeling.

March 26, 1920: Aviator Rose Agnes Rolls Cousins was born. She was the first Black woman to become a solo pilot in the Civilian Pilot Training Program at West Virginia State College (now University).

March 27, 1826: Laura Jackson Arnold,

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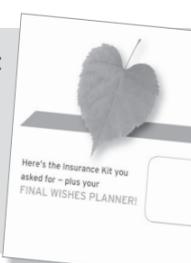
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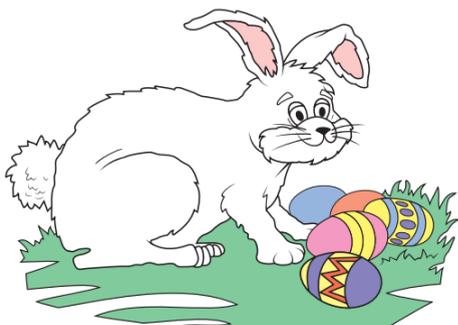
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# Fillers Page

Edited by Betsy Allen



## Old-Fashioned Chicken Potpie

Submitted by Connie Reddington of Eleanor

1-1/2 cups sliced fresh mushrooms  
1 cup sliced fresh carrots  
1/2 cup chopped onion  
1/3 cup butter  
1/3 cup all-purpose flour  
1-1/2 cups chicken broth  
1-1/2 cups milk  
4 cups cubed cooked chicken breast  
1 cup frozen peas  
1 jar (2 ounces) diced pimientos, drained  
1 teaspoon salt

### BISCUIT TOPPING:

2 cups all-purpose flour  
4 teaspoons baking powder  
2 teaspoons sugar  
1/2 teaspoon salt  
1/2 teaspoon cream of tartar  
1/2 cup cold butter  
2/3 cup milk

In a large saucepan, sauté the mushrooms, carrots and onion in butter until tender; sprinkle with flour. Gradually stir in broth and milk until blended. Bring to a boil; cook and stir for 2 minutes or until thickened. Add the chicken, peas, pimientos and salt; heat through. Pour into a greased shallow 2-1/2-quart baking dish; set aside.

In a large bowl, combine the flour, baking powder, sugar, salt and cream of tartar. Cut in butter until mixture resembles coarse crumbs; stir in milk just until moistened. Turn onto a lightly floured surface; knead 8-10 times. Pat or roll out to 1/2-inch thickness; cut with a floured 2-1/2-inch biscuit cutter.

Place biscuits over chicken mixture. Bake, uncovered, at 400 degrees for 15-20 minutes or until biscuits are golden brown. Yield: 6-8 servings.

## Jokes From Linda

Submitted by Linda Lavender Armstead



Little Elliott fell off his bike and cut his knee. His mother bathed and dressed the cut and gave Elliott a pill to soothe him. After he swallowed the pill, Elliot asked, "How will the pill know which leg to go down?"

It seems the manager at the vegetable apartment at the store doesn't tolerate picky customers. He posted this sign that read, "Notice: Take lettuce from top of stock or heads will roll."

Principal: "Young man, you are different from the rest of the class."

Student: "How is that?"  
Principal: "They are graduating."

Jen: It's very dark tonight, isn't it?

Howard: I don't know. I can't see a thing.

## Fillers from Linda

Submitted by Linda~Lavender Armstead  
Washington Hill Road, Hurricane

Learn to talk to yourself instead of listening to yourself.

Your words start to lose value, when your actions don't match.

Falling down is an accident. Staying down is a choice.

The world is full of good people. If you can't find one, be one.

The reason our families aren't the same anymore is simply because we buried those who kept our families together.

Every few days it would be smart to put your jeans on to make sure they still fit. Pajamas and sweats will have you believe all is well.

Intuition is when you don't know how you know, but you know you know, and you know you knew, and that's all you needed to know.

Don't hurt your parents in order to please other people. Those other people didn't spend their lives building yours.

You are his pal. The doggy is going to stick to you, to comfort you, guard you, and give his life for you if need be.

Some people want a big house, a fast car and lots of money. Some people want a tiny cabin the woods away from those kind of people.

The young have aspirations that never come to pass, the old have reminiscences of what never happened.

To make a difference in someone's life you don't have to be brilliant, rich, or beautiful. You just have to care.

You're never going to remember to do that thing later – do it now.

When you become frustrated with older people because of what they can't do, think of how they must feel because they can no longer do it.

Optimism is the faith that leads to achievement. Nothing can be done without hope and confidence. - Helen Keller

No amount of physical beauty will ever take the place of a beautiful heart.

Just because it pops into your head doesn't mean it should come out of your mouth.

Obstacles are put in your way to see if what you want is really worth fighting for.

No matter how much you push the envelope, it'll still be stationary.

You will be free the moment you no longer care about what people think about you.

Take the time to be kind. You can make all the difference in someone's day.

Almost everything will work again if you unplug it for a few minutes including you.



There is no shame in beginning again, because you get a chance to get bigger and better than before.

There is no such thing as a small act of kindness. Every act creates a ripple with no logical end.

A smile is a light in your window that tells others that there is a caring, sharing person inside.

Love is not about how much you say "I love you," but how much you prove it's true.

When our world around us feels shaky, may we turn our eyes to God.

Do you ever feel like you aren't even family with some of your family?

Beautiful faces are everywhere, but beautiful hearts are hard to find.

People who have no life will always try to start drama in yours.

I just noticed if I die, I don't even have six friends to carry my casket.

Don't do anything for me if you're going to throw it in my face later.

Some people are still mad at you because you survived after they threw you under the bus, but the bus ran over their lies.

The heart is like a garden. You can grow compassion or fear, resentment or love. What seeds will you plant there?

The goal of personal Bible study is a transformed life and a deep and abiding relationship with Jesus Christ.

Children did not ask to be here. That is why you change and rearrange your life for them.

It doesn't matter if the glass is half empty or half full. Be grateful that you have a glass, and there is something in it.

Hugging is the most beautiful form of communication that allows the other person to know beyond a doubt that they matter.

A moment of patience in a moment of anger saves you 1,000 moments of regret.

It's not our job to fix people. It's our job to love them even when they are broken.

The beach is the only place where salt lowers your blood pressure.

In winter's chill or summer's heat, a farmer works so the world can eat.

Acquiring a doggie may be the only opportunity a human ever has to choose a relative.

I myself am made entirely of flaws, stitched together with good intentions.

When your children are teenagers, it's important to have a doggy so that someone in the house is happy to see you.

How many tomorrows would have been lost if nobody had stepped forward to do something about it yesterday?

Our Commander in Chief has already won the war, and He wants us to get in on the victory every day that we live. - Dr. David Jeremiah

To go wrong in one's own way is better than to go right in someone else's.

You have no idea how long something you say can stay in someone's mind.

Sharing tales of those we've lost is how we keep from really losing them.

The leading cause for injury in old men is them thinking they are still young men.

Who am I to judge another, when I walk imperfectly?

When we fill our minds with Scripture and live according to its principles, Satan's schemes lose their power over us. - Charles Stanley

May your choices reflect your hopes, not your fears.

The most important thing is to look ahead. The past is your anchor.

Keep looking up – that's the secret of life. - Charlie Brown

Every moment is a fresh beginning.

It's the start of a brand new day and I'm off like a herd of turtles.

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

Push yourself because no one else is going to do it for you.

There are two types of days, those we want to finish last, and those that we want to never end.

We need a Legislature that looks out for us, not for themselves.

A happy marriage is the union of two good forgivers. - Ruth Bell Graham

## Produce Shopping on a Budget

5 strategies to save on fresh fruits and veggies

(Family Features) Cooking meals that bring your loved ones joy is often objective No. 1 but creating those flavorful favorites on an appropriate budget is an important aspect of well-rounded, family-friendly recipes. A few simple steps, like developing good grocery shopping habits, can put smiles on hungry faces without leaving a dent in your finances.

Consider these tips from the experts at Healthy Family Project along with its produce partners, which are on their 2023 Mission for Nutrition to improve access to fresh produce that's essential in alleviating many public health and personal wellness challenges. This year's partners are striving to be part of the improvement efforts by donating funds to increase the accessibility to fruits and vegetables in schools through the Foundation for Fresh Produce.

### Make a List (and Stick to It)

When buying fresh produce, remember some items have a shorter shelf life. Limiting purchases to items on your list can help lower grocery spending while alleviating food waste.

### Buy Local

Transportation cost is one of the biggest factors in the price of produce, meaning buying local, when possible, can help reduce your total at checkout.

### Stock Up on Seasonal Produce

Although you can generally find any produce item at any time of year, this isn't always an affordable practice. Knowing when your favorite fruits and veggies are in-season can save you money and allow you to use the freshest ingredients in family breakfasts like Protein-Packed Sausage Breakfast Muffins and Savory English Muffins.

### Know Your Produce Department

The front or feature table of the produce department often offers the best deals. Don't forget to look at the end caps on each produce aisle, which sometimes display seasonal items.

### Befriend the Produce Manager

Throughout each week, a "hot buy" may come into the store that didn't make it into the weekly ad. This happens with items at the end of their seasons, in particular, or if a crop is doing well. Chat with the produce manager at your local store and he or she may inform you of special prices.

Find more grocery savings strategies and family-friendly recipes at [HealthyFamilyProject.com](https://www.healthyfamilyproject.com).

## Protein Packed Sausage Breakfast Muffins

Recipe courtesy of Healthy Family Project

Nonstick cooking spray  
1 sweet onion, diced  
1 pound turkey sausage  
4 eggs  
1/2 cup shredded cheddar cheese  
1 cup protein pancake mix

Preheat oven to 350 F. Spray 12-cup muffin pan with nonstick cooking spray. Set aside.

In skillet over medium heat, cook sweet onion until translucent. Add turkey sausage and cook until no longer pink. Remove from heat.

In large mixing bowl, lightly beat eggs. Add shredded cheese, pancake mix and cooked sausage; mix well.

Fill prepared muffin cups about 3/4 full with mixture. Bake 18-20 minutes, or until golden brown on top.

## Bible Verse



Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me. - Psalms 23:4

# Putnam Property Transfers Putnam County Marriages AG Morrissey Reminds Consumers to Research Tax Prep Services

The following property transfers were recorded by the Putnam County Clerk between February 21, 2023 and March 3, 2023:

Cameron Barnett and Taylor Tabor Barnett to Heath Diehl and Rachel Sneeringer - Lot, Summer Set, Scott District for \$200,000.00.

Quality Living Spaces LLC to John and Teresa Peal - Lot, Eldorado Acres, Scott District for \$129,900.00.

DHB LLC to John Jacobs - Lot, Alexanders Place, Teays Valley District for \$429,000.00.

Travis Townsend and Gregory Townsend to Alvin and Shannen Ginier - Lot, Woodridge Testates, Teays Valley District for \$425,000.00.

Doyle and Linda Garnes to Homer and Donna Lester - 0.993 Acre, Winfield District for \$340,000.00.

AP1 LLC to Anthony Carr - Lot, Alexanders Place, Teays Valley District for \$55,050.00.

William Potter to James Pleger - Two Parcels, Poca District for \$300,000.00.

William Cragg to Lawrence and Renea Johnson - Parcel, Buffalo

District for \$39,900.00. Robert Walker to Austin Gatewood - Lot, Saunders Addition, Nitro District for \$1,000.00.

Emily King Fleming to John and Crystal Smith - Two Tracts, Union District for \$75,000.00.

Deanna Desimone to Brittany Crowder - Parcel, Union District for \$300,000.00.

AP1 LLC to DHB LLC - Lot, Alexanders Place, Teays Valley District for \$49,810.00.

AP1 LLC to Ricky and Carmen Mitchell - Lot, Alexanders Place, Teays Valley District for \$56,400.00.

Alpha Holdings Incorporated to DET LLC - Lot, Hurricane District for \$225,000.00.

Star USA Federal Credit Union to 1267 Rentals LLC - Parcel, Buffalo District for \$92,000.00.

Woodland Designs Inc to B&O Holdings - Lot, Virginia Meadows Subdivision, Curry District for \$16,500.00.

Stephen and Denise Foster to Joshua and Ashley Hill - Two Lots, Ranch Lake Estates, Scott District for

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

Jason Elvin Paxton to Chantelee Marie Scott

Justin Douglas Shoffner to Megan Elizabeth Nunn

Jonathan Nelson Coleman to Melissa Sue Rainey

Brian Lee Pence to David Adam Stafford

Jacob Steven Finney to Courtney Lucille Cremeans

Jason Scott Craig to Samantha Reaen Smith

Leland Arthur Brown to Traci Lynn Mynes

Brett Anthony Buskey to \$63,500.00.

Gary and Jocelyn Cochran to Forrest and Kaylee Mattox - Lot, Castleknock Ridge, Scott District for \$470,000.00.

Charlotte Painter to Mark Smith, Candice Smith and Jeremy Smith - 3.77 Acres, Poca District for \$30,000.00.

Kelly Holt, City National Bank of West Virginia and Kathleen Sowards to Stephen and Diana Schirtzinger - Lot, Scott District for \$36,400.00.

Alisha Michelle Hemlepp Shaun Christopher Guthrie to Briena Michelle Cielensky-Wilson

Dylan Charles Lucas to Kristina Lynn Campbell

Robert Tulloh Eskew to Janette Dawn Brunty

Zachary Alan Moses to Haleigh Brigitte Lilly

James Curtis Fizer to Angela Michelle Bowden

Blane Ray Pauley to Diann Lynn Lowe

Marriage Licenses were issued to the following individuals during February which marriages were not recorded as of February 28, 2023:

Jarod Tyler Bailes to Janessa Suzanne Harris

Charles Brady Withrow to Lois Jean Eads

Johnny Raymond Damron to Lois Jean Brogan

Tyler Joseph Woody to Ashley Brooke Hudnall

Kenneth Lynn Butcher to Catherine Jean Bennett

Nicholas Allen Hawley to Thessa Chae Bennett

Christian Lane Cantrell to Alia Ashlyn Packer

Austin Cole Morris to Kara Nicole Gill

Shannon Lee Cochran to

It's that time of the year again, so West Virginia Attorney General Patrick Morrissey is reminding consumers to be cautious and to protect personal information when preparing and filing their federal and state income taxes, particularly since some tax preparers offer remote/online assistance. The federal and West Virginia tax filing deadline this year is April 18. If opting for a remote or virtual transaction, make sure you're dealing with a legitimate tax preparation service. Also, make sure the tax preparer uses a secure portal to receive sensitive information involving income, Social Security numbers, finances, birth dates, addresses and other items scammers could steal. "Tax season is in full swing and so are scammers who are busy trying to steal your personal information," Attorney General Morrissey said. "That's why it's imperative for consumers to be mindful of how they handle tax information and who processes tax-related documents on their behalf. Make sure you work with the right person or business. Research their reputation, qualifications, and be on guard for any phony or dishonest preparer who would jeopardize your personal information."

Consumers can greatly reduce the risk of fraud by filing their return well before the April 18 deadline. This gives thieves less time to file a false return since Internal Revenue Service records would show a filed return in the consumer's name. Consumers also should use a secure internet connection, and never file their return via publicly available WiFi.

Consumers should ask for the Preparer Tax Identification Number (PTIN) and check the IRS list found at <https://irs.treasury.gov/rpo/rpo.jsf>. Legitimate tax preparers will ask for records and receipts. Additionally, they will never ask a client to sign a blank tax return. If they suggest as much, it should raise an immediate red flag.

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### Daily Bible Readings

Psalm 88	Psalm 90	Psalm 91	Psalm 120	Psalm 122	Psalm 126	Psalm 127
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## BASIC BIBLE

By Ron Allen  
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### Submitting to the Father's Will

Matthew 26:36-50

All that transpires in the text before us took place at Gethsemane in the space of about three hours. We see Jesus praying to God the Father and hear His words. We see Peter, James and John slumbering while Jesus prayed. And lastly, we see Judas delivering Jesus into the hands of the chief priests and the elders of the people.

"And he took with him Peter and the two sons of Zebedee . . ." (v. 37). There was a reason, perhaps multiple reasons, why Jesus selected these three. The same three were with Him upon the mount when Jesus was transfigured (17:1, 2). Matthew 20:20-21 reveals that James and John sought seats of honor, above the other disciples. Shortly before coming to Gethsemane, Peter proclaimed that he would never deny Jesus. The verses which follow do not state why Jesus drew these three aside. That said, the instruction to tarry and to watch (v. 38), has been preserved in scripture for God's purposes.

Jesus had told all of His disciples that the time for the Son of man to be betrayed and to be crucified was now. The time had come for Psalm 22 to be fulfilled. The three were to wait and to watch so that they might be ready for the scriptures to be fulfilled.

The three fell asleep. They could not watch and wait a single hour (v. 40). In verse 41, Jesus told the three to watch and to pray that they not enter into temptation. Jesus went away to pray a second time. When Jesus returned, the three were sound asleep. They had failed again. Jesus returned to pray a third time. When He returned, they were again asleep. They were not ready for the hour of temptation.

God wants believers to see the failure of these three and reflect upon it. These three had seen the vision of Moses and Elijah talking with Jesus. Despite having been chosen to see that which the other disciples did not see, the three failed to wait and to watch. They saw what the others did not see by the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, yet, they failed to wait and the watch.

All believers are saved by grace through faith (Eph. 2:8). Jesus has told all to "Watch therefore, for ye know neither the day nor the hour wherein the Son of man cometh" (Matt. 25:13). We are called, not to sleep, but, to watch. We are to be ready for His return. The scriptures shall be fulfilled. Some shall be taken and some shall remain. Some shall have oil in their lamps and some shall be dry (Matt. 25:1-13). The oil of the Spirit burns in the darkest of times. The best of the flesh dies with the flesh.

"And he left them . . . and prayed the third time" (v. 44). Jesus prayed the same words each and every time. He prayed, "Father, if possible, let this cup pass from me: nevertheless not as I will, but as thou wilt" (v. 39). These are words of God the Son directed to God the Father. Jesus, God manifest in the flesh, prayed that He not drink of "this cup" if possible. The cup was the death upon the cross. God's word states that the Messiah would be cut off, but not for Himself (Dan. 9:27). Another scripture states, ". . . because he hath poured out his soul unto death: and he was numbered with the transgressors: and he bare the sin of many, and made intercession for the transgressors" (Isa. 53:12). The Messiah would die a sacrificial death. The cup could only pass from Jesus if He were not the Messiah of whom the prophets spoke. God does not lie. The cup did not pass from Jesus. It is not possible that He not be God the Son! The Son could not place the will of His flesh above the Father's will.

The Father wants all men to know that He and the Son are one. This prayer has been preserved as scripture for all who shall believe. The Father wants all to know that Jesus is the way, the truth and the life (Jn. 14:6). God counts belief for righteousness (Gen. 15:6).

When Jesus returned from praying the third time, He found the disciples slumbering again. It was time that He should be betrayed into the hands of sinners (v. 45). Judas and a great multitude from the chief priests and the elders had arrived.

What follows is an unexpected question. Jesus asked, "Friend, wherefore art thou come?" Jesus knew the answer to His question (see Matt. 26:25). Jesus knew that Judas had come to deliver Him into the hands of the chief priests and the elders.

Why did Jesus ask the question? Jesus knew that Judas had come to betray Him and the reason that Judas had come to betray Him. Why (to betray Jesus) was made known to us and to the disciples in verse 21. Judas did not choose to follow Jesus with the intent that he be the one who would fulfill the words of Psalm 41:9. Judas chose to lift up his heel against Jesus when Satan took control (see Lk. 22:3 and Jn. 13:27). Judas became an instrument of Satan because he did not believe in the God who so loved the world that He would give His only begotten Son such that all who should believe would receive life eternal.

Judas did not answer Jesus' question. There is no answer for them who believe not. Believers are to "Trust in the Lord with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding" (Prov. 3:5).

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# Obituaries

**RETHA DICKERSON**  
Retha Mae (Beller) Dickerson, 90, of Nitro, passed away on March 14, 2023 at CAMC Memorial Hospital.

She was born on April 30, 1932 in Paradise and spent most of her life in Putnam County, living in the Nitro community for many years. She was a homemaker and a greenhouse worker but most importantly she was a devoted and loving wife, mother and grandmother; always providing support to those she loved.

Retha was preceded in death by her husband of 40 years: Denny Lee Dickerson; parents: David and Mary Thornton Beller; as well as 10 brothers.

Left to cherish her memory is her daughter, Annette Buirge (Tony) of St. Albans; Sons: Keith Scantlin (Artie) of Tennessee and Glenn Scantlin of Eleanor; 8 grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren; 2 great-great grandchildren; sister: Deloris Holmes; and many nieces and nephews.

Retha's Funeral Service was Saturday March 18, 2023 with Rev. Ron McClung officiating. Burial was in Barnett Chapel Community Cemetery, Liberty.

**CHARLES 'PETEY' HARRIS**  
Charles Franklin "Petey" Harris, 42, of Buffalo, passed away Thursday, March 16,

2023 at St. Mary's Medical Center Huntington following a sudden illness. He loved fishing and spending time outdoors, riding 4-wheelers and just being outside. Music was also a big part of his life. Most of all, Petey loved his family and friends and will be sadly missed by many.

Born August 14, 1980, he was the son of Charles L. "Pete" Harris of Buffalo, and the late Effie G. Williams Harris.

In addition to his father, he is survived by his wife, Bethany Rickard; his daughter, Caitlyn Harris (Damion Saunders) of Buffalo; his aunts, Mary (Arnold) Bailey of Red House, Margaret Ann Miller of Buffalo, and Cora Young of Red House; his best friend Jeremy (Laura) White of Culloden; as well as extended family and many friends.

Funeral service was Tuesday, March 21, 2023 at Raynes Funeral Home, Buffalo, with Pastor Mark Harris officiating. Private interment was in Buffalo Memorial Park.

**WILLIAM JOHNSON**  
William Asa Johnson, 86, of Hurricane, went peacefully home in the loving arms of his Lord and Savior on Wednesday, March 15, 2023 after a short illness. Bill was born in Huntington on April 18th, 1936 to the late Moses and Elizabeth

Johnson. He was preceded in death by his brothers Layton, Eldon, Lewis and sister Arbutis Carpenter. He was also preceded in death by his loving wife of 63 years, Loretta Torman Johnson.

Bill was a faithful member of Fairview Baptist and absolutely loved serving beside his brothers and sisters in Christ. He served in the Army from 1955 through 1957. He was retired from Union Carbide Corporation with 33 years of service.

He is survived by his sons Curtis (Denise) of Hurricane, Dean (Janet) of Red House, and Jerry (Melissa) of Hurricane. Grandchildren Camron (Kyonna) of Hurricane, Jenna of Red House, Bradley & Philip of Hurricane. Great Grandsons Kane and Ronan of Hurricane. Surviving siblings, his brothers Willard (his twin) of St. Mary's and Harold of Hurricane. Sisters Mamie Crouch of Hurricane and Mae McCoy of Sod. Sister-in-Laws Bonnie Johnson, Ann Johnson & Joyce Burdette all of Hurricane. And many, many nieces and nephews as well. Bill was so proud and dearly loved all of his family. He often said how blessed he was when truthfully he were the "Blessed" ones.

Funeral service was Saturday, March 18, 2023 at Allen Funeral Home. Burial was in Mt. Moriah Cemetery.

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**CHARLOTTE LAMBERT**

Charlotte Lambert, 80, of Winfield, passed away March 11, 2023, at home following a long illness.

She was a Christian but was unable to attend church the past few years. Charlotte was a loving wife, mother, grandmother and great grandmother.

Preceding her in death were her father, Roy Basil Price; mother, Mary Elizabeth Simmons Price Kincaid; sister, Sue Regan; and step-father, Lester Kincaid.

Surviving are her husband of sixty years, John Paul Lambert; sons, Greg Lambert (Becky) of Fuquay-Varina, North Carolina, Tim Lambert of Bealeton, Virginia; brother, Lester 'Butch' Kincaid (Patty) of Elkhart, Indiana; sister, Sandy Kincaid of Kanawha City; grandchildren, Caleb Lambert of Clarksville, Tennessee, Janette Lambert of Apex, North Carolina, Kristen Sumpter (Jon) of St. Johns, Florida, Nicole (Nikki) and Jacob Lambert both of Fuquay-Varina, and Alex Lambert of Bealeton; great grandchildren, Rhett Lambert and Magnolia Sumpter.

Charlotte and John married in 1962 and lived in Richmond, Virginia for seven years where their two sons were born. Later they moved to Dale City, Virginia and lived there for eighteen years before moving to West Virginia in 1987. While in Virginia, Charlotte was very active in her church's music program, singing in the choir, small groups and solos. She loved being a stay-at-home mom but entered the workforce when Greg and Tim entered middle school. She was a secretary to the Vice-President of Halifax Engineering.

Charlotte loved her family, gospel music and concerts, the yearly family vacations, bowling in her younger years, watching westerns and Hallmark movies, flowers and the many four-legged pets she had through the years.

Funeral service was Wednesday, March 15, 2023, at Fidler and Frame Funeral Home, Belle, with Pastor Jim Simmons officiating. Interment was in Kanawha Valley Memorial Gardens, Glasgow.

**JANE ANN MOORE**

Jane Ann Pritt Moore, of Scott Depot, passed away peacefully on March 15, 2023 at Hubbard Hospice West. She was born on June 1, 1935 in Ward, WV to the late Harry and Elizabeth Pritt.

In addition to her parents, she was also preceded in death by her husband, Ralph L. Moore; sisters: Nancy Beckner and Dorothy Samples; stepsister-in-law: Doris Walker; and stepson, Danny Moore.

Jane Ann was a long-time employee of Carbon Fuel. She was a devoted member of Winfield Baptist Church and enjoyed spending time there, serving with her friends. Jane Ann treasured her family and their special holiday dinners she had with them. She loved making things for other people, especially cooking, sewing, and crocheting. She was always smiling and could make friends with anyone and was every child's mawmaw.

She is survived by siblings: Virginia Pritt, Linda Pritt, and Harry Pritt; stepdaughter, JoLonda Locker, sister-in-law, Carol Fish; grandchildren: David Locker, Kevin Locker, and Damien Moore, and her many cherished nieces and nephews.

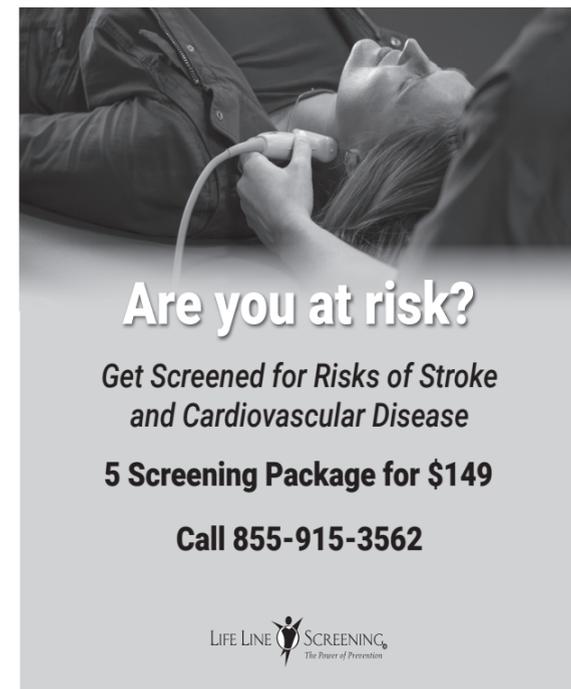
Funeral Service for Jane Ann will be 12:00 noon, Saturday, March 25, 2023 at Chapman Funeral Home, Hurricane, with Pastor David Johns officiating. Burial will follow in Cunningham Memorial Park St. Albans

**MICHAEL SHAWLER**

Michael E. Shawler, 71, of Hurricane, passed away peacefully in his sleep on March 19, 2023.

He was preceded in death by his parents William Thomas and Mary Laverne Shawler.

Mike grew up in Louisville, Kentucky, where his beloved nickname "Mickey" originated and is still used by his sisters today. After attending Flaget High School in 1969, he was accepted into the University of Louisville where he received his bachelor's and master's degrees in chemical engineering. His education



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led him to South Charleston where he worked over 30 years as a Process Engineer for multiple chemical companies including Union Carbide and Dow. He took a short 'retirement' in 2008 before returning as a Sr. Consultant at Belcan, continuing his support to the production engineering team at the Institute Plant.

He is survived by his wife, Sally A. Shawler of Hurricane. Sisters: Michele Raymer (Mike) and Patricia Garlitz of Louisville, KY, children: John Shawler (Chotika) of Hurricane, Ann Marie DeNardi (Kristopher) of Wheeling, and Paul Shawler (Lesley) of Carbondale, IL, grandchildren: Morgan and Preston, one uncle, and many nieces, nephews, and cousins.

Mike gave generously and devoted his time to charitable organizations such as the Knights of Columbus and the Kentucky Colonels. He was a member of Ascension Catholic Church in Hurricane, where his guitar filled Mass for the past 40 years. His gift in music cascaded through the community. He loved an open-mic night at the local pub, strumming with the "Almost Heaven" Dulcimer Club, and playing clarinet with the community band; he graciously shared his talent with everyone he met.

Mass of Christian Burial was Wednesday, March 22, 2023, at Ascension Catholic Church, Hurricane, with Rev. Father Vincent Joseph officiating. Burial was in St. Patrick's Cemetery in Scott Depot.

**JOANN COTTRELL WACKENHEIM**

Joann Cottrell Wackenheim, 87, formerly of Norwalk, Ohio, passed away Sunday, March 12, 2023, in Hartland, Michigan, after a long illness.

She was born October 14, 1935 in Hurricane, the daughter of the late Carson L. and Ivel Foster Cottrell. She was also preceded in death by her loving husband, Harold W. Wackenheim and great-grandson, Tyler Dean.

She graduated from Hurricane High School and St. Mary's School of Nursing. She was a member of First Baptist Church of Hurricane and First United Methodist Church in Norwalk. She was an avid hand quilter winning many awards at local and state fairs. She loved gardening and canning. She loved cooking for her family, especially at Thanksgiving where she would cook for up to 40 family and friends each year.

She is survived by three daughters, Mary Beth Proctor, Sheri Lynn (Matt) Germane, and Susan Leigh (Greg) Hinshaw and a sister, Sharon Lee (Harold) Basham. She is also survived by eight grandchildren, Emily Jade Proctor, Elizabeth Marie Proctor, Katherine Ilene (Alex) Fenech, Jonathan William (Alexandra) Germane, Joanna Leigh Germane, Robert Gregory Hinshaw, Claire Joanne Hinshaw, and Ellen Leander Hinshaw along with seven great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren.

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Service was Friday, March 17, at Lewis Memorial Baptist Church, Huntington, with Pastor Tim Yates officiating.

She was laid to rest in Valley View Cemetery in Hurricane.

Putnam County Divorces

The following divorces were finalized in Putnam County Circuit Court during the months of January and February. Sandra Auline Southall from Jerry Lee Southall, Lisa M. Boggs from Gary D. Boggs, Sarah Ann Duterte from Keefe Duterte, Gregory Wayne Bowles from Heather Laneille Bowles, Shalana Kay Roberts from James Michael Roberts, Caitlyn Nicole Newman from Matthew Jay Newman, Julian Kadia Adkins from Chris Allen Adkins, Marek Krasnansky from Ashlea Faye Krasnansky, Brittany Brooks Dunbar from Travis Jonathan Burgess, Eva Wilodene Smolder from Adam Andrew Smolder, Danielle Moyer Cook from Michael Moyer, Lora Beth Kitchen from Timothy Scott Kitchen, Bobbi Jo Steele from Joseph Michael Muto, Amanda Joy Stowers from Shawn David Stowers, George Ross Skidmore from Linda Gillispie Skidmore, James Monroe Jones from Joy Elaine Jones, Ashley Nichole Mason from Kenneth James Mason Jr., Stacie Dawn Cabell from Jeb Layden Cabell, Lynn Ellen Wandling from Barry Scott Wandling, Thomas Drake Schoolcraft from Jordan Nicole Schoolcraft, John Derek Daniels from Megan Blair Daniels, Shante Ellis from Donald Eugene Ellis, Tina Lurene Hager from Adam S. Hager, Cassie Gale Patterson from Justin Randal Patterson, Raye Anne Hall from Robert Fulton Duncan, Peggy Sue Cremeans from David Lee Cremeans, Mary Ellen Moore from Jennifer Sue Moore, Ashley Fertig from Gregory Fertig, Jana Lynn Bullock from

Quentin Bullock, Gregory James Mitchell from Brenna Conner Mitchell, Beverly Jean Thornton from Roger Lynn Thornton, Amber Nicole Ghezzi from Jacob Lee Ghezzi.

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE is hereby given pursuant to and by virtue of the authority vested in the Substitute Trustee, WV Trustee Services, LLC, by that certain Deed of Trust dated July 20, 2012, executed by Borrower, Alcinous L. Ferguson, to R. Vance Golden, III, the Trustee of record in the office of the Clerk of the County Commission of Putnam County, West Virginia, in Book 1012, at Page 159. At the time of the execution of the Deed of Trust, this property was reported to have a mailing address of 115 Catherine Dr, Hurricane, WV 25526. WV Trustee Services, LLC were appointed as Substitute Trustees by APPOINTMENT OF SUCCESSOR TRUSTEE dated February 14, 2023, of record in the Clerk's office. The borrower defaulted under the Note and Deed of Trust and the Substitute Trustees have been instructed to foreclose under the Deed of Trust. Accordingly, the Substitute Trustees will sell the following described property to the highest bidder at the front door of the Courthouse of Putnam County, in Winfield, West Virginia, on the following date:

12th day of April, 2023 at 11:00 a.m.

All those certain lots, tracts or parcels of land together with the improvements thereon and the appurtenances thereunto belonging situate in Maple Heights Addition, Hurricane, Curry District, Putnam County, West Virginia, and being known and designated as all of Lot Nos. 5 and 6 as shown in Map Book 1 at page 53 BEING the same property which, by Deed dated October 7, 1981, and recorded among the Land Records of the City of HURRICANE, County of Putnam, State of West Virginia, in Book No. 260, page 139, was granted and conveyed by Arthur H. Egnor and Deloris E. Egnor unto Alcinous L. Ferguson.

TERMS OF SALE:

- 1) The property will be conveyed in an "AS IS" physical condition by Deed containing no warranty, express or implied, subject to the Internal Revenue Service right of redemption, all property taxes, prior Deeds, liens, reservations, encumbrances, restrictions, rights-of-ways, easements, covenants, conveyances and conditions of record in the Clerk's office or affecting the subject property.
2) The Purchaser shall be responsible for the payment of the transfer taxes imposed by the West Virginia Code § 11-22-1.
3) The Beneficiary and/or the Servicer of the Deed of Trust and Note reserve the right to submit a bid for the property at sale.
4) The Trustee reserves the right to continue sale of the subject property from time to time by written or oral proclamation, which continuance shall be in the sole discretion of the Trustee.
5) The Trustee shall be under no duty to cause any existing tenant or person occupying the property to vacate said property, and any personal property and/or belongings remaining at the property after the foreclosure sale will be deemed to constitute ABANDONED PROPERTY AND WILL BE DISPOSED OF ACCORDINGLY.
6) The total purchase price is payable to the Trustee within thirty (30) days of the date of sale, with ten (10%) of the total purchase price payable to the Trustee at sale.

Being the same property conveyed to Alcinous L. Ferguson by the Deed dated October 7, 1981 and recorded in Deed Book 260 at Page 139 in the Office of the Clerk of the County Commission of Putnam County, West Virginia.

WV Trustee Services, LLC, Substitute Trustee BY: Dionne Reynolds, Limited Signing Officer WV Trustee Services, LLC McGuire Office Center 618 Tenth Street, Suite 108 Huntington, WV 25701 (304) 853-3336 dionne.reynolds@wvtrustee services.com

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF PUTNAM COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA

In Re: Change of Name from Graylon Jacob Sowards to Graylon Jacob Graley

LEGAL NOTICE OF PUBLICATION CHANGE OF NAME PROCEEDING

Civil Action No. 23-P-8 Circuit Court of Putnam County, West Virginia

Notice is hereby given that on the 5th day of April, 2023, at 11:00 a.m. on said day, or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, before the Honorable Judge Joseph Reeder, Taylor Graley will apply by Petition to the Circuit Court of Putnam County, West Virginia for the entry of an order by said Court, changing her child's name from Graylon Jacob Sowards to Graylon Jacob Graley, at which time and place any interested party may appear and be heard, if they so desire. You are hereby notified that this matter may be rescheduled without further notice or publication. A copy of said Petition can be obtained from the undersigned Clerk at his office at 12093 Winfield Road, Ste. 12, Winfield, WV 25213. ENTERED by the Clerk of said Court this 1st day of March, 2023. Stephanie Smith/sy Circuit Clerk

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To the Creditors and Beneficiaries of the following deceased persons estates:

I have before me the estates of the deceased persons and the accounts of the fiduciaries of their respective estates as listed below:

Estate No.: 5284 Estate Of: Frank Howard Capehart III Executrix: Linda L. Capehart 186 Shawnee Estates Winfield WV 25213

Estate No.: 5234 Estate Of: Barbara Jean Chase 1514 Virginia St E Charleston WV 25311 Co Executor: Trent A. Chase 325 Ellsworth Street Colorado Springs CO 80906 7905

Estate No.: 5307 Estate Of: Sharon Sue Cochran Administrator: Roger P. Cochran P.O. Box 4 Hometown WV 25109

Estate No.: 5225 Estate Of: Danny Ray Cook Administratrix: Isabelita Supulveda Cook P. O. Box 481 2760 Fifth Street Hurricane WV 25526 Attorney: Ian A. Peters 3566 Teays Valley Road Hurricane WV 25526

Estate No.: 5289 Estate Of: Phyllis Jean Cunningham Administrator: Randall N. Cunningham 5448 Fisher Ridge Road Liberty WV 25124

Estate No.: 5298 Estate Of: Janice Mercedes Eads Executrix: Terry R. Eads 142 Country Cove Estates Scott Depot WV 25560 9635

Estate No.: 5226 Estate Of: Jimmy Franklin Frazier Executrix: Samuel L. Frazier 460 Staves Branch Road Fraziers Bottom WV 25082 6824

Estate No.: 5192 Estate Of: Hattie Rosalie Mays Executrix: Albert V. Mays Jr. 43 Hillside Circle Scott Depot WV 25560 9754

Estate No.: 5308 Estate Of: Robert Oral Spurgeon Executrix: Teresa E. Harrison 51 McClung Road Hurricane WV 25526

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF PUTNAM COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA

In Re: Change of Name from Lake Moore to Orville Azure Lake Frost Moore

LEGAL NOTICE OF PUBLICATION CHANGE OF NAME PROCEEDING

Civil Action No. 23-P-35 Circuit Court of Putnam County, West Virginia

Notice is hereby given that on the 5th day of April, 2023, at 10:30 a.m. on said day, or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, before the Honorable Judge Joseph Reeder, Timothy J. Moore and Jan N. Moore will apply by Petition to the Circuit Court of Putnam County, West Virginia for the entry of an order by said Court, changing child's name from Lake Moore to Orville Azure Lake Frost Moore, at which time and place any interested party may appear and be heard, if they so desire. You are hereby notified that this matter may be rescheduled without further notice or publication. A copy of said Petition can be obtained from the undersigned Clerk at his office at 12093 Winfield Road, Ste. 12, Winfield, WV 25213. ENTERED by the Clerk of said Court this 10th day of March, 2023. Stephanie Smith/cs Circuit Clerk

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SCHEDULE OF PROPOSED LEVY RATES PUTNAM COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

The following is a true copy from the record of orders entered by PUTNAM COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION on the 20th day of March 2023:

Table with columns: Class, Real Estate, Personal Property, Public Utilities, Total Class, Column E Certificate of Valuation Assessed Value for Tax Purposes, Current Expense Levy Rate/\$100, Levy Taxes Levied. Includes rows for Class I, II, III, IV and Total Assessed Valuation and Projected Gross Tax Collections.

Table with columns: Less Allowance for Uncollectibles, Exonerations and Delinquencies, Less Allowance for Tax Discounts, Less Allowance for Tax Increment Financing, Net Projected Tax Collections, Assessor's Valuation Fund, Less - Allowance for Assessor's Valuation Fund, Projected Net Taxes to be Collected.

SCHEDULE OF PROPOSED LEVY RATES ALLOWANCE FOR TAX INCREMENT FINANCING PUTNAM COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

Table with columns: Class, Real Estate, Personal Property, Public Utilities, Total Class, Column C Roll Back Value Form, Permanent Improvement Levy Rate/\$100, Levy Taxes Levied. Includes rows for Class I, II, III, IV and Total Assessed Valuation and Projected Gross Tax Collections.

Table with columns: Less Allowance for Uncollectibles, Exonerations and Delinquencies, Less Allowance for Tax Discounts, Less Allowance for Tax Increment Financing, Projected Net Taxes to be collected, Total Projected Net Taxes from Regular and Excess Levies.

SCHEDULE OF PROPOSED LEVY RATES ALLOWANCE FOR TAX INCREMENT FINANCING PUTNAM COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

Table with columns: Class, Real Estate, Personal Property, Public Utilities, Total Class, Column C Roll Back Value Form, Permanent Improvement Levy Rate/\$100, Levy Taxes Levied. Includes rows for Class I, II, III, IV and Total Value & Projected Revenue.

Table with columns: Less Allowance for Uncollectibles, Exonerations and Delinquencies, Less Allowance for Tax Discounts, Allowance for Tax Increment Financing.

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Table with columns: Less Allowance for Uncollectibles, Exonerations and Delinquencies, Less Allowance for Tax Discounts, Allowance for Tax Increment Financing.

SIGNED THIS 20TH DAY OF MARCH, 2023, BY John G. Hudson, SECRETARY OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION JOHN G. HUDSON

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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.: 5297 Estate Of: Judith Ann Arthur Administratrix: Joan Savilla 4034 40th Street Nitro WV 25143 1341

Estate No.: 5286 Estate Of: Juanita Ruth Burford Administratrix: Virginia Gale Grant 473 Washington Hill Road Hurricane WV 25526

Estate No.: 5207 Estate Of: Frank Marco Cipolat Executrix: Stacy Hawkins 1438 Bowles Ridge Liberty WV 25124

Estate No.: 5205 Estate Of: Sydney Anne Dixon Executrix: Lawrence K. Dixon 5741 Hurricane Creek Hurricane WV 25526

Estate No.: 5285 Estate Of: Daryl Edward Haid Executrix: Michael L. Green 2 Appaloosa Lane Scott Depot WV 25560 9683

Estate No.: 5232 Estate Of: Thomas Stubblefield Hill Executrix: J. B. Marinacci 6003 Pinnacle View Drive Hurricane WV 25526

Estate No.: 5313 Estate Of: John Timothy Melton Executrix: Matthew J. Allen 3382 Heizer Creek Poca WV 25159 7619

Estate No.: 5316 Estate Of: Nathan William Samples Administratrix: Amy M. Samples 1039 Wethersfield Crossing Hurricane WV 25526

All persons having claims against the estate(s) of any of the above-named deceased persons whether due or not, are notified to exhibit their claims with vouchers thereof, legally verified, to the fiduciary of such deceased person as shown above within 60 days of March 23, 2023; 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 March 23, 2023.

Subscribed and sworn to before me on the 17th day of March 2023. Fiduciary Supervisor Putnam County Commission 10293 Winfield Road, Winfield, WV 25213

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF PUTNAM COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA

In Re: Change of Name from Victoria Lynn Reed to Victoria Lynn Smith

LEGAL NOTICE OF PUBLICATION CHANGE OF NAME PROCEEDING

Civil Action No. 23-P-33 Circuit Court of Putnam County, West Virginia

Notice is hereby given that on the 31st day of March, 2023, at 2:30 p.m. on said day, or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, before the Honorable Judge Phillip Stowers, Victoria Lynn Reed will apply by Petition to the Circuit Court of Putnam County, West Virginia for the entry of an order by said Court, changing her name from Victoria Lynn Reed to Victoria Lynn Smith, at which time and place any interested party may appear and be heard, if they so desire. You are hereby notified that this matter may be rescheduled without further notice or publication. A copy of said Petition can be obtained from the undersigned Clerk at his office at 12093 Winfield Road, Ste. 12, Winfield, WV 25213. ENTERED by the Clerk of said Court this 9th day of March, 2023. Stephanie Smith/sy Circuit Clerk

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ORDER OF PUBLICATION

IN THE FAMILY COURT OF PUTNAM COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA

Autumn Whitney Johnson Vs. Cory Eltorre Johnson

Case No. 23-D-19

THE OBJECT OF THIS SUIT IS TO OBTAIN NOTICE OF FINAL HEARING ON PETITION FOR DIVORCE. It appearing by affidavit filed in this action that CORY ELTORRE JOHNSON, whose address is unknown is a party in the above matter and that a hearing was set for April 19, 2023 at 10:30 AM before Judge Witt, Family Court Judge, located at the Judicial Building, 12093 Winfield Rd. Suite 12, Winfield WV 25213. A copy of said Petition for Divorce and Notice of Hearing can be obtained from the Putnam County Circuit Clerk's Office. Entered by the Clerk of said Court on this 17th day of March 2023. STEPHANIE SMITH/dr Clerk of the Court

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Notice of Short Form Settlement of Estates

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

I have before me the final settlement of the estates of the following persons, which shall be presented to the County Commission of Putnam County, at the Courthouse, in the City of Winfield, on Tuesday the 28th day of March 2023 at 5:00 p.m. for its approval which settlements have been presented to me pursuant to West Virginia Code 44-3A-4a, as amended, (Waiver and Application for Short Form Settlement by distributees and beneficiaries) which settlements I have approved as indicated below:

Estate of Dempsey Dale Casto Kathy L. Casto, Executrix

Estate of Robin Charlene Collins David A. Collins, Administrator

Estate of Loretta Marcetus Thacker Craddock Fonda Morris, Executrix

Estate of Charles Elsworth Delaney Rose M. Delaney, Administratrix

Estate of Kenneth William Eastwood Deborah A. Whiting, Executrix

Estate of Thomas G. Hudson Adam Hudson, Administrator

Estate of Anna Lee Hughes Leella Wyant, Executrix

Estate of Anna Moore Pamela Adams, Administratrix

Estate of Barbara Ann Myers Brian S. Myers, Administrator

Estate of Carrel Melvin Prince, Jr. Kelsey Davis, Executrix

Estate of Rita Sharon Searls Paul D. Searls, Executrix

Any persons having an interest in the estate of any such person may appear before the County Commission at the above time and place and thereupon protest his/her interest or else be forever barred from asserting such interest thereafter. Given under my hand this 17th day of March 2023. Fiduciary Supervisor, Putnam County 12093 Winfield Road Winfield, WV 25213

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**NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE**  
 NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE is hereby given pursuant to and by virtue of the authority vested in the Substitute Trustee, WV Trustee Services, LLC, by that certain Deed of Trust dated April 21, 2020, executed by Borrower, Courtney A Moore, to Teays Valley Trustees, LLC, a Limited Liability Company, the Trustee of record in the office of the Clerk of the County Commission of Putnam County, West Virginia, in Book 1241, at Page 792. At the time of the execution of the Deed of Trust, this property was reported to have a mailing address of 234 Washington St, Bancroft, WV 25011. WV Trustee Services, LLC were appointed as Substitute Trustees by APPOINTMENT OF SUCCESSOR TRUSTEE dated February 24, 2023, of record in the Clerk's Office in Book 340, Page 588. The borrower defaulted under the Note and Deed of Trust and the Substitute Trustees have been instructed to foreclose under the Deed of Trust. Accordingly, the Substitute Trustees will sell the following described property to the highest bidder at the front door of the Courthouse of Putnam County, in Winfield, West Virginia, on the following date:

**12th day of April, 2023 at 10:45 a.m.**

All that certain lot or parcel of land, together with the improvements thereon and the appurtenances thereunto belonging, situate in Pocahontas District, Putnam County, West Virginia, and being described and designated as all of Lot No. Forty Four (44), of the W. A. Grassie Addition to Black Betsy, being resubdivision of Lots 1-2-3-, Block N. Raymond City Coal Corporation Property, as shown upon a map of said addition recorded in the office the of the Clerk of the County Commission of Putnam County, West Virginia, in Map Book No. 3, at page 53. This Conveyance is made subject to the restrictions and reservations as contained in the deed dated October 1, 1957, and recorded in the aforesaid Clerk's Office in Deed Book No. 127, at page 109. And being the same property conveyed to Ginger Lynn Grose by Deed dated September 29, 2004 from Prudential Residential Services Limited Partnership, a Delaware Limited Partnership, acting by its General Partner Prudential Homes Corporation of record in the aforesaid Clerk's office in Deed Book 451 at page 195. Said Ginger Lynn Grose died testate on November 3, 2018 in Putnam County, West Virginia and devised the subject property to her parents, Patricia Williams and Robert Williams, by her Last Will and Testament and recorded in the aforesaid Clerk's office in Will Book 62, at Page 519. Her father, Robert Williams, predeceased her on February 16, 2010. Her Will was silent as to whom his share would then be devised to. Pursuant to the West Virginia Code, his share passed to his issue, being Ginger Lynn Grose and Joey Annette Toms. Ginger Lynn Grose was survived by one child, Wyatt Morgan Grose. Joey Annette Toms and Wyatt Morgan Grose conveyed any interest they have in the subject property to Patricia Williams by deed dated March 27, 2020 and of record in Deed Book 584 at page 463.

Being the same property conveyed to Courtney A Moore by the Deed dated April 21, 2020 and recorded in Deed Book 584 at Page 817 in the Office of the Clerk of the County Commission of Putnam County, West Virginia.

**TERMS OF SALE:**

1) The property will be conveyed in an "AS IS" physical condition by Deed containing no warranty, express or implied, subject to the Internal Revenue Service right of redemption, all property taxes,

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**Tariff Form No. 8 (RULE 23)  
 PUBLIC NOTICE OF CHANGE IN RATES WITH PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATES**

NOTICE is hereby given that Mountaineer Gas Company, a public utility, has filed with the Public Service Commission of West Virginia a tariff containing a requested increase in rates and charges for furnishing natural gas service to approximately 218,000 customers in Barbour, Berkeley, Boone, Braxton, Brooke, Cabell, Calhoun, Clay, Doddridge, Fayette, Gilmer, Grant, Greenbrier, Hancock, Hardy, Harrison, Jackson, Jefferson, Kanawha, Lewis, Lincoln, Logan, Marion, Marshall, Mason, McDowell, Mercer, Mineral, Mingo, Monongalia, Monroe, Morgan, Nicholas, Ohio, Pendleton, Preston, Putnam, Raleigh, Randolph, Ritchie, Roane, Summers, Tucker, Tyler, Upshur, Wayne, Wetzel, Wirt, Wood, and Wyoming Counties in West Virginia.

The proposed increased rates and charges will become effective Friday April 5, 2023, unless otherwise ordered by the Public Service Commission, and will produce, on a total Company basis, \$19,740,000 annually in additional revenues, or an overall average increase in revenues of approximately 6.08%. The \$19,740,000 consists of an increase in base rates of \$37,649,000 and a decrease in the Company's Investment Replacement and Expansion Program ("IREP") of \$17,909,000. The average monthly bill for the various classes of customers will be changed as follows:

	(\$) INCREASE	(%) INCREASE
Residential	\$ 7.08	% 7.85
Commercial	\$ 10.26	% 2.68
Large Commercial	\$ 747.47	% 0.70
Industrial	\$ 293.54	% 0.40
Resale	\$ 100.00	% 1.70
Other	\$ -	% -

This increase incorporates the rate impact of the cumulative investment under the IREP that was placed into service as of December 31, 2022. As a result, the Company proposes to reduce the IREP component of its rates relating to that investment when the new base rates go into effect.

Resale customers of Mountaineer Gas Company include Canaan Valley Gas Company, Consumers Gas Utility Company, Cardinal Natural Gas Company, Hope Gas, Inc., Megan Oil and Gas, City of Philippi and Southern Public Service Company. The increases shown are based on averages of all customers in the indicated class. Individual customers may receive increases that are greater or less than average. Furthermore, the requested 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 scheduled, notice will be given of the time and place of hearing.)

Anyone desiring to intervene and act as a part in the case should file on or before June 5, 2023 a Petition to Intervene complying with the Commission rules on intervention in the Rules of Practice and Procedure, 150 C.S.R.1, unless otherwise modified by Commission order. Anyone desiring to protest should file a written protest as soon as possible, although protests will be accepted by the Commission through the pendency of this proceeding. All written protest should briefly state the reason for the protest. All protest and Petitions to Intervene should clearly state the case name and number and the addressed to Karen Buckley, Executive Secretary, Public Service Commission of West Virginia, P.O. Box 812, Charleston West Virginia 25323.

A complete copy of the Company's tariff proposals and a representative of the Company to provide information concerning this tariff are available to all customers, prospective customers or their agents at the following office of the Company:

501 56th Street SE, Charleston, WV 25304

A copy of this tariff is also available for public inspection at the office of the Executive Secretary of the Public Service Commission at 201 Brooks Street, Charleston, West Virginia 25301.

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prior Deeds, liens, reservations, encumbrances, restrictions, rights-of-ways, easements, covenants, conveyances and conditions of record in the Clerk's office or affecting the subject property.

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

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

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**NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE**

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE is hereby given pursuant to and by virtue of the authority vested in the Substitute Trustee, WV Trustee Services, LLC, by that certain Deed of Trust dated November 29, 2018, executed by Borrower(s), Carolyn Sue Dickens, to L. Richard Dorsey, II, the Trustee of record in the office of the Clerk of the County Commission of Putnam County, West Virginia, in Book 1203, at Page 104. At the time of the execution of the Deed of Trust, this property was reported to have a mailing address of 107 Eastwood Acres, Nitro, WV 25143. WV Trustee Services, LLC were appointed as Substitute Trustees by APPOINTMENT OF SUCCESSOR TRUSTEE dated November 28, 2022, of record in the Clerk's Office in Book 1338, Page 459. The borrower(s) defaulted under the Note and Deed of Trust and the Substitute Trustees have been instructed to foreclose under the Deed of Trust. Accordingly, the Substitute Trustees will sell the following described property to the highest bidder at the front door of the Courthouse of Putnam County, in Winfield, West Virginia, on the following date:

**12th day of April, 2023 at 11:15 a.m.**

All that certain lot, tract, or parcel of real estate, together with the improvements thereon and the appurtenances thereunto belonging, situate in Pocahontas District, Putnam County, West Virginia, and being all of Lot 107, Part One, Eastwood Acres, as shown upon a map thereof of record in the Office of the Clerk of the County Commission of Putnam County, West Virginia, in Plat Cabinet A, Slide 32-B.

Being the same property as conveyed unto The Secretary of Housing and Urban Development

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**Tariff Form No. 8 (RULE 23)  
 PUBLIC NOTICE OF CHANGE IN RATES WITH PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATES**

NOTICE is hereby given that Mountaineer Gas Company, a public utility, has filed with the Public Service Commission of West Virginia a tariff containing a requested increase in rates and charges for furnishing natural gas service to approximately 218,000 customers in Barbour, Berkeley, Boone, Braxton, Brooke, Cabell, Calhoun, Clay, Doddridge, Fayette, Gilmer, Grant, Greenbrier, Hancock, Hardy, Harrison, Jackson, Jefferson, Kanawha, Lewis, Lincoln, Logan, Marion, Marshall, Mason, McDowell, Mercer, Mineral, Mingo, Monongalia, Monroe, Morgan, Nicholas, Ohio, Pendleton, Preston, Putnam, Raleigh, Randolph, Ritchie, Roane, Summers, Tucker, Tyler, Upshur, Wayne, Wetzel, Wirt, Wood, and Wyoming Counties in West Virginia.

The proposed increased rates and charges will become effective Friday April 5, 2023, unless otherwise ordered by the Public Service Commission, and will produce, on a total Company basis, \$19,740,000 annually in additional revenues, or an overall average increase in revenues of approximately 6.08%. The \$19,740,000 consists of an increase in base rates of \$37,649,000 and a decrease in the Company's Investment Replacement and Expansion Program ("IREP") of \$17,909,000. The average monthly bill for the various classes of customers will be changed as follows:

	(\$) INCREASE	(%) INCREASE
Residential	\$ 7.08	% 7.85
Commercial	\$ 10.26	% 2.68
Large Commercial	\$ 747.47	% 0.70
Industrial	\$ 293.54	% 0.40
Resale	\$ 100.00	% 1.70
Other	\$ -	% -

This increase incorporates the rate impact of the cumulative investment under the IREP that was placed into service as of December 31, 2022. As a result, the Company proposes to reduce the IREP component of its rates relating to that investment when the new base rates go into effect.

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by Fifth Third Mortgage Company, by Deed dated September 15, 2017, and recorded in the Office of the Clerk of the County Commission of Putnam County, West Virginia in Deed Book 569, at page 429.

Being the same property conveyed to Carolyn Sue Dickens by the Deed dated November 28, 2018 and recorded in Deed Book 572 at Page 598 in the Office of the Clerk of the County Commission of Putnam County, West Virginia.

**TERMS OF SALE:**

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

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

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

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

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

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

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**NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE**

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE is hereby given pursuant to and by virtue of the authority vested in the Substitute Trustee, WV Trustee Services, LLC, by that certain Deed of Trust dated July 20, 2012, executed by Borrower, Alcinous L. Ferguson, to R. Vance Golden, III, the Trustee of record in the office of the Clerk of the County Commission of Putnam County, West Virginia, in Book 1012, at Page 159. At the time of the execution of the Deed of Trust, this property was reported to have a mailing address of 115 Catherine Dr, Hurricane, WV 25526. WV Trustee Services, LLC were appointed as Substitute Trustees by APPOINTMENT OF SUCCESSOR TRUSTEE dated February 14, 2023, of record in the Clerk's office. The borrower defaulted under the Note and Deed of Trust and the Substitute Trustees have been instructed to foreclose under the Deed of Trust. Accordingly, the Substitute Trustees will sell the following described property to the highest bidder at the front door of the Courthouse of Putnam County, in Winfield, West Virginia, on the following date:

**12th day of April, 2023 at 11:00 a.m.**

All those certain lots, tracts or parcels of land together with the improvements thereon and the appurtenances thereunto belonging situate in Maple Heights Addition, Hurricane, Curry District, Putnam County, West Virginia, and being known and designated as all of Lot Nos. 5 and 6 as shown in Map Book 1 at page 53 BEING the same property which, by Deed dated October 7, 1981, and recorded among the Land Records of the City of HURRICANE, County of Putnam, State of West Virginia, in Book No. 260, page 139, was granted and conveyed by Arthur H. Egnor and Deloris E. Egnor unto Alcinous L. Ferguson.

Being the same property conveyed to Alcinous L. Ferguson by the Deed dated October 7, 1981 and recorded in Deed Book 260 at Page 139 in the Office of the Clerk of the County Commission of Putnam County, West Virginia.

**TERMS OF SALE:**

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

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

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

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

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

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**TRUSTEE'S SALE OF VALUABLE REAL ESTATE**

The undersigned Substitute Trustee, by virtue of the authority vested in him by that certain Deed of Trust, dated May 21, 2018, and duly recorded in the Office of the Clerk of the County Commission of Putnam County, West Virginia, in Document No. 004414480010, in Book No. 1189, at Page 472, David P Gross and David F Gross did convey unto George A. Metz, Jr., Trustee(s), certain real property described in said Deed of Trust; and the beneficiary has elected to appoint Seneca Trustees, Inc., as Substitute Trustee; and default having been made under the aforementioned Deed of Trust, and the undersigned Substitute Trustee having been instructed by Lakeview Loan Servicing, LLC to foreclose thereunder, will offer for sale at public auction at the front door of the Putnam County Courthouse in Winfield, West Virginia, on

April 25, 2023 at 12:30 PM

the following described real estate, together with its improvements, easements and appurtenances thereunto belonging, situate in 06 - Hurricane Town District, Putnam County, West Virginia, and more particularly described as follows:

All that certain lot, tract or parcel of land, together with the improvements thereon and the appurtenances thereunto belonging, situate in the City of Hurricane, Putnam County, West Virginia, and being all of Lot Number Twenty One (21) of the Virginia Heights Subdivision, as the same is shown and described upon that certain map of said subdivision entitled, "Plat of Survey for Virginia Heights, City of Hurricane, Putnam County, West Virginia, June 10, 1992, revised August 2, 1992," prepared by David F. Meadows, P.R. #8057, which map by reference is declared to be controlling in its depiction of subject real estate, and which map is of record in the Office of the Clerk of the County Commission of Putnam County, West Virginia, in Map Cabinet B, at Slide 357. Along with the non-exclusive right to use the roads and streets in said subdivision for ingress and egress to and from the subdivision, on the one hand, to and from Virginia Avenue (State Route 60/10), on the other hand.  
 Map No.: 23  
 Parcel No.: 5

At the time of the execution of the Deed of Trust, this property was reported to have an address of: 121 Hampton Ln, Hurricane, WV 25526.

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

The subject property will be sold in "AS IS" condition. The Substitute Trustee shall be under no duty to cause any existing tenant or person occupying the subject property to vacate said property.

TERMS: \$9000.00 in cash and/or certified funds as deposit at the time of sale with the balance due and payable within 30 days of the day of sale.

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

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

SENECA TRUSTEES, INC.  
 5000 Coombs Farm Drive, Suite 104  
 Morgantown, WV 26508  
 (304) 413-0044  
 (304) 292-2918  
 Toll free: (888) 534-3132  
 Reference File No. 79719

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**NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE**

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE is hereby given pursuant to and by virtue of the authority vested in the Substitute Trustee, WV Trustee Services, LLC, by that certain Deed of Trust dated May 25, 2007, executed by Borrowers, Lafe Henry Roberts Sr and Christine Carole Roberts, to Janet Philips, the Trustee of record in the office of the Clerk of the County Commission of Putnam County, West Virginia, in Book 831, at Page 166. At the time of the execution of the Deed of Trust, this property was reported to have a mailing address of 203 David Street, Hurricane, WV 25526. WV Trustee Services, LLC were appointed as Substitute Trustees by APPOINTMENT OF SUCCESSOR TRUSTEE dated February 2, 2023, of record in the Clerk's Office in Book 1339, Page 985. The borrowers

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defaulted under the Note and Deed of Trust and the Substitute Trustees have been instructed to foreclose under the Deed of Trust. Accordingly, the Substitute Trustees will sell the following described property to the highest bidder at the front door of the Courthouse of Putnam County, in Winfield, West Virginia, on the following date:

**12th day of April, 2023 at 10:30 a.m.**

THE FOLLOWING REAL PROPERTY, TO-WIT: ALL OF THAT CERTAIN PARCEL OF LAND SITUATE IN THE TOWN OF HURRICANE, PUTNAM COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA, BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS ALL OF LOT NO. THREE 3 AS SHOWN UPON THE MAP OF THE DAVID STREET ADDITION PREPARED BY J. D. CALHOUN, P.E. #4782, SAID MAP BEING DATED DECEMBER 28, 1987, AND OF RECORD IN THE OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF THE COUNTY COMMISSION OF PUTNAM COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA, IN MAP CABINET B, SLIDE 149, TO WHICH MAP REFERENCE IS MADE FOR A MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY CONVEYED HEREBY. MAP 6 PARCEL 44.12

BEING THE SAME PROPERTY CONVEYED BY DEED FROM QUENTIN S. ROOPER, JR., AND CHRISTINE CAROLE ROBERTS, FATHER AND DAUGHTER TO LAFE HENRY ROBERTS, SR, AND CHRISTINE CAROLE ROBERTS, HUSBAND AND WIFE, DATED 02/28/2002 RECORDED ON 09/17/2002 IN BOOK 431, PAGE 905 IN PUTNAM COUNTY RECORDS, STATE OF WV.

**TERMS OF SALE:**

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

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**NOTICE TO REDEEM**

2021-S-0000080 - Putnam County To: INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE, WV STATE TAX DEPARTMENT THE REVENUE CENTER, OFFICE OF THE PROSECUTING ATTORNEY PUTNAM COUNTY JUDICIAL BUILDING, CITY OF HURRICANE, OCCUPANT, GLENNA L. SIMPKINS, TRUIST BANK AS SUCCESSOR TO BRANCH BANKING AND TRUST COMPANY, PUTNAM COUNTY FIRE SERVICE, PUTNAM COUNTY FIRE SERVICE, or heirs at law, devisees, creditors, representatives, successors, assigns, all known heirs, guardians, conservators, fiduciaries, administrators, lienholders, co-owners, other parties having an undivided interest in the delinquent property, and other parties that may have an interest in the subject property.

**DISTRICT HURRICANE CORP MAP 3 PARCEL 0134 0001**

You will take notice that WV TL LLC/ TESCO CUSTODIAN, the purchaser of the tax lien(s) on the following real estate, Certificate of Sale: 2021-S-0000080, PRT LOTS 94, 95 & 96 HIGH SCHOOL ADD, located in HURRICANE CORP, which was returned delinquent in the name of SIMPKINS JOHN W JR ET UX, and for which the tax lien(s) thereon was sold by the sheriff of Putnam County at the sale for the delinquent taxes made on the 18th day of November, 2021, has requested that you be notified that a deed for such real estate will be made to him or her on or after May 3, 2023, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount you will have to pay on the last day, May 2, 2023 will be as follows:  
 Amount equal to the taxes and charges due on the date of sale, with interest to May 2, 2023. \$1,894.55  
 Amount of subsequent years taxes paid on the property, since the sale, with interest to May 2, 2023. \$1,725.36  
 Amount paid for Title Examination and preparation of the list to be served and for preparation and service of notice with interest to from January 1, 2022 following the sheriff's sale to May 2, 2023. \$1,128.44  
 Amount paid for other statutory costs with interest from following

the sheriff's sale to May 2, 2023. \$264.28  
 Total Amount Payable to Sheriff - cashier check, money order or certified check must be made payable to the The Honorable Bobby Eggleton, Sheriff and Treasurer of Putnam County. \$95,012.63  
 Cost of Certification of Redemption - cashier check, money order or certified check must be made payable to the The Honorable John B. McCuskey, State Auditor. \$35.00  
 You may redeem at any time before May 2, 2023, by paying the above total less any unearned interest. Return this letter and both certified funds to the WV State Auditor's Office, County Collections Division 1900 Kanawha Blvd East, Building 1, Room W-114, Charleston, West Virginia, 25305  
 Questions please call 1-888-509-6568 option 2 3-16-2t

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**TRUSTEE'S SALE OF VALUABLE REAL ESTATE**

The undersigned Substitute Trustee, by virtue of the authority vested in him by that certain Deed of Trust, dated October 15, 2019, and duly recorded in the Office of the Clerk of the County Commission of Putnam County, West Virginia, in Document No. 004718230020, in Book No. 1226, at Page 499, Jason Anthony Stiltner and Elizabeth Stiltner did convey unto Robert H. Skeen, Jr., Trustee(s), certain real property described in said Deed of Trust; and the beneficiary has elected to appoint Seneca Trustees, Inc., as Substitute Trustee; and default having been made under the aforementioned Deed of Trust, and the undersigned Substitute Trustee having been instructed by Freedom Mortgage Corporation to foreclose thereunder, will offer for sale at public auction at the front door of the Putnam County Courthouse in Winfield, West Virginia, on

April 25, 2023 at 12:30 PM

the following described real estate, together with its improvements, easements and appurtenances thereunto belonging, situate in 12 - Union District, Putnam County, West Virginia, and more particularly described as follows:

All those certain lots, tracts or parcels of land, together with the improvements thereon and the appurtenances thereunto belonging, situate in Union District, Putnam County, West Virginia, being more particularly bounded and described as follows:  
 Lot No. One (1), Two (2), Lot No. Three (3), and Part of Lot No. Four (4), in Block Four (4) as the same is laid down and shown upon that certain map or plat of North Nitro Addition duly of record in the Office of the Clerk of the County Commission of Putnam County, West Virginia, in Deed Book 39, at page 251.  
 LSOT: Deed Book 526, Page 814, dated August 14, 2013, Office of the Clerk of the County Commission, Putnam County, West Virginia.

At the time of the execution of the Deed of Trust, this property was reported to have an address of: 10 4th Ave South, Hometown, WV 25109.

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

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TERMS: \$9000.



DANIELLE EDWARDS Hurricane Birthday March 20	Milton 55th Birthday March 25
MARILYN HARTLEY CALLISON Hurricane 71st Birthday March 21	AMANDA PLANTS RAMEY 4357 5&20 Mile Road Frazier's Bottom 42nd Birthday March 25
DIANA LEADMAN BECHER Hurricane 70th Birthday March 22	JON CALEB MIDKIFF Scott Depot Birthday March 25
PHILLIP BRADLEY FRANKLIN Maryland 65th Birthday March 24	HAYLEE CAI NI MAYS 2095 County Road 118 Chesapeake, Ohio 22nd Birthday March 25
BETSY ALLEN 968 Hurricane Creek Road Hurricane HAPPY 41ST BIRTHDAY on the 24TH From your Hurricane Breeze Fans	HARRIS QUADE DIEHL 286 Rocky Step Road Scott Depot 24th Birthday March 25
CHRISTOPHER JACOB (JAKE) CHAPMAN Green Drive Hurricane 43rd Birthday March 24	MARCY FROST Huntington Birthday March 25
LAURA DISNEY 813 Glade View Court La Vergne, Tennessee Birthday March 24	JIM BARACH Florida 67th Birthday March 25
GEMMA DAMRON Cannonsburg, Kentucky 8th Birthday March 24	FRANCESCA LUCINDA JONES Chaska, Minnesota 10th Birthday March 25
AUDREY ANN ERWIN Hurricane 7th Birthday March 24	CECIL TAYLOR 1400 Taylor Street Hurricane Birthday March 25
JASON BOGGESS Frazier's Bottom Birthday March 24	SCOTT ADAMS Hurricane Creek Road Winfield 59th Birthday March 26
DENNY WARD Milton Birthday March 24	DANIEL BLOSS 75 Scott Drive Hurricane Birthday March 26
REV ALFRED (SONNY) SOVINE 2468 Washington Avenue Hurricane 85th Birthday March 25	RODNEY LEE SOWARDS Hurricane 38th Birthday March 26
BILL HALL Barboursville 89th Birthday March 25	EDDIE RANSON Box 20-A State Route Poca Birthday March 26
LORA VANCE	AMY WARD 3032 Blooming Hill Ona 54th Birthday March 26

## Remembering Dad



By Linda Fisher  
Armstead

In my opinion, and from experience, the best dad in the whole world was my dad and he would have been 99 years old on March 25, 2023. His name is Delmar

REV. STEVE HARVEY  
Ironton, Ohio  
Birthday March 27

ISAAC LEE BOSTIC  
104 Hope Lane  
Milton  
21st Birthday March 27

SETH McELHANEY  
155 Lakeside Drive  
Wazanachie, Texas  
33rd Birthday March 27

ANGELA SOVINE BIRD  
193 SW Atlas Drive  
Fort White, Florida  
52nd Birthday March 27

NANCY HARBOUR-  
RILEY  
Huntington  
86th Birthday March 27

LEVI MCKINLEY  
TATUM  
306 Sansom Avenue  
Wayne  
26th Birthday March 28

RUSSELL RADFORD  
AKERS III  
Scott Depot  
26th Birthday March 28

IVAN JONES  
739 Burns Road  
Scott Depot  
75th Birthday March 28

VICTORIA ILOFF  
OSTEEN  
Houston, Texas  
62nd Birthday March 28

ANGELA EASTER  
Eleanor  
Birthday March 29

GINNY ADKINS  
114 Mount Zion Road  
Frazier's Bottom  
55th Birthday March 29

ROD SOWARDS  
Hurricane Creek Road  
Hurricane  
78th Birthday March 29

CAROL LEIGH SHORT  
107 Poplar Drive  
Scott Depot  
65th Birthday March 29

JOHN GODFREY  
US Route 60  
Hurricane  
50th Birthday March 29

KINLEE CARLSON  
15 Poplar Hills  
Hurricane  
13th Birthday March 29

GABE RUNYON  
Frazier's Bottom  
24th Birthday March 29

C D "DALE" YOUNG  
6994 Hurricane Creek  
Road  
Winfield  
74th Birthday March 30

SHARON CLAY  
942 Florida Street  
Milton  
Birthday March 30

Vernon "Pete" Fisher. His parents, Ken and Lola Fisher, called him "Vernie." My dad was called to his heavenly home on November 6, 2010, at the age of 86 - much too young.

I can imagine the thrill Dad would have had to celebrate his 100th birthday in 2024. I would have baked him a white cake and decorated it in his favorite color yellow, with a splash of purple to "set it off." My mother, Eva Fisher, would have been there, along with my husband, George Armstead, Dad's one and only grandson, Brad Armstead, and his wife Julie and the "apple of his eyes," his great-grandchildren, Kelci aka "Dap's Darling" and Braeden aka "Little Man." If Dad could see how much his great-grandchildren have grown and matured since he had to leave, he would be thrilled and amazed.

Dad would be getting thrilled to start planting veggies in his garden any day now. He certainly had a Green Thumb!

In this photo, you can see the love Dad and I had for each other! I cannot express how much I loved him and how much I miss him. I enjoy hearing stories from my older friends telling me how proud dad was to carry me around when I was a little girl beaming from ear to ear with his beautiful smile. The feeling was mutual even then, I am sure. I can never remember ever not loving him. Dad and I got along so well - like 2 peas-in-a-pod. That's why I miss him so much.

Until we meet again I will remain sad, Dad.  
Your Loving Daughter,  
Linda Fisher Armstead

## Happy Anniversary

Chuck and Sharon Mannon of Clymer's Creek in Hurricane will celebrate their thirty-ninth wedding anniversary on March 24.

Bob Jr. and Susan Mays of Ocala, Florida, will celebrate their fifty-sixth wedding anniversary on March 25.

Eric and Beth Morrison of Indian Meadows in Ona will celebrate their thirty-first wedding anniversary on March 27.

Darrell and Sarah Meadows of 5727 Whitten Ridge Road in Milton will celebrate their fiftieth wedding anniversary on March 30.

## Shepherd University Student is Truman Scholarship Finalist



Shepherd University political science major Chloe Bailey is one of 199 students from 133 institutions across the country selected as a finalist for the Harry S. Truman Foundation's 2023 Truman Scholarship.

Bailey, a senior from Red House, West Virginia, is one of four college students from the state in the finals. She first learned about the Truman Scholarship her freshman year at Shepherd and made it her goal to apply.

"It's really exciting," she said. "To get this far is a huge accomplishment. I hope to be the first from Shepherd to be a Truman Scholar."

Among her accomplishments are interning at the West Virginia State Capitol for the Senate Judiciary Committee and Secretary of State's Office. Bailey is the first Shepherd student to earn the Judith A. Herndon Fellowship to intern at the West Virginia State Capitol, which she did during the spring 2022 semester. She also interned in West Virginia U.S. Sen. Shelley Moore Capito's Washington, D.C., office.

"Those are experiences that not many can say they have," Bailey said. "I am from a small high school, a small county, and then I'm the only West Virginia finalist this year who's from a university that's not West Virginia University. I think the experience I have coming from a small school is going to help me stand out because it just proves that I'm willing to put in the work and effort to succeed."

Bailey is on the Shepherd University Debate and Forensics Team and is a member of Phi Kappa Phi honor society. She has competed in fair and festival pageants across the state, including in her home

## Card Shower Requested



A card shower has been requested for Jenny Roberts. She fell on the 27th of February and broke her hip. She is still in the hospital.

Send cards and letters to:

Jenny Roberts  
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West Hamlin, WV  
25571

county of Putnam, and believes those pageant experiences will give her an advantage.

"Public speaking and interviewing aren't new to me and I'm hoping that those skills and the practice I've received on how to be professional in an interview and also bring out my personality is going to help me," she said.

Bailey's long-term goal is to attend law school and become a public servant.

"My experiences have shown me how much passion and desire I really have to serve my community and the government," she said. "I want to stay in West Virginia and work in Charleston."

Dr. Sam Greene, chair, Department of Political Science, will coach Bailey over the next month as she prepares for an April 4 interview in Washington. The Harry S. Truman foundation will announce the winners on April 19.

"Chloe's selection as a finalist for this very competitive national award recognizes her academic excellence, her commitment to a career in public service, and her skills in leadership," Greene said.

The Paul and Lisa Welch Distinguished Awards Program at Shepherd University was established to provide targeted assistance to Shepherd students and faculty preparing for competitive prestigious scholarships, fellowships, and award programs such as the Truman Scholarship. For more information, contact Greene at [sgreene@shepherd.edu](mailto:sgreene@shepherd.edu).

About the Truman Scholarship:

Established by Congress in 1975 as the living memorial to former President Harry S. Truman and a national monument to public service, the Truman Scholarship carries the legacy of the 33rd President by supporting and inspiring the next generation of public service leaders. Truman Scholars demonstrate outstanding leadership potential, a commitment to a career in government or the nonprofit sector, and academic excellence. Each Truman Scholar receives funding for graduate studies, leadership training, career counseling, and special internship and fellowship opportunities within the federal government.



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