

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

Gregory Alan Haston II, 40, of Scott Depot, was sentenced in federal court on Monday, December 18, to three years and nine months in prison, to be followed by three years of supervised release, for possession with intent to distribute fentanyl.

According to court documents and statements made in court, on January 2, 2023, Haston was a passenger in a vehicle pulled over by a law enforcement officer in the St. Albans area. During a search of the vehicle, the officer seized a bag that he found on the floor near Haston's feet. Haston admitted that the bag contained approximately 76 grams of fentanyl, which he possessed with the intent to distribute.

United States Attorney Will Thompson commended the investigative work of the St. Albans Police Department.

Senior United States District Judge John T. Copenhaver, Jr. imposed the sentence. Assistant United States Attorney Lesley C. Shamblin prosecuted the case.

In 1988, The Centennial History of Hurricane, WV was published to commemorate the town's 100th anniversary. The publication included the histories of 7 Hurricane civic organization. This week's selection is the 7th and last of the these histories which were published in 1988.

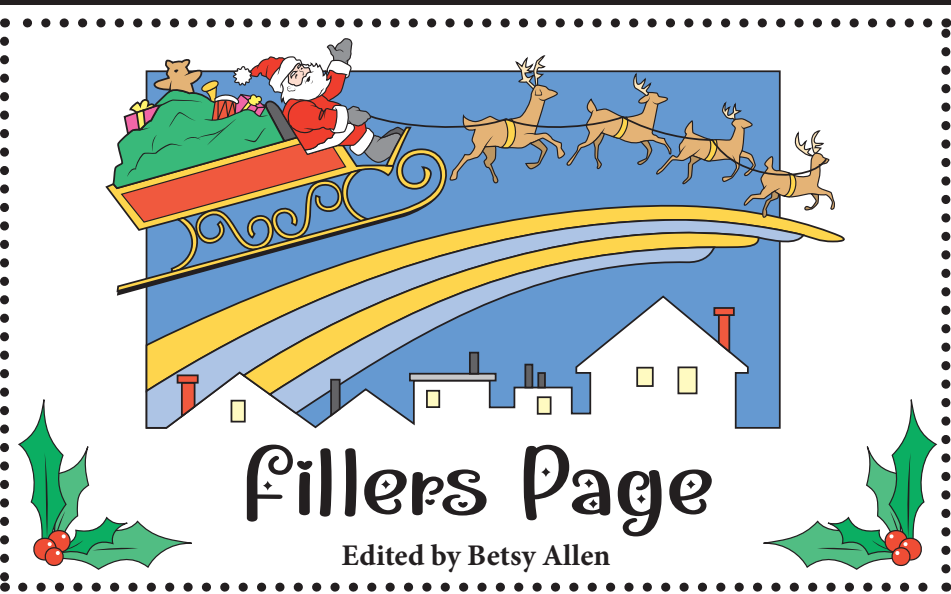
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We hope that all enjoy a delightful Christmas and a wonderful New Year. The next issue will be January 4, 2024.



Fillers Page

Edited by Betsy Allen

A Christmas Poem

By Helen Steiner Rice

Submitted by Myra Simmons

I have a list of folks I know, all written in a book.
And every year when Christmas comes, I go and take a look.
And that is when I realize that these names are a part
Not of the book they are written in, but really of my heart.

For each name stands for someone who has crossed my path sometime.
And in the meeting they’ve become the rhythm in each rhyme.
And while it sounds fantastic for me to make the claim,
I really feel that I’m composed of each remembered name.

And while you may not be aware of any special link
Just meeting you has changed my life a lot more than you think.
For once I’ve met somebody, the years cannot erase
The memory of a pleasant word or of a friendly face.

So never think my Christmas cards are just a mere routine
Of names upon a Christmas list, forgotten in between.
For when I send a Christmas card that is addressed to you,
It is because you’re on the list that I’m indebted to.

For I am but a total of the many folks I have met.
And you happen to be one of those I prefer not to forget
And whether I have known you for many years or few
In some ways you have a part in shaping things I do.

And every year when Christmas comes, I realize anew,
The best gifts life can offer is meeting folks like you.
And may the spirit of Christmas that forever endures
Leave its richest blessings in the heart of you and yours.

Sweet and Savory Ways to Shake Up Holiday Celebrations

(Family Features) ’Tis the season for sweet and savory favorites – from the mouthwatering desserts you crave each year to starters and snacks that hold over hungry guests. Elevate your holiday entertaining with the right combination of appetizers, main courses, sides, sweets and beyond that start with the same seasonal staple: pecans.

As a versatile nut that can be used throughout the holidays, pecans have you covered so you can cook and enjoy a myriad of dishes, add festive flair to decor, or provide a nutritious snack in the midst of season-long indulgences. This year, pick up an extra bag of pecans to create nutritious, delicious dishes to enjoy on-the-go or serve to guests.

To help celebrate the holiday season, the American Pecan Promotion Board introduced a digital Pe-Calendar to highlight the many ways pecans can be enjoyed in and beyond a traditional pie. From Dec. 7-18, the interactive calendar will unveil tasty recipes for pecan fans to enjoy, along with fun games that can enter you in to win exciting prizes each day.

To sign up for daily email reminders to open a new door for chances to win nutty prizes, or to find additional holiday recipes, visit [EatPecans.com](#).

Baked Brie with Pecans and Cranberry Orange Chutney

Recipe courtesy of the American Pecan Promotion Board

Cook time: 24 minutes

Servings: 8

- 1 bag (12 ounces) fresh cranberries
- 1/2 cup maple syrup, plus 1 teaspoon for garnish, divided
- 1/2 cup water
- 1 orange, zest and juice only
- 1 teaspoon freshly chopped thyme, plus additional for garnish, divided
- 1 teaspoon freshly chopped rosemary
- 1 tablespoon bourbon (optional)
- 1 round brie (13.4 ounces)
- 1/2 cup roasted pecan pieces
- crackers
- toasted bread
- apple slices

Preheat oven to 350 F. Line baking sheet with parchment paper or silicone baking mat.

In medium saucepan over medium-high heat, bring cranberries (reserving some for garnish), 1/2 cup maple syrup and water to boil. Reduce heat to medium-low and cook, stirring occasionally, until cranberries pop and mixture thickens, 8-10 minutes.

Remove cranberry mixture from heat and stir in orange zest, orange juice, 1 teaspoon thyme, rosemary and bourbon, if desired.

Place brie on parchment-lined baking sheet. Bake 5-7 minutes, or until inside of cheese softens while outside remains intact.

Transfer brie to serving platter and top with chutney and toasted pecans. Drizzle remaining maple syrup over brie and garnish with remaining fresh thyme and reserved cranberries. Serve with crackers, toasted bread and apple slices.

Fun Christmas Facts

Prince Albert introduced the Christmas tree to England in 1840. It was made popular when Prince Albert introduced the German custom to his wife, Britain's Queen Victoria. With royal approval, this German trend soon became popular across the globe.

The world record for a Christmas tree is 221 feet. The Douglas fir tree was cut and put on display in 1950, at a shopping mall in Seattle, USA. The tree was as tall as 12 giraffes standing on top of one another! Thankfully, no giraffes did have to stand on top of each other to measure the tree - they just used an extra-long measuring tape!

Fillers Contributors Wanted

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

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

You can also email submissions to breezenews@citynet.net

Readers like you have helped make the Fillers Column what it is for almost thirty years.

Fillers from Linda

Submitted by Linda~Lavender Armstead
Washington Hill Road, Hurricane

Christmas is doing a little extra for someone.

If we are not happy and joyous at this season, for what other season shall we wait and for what other time shall we look?

The greatest gift you can receive for Christmas is God’s love for you.

Whenever we are kind, grateful, or feel joy in our hearts, we carry the true spirit of Christmas.

What do you get when you cross a sheep, a hummingbird, and an ant? Baa hum bug.

Christmas waves a magic wand over the world, and behold, everything is softer and more beautiful. –Norman Vincent Peale

And just like that, Santa is gone until next year. But Jesus is still here with gifts that never end.

Why are Christmas trees so bad at sewing? They always drop their needles.

The first most important part about Christmas is the first 6 letters.

God gave us the best Christmas present of all – a Savior.

Merry Christmas to my Santa - George Armstead!

Christmas is a piece of one’s home that one carries in one’s heart.

At Christmas, all roads lead home.

When does Christmas come before Thanksgiving? In the dictionary.

No matter how old you are, an empty Christmas wrapping paper tube is still fun to bonk someone over the head with.

It is Christmas in the heart that puts Christmas in the air.

Don’t let anyone get your tinsel in a tangle. Stay jolly.

Christmas is God’s reminder that we are not alone.

I miss how Christmas felt when I was younger. I miss the old days.

May your Christmas joy this year be tied to Jesus the Savior, who is Christ the Lord.

Christmas doesn’t come from the pockets; it comes from the heart. It is not just about gifts, but rather the love for your family and friends.

Merry Christmas to The Hurricane Breeze folks - Ron and Betsy Allen.

The problem with after-Christmas sales, is the lack of after-Christmas money.

What is someone called that is afraid of Santa? Claustrophobic

Christmas is most



truly Christmas when we celebrate it by giving the light of love to those who need it most.

Some Christmas tree ornaments do more than glitter and glow, they represent a gift of love given a long time ago.

What did the wise men say after they offered up their gifts of gold and frankincense? Wait, there’s Myrrh!

Merry Christmas to my Breeze Fillers Fans!

The smells of Christmas are the smells of childhood.

Christmas is the tenderness for the past, courage for the present, hope for the future.

Christmas will always be as long as we stay heart to heart and hand in hand. – Dr. Seuss.

The Christmas wreath is a symbol of love and eternal life.

The candy cane was originally designed to resemble a shepherd hook as a reminder of the shepherds that visited baby Jesus.

What did Santa say when he stepped into a big puddle? It must’ve been reindeer.

How do elves respond when Santa takes attendance? Present!

As Jill climbed onto Santa’s lap, Santa asked the usual, “And what would you like for Christmas?”

Jill stared at him open mouthed and horrified for a minute, then gasped, “Didn’t you get my email?”

How much does Santa pay for his sleigh? Nothing. It was on the house.

Jesus is joy. Joy is Jesus.

There is no Christmas without Christ.

As year 2023 draws to a close and we move forward into 2024, we make our choices of how to face it. Do you fear what it brings or do you get up happier?

Ten little fingers. Ten little toes. On Christmas he came. On Easter he arose.

Maybe this is not the Christmas to ask for everything we want. Maybe this year we just need to be thankful for all we have.

All I want for Christmas is a self cleaning house.

Christmas in heaven, what do they do? They come down to earth to spend it with you. So save them a seat, just one empty chair. You may not see them, but they will be there.

The magic of Christmas is not in the presents, but in His presence.

Christmas tip: wrap empty boxes and every time your kids act up, throw one out the window.

Thank you for giving us the best Christmas present of all – a Savior.

Who needs Santa when you have grandparents - Kelci and Braeden?!

Instead of just exchanging Christmas gifts this year, some families need to exchange apologies and make peace.

Freshly cut Christmas trees smelling of snow and pine resin - inhale deeply and fill your soul with wintry night.

This Christmas, we don’t need more stuff. We need more love towards one another.

Jesus isn’t the reason for the season. He is a reason for every day of our life.

Dance like Frosty, shine like Rudolph, give like Santa, love like Jesus.

Christmas is a perfect time to celebrate the love of God and family and to create memories that will last forever.

It’s hard to buy your husband something for Christmas when he got everything when he married you.

He who has not Christmas in his heart will never find it under a tree.

May we never forget Who Christmas is about.

A hug is perfect gift for Christmas. It’s free and can easily be returned.

Why do you need a jeweler on New Year’s Eve? To ring in the New Year.

What did the snowman and his wife hang over their baby’s crib? A snow-mobile.

Did you hear about the guy who started fixing breakfast at midnight on December? He wanted to make a New Year’s toast.

Bible Verse



Therefore the Lord Himself will give you a sign. Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and shall call His name Immanuel. —Isaiah 7:14

Holiday Pet Photos

Izzy



Izzy was curious about the wooden Santa so she decided to pose after I scolded her on trying to tear off the wreath. Izzy belongs to Myra Simmons of Hurricane.



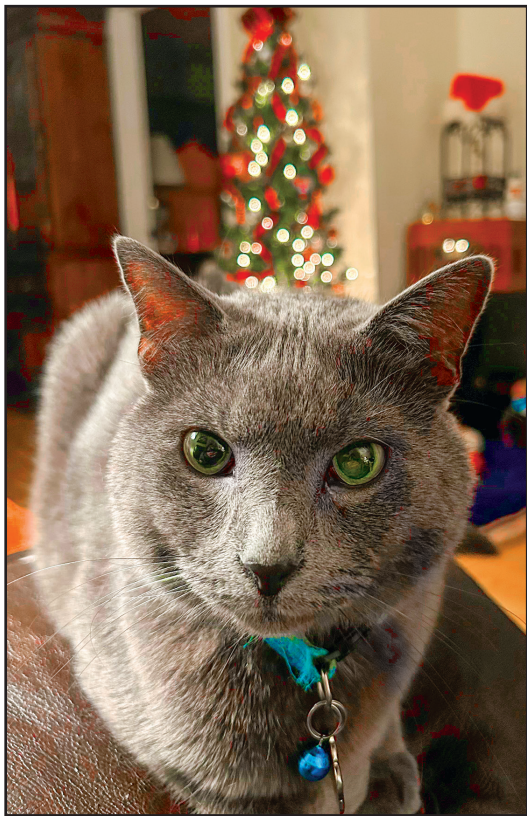
Chloe



Chloe, the feline companion of Deanna Bird of Culloden, wishes everyone a Merry Christmas.



Leo



This is Leo! Leo belongs to Destiny Kelly and Christie Edwards of Hurricane. Leo's eyes light up when he thinks about Christmas time!



Callie Lou



Merry Christmas from Callie Lou, who belongs to Rose Persinger and Chris Smith of Hurricane.

Call Family Pets



Hello world! We are three of Marjory and Tim Call's four pets. Our older brother Max was sleeping and didn't get pictured. I'm Sugar the cat and that's is my younger brother Rosco and my little sister Elvira. We were really excited to get to see Santa Claus. We each got to tell him what we wanted for Christmas, and he said we were all good boys and girls, and he was sure that we would each have a little something under the tree come Christmas morning.



Bella



Bella's human mom is Beverly Burgess of Hurricane. Bella is a fifteen-year-old chihuahua.



Buster



This is Buster! Buster belongs to Christie Edwards and Destiny Kelly of Hurricane! Buster is patiently waiting for Christmas morning to open all his gifts!



The Dust Mop



The Dust Mop is the furry companion of Rose Persinger and Chris Smith of Hurricane.

Give Him A Home For the Holidays



This male tabby kitten was found at a dentist's office. He is currently being fostered by a staff member, but he is looking for his forever home. He is good with children, dogs, and other cats. Why don't you consider giving this cute little guy a home for Christmas?

If you are interested in adopting him, call 304-886-8874.



Chloe



Chloe belongs to Ruth Ann Stone of Hurricane.



Cuddles



This is Cuddles! Cuddles belongs to Destiny Kelly of Hurricane. Cuddles is excited for Santa to see her new accessories this Christmas!



Baby Googie and Peppi



Baby Googie and Peppi Ledew belong to Rose Persinger and Chris Smith of Hurricane.



Baby's First Christmas

Richard Lowrey Carter II



Richard Lowrey Carter II (Dicky) was born February 9 to Tyler and Katie of Hurricane. He is the little brother of Sada and Alyce. His grandparents are Richard and Helen Carter, and Bud and Sandy Humphreys. He is such a happy boy who loves cuddling and smiling.



Maverick Calvin Hodge



This is Maverick. He was born on June 30, and is five months old. His father is Steven “Austin” Hodge and his mother is Destiny White. His grandparents are Erica Simmons and Adam Simmons, and Brenda Campbell and Terry Campbell. He has three older sisters, Aria, 9, Ellie, 4, and Amelia who is 2. His favorite baby food so far is bananas, and his favorite toy is his Raiders bear which his Pawpaw and MawMaw got him. He is one of the best babies ever, always happy and smiling.



Camrie Lynn Randolph



Camrie Lynn Randolph was born at 12:24 p.m. on March 7 at Women & Children's Hospital. She weighed 7lbs, 11oz and was 21” long. Her proud parents are Casey and Chelsey Randolph of Hurricane.

Her proud grandparents are Richie and Sherry Grale of Culloden; Tim and Barbie Cottrell of Hurricane; and Julie Randolph of Hurricane. Her great grandparents are Anita Mynes of Hurricane; Jerry Jackson of Sweetwater, Tennessee; and Richard and Sandy Cottrell of Winfield. Her aunts and uncles are Emily and John McLeod of Nitro and Dustin and Katie Randolph of Hurricane.

Camrie is the princess of the family! She is a beautiful baby who loves playing with her big brother, Cooper. Camrie is a tremendous blessing to her family and they look forward to sharing her first Christmas together. The family is very thankful for this sweet little bundle of joy!

Connor Hodge



Hello! This is Connor Hodge who lives in Teays Valley! He was born on October 20th, and currently spends his days at home with his two big brothers, Samuel and Victor, and both his mommy and daddy!

Connor loves his bottle filled with Simulac Formula Sensitive and loves looking at toys that move, such as his mobile. He even loves looking at the ceiling fan spin!

Connor was born on his grandma's 61st birthday and seems already to have a bond with her. The day he was born, Connor was actually born unresponsive, where he was resuscitated in front of his parents. His left lung then collapsed and he spent the first week of his life in the NICU. But don't let that discourage you; Connor worked so hard that in just seven days he was unhooked from all machines and sent home with Mommy and Daddy! He is forever his family's warrior!



Waylon Gray Racer



Merry first Christmas, Waylon Gray Racer! Waylon was born on August 30 at 1:21 p.m. Waylon resides in Hurricane with his parents, DJ Racer and Rosie Owens; his two sisters, Maisyn and Piper Owens; and two fur brothers, Boomer and Maverick. Waylon is known to his family as MawMaw Lovey's Sugar Cookie Pie. Waylon is covered in love by several grandparents, his angel Nana, great grandparents, aunts, uncles, and cousins. He is absolutely precious and everything that his family needed. We love you, bubby!



Anastasia Chrysanthelambert



Anastasia Chrysanthelambert was born on April 19. Her proud parents are Susanna Kapourales and Roger Lambert of Hurricane; grandparents Sam and Dee Kapourales of Williamson, and Barbara Lambert of Man. She has an amazing big brother and sister, Samuel and Anna Lambert.

Sia loves giggling at her big brother and sister. She enjoys being snuggled and loves stealing her siblings' stuffed animals!

Viviana Maeve Stephens



Viviana Maeve Stephens, born on May 20, is very excited to celebrate her first Christmas with her parents, Andrew and Jennifer Stephens of Hurricane. Proud grandparents John and Teresa Stephens of Hurricane and Jeff and Robin Hayes of Scott Depot are taking every opportunity to enjoy time with this little blessing. A smile constantly graces her face and her eyes fill with wonder as she takes in the world around her.

Viviana has enjoyed her first experiences of the season and is looking forward to tearing the paper on her gifts, trying all the food at Christmas dinner. She has heard stories of snow and hopes she gets to experience it!



Claire Annalee Fitch



Claire Annalee Fitch is the daughter of Adrianna Brewer and Dylan Fitch of St. Albans. She was born on April 28. Her two siblings are her sister Carter Brewer and brother Cameron Fitch.

Her Grandparents are Angie and Brian Brewer, and Heather Carter, and Great Grandparents are Connie and Cranston Brewer, and Helen and Richard Carter.

She loves to play with her siblings and is already crawling! She is so sociable and such a smart and happy baby. Her favorite toy is her stuffed giraffe that she has to sleep with.



Dalton Scott Bartram



Dalton Scott Bartram, born February 27, will be celebrating his first Christmas with his daddy and mommy, Dalton and Minyera Bartram, and his two-year-old big sister, Gwendolyn.

Baby Dalton, or Hoot as his Maw Maw calls him, loves visiting all of his Grand Paw Paws and his Grand Maw Maws' houses, and enjoys listening to his Maw Maw sing “Going To The Chapel” to him.

He doesn't like to be held very much. He's very independent, and he army crawls wherever he needs to go.

Dalton also enjoys eating sweet potatoes and sucking his bottle. His daddy is very proud of his one day little hunting buddy. He likes laying in the big bed with his mommy. Merry Christmas, Everyone!

Baby's First Christmas

Aiden and Alan Wray



Aiden and Alan Wray were born on February 3 to proud parents Robert and Destiny Wray of Winfield. Merry Christmas, Aiden and Alan!

Owen Charles Savilla



Hello! My name is Owen Charles Savilla. I am named after my grandfather, Charles Savilla, who served 20+ years as a deputy sheriff. My mom is Ashton Savilla, who ran for Miss Redskin and graduated from Hurricane HighSchool in 2022. She is currently enrolled at Marshall University where she is studying Civil Engineering.

I was born April 25th 2023 at Cabell Huntington Hospital during her second semester finals. Wee! My current favorite toy is a Mickey Mouse stuffed animal. I am very excited to be celebrating my very first Christmas this year!

Da'Zarion Tolbert



Hello, my name is Da'Zarion Tolbert, but my family calls me Babyman. I am 2 months old and I live in Buffalo with my mommy, Emily Tolbert, and my daddy, Damarquis Patterson. I have two older brothers, Bentley and Jah'karri. I love being spoiled by my grandmas Wilnora Sanders and Dawn Brown, but mostly by my auntie, Teonna Tolbert! I enjoy long hot showers, cuddles, and naps!

Merry Christmas from my family to yours!

Brody Cash Workman



Brody Cash Workman, born on September 9, is the son of Alexis Smith and Bobby Workman Jr. of Hurricane. He has one brother, Bowen Ridge Workman. He is the grandson of Mark and Christina Kinder and Debbie and Bobby Workman, Sr., all of Hurricane. Brody is 23 inches tall and weighs 10 lbs He enjoys watching his big brother, cooing, and all the snuggles.

Erie Camille Simmons



Erie Camille Simmons is the child of Jessica Settle Shannon Simmons of Hurricane. Her brothers are Andrew Workman, Kaleb Simmons, Tanner Simmons, Shannon Simmons, and Casey Simmons. Grandparents are Paul and Myra Simmons, and Juanita and T. J. Conaway. Her favorite food is mashed potatoes with ranch, and she likes her Bluey talking stuffed dog.

Samuel "Sammy" Sovine



Samuel "Sammy" Sovine was born on January 10. He lives in Hurricane with his Mom Alex, Dad Shawn, his big brother Oliver, and his pet dog and cat (Troy and Niles). Sammy's favorite food is applesauce and his favorite things to do include playing with remotes, cuddling his pets, and following his brother around.

Avori and Jaxson Surface



These twins are so excited for their first Christmas! They were born six weeks early on March 5th and spent two weeks in the NICU. They live in Winfield with their parents, Trent and Kendra, and older sister, Madison. They have a kitty named Zari and love trying to pet her soft, long fur. They enjoy watching and playing with their sister. Avori is always so smiley and happy! Jaxson can't sit still and loves to eat! They are both babbling, laughing, rolling around and ready to crawl!

Vincent Bodie Barrett



Vincent Bodie Barrett loves bananas and spaghetti. His favorite activity is swimming and wrestling his life size bear. He's 11 months old and is rowdy but cuddly. His dad is the owner of Hurricane Giovanni's, where he goes for lunch every so often. He is his parents' pride and joy. He is excited to see Santa Claus.

Ella Morriston



This is Ella Morriston. She is 7 months old! Her birthday is May 3rd. She is such a happy baby and loves everybody. She loves cereal mixed with bananas. She loves reaching and grabbing anything and everything. Her parents are Brier and Brandon Morriston of Hurricane.

Daylon Marselis Soles



Daylon Marselis Soles of Hurricane was born on April 8. At eight months old, his eyes light up with excitement watching Go Dog Go. Steak is his favorite food and those toothless grins turn into smiles of delight with every tasty bite. His love for bath time knows no bounds.

Daylon is the heartstring that ties the Soles Family, with proud parents Dakota Lowe and Troy Soles at his side; and the love and wisdom of grandparents Roy and Veronica Lowe, Randall and Angela Soles, and Amy and Kendrick Jacob's. His first Christmas is a celebration of generations past and present.

Nora Rose Ball



Nora Rose Ball was born on April 20 to Tori Rose Ball and Nicholas Ryan Ball of Scott Depot! Proud grandparents are Tonya Rose and Jeff Losh of Scott Depot and Cindy and David Ball of Hurricane. Nora is a happy baby, learning things quickly and surrounded by many that love her! Happy First Christmas sweet girl; we are so blessed to have you this year! 2023!



Baby's First Christmas

Beckett Edward Stowers



Saylor Jane



Beckett Edward Stowers was born on June 1st. He currently lives in Huntington with his proud parents, Jonathan and Kimy (Smith) Stowers, but he has VERY strong Hurricane roots! His brother is Carter; his grandparents are Donna and Bruce Stowers, and Jefferey (Bodine) Edward Smith; and his uncles are Josh and Jordan Stowers.

"While I'm still tiny, I LOVE big. I'm a HUGE mommy's boy... but I LOVE my family. I love bath time, playing with Mickey Mouse toys. I smile and giggle all the time! My mommy and daddy call me their little Peanut."

Saylor Jane was born on May 5th! Her favorite thing about Christmas is the Christmas trees! She loves the lights and trying to take the ornaments off. Her big brother Abel is teaching her all about Santa! We love you, Saylor! Happy First Christmas!

—Love, Daddy, Mommy, Bubby, and your whole family



Merry Christmas

From the Armstead Family



Christmas wouldn't be Christmas if I didn't share a picture of my 2 teenage Grandchildren as I have done ever since they were born. Kelci is 17 years old and a Senior at Cabell Midland High School where she is a Straight A student. Braeden is 15 years old and is a Freshman at Cabell Midland High School where he is a Honor Roll student. They both are driving.

George and I want to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year 2024 along with our grands.

- Linda Armstead

Greetings From the Polar Express



The Polar Express, Bryson City, N.C. What a great train ride for the young and old. It was so exciting to celebrate the magic of Christmas for our family Kenny, and Barbra Rooper, Roger and Stephanie Doneff, Eric, Crystal and Cole Rooper.

—Kenny Rooper

A Special Christmas Eve



A special Christmas Eve at Grandma Geraldine Bayless' house on Christmas Eve in Eleanor around 1983, all having a jolly good time. Richard Allinder was surprised with a kiss on the cheek from his cousin Casey Farren as you can see. Special memories with all of my family together and having a joyous Christmas Eve that year. I'm 88 years old now and am grateful for the life I've lived and my family.

—Geraldine Bayless



ABOVE: A Clark Griswold entry in the City of Hurricane's Christmas House Decorating Contest, located at 3519 Carpenter Avenue.

BELOW: A Crazy Inflatables entry in the Christmas House Decorating Contest at 3416 Carpenter Avenue in Hurricane's Bloomingdale Subdivision.





Joy to the World

May the glory of God's love and light shine in your heart and illuminate your Christmas season!

It has been our pleasure to serve you this year, and we hope we see you again soon.

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We count your support and friendship among our blessings
this holiday season and always. Merry Christmas!

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Mayor Scott Edwards,
City Council,
and the City of Hurricane employees!*

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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.

NOVEMBER - FEBRUARY

There is a free open gym for 1st through 5th graders every Saturday from 10 to 11 a.m. at ZoneOut Sports, Morris Court, Hurricane.

NOW - JANUARY 1

The Krodel Park Festival of Lights will take place from 5:30 to 9 p.m. nightly at Krodel Park, Route 62, Point Pleasant.

NOW - DECEMBER 26

The St. Albans Festival of Lights operates nightly at the St. Albans City Park from 6 to 9 p.m. Closed Dec. 24 and 25.

Come visit Santa House at the St. Albans Roadside Park from 6 to 9 p.m. during the St. Albans Festival of Lights.

NOW - DECEMBER 22

The West Virginia State Farm Museum in Point Pleasant will be holding a Christmas light show from 6 to 9 p.m. nightly.

DECEMBER 21, 28 JANUARY 4, 11, 18

There will be a free tai chi class at 10 a.m. at the Buffalo Senior Center, 48 Wrights Avenue, Buffalo. To register, call 304-755-2385.

DECEMBER 21

Eleanor Presbyterian Church, 647 Eleanor Circle, will be holding a Longest Night/Blue Christmas service at 7 p.m.

The Bridge Church, 279 Dairy Road, Poca, will be holding a free clothing, hot meal, and food pantry event from 5:30 to 8 p.m.

The Putnam County Chamber of Commerce will be holding an Ugly Sweater Trivia Night Extravaganza at the Bridge Cafe and Bistro, 3526 Teays Valley Road, Hurricane.

St. Timothy's in the Valley Episcopal Church, 3434 Teays Valley Road, Hurricane, will be holding a Blue Christmas Service at 7 p.m. for those who are sad, grieving, lonely or depressed.

DECEMBER 23

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Center, located in Valley Park in Hurricane, will be holding a movie night from 6 to 8 p.m. The movies will be “The Shepherd” (The Chosen) and “The Star.” Tickets are donation based.

DECEMBER 24

Oma Chapel Church, 2116 Arbuckle Creek, Leon, will be holding Christmas Eve morning services at 10 a.m. and evening services at 6 p.m.

Historical Square Community Church, 20058 Buffalo Road, Buffalo, will be holding a candlelight Christmas Eve service at 6 p.m. Congregational music with special singing by Pastor Joy Mccutcheon.

The Buffalo United Methodist Church, 27 High Street, will be holding a Christmas Eve service at 10 p.m.

First Baptist Church of Nitro, 2200 2nd Avenue, Nitro, will be holding Christmas Eve services at 7 p.m.

The Winfield United Methodist Church, 20 Radwin Drive, will be holding a Christmas Cantata at 9:30 a.m.

Hurricane Church of the Nazrene, Route 60, will be holding Christmas Eve services at 10:00 a.m.

Lighthouse Baptist Church, 2440 US Route 60, will be holding Christmas Eve morning services at 10:30 a.m.

Glad Tidings Assembly of God, 131 Mill Road, Hurricane, will hold Christmas Eve morning services at 10:30 a.m.

First Baptist Church of Hurricane, located on Main Street, will be having Christmas Eve morning services at 10 a.m. and a candlelight service at 6 p.m.

Forrest Burdette United Methodist Church, Putnam Avenue, Hurricane, will be holding a Christmas Eve brunch at 9:15 a.m. and candlelight services at 7 p.m. and 11 p.m.

River Ridge Church, Saturn Way, Hurricane, will be holding Christmas Eve services at 3 p.m., 5 p.m., and 7 p.m.

DECEMBER 25

Forrest Burdette United Methodist Church, Putnam Avenue, Hurricane, will be holding a Christmas Day Dinner at 2 p.m. To register, call 304-562-6103.

DECEMBER 31

King's River Ministries, 777 Mallory Lane N, St. Albans, will be holding a New Years Eve bonfire from 6 to 8 p.m.

Buffalo United Methodist Church, 27 High Street, will be holding a a Song & Praise Service beginning 9:15 a.m., featuring the group Inheritance.

Hurricane Church of the Nazrene, Route 60, will be holding New Year's Eve services at 10:40 a.m.

JANUARY 1

Bancroft Church of God Mission will be holding a New Year's Day parade at 1 p.m. from the church to Bancroft Park.

JANUARY 2

Junior Explorers ages 0-6 can learn about the wonders of the universe and experience amazing animals from around the world from 9 a.m. to noon at Zoology Zone Science Center, located in Valley Park in Hurricane. Adults ages 13 and up: \$8. Kids 4-12: \$6. Ages 0-12: free.

STARTING JANUARY 4

There will be a granny square crochet class from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Thursdays at Valley Park in Hurricane. To register, go to https://putnam-county-parks.ticketleap.com/granny-square-crochet-class

Prepare for Winter Storms

Public Service Commission Chairman Charlotte Lane

Old Man Winter is right around the corner. And while Jack Frost may be a whimsical character, winter storms are a serious reality and a hazard for West Virginians. Our state has the third-highest number of seniors of the 50 states. I don't want to cause panic, but predictions show the eastern states can expect below-average temperatures this winter with a good chance of higher-than-average amounts of snow.

Today, I'm going to step out from my normal duties as chairman of the Public Service Commission of West Virginia. I want to suggest what you should have handy in case a winter storm strikes.

If you lose power, you'll need a good source of high protein to eat. So, keep on hand a collection of energy and fruit bars that don't need refrigeration. Granola and peanut butter are essentials, too. And what many don't think about is to have non-perishable pasteurized milk.

Of course, the old standby is canned goods. You can't go wrong and they come in an infinite variety. According to the Federal Management Agency, canned nutritional foods, juices and soups are very important for the elderly. If you have babies or toddlers, consider their special needs. And, of

course, stockpile lots and lots of water.

Always, but especially when you hear a storm is coming, keep essential medicines and first aid supplies on hand. Have portable lights, a battery-powered radio, and plenty of batteries to run them. Make sure you have paper products, plates, bowls, plastic forks and spoons, plastic bags and containers. Get them now. You'll need them.

Think about your pets. They need essentials and will be boarded up with you. Keep some treats on hand for your buddies. They will be stressed by the storm, too.

Virtually every list I've studied recommends creating an emergency kit. This should be portable and kept near an exit. Critical to this is a three-day supply of water, a battery-powered radio and flashlight, extra batteries, matches in a waterproof container, sanitary items and a whistle. If possible, it should also include clothing, blankets, and sleeping bags. And again, remember to include pet supplies.

Fill your gas tank and keep it topped off if you hear a storm is coming. I hope you never need to use my emergency check list. But in case you do, it's always helpful to have your supplies ready to go.

WVU Medicine Children's Encourages Safe Holiday Travel

The holidays are a time to visit friends and family, which usually means travel. With more people on the roads, the WVU Medicine Children's Injury Prevention and Safety Program is reminding families to stay safe while out and about.

Before any holiday fun, families must arrive safely to their destination.

The Injury Prevention Team says to go by the rule of “everyone buckled, every ride, every time.” That includes making sure children are in the appropriate car seats for their height and weight.

Those car seats should also be used on airplanes. As an added benefit, this will ensure that families have the proper car seat with them for any additional driving at their destination.

Before leaving home in the winter, prepare for any emergencies that could happen on the road. The Injury Prevention Team recommends packing extra blankets, food, diapers, and anything else that may be needed to care for children. Also make sure to keep cell phones fully charged.

While loading the car, also make sure that any hot foods, large packages, and anything that could fly around in a crash are secure in the trunk.

The final step to safe driving is being aware of the environment because roads and parking lots are busier during the holidays. Stay alert and avoid distractions. Don't use the phone or listen to loud music.

When arriving at the destination, there are a few more steps parents should take to make sure their children stay safe. Safe sleep should always be a priority, no matter where the family is traveling.

The Injury Prevention

The Way We Were, The Way We Are

By Brenda Burke

The Legend of St. Nicholas

There are legends about St. Nicholas. One tells us of a man who was generous to a man too poor to pay a dowry for his daughter. Nicholas helped. It seems Nicholas dropped coins down a chimney. True? I have no idea.

Another legend tells us that a bishop named Nicholas became St. Nicholas who was later, Santa Claus. He gave gifts also. A legend.

I have read and heard these and others all of my life. Santa Claus or St. Nicholas. A tradition and a fun one at that.

One of my grandsons is Nicholas Michael, born December 19. Too close to Christmas but such is life, little one.

When our kids were small, we talked about Santa. We had some gifts from Santa, but the kids knew dad and mom provided their presents and grandparents and aunts and uncles.

The boys don't talk about Santa and like their parents and the girls, their cousins, they do not ask for anything. They are thankful for their gifts. They have a small family, so it is different than when ours were little.

We don't make big celebrations for birthdays or holidays... all low key but thoughtful and enjoyable. Less is more...

I like Santa. I like the traditions. I like the gorgeous pictures and don't even ask me how many Santas I used to have. I now have about four... love them.

This Christmas, enjoy the traditions. Hold your loved ones close. Just take it easy and do not do too much. Make it a day of family not work. We love Christmas because the way we were is the way we are...

WVU Master Gardener Class

The WVU Extension Master Gardener class will be held on Thursdays from 6 to 9 p.m. beginning January 11 through May 2. The class will be held via Zoom with an in person option at the Extension Office in Teays Valley. For those that attend at the Extension Office, you'll have a chance to meet current Masters Gardeners and talk about current projects.

Class is free, must purchase manual. The cost is \$75 for printed one or \$30 for electronic.

To sign up please call 304-760-8095 or email putnamcountymg@gmail.com

loving the family members. Remember no stress... make it easy and simple...

The First Christmas By Marian Swinger

It never snows at Christmas in that dry and dusty land.

Instead of freezing blizzards, there are palms and drifting sands,

And years ago there was a stable and a most unusual star and three wise men who followed it, by camel, not by car, while, sleepy on the quiet hills, a shepherd gave a cry.

He'd seen a crowd of angels in the silent starlit sky.

In the stable, ox and donkey stood very still and calm and gazed upon the baby, safe and snug in Marys arms

And Joseph, lost in shadows, face lit by an oil lamp's glow stood wondering, that first Christmas Day, two thousand years ago.

Imagine... when we put up Christmas, as minimal as mine is, my favorite is my manger scene. Precious Moments... sweet and poignant.

When others are negative about Christmas, I don't pay attention. Fortunately, my family and friends are always positive.

For those who are Bah humbug about the cost of postage for cards... for the cost of gifts... I say forego those if they bother you.

I love my cards. I pray for each person. I read them o et and over. I feel great about buying for my family and close friends. I budget and save all year for that.

Christmas comes once a year. If that is the only time some go to church, so be it. If that is the only time people are good to others... that is a start.

I remember past holidays. I look forward to future ones... simple now... all because Joseph and Mary and the Lord... we celebrate because the way we were is the way we are... happy believers.

Legend of the Candy Cane

Look at the candy cane. What do you see?

Stripes that are red, Like the blood shed for me.

White is for my Savior, Who is sinless and pure. “J” is for Jesus My Lord, That's for sure.

Turn it around And a staff you will see

Jesus my Shepherd Was born for me!

Candy canes on the tree through the years. We cannot do that anymore as the boys have so many allergies. That being said, they make a tree lovely and the meaning adds to it.

We put the canes on last always. By the end of the season, they were gone, of course. Mike and the kids loved them. Even yours truly grabbed a couple.

When we have traditions at Christmas, we do not always know why. I love researching and rediscovering.

This Christmas, add some candy canes to your decorations and enjoy because the way we were is the way we are... always celebrating the season.



Joy to the World

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As we turn the page on 2023, we'd like to take a moment to thank you, our loyal readers, for your trust and support. Hoping this Christmas is filled with pages of blessings.

**From Ron and Betsy
at the Breeze**



As We Welcome the Holidays...

We'd like to take this opportunity to thank you for coming by this year. We wish you the best of the season and hope your holidays roll along smoothly with lots of happy celebrations along the way.

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In the spirit of the season, we'd like to wish all our friends and neighbors a happy, healthy and meaningful holiday season



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The Centennial History of Hurricane

Hurricane Area Organizations



I.O.O.F. Building Early 1900's

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had originally belonged to Dr. L.C. Morrison and wife, Hattie M. Dorsey Morrison, daughter of Mayor R.V. Dorsey.

Trustees for the property were F.W. Pierce, H.F. Henson and LL. Litton. In 1927, the facility was enlarged with a second story which was used by the Lodge and the downstairs was used for storefronts. Those having businesses at this location have been: A.N. Sumner, L.O. Hodges, Harold Satterfield, Roscoe Mitchell, Walter Clark, Rodney Linville, Wayne Robertson and presently Donna Ball.

On June 15, 1908,

the Knights of Pythias Lodge was chartered with the following members: Frank W. Pierce, H.L. Burton, C.D. Conner, B.L. Byers, LO. Hodges, B.F. Spurlock, Boyd Harbour, Wade Kirtley, Charles H. Benedict, J.R. Arnold, M.L. Dunfee, W.S. Searls, W.H. Henderson, W.E. Hodges, H.A. Sovine, J.H. Bridgeman, J.M. Dunfee, C.L. Mynes, C.W. Lavender, LL. Burdette, Walter Foster, C.S. Searls, W.T. Riddle, W.F. Martin, E. Estes, and L.O. Taylor.

On February 24, 1922, the K. of P. Lodge purchased half of the Lot and Building from I.O.O.F. 295.

Submitted by: H.C. Graham

‘In the Fullness of Time’

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grandmother (played by Cynthia Sorsaia) and her twelve-year-old granddaughter (Katie Doerner), who was frustrated that her mother

(Sarah Doerner) was always telling her to wait until she was older to do fun and exciting things.

The cantata featured a variety of Christmas songs including the classic “O Come, O Come, Emmanuel.”

County Commission

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a text amendment change related to legal descriptions of subdivisions.

Jimmy Thaxton addressed the Commission concerning zoning issues which affect residents of

Fraziers Bottom. Thaxton said that there would be a large contingent form Fraziers Bottom present at the Commission's December 28th meeting when the matter will be discussed. The meeting will begin at 5 p.m.

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Application deadline is Dec. 31, 2023.

Applications available on wvpress.org

For information or to have the applications mailed, contact Executive Director **Betsy Miles** at bmiles@wvpress.org, at 304-342-1011 or write to: WV Press Association Foundation, 3422 Pennsylvania Ave., Charleston, WV, 25302.

Newspapers with a candidate for an internship or interested in having an intern should contact Betsy Miles.

Each Time A New Baby Cries, We Know That God Is Not Quite Ready To Give Up On Man

The following article was first published in1992, but its message is forever current and places a special accent upon this feature.

By Irene Ambler
Hurricane Breeze Editor and Publisher 1984-1995

This is the eighth year that we have featured “Baby’s First Christmas.” We wanted to have something memorable for loving parents and grandparents to put in Baby’s Books to be treasured for many years; and we are proud of all the beautiful, loved little ones whose pictures and stories we are publishing.

It has been a very difficult job in that (although I do not wish to emphasize handicaps) it has been necessary for me to read and set into type on the phototypesetter each and every word appearing in First Christmas. Cookie, my daughter, usually reads to me, as I am legally blind; but she developed a severe case of laryngitis and cannot speak above a whisper. We have really enjoyed reading about and publishing the pictures and stories about the many babies. We want to thank all the parents, grandparents, ants and uncles and cousins who have cooperated so wholeheartedly with us. We hope to have even more next year.

I cannot help but wonder at what kind of world in which these innocent little babes will grow up. What will this planet be like in twenty years? Will humanity be able to solve its problems? Will there be wars and rumors of wars? Will mankind still be struggling and competing for more deadly and devastating means by which to destroy and to mutilate? Will the hungry and the homeless millions still be walking the streets in big cities in tattered clothing, seeking wherever they can a bit of warmth and a meager meal?

Will drugs and alcohol still be stealing the minds and the bodies of promising young people? And will promiscuity and homosexuality still be in style? Will heartless lawmakers realize the inhumanity they evidence with their laws allowing the slaughter of unborn

innocents of the world – two million of which are preformed in our own country each year? Will the piranha-minded females continue to submit their babies to the instruments of the butcher-doctors, not accepting the fact that their babies are gifts from God and that they are sacrificing life’s greatest treasures?

Will cures be found for dread diseases which wrack bodies and break hearts? Will medical science find cures for cancer, high blood pressure, multiple sclerosis, muscular dystrophy, rheumatoid arthritis, cirrhosis, nephritis, blindness, or even the common cold? Will ministers of the gospel in twenty years or so, come back to preaching the Word of God instead of being so immersed in their social events, their building funds, their super-now accounts and their little cliques? Will preachers return to preaching about hell and fire and brimstone instead of speaking in muted tones the soothing words that the pious wish to hear? Will preachers talk about love and kindness and mercy, one to another, instead of making money? Will people cease the everlasting parroting about peace where none exists? Will they preach about salvation of souls or will spiritual bankruptcy still be a most prevalent malaise?

Man has shown throughout the ages that he cannot control himself. He cannot handle his own affairs. He cannot give to himself peace of mind and purity of purpose. Only God can do that. Only from God do we find the strength to overcome, or at least live with, our handicaps, our losses, our sorrows and our tragedies.

Each day of my life I know that God is with me. For how else could I exist in a world which sometimes seems hopeless. But there is hope and there is love and there is mercy and there is kindness. There are untold thousands of people who are fighting abortion. Many doctors and scientists work day and night in their oft times hopeless fights against the pains of mankind. Untold numbers are living selfless lives in order to help the orphan, the unwanted, the hungry,

the runaway, the narcotic addicts, the alcoholics, and the unwanted, uncared for elderly and sick. And many are working for the outlawing of abortion, although they are maligned and made fun of and laughed at.

Every time I get depressed about world conditions, I still know that God is with us and He loves us. Why else did He send His Only Son into a world which could not believe by faith but only through physical vision? Why does He send the soothing rain, the comforting sun, and the beautiful snow to cover the ugliness? Why does He instill in men’s hearts the burning desire to help others? The solving of the world’s problems is one big job; and I firmly believe that some people are specially

unfortunate, the sad and the downtrodden.

God has not given up on man. Every time a baby cries or smiles or chuckles or bubbles or gurgles there is evidence that God loves us and will never forsake us. In His Magnificent Love for us He sends His Greatest Creation – life and love in the same form in which He appeared as a Tiny Baby two thousand years ago.

I want again to express our appreciation for the wonderful Baby’s First Christmas pictures and stories. You have already given your little ones Life’s Greatest Gift – your love and your desire that they be born into loving homes to loving parents, grandparents, brothers, sisters, and all the other proud relatives.

God Bless all of you and your wonderful babies!

In Loving Memory



Thomas Ray (Tom) Parsons
February 9, 1949 – April 24, 2012

Safely Home

I am home in Heaven, dear ones:

Oh, so happy and so bright!

There is perfect joy and beauty

In this everlasting light.

All the pain and grief is over.

Every restless tossing passed:

I am now at peace forever.

Safely home in Heaven at last.

Did you wonder why I so calmly

Trod the valley of the shade?

Oh! Bu Jesus’ love illumined

Every dark and fearful glade.

And He came Himself to meet me

In that way so hard to tread:

And with Jesus’ arm to lean on.

Could I have one doubt or dread?

Then you must not grieve so sorely,

For I love you dearly still:

Try to look beyond earth’s shadows,

Pray to trust our Father’s will.

There is work still waiting for you.

So you must not idly stand:

Do it now, while life remaineth

You shall rest in Jesus’ land

When that work is all completed.

He will gently call you Home:

Oh, the rapture of that meeting.

Oh, the joy to see you come!

We love and miss you always.

— Wife Linda, Daughter Sandi and Family, Son John and Family

WVSU to Launch LPN to BSN Degree Program for Nurses

West Virginia State University will launch a new Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN) to Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) hybrid degree program beginning in the summer of 2024.

The new WVSU LPN to BSN Hybrid Bridge Program is designed as a pathway for working licensed practical nurses who desire to obtain a Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree. The program will feature a combination of online and face-to-face classes to allow for greater flexibility

in addition to clinical rotations in acute care and community-based agencies.

The program is approved to admit 30 students per year and can be completed in three years of full-time study.

This program has been provisionally approved by the West Virginia Registered Nursing Board.

Christmas in Heaven

To My Husband, Willie Hodges

If only we could have one more Christmas with you, we’d surely thank Jesus in all that we do. But we are glad you are at peace and in Heaven above. So I am asking for His blessing and send you my love. Hold my hand when I’m lost. Console me when I’m filled with sorrow. Be by my side when I need you the most.

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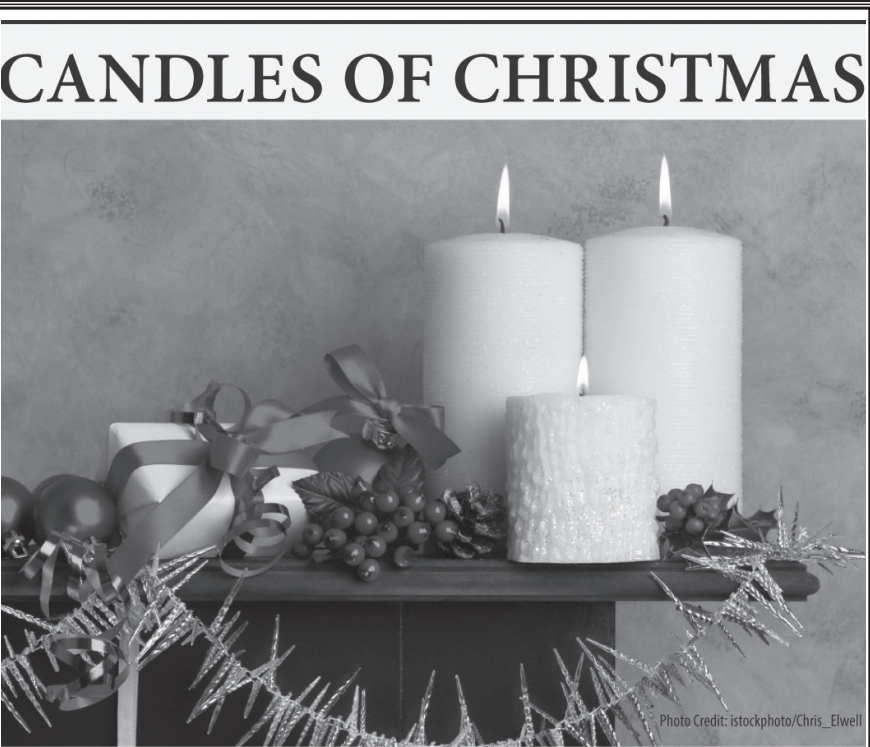
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Daily Bible Readings						
Isaiah 62:1-12	Isaiah 63:1-14	Isaiah 65:17-25	Isaiah 66:1-24	Luke 1:1-25	Luke 1:26-56	Luke 1:57-80
Scriptures Selected by the American Bible Society X Daily Devotional at DailyBible.AmericanBible.org						
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BASIC BIBLE

By Ron Allen
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The Light of Christmas

John 1:1-5; Ephesians 5:1-2, 6-14

Thumbing through the scriptures, one will not find the words: “Jesus is the reason for the season.” What one will find is the real meaning of Christmas.

Where is this found in the scriptures? It found in the Books of Moses, in the word of the prophets, and throughout the New Testament.

The gospel of John opens with the declaration: “In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.” The Word is capitalized because it signifies the divine expression of God the Father which is made known to all through Christ Jesus, God the Son. The Word existed before the beginning. The reason for men to celebrate Christmas existed before the Word became flesh and dwelt among men. The Word created all things (v. 3) and in Him was life and He was the light of men (v. 4).

Christmas is cause of celebration because it marks the anniversary of the coming of the pre-existent Son, the coming of the light to men. The birth, by itself, that took place in a stable in the village of Bethlehem more than two thousand years ago is not what Christians celebrate. The cause which believers celebrate is the life and light which the Son has bestowed upon us. Believers celebrate Christmas because we are no longer in darkness (v. 5). Believers delight in the physical birth of the Son because it marks the beginning of the fulfillment of God’s promise to send His righteous servant who would justify many (Isa. 53:11). It marks the birth of the seed of woman which would bruise the serpent’s head (Gen. 3:15).

Not Moses, the prophets, the apostles, nor any of the human authors of the New Testament, none of them celebrated a holiday or festival that marked the physical coming of God’s only begotten. The human authors of the scriptures proclaimed the light that was made known to them by the Holy Spirit. Believers celebrate because we have received the promised light.

When the Word dwelt among men, He kept every festival put forth in the law. He partook of the festival that foreshadowed His perfect sacrifice (the passover requires the sacrifice of a lamb without blemish). While He walked among men He proclaimed that He must work while it is day: “the night cometh, when no man can work” (John 9:4). He delivered His light to men.

While believers have cause to celebrate, we are commanded to let His light shine before men. In the text before us, we are instructed upon the way that we make His light known to all men. We are to live in His light by putting off the old and putting on the new (Eph. 4:22-24). The Apostle Paul directs believers to live in His light (Eph. 5:2). The Apostle states that we are to “... walk in love, as Christ also hath loved us, and given himself for us an offering and a sacrifice to God for a sweet-smelling savor.” Simply put, we are to walk in love as Jesus walked. We are to be an expression of God’s love. We are called to reveal Him who is in us.

And by what manner are Christians to live? In verse 6, Paul implores us not to be deceived by vain words. What are vain words? Vain words are empty words. They are unproductive words — words which can cause believers to walk in ways contrary to God’s word. They are like the words the serpent spoke to Eve in the Garden of Eden. Believers are not to partner nor party with the ungodly at any time.

In verse 8, Paul states that we are children of light and are to walk as children of light. As the adopted sons of God, we are to be the producers of goodness, righteousness and truth. We are to be standard-bearers of that which is acceptable to God (v. 10). It should not be necessary to remind Christians to act like Christians, but this is exactly what Paul does. Not only are we not to indulge in sin (works of darkness), we are to reprove (speak out against) darkness. We are not called to make sinners feel good about sin; we are called to bring the light that we have received to sinners.

In verse 14, the Apostle instructs us to reach out to sinners with the same invitation that the prophet Isaiah issued to Israel (see Isa. 60:1). The promised light has come. The true light of Christmas gives life to all who shall hear His call and awake.

Let us celebrate Christmas each and every day letting the light that we have received brightly shine.



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Obituaries

FAYE ADKINS

Faye Adkins, 80, of Nitro, passed away December 14, 2023.

Faye was born May 27, 1943, in Poca. She enjoyed reading and staying up with current events.

She is preceded in death by her husband David “Boxcar” Adkins, Sr.

She is survived by her son David K. Adkins, Jr. (Susan); grandchildren Miranda Adkins (Annie) and Randy Adkins (Regan); great grandchildren Will, Eli, and Remi; and bonus grandchildren Megan Russell and Alex Russell.

A tribute to the life of Faye Adkins was held Monday, December 18, 2023, at Gatens-Harding Funeral Home Chapel. Burial was in Ortin Heights Cemetery.

LINDA BAILEY

Linda M. Bailey, 76, of Red House, passed away Thursday, December 14, 2023 at Hubbard Hospice House West at Thomas Memorial Hospital. She was a member of Shiloah Independent Church.

Born September 18, 1947, she was the daughter of the late Orville Thornton and Muriel Barnett Thornton. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband of 35 years, Harold Lee “Leroy” Bailey and daughter, Annette Lynn Bailey.

Survivors include her son, Sheldon (Wendy) Bailey of

Red House; grandchildren, Tiffani (Cody) Parkins of Red House and Jarrett Bailey (Abbie Allen) of Red House; great grandchildren, Dawson and Landyn Parkins; brother-in-law, Arnold (Mary) Bailey; niece, Mandy (Danny) Watson and their children, Bailey and Jocie. Linda is also survived by her loving cat “Baby.”

Funeral service was Tuesday, December 19, 2023 at Raynes Funeral Home, Buffalo, with Pastor Larry Covert officiating. Entombment was in Haven of Rest Memory Gardens, Red House.

CHARLES DONOVAN SR.

Charles Robert “Chuck” Donovan, Sr., 81, of Milton, passed away on December 13, 2023 at Emogene Dolin Jones Hospice House in Huntington.

He was born on May 15, 1942, to the late William E. and Ethel M. Donovan in Hazelton, PA. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his first wife and mother of his children: Betty Joyce Morton Donovan; second wife: Rebecca Joan “Becky” Koehn Donovan; daughter: Susan Cox; and brother: Billy Donovan.

Chuck proudly served his country in the US ARMY and retired from Hurricane Police Department after earning the rank of Major, along the way as a DARE/School Resource Officer, among other positions.

Chuck is survived by his loving family, son: Charles

R. Donovan Jr. of Tad; daughter: Scherri Ball of Winfield; granddaughters: Candace Donovan of Charleston, Haley Donovan of Charleston, Shawnda Newman of Charleston and Britney Cox of Huntington; great grandson: Lincoln Newman; sister: Marjorie Gentry of DE and brother: John Donovan of PA.

Memorial Service was Tuesday, December 19, 2023 at Chapman Funeral Home, Hurricane, with Pastor Don Reynolds officiating.

ROGER FAULKNER

William Roger Faulkner 78, of Hurricane, passed away Saturday, December 16, 2023 after an extended illness.

Roger was preceded In death by his parents William Harrison Faulkner and Wilma Lee Spurlock Faulkner and a sister Judy Katherine Faulkner.

Roger retired from Monsanto and was a Ham radio operator for many years.

He is survived by his wife Janet, son Rusty (Stacy) Faulkner. Daughter Janet Kemp of Florida, sisters Linda Mohtashem and her family from California and Carolyn Sue Rowsey and her family from Milton; 3 grandsons Robbie, Mason and Joey Faulkner, and granddaughters which he raised Maura Burdick and family of Texas and Morgan Delgado and family of Florida.

There will be no services.

Property Transfers

The following property transfers were recorded by the Putnam County Clerk between November 22, 2023 and December 4, 2023:

Walter and Kimberly Taylor to Bernard and Leah Larch - Lot, Ortin Heights, Poca District for \$6,000.00.

Virginia Grant and Harold Burford to MAJO LLC - Two Parcels, Sunset Heights, Curry District for \$80,000.00.

River Valley Construction LLC to Gary Bellamy - Lot, Nitro District for \$13,500.00.

Carley Miller to Ronald and Richard Jacobs - 4 Acres, Curry District for \$17,500.00.

Xiaoyuan Wang, Lisa Wang and Qian Yang to Robert and Brenda Baldwin Lot, Thistle Woods Subdivision, Scott District for \$295,000.00.

Karen Casto to Scott Casto - Parcel, Union District for \$6,000.00.

Samuel and Hattie Frazier to Daniel and Judith Dillion - 2.176 Acres, Teays Valley District for \$3,500.00.

April Craigo and Ronnie Slater to Willow Ridge Retreats LLC - Parcel, Nitro District for \$75,000.00.

Eric and Christin Casto to Ryan and Shannon Persinger - 20.48 Acres, Scott District for \$15,000.00.

P&J Real Estate LLC to Richard and Dawn Reese - 0.93 Acre, Teays Valley District for \$53,000.00.

Donald Thomas, Johnny Thomas, Suzanne Scarberry, Daniel Thomas and Kenneth Thomas to Harl Thomas - 6.78 Acres, Poca District for \$30,000.00.

Ronald and Heather Sherrod to Matthew Sowers - Lot, South Brooke Subdivision, Hurricane District for \$385,000.00.

Keith and Tabitha Hawley to Darlena Washington - Parcel, Poca District for \$30,000.00.

Hersel and Eugenia Scott to Harrison Ash - Two Parcels, Poca District for \$268,000.00.

Barbara McClanahan to Sarah Haynes and Christina

LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT

PUBLIC NOTICE OF PROPOSED ORDINANCE RELATING TO WATER RATES, FEES AND CHARGES OF THE CITY OF HURRICANE

Notice is hereby given that, on the 4th day of December, 2023, the City Council of the City of Hurricane caused to be read an Ordinance proposing an increase of rates, fees and charges to its current WATER tariff and is proposing the adoption of the same. The title of such Ordinance reads:

AN ORDINANCE OF COUNCIL AMENDING, MODIFYING AND RE-ENACTING ARTICLE 939.03 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF HURRICANE, AS REVISED, REGARDING WATER RATES AND CHARGES TO BE EFFECTIVE IN THREE STEPS

The City Council of the City of Hurricane will have its final reading and vote on the Ordinance on January 2, 2024 at 6:30 p.m. at Hurricane City Hall, 3255 Teays Valley Road, Hurricane, West Virginia 25526. Members of the public may appear at the meeting and present comments and protests, if any with respect to the proposed Ordinance.

A copy of the proposed Ordinance is available for public inspection at the above address between the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

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ORDER OF PUBLICATION CIRCUIT COURT OF PUTNAM COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA

In RE: Lorrena Lambert
Case Number: 2023-G-36
An Alleged Protective Person

NOTICE

TO: All family members and interested parties.

YOU WILL PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that a hearing will be held on January 8, 2023, at 1:00 p.m., in the Putnam County Circuit Court, convening at 12093 Winfield Road, Third Floor, Judicial Building, Winfield, WV, on the matters contained in the Petition filed in Case No. 2023-G-36. A copy of said Petition and Notice of Appointment of Counsel can be obtained from the Clerk of the Circuit Court at Winfield, West Virginia office, dated December 6, 2023, Stephanie M. Smith, Clerk of the Circuit Court.

Peggy Ferraro, Esquire
Counsel for Petitioner
Teays Valley Center

McArthur - Parcel, Poca District for \$52,000.00.

Roger and Virginia Rose to Building Appalachia Homes LLC - 1.45 Acres, Teays Valley District for \$26,800.00.

Taufik Taj to BGRS LLC - Two Tracts, Rustic Highlands, Scott District for \$333,000.00.

BGRS LLC to Daniel and Elspeth Stephens - Two Tracts, Rustic Highlands, Scott District for \$333,000.00.

Linda Gibson to Rebekah Whitlow - Two Lots, Poca District for \$249,000.00.

Mary Higginbotham and David Smith to Richard McComas - Two Parcels, Eleanor District for \$230,000.00.

Madeline Miller to William (II) and Patricia Gillispie and William (III) and Lisa Gillispie - Two Parcels, Teays Valley District for \$240,000.00.

BJ Rental Properties LLC to Allstate Rental Properties LLC - Tract, Scott District for \$55,000.00.

Bruce Jividen, Teresa Platte and Mark Jividen to Raymond Smith - Lot, Belle Acre Subdivision, Scott District for \$243,000.00.

John Czenszak and David Adkins to Leigh Ann Rankin - Two Parcels, Union District for \$125,000.00.

RJK Enterprises LLC to Ray Enterprises LLC - Lot, Chase Park, Teays Valley

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TRUSTEE'S SALE OF VALUABLE REAL ESTATE

The undersigned Substitute Trustee, by virtue of the authority vested in it by that certain Deed of Trust dated March 29, 2011, and duly recorded in the Office of the Clerk of the County Commission of Putnam County, West Virginia, in Deed of Trust Bok 967, at Page 843, Chris E. Allman a/k/a Christopher E. Allman and Jennifer C. Allman did convey unto Todd Taylor and Dan Kennedy, Trustee, certain real property described in said Deed of Trust; and the beneficiary has elected to appoint Pill & Pill, PLLC as Substitute Trustee by a Substitution of Trustee recorded in the aforesaid Clerk's Office; and default having been made under the aforementioned Deed of Trust, and the undersigned Substitute Trustee having been instructed by the secured party to foreclose thereunder, will offer for sale at public auction at the front door of the Putnam County Courthouse, in Winfield, West Virginia, on

January 11, 2024, at 8:04 AM
The following described real estate, with its improvements, easements and appurtenances thereunto belonging, situate in the Teays Valley District, Putnam County, West Virginia, and more particularly described as follows:

All that certain lot or parcel of real estate, together with the improvements thereon and the appurtenances thereunto belonging, situate in Teays Valley District, Putnam County, West Virginia, and being all of Eight Hundred One (801) in Section Three (3) of Teays Valley Meadows North as shown and designated on that certain map entitled "Teays Valley Meadows - North Subdivision Section Three Developed by Danny and Linda Harshbarger Teays Valley District - Putnam County West Virginia", dated December 10, 1998, prepared by Jimmy D. Calhoun Engineering & Surveying, of record in the Office of the Clerk of the County Commission of Putnam County, West Virginia in Plat Cabinet C, Slide 698.

At the time of the execution of the Deed of Trust, this property was reported to have a mailing address of 801 Forestbrook Drive, Hurricane, WV 25526.

THIS SALE IS SUBJECT TO A FIRST DEED OF TRUST RECORDED IN THE AFORESAID CLERK'S OFFICE IN DEED OF TRUST BOOK 956, AT PAGE 748.

AND BEING the same real estate which was conveyed to Chris E. Allman a/k/a Christopher E. Allman and Jennifer C. Allman, by Deed dated March 17, 2003, from Steorts & Son, LLC, and recorded in the Office of the Clerk of the County Commission of Putnam County, West Virginia, in Deed Book 436 at Page 195.

The above-described property will be sold subject to any covenants, restrictions, easements, leases and conditions of record, and subject to any unpaid real estate taxes.

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

TERMS: Ten percent (10%) of the purchase price as a deposit with the balance due and payable within 30 days of the day of sale.

Pill & Pill, PLLC, Substitute Trustee
By: Matthew R. Leonard,
Authorized Signatory

P. O. Box 440, 85 Aikens Center,
Martinsburg, WV 25404
Phone (304) 263-4971,
Fax (304) 267-5840,
e-mail: foreclosures@pillwvllaw.com

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District for \$350,000.00.

Patrick and Angela Akers to SA Inc - Lot, Hurricane Heights, Curry District for \$75,460.94.

James Lockhart to Charles and Julie Scott - Lot, Moss Creek, Hurricane District for \$365,000.00.

Scott and Pamela Morris to Sylvia Tang - Lot, Tyler Valley Subdivision, Scott District for \$21,750.00.

Charles and Patsy Larosa to Jonathan and Heather Colburn - Parcel, Union District for \$15,000.00.

Ronald and Trina Sigmon to Richard and Tiffany Cravens - 0.38 Acres, Poca District for \$126,530.00.

Toby and Alisa Spiker to Corey and Ella Rowley - Lot, Kingswood Park, Curry District for \$189,000.00.

David and Claire Watkins to Benjamin and Stacie King - Lot, Wedgewood Glen Subdivision, Hurricane District for \$499,000.00.

Alice Howard to Jeffrey and Chelsie Jones - 15.40078 Acres, Poca District for \$215,000.00.

Cory Hoshor to Ryan Smith and Abigail Harper - Lot, Heritage Place, Scott District for \$124,900.00.

Billy Webb to Helen Pack - 1.919 Acres, Union District for \$10,000.00.

AP1 LLC to Robert and Belinda Staub - Lot, Alexanders Place, Teays Valley District for \$54,240.00.

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PUBLIC NOTICE AND PUBLIC HEARING

STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA
Department of Environmental Protection
Division of Water and Waste Management
601 57th Street SE
Charleston, WV 25304
Telephone: (304) 926-0495
Fax: (304) 926-0463
GENERAL WV/NPDES WATER POLLUTION CONTROL PERMIT STORMWATER ASSOCIATED WITH CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITIES
WV/NPDES PERMIT NO. WV0115924

The State of West Virginia, Department of Environmental Protection, Division of Water and Waste Management is proposing to reissue the West Virginia National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) General Water Pollution Control Permit for Stormwater Associated with Construction Activities. The General Permit will authorize discharges to surface waters of the state for land disturbance operations during development of residential, commercial, or industrial sites. It is proposed that this General Permit be issued for a five (5) year term.

The Director of the Division of Water and Waste Management retains the authority to require any owner/operator to apply for and obtain an individual WV/NPDES Permit. This authority will be exercised when the Director determines that such an individual permit will better protect the receiving water.

The Draft Permit and Fact Sheet are available on the WVDEP website at: <https://dep.wv.gov/www/programs/stormwater/csw/pages/home.aspx>. Hard copies can be mailed upon request.

A virtual public hearing has been scheduled to take official comments on the Draft General Permit. The hearing has been scheduled from 6 to 8 p.m. on Monday, January 29, 2024. Pre-registration for the hearing is required. To register, please complete the registration form at: <https://forms.gle/wHwSWVqYgJ9SYjaVQN8> or call Terry Fletcher at 304-926-0499 ext. 49720 by 5 p.m. the day of the hearing. Registrants will receive a separate email with the link and call-in number for the virtual hearing once the registration deadline passes.

Any person may submit oral or written statements concerning the Draft General Permit; however, reasonable limits may be set upon the time allowed for oral statements at the hearing.

Written comments on the Draft General Permit can be submitted via email to DEP.Comments@wv.gov or regular mail to:

Director
Division of Water and Waste Management
601 57th Street SE
Charleston, WV 25304
Attention: Sharon Mullins
Phone: (304) 926-0499,
Extension 43808
E-mail: sharon.a.mullins@wv.gov

The comment period closes at the conclusion of the virtual hearing. All comments submitted by this time, including those provided at the hearing, will be added to the official record for the Draft General Permit and considered by the agency.

For more information, contact Sharon Mullins at the email address or phone number listed above.

Hearing impaired individuals having access to a Telecommunication Device for the Deaf (TDD) may contact our agency by calling (304) 926-0489. Calls must be made between 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p. m. Monday through Friday.

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PUBLIC NOTICE OF PROPOSED ORDINANCE RELATING TO SEWER RATES, FEES AND CHARGES OF THE CITY OF HURRICANE

Notice is hereby given that, on the 4th day of December, 2023, the City Council of the City of Hurricane caused to be read an Ordinance proposing an increase of rates, fees and charges to its current SEWER tariff and is proposing the adoption of the same. The title of such Ordinance reads:

AN ORDINANCE OF COUNCIL AMENDING, MODIFYING AND RE-ENACTING ARTICLE 935.14 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF HURRICANE, AS REVISED, REGARDING SEWER RATES AND CHARGES TO BE EFFECTIVE IN THREE STEPS

The City Council of the City of Hurricane will have its final reading and vote on the Ordinance on January 2, 2024 at 6:30 p.m. at Hurricane City Hall, 3255 Teays Valley Road, Hurricane, West Virginia 25526. Members of the public may appear at the meeting and present comments and protests, if any with respect to the proposed Ordinance.

A copy of the proposed Ordinance is available for public inspection at the above address between the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

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Notice of Public Hearing

The Putnam County Planning Commission will meet on Thursday, January 25, 2024, 6:00 p.m. in Room 221, of the Putnam County Courthouse, 12093 Winfield Road, Winfield, WV in order to conduct a regular meeting, and hold the following public hearing.

FBD, LLC has applied to the Office of Planning & Infrastructure for the development of Ruffner Circle, an additional section at Alexander's Place Subdivision, a twenty-six (26)-lot major subdivision on Tax Map 192 Parcel 95 located North of the Putnam Business Park off Winfield Road (Route 817) Fraziers Bottom, WV.

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

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

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

Estate No.: 5545
Estate Of: Loyle Herman Beaver, Sr
Executrix: Velda K Williams PO Box 406 Eleanor, WV 25070

Estate No.: 5582
Estate Of: David Paul Egnor
Administratrix: Heather D Egnor 413 Lyman Lane Scott Depot, WV 25560

Estate No.: 5563
Estate Of: Garland David Hensley
Administrator: Brandon Scott Hensley 1710 Coffman Street Barboursville, WV 25504

Estate No.: 5472
Estate Of: Donald Lee Johnson
Administrator Cta: Phillip Johnson 1436 Cunningham Road Kenna, WV 25248

Estate No.: 5553
Estate Of: Deborah Kay Morris
Administrator: Todd A Fichtenberg 1554 Polaris Parkway Ste 325 Columbus, OH 43240

Estate No.: 5534
Estate Of: Clifford O Thacker
Administrator: Eric Embree, Esq 3564 Teays Valley Rd Hurricane, WV 25526

Estate No.: 5535
Estate Of: Rosalie Thacker
Administrator: Eric Embree, Esq 3564 Teays Valley Rd Hurricane, WV 25526

Estate No.: 5423
Estate Of: William Joseph Thompson, Jr
Administrator: Eric Embree, Esq 3564 Teays Valley Rd Hurricane, WV 25526

All persons having claims against the estate(s) of any of the above-named deceased persons whether due or not, are notified to exhibit their claims with vouchers thereof, legally verified, to the fiduciary of such deceased person as shown above within 60 days of December 14, 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 December 14, 2023.

Subscribed and sworn to before me on the 7th day of December 2023.

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

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TRUSTEES' SALE OF VALUABLE REAL ESTATE

1107 Oakbridge Dr,
Hurricane, WV 25526

In a Deed of Trust dated June 25, 2021, and duly recorded in the Office of the Clerk of the County Commission of Putnam County, West Virginia, in Deed of Trust Book 1300, at page 165 Loir Ann Kline and Martha Ann Ashmus did convey unto CARL D. ANDREWS, ESQ., Trustee, certain real property. The beneficial holder of that Deed of Trust has elected to appoint Terra Abstract Trustee West Virginia, Inc. as substitute trustees by a Substitution of Trustee recorded in the aforesaid Clerk's Office. Default having occurred under the Deed of Trust and the beneficial holder having instructed the undersigned Trustees to foreclose, this real property will be sold at public auction at the front door of the Putnam County Courthouse, 12093 Winfield Road, Winfield, West Virginia 25213 on:

**February 8, 2024
At 01:00 PM**

The property for sale as described by the Deed of Trust is as follows:

THE LAND REFERRED TO HEREIN BELOW IS SITUATED IN THE COUNTY OF PUTNAM, STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA, AND IS DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

BEING ALL OF LOT NO. 1107, SECTION TWO, OAKBRIDGE, AS SHOWN ON A MAP ENTITLED, "OAKBRIDGE SECTION TWO A PLANNED COMMUNITY DEVELOPED BY JOHN LESLIE SCOTT DISTRICT - PUTNAM COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA APRIL 14, 1992," PREPARED BY CALHOUN ENGINEERING AND SURVEYING, HURRICANE WEST VIRGINIA, OF RECORD IN THE OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF THE COUNTY COMMISSION OF PUTNAM COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA, IN MAP CABINET B, SLIDE 370.

PARCEL ID: 10-222H-51

The purchaser will take the property subject to all exceptions, reservations, rights of way, easements, conditions, covenants, restrictions, leases and other servitudes of record, if any, pertaining to said real property.

The purchaser will be responsible for paying any transfer stamp, excise taxes, and recording costs associated with recording the Trustee's Deed into their name.

The purchaser will be responsible for paying any unpaid property taxes owed to the Sheriff of Putnam County prior to or following the sale directly to the Sheriff.

The purchaser will take the property subject to any deed of trust, judgment, lien, and any other encumbrance having priority over the deed of trust referred to herein.

The purchaser will take the property subject to any deed of trust, judgment, lien, and any other encumbrance that is junior ("junior claims") to this Deed of Trust and to which sufficient notice was not given. In that case, unless such right to notice is waived, the chain of title shall not merge with this Deed of Trust as to those unnoticed deeds of trust, judgments, liens, and other encumbrances and will be subject to a further noticed and published sale under this Deed of Trust pursuant to W.Va. Code 38-1-4, in which bidding shall resume at the last highest bid given. In the event of a surplus of such sale, the mortgagors and noticed junior lienholders are hereby on notice that if such surplus is less than Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$2,500.00), then the Substitute Trustee will disburse those proceeds to the most senior interest holder as it sees fit, unless an objection is made in writing.

The Trustees do not guarantee or represent that the boundaries described above are accurate, are not encroached upon, or that any particular structure located on the property is contained within the described boundaries. The property is therefore sold subject to an accurate survey at purchaser's expense.

The Trustees reserve the right to adjourn the sale, for a time, or from time to time, by announcement at the time and place of sale described above or any adjournment thereof. Such adjournment will be noticed by posting a notice at the front door of the county courthouse or where such notices are traditionally posted at the county courthouse. Such notice will include the date and time when such sale will reconvene.

The Trustees reserve the right to reject any and all bids for any reason.

The Trustees make no representations as to the condition of the property. The property will be sold in "AS IS" condition.

The Trustees make no representations as to whether the property is occupied. The purchaser is responsible for gaining access and possession of the property. Trustees shall be under no duty to cause any existing tenant or person occupying the subject property to vacate said property.

The purchaser may assign its rights prior to the delivery of the trustee's deed by a signed request in writing to the trustee; the assignee of the purchaser shall be bound by all terms and conditions applicable to the purchaser.

The Trustees will deliver a trustees' deed to the purchaser without any covenant or warranty (express or implied) in the form prescribed by W. Va. Code §38-1-6. The Trustees make no representations and warranties about the title of the real estate to be conveyed. If the Trustees are unable to convey insurable or marketable title to purchaser for any reason, purchaser's sole remedy is return of deposit.

TERMS OF SALE: Purchaser must bring \$12000 cash in hand at the time of sale as a deposit in the form of a certified check or cashier's check made payable to "Stern & Eisenberg, PC, counsel for Terra Abstract Trustee West Virginia, Inc." Those appearing without their deposit will not be allowed to bid. The balance of the successful purchaser's bid must be proffered in cash within 30 days of the date of the sale. Purchaser shall pay for transfer stamps and recording fees.

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Additional terms of sale may be announced prior to the sale.

Terra Abstract Trustee
West Virginia, Inc.
1581 Main Street, Suite 200
The Shops at Valley Square
Warrington, PA 18976
(215) 572-8111, Fax: (215) 572-5025
www.sterneisenberg.com

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NOTICE OF COMMENT PERIOD FOR DRAFT/PROPOSED OPERATING PERMIT RENEWAL

Title V of the Federal Clean Air Act and the state Air Pollution Control Act requires that all major sources and certain minor sources have a permit to operate which states all requirements (e.g. emission limitations, monitoring requirements, etc.) established by regulations promulgated under the aforementioned programs. The Division of Air Quality (DAQ) has determined that the draft/proposed permit renewal referenced herein meets this requirement.

The DAQ is providing notice to the general public of its preliminary determination to issue an operating permit renewal to the following company for operation of the referenced machining, welding, and assembly of engine parts and components facility:

Toyota Motor Manufacturing,
West Virginia, Inc.
Buffalo Plant
Plant ID No.: 03-54-079-00072
1 Sugar Maple Lane
Buffalo, WV 25033

This notice solicits comments from the public and affected state(s) concerning the above preliminary determination and provides an opportunity for such parties to review the basis for the proposed approval and the "draft" permit renewal. This notice also solicits comments from the U.S. EPA concerning the same preliminary determination and provides an opportunity for the U.S. EPA to concurrently review the basis for the proposed approval as a "proposed" permit.

All written comments submitted by the public and affected state(s) pursuant to this notice must be received by the DAQ within thirty (30) days of the date of publication of this notice. Under concurrent review, written comments submitted by the U.S. EPA must be received by the DAQ within forty-five (45) days from the date of publication of this notice or from the date the U.S. EPA receives this draft/proposed permit renewal, whichever is later. In the event the 30th/45th day is a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday, the comment period will be extended until 5:00 p.m. on the following regularly scheduled business day. The public shall have 135 days from the date of publication of this notice to file petitions for concurrently reviewed permits. Upon notice by the U.S. EPA to the DAQ, prior to the end of the 45 day notice period, the U.S. EPA may choose to hold the 30 day comment period on the draft permit and the 45 day comment period on the proposed permit sequentially. During the public comment period any interested person may submit written comments on the draft permit and, if no public hearing has been scheduled, may request a public hearing. A request for a public hearing shall be in writing and shall state the nature of the issues proposed to be raised in the hearing. The Director of the DAQ shall grant such a request for a hearing if she concludes that a public hearing is appropriate. Any public hearing shall be held in the general area in which the facility is located, after 30 day notice is given. The DAQ will consider all written comments prior to final action on the permit.

Copies of the Permit Application, DAQ Fact Sheet, and Draft/Proposed Permit Renewal may be downloaded from the DAQ's web site at: <https://dep.wv.gov/daq/permitting/titlepermits/Pages/default.aspx>.

Comments and questions concerning this matter should be addressed to:

WV Department of
Environmental Protection
Division of Air Quality
601 57th Street SE
Charleston, WV 25304
Contact: Sarah Barron
(304) 926-0499 ext.: 41915
sarah.k.barron@wv.gov

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LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT

Notice of Proposed Settlement of Estates

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

I have before me the final settlement of estates of the following persons, which shall be presented to the County Commission of Putnam County, at the Courthouse, in the City of Winfield, on Thursday the 28th day of December 2023 at 5:00 p.m. for their approval which settlements have been presented to me by the Fiduciary of such estates and which proposed settlements I have approved as indicated below:

Decedent: Floyd Edwin Legg
Fiduciary: Marlene Thornton, Administratrix Cta
Address: 259 Cain Hill Road Buffalo, WV 25033

Decedent: Phyllis L Legg
Fiduciary: Marlene Thornton, Administratrix
Address: 259 Cain Hill Road Buffalo, WV 25033

Any persons having an interest in the estate of any such person, may before the County Commission at the time and place hereinabove specified and thereupon protest his interest as they may appear or else may forever thereafter be barred from asserting such interest.

Given under my hand this 13TH day of December 2023.

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

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BILLY CAUDILL Culloden 61st Birthday December 2	MARY QUEEN CRADDOCK Hurricane 84th Birthday December 23
MARK CHAPMAN P.O. Box 503 Milton 62nd Birthday December 21	ANGEL QUALLS WILLIS Ona 37th Birthday December 24
LILL BLACK PORTER Berry Lane Barboursville Birthday December 21	LORETTA COVINGTON 5 Bates Drive Huntington 69th Birthday December 24
RANDY WALKER 1205 Ann Street Huntington 70th Birthday December 21	BONNA TATUM 306 Sansom Avenue Wayne 54th Birthday December 24
MONETTA CHAPMAN BLACK 2767 Whitten Ridge Road Milton 50th Birthday December 21	ROGER THEVENIN 1669 Washington Hill Road Hurricane 49th Birthday December 24
KANDICE McCORD Culloden 17th Birthday December 21	REV TROY NICELY 1833 Sunset View Milton Birthday December 24
SKYLAR JADE SOVINE 2115 Crooked Creek Road Hurricane 22nd Birthday December 21	J-E-S-U-S Birthday December 25
ELI WITHERS Harrisburg, Virginia 51st Birthday December 22	DAVID (BUTCH) JOHNSON #53 Wingfoot Drive Hurricane 76th Birthday December 25
RILEY XAVIER IBANEZ Huntington 19th Birthday December 22	MARK ARMBRESTER Route 1, Box 64 Mud River Road Milton 26th Birthday December 25
SAVANNAH YOUNG Hurricane 12th Birthday December 22	ANGIE GRANT JONES Huntington 54th Birthday December 25
AMY CARROLL McCALLISTER Culloden 46th Birthday December 23	JAYVEN XAVIER HANCOCK Tennessee 7th Birthday December 25
DOUG CANTERBURY 205 White Pine Pliny 61st Birthday December 23	JARED COLLINS Milton Birthday December 25

JIM TAYLOR Scott Depot 81st Birthday December 25
RUSTY AKERS 100 Hickory Heights Scott Depot 56th Birthday December 26
RACHEL HOBBS MARCUM 21549 Winfield Road Frazier's Bottom 42nd Birthday December 27
AMBER HOBBS 1415 Route 35 North Pliny 42nd Birthday December 27
AMY THOMAS NORDEN St. Albans 39th Birthday December 27
NICK DAVIES 61 Iroquois Trail Ona Birthday December 27
DOREND A MOSES LEE 8424 Hurricane Creek Road Winfield 67th Birthday December 27
ABBY GRACE SHEPPARD Route 1, Box 123 Milton 18th Birthday December 27
AINSLEY JAIDE JACKSON 1217 Glenwood Street Milton 16th Birthday December 27
DAVID LEE RADCLIFF 6106 Baker Road Huntington Birthday December 27
JUDY HOLLEY HOUCK Hurricane Creek Road Hurricane 79th Birthday December 27
BRITANY CARPENTER 1902 Pine Grove Drive Culloden 40th Birthday December 27
HENRY THOMAS JONES Mankato, Minnesota 8th Birthday December 27
CLINTON WILLIAMSON Milton Birthday December 27
AARON SPURLOCK Lesage Birthday December 28
STEPHANIE MORRISON 411 Brian Drive Hurricane Birthday December 28
JOHN MARK ARMSTEAD 111 Hamon Drive, Apt. D Scott Depot 61st Birthday December 29
JASON YOUNG 304 Merrywood Lane Hurricane 43rd Birthday December 29
PEGGY SETLIFF Box 4583 5&20 Mile Road Frazier's Bottom Birthday December 29
SCOTT HENDERSON 2621 Montana Avenue Hurricane Birthday December 29
KAREN ELAINE HODGES 4208 Teays Valley Road Scott Depot 75th Birthday December 29
BARBARA WYANT Ohio 78th Birthday December 29
BETHANY NOEL DRURY HENSON 904 Kanawha Terrace St. Albans 30th Birthday December 29
DORIS CHANEY

Happy Anniversary Seth and Amanda Warner McElhaney of 412 Roan Lane in Red Oak, Texas, will celebrate their twelfth wedding anniversary on December 21.	Tim and Tammy Nischan of Louisville, Kentucky, will celebrate their thirty-eight wedding anniversary on December 21.	Rev. Sam and Nada Morris of Milton will celebrate their wedding anniversary on December 21.	David and Violet Smith of 200 Chickasaw Court in Ashland, Kentucky, will celebrate their sixty-seventh wedding anniversary on December 22.	Ronnie and Hazel Woodall Duncan of 400 Clayton Avenue in Hurricane will celebrate their forty-fifth wedding anniversary on December 22.	Justin and Brooke Williams Chapman of 219 Johnston Drive in Belmont, North Carolina, will celebrate their thirty-fourth wedding anniversary on December 23.	Christopher and Brenda Armstead Casto of Bancroft will celebrate their twenty-seventh wedding anniversary on December 24.	John and Karen McClung of 148 Woodland Forest in Winfield will celebrate their fifty-third wedding anniversary on December 26.	John “Jay” and Brenda Roberts Dlugos of 134 Leslie Drive in Scott Depot will celebrate their fifty-third wedding anniversary on December 26.	Bradley and Julie Armstead of 155 Walmott Drive in Huntington will celebrate their twenty-first wedding anniversary on December 27.	Love to our Parents - KELCI & BRAEDEN	Rev. Bob and Sue Ann Withers of 313 Main Street in Huntington will celebrate their fifty-fourth wedding anniversary on December 27.	Billy and Teresa Caudill of Culloden will celebrate their forty-third wedding anniversary on December 27.	1014 Happy Drive Culloden 79th Birthday December 29	KAYLA CREMEANS Milton Birthday December 29	GENE ADAMS 3473 Norman Drive Charleston 66th Birthday December 30	ZACHERY KEELING #52 Revere Road Hurricane 30th Birthday December 30	KEITH SMITH 2603 Main Street Hurricane 75th Birthday December 30	ANGELA DUKE BECKETT Hurricane 55th Birthday December 31	KEITH ANN WORDEN 24 Woody Oak Drive Milton Birthday December 31
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Blue Christmas Service at St. Timothy’s in the Valley

St. Timothy’s in the Valley Episcopal Church, 3434 Teays Valley Road, Hurricane, will be holding their annual Blue Christmas service on Thursday, December 21, at 7:00 p.m.

December 21st is the longest night of the year being that it is the Winter Solstice. For some, Christmas may seem like the longest day of the year because while everyone is celebrating and having fun, they are sad, grieving, lonely, depressed. There may be any number of reasons for this – the loss or anticipated loss of a loved one, illness, loss of job, etc.

St. Timothy’s is continuing the tradition of offering a service called Blue Christmas in the evening of December 21st. This service is an opportunity for folks who wish to acknowledge their struggles and sense of loss with quiet prayer and singing, in a peaceful, spirit-filled atmosphere, surrounded by candlelight. Please come and join with others in this healing service. Please invite folks that you know from the community who might benefit from such a service.

Reading Journal Workshop

Keep track of what you’re reading with your own personalized reading journal. At the Buffalo Library’s Reading Journal Workshop, you will be provided with all the supplies to decorate your own 2024 reading journal, making it fun and easy to keep your list up to date this year.

This special after hours event will be at the Buffalo Library on Thursday, January 11, at 5 p.m.. All ages are welcome, but teens and adults are encouraged especially to come be crafty at the library.

NORAD is Ready to Track Santa’s Flight for the 68th Year

The North American Aerospace Defense Command is ready to track Santa on Dec. 24, for the program’s 68th year. NORAD monitors and defends North American airspace 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year. On Dec. 24, NORAD has one additional mission: tracking Santa Claus as he makes his way across the globe, delivering presents to children.

The NORAD Tracks Santa website (www.noradsanta.org) will launch on Dec. 1. It features Santa’s North Pole Village, which includes a holiday countdown, games, movie theater, holiday music, web store, and more. The website is available in nine languages: English, French, Spanish, German, Italian, Japanese, Portuguese, Chinese, and new this year, Korean.

The official NORAD Tracks Santa app is also in the Apple App and Google Play stores, to count down the days until Santa’s journey on mobile devices. NORAD Tracks Santa will also be available on digital media platforms including Facebook, Instagram, YouTube, and X, and on contributor platforms, Amazon Alexa, Bing, SiriusXM, and OnStar.

On Dec. 24, trackers worldwide can call 1-877-HI-NORAD to ask live operators about Santa’s location from 6 a.m. to midnight MST. Also on Dec. 24, website visitors will see Santa’s flight from 4 a.m. to midnight MST.

NORAD Tracks Santa is a global experience and the U.S. and Canadian personnel of NORAD are proud to continue the tradition of delighting families everywhere.

NORAD is a United States and Canada bi-national organization charged with the missions of aerospace warning, aerospace control and maritime warning for North America. NORAD prevents air attacks against North America, safeguarding the sovereign airspace of the United States and Canada by responding to unknown, unwanted, and unauthorized air activity approaching and operating within these airspace.

Available Pets at the Putnam County Animal Shelter

This is one of the many pets up for adoption at the Putnam County Animal Shelter. By the time that this issue of the Hurricane Breeze is published, this animal may have already been adopted and found its forever home. However, there are many pets at the shelter that still need homes. For more information, call the Putnam County Animal Shelter at 304-586-0249.



This is Ophelia, who is available for adoption. All adoptions include flea and tick treatment as well as the first vaccine. If you can’t adopt but still want to help Ophelia and all of her friends at PCAS, please consider volunteering or even just stopping by to show some love!