

SINCE 1900 THE BEST FAMILY WEEKLY NEWSPAPER FOR ALL OF PUTNAM COUNTY AND THE WHOLE WORLD

Five Companies Bid on Jim Ridge Waterline Extension

The Commission acted upon and approved a request by the Albert T. Summers Family Trust to rezone 7.09 acres

The Putnam County Commission holds regular meetings at 9 a.m. on the second Tuesday of each month and at 5 p.m. on the last Tuesday.

A black and white photograph showing a white utility truck with a bucket lift. The truck is parked on the side of a road, and the bucket lift is extended towards a traffic light pole. Three workers in safety gear are visible: one is in the bucket lift, and two are on the ground near the truck. The truck has "LEI-DO" and "SOUTH 34" markings. A sign on the truck reads "SIDE OF THE WORLD CLASS ALABAMA HIGHWAY 2018 PUTNAM AVE." The background shows a line of trees and a clear sky.

Right: The crew celebrates as the hook up is completed. The light will be activated once finishing touches are complete.

Gasses released by the explosion caused severe third degree burns and respiratory inflammation which instantly killed three workers. The injured were taken to Thomas Hospital,



No one had anticipated the events of that day sixty-

six years ago. The workers who had been closest to the blast zone were uncertain what had happened. Investigators had difficulty approaching the scene of the explosion due to fumes and peril from being injured by falling rubble. It was later determined that the chlorinator had overheated, resulting in an extreme build

The explosion rocked the city of Nitro, shaking the earth and blowing out the windows of surrounding buildings. Parkins related that the explosion drew crowds of worried family members and curious onlookers, whose safety could have been endangered by venturing too close to the hazardous zone.

Parkins was not an employee of Monsanto at the time of the explosion. He was stationed at Langley

WEATHER SUMMARY		
April 25 - May 1		
	Low	High
April 25		
Hurricane	24°	61°
April 26		
Hurricane	35°	70°
April 27		
Hurricane	39°	72°
April 28*		
Hurricane	43°	70°
April 29		
Hurricane	42°	78°
April 30*		
Hurricane	41°	59°
May 1*		
Hurricane	38°	49°

*RAIN
0.7 inch recorded April 28
0.1 inch recorded April 30
0.5 inch recorded May 1

“The Presidential Scholarship truly recognizes high achievers,” explained Dr. Elizabeth Wolfe, executive vice president of enrollment management for UC. “They must have outstanding grades, score well on standardized tests, participate in our Scholarship Day events, and interview with UC

The University of Charleston is a private university located in



Charleston, West Virginia. It has a student body of about 2,500 through its main campus, a location in Beckley, West Virginia, and UC online.

A detailed illustration of a hummingbird with a green back, white belly, and a red throat patch, hovering near a pink flower. The bird's wings are blurred to show motion. The flower has five petals and a yellow center. The background is plain white.

The earliest that the nectar-loving hummers have returned was on April 8, 1993. The latest return date was April 25 in 2020 (a Covid delay?). This

Linda's hummingbird report was the second of the season which the Breeze has received. The first report was called in to the Breeze on April 18 by Rick Ray. The Ray residence on Hurricane Creek Road is about three miles south of the Armstead homestead. This marks the first year that Rick has been visited by hummers before Linda.

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 41st history from The Centennial History of Hurricane WV Continued

— 1994.

THE SMITH FAMILY

Laura Jo and John Smith of Virginia Avenue, Hurricane, and their beautiful grandchildren are dressed and ready to attend church services, which were part of the Centennial pageant entitled HURRICANE, presented Sunday, August 14, 1988.

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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 OCTOBER 28
The Putnam County Farmers Market will be held from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the field beside Exxon/Arby’s on Route 34 in Teays Valley.

MAY 5
The Nitro Antique Car Club will be holding a cruise-in starting at 5 p.m. at the Living Memorial Park, 21st Street and 2nd Avenue, Nitro.

Business Before Business will be held from 7:30 to 9 a.m. at Meeks Rental & Realty Group, 3750 Teays Valley Road, Hurricane. RSVP by calling 304-757-6510.

MAY 6
Heritage Farm Museum, 3300 Harvey Road, Huntington, will hold their annual Spring Festival celebration from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. For more information, visit www.heritagefarmmuseum.com

The PCTC Car Wash & Community Sale will be held from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Putnam Career & Technical Center in Eleanor.

St. John United Methodist Church, 4536 Teays Valley Road, Scott Depot, will be holding Taster’s Tea from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. \$10 donation for adults; \$5 for 5-12 year olds.

The Putnam County Farmers Market will be holding its opening day from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the field beside Exxon/Arby’s on Route 34 in Teays Valley.

Endless Pawsabilities, 3572 Hurricane Creek Road, Hurricane, will hold their 2nd Annual Crawfish Boil starting at 1 p.m.

The Putnam County Main Library in Teays Valley will be celebrating

THE HURRICANE BREEZE

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Free Comic Book Day from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

There will be a movie showing at the Putnam County Main Library at 10 a.m.

There will be a community yard sale at the Gables of Teays Valley gated community from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Putnam County Moose #2729 will be hosting a social meet up from 7 to 11 p.m. at the VFW Mountaineer Post, 3836 Teays Valley Road, Hurricane.

Faith in Motion, 3495 Teays Valley Road, Ste B, Hurricane, will be holding an open house from 10 a.m. to noon. Learn about summer sports training sessions for youth athletes.

The First Church of the Nazarene, Route 60, Hurricane, will be holding a community baby shower from noon to 2 p.m.

There will be a spring craft fair from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. at the Wyndgate by Wyndham Hotel, 417 Hurricane Creek Road, Hurricane.

The Hurricane First Church of God, 3225 East Putnam Avenue, Hurricane, will be holding a church-wide yard sale from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Hurricane’s Main Street Spring Festival will be held from 1 to 5 p.m.

The Board Room, Progress Way, Hurricane (behind Walmart) will be celebrating Free Comic Book Day starting at 11 a.m.

MAY 7
The Putnam County Democratic Women’s Club will host a Membership Tea and Lecture at 1:30 p.m. at the Red House in Eleanor. Among the highlights of the event, will be the attendance of Joan C. Browning, civil rights activist and celebrated author.

Hurricane High School Boys Soccer Youth Camp (ages 5-14) will be held from 1 to 4 p.m. at the HHS Soccer Field. Cost is \$50 per child and \$30 for additional siblings.

MAY 10
Allied Waste Sycamore Landfill, 3475 Sycamore Ridge Road, Hurricane, will be accepting the first 520 pounds of residential household trash for free on the second Wednesday of each month from 6:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. For more information, call 304-562-3398.

MAY 12
There will be a Family Movie night starting at 7 p.m. at Eva’s restaurant, 3225 Charleston Road, Poca. The movie is free of charge; bring your own blanket or chairs.

There will be an evening of Southern Gospel Music at 7 p.m. at Hurricane First Church of God, 3225 Putnam Avenue, Hurricane (near Dollar Tree)

MAY 13
The Macholah Ballet Company will be holding their annual recital, “With Us In The Wilderness,” from 2 to 4 p.m. at St. Albans High School. For tickets, go to <https://24005.danceticketing.com>

Bent Whiskey will be performing from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Railways Bar and Grill, 17426 Charleston Road, Buffalo. The Nitro Antique Car Club will be hosting a cruise-in at Skip Combs Fishing Lake in Eleanor starting at 2 p.m.

The 2nd Annual Pickin’

Heritage Farm Hosting Spring Festival 2023

Heritage Farm will open for the 2023 season on Thursday, May 4th and their annual Spring Festival celebration will follow on Saturday May 6th. 2023 marks the 27th anniversary of the farm being open to the public.

The 27th annual Spring Festival will be held from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm on May 6th and it kicks-off the 2023 season for Heritage Farm. In addition to the traditional festival activities that include museums, glass blowing, bread oven, working saw mill and more - enjoy these exciting new features for 2023.

- All new History & Heritage Exhibit highlighting the history of the land and the Perry family.

- Meet the new Heritage Farm mascot - “Wilder.”

- Explore Trapper’s Trail, a new walking path connecting Frontier cabin and the Trapper’s cabin.

- See our new male and female elk on a

in the Park Bluegrass Festival will be held from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Valley Park in Hurricane.

There will be a Zumba Fundraiser for Cystic Fibrosis at 10 a.m. at ZoneOut Sports, 100 Morris Court, Hurricane. The cost is \$10 per person.

There will be a foam dance party for children ages 1-6 from 10 a.m. to noon at the Foam Garage, 2716 Putnam Avenue, Hurricane. The cost is \$10 per child.

The Board Room, Progress Way, Hurricane (behind Walmart) will be hosting a comic book trading day from noon to 4 p.m.

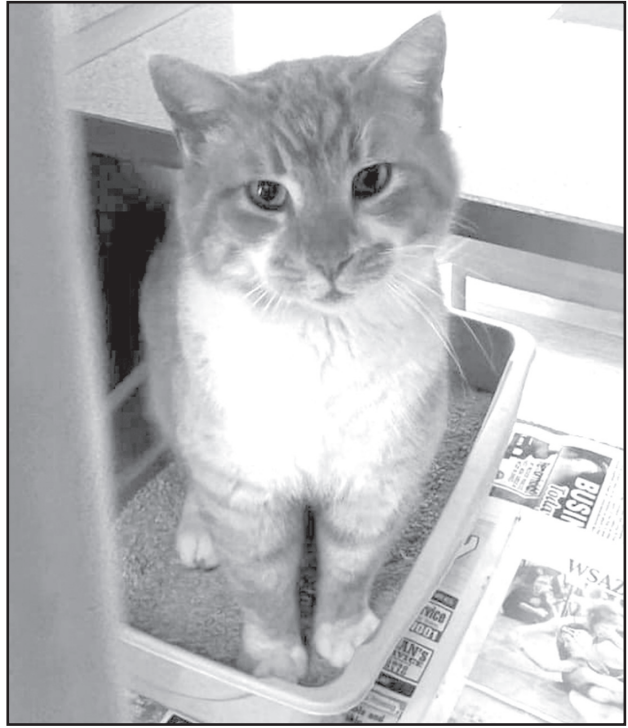
Available Pets at the Putnam County Animal Shelter

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.



Mr. T



Tony is a three-year-old male stray.

wagon ride.

- Watch “Down in the Holler”, a fun new 40 minute musical about Mr. & Mrs. Perry and the Farm which will be performed live at 11:30am and 1:30pm.

In 2023, Heritage Farm will be open Thursday through Saturday (10 am - 3 pm) in May through October.

New of 2023, book a special experience or tour during non-operating hours at Heritage Farm.

Experiences include:
General, Family & Themed Guided Museum Tours - Our guides will deepen your understanding and appreciation of Appalachia and its people.

Barnyard Basics - Help care for our animals! Join a member of our animal care team as they go through their daily duties.

Blacksmith Basics - This 3-4 hour class with our blacksmith will show you not only the skills needed, but also the lessons of faith that can be learned through them.

Visit www.heritagefarmmuseum.com for information, ticket sales and other special events.

About Heritage Farm

The mission of Heritage Farm is to be a place of hope and renewal for the Appalachian region. Home to over 15 log structures, award-winning museums, an Artisan Center, animals, and inspiring adventure activities, Heritage Farm continues to delight guests from around the globe as it has for over 25 years. Heritage Farm is West Virginia’s first Smithsonian Affiliate.

The Way We Were, The Way We Are

By Brenda Burke

My friends and family know I love music. The boys chuckle when I dance to the music they play on the drums and guitar. My elder grandson is gifted on the guitar, and wow can that little one makes those drums rock... I digress. I love gospel music. YouTube on my television is going often. The Hoppers have a song, “THE DOVE”... about Noah and the Ark. It is not one of my favorites, but I like it. It reminds me of THE ARK.

The ARK in Kentucky, close to Cincy... Love it... Love it... When we pulled up to THE ARK, I was astonished. There is was, in all its glory, in the middle of a field it seemed. THE ARK. We were transported back. Because we went early in the morning, it was not crowded. (Be prepared to walk and walk and walk...) Although I enjoyed (tremendously) the “people” from THE ARK... the figures... and the other scenes, videos, etc., I could not get over the CLOSED DOORS. As I sat there thinking... reflecting... I had to wonder what the people on the OTHER SIDE of those doors must have thought. The doors closed. The people did not listen to Noah. The doors closed... That is worth repeating... the doors closed. What a tragedy. The water came. The people who did not get into the ark were gone. I have not gotten the image of the doors out of my mind, many years later.

The trip to THE ARK is worth every moment of time. It was an experience that I have never forgotten. Dorsey and I walked THE ARK. I always thought he could write and sing a song about THE ARK that would be the best ever. In the meantime, when I heard the song The Hoppers sang, I thought of that day that we walked THE ARK, and my thoughts went back to those closed doors. They remind me of the times when people must be dying and realizing that they never OPENED the DOOR... how devastating to know that the doors closed. I am thankful that I do not have to worry

about that... facing closed doors is not an option for me.

When I think of THE ARK, it reminds me of THE CREATION MUSEUM. We did that tour also. Unfortunately, it was so crowded that I felt almost claustrophobic... however, it was worth every minute also... the trip... the experience... THE CREATION... God in His glory... what a wonderful time (once we got past the crowds). The vistas they built... took us to THE CREATION... we experienced what GOD did in all HIS glory... He did it... we have no doubt... what stayed with me the most was the creation of the waters... the beauty of the garden... the making of man and woman... thank you GOD. I cannot wait to return someday to see The Creation Museum again, near Cincy... not too far from my family in Indy.

Each time I hear The Hoppers’ song, I will remember that day in THE ARK. I will remember the CLOSED DOORS... I will be thankful that I can live each day of my life not worrying about those doors... I will pray for those who have to face them someday... I will remember walking The Ark... I will remember The Creation Museum... not just tourist attractions but places that meant something to me. I am thankful for that trip, one of the best ever... I am thankful to experience The Creation and Noah’s Ark... I hope my readers go... not far from Hurricane. Worth the trip... worth the time... experiences you will never forget and cannot miss.

In the meantime, let us not face closed doors with each other, with family, with friends... because the way we were is the way we are loving those we have always loved, praying for them, and caring. Most of my readers know that the Searls/Adkins’ families have been hit hard the last couple of years, losing so many loved ones... prayers for them as they face letting them go, knowing they will be reunited one day... prayers...

2023 Try This WV Youth Summit And Conference

The 2023 Try This WV Youth Summit & Conference will be June 15 -17. These in-person events will be held on the beautiful campus of WV Wesleyan College in Buckhannon. The Youth Summit, in partnership with the WV Prevention Research Center’s Youth Advisory Board (YAB), is on June 15th for West Virginians ages 13 to 22 and their guardians/facilitators. The annual Try This Conference, held at WVWC since 2014 prior to COVID, will finally be returning June 16-17.

Join the Try This team and partners to celebrate projects and leaders, build knowledge and skills, explore new healthy-community possibilities, and network across West Virginia with others who want to see their neighborhoods, communities, and state move in a healthier direction.

Try This WV aims to help knock West Virginia off the top of the worst health lists, community by community, by building a statewide grassroots

network of emerging leaders who expand opportunities for physical activity and/or healthy food in their communities.

For more information about the 2023 Try This WV Youth Summit & Conference, or to register: <https://www.trythiswv.org/2023conference>

Church of God Yard Sale

The Hurricane First Church of God would like to invite everyone to their church-wide yard sale on Saturday, May 6th, beginning at 8 a.m. and continuing until about 2 p.m.

The sale will be held inside the church fellowship building, so it will proceed regardless of weather conditions. The sale will feature a large variety of items by the membership, as well as friends.

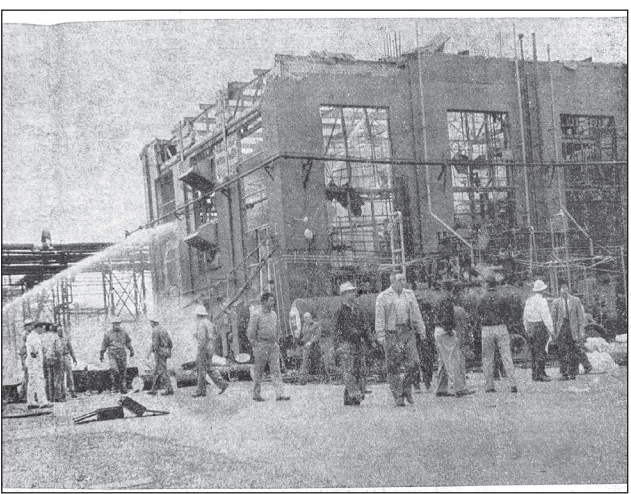
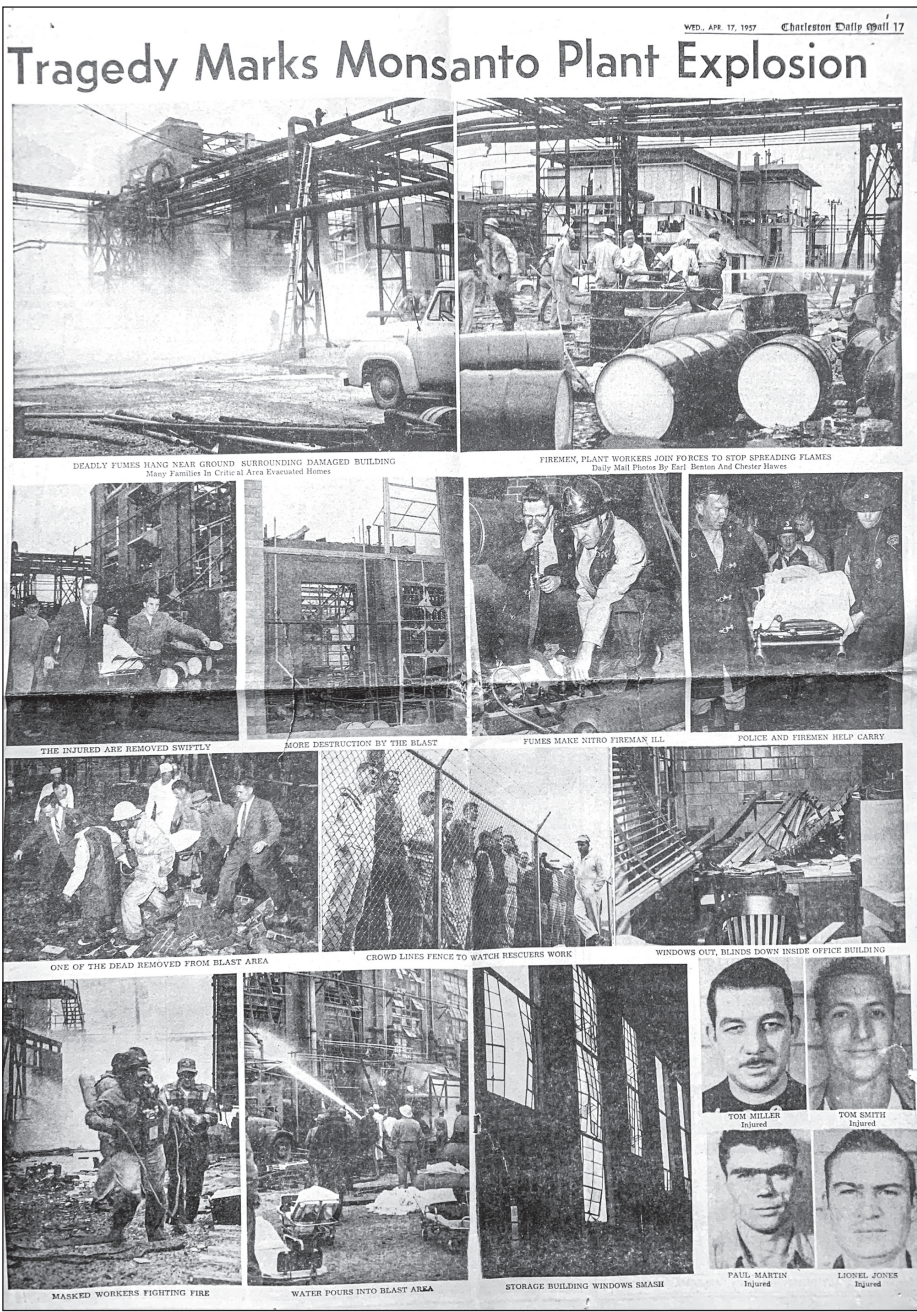
The church is located at 3225 East Putnam Ave, one block north of the former Rite-Aid store. Please come and visit; you may find just what you’ve been looking for.

Historic Nitro Explosion Memories Relived at UVHS Meeting

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Air Force Base. His father and uncle, however, were employed at the plant and worked in the Niran department. Parkins stated that his father had been so upset by news of the explosion that he could barely speak to him about it over the phone. As a result of the 1957 Monsanto explosion in Nitro, the company put an emphasis upon redundant instrumentation to monitor temperature readings to reduce the possibility of future explosions. New safety procedures included personnel to be decontaminated before being transported to a hospital. The tragedy resulted in the adaptation of heightened safety procedures throughout the chemical industry. The Upper Vandalia Historical Society meets four times a year and publishes a quarterly journal. Their current meeting location is the Bancroft Church of God Mission. The next meeting will be on July 30.

Right: A clipping from the Charleston Daily Mail Below: Front page of Kanawha Valley Leader which was published in Nitro.



A newspaper clipping of the tragedy.

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Explosion Fatal To Five Monsanto Workmen

The Centennial History of Hurricane

Meet Some of Hurricane's Oldest Families

Smith Family Ready For Church

Photo: From left to right are: Carrie Beth, Laura Jo, Brandon Edward. John and Mary Kate. Carrie Beth and Mary Kate are the daughters of Rick and Cindy Smith. Brandon Edward is the son of Jeff and Beckie Smith of Hurricane.

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The photograph was taken at the House on Putnam Avenue, which was built in the early 1900's by Bill Mac McCallister and occupied by their daughters, Helen and Annie and their sons, Cline and Clate. Laura Jo's dress was made by her mother, Mrs. Irsil Neely, and was worn by Mary Moss in the 1960 100th Anniversary of the

Hurricane First Baptist Church. Laura Jo is a direct descendant to two pioneer families, the Sovines and the Gibsons. John played the part of her great-grandfather, Joesph T. Sovine, a charter member Clerk for the organizational meeting of the Hurricane Baptist Church as depicted in the pageant. She is also a great-granddaughter of Calvary Gibson, well-known patriarch of the local Gibsons, who was killed at his home on Hurricane Creek Road by "bushwhackers" during the Civil War.

Online Absolute Real Estate Auction
Bidding begins closing Wednesday, May 17th at 6:00PM

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Fillers Page

Edited by Betsy Allen



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Jokes From Linda

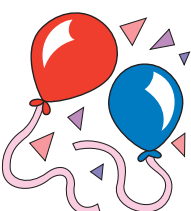
Submitted by Linda Lavender Armstead

Judge: I'm disappointed in you. I saw you here two years ago for the same offense, stealing a pair of shoes.

Defendant: I don't know what to tell you, your honor. They just don't make shoes like they used to.

Why is a man's head like a door knob?

Because any woman can turn it.



Why do birds fly south in the fall?

It's too far to walk.

Why are old-fashioned barns so noisy?

Because the cows have horns.

A Full, Fresh Menu Fit for a Brunch Feast

(Family Features) Birthdays, holidays or just casual Saturdays are all perfect excuses to enjoy brunch with your favorite people. Bringing everyone together with quiches, pastries, appetizers, desserts and more offers an easy way to kick back and relax on a warm weekend morning.

These recipes for Easy Brunch Quiche and Savory Cheese Balls provide a full menu to feed your loved ones from start to finish, regardless of the occasion.

Find more brunch inspiration by visiting Culinary.net.

A Savory Way to Start the Celebration

Serving up exquisite flavor doesn't have to mean spending hours in the kitchen. You can bring the cheer and favorite tastes with simple appetizers that are equal measures delicious and visually appealing.

These Savory Cheese Balls are easy to make and perfect for get-togethers and brunch celebrations. Texture and color are the name of the game with this recipe, and the result is a beautiful array of red, gold and green, all on one plate.

To find more recipes fit for brunch, visit Culinary.net.

Savory Cheese Balls

Servings: 6-12

- 2 packages (8 ounces each) cream cheese
- 2 tablespoons caraway seeds
- 1 teaspoon poppy seeds
- 2 cloves garlic, minced, divided
- 1/4 cup parsley, chopped
- 2 teaspoons thyme leaves, chopped
- 1 teaspoon rosemary, chopped
- 1/4 cup dried cranberries, chopped
- 2 tablespoons pecans, chopped
- crackers (optional)
- fruit (optional)
- vegetables (optional)

Cut each cream cheese block into three squares. Roll each square into ball. In small bowl, combine caraway seeds, poppy seeds and half the garlic. In second small bowl, combine parsley, thyme, rosemary and remaining garlic.

In third small bowl, combine cranberries and pecans. Roll two cheese balls in seed mixture, two in herb mixture and two in cranberry mixture.

Cut each ball in half and serve with crackers, fruit or vegetables, if desired.

Say Goodbye to Basic Brunch

The same old brunch menu can become tiresome and dull. Adding something new to the table with fresh ingredients and simple instructions can enhance your weekend spread and elevate brunch celebrations.

Try this Easy Brunch Quiche that is sure to have your senses swirling with every bite. This quiche is layered with many tastes and a variety of ingredients to give it crave-worthy flavor, from broccoli and bacon to mushrooms, eggs and melty cheese.

Visit Culinary.net to find more brunch recipes.

Easy Brunch Quiche

Serves: 12

- 1 package (10 ounces) frozen broccoli with cheese
- 12 slices bacon, chopped
- 1/2 cup green onions, sliced
- 1 cup mushrooms, sliced
- 4 eggs
- 1 cup milk
- 1 1/2 cups shredded cheese, divided
- 2 frozen deep dish pie shells (9 inches each)

Heat oven to 350 F.

In medium bowl, add broccoli and cheese contents from package. Microwave 5 minutes, or until cheese is saucy. Set aside.

In skillet, cook chopped bacon 4 minutes. Add green onions; cook 2 minutes. Add mushrooms; cook 4 minutes, or until bacon is completely cooked and mushrooms are tender. Drain onto paper towel over plate. Set aside.

In medium bowl, whisk eggs and milk until combined. Add broccoli and cheese mixture. Add 1 cup cheese. Stir to combine. Set aside.

In pie shells, divide drained bacon mixture evenly. Divide broccoli mixture evenly and pour over bacon mixture. Sprinkle remaining cheese over both pies.

Bake 40 minutes.

Cool at least 12 minutes before serving.

Note: To keep edges of crust from burning, place aluminum foil over pies for first 20 minutes of cook time. Remove after 20 minutes and allow to cook uncovered until completed.

Fillers from Linda

Submitted by Linda~Lavender Armstead
Washington Hill Road, Hurricane

Live a good and honorable life, then when you get older and think back, you'll enjoy it a second time.

Don't interfere with something that ain't bothering you.

Timing has a lot to do with the outcome of a rain dance.

If you find yourself in a hole, the first thing to do is stop digging.

Sometimes you get, and sometimes you get got.

The biggest troublemaker you'll probably ever have to deal with watches you from the mirror every morning.

Trust doesn't come with a refill. Once it's gone, you probably won't get it back and if you do, it will never be the same.

Love and kindness are never wasted. They make a difference. They bless the one who receives them, and they bless you, the giver.

The older I get, the more I have in common with computers. We both start out with lots of memory and drive, then we become outdated, crash unexpectedly, and eventually have to have our parts replaced.

Sometimes miracles are just good people with kind hearts that God has sent to you.

Speaking kind words starts a wave of love in motion that brings more love upon your shores.

Happiness is the meaning and the purpose of life, the whole aim and end of human existence.

God will shield you from suffering, or He will give you unfailing strength to bear it.

When your best friend is God, you are never alone.

The devil knows your name but calls you by your sin. God knows your sin but calls you by your name.

It is your attitude at the beginning of a task more than anything else that will determine your success or failure.

Happiness often sneaks in through a door you didn't know you left open.

Prayer is to be a time of separation from the world in order to be with God.

Faith grows when it is planted by the fertile soil of God's word.

Never wait to enjoy life. Life goes faster than you think.

Freedom lies in being bold. - Robert Frost

Be your own kind of beautiful.

When Satan is working double time, be in prayer overtime.



If you find yourself far from God, remember He isn't the one who moved.

Don't feel bad for knowing you deserve more.

If you love someone, tell them. Hearts are often broken by words left unspoken.

Never let success get to your head. Never let failure get to your heart.

There is no medicine that heals better than the power of God.

It's hard when you miss people. But, you know, if you miss them, it means you were lucky.

Real strength is still loving and believing in yourself while your weaknesses are on public display.

A moment in the presence of the Lord will give you a heavenly perspective.

Blessings are greater than riches and he to whom that is given need ask no more.

Most people are stronger than they know. I just forget to believe in it sometimes.

You'll never know the value of a moment until it becomes a memory.

Live your life for God even if you have to do it alone.

Behind every strong person, there is God.

Put God at the center of everything.

The same God who created heaven and earth in 6 days can change your life in one day.

Angels exist, but sometimes they don't have wings and are called friends.

Take a deep breath, close your eyes, and talk to God. Only He can get you through what you are struggling with.

Never sacrifice your class to get even with someone who has none. Let them have the gutter. You take the high road.

The purpose of life is to live it, to taste experience to the utmost, to reach out eagerly and without fear for newer and richer experience. – Eleanor Roosevelt

Last year you said next year. Last month you said next month. Yesterday you said tomorrow. Words are just words until you take action, so start today.

Life is surrounded by people who judge us day in and day out. They will talk about us when we succeed in life and laugh at us when we fail. They

can make us or break us. But the secret is to live a humble life that pleases God, not people.

Never blame anyone in your life. Good people give you happiness. Bad people give you experience. Worse people give you a lesson, and best people give you memories.

True humility is not thinking less of yourself; it is thinking of yourself less.

A child is a reward, not an accident. God entrusted you to love and care for that child.

Just because someone carries it well, doesn't mean it's not heavy.

God has use for the heart that no difficulties can deter.

Always be the leading lady of your own life.

You are stronger than you think.

Your fences need to be horse-high, pig-tight and bull-strong.

Keep skunks and bankers at a distance.

Life is simpler when you plow around the stump.

Meanness don't just happen overnight.

Do not corner something that you know is meaner than you.

It doesn't take a very big person to carry a grudge.

Life is short. Spend it with people who make you laugh and feel loved.

God is more interested in your character than your comfort.

Always cherish your doggie; it's hard to find a friend so loyal.

People don't fake depression – they fake being okay. Remember that. Be kind.

Time is still the best answer, forgiveness is still the best pain-killer, and God is still the best healer.

The only way to win with a toxic person is not the play.

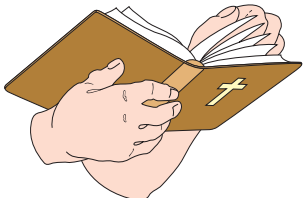
Honestly has a power that very few people can handle.

Your mood should not dictate your manners.

It always seems impossible until it's done.

Gardening is medicine that does not need a prescription and has no limit on dosage.

Bible Verse



Beloved, if God so loved us, we ought also to love one another.

— 1 John 4:11

Appalachian Power Submits Expanded Net Energy Cost Adjustment Filing

Appalachian Power, along with Wheeling Power, today submitted its annual Expanded Net Energy Cost (ENEC) filing to the Public Service Commission of West Virginia (PSC), in which it requested a \$641.7 million increase to the current ENEC rate.

The ENEC is the mechanism for reimbursing the company for purchased power, and for the cost of coal and natural gas used to fuel power plants. The regularly filed cases present the opportunity to adjust the amount included in rates so that ongoing ENEC expenditures align with ENEC revenues.

As coal and natural gas prices rose dramatically in 2021 and remained high throughout 2022, the company paid far more for fuel and purchased power than the amount included in rates. In the twelve-month ENEC review period that ended February 28, 2023, unrecovered costs grew from \$216 million to almost \$553 million.

“Recovering these costs

over the traditional one-year period would place an enormous burden on our customers,” said Aaron Walker, Appalachian Power president and COO. “To that end, we are proposing two creative cost recovery solutions in this filing that will minimize rate impact.”

The first proposal would spread recovery over three years and raise residential rates by \$293.1 million, or 12.1 percent. The second proposal utilizes securitization of the under-recovery and other cost items, and would raise residential rates by 3.5 percent or \$88.8 million to align ongoing ENEC costs and revenues. The company requested that any approved adjustment take effect September 1, 2023.

Appalachian Power has 1 million customers in Virginia, West Virginia and Tennessee (as AEP Appalachian Power). It is part of American Electric Power, which is focused on powering a cleaner, brighter energy future for its customers

and communities. AEP’s approximately 17,000 employees operate and maintain the nation’s largest electricity transmission system and more than 224,000 miles of distribution lines to safely deliver reliable and affordable power to 5.6 million regulated customers in 11 states. AEP also is one of the nation’s largest electricity producers, with approximately 31,000 megawatts of diverse generating capacity, including more than 6,900 megawatts of renewable energy.

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Notice of Public Hearing	
The Putnam County Planning Commission will meet on Tuesday, June Gk, 2023, at 7:00 p.m. in Room 221, of the Putnam County Courthouse, 12093 Winfield Road, Winfield, WV to conduct a Special Meeting and hold the following public hearings.	
Text Amendment 2023-02:	
1. Proposal to add Towing Services as a Permitted Principal Use in a “C-2” HIGH DENSITY COMMERCIAL DISTRICT (see Article 650 of the Zoning Ordinance for the Zoned Unincorporated Areas of Putnam County, WV).	
2. Proposal to add Towing Service definition to Article 150.02 Definition of Terms to the Zoning Ordinance for the Zoned Unincorporated Areas of Putnam County, WV.	
Text Amendment 2023-03:	
1. Proposal to add Recreational Vehicle (RV) Park as a Permitted Principal Use in a “C-2 “HIGH DENSITY COMMERCIAL DISTRICT (see Article 650 of the Zoning Ordinance for the Zoned Unincorporated Areas of Putnam County, WV).	

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

LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT	
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 9th day of May, 2023 at 9:00 a.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 Kenneth Uel Bess, Sr. Meredith Bess, Administratrix	
Estate of Madge Ashley Dawson Ronald A. Dawson, Executor	
Estate of Mary V. Donahue Christopher J. Troy, Executor	
Estate of Elizabeth J. Ellis Susan Wyn Duryea, Executrix	
Estate of Patricia Faye Frazier Rebecca J. Lorenz, Administratrix	
Estate of Harold Parsons Gothard Mark W. Gothard, Executor	
Estate of Allen Lewis Harrah Richard L. Harrah, Administrator	
Estate of Rachel Mary-Leona Karson Russell A. Karson, Administrator	
Estate of John Floyd McCormick Timothy R McCormick, Executor	
Estate of Rebecca Gayle Moses Amy Christine Moses, Executrix	
Estate of Phala Irene Sigmon Trina Litton, Executrix	
Estate of Garnett Mae Witt Ronnie Witt, Administrator	
Estate of James Lee Young Janice G. Reese, Administratrix	

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 28st day of April 2023.

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

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LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT	
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.: 5352 Estate Of: Leeta Jean Hall Executor: John Stephen Hall 1077 Riverdale Estates Winfield WV 25213	
Estate No.: 5361 Estate Of: William Brent Hill Executrix: Deborah J. Hill “Norris” 62 Russell Street Winfield WV 25213	
Estate No.: 5348 Estate Of: Marietha Geraldine Hutchinson D. J. Hill 216 Maplewood Estates Scott Depot WV 25560 9745	
Estate No.: 5365 Estate Of: Angela Leigh Lane Administrator: F. Gregory Lane 4613 Steelridge Road Red House WV 25168 7703	
Estate No.: 5350 Estate Of: Garry Brent Legg Administratrix: Pixie L. Legg 22 Sylvester Drive Winfield WV 25213	
Estate No.: 5338 Estate Of: Phyllis Jean Manley Executor: Mona G. Frederoski (fka “Cleck”) 132 Mercy Way Hurricane WV 25526	
Estate No.: 5349 Estate Of: Billie Ray McClanahan Administratrix: Barbara A. McClanahan 3968 39th Street E Nitro WV 25143 1318	
Estate No.: 5360 Estate Of: Joan Lee Reed Executrix: Cynthia L. Adkins 119 Hollywood Drive Scott Depot WV 25560 9621	
Estate No.: 5242 Estate Of: John Roger Wilson Executrix: Betty L. Wilson 3367 Teays Valley Road Hurricane WV 25526	

Parcel One: All that certain lot or parcel of land, together with the improvements thereon and the appurtenances thereunto belonging, situate on the waters of Lemburger Creek, Poca District, Putnam County, West Virginia, and being all of Lots 4 and 5, of the Area “U” Subdivision known as the Chilton 81.16 Acre Tract, and being further designated upon a map entitled “Proposed Layout of Chilton Tract Poca Dist. Putnam County, West Virginia” made by C.R. Conner, C.E. and which map is duly of record in the Office of the Clerk of the County Commission, Putnam County, West Virginia, in Map Book 2 at Pages 38 and 39.	
Parcel Two: All that certain lot, tract or parcel of land, together with the improvements thereon and the appurtenances thereunto belonging, situate near the Community Rock Branch, Poca District, Putnam County, West Virginia, as the same is shown upon that certain map or plat entitled “Plat Showing the Resubdivision of Lots 6A and 6B Chilton Tract, Poca District, Putnam County, West Virginia, for Lewis Wade Westfall” Scale: 1” = 60” dated the 27th day of June 1974, prepared by N.L. Rose, Reg., Prof., Engineer No. 2047, a copy of said map of record in the aforesaid Clerk’s Office said real estate being more particularly bounded and described as follows:	

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 May 4, 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 May 4, 2023.

Subscribed and sworn to before me on the 28th day of April 2023.

Fiduciary Supervisor
Putnam County Commission
10293 Winfield Road,
Winfield, WV 25213

LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT	
ORDER OF PUBLICATION	
IN THE FAMILY COURT OF PUTNAM COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA	
Brenda Lou Cain	Case No. <u>23-D-17</u>
Ronald Eugene Cain	

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 Ronald Eugene Cain, whose address is unknown is a party in the above matter and that a hearing has been set for **May 31, 2023 at 10:30 AM** before Judge Witt, Family Court Judge, located at the Judicial Building, 12093 Winfield Road 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 26th day of April 2023.

STEPHANIE SMITH/dr
Clerk of the Court

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LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT	
ORDER OF PUBLICATION	
IN THE FAMILY COURT OF PUTNAM COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA	
Autumn Whitney Johnson	Case No. <u>23-D-19</u>
Cory Eltorre Johnson	

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 has been set for **May 17, 2023 at 3:30 PM** before Judge Witt, Family Court Judge, located at the Judicial Building, 12093 Winfield Road 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 26th day of April 2023.

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Clerk of the Court

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE SALE OF VALUABLE REAL ESTATE	
Pursuant to the authority vested in the undersigned by deed of trust dated the 21st day of July, 2009, signed by Michael J. Marques, unmarried, to Paul Altmore, Trustee, which said deed of trust is of record in the Office of the Clerk of the County Commission of Putnam County, West Virginia, in Trust Deed Book 913, at page 341, and Golden & Amos, PLLC, Trustee having been requested so to do by the Secured Creditor, and default having been made under the terms and conditions of said deed of trust, and the provisions in said deed of trust concerning acceleration having been complied with by the Secured Creditor and present holder of the note, said Trustee will sell at public auction at 10:00 o’clock a.m. on the	
16TH DAY OF MAY 2023	

at the front doors of the Courthouse in Putnam County in Winfield, West Virginia the following described real estate:

Parcel One: All that certain lot or parcel of land, together with the improvements thereon and the appurtenances thereunto belonging, situate on the waters of Lemburger Creek, Poca District, Putnam County, West Virginia, and being all of Lots 4 and 5, of the Area “U” Subdivision known as the Chilton 81.16 Acre Tract, and being further designated upon a map entitled “Proposed Layout of Chilton Tract Poca Dist. Putnam County, West Virginia” made by C.R. Conner, C.E. and which map is duly of record in the Office of the Clerk of the County Commission, Putnam County, West Virginia, in Map Book 2 at Pages 38 and 39.

Beginning at an iron pin in the Easterly Right of Way line of West Virginia State Route No. 62 (formerly United States Route No. 35) said iron pin being in the Northwesterly corner of Lot No. 6 common corner to Lot No. 5 of the “Proposed Layout of Chilton Tract” as the same is described upon that certain map or plat “Proposed Layout of Chilton Tract, Poca District, Putnam County” said map being of record in said Clerk’s Office in Map Book 2 at page 39; thence leaving said beginning point South 78 degrees 20’ East 101 feet to an iron pin; thence with the common division line of Lots 6 and 5 North 41 degrees 53 East 73.2 feet; thence leaving said common division line South 48 degrees 07’ East 50 feet to an iron pin; thence South 22 degrees 16’ West 67 feet to an iron pin; thence South 39 degrees 30’ West 52 feet to an iron pin; thence South 77 degrees 49’ West 35 feet to an iron pin; thence North 68 degrees 45’ West 118 feet to an iron pin in the Easterly Right of Way line of West Virginia Route No. 62 (formerly United States Route No. 35); thence with the Easterly Right of Way line of West Virginia Route No. 62, North 14 degrees 38’ East 68 feet to the place of beginning and being a part of Lot No. 6, Area U of the proposed layout of the Chilton Tract.

Parcel One Map/Parcel 226G-4, Tax ID 14387

Parcel Two Map/Parcel 226G-6.1, Tax ID 14388

It is the intention of this notice to sell the secured property by proper description as was intended to be transferred and conveyed in the aforesaid deed of trust.

The above described real estate is reported to have a mailing address of:

RR 1 Box 148, Poca, WV 25159

TERMS OF SALE: Cash in hand on day of sale or within 30 days of date of sale upon terms to be agreed upon between Trustee and successful bidder, time being of the essence; payment for unpaid real estate taxes to be assumed by the purchaser. The Trustee does not warrant title or fitness to this property; it is being purchased as is; this is a buyer beware sale and any buyer is advised to retain counsel before the sale. If there is any part of the process of sale which is found to be objectionable, the Trustee reserves the right to cancel the sale. No purchaser should take possession or make improvements in the premises until the Trustee deed is delivered or recorded. A third party purchaser at sale will be required to pay the purchase price plus all recording and transfer fees.

Trustee at sale is under no duty to cause any existing tenant or person occupying the subject property to vacate said property.

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.

The party(ies) secured by the Deed of Trust reserve the right to purchase the property at such sale. If the purchaser at sale is unable to complete the terms of purchase within 30 days, the Trustee reserves the right to transfer the property to the next highest bidder.

Any sale hereunder may be adjourned from time to time without any notice other than oral proclamation at the time and place appointed for this sale or by posting of a notice of same. Should the Trustee not appear at the time appointed for the sale and there is no notice posted of a continuance please contact the office of the Trustee to make further inquiry. Any sale may be conducted or adjourned by the designated agent or attorney of the Trustee. The undersigned is fully vested with the authority to sell said

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property as Trustee by instrument of record. Some Trustee sales may be conducted by a service required Auction Company. In that event, the auctioneer will be acting under an “Auction Services Agreement.”	
Should any party have any inquiries, objections to the sale or protests regarding the sale, or requests regarding the sale, please notify the trustee below by one of the means of communications set forth below.	
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Our business hours are 8 :30 AM – 5 :00 PM on weekdays – not including holidays	
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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.: 5233 Estate Of: Steven Hansford Arthur	
Executrix: Judith Ann Arthur 165 Shawnee Estates Winfield WV 25213	
Estate No.: 5251 Estate Of: Evelyn Pearl Brady Co Executor: Matthew Groves 14272 Elk River Road Duck WV 25063 7778	
Co Executor: Timothy B. Butcher P. O. Box 100 Glenville WV 26351	

Estate No.: 5238 Estate Of: Rosemary B. Coffman Administratrix: C. Kay Brown 908 Geary Road South Charleston WV 25303 2715	
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Estate No.: 5341 Estate Of: George William Eddy Executrix: Cynthia Sue Hantke 131 Crestridge Drive Scott Depot WV 25560 9379	
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Estate No.: 5354 Estate Of: Hayward Clearmont Harper	
Executrix: Reda M. Harper 13 Country Club Lane Hurricane WV 25526	

Estate No.: 5309 Estate Of: Robert Marlowe Pedley	
Executrix: Dianne F. Pedley 115 Green Acres Drive Hurricane WV 25526	

Estate No.: 5237 Estate Of: Thomas Allen Pochick Administratrix: Carla Pochick 291 Linden Lane Culloden WV 25510	
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Estate No: 5353 Estate Of: Virginia Kathryn Roberts	
Co Executrix: Nancy Carol Eplin 6503 McCellan Hwy West Hamlin WV 25571 8058	

Co Executrix: Margie Lynn Whitt 3224 Virginia Avenue Hurricane WV 25526	
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Estate No.: 5303 Estate Of: Mary Rena Vance Executor: Darren Rodney Vance 4217 Lon Bledsoe Road Milton WV 25541	
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All persons having claims against the estate(s) of any of the above-named deceased persons whether due or not, are notified to exhibit their claims with vouchers thereof, legally verified, to the fiduciary of such deceased person as shown above within 60 days of April 27, 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 April 27, 2023.

Subscribed and sworn to before me on the 21st day of April 2023.

Fiduciary Supervisor
Putnam County Commission
10293 Winfield Road,
Winfield, WV 25213

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LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT	
Notice of Public Hearing	
The Putnam County Planning Commission will meet on Tuesday, June 6th, 2023, at 7:00 p.m. in Room 221, of the Putnam County Courthouse, 12093 Winfield Road, Winfield, WV to conduct a Special Meeting and hold the following public hearings.	

Text Amendment 2023-02:	
1. Proposal to add Towing Services as a Permitted Principal Use in a “C-2” HIGH DENSITY COMMERCIAL DISTRICT (see Article 650 of the Zoning Ordinance for the Zoned Unincorporated Areas of Putnam County, WV).	
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All interested parties are invited to attend and will be granted an opportunity to speak.

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Toys for Tots Announces Expansion of Year-Round Efforts

May is National Foster Care Month, and the Marine Toys for Tots Program is expanding its support beyond the holiday season to deliver emotional comfort and gifts to children living in Foster Care. The Program’s initiative, Champions for Those in Foster Care, will provide toys, books, and other gifts to be distributed to foster care children through local organizations across the country. “These children leave their homes with only a small plastic bag of their belongings. Marine Toys for Tots wants to give foster care children not only something tangible to take with them as they move, but also some tools and hope for a brighter tomorrow,” said LtGen Jim Laster, CEO of the Marine Toys for Tots Foundation.

These children are placed temporarily in group homes, residential care facilities, emergency shelters, and supervised independent living homes. Toys for Tots provides resources that help these children during extremely stressful and trying times with the goal of reducing their anxiety and making a positive impact in their lives.

This initiative highlights how Marine Toys for Tots is a year-round force for good, positively impacting children beyond the holiday season. In 2022, the Program supported over 447,000 children in the Foster Care system.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF PUTNAM COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA	
State of West Virginia, WVDHHR, Petitioner,	
V. Civil Action No. 23-JA-39-41	
Elizabeth Cantley, Respondent.	
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The object of the Petition filed in this matter is to provide protection to the infant children, B.C., whose date of birth is 08/20/2013; I.T., whose date of birth is 11/27/2018; and J.C.-T., whose date of birth is 12/28/2020.	
Please take notice that you have been named as the natural mother of the above-named children. This matter will come on for a preliminary hearing or any other appropriate relief before the Honorable Joseph K. Reeder, Judge of the Circuit Court of Putnam County, West Virginia, on the 18th day of May, 2023, at 11:00 a.m., at which time and place you may be present to protect your interests, if you so desire. You are further advised that the infant children and respondents in this proceeding shall have the right to counsel at this hearing and every stage of the proceedings; that if you cannot pay for the services of counsel, the Court shall appoint counsel for you; and that said proceeding could result in the permanent termination of your parental rights.	
You are further advised that if an answer or appearance is not made by you at said hearing, thereafter, judgment upon proper hearing and trial may be taken against you for the relief demanded in the petition. An original and copies of the petition have been filed in the Office of the Circuit Clerk of Putnam County, West Virginia, at the Putnam County Judicial Building, 12093 Winfield Road, Winfield, West Virginia, 25213, and a copy of said petition is available for each respondent at said office upon request..	
STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA By Counsel,	
/s/ Paige W. Hoffman Assistant Prosecuting Attorney Putnam County, West Virginia	
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RIKKI JO COOK

Rikki Jo Cook, 42, of Nitro, died April 23, 2023 at her home surrounded by her family after courageously fighting an eighteen-year battle with illness.

Rikki was born January 24, 1981, to Cathy and Mike Cook of Nitro.

Rikki was a Christian who loved and trusted the Lord. She was a talented musician who enjoyed singing and writing music from a young age. She was also a photographer using her artistic skills to capture the special moments and milestones of her family.

Despite her illness, Rikki was always selfless and reached out to minister to others. Although she never had children of her own, she loved and mothered her nephews and nieces with all her heart. She was the only sister and oldest sibling of three brothers whom she ruled like the princess she was!

Rikki was preceded in death by her pawpaw, Delmar Sovine, and her pawpaw, Noel Cook.

She is survived by her mother, Cathy Cook of Nitro, and her father, Mike Cook, also of Nitro; her brothers, Aaron (Jessica) Cook of Hayden, Alabama; Josh (Becky) Lynn of Newark, Ohio; and Billy Cook (Emily V.) of Rockford, Illinois; her grandmothers, who loved her deeply, Doris Sovine and Patty Cook, both of Nitro; and her two aunts, Linda Sovine of Charleston, who was like a second mother to her, and Brenda Cook of Nitro. Rikki had many other uncles, aunts, cousins, nephews, and nieces who all loved her dearly.

A memorial service for Rikki was held Thursday, April 27 at Teays Valley Baptist Church, Hurricane.

DANNY G. DAVIS

Danny G. Davis, 66, of Buffalo, passed away Saturday, April 29, 2023 at his home following a long illness.

He was preceded in death by his father, Kenneth Blair Davis.

Survivors include his loving mother, Boneva Davis; brothers, Kenneth R. Davis Sr., Jerry L. Davis

and Timothy L. Davis. Danny is also survived by several nieces, nephews and extended family.

Funeral service was Thursday, May 4, 2023 at Raynes Funeral Home, Buffalo, with Pastor Pete Cobb officiating. Burial was in Walker Chapel Cemetery, Robertsburg.

DARLA HALL

Darla Hall, 81, of Winfield, peacefully passed away on April 27, 2023 after a long illness.

Darla was a native of Gallipolis, Ohio. She was a wonderful and dedicated Mother, wife and friend to all that knew her. Survived, is her son Mark Hall, sister Nita Clonch, along with 5 grandchildren and 4 great grandchildren.

A private memorial will be held with family and friends in the near future.

Jerry Roger Meadows

Jerry Roger Meadows, 83, of Fraziers Bottom, went home to be with his Lord on Wednesday, April 26, 2023. He was born November 26, 1939 in Putnam County, a son of the late Theodore Freeman Meadows and Opal Beulah Jacobs Fletcher.

He is survived by his children, Jerry Elvis Meadows (Tammy), Mary Angel Chapman (Roger Thomasson), Ruth Ann Kerns (Paul), Danny Alan Meadows (Nioka) and Jeremy Scott Meadows (Kimberly); 9 grandchildren, ten great grandchildren and host of sibling.

Graveside service was conducted Friday, April 28, 2023 at Pine Grove Cemetery, Fraziers Bottom, with Pastor Jason Black officiating.

DAVID ERIC SIMMERS

David Eric Simmers, 59, of St. Albans, died Wednesday, April 26, 2023 at CAMC Teays Valley Hospital.

He was born July 27, 1963 in Altoona, PA to the late Zane Oliver Simmers and Norma Jane Simmers.

David was a master carpenter, a hard worker who was dedicated to his family and was always willing to help anyone in need.

He is survived by his wife Kelli Simmers; children

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Funeral service was Wednesday, May 3, 2023, at Bartlett-Nichols Funeral Home with Pastor Matt Davis officiating. Burial was in Spring Hill Cemetery, Charleston.

ROBERT SUTTLES

Robert L. "Bob" Suttles, 75, of Poca, passed away the evening of April 26, 2023.

Bob was born April 28, 1948, to the late Martin and Mary Jane Suttles of Michigan. He is also preceded in death by his sister Patricia Louise Mar Kos, and sister-in-law Susan Suttles.

He is survived by his wife, Gloria of over 52 years; seven children Robert M. Suttles, Melissa J. Suttles, Charity E. Anderson (Doug), Amanda K. Moyer (Tim), Patricia L. Wilson (Stephen), Lee David Suttles, and Marta D. Holley (Chad); Bob's beautiful nine granddaughters ages 5 to 21 years old; and his brother Richard.

After graduating high school at the age of 18, Bob joined the Air Force. After serving 4 years, he went to college at Michigan State earning a degree in Mechanical Engineering. After graduation Bob and family moved to WV where he was employed by Union Carbide for 27 years and served with the WV Air National Guard for 21 years (1975-1996). After retiring from those, Bob

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June is survived by her son, Franklin K. Thomas, II and his wife Lisa, with whom she made her home; six grandchildren, Christy (Kevin) Christman, Michelle (Justin) Mobley, Jennifer (Elijah) Thomas, Derek (Niki) Fields, Katrina (Jess) Franks, and Kevin (Marci) Thomas; 25 great grandchildren; 2 great great grandchildren with another expected in October 2023; and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral service was Tuesday, May 2, 2023 at Raynes Funeral Home, Buffalo. Burial was in Leon Cemetery.



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Freedom Rider Honored Guest At Democratic Women Meeting

The Putnam County Democratic Women's Club will host a Membership Tea and Lecture at 1:30 p.m. on Sunday, May 7th at the Red House in Eleanor. Among the highlights of the event will be the attendance of Joan C. Browning, one of nine Albany Freedom Riders on the last Freedom Ride, civil rights activist and celebrated author.

"Joan Browning has graciously accepted our invitation to be the Keynote speaker at our Tea," explained Ivin Lee, Putnam County President. "We are so honored to have her presence and I know our members will be thrilled by her support of our organization," Lee added. Ms. Browning is a freelance writer and lecturer living in the mountains of Greenbrier County, West Virginia. Ms. Browning is also a member of the Greenbrier Democratic Women's Club.

Mike Pushkin, Chair of the West Virginia Democratic Party Executive Committee, and former State Senator Richard Lindsay (D), 8th Senatorial District, Putnam have been invited to speak.

All club members and associate members are encouraged to attend and asked to bring a guest. Finger food, tea and other refreshments will be served.

The Putnam County Democratic Women's Club was founded in 1996 and is affiliated with the West Virginia Federation of Democratic Women, Inc. Club membership is available to registered, Democratic Party Putnam County voters.

To RSVP, please email s_karen4040@yahoo.com Please visit out Facebook page www.facebook.com/PCDWC for Putnam County Democratic Women's Club events and other information.

Bryson French Hired Before Graduation

Bryson French, a senior pursuing a Bachelors degree in Accounting from Bob Jones University, was hired before graduation as a Audit Associate at Baker Tilly in Charleston. French is a resident of Winfield.

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Chloe Bailey Earns Prestigious Fellowship in Germany



Shepherd University senior political science major Chloe Bailey of Buffalo, West Virginia, will get about a three-month break after graduating on May 6. Then she flies off to Germany for new adventures through the Congress-Bundestag Youth Exchange (CBYX) for Young Professionals.

Bailey is one of 75 U.S. students between the ages of 18½ and 24 selected to participate in the fellowship funded by the German Bundestag and U.S. Department of State. CBYX provides the opportunity for American and German young professionals to spend one year in each other's country studying, interning, and experiencing cultural immersion.

"I decided to accept this fellowship because I would never get this opportunity again and it's going to be really cool to be able to immerse myself into a completely different culture that is so different from what I've always known," Bailey said. "I think it will be very challenging but also a great opportunity for me to grow as an individual and as a young

professional."

At the end of July, Bailey will spend two days in Washington, D.C., with this year's CBYX class preparing for the fellowship. After arriving in Germany, she will take intensive German language training for two months then attend classes for one semester followed by three to five months in an internship. She'll study German at the Carl Duisberg Centrum language school in either Cologne, Radolfzell, or Saarbrücken. She will then be assigned to a university or vocational school to attend with the expectation that she begins applying for internships.

Bailey plans to pursue a career in public service, so she's hoping to find an internship with a government agency or a nongovernmental organization.

Among Bailey's accomplishments during her college career were interning at the West Virginia State Capitol for the Senate Judiciary Committee and Secretary of State's Office. She 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 and was a 2023 Truman Scholarship finalist.

Dr. Samuel Greene, chair of the Department of Political Science, Global Studies, and Geography and coordinator of the Welch Distinguished Awards Program, encouraged Bailey to apply for the fellowship in Germany.

"Chloe's selection for the CBYX program is a well-deserved reflection of her academic and professional accomplishments at Shepherd and beyond," Greene said. "I am excited for Chloe's opportunity to spend a year in Germany learning the German language, getting a grounding in the country's public policy and politics, and adding a cross-cultural internship to her extensive experience in West Virginia and Washington, D.C."

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 Congress-Bundestag Youth Exchange for Young Professionals.

Second Friday Gospel Sing

The Hurricane First Church of God would like to invite everyone to their monthly, second Friday Gospel Sing on May 12 at 7 p.m.

The featured Group this month will be The Master's Trio from Mt. Sterling, Kentucky. Additional singers will include Brother Ron Shamblin from Sissonville and Bro. Jacob Riley, Pastor of The Morningstar House of Prayer in Boone County. Staff Musicians and singers are Gary Sargent, Peggy Cooper, Eddie Rushbrooke, and Dorsey Johnson.

The church features traditional church Hymns and Southern Gospel Music at these concerts.

It will be a time of fellowship, with refreshments and finger foods after the service.

The church is located at 3225 East Putnam Ave, one block north of the new Dollar Tree.

Buffalo Church Of God Yard Sale

The Buffalo Church of God will hold a yard sale starting at 8 a. m. on Friday, May 12, and Saturday, May 13. Hot dogs will be sold on Saturday only. The church is located on Route 62 and Church Street.

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Happy Anniversary

Dennis and Laura Disney of 813 Glade View Court in La Vergne, Tennessee, will celebrate their thirty-ninth wedding anniversary on May 5.

Doug and Robin Richmond of Hurricane will celebrate their forty-fourth wedding anniversary on May 5.

Gary and Claudia Lovejoy Stowers of Newberry, Florida, will celebrate their fifty-sixth wedding anniversary on May 6.

Bradford and Leslie Ord Deel of Scott Depot will celebrate their twenty-third wedding anniversary on May 6.

David and Sue Smith Hill of 2021 Washington Hill Road in Hurricane will celebrate their twenty-third wedding anniversary on May 6.

Mark and Cari McDowell Reed of 560 Fairwood Road in Huntington will celebrate their seventeenth wedding anniversary on May 6.

Jon and Hilda Minano Gillispie of Katy, Texas, will celebrate their seventh wedding anniversary on May 6.

Jerry and Sharon Young of 12507 Terra Nova Lane in Austin, Texas will celebrate their forty-first wedding anniversary on May 8.

Roger and Patty Bird Wood of 804 Riders Creek in Hurricane will celebrate their nineteenth wedding anniversary on May 8.

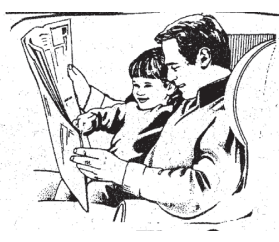
Squire and Linda Dooley Parsons of Leicester, North Carolina, will celebrate their fifty-third wedding anniversary on May 8.

Robert and Roberta Taylor Stringer of Cross Lanes will celebrate their second wedding anniversary on May 8.

Chad and Jennifer Akers of Frazier's Bottom will celebrate their eighth wedding anniversary on May 9.

Wesley and Lynell Geer of 2208 Kirby Road, #174 in Milton will celebrate their forty-fifth wedding anniversary on May 11.

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