

The Hurricane Breeze

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

Public Asked to Review Proposed Comprehensive Plan

By Ron Allen

by restaurants and entertainment venues).

Earlier this year, the residents of Fraziers Bottom opposed the Putnam County Commission's approval of a change which could allow for a large distribution center to locate on a parcel which had been previously limited to suburban commercial use. The Commission, in unanimously approving the zoning change, stated that the quality of life would be improved for far more individuals than would be adversely affected. If the distribution center becomes a reality, the quality of life will be forever impacted for the Fraziers Bottom neighborhood.

Does the proposed new Comprehensive Plan do what Putnam County residents want done? The Putnam County Office of Planning and Infrastructure will be accepting public comments relative to the updated plan through Friday, May 10th, 2024. Again, the plan is posted at the Putnam County Planning and Infrastructure website. The revised draft of "Comprehensive Plan 2024 - Bridging to the Future" will come before the County Commission for approval on Thursday, May 16th.

Local Girl Scouts Receive Top Honor For Community Service Project



Pictured are members of Girl Scout Troop 1038 with J.P. Owens (left rear) and Hurricane Mayor Scott Edwards.

Girl Scout Troop 1038 received the Bronze Award (highest possible) for their community service project to help make Hurricane City Park a more beautiful place. The girls designed and painted three trash receptacles which they placed at the sprayground, the basketball court, and the skate park at the Park.

The girls and local artist J.P. Owens who supervised the project presented the scouts' works of art to Hurricane Mayor Scott Edwards at City Park on Wednesday, April 10th.

The receptacle placed at the sprayground featured a UFO spraying beams of light upon a campfire. The basketball receptacle used a helmet-shaped basketball to depict the love for the game. The skate park receptacle utilized a helmet-wearing skeleton showing off his skateboarding skills.

An additional photo can be found on Page 3.

Putnam Students Win Honors at State Social Studies Fair



Hurricane Middle students Kenzingtyn Safford, Georgia Smith, Kylee Ravun, and Emma Myrick won third place honors for their project at the State Social Studies Fair.

The West Virginia Department of Education (WVDE) hosted more than 500 students in Charleston on Wednesday, April 10, as part of the 2024 West Virginia State Social Studies Fair (WVSSSF). The competition field comprised of Division I (Grades 3-5), Division II (Grades 6-8), and Division III (Grades 9-12). Participating students earned first place in their school, county and regional competitions. Judges scored projects based on a student-led oral presentation, research and findings, theme and overall display.

Putnam County students in Division II winning regional honors and participating in the April 10 fair were:

Hudson Dobbins & Eli Conner, Winfield Middle, Development of Great American Cities; Kenzingtyn

Continued to Page 3

Walking for Alzheimer's Victims



Participants in the Alzheimer's Walk pose for a group photo before setting off on a hike along Valley Park's walking trails. (Photo by Betsy Allen)

By Betsy Allen

Approximately 38,000 West Virginians over the age of 65 have been diagnosed with Alzheimer's Disease. As one of the nation's top three states with a senior population, this disease is of great concern to the people of West Virginia.

To raise money for the Alzheimer's Association, Hurricane Chapter 116 of the Order of the Eastern Star hosted a benefit walk last Saturday, April 13, at Valley Park. Unlike more competitive events, participants could walk for any time or distance they wanted, allowing for those with physical difficulties to participate.

The Alzheimer's Walk, which is the first of its kind hosted by the Hurricane Eastern Star, was a great success, raising almost \$1,000 for the Alzheimer's Association. In addition to individual participants, local businesses were encouraged to contribute to the walk by donating and forming their own teams of walkers. Four employees of the Teays Valley McDonalds formed a team to participate in the event.

Federal Jury Convicts Scott Depot Man for FHA Fraud Scheme

After two days of trial, a federal jury convicted Jason Trador, 46, of Scott Depot, on April 10, 2024, of making a false statement to federal agents, willfully overvaluing property on a loan application, and three counts of making a false statement to the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

Evidence at trial proved that Trador fraudulently obtained a \$223,870 home mortgage insured by the Federal Housing Administration (FHA) from his then-employer, Victorian Finance LLC, a mortgage lending business. At the time he applied for the FHA loan in August 2018, Trador was delinquent on paying his federal taxes for a prior tax year. Because of the tax debt, Trador was not eligible for an FHA loan under existing FHA program rules. Trador deceived Victorian Finance into approving the application and the FHA into insuring the mortgage by providing a series of falsified documents including a falsified Internal Revenue Service (IRS) tax transcript purporting to show a payoff of the delinquent \$8,151 tax debt.

Trador also submitted three heavily edited bank statements to Victorian Finance. Each falsified bank statement substantially inflated the balances in Trador's bank accounts. Two of the falsified statements reported balances of approximately \$27,000 and \$15,000 for Trador's personal bank account when in fact the account had negative balances. Line items, such as for insufficient funds fees, were removed from the falsified bank statements and a line item was added to deceive Victorian Finance into believing that he had paid off the delinquent \$8,151 tax debt. Evidence at trial proved the purported payoff never occurred and that Trador was still delinquent on the federal tax debt as of March 2024.

On September 4, 2018, Trador willfully overvalued his assets on a loan application when he signed a Uniform Residential Loan Application that included the false balances from the falsified bank statements.

On May 6, 2022, Trador lied to investigators with HUD's Office of Inspector General (OIG)

Continued to Page 3

The Hummers Have Arrived



Everyone's favorite nectar-loving avian made its return to the Rick Ray residence on Hurricane Creek Road on Sunday, April 14th.

Prema Ray had a sweet sampling ready and waiting for the annual visitors.

The 2023 hummingbird arrival date at the Ray residence was on April 19th.

WEATHER SUMMARY		
April 9 - 15		
	Low	High
April 9		
Hurricane	44°	66°
April 10		
Hurricane	50°	65°
April 11*		
Hurricane	50°	64°
April 12*		
Hurricane	44°	49°
April 13		
Hurricane	35°	64°
April 14		
Hurricane	36°	79°
April 15		
Hurricane	50°	80°

*RAIN
1.3 inch recorded April 11
0.2 inch recorded April 12

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.

WEEKENDS

THROUGH MAY 12

The Gritt's Farm Spring Festival will be held on Saturdays and Sundays from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. General admission tickets are \$16.95. Gritt's Farm is located at 864 Gritt Road, Buffalo. To purchase tickets, go to <https://grittsfarm.com/events/spring-festival>

NOW - APRIL 21

There will be a Goodwill Donation Drive to benefit the Putnam County Clover STEMs at Valley Park in Hurricane.

APRIL 18

The Nitro History & Wars Museum will be celebrating the life of Carmen Townsend Kostelansky from 6 to 8 p.m.

AEP will be holding an open interview event for customer service positions from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the AEP Center, 1 AEP Way, Hurricane.

The Putnam County Chamber of Commerce will be hosting Business After Hours from 5 to 7 p.m. at Sleepy Hollow Golf Club in Hurricane.

The Federated Republican Women of the Valley and the Putnam County Republican Club are hosting a "Meet the Candidates" from 6-9 p.m. at Valley Park, 1 Valley Dr, Hurricane.

APRIL 19 - 20

St. Paul's United Methodist Church, 2008 20th Street, Nitro, will be hosting a rummage sale on Friday from 4 to p.m. and Saturday from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

APRIL 19

Mountaineer Foodbank will be hosting a mobile farmers market from 1 to 6 p.m. at the Nitro Library. This free produce choice market is open to anyone who lives in Kanawha County.

Bancroft Mission, 5936 Charleston Road, Bancroft, will be holding an evening of praise and thanksgiving starting at 7 p.m.

The Jungle Club Resort and Cafe, 11624 Winfield Road, Unit 4, Winfield, will be holding a clothing swap

THE HURRICANE BREEZE

Entered in the Post Office at Hurricane, W.Va., 25526, as Periodical Class Mail Matter, on October 16, 1900.

PUTNAM COUNTY'S MOST READ NEWSPAPER

Subscription \$20 per year (including tax) in Zip Code 25526 and \$25 for all other Putnam County addresses. West Virginia addresses are \$40 per year. Out of state addresses are \$45 per year.

PUBLISHED WEEKLY AT HURRICANE, W. VA. USPS 254 - 720

POSTMASTER: Send address changes to THE HURRICANE BREEZE, Box 310, Hurricane, WV 25526

ESTABLISHED 1900
978 HURRICANE CREEK ROAD
BOX 310
HURRICANE, W. VA. 25526

Phone (304) 562-9881
email address at hurricanebreeze@citynet.net

Friday for maternity clothing and children's clothing and shoes from noon to 8 p.m.

Charleston Job Corps Center will be holding a recruiting event from 1 to 5 p.m. at the Putnam County Main Library in Teays Valley.

Impact Ministry Center, 492 Cow Creek Road, will be holding a movie night featuring "The Chosen" from 7 to 9 p.m.

The Putnam County Earth Day Extravaganza will be held from 2 to 4 p.m. at Valley Park in Hurricane.

APRIL 20

There will be a bingo fundraiser for Lee's Studio of Dance from 4 to 6 p.m. at Valley Cakes and Cafe, 2883A Charleston Road, Poca.

Putnam County Democratic Women's Club invites all members and associates to their monthly meeting, which will be held at noon at the Eleanor Fire Station, 600 Roosevelt Blvd., Eleanor. RSVP by calling (304) 543-2115.

There will be a multi-family yard sale from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Mountain State Christian School, 1948 Martin Lane, Culloden.

The Tri-State Film Club will be meeting at 10 a.m. at Teays Valley Church of God, 6979 Teays Valley Road, Scott Depot.

Valley Outdoors, 3018 Mount Vernon Road, Hurricane, will be holding a Concealed Carry Class from 9 a.m. to noon. The cost is \$100. To register and for more information, call (304) 760-0457.

Cooking with Kathy and Perennial Plant Swap starts at 10 a.m. at the Putnam County Main Library in Teays Valley.

The Cops N Rodders Classic Car Club will be holding a cruise-in at the Putnam County Bank parking lot in Hurricane (behind McDonalds) from 5 p.m. to dusk. For more information, call 304-638-7614.

APRIL 21

There will be a workshop on Forest Foraging 101 from 2 to 4 p.m. at Ridenour Lake, Shelter 5, Nitro. For more information, call 304-776-5256 ext. 101.

The Winfield United Methodist Church, 20 Radwin Drive, Winfield, will be holding their 30th anniversary celebration starting at 9:30 a.m.

PIPESOUNDS Organ Concert Series is excited to announce Dave Wickerham performing at 3:00 p.m. at Forrest Burdette Memorial United Methodist Church, Putnam Avenue, Hurricane. (Adults - \$15.00 & Students - Free)

APRIL 22

There will be drop-in classes at Lee's Studio of Dance, 8325 Winfield Road, Winfield. Jazz dance at 6 p.m.; musical theatre dance at 7 p.m.; and hip-hop dance at 8 p.m. The cost is \$15 per one-hour class. For more information, call 304-437-2860.

APRIL 23

Horseshoe Heaven on Smith Farm, 121 Banjo Lane, Scott Depot, will be hosting Gitty Up Day lessons for 2-4 year olds. For more information and to sign up, call or text 304-421-5733.

There will be a sensory friendly First Responders meet and greet from 6 to 7:30 p.m. at Hurricane Fire Department, 1 Rescue Way, Hurricane.

The Board Room, located behind the Hurricane Walmart, will be holding a board game night from 6 to 9 p.m.

APRIL 24 - 27

The Nitro Antique Car Club will be holding a swap meet at the Winfield Riding

Club. For more information, call 304-377-2715 or 304-541-8401.

APRIL 24

There will be a history of Earth Day/Public Sotrmwater Awareness program at the Eleanor Library at 10 a.m.

F a s t e r W V Entrepreneurship Program of Advantage Valley will be holding a workshop about Growing Your Food & Beverage Business from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. at Valley Park Conference Center in Hurricane. For more information, call 304-352-1165.

STARTING APRIL 25

There will be a crochet workshop from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Thursdays at Valley Park in Hurricane. The cost is \$40 for a five-week class. To register, go to <http://putnam-county-parks.ticketleap.com/crochet-workshop/>

APRIL 25

There will be a plant hanger craft workshop featuring upcycled t-shirts (participant brings their own) from 2 to 4 p.m. at the Poca Library.

The Putnam County Republican Executive Committee will be hosting the Lincoln Day Dinner at Sleepy Hollow Golf Club in Hurricane. The doors will open at 6:00 p.m. with programming to begin at 6:30 p.m. Ticket information may be found at www.PutnamWVGOP.com

There will be an Earth Week themed home school science class/park cleanup at 10 a.m. at Hurricane City Park. Meet in the field beside the parking lot and help clean up the park.

APRIL 26 - 27

The Spring Vintage Market and Vendor Fair will be held at Saving Vintage, 401 Midland Trail, Hurricane. Hours are Friday 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; and Saturday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

APRIL 26

An Evening Under the Stars - Homeschool Middle School and Up Semi-Formal - will be held from 7 to 9:30 p.m. at Social Event Space, 2833 Main Street, Hurricane. Tickets are \$25, and can be purchased by April 24 at <https://www.simpletix.com/e/an-evening-under-the-stars-homeschool-middle-tickets-163666>

APRIL 27 - 28

The WV Pumpkin Spring Festival craft and vendor show will be held on Saturday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Sunday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tickets are \$5 at the gate.

APRIL 27

There will be a ribbon cutting for the Nitro Commons, 722 1st Avenue South, Nitro, at noon. The event runs from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The Women's Club of Nitro will be holding a craft show from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. at 2205 2nd Avenue and 23rd Street, Nitro.

Katherine's Cafe, 4 Bank Street, Nitro, will be holding a hot dog and BBQ fundraiser for the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The Cow Creek Hi-Strivers 4-H Club will be holding a tack auction at the Eleanor Fire Department (upstairs). Doors open at 4 p.m.; auction begins at 5 p.m.

The 2024 West Virginia Food Truck Festival will be held from noon to 5 p.m. at the Putnam County Fairgrounds in Eleanor.

April Showers Slam Fest Baseball Tournament will be held at Valley Park in Hurricane starting at 1 p.m. For more information, go to <https://baseball.exposureevents.com/209647/april-showers-slam-fest>

United Methodist Churches Sharing Resources With Mission Projects

United Methodist Churches across the West Virginia Annual Conference are presently involved in a major campaign to fund mission ministries across the state with vital supplies and cash donations. The emphasis, named The Celebration of Mission Event (COME), has been a major contributor to mission ministries supported by The United Methodist Church for the past twenty-seven years. Included in the 2024 campaign are ten mission ministries spread across the state. They are: Ebenezer Community Outreach Center in Huntington, the House of the Carpenter in Wheeling, the Upshur Parish House in Buckhannon, Scott's Run Settlement House in Osage, New Vision Depot in Beaver, Tyrand Cooperative Ministries in Mill Creek, Heart and Hand House in Philippi, Heart+Hand Outreach Ministries in South Charleston, the Greater Clarksburg Church and Community Ministry, and Volunteers in Mission.

Nine of the mission ministries provide a wide range of assistance to needy families. Services include providing food, clothing, shelter, transportation, personal care items, preschool and after-school care, layette and baby care supplies, school food backpacks, classroom supplies, Thanksgiving and Christmas meals, Christmas gifts, utility and rent assistance, natural disaster recovery supplies, work teams for home repairs, thrift stores and educational classes to help persons better provide for their needs. The tenth agency supported by COME is called Volunteers in Mission, which provides work teams for both national and international building projects.

Persons wishing to contribute either tangible goods or cash gifts to support the home mission effort can do so by contacting any United Methodist Church in the West Virginia Conference, which encompasses Garrett County, Maryland and all West Virginia counties except Morgan, Berkeley and Jefferson Counties in the eastern panhandle. The 2024 Celebration of Mission Event goal is to provide a minimum of \$100,000.00 cash support along with \$50,000.00 in food and other tangible gifts.

Earth Day Event At Clay Center

The West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection (WVDEP) and the Clay Center in Charleston are partnering again for their annual Earth Day Celebration. This year's free event is scheduled from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. on April 23 and will include a day of environmental education for area grade school-age students. Earth Day is officially observed on April 22.

Exhibitors from various state and federal agencies will be on hand with educational displays and activities promoting environmental stewardship and resource conservation. Activities will take place on the terrace in front of the Clay Center but move indoors in case of bad weather.

The Way We Were, The Way We Are

By Brenda Burke

Spring is at its best in West Virginia... I love the B. pear trees lining Main Street in Hurricane. I planted two in my backyard at Green Acres. Beautiful... Dogwood trees... the Burkes had the most gorgeous dogwood trees in their yard. I was sorry to see them cut down. The green grass of the yards coming alive. Mowing time... trimming... shrubs blooming... Tulips and Daffodils... fresh, clean air... Spring in its glory... one of my favorite seasons. The days are comfortable, and the nights still cool enough for a blanket. Logs ablaze for snuggling with a good book. Windows open with a sweet breeze blowing... Awww.

Let us not forget spring cleaning... oh yes... I used to do that. Eventually, I realized that I was wasting my time... I clean every week, and there is no real reason for those arduous days of spring cleaning. Spring all the same...

We don't have seasons per se here in Florida. I did use my furnace one night during the winter to make sure it worked. The rest of the time, the air is on... even if it is cool outside, the inside of the condo stays warm... I use fans year round... windows are securely closed because I do not want those little tiny lizards evading my home. Patio doors the same. I do open one set of them, occasionally, to feel the breeze... palm trees blowing...

We live at the Gulf... my son has his home by the marina on the ocean. I am about one half mile from him. The condos can be seen from their windows on the very top floor. It is beautiful here. It is paradise. I could not live in Florida if we were not on the coast... almost always we have a breeze... even in the hottest time in the summer. It is gorgeous here.

The sky in Palm Harbor is clear and blue... the sunrises and sunsets are amazing... so beautiful. I am up before the sun rises each day... in the evenings, I sit outside... enjoying the birds and the breeze. The trees are full most of the year... there are always flowers, of some kind, blooming. Sitting on my patio, the breeze keeps me cool.

I walk several times a day. Once in awhile, it does get so hot that I cannot walk for a long time... have

to do shorter walks... but usually...

I miss West Virginia... I miss spring and autumn... I do not miss the snow... never... too cold and too much work. Florida is truly paradise... I won't, again, mention the critters. Residents here seem to have so much energy... really elderly ride bikes... I do not do that... I don't even get in the pool here unless I have my daughter to sit with me. I do not swim... not a fan of pools anyway... I also don't get in the one at the family's home...

One thing that has happened to me since moving here... actually two things... I have become a reluctant driver. I have always been frugal when running errands, etc., but here I am pretty ridiculous. When I leave the condo, I have a grocery, pharmacy, dollar store, etc. within a mile or so... that is where I go the most. Sometimes, and do not laugh, I venture across Rt. 19, about three miles or so to Target. Sounds ludicrous I know, but those three miles are long when we count beach traffic... when my family comes, we go to Target... Panera, Ulta... all around the same area... they go with me to the shoe store, book store, and etc., near the mall. I have been in the mall about three times in three years... it is probably five or so miles in Clearwater... I just do not shop...

Anyone who has ever known this woman knows I used to love to shop... not so anymore... Amazon loves me...

As to the other change, I am more of a recluse... if I am not with family or running errands, I am so happy to be at home doing my activities... sitting in the part at the ocean... just like being in this tiny little home.

Florida is the place to live... sometimes... not like WV... but... it is the place to vacation...

I am hoping some of my West Virginia friends will vacation in Clearwater... I would be so happy... for the time being, I will enjoy spring in Florida... think about spring in WV... remember those Dogwood and B. Pear trees... the tulips I had in my yard at Green Acres... think about the tomatoes I planted... yummmmm... because the way we were is the way we are... West Virginians forever... but for the time being, Floridians...

Democrat Women to Meet

Putnam County Democratic Women's Club invites all members and associates to their monthly meeting, which will be held at noon on Saturday, April 20, at the Eleanor Fire Station, 600 Roosevelt Blvd., Eleanor. The menu will be Meat & Cheese Tray for sandwiches, Ham Salad, Macaroni Salad, Fruit Salad, Dessert, Coffee, Tea, and Water. The event will be catered by T & M Meats / WV Brick Oven Bistro. The price will be \$20 (includes tax & 18% gratuity). Please RSVP to Karen Sprouse by emailing karensprouse7@outlook.com or text or call (304) 543-2115.

Lincoln Day Dinner

The Putnam County Republican Executive Committee (PCREC) is pleased to announce that it will be holding the official Lincoln Day Dinner on Thursday, April 25, at Sleepy Hollow Golf Club in Hurricane. The doors will open at 6:00 p.m. with programming to begin at 6:30 p.m.

Tickets are required to attend the event and they must be purchased in advance due to capacity limitations at the venue. Tickets can be purchased from any member of the PCREC. Additional ticket information may be found at www.PutnamWVGOP.com

Walking for Alzheimer's Victims

Continued from Page 1

Representatives with the West Virginia Chapter of the Alzheimer's Association were present at the event to raise awareness about the disease and help give out goody bags to participants.

"We thank you all for coming out," said Abigail Ventura, an Alzheimer's Association representative. "We are able to do what we do at the Alzheimer's Association because of you all and these great events."



Employees of Teays Valley McDonalds formed a team of walkers. Shown above, from left to right, are Brittany White, Spring Nelson, Matthew Coles, and Carmella DeNard. (Photo by Betsy Allen)

Federal Jury Convicts Scott Depot Man

Continued from Page 1

and the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) when they interviewed Trador at his Scott Depot residence about his application for the FHA-insured mortgage. Trador denied submitting false bank statements with this loan application, and blamed his fellow employees of the mortgage lending business for the inclusion of

the false bank statements in the FHA loan file.

Trador is scheduled to be sentenced on July 29, 2024, and faces a maximum penalty of 41 years in prison.

"Loan officers are supposed to be gatekeepers who protect the integrity of the FHA program. Mr. Trador abused his position of trust as a loan officer and used his knowledge of FHA requirements to obtain a mortgage he knew he did

not qualify for, and then lied in an attempt to conceal his scheme," said United States Attorney Will Thompson. "I commend HUD OIG and the FBI for their investigative work in this case, and Assistant United States Attorneys Andrew J. Tessman, Jonathan T. Storage and Erik S. Goes and our trial team for prosecuting the case and securing guilty verdicts on all five counts."



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

April 18, 1756: The largest French & Indian War battle fought in present West Virginia occurred about two miles northeast of U.S. 50 and County Route 15 in present Capon Bridge, Hampshire County.

April 18, 1849: State Supreme Court Justice Marmaduke Dent was born in Monongalia County. He received the first bachelor's and master's degrees from West Virginia University. A populist judge, he ruled against railroads and supported Carrie Williams in an 1898 case finding that Black schools were entitled to the same length school terms as other schools.

April 18, 1861: At the beginning of the Civil War, retreating U.S. troops set fire to the national armory and arsenal at Harpers Ferry to keep them out of Confederate hands. However, Virginia militia extinguished the flames and sent much of the weapon-making equipment south before destroying the site in June 1861.

April 18, 1912: The Paint

Creek-Cabin Creek Strike of 1912-13 began when coal operators rejected the demands of their unionized workers for a wage increase. The strike that followed was one of the most dramatic and bloody conflicts in the early 20th century labor struggles in southern West Virginia known as the Mine Wars.

April 19, 1896: Writer Melville Davison Post was born in Harrison County. His best-known works are the Randolph Mason series, published in three volumes, and the more successful collection, Uncle Abner: Master of Mysteries.

April 19, 1902: Author Jean Lee Latham was born in Buckhannon. She wrote a number of children's books, including Carry On, Mr. Bowditch, which won the 1956 Newberry Award.

April 20, 1823: General Jesse Lee Reno was born in Wheeling and died in battle at South Mountain, Maryland, in 1862. He graduated from West Point in 1846 with another cadet from western Virginia, Thomas J. Jackson, later "Stonewall." Reno was the highest-ranking officer from present West Virginia killed in the Civil War.

April 20, 1863: President Lincoln issued a

proclamation that in 60 days, West Virginia would become a state. This occasion was marked 100 years later during the state's Centennial celebration with a special ceremonial session of the West Virginia legislature on April 20, 1963, in Wheeling.

April 20, 1909: Fiddler Melvin Wine was born near Burnsville. A favorite of old-time music enthusiasts nationally, he was chosen as a National Heritage Fellow in 1991 by the National Endowment for the Arts, the highest recognition given to a folk artist in the United States.

April 20, 1939: Poet Irene McKinney was born in Belington, Barbour County. Governor Gaston Caperton appointed her state poet laureate in 1993, and she served in that capacity until her death in 2012.

April 21, 1908: Traditional musician Phoebe Cottrell Parsons was born in Calhoun County. Parsons's traditional clawhammer banjo style, unaccompanied ballad singing, riddles and storytelling influenced countless numbers of younger musicians.

April 21, 1936: President Franklin Roosevelt established the Jefferson National Forest. The West Virginia portion of this forest includes nearly 20,000 acres in Monroe County.

April 22, 1908: Marshall "Little Sleepy" Glenn was born in Elkins. Glenn coached basketball at West Virginia University from 1934 to 1938 and football from 1937 to 1940. He was inducted into the WVU Sports Hall of Fame in 1992.

Putnam Students Win Honors at State Social Studies Fair

Continued from Page 1

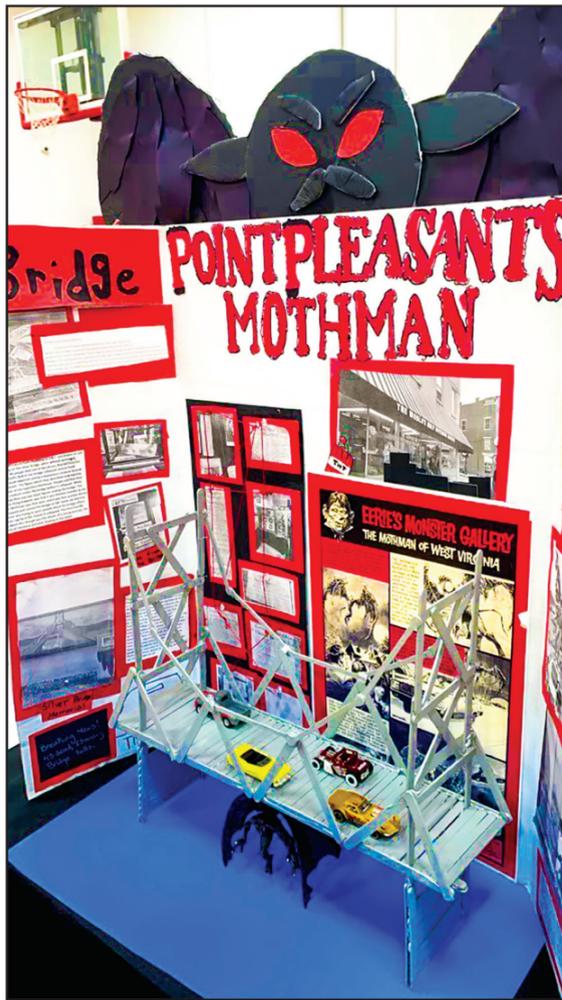
Safford, Georgia Smith, Kylee Ravun, & Emma Myrick, Hurricane Middle, Point Pleasant Mothman; Briony Guidry, Winfield Middle, The Man in the Red Bandana; and Robert Welsh, Hurricane Middle, WV Coal Wars.

Receiving WVSSSF honors were Hudson Dobbins and Eli Conner - second place in group competition; Kenzingtyn Safford, Georgia Smith, Kylee Rauen, and Emma Myrick - third place group competition; and Briony Guidry - honorable mention in individual competition.

Student worked individually and in teams to enter approximately 320 projects. The event brought students from 40 counties to the Charleston Coliseum and Convention Center and features the largest competition field within the last 10 years.

Students presented projects in content areas such as anthropology, economics, political science, U.S. history, psychology and more. Participating students earned first place in their school, county and regional competitions. Judges scored projects based on a student-led oral presentation, research and findings, theme and overall display.

Social studies education challenges students to ask thought-provoking questions, predict outcomes, create solutions and draw conclusions from recognized behavioral patterns. The WVSSSF expands these



HMS students' "Point Pleasants Mothman" won third place in group competition.

learning outcomes by rewarding students for their dedication to extracurricular education and providing authentic learning opportunities that enhance their self-development, research, communication and critical thinking skills.

"It is inspiring to see students so passionate about their education and confident in their skills and talents. The future of the Mountain State shines bright knowing students of this caliber are tomorrow's thought-leaders, innovators, teachers and more," said State Superintendent of Schools Michele L. Blatt. "This experience is something I hope will carry them throughout their educational journey and into their careers, knowing they are capable of anything they aspire to do."

Local Girl Scouts Receive Top Honor



The girl scouts placed placed this trash receptacle at the sprayground.

April 22, 2003: Activist Judy Bonds, a Raleigh County native, received the Goldman Environmental Prize for her fight against mountaintop removal mining. Her efforts inspired thousands and turned a local issue in West Virginia into a national cause.

April 23, 1857: Andrew

S. Rowan was born in Gap Mills, Monroe County. Rowan, a military officer, was chosen as the messenger when President William McKinley wanted to send a message to Cuban General Calixto Garcia during the Spanish-American War. The 1899 pamphlet A Message to Garcia made the incident famous. April 24, 1865: McNeill's Rangers surrendered to Union troops at New Creek (now Keyser). The Confederate guerrilla force probably never numbered more than 100 men at any time but managed to inflict regular damage on Union operations.



Vote Eric Householder for Auditor!

I'm running for State Auditor because it's time to end fraud and corruption in WV!

Paid for by Candidate

ERIC HOUSEHOLDER AUDITOR



ConvenientCare

Quality, convenient care when you need it quickly

Walk-Ins Welcome. No Appointment Necessary

From colds to sprains, sports physicals to the flu, we're here to meet the urgent care needs of every member of the family

ConvenientCareWV.org

304-562-2011

3109 Teays Valley Road, Hurricane Located inside Fruth Pharmacy

LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT

SAMPLE BALLOT OF THE REPUBLICAN PARTY Putnam County, WV Primary Election May 14, 2024

Table for Republican Party ballot with columns for National Ticket, State Ticket, County Ticket, and various offices like Governor, Auditor, and State Senator.

SAMPLE BALLOT OF THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY Putnam County, WV Primary Election May 14, 2024

Table for Democratic Party ballot with columns for National Ticket, State Ticket, County Ticket, and various offices like Governor, Auditor, and State Senator.

SAMPLE BALLOT OF THE MOUNTAIN PARTY Putnam County, WV Primary Election May 14, 2024

Table for Mountain Party ballot with columns for National Ticket, State Ticket, County Ticket, and various offices like Governor, Auditor, and State Senator.

I, Brian Wood, Clerk of the County Commission and Ex-Officio Chairman of the Putnam County Board of Ballot Commissioners, hereby certify that the foregoing is the Official Ballot for the Primary Election to be held on May 14, 2024, as provided by Chapter 3, Section 5, and Article 10 of the West Virginia Code.

Given under my hand and seal of said Court this 25th day of March 2024. Brian Wood, Clerk Putnam County Commission Ex-Officio Chairman of the Putnam County Board of Ballot Commissioners



LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT

SAMPLE BALLOT FOR NON-PARTISAN VOTERS Putnam County, WV Primary Election May 14, 2024

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS
NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)
HALEY BUNN Charleston Kanawha Co.

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)
CHARLES S TRUMP IV Berkeley Springs Morgan Co.

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDGE OF THE INTERMEDIATE COURT OF APPEALS - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)
S. RYAN WHITE Charleston Kanawha Co.
ELGINE HECETA MARDLE Wheeling Ohio Co.
MYCHAL S. SCHULZ Charleston Kanawha Co.

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)
JON D. HOOVER Hurricane Putnam Co.
PHILIP M. STOWERS Hurricane Putnam Co.

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)
JOSEPH K "JOE" REEDER Hurricane Putnam Co.

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF FAMILY COURT JUDGE 26TH FAMILY COURT CIRCUIT (Vote for ONE)
RICHARD "RICK" WITT Red House Putnam Co.

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)
LINDA J. HUNT Winfield Putnam Co.

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)
JEAN ANNE LUKART Winfield Putnam Co.

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 3 (Vote for ONE)
ERIC B. WHITNEY Winfield Putnam Co.
SARAH WEAVER Buffalo Putnam Co.
LARRY WINGO Hurricane Putnam Co.

OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE PUTNAM COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

NONPARTISAN BOARD OF EDUCATION (Vote For Not More Than TWO) Maximum eligible to be elected from each district: Dist. I (1); Dist. II (1); Dist. III (1)
PAUL SOWARDS Hurricane District III
J. CHRISTIAN WELLS Winfield District I
CHUCK HATFIELD Hurricane District III
JACOB FERTIG Scott Depot District I

LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
The Putnam County Office of Planning and Infrastructure is updating Putnam County's Comprehensive Plan to guide the county's development over the next ten years. The revised draft of the "Comprehensive Plan 2024 - Bridging to the Future" is posted on the Putnam County Planning and Infrastructure website. Please visit https://putnamcountywv.gov/planning-and-infrastructure/ to review the document. The Putnam County Office of Planning and Infrastructure will be accepting public comments relative to the updated plan through Friday, May 10th, 2024. The Putnam County Planning Commission recommended this revised draft of the "Comprehensive Plan 2024 - Bridging to the Future" to the Putnam County Commission on Thursday, March 28th, 2024.

The Putnam County Commission will hold a Public Hearing on Thursday, May 16th, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. at the Putnam County Courthouse, Room 221, 12093 Winfield Road, Winfield, WV 25213 to discuss regular business and to hear the Putnam County Office of Planning and Infrastructure's presentation of the revised draft of the "Comprehensive Plan 2024 - Bridging to the Future" for possible approval and adoption. All interested parties are invited to attend. If you have questions, please contact the Office of Planning and Infrastructure at (304) 586-0237 or planning@putnamwv.org

LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT
LEGAL NOTICE
In compliance with West Virginia Code, Chapter 3, Article 4A, Section 13, the Putnam County Clerk hereby gives notice to the people of Putnam County that on April 25, 2024, at 4:30 p.m., on the second floor of the courthouse, testing of Election Day and tabulating equipment to be used for the May 14, 2024, Primary Election, will take place.

Brian Wood
Putnam County Clerk
4-18-1t

LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT
NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE
NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE and Notice of the Beneficiary/ Servicer's election to sell property is hereby given pursuant to and by virtue of the authority vested in the Trustee by that Deed of Trust dated February 10, 2016, executed by David Scott Spencer and Bonnae Mae Land to Herbert L. Hively, II and Chris McClung, Trustees, of record in the Office of the Clerk of the County Commission of Putnam County, West Virginia, in Book 1121, at Page 476. Bailey & Slotnick, PLLC was appointed as Trustee by SUBSTITUTION OF TRUSTEE dated March 9, 2024, of record in the Clerk's Office in Book 1362, at Page 40. The borrowers defaulted under the Note and Deed of Trust and the Trustee has been instructed to foreclose under the Deed of Trust. Accordingly, the Trustee will sell the following described property to the highest bidder at the front door of the Courthouse of Putnam County, in Winfield, West Virginia, on:

THURSDAY, APRIL 25, 2024, AT 10:00 A.M.
All that certain lot or parcel of land, together with the improvements thereon and the appurtenances hereunto belonging, situate in the City of Nitro, Nitro District, Putnam County, West Virginia, more particularly bounded and described as follows:

BEGINNING at a point on the North street line of 28th Street, common corner to Lots Nos. 2811 and 2813, co-ordinate location North fifty-seven plus forty-four and thirty-six hundredths and East Forty plus seventy-four and ninety-three hundredths and running thence win a westerly direction along said street line for a distance of fifty feet, common corner to Lots Nos. 2811 and 2809; thence 90 degrees to the right for a distance of 50 feet, common corner to Lots Nos. 2811, 2813, 2912 and 2914 and thence 90

LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT

OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT
COUNTY COMMISSION OF PUTNAM COUNTY WEST VIRGINIA
SPECIAL LEVY ELECTION FOR PUTNAM COUNTY FIRE/RESCUE SERVICES
Special election to authorize additional levies for the replacement of the Fire Service Fee for the fiscal years beginning on July 1, 2025, July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, and July 1, 2029 and for the purpose of funding of operational needs and implementing daytime paid firefighter assistance for the Putnam County Fire/Rescue Services according to the Order of the Putnam County Commission entered on the 13th day of February, 2024.

The additional levy shall be on Class I property 2.5 cents; on Class II property 5.0 cents; on Class III property 10.0 cents; and Class IV property 10.0 cents.
None of the funds generated by the excess levy, if approved, will be used for any purposes other than those approved by the voters.

OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT
Election to Authorize Additional Levies According to the Order of The Board of Education of the County of Putnam entered on February 5, 2024
An election to authorize additional levies for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, July 1, 2029, and July 1, 2030, in the total amount of \$23,727,921 annually, for the purpose of paying the general current expenses of The Board of Education of the County of Putnam, including for the purposes hereinafter set forth in the table below, all according to this Official Ballot and the Order of the Board entered on February 5, 2024, and as more particularly described below.

The approximate average annual amount considered necessary for each purpose, subject to variation from year to year as provided herein, is set forth as follows:
PURPOSE FOR WHICH ADDITIONAL FUNDS ARE NEEDED AVERAGE ANNUAL AMOUNT FOR EACH PURPOSE
A. To continue to provide financial support for new buildings, building additions, renovations and repairs to existing buildings, land, improvements to existing land, operating expenses and equipping buildings \$3,000,000

B. To continue to provide financial support toward employee salaries/benefits: including, but not limited to 1) Local county salary supplements, substitute costs, and fixed charges 2) Extended employment for summer maintenance; 3) Overtime wages; 4) Extra-duty bus wages for academic and athletic trips; 5) Extra duty salary supplements for Curricular positions and Athletic positions; and 6) Dental and optical insurance \$16,317,921

C. To continue to provide financial support of the following community organizations: Putnam County Public Library [\$191,600]; Putnam County 4-H [\$68,400] \$260,000

D. To continue to provide for the purchase of instructional equipment/furniture, teaching supplies, textbooks and library books (to include print and electronic versions of all teaching materials) \$3,000,000

E. To continue to provide and maintain a secure environment for students and employees in the schools: including, but not limited to school resource officers and/or school security enhancements \$250,000

F. To continue to provide for benefits to retired employees \$900,000
TOTAL \$23,727,921

As noted above and in the next paragraph, below, the amounts set forth in the table above are the average annual amounts for each purpose. The actual amounts for each purpose will likely vary from one fiscal year to the next. If any item in the above-stated purposes is declared unconstitutional or invalid due to judicial or legislative action, then any affected funds will be distributed among the remaining constitutional and valid itemized purposes.

The actual amounts budgeted, as well as the amounts spent, for each purpose and in aggregate, likely will vary from one fiscal year to the next depending on the realized tax collections and the needs of the Putnam County School District, as determined by the Board with respect to each fiscal year and, further, as subject to downward adjustments (if any) required to be made for any fiscal year under W. Va. Code § 18-9B-8. If the amounts budgeted by the Board for a specific purpose or purposes for a fiscal year are not able to be spent entirely in such fiscal year, then the unspent amount shall be carried over and spent on such specific purpose or purposes in subsequent fiscal years.

The proposed additional rate of levy in cents per one hundred dollars of assessed valuations on each class of property within Putnam County School District for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, July 1, 2029, and July 1, 2030, is as follows:

Class I 22.95
Class II 45.90
Class III 91.80
Class IV 91.80

In the event The Board of Education of the County of Putnam shall obtain additional money by grant or otherwise from the state or federal government, or from any agency of either, or from any other source, for the purposes aforesaid, such additional money may be used either in substitution for, or in addition to, the sums obtained from such additional levies as The Board of Education of the County of Putnam may from time to time determine.

STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA
COUNTY OF PUTNAM, TO-WIT:
I, Brian Wood, Clerk of the County Commission and Ex-Officio Chairman of the Putnam County Board of Ballot Commissioners, hereby certify that the foregoing is a facsimile of the Official Ballot for the Primary Election to be held on May 14, 2024, as provided by Chapter 3, Section 5, and Article 10 of the West Virginia Code.

Given under my hand and seal of said Court this 25th day of March 2024.
Brian Wood, Clerk
Putnam County Commission
Ex-Officio Chairman of the Putnam County Board of Ballot Commissioners

LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT
LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT
LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT

degrees to the right for a distance of 65 feet to the beginning, embracing an area of eight hundredths of an acre, more or less, said property being described as a part of Area "S" as shown upon a map entitled "Plat of Areas P, R and S of the Nitro Reservation", said map being duly of record in the Office of the Clerk of the County Commission of Putnam County, West Virginia, to which map reference is here made for a more particular description of the property herein conveyed.

BEING the same property conveyed to David Scott Spencer and Bonnae Mae Land, by Susan A. Davis, by deed dated the 7th day of August, 2015, and of record in the Office of the Clerk of the County Commission of Putnam County, West Virginia, in Deed Book 544, at page 807-809.

At the time of the execution of the Deed of Trust, this property was reported to have an address of: 2811 28th Street, Nitro, West Virginia 25143.

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

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

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

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

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

6) The total purchase price is payable to the Trustee by cashier's check, cash or money order within thirty (30) days of the date of sale, with a minimum deposit of \$5,000.00 payable to the Trustee by cashier's check, cash or money order at the

LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT

OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT
The Board of Education of the County of Putnam is hereby authorized and empowered to expend, during the term of this levy, the surplus, if any, accruing in excess of the amounts needed for any of the above-stated purposes, or for the enrichment, supplementation and improvement of educational services and/or facilities in the public schools. Provided, however, that subject to the expenditure of such surplus funds for purposes associated with legal and contractual obligations, surplus funds (in an amount representing the difference in the maximum levy rate allowed by law and a 95% levy rate) shall be dedicated to new buildings, building additions, renovations and repairs to existing buildings, and equipping buildings.

In the event that the actual amount collected is less than the approximate annual amounts allocated for the above-stated purposes for any one or more fiscal years, the Board is hereby authorized and empowered to determine in its discretion (i) which one or more of the above-stated purposes shall be reduced for each such fiscal year and (ii) the amount of each such reduction for such fiscal year; provided, however, that the total of all such reductions shall not exceed the amount of such collection shortfall each year and; provided, further, that if any such reduction for one or more of the above-stated purposes is necessary, then subject to downward adjustments (if any) required to be made for any fiscal year under W. Va. Code § 18-9B-8, the funds allocated for Purpose B and F set forth in the table of purposes and average annual amounts above shall be the last purpose considered by the Board for a reduction in funds in the event of a shortfall.

The Board of Education of the County of Putnam reserves unto itself as the levying body the right and authority to reduce the rates of the excess levy should increased assessments produce funds beyond projected needs in any year specified in the levy call in accordance with section six-g, article eight, chapter eleven of the West Virginia Code.

For each fiscal year beginning on and after July 1, 2026, The Board of Education of the County of Putnam shall reduce the levy rates proportionately for all classes of property when increased assessed valuations, excluding appraisal or valuation due to new construction or improvements to existing real property, including beginning recovery of natural resources and newly acquired personal property, would cause an increase of more than four percent in the total projected property tax revenues from the previous year's projected property tax revenues. In that event the levy rate shall be reduced so as to cause such rate to produce no more than one hundred and four percent from all classes of property, excluding appraisal or valuation from new construction or improvements to existing real property, including beginning recovery of natural resources and newly acquired personal property, of the previous year's projected property tax revenues from all property.

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS
Those favoring the additional levies shall make a selection "For the Levies"; those against such levies shall make a selection "Against the Levies".

For the Levies
Against the Levies

The following precincts vote upon the Nitro Municipal Levy:
22

CITY OF NITRO MUNICIPAL OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT
Special election to authorize additional levies for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2024, July 1, 2025, July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, and July 1, 2028 for the following purposes:

A. Street Maintenance and Repair \$34,959.50
B. Parks and Recreation \$25,946.94
C. Firemen's Wages \$70,027.87
D. Street Lighting \$41,610.89
E. Policeman's Wages \$136,370.01
F. Library \$46,917.64
G. Fire Hydrant Rental \$12,735.25

According to the Order of the City Council entered February 6, 2024, The additional Levy shall be on Class I property 3.65 cents, Class II property 7.30 cents, Class IV property 14.60 cents per \$100 of assessed valuation.

For the Levy
Against the Levy

LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT
LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT
LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT

time and place of the sale.
Given under my hand this 2nd day of April, 2024.

BAILEY & SLOTNICK, PLLC-TRUSTEE
By:
Marc J. Slotnick, Member
500 Virginia Street East, Suite 600
Charleston, West Virginia 25301
Phone: (304) 346 1800
WV State Bar No. 5956
4-11-2t

LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF PUTNAM COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA
In Re: Change of Name from Marissa Dawn Johnson to Marissa Dawn Hively

LEGAL NOTICE OF PUBLICATION CHANGE OF NAME PROCEEDING
Civil Action No. 24-P-39
Circuit Court of Putnam County, West Virginia
Notice is hereby given that on the 25th day of April, 2024, at 11:30 a.m. on said day, or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, before the Honorable Judge Phillip Stowers, Marissa Dawn Johnson will apply by Petition to the Circuit Court of Putnam County, West Virginia for the entry of an order by said Court, changing her name from Marissa Dawn Johnson to Marissa Dawn Hively, at which time and place any interested party may appear and be heard, if they so desire.

You are hereby notified that this matter may be rescheduled without further notice or publication.
A copy of said Petition can be obtained from the undersigned Clerk at his office at 12093 Winfield Road, Ste. 12, Winfield, WV 25213.

ENTERED by the Clerk of said Court this 1st day of April, 2024.
Stephanie M. Smith
Putnam County Circuit Clerk
4-11-2t

LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT
IN THE FAMILY COURT OF PUTNAM COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA
Case No. 24-D-92
IN RE:
The Marriage of:
Lori Rush
Petitioner
and
Preston Broyles
Respondent

ORDER OF PUBLICATION
THE OBJECT OF THIS SUIT IS TO OBTAIN A DIVORCE. THIS IS A PUBLICATION

LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT

OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT
The Board of Education of the County of Putnam is hereby authorized and empowered to expend, during the term of this levy, the surplus, if any, accruing in excess of the amounts needed for any of the above-stated purposes, or for the enrichment, supplementation and improvement of educational services and/or facilities in the public schools. Provided, however, that subject to the expenditure of such surplus funds for purposes associated with legal and contractual obligations, surplus funds (in an amount representing the difference in the maximum levy rate allowed by law and a 95% levy rate) shall be dedicated to new buildings, building additions, renovations and repairs to existing buildings, and equipping buildings.

In the event that the actual amount collected is less than the approximate annual amounts allocated for the above-stated purposes for any one or more fiscal years, the Board is hereby authorized and empowered to determine in its discretion (i) which one or more of the above-stated purposes shall be reduced for each such fiscal year and (ii) the amount of each such reduction for such fiscal year; provided, however, that the total of all such reductions shall not exceed the amount of such collection shortfall each year and; provided, further, that if any such reduction for one or more of the above-stated purposes is necessary, then subject to downward adjustments (if any) required to be made for any fiscal year under W. Va. Code § 18-9B-8, the funds allocated for Purpose B and F set forth in the table of purposes and average annual amounts above shall be the last purpose considered by the Board for a reduction in funds in the event of a shortfall.

The Board of Education of the County of Putnam reserves unto itself as the levying body the right and authority to reduce the rates of the excess levy should increased assessments produce funds beyond projected needs in any year specified in the levy call in accordance with section six-g, article eight, chapter eleven of the West Virginia Code.

For each fiscal year beginning on and after July 1, 2026, The Board of Education of the County of Putnam shall reduce the levy rates proportionately for all classes of property when increased assessed valuations, excluding appraisal or valuation due to new construction or improvements to existing real property, including beginning recovery of natural resources and newly acquired personal property, would cause an increase of more than four percent in the total projected property tax revenues from the previous year's projected property tax revenues. In that event the levy rate shall be reduced so as to cause such rate to produce no more than one hundred and four percent from all classes of property, excluding appraisal or valuation from new construction or improvements to existing real property, including beginning recovery of natural resources and newly acquired personal property, of the previous year's projected property tax revenues from all property.

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS
Those favoring the additional levies shall make a selection "For the Levies"; those against such levies shall make a selection "Against the Levies".

For the Levies
Against the Levies

The following precincts vote upon the Nitro Municipal Levy:
22

CITY OF NITRO MUNICIPAL OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT
Special election to authorize additional levies for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2024, July 1, 2025, July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, and July 1, 2028 for the following purposes:

A. Street Maintenance and Repair \$34,959.50
B. Parks and Recreation \$25,946.94
C. Firemen's Wages \$70,027.87
D. Street Lighting \$41,610.89
E. Policeman's Wages \$136,370.01
F. Library \$46,917.64
G. Fire Hydrant Rental \$12,735.25

According to the Order of the City Council entered February 6, 2024, The additional Levy shall be on Class I property 3.65 cents, Class II property 7.30 cents, Class IV property 14.60 cents per \$100 of assessed valuation.

For the Levy
Against the Levy

LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT
LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT
LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT

time and place of the sale.
Given under my hand this 2nd day of April, 2024.

BAILEY & SLOTNICK, PLLC-TRUSTEE
By:
Marc J. Slotnick, Member
500 Virginia Street East, Suite 600
Charleston, West Virginia 25301
Phone: (304) 346 1800
WV State Bar No. 5956
4-11-2t

LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF PUTNAM COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA
In Re: Change of Name from Marissa Dawn Johnson to Marissa Dawn Hively

LEGAL NOTICE OF PUBLICATION CHANGE OF NAME PROCEEDING
Civil Action No. 24-P-39
Circuit Court of Putnam County, West Virginia
Notice is hereby given that on the 25th day of April, 2024, at 11:30 a.m. on said day, or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, before the Honorable Judge Phillip Stowers, Marissa Dawn Johnson will apply by Petition to the Circuit Court of Putnam County, West Virginia for the entry of an order by said Court, changing her name from Marissa Dawn Johnson to Marissa Dawn Hively, at which time and place any interested party may appear and be heard, if they so desire.

You are hereby notified that this matter may be rescheduled without further notice or publication.
A copy of said Petition can be obtained from the undersigned Clerk at his office at 12093 Winfield Road, Ste. 12, Winfield, WV 25213.

ENTERED by the Clerk of said Court this 1st day of April, 2024.
Stephanie M. Smith
Putnam County Circuit Clerk
4-11-2t

LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT
IN THE FAMILY COURT OF PUTNAM COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA
Case No. 24-D-92
IN RE:
The Marriage of:
Lori Rush
Petitioner
and
Preston Broyles
Respondent

ORDER OF PUBLICATION
THE OBJECT OF THIS SUIT IS TO OBTAIN A DIVORCE. THIS IS A PUBLICATION

LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT

FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2024 - JUNE 30, 2025
LEVY ESTIMATE - BUDGET DOCUMENT
STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA
MUNICIPALITY OF BUFFALO, WEST VIRGINIA

In accordance with Code § 11-8-14, as amended, the Council proceeded to make an estimate of the amounts necessary to be raised by levy of taxes for the current fiscal year, and does determine and estimate the several amounts to be as follows:
The amount due and the amount that will become due and collectible from every source during the fiscal year INCLUDING THE LEVY OF TAXES, is as follows:

Table with 2 columns: REVENUE SOURCE and Amount. Includes Unassigned Fund Balance (450,000), Property Taxes - Current Expense (97,992), Gas & Oil Severance Tax (4,000), Excise Tax on Utilities (50,000), Business and Occupation Tax (100,000), Fines, Fees & Court Costs (1,000), Licenses (750), Franchise Fees (1,000), IRP Fees (Interstate Registration Plan) (15,000), Rents, Royalties and Concessions (8,000), Gaming Income (10,000), Interest Earned on Investments (150), Video Lottery (LVL) (500), Miscellaneous Revenues (2,500). TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUE (GENERAL FUND) \$ 740,892

Table with 2 columns: COAL SEVERANCE TAX FUND REVENUE SOURCE and Amount. Includes Assigned Fund Balance (\$ 1,500), Coal Severance Tax (4,000). TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUE (COAL SEVERANCE FUND) \$ 5,500

Table with 4 columns: ESTIMATED CURRENT EXPENDITURES, General Fund, Coal Severance Fund, Amount. Includes Mayor's Office (12,300), City Council (9,050), Recorder's Office (8,725), City Attorney (5,000), Engineering (5,000), Rehabilitation of Property (15,000), Regional Development Authority (500), City Hall (117,450), Other Buildings (13,000), Contingencies (50,000), Police Department (84,000), Police Special Duty (34,000), Street & Highways (77,867), Street Lights (15,000), Signs & Signals (5,000), Parks & Recreation (104,000), Fair Associations/Festivals (15,000), Library (5,000), Beautification Programs (15,000), Capital Projects - General Government (150,000). TOTAL ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES \$ 740,892 \$ 4,000

MUNICIPALITY OF BUFFALO, WEST VIRGINIA
Regular Current Expense Levy
FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2022 - JUNE 30, 2023

Table with 4 columns: Certificate of Valuation Assessed Value for Tax Purposes, Levy Rate/\$100, Taxes Levied. CLASS I: Personal Property (\$ 0, 12.50, \$ 0), Public Utility (0, 0, 0), Total Class I (0, 0, 0). CLASS II: Real Estate (19,165,950, 25.00, 47,915), Personal Property (187,410, 469), Total Class II (19,353,360, 48,384). CLASS IV: Real Estate (4,740,600, 50.00, 23,703), Personal Property (3,856,829, 19,284), Public Utility (3,206,385, 16,032), Total Class IV (11,803,814, 59,109), Total Value & Projected Revenue \$ 31,157,174 \$ 107,403

Less Delinquencies, Exonerations, Uncollectable Taxes 5.00% 5,370
Less Tax Discounts (use Total Projected Revenue to calculate) 2.00% 2,041
Less Allowance for Tax Increment Financing if Applicable 0
Total Projected Property Tax Collection 99,992
Less Assessor's Valuation Fund 2.00% 2,000

Net Amount to be Raised by Levy of Property Taxes \$ 97,992

STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA
COUNTY OF PUTNAM
MUNICIPALITY OF BUFFALO, WEST VIRGINIA

I, Amy F. Coleman, Recording Officer of said municipality, do hereby certify that the foregoing are true copies from the record of the orders made and entered by said council on the 1st day of April 2024.

Amy F. Coleman
Interim Recorder
4-11-2t

LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT
LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT

PUTNAM COUNTY EARLY VOTING SCHEDULE FOR MAY 14, 2024, PRIMARY ELECTION
WEDNESDAY, May 1 8:00 A.M. - 4:00 P.M.
THURSDAY, May 2 8:00 A.M. - 7:00 P.M.
FRIDAY, May 3 8:00 A.M. - 4:00 P.M.
SATURDAY, May 4 9:00 A.M. - 5:00 P.M.
MONDAY, MAY 6 8:00 A.M. - 4:00 P.M.
TUESDAY, MAY 7 8:00 A.M. - 4:00 P.M.
WEDNESDAY, MAY 8 8:00 A.M. - 4:00 P.M.
THURSDAY, MAY 9 8:00 A.M. - 7:00 P.M.
FRIDAY, MAY 10 8:00 A.M. - 4:00 P.M.
SATURDAY, MAY 11 9:00 A.M. - 5:00 P.M.

NOTE: SATURDAY, MAY 11, IS THE LAST DAY OF EARLY VOTING
VOTER REGISTRATION DEADLINE FOR PRIMARY ELECTION IS TUESDAY, APRIL 23, 2024
Primary Election Day, May 14, 2024, 6:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. at individual precincts throughout the county

Early voting will take place on the 2nd floor of the COURTHOUSE and VALLEY PARK CONFERENCE CENTER
4-18-24

LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT
LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT

Qualified Newspapers
Only newspapers with a bonafide circulation are qualified to publish legal advertisements. A free distribution newspaper has a bonafide circulation of zero and does not meet state code requirements.
The Breeze is qualified to publish all legal advertisement pertaining to Putnam County.

Submission Deadline
The deadline for submissions to the Breeze is Sunday at 8 p.m.
Submissions may be emailed to:
hurricanebreeze@citynet.net

LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT
BY CLASS II LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT.
To the Above-Named Respondent:
It appearing by affidavit filed in this action that Preston Broyles is a non-resident of the State of West Virginia or has an unknown address. It is hereby ordered that Preston Broyles serve upon Putnam County Circuit Clerk's Office, whose address is 12093 Winfield Road, Ste. 12, Winfield, West Virginia, an Answer, including any related counterclaim or defense you may have to the Petition for Divorce filed in this action on or before May 8, 2024. If you fail to Answer the Petition for Divorce, a judgment may be taken against you for the relief demanded in the Petition.

A copy of said Petition can be obtained from the undersigned Clerk's Office.
Entered by the Clerk of said Court, April 8, 2024.
STEPHANIE SMITH/jc
Clerk of the Court
4-18-2t

LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE
Pursuant to of the authority vested by that certain Deed of Trust dated April 8, 2015, made by **KIM A. WHITTINGTON** and **AMY D. WHITTINGTON**, to J. R. Wilson, Trustee, of record in the Office of the Clerk of the County Commission of Putnam County, West Virginia in Trust Deed Book 1096, Page 599, and the undersigned, Eric S. Embree was appointed as Trustee by Appointment of Successor of Trustee dated March 13, 2024, of record in the aforesaid Clerk's Office in Trust Deed Book 1361, page 136. The borrower defaulted under the Note and Deed of Trust and the Trustee has been instructed to foreclose under the Deed of Trust. Accordingly, the Trustee will sell the following described property to the highest bidder at the front door of the Courthouse of Putnam County, West Virginia, on **THURSDAY, MAY 9, 2024 AT 10:00 AM.**

All of that certain lot or parcel of land together with the improvements thereon and the appurtenances thereunto belonging, situate in Pocca District, Putnam County, West Virginia, purportedly having the street address of 1002 Dairy RD, (formerly 11 Dairy RD) Pocca, WV 25159, and being more particularly bounded and described as follows:

BEGINNING at an iron pin in the south boundary line of the State Road, said iron being a common corner to the lot conveyed to Bobby Thompson by deed recorded in the Office of the Clerk of the County Commission of Putnam County, West Virginia, in Deed Book 11, at Page 17; thence running up the hill South 01° 15' East a distance of 187.00 feet to an iron pin 111 a fence line; thence continuing with the fence line North 74° W. a distance of 18.00 feet (erroneously shown as 81.00 feet in prior deed); thence continuing with the fence line North 56° 00' West a distance of 181.00 feet to an iron pin in the fence line (said call omitted in prior deed); thence with the fence down the hill North 15° 00' East a distance of 81.67 feet to an iron pin located 6' East of a 24" culvert under the road; thence running with the boundary line of Dairy Road North 87° 00' a distance of 148.00 feet to the point of beginning, and containing 0.49 acres, more or less, as the same is shown upon that certain map entitled, "Map of Parcel Of Land From Harold Bailey, Pocatalico District, Putnam County, West Virginia, Out Of A Tract Owned By J.B. and Virgie Bailey", said map dated the 10th day of November, 1956, and prepared by N.L. Rose, R.P.E., recorded in the Office of the Clerk of the County Commission of Putnam County, West Virginia, in Deed Book 128, at Page 185.

Being the same real estate conveyed unto Kim A. Whittington and Amy D. Whittington, husband and wife, by deed dated July 5, 2000, and executed by John A. Hackett and Debra K. Hackett, husband and wife, and of record in the Office of the Clerk of the County Commission of Putnam County, West Virginia, in Deed Book 412, at Page 695.

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

TERMS OF SALE:

1) The property will be conveyed in an "AS IS" physical condition by deed containing no warranty, express or implied, subject to the Internal Revenue Service right of redemption, all property taxes, prior deeds, liens, reservations, encumbrances, restrictions, rights of way, easements, covenants, conveyances and conditions of record in the Clerk's office or affecting the subject property. In the event that there are federal tax liens against the property, the United States would have the right to redeem the property within a period of one hundred twenty (120) days from the date of such sale or the period allowable for redemption under the local law, whichever is longer. Any buyer is advised to retain counsel before the sale.

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

3) The Purchaser will be responsible for a buyer's premium due to Joe R Pyle Complete Auction & Realty Service.

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

5) The Trustee reserves the right to continue the sale of the subject property from time to time by written or oral proclamation, which continuance shall be in the sale discretion of the Trustee. Should the Trustee not appear at the time appointed for the sale and there is no notice posted of a continuance please contact the office of the Trustee to make further inquiry. Any sale may be conducted or adjourned by the designated agent or attorney of the Trustee. The undersigned is fully vested with the authority to sell said property as Trustee by instrument of record.

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

7) The total purchase price is payable to the Trustee by cashier's check, cash or the equivalent within thirty (30) days of the date of sale, with ten percent (10%) of the total purchase price payable to the Trustee at sale by cashier's check, cash or the equivalent. If the purchaser at the sale is unable to complete the terms of purchase within thirty (30) days, the Trustee reserves the right to transfer the property to the next highest bidder.

8) Should any party have any inquires, objections the sale or protests regarding the sale, or request regarding the sale, please notify the Trustee below.

9) The part(ies) secured by the Deed of Trust reserve the right to purchase the property at such sale.

Given under my hand this 10th day of April, 2024.

ERIC S. EMBREE
Tyree, Embree & Associates, PLLC
3564 Teays Valley Road
Hurricane, West Virginia 25526
T: (304) 757-0021

LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT

Email: eric@tyreeembree.com
Successor Trustee
4-18-2t

LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE
Pursuant to of the authority vested by that certain Deed of Trust dated June 30, 2016, made by **KIM A. WHITTINGTON** to J. R. Wilson, Trustee, of record in the Office of the Clerk of the County Commission of Putnam County, West Virginia in Trust Deed Book 1132, Page 830, and the undersigned, Eric S. Embree was appointed as Trustee by Appointment of Successor of Trustee dated January 5, 2020, of record in the aforesaid Clerk's Office in Trust Deed Book 1233, page 676. The borrower defaulted under the Note and Deed of Trust and the Trustee has been instructed to foreclose under the Deed of Trust. Accordingly, the Trustee will sell the following described property to the highest bidder at the front door of the Courthouse of Putnam County, West Virginia, on **THURSDAY, MAY 9, 2024 AT 10:00 AM.**

All of the following described real estate, together with the improvements thereon and the appurtenances thereunto belonging, situate on Teays Valley Road, near Scary in Scott District, Putnam County, West Virginia, purportedly having addresses of 9810 Teays Valley RD (formerly 142 Teays Valley RD), 144 Beagle LN (formerly 144 Beagle Run RD) and 158 Beagle Run (formerly 148 Beagle Run RD), Scott Depot, WV 25560, and being more particularly bounded and described as follows:

PARCEL ONE: BEGINNING at a stake in the edge of said Teays Valley Road and in the dividing line between the M. H. McGrew 5 acre tract and the Paul Creighton 5 acre tract, thence running with said dividing line, S. 60E 43' W., 533 feet to a stake at the southeasterly corner of said M. H. McGrew 5 acre tract; thence running N. 34E 12' W., with the dividing line between the said M. H. McGrew 5 acre tract and the A. A. McGrew 5 acre tract, a distance of 83.6 feet to a stake in said line; thence running in a northeasterly direction parallel with the dividing line between the said M. H. McGrew 5 acre tract and the Paul Creighton 5 acre tract, a distance of 533 feet, more or less, to a stake in the edge of the Teays Valley Road and in the northeasterly property line of the said M. H. McGrew 5 acre tract; thence running with said line, S. 33E 31' E., a distance of 83.6 feet, more or less, to the beginning, containing one acre, more or less, and being part of the said M. H. McGrew 5 acre tract as laid out on the map of the Kirtley Home Sites, Scary, West Virginia.

PARCEL TWO: BEGINNING at a stake in the edge of the Teays Valley Road and in the dividing line between the Guy Richards 3 acre tract and the Ronnie L. Henson 1 acre tract, thence running with said dividing line, S. 60E 43' W., 533 feet to a stake at the southeasterly corner of the said Guy Richards 3 acre tract; thence running N. 34E 12' W., with the dividing line between the said Guy Richards 3 acre tract and the H. L. Hazelwood 5 acre tract, a distance of 83.6 feet to a stake in said line; thence running in a northeasterly direction, parallel with dividing line between the said Guy Richards 3 acre tract and the Ronnie L. Henson 1 acre tract, a distance of 533 feet, more or less, to a stake in the edge of the Teays Valley Road and in the northeasterly property line of said Guy Richards 3 acre tract; thence running with said line, S. 33E 31' E., a distance of 83.6 feet, more or less to the place of beginning, containing one acre, more or less, and being part of the Guy Richards 5 acre tract as laid out on the map of the Kirtley Home Sites, Scary, West Virginia.

Being the same real estate conveyed unto Kim A. Whittington by Ruby Maxine Adkins and Delbert Adkins, her husband, Glenna Wolfe and James O. Wolfe, her husband, by deed dated April 20, 1998, and recorded in the Office of the Clerk of the County Commission of Putnam County, West Virginia in Deed Book 391, page 384. It is the intention of this notice to sell the secured property by proper description as was intended to be transferred and conveyed in the aforesaid deed of trust.

TERMS OF SALE:

1) The property will be conveyed in an "AS IS" physical condition by deed containing no warranty, express or implied, subject to the Internal Revenue Service right of redemption, all property taxes, prior deeds, liens, reservations, encumbrances, restrictions, rights of way, easements, covenants, conveyances and conditions of record in the Clerk's office or affecting the subject property. In the event that there are federal tax liens against the property, the United States would have the right to redeem the property within a period of one hundred twenty (120) days from the date of such sale or the period allowable for redemption under the local law, whichever is longer. Any buyer is advised to retain counsel before the sale.

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

3) The Purchaser will be responsible for a buyer's premium due to Joe R Pyle Complete Auction & Realty Service.

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

5) The Trustee reserves the right to continue the sale of the subject property from time to time by written or oral proclamation, which continuance shall be in the sale discretion of the Trustee. Should the Trustee not appear at the time appointed for the sale and there is no notice posted of a continuance please contact the office of the Trustee to make further inquiry. Any sale may be conducted or adjourned by the designated agent or attorney of the Trustee. The undersigned is fully vested with the authority to sell said property as Trustee by instrument of record.

6) The Trustee shall be under no duty to cause any existing tenant or person occupying the property to vacate the property, and any personal property and/or

LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT

belongings remaining at the property after the foreclosure sale will be deemed to constitute ABANDONED PROPERTY AND WILL BE DISPOSED OF ACCORDINGLY.

7) The total purchase price is payable to the Trustee by cashier's check, cash or the equivalent within thirty (30) days of the date of sale, with ten percent (10%) of the total purchase price payable to the Trustee at sale by cashier's check, cash or the equivalent. If the purchaser at the sale is unable to complete the terms of purchase within thirty (30) days, the Trustee reserves the right to transfer the property to the next highest bidder.

8) Should any party have any inquires, objections the sale or protests regarding the sale, or request regarding the sale, please notify the Trustee below.

9) The part(ies) secured by the Deed of Trust reserve the right to purchase the property at such sale.

Given under my hand this 10th day of April, 2024.

ERIC S. EMBREE
Tyree, Embree & Associates, PLLC
3564 Teays Valley Road
Hurricane, West Virginia 25526
T: (304) 757-0021
Email: eric@tyreeembree.com
Successor Trustee
4-18-2t

LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT

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

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

Estate No.: 5654
Estate Of: Paul Edward Cross
Executrix: Sherri Lynn Cross
3700 Cambridge Drive
Hurricane, WV 25526

Estate No.: 5605
Estate Of: Allen Uvalde Davis
Executrix: Carolyn Sue Davis
8215 Fillmore
Houston, TX 77029

Estate No.: 5688
Estate Of: Doris Ruth Davis
Executrix: Diane L Wysong
1316 Buff Creek Road
Hurricane, WV 25526

Estate No.: 5590
Estate Of: Gary Allen Luikart
Administrator: Denver C Luikart Jr
18 Margaret Street
Poca, WV 25159

Estate No.: 5672
Estate Of: Shirley Ann Parliament
Executrix: Aaron Copley
122 Dominic Drive
Scott Depot, WV 25560

Estate No.: 5616
Estate Of: Charles Keith Ranson
Executrix: Deborah Kay Snedegar
8350 McClane Pike
Liberty, WV 25124

Estate No.: 5686
Estate Of: Virgie Lee Dawson
Executrix: Skeens
Henry G Dawson
4421 Poca River
Road North
Poca, WV 25159

Estate No.: 5685
Estate Of: Janet Gail Wymer
Executrix: Diane E Sanders
9458 Teays Valley Road
Scott Depot, WV 25560

All persons having claims against the estate(s) of any of the above-named deceased persons whether due or not, are notified to exhibit their claims with vouchers thereof, legally verified, to the fiduciary of such deceased person as shown above within 60 days of April 18, 2024; or, if not, to exhibit the same at the office of the undersigned Fiduciary Supervisor at the address shown below by said date; otherwise any or all such claims may by law be excluded from all benefits of said estate(s). No claims against the estate shall be accepted by the fiduciary supervisor after said date. All beneficiaries of said estate(s) may appear either before the above-named fiduciary by the date first shown above, or thereafter before the undersigned fiduciary supervisor by the date last shown above to examine said claims and otherwise protect their respective interests.

All persons seeking to impeach or establish a will must file a complaint pursuant to W. Va. Code. Any person objecting to the representative's qualifications, venue or jurisdiction must file a complaint within 60 days of April 18, 2024.

Subscribed and sworn to before me on the 10th day of April 2024.

Fiduciary Supervisor
Putnam County Commission
10293 Winfield Road,
Winfield, WV 25213
4-18-2t

LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT

IN THE FAMILY COURT OF MASON COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA

IN RE: The Marriage / Children Of:
TRENT ROUSH
AND
CANDANCE ROUSH

CASE NO.: 09-D-25
TO THE RESPONDENT:
It is hereby ORDERED that the Respondent serve upon Joseph Hunter, Petitioners' attorney, whose address is 3744 Teays Valley Road, Suite 207, Hurricane, West Virginia, 25526, an answer, including any related counter claim or defense you may have to the Petition filed in this action no later than 20 days after the date of the first publication thereof and do what is necessary to protect your interests. If you fail to do so, thereafter judgement, upon proper hearing, may be taken against you for the relief demanded in the Petition. This matter shall come on for a Final Hearing on the 13th day of May, 2024, at the hour of 10:00 a.m. at which time you may appear to protect your interest, if you so desire so.

A copy of said Petition can be obtained from the undersigned Clerk at the Circuit Court of Mason County, West Virginia.

4-11-2t

LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT

Legal Notice

Town of Buffalo

There will be a Public Hearing held at the regular council meeting of the Town of Buffalo on Tuesday, May 6, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. to approve the Lease of Property to the Buffalo Church of God. The floor will be open to comments from citizens at that time. Authorized by Conrad Cain, Mayor.

4-18-2t

Putnam County Marriages

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

Stephen Michael Searls to Ashley Renae Fain
Larry Eugene Neal to

Melody Rae Stewart
Brandon Josphe Wiggins to Mariah Nyshell Thompson

Jacob Franklin Douglas to Georgianna Grace Rader
Isaac Emmanuel Mitchell to Starr Chentelle Lewis

James Adger Ferguson to Camryn Nicole Bloedel
Christopher Scott Wickline to Taylor Alexa Watts

Oscar Fodolfo Lemus to Adriana Yvette Campuzano
Barry Grant Howell to Brandi Renee Templeton

Joseph Michael Ranson to Cheyenne Danielle Messer

Jaylan Gage Fugate to Kelly Dawn Haynes
Jeffrey Shane Branham to Jessica Dawn Melton

Matthew Payne Newcomer Holstein to Madison Kayley Taylor
Austin Lee Starcher to Cassidy Nicole Shamblen

Marriage Licenses were issued to the following individuals during March which marriages were not recorded as of March 31, 2024:

Brian William Eck to Stefanie Dawn Caldwell
Matthew Charles Hale to Myia Josephine Hill

Vladislav Jacob Johns to Cassidy Blake Maynard
Neil Scott Clark to June Elizabeth Bailey

Evan Lee Flora to Baylee Nicole Holmes
Billy Joe Setliff to Carolyn Kay Gillispie

Carl Edward Crouch to Alisha Dawn Williams
Shaun Michael Saxton to Brytani Nykole Dailey

Timothy Justin Allison to Ashley Diane Smith
Austin Taylor Park to Lauren Kylie Corbett

Jacob Greye Kessler to Brooke Nicole Smith
John Brian Hutchins to Michelle Lynn Taylor

Online Tool Available to Help Voters View Sample Ballot for the May 14 Primary Election

Sample Ballots for West Virginia's May 14 Primary Election are now available online for registered voters to review before they vote.

According to WV Secretary of State Mac Warner, the Sample Ballots available through the search tool are specific to the voter's residential address and take into consideration the voter's Congressional, Senatorial, Delegate, and in some cases, Municipal Districts. Some of the Primary Election ballots may also include local bonds and tax levies for voters to consider.

"We are asking voters to take a little time to educate themselves before they go to vote to learn more about the candidates and the initiatives that will be on their ballot," said Secretary Warner.

"The online search tool for Sample Ballots is safe and accurate to use."

Warner said that there are 1,691 precincts throughout the state for the upcoming May 14 Primary Election.

To learn more about the upcoming election, to request an absentee ballot, to register to vote, or to become a poll worker, please visit GoVoteWV.com - a secure website hosted by the WV Secretary of State's Office.

Warner also reminds citizens that April 23 is the last day to register to vote to be eligible to participate in the May 14 Primary Election. Registered voters who have moved or changed their name since the last election should update their voter registration.

The Hurricane Breeze
On-Line Edition
Available below single copy price
Go to: hurricanebreezenews.com

Qualified Newspapers
Only newspapers with a bonafide circulation are qualified to publish legal advertisements. A free distribution newspaper has a bonafide circulation of zero and does not meet state code requirements.

The Breeze is qualified to publish all legal advertisement pertaining to Putnam County.

Trail Run & Walk
May 4, 2024 @ 9 AM
Meeks Mountain Trails, Hurricane WV

Sign up today!



<https://apptiming.com/race/1665>



CPL. FULKS MEMORIAL 5K & 10K

Putnam County Earth Day EXTRAVAGANZA

FRIDAY
APRIL 19th
2024
2PM-4PM

EARTH DAY STATIONS HOSTED BY GROUPS AND ORGANIZATIONS FROM AROUND THE AREA!

email: rob.vanater@pcswa.org for questions!
call: 681-235-3276 or 304-541-3858





Fillers Page

Edited by Betsy Allen



Fillers from Linda

Submitted by Linda~Lavender Armstead
Washington Hill Road, Hurricane



How you talk to your parents says a lot about you; I don't care how old you are.

Wellness is not a one-size-fits all approach; tailor it to your unique needs.

If you don't fight for what you want, then don't cry for what you lost.

I wish I could get a refund for all the love I've wasted on people.

Old age is when it takes you longer to get over a good time than to have it.

God loves us all with a mighty love that has no beginning and has no end.

When I was young, I was poor, but after years of hard work, I'm no longer young.

Don't let the funeral director host your next reunion. Love your family and be involved while they're still living.

One small crack does not mean that you are broken. It means that you were put to the test and you didn't fall apart.

The sun himself is weak when he first rises, and gathers strength and courage as the day goes on. - Charles Dickens

Until you actually possess true peace with God, no one can describe its wonders to you. - Billy Graham

Never change your originality for the sake of others because no one can play your role better than you.

I've entered the snapdragon part of my life. Part of me has snapped and the other part of me is dragging.

If you have the choice between being right and being kind, choose being kind and you'll always be right.

"The quick brown fox jumps over the lazy dog" uses every letter in the English alphabet.

I thought it was the clothes dryer that made our clothes shrink. Turns out it is the fridge.

They always say time changes things, but you actually have to change them yourself.

When you start counting your blessings, your whole life can turn around.

I'm so old I remember when cashiers counted your change back to you.

You are what you love, not what loves you.

A doggie's compassion for love holds no bounds.

You will never get any more out of life than you expect.

Humility is not thinking less of yourself; it is thinking of yourself less.

Every person that you

When you are going through something hard and wonder where God is remember, the teacher is always quiet during a test.

The bond between a human and a doggie is truly special. It's a love that transcends words and lasts a lifetime.

We enter life with an inhale; we exit life with an exhale. And in between, we live for those moments that take our breath away.

We serve as canvases for His brush stroke, paper for His pen, soil for His seeds, and glimpses of His image. - Max Lucado

When our doggies get old, sometimes they need us to carry them. It is repayment for all the times they carried us.

The man who earns a million but destroys his health in the process is not really a success.

Health is not just about what you're eating. It's also about what you're thinking and saying.

Sunday is the golden clasp that bind together the volume of the week. - Henry Wadsworth Longfellow

A teacher's job is not to prepare students for something. Their job is to help students prepare themselves for anything.

Prayer is not a spare wheel that you pull out when you are in trouble. Use it as a steering wheel that keeps you on the right path throughout your life.

It's hard to take life seriously when you know an hour after your funeral folks are going to be laughing and eating chicken.

Don't depend too much on anyone in this world because even your own shadow leaves you when you are in darkness.

Your present circumstances don't determine where you can go; they merely determine where you start.

The most painful tears are not the ones that fall from your eyes and cover your face. They're the ones that fall from your heart and cover your soul.

Help when you can. Be there when you can. Encourage when you can. A truly happy life comes from giving more than you take.

Pride makes us artificial, and humility makes us real.

Silence is sometimes the best answer.

Enthusiasm is the great hill-climber.

Life is a long lesson in humility.

West Virginia, a state where you need to pay for a decal on your car that says your vehicle is fit for the road, on roads that aren't fit for a vehicle.

Be at war with your vices, at peace with your neighbors, and let every new year find you a better man. - Benjamin Franklin

Franklin

Clothesline Weather

By Velma Kitchens of Culloden

I like hanging my sheets and pillow cases on my clothesline. I also hang rugs -small ones as my washer does not do well with a bulky load of rugs. I usually take them to the laundromat and use the heavy duty washer - not many around since George's went out of business. Since it is a beautiful day today, I did hang some bed linens on the line. I even took down some curtains and washed them and put them on the clothesline also.

There is just something about a clothesline that reminds me of my childhood. My mom used to hand clothes on the clothesline until she got a dryer. Of course, the dryer is more convenient, but there is just something about using the sunshine and the things that the Lord has given us to use in our everyday lives. My mom would hang clothes on the clothesline in winter and the clothes freeze dried. Those were to good ole days - or not. I really am thankful for my washer and dryer.

I don't like curtains. I never did like taking them down and washing drying and hanging back up. I have blinds in one room and, no, I have no curtains over them. Just one more thing to do. I do think you should close your curtains after dark. We always did that growing up, and it is a habit i have never outgrown.

House work is never ending. There is always something to do and you young moms know what I am talking about. When I drive through an area and I see clothes on the line, I usually slow down and look and I think what a sight. Someone who uses a clothesline. Saving energy and using the sun.

Of course, this is April and there are some cold days ahead. Remember, it can frost until the middle of May.

April Showers

By Miriam "Connie" Harbert

April is the month of sowers

It buds the trees, the Grass, the flowers

Even the bees like April showers

And when April showers go away

Here it comes, the month of May



Jokes From Linda

Submitted by Linda Lavender Armstead



The math teacher saw that Betsy wasn't paying attention in class. She called on her and said, "Betsy, what are 2 and 4 and 28 and 44?"

Betsy quickly replied, "ABC, CBS, HBO, and the cartoon channel!"

What has four wheels and flies?

A Garbage truck.

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.

Celebrate Spring with Brunch Favorites

(Family Features) Few things go together quite like fresh spring air, warm sunshine and a menu made up of delicious brunch bites. Whether you're hosting a crowd or simply gathering your loved ones around the family table for quality time together, a menu of morning favorites can appease appetites of all kinds.

From sweet to savory and back again, you can turn your mid-morning meal into a full-blown feast with a menu made up of pleasing dishes such as this French Toast Casserole, which can serve as a make-ahead twist on the breakfast classic.

Find more recipes to inspire your next brunch menu at Culinary.net.

Warm Up with a Fresh Casserole

An exciting twist on a breakfast classic, it's hard to beat this French Toast Casserole when putting together your brunch spread. Crisp on top while soft and moist in the middle, it comes fresh out of the oven with the aroma of maple syrup and pecans that will have the whole house eager for a bite. It's easy enough to make fresh in the morning but can also be prepared the night before so all you have to do is add the topping and pop it in the oven.

French Toast Casserole

- 1 loaf French bread (about 1 1/2 pounds), cut into 1-inch cubes
- 5 large eggs
- 1 1/2 cups unsweetened milk
- 2 tablespoons brown sugar
- 2 teaspoons vanilla extract
- 1 teaspoon cinnamon
- 1/4 teaspoon nutmeg
- 1/4 teaspoon sea salt
- maple syrup, for serving
- Topping:
- 2 tablespoons unsalted butter or coconut oil, melted
- 2 tablespoons brown sugar
- 1/2 cup chopped pecans
- 1 cup frozen strawberries
- 1 cup frozen blueberries
- confectioners' sugar, for dusting

Grease 9-by-13-inch baking dish. Place bread cubes in baking dish. In large bowl, whisk eggs, milk, brown sugar, vanilla, cinnamon, nutmeg and salt. Pour mixture evenly over bread cubes.

If making casserole ahead, cover baking dish and refrigerate overnight. If baking immediately, let stand 30 minutes at room temperature to allow bread to soak up egg mixture.

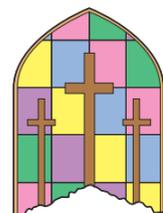
Preheat oven to 350 F.

To make topping: Drizzle casserole with melted butter and sprinkle with brown sugar and pecans. Top with strawberries and blueberries.

Cover and bake 35 minutes then uncover and bake 10-20 minutes, or until topping is browned and egg mixture has mostly set.

Remove from oven, cover loosely with foil and let stand 10 minutes. Dust with confectioners' sugar. Serve with maple syrup.

Bible Verse



The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases; his mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness.

—Lamentations 3:22-23

ALWAYS THERE



Once upon a time a boy wandered deep into the woods. As the sun sank behind the trees, the boy panicked, not knowing which direction to go. Discouraged, he began to lose hope until suddenly he remembered...on his keychain was a small glowing compass his father had given him. Never used, it was nearly forgotten... always there, it was a guide to safety. Our Heavenly Father has given us a guide to safety...the light of His Word can be our guide as we wander through forest of life. Visit your house of worship each week and let God help you find your way out of darkness.

Photo Credit: istockphoto.madig

Daily Bible Readings

Isaiah	Isaiah	Isaiah	Isaiah	Isaiah	Isaiah	Isaiah
25:1-9	26:1-19	33:17-24	35:1-10	40:1-17	40:18-31	42:1-17

Scriptures Selected by the American Bible Society X Daily Devotional at www.AmericanBible.org

©2024 Keister-Williams Newspaper Services, P.O. Box 8187, Charlottesville, VA 22906, www.kwnews.com

BASIC BIBLE

By Ron Allen
304-562-9881

Healing on the Sabbath

Luke 6:1-11

Do not cross the street without looking both ways. There is a reason that mothers and fathers give this instruction. They do not want their child to put him or herself in harm's way. A child can religiously obey this instruction and still perish. Looking both ways and then stepping into the path of a speeding vehicle will not save anyone. The consequence of failing to consider the intent of instruction can be fatal.

God, in His commandment given to Moses, stated that no work was to be performed upon the sabbath (Ex. 20:10). God had a reason for giving this instruction. God gave this instruction because He wants men to be mindful that in six days He created the heaven and the earth and that He rested upon the seventh day. God did not give men a mindless act to perform. God told man to recognize His act of creation by resting on the seventh day as He rested on the seventh day. God would have all men know Him.

In the text before us, the Pharisees took issue with the fact that the disciples plucked ripe kernels of grain from stalks growing in the field and proceeded to eat the kernels. The issue with the Pharisees was the fact that this took place upon on the sabbath day. They asked: "Why do ye that which is not lawful to do on the sabbath days?"

Eating the kernels, in itself, was not unlawful. The Pharisees considered it unlawful because physical effort was involved in separating the husks from the kernels. Silly? Yes, there are numerous comical scenarios which one can envision. Mashed potatoes could be eaten on the sabbath only if mashed the day before.

Jesus did not directly challenge the Pharisees' interpretation of work. Instead, He directed their attention to an act performed by David which involved an unquestionable disregard of the law of Moses (See I Sam. 21:1-6). Through His question, Jesus required them to examine their traditions in the light of the scriptures. They could not condemn the actions of the disciples without bringing a similar condemnation upon David.

Jesus then declared to them that "the Son of Man is Lord also of the sabbath."

Jesus used the term, the Son of Man, to refer to Himself. The literal and spiritual meanings of the term are far different. All who are born of woman have a claim to this title from a literal perspective because all are members of the human race. The spiritual meaning is revealed to men through the Holy Spirit (see Matt. 16:16-17). The Holy Spirit declares the Son of Man to be the Christ, the Son of the living God. The Son of Man is God manifest in the flesh. There is one and only one who qualifies spiritually as the Son of Man.

Jesus declared Himself to be the Lord of the sabbath. While it is not incorrect to view the term Lord of the sabbath as a statement of Christ's authority over the sabbath, one performs a disservice if one does not reflect upon Jesus as the literal Lord of the sabbath. The literal Lord of the sabbath is the Creator who made all things that were made in six days and rested upon the seventh. The literal Lord of the sabbath is the God who is to be honored through the act of sabbath keeping. Note that Jesus said: "the Son of man is Lord also of the sabbath" (v. 5). The Lord of the sabbath is both God the Father and God the Son.

Jesus' words did not sit well with the scribes and Pharisees. Their view of keeping the sabbath and Jesus' teaching had collided head-on. They were intent upon destroying Him (v. 7).

Jesus, knowing their thoughts, did not turn from the true intent of the commandment given to Moses. Jesus used the opportunity to bring glory to both God the Father and God the Son.

On the sabbath day, He instructed a man with a withered hand to stand in the midst of the assembly. With every eye focused upon the man, Jesus asked if it were lawful to do good or to do evil on the sabbath, or, lawful to save life or to destroy life. Jesus, then, answered His own question by commanding the man with the withered hand to stretch forth his hand. The man did and his hand was made whole.

All who witnessed the happening would agree that the restoration was good, but not all believed that the restoration was lawful. The scribes and the Pharisees were enraged at what Jesus had done. Through His act of healing upon the sabbath, He exposed the god [not God] which the scribes and Pharisees honored. Their god was of their own construction; it was a god of mindlessness who is honored by mindless obedience to the traditions of men. It was a god who was honored by ignoring the needs of mankind. It was not the great I AM who spoke to Moses on Sinai. Mindlessly keeping the law does not fulfill the law. To satisfy the law, one must keep the intent of the law.

God the Son honored God the Father by doing good upon the sabbath day. Honor is found in adhering to the intent of the law. Let us be obedient to our calling. Let us keep both the commandment to love one another and the commandment to declare His love to all who have the ears to hear such that they might receive the free gift of life eternal in the presence of Him who is love.

GILLISPIE TOWING
MEDIUM & LIGHT DUTY TOWING

304-562-5978
304-561-5998
Fax: 681-233-3363

Billy Gillispie
gillispieenterprises1@gmail.com

Oliver
Fuels & Oils, Inc.

"Petroleum Distributors Since 1950"
6819 MacCorkle Avenue
St. Albans, WV 25177

Phone: (304) 727-5549
Toll Free: 1-877-644-FUELS
Fax: (304) 727-5115
Hours: M-F 7:30-5 / Sat. 9-12

E-mail: oliverfuels@aol.com

Jill Oliver, President

- Gasolines & Diesel Fuels
- K-1 Kerosene
- Industrial Oils & Greases
- Site Tanks & Pumps
- Certified WVDOT-DBE & WBE

Concrete Replacement

Excavator, Land Clearing
Mini Excavator, Skid Steer

Roger Gibson
304-419-2424

BOBS BARBER SHOP
EST - 1968

Staff
Bob Arnold
Don Lorrison
Nathan Arnold
Robert (Al) Arnold
Phone 562-5707

Mon 9:00 - 5:30
Tue 8:00 - 5:30
Wed 8:00 - 5:30
Thurs 8:00 - 5:30
Fri 8:00 - 5:30
Sat 7:30 - 3:00

H&R BLOCK

168 Midland Trail
Hurricane, WV 25526
304-562-5122
Monday - Friday 9-7 Saturday 9-5
Off Season Hours; Mon, Wed, Fri 10-5

Allen Funeral Home

Jean, Greg and Wesley Allen
Hurricane, West Virginia

TOWN & COUNTRY SUPPLY

NITRO - Open 7 Days

WHY PAY MORE FOR LESS PROPANE?

20lb. OURS 15lb. EXCHANGE

LP Cylinders
Regulators & Hoses
Special Fittings
Home Installations
Commercial Delivery
Knowledgeable Staff

Southern States

WHITT'S FARM SUPPLY
2536 Main Street
HURRICANE, WEST VIRGINIA
Phone 562-5111

pco
Putnam County Bank

Member FDIC LENDER

WWW.PUTCOBK.COM

netranom
COMMUNICATIONS

www.netranom.com

Websites - Networks - Hosting
Phone Systems - Multimedia

2801 Virginia Avenue
Hurricane, WV
304.562.4700

Scott Edwards, Owner
Located in Old Town Hall

HENDERSON INSURANCE, INC.

All Forms of Insurance
SINCE 1949

3275 Teays Valley Road
Hurricane, WV 25526
304-562-9681

Metal Center Recycling

1191 James River Turnpike
Milton, West Virginia

M-F (8 am - 4 pm) Sat. (8 am - 11:30 am)

304-390-5746

HATCHER'S AUTO REPAIR LLC

Light Truck & Auto Repair
2188 Walton Road
CULLODEN, WV 25510
304-743-5867

Obituaries

ROSALEE JANE ASHLEY
Rosalee Jane Ashley, 74, of Poca, went home to be with the Lord on April 8, 2024, at home.

Rosalee retired from St. Francis Hospital and was a member of New Beginnings Church, St. Albans. She loved the Lord with all her heart, enjoyed church and loved helping others.

She is preceded in death by her parents Darrell and Delma Tolley.

She is survived by her daughter Natalie and her husband Mark; son Josh; granddaughter Katherine; and five siblings Wayne, Karen, David, Darrell, Jr., and Nancy.

A tribute to the life of Rosalee was held Friday, April 26, 2024 at Gatens-Harding Funeral Home Chapel with Pastor Mark Turley officiating.

JUNIOR BAYS

Junior Gay Bays, age 97, of Hamlin, joined his Heavenly Father on April 12, 2024.

Junior was born in Putnam County to the late Outher Elmer and Garnett Bays on February 26, 1927. His early life instilled in him a great work ethic and ingenuity. Junior married Christina Lovejoy on January 25, 1945 sharing 77 years of marriage. He joined the United States Army later the same year and proudly served as a rifleman and truck driver. He was a member of the American

Legion Milton Post 139 for over 60 years.

Junior was a farmer the majority of his life, and he enjoyed tinkering on projects in his garage. He lived a full life and will be remembered for his infectious sense of humor and many stories.

Junior is preceded in death by his wife, Christina Bays, and was blessed with a large and loving family—daughters Linda Bailey and Connie (Roger Garland) Chaney; sons Mike Landers and Bob (Bethany) Bays; ten grandchildren; twenty-three great-grandchildren; and twenty-one great-great-grandchildren.

Service was Wednesday, April 17, 2024, at Allen Funeral Home in Hurricane with Rev. David Vickers and Pete Trenum officiating. Burial was in Lawson Cemetery in Hamlin.

CHARLES T. BROWNING

Charles T. Browning, 92, of Scott Depot, WV passed away at home, April 12, 2024.

He was born December 29, 1931 to the late Ernest and Zella (Miller) Browning in Madison. In addition to his parents he is preceded in death by four sisters and two brothers.

Charles is survived by his loving wife Jackline; sons: Butch, Jerry, and Bill; granddaughter; Sarah; and a host of family and friends who

loved him dearly. A Gathering of Family and Friends will be 6:00 pm until 8:00 pm Friday, April 19, 2024 at Chapman Funeral Home, Hurricane.

BETTY JANE COLLINS

Betty Jane Collins, 83, passed away peacefully on Thursday, April 11, 2024 with her two daughters by her side.

Betty was born in Hamlin on February 7, 1941 to the late Buss Salmons and Marie Davis. In addition to her parents she was preceded in death by her husband Gary Collins; son; William Collins; and siblings: Sandra Robinson, William Salmons, and Ricky Davis.

Betty was a loving and caring person, a devoted wife, mother, and friend. She loved spending time with her family and scrapbooking fond memories with them, being outdoors tending to her garden and feeding the deer. Betty was loved and will be missed by many.

She is survived by her daughters: Tina (Danny) Young and Teresa Graham; step-daughter, Angela (Jimmy) Rapp; and grandchildren: Whitney and Wyatt Young, Ryan and Haleigh Rowe, and Peyton Vance.

Funeral service for Betty will be 1:00 pm Friday, April 19, 2024 at Chapman Funeral Home, Hurricane. Entombment will follow at Valley View Memorial Park, Hurricane.

For Results Try
The Breeze
Want Ads



West Virginia Statewide Classified Network

Featured in WVPA Newspapers Across West Virginia

HEALTH/MEDICAL

IS 2024 YOUR YEAR? We're here for it and here for you. Reach your goals this year with WeightWatch-ers. Get started with THREE months FREE, visit www.weightwatchersoffer.com/46

DONT LET THE STAIRS LIMIT YOUR MOBILITY! Discover the ideal solution for anyone who struggles on the stairs, is concerned about a fall or wants to regain access to their entire home. Call AmeriGlide today! 1-844-592-5113

PORTABLE OXYGEN CONCENTRATOR May Be Covered by Medicare! Reclaim independence and mobility with the compact design and long-lasting battery of Inogen One. Free information kit! Call 833-274-3943

DENTAL INSURANCE from Physicians Mutual Insurance Company. Coverage for 400 plus procedures. Real dental insurance - NOT just a discount plan. Do not wait! Call now! Get your FREE Dental Information Kit with all the details! 1-855-405-3412 www.dental50plus.com/press #6258

INTERNET/TV

DIRECTV OVER INTERNET - Get your favorite live TV, sports and local channels. 99% signal reliability! CHOICE Package, \$84.99/mo for 12 months. HBO Max and Premium Channels included for 3 mos (w/CHOICE Package or higher.) No annual contract, no hidden fees! Some restrictions apply. Call IVS 1-855-656-0296

GET DISH SATELLITE TV + INTERNET! Free Install, Free HD-DVR Upgrade, 80,000 On-Demand Movies. Plus Limited Time Up To \$600 In Gift Cards. Call Today! 1-855-736-4350

CONNECT TO THE BEST WIRELESS

HOME INTERNET WITH EARTHLINK. Enjoy speeds from 5G and 4G LTE networks, no contracts, easy installation, and da-ta plans up to 300 GB. Call 844-230-3640

HUGHESNET SATELLITE INTERNET - 25mbps starting at \$49.99/mo! Get More Data FREE Off-Peak Data. FAST download speeds. WiFi built in! FREE Standard Installation for lease customers! Limited Time, Call 1-877-567-2866

SWITCH AND SAVE up to \$250/year on your talk, text and data. No contract and no hidden fees. Unlim-ited talk and text with flexible data plans. Premium nationwide coverage. 100% U.S. based customer service. For more information, call 1-855-615-6411

JOBS

TRAIN ONLINE TO DO MEDICAL BILLING! Become a Medical Office Professional online at CTI! Get Trained, Certified & ready to work in months! Call 877-635-0244. The Mission, Program Information and Tuition is located at Career-Technical.edu/consumer-information. (M-F 8am-6pm ET)

MISCELLANEOUS

DONATE YOUR CAR, truck, boat, RV and more to support our veterans! Schedule a FAST, FREE vehicle pickup and receive a top tax deduction! Call Veteran Car Donations at 1-888-964-4167 today!

BATH & SHOWER UPDATES in as little as ONE DAY! Affordable prices - No payments for 18 months! Lifetime warranty & professional installs. Senior & Military Discounts available. Call: 844-601-2044

HANDS ON THE RIVER MASSAGE, Geraldine Gardner, LMT, 3422 Pennsylvania Ave., Charleston, WV. Call (304) 541-9139 for an appointment.

ELIMINATE GUTTER CLEANING FOREVER! LeafFilter, the most advanced debris-blocking gutter protection. Schedule a FREE LeafFilter estimate today. 20% off Entire Purchase. Plus 10% Senior & Military Discounts. Call 1-844-295-2840

BECOME A PUBLISHED AUTHOR. We want to Read Your Book! Dorrance Publishing-Trusted by Authors Since 1920. Book manuscript submissions currently being reviewed. Comprehensive Services: Consultation, Production, Promotion and Distribution Call for Your Author's Guide 1-833-675-6435 or visit dorrancein-fo.com/WV

PREPARE FOR POWER OUTAGES TODAY with a Generac Home Standby Generator. Act now to re-ceive a FREE 5-Year warranty with qualifying purchase. Call 1-844-901-2301 today to schedule a free quote. It's not just a generator. It's a power move.

UP TO \$15,000.00 OF GUARANTEED LIFE INSURANCE! No medical exam or health questions. Cash to help pay funeral and other final expenses. Call Physicians Life Insurance Company- 888-217-5559 or visit www.Life55plus.info/wv

SAFE STEP. NORTH AMERICAS #1 WALK-IN TUB. Comprehensive lifetime warranty. Top-of-the-line installation and service. Now featuring our FREE shower package and \$1600 Off for a limited time! Call today! Financing available. Call Safe Step 1-844-803-1282

AD RATES

Breeze Want Ad rate is 20¢ per word with a \$4.00 minimum

Place YOUR statewide ad today
Call the WV Press at (304) 342-1011



inogen
CLAIM YOUR 14-DAY RISK-FREE TRIAL!
PORTABLE OXYGEN FOR YOUR ON-THE-GO LIFESTYLE
Call us toll-free at 1-833-274-3943
*14-day risk-free trial. Return within 30 days of purchase for a full refund of purchase price.
PMA230469 EN, EX, USA | Rx Only | © 2023 Inogen, Inc. 301 Coronar Drive, Colton, CA 93117
Inogen® is a trademark of Inogen, Inc. The usage of any Inogen, Inc. trademark is strictly forbidden without the prior consent of Inogen, Inc. All other trademarks are trademarks of their respective owners or holders.

Donate Your Vehicle
Call (888) 964-4167 to donate your car, truck, boat, RV, and more today!

How it Works:

- Contact Us**
Call (888) 964-4167
- Schedule Pickup**
We'll pick up your vehicle for FREE - at a time and place convenient for you.
- Receive Top Tax Deduction**
You may qualify for a tax deduction.

- Support Veteran Nonprofits.
- Free Pickup & Towing.
- Top Tax Deduction.

Donate Your Vehicle Today
888-964-4167
Veteran Car Donations
While we appreciate every donation, in some cases, we find that we are unable to accept certain vehicles, watercraft, and/or recreational vehicles due to the prohibitive costs of acquisition. If you have any questions, please give us a call at (888) 964-4167

It's not just a generator. It's a power move.
Receive a free 5-year warranty with qualifying purchase* - valued at \$535.
Call 844-901-2301 to schedule your free quote!
*Terms and Conditions apply. **GENERAC**

Obituaries

Continued from Page 6

JUDITH CLAIR LOVEJOY

Judith Clair Caldwell-Adkins-Lovejoy, 74, of Red House, a loving soul and beloved mother, left this world Thursday, April 11, 2024 to join her dearly departed family in paradise. Born February 1, 1950 in Fayetteville, she was the daughter of the late Ernest "Mack" and Kathleen Caldwell. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Roy T. Lovejoy; and brothers, Terry and Wayne Caldwell.

Left to cherish her memory are her loving son, Scott Wayne Lovejoy of Red House; sisters, Nadine Greene of Cleveland, Ohio, and Dale Caldwell Young of Hurricane; as well as many nieces and nephews.

Judy's greatest joys were crafting and organizing her Hurricane High School Class of 1968 reunions, and Hills Dept. Store reunions. She was a joy to all her friends and they loved having her organize these events. She worked various jobs in her lifetime, including the Cleveland Metropolitan Hospital, Nitro Bowling Alley, Scottie's Drive Inn, Gino's Cross Lanes, an EMT driver in Cross Lanes, and a cook at Genesis Care Center, Teays Valley.

She will be missed by all her family and life-long friends. "Farewell, my baby sister, till we meet again, love you always".

Funeral service was Tuesday, April 16, 2024 at Raynes Funeral Home, Eleanor, with Pastor Donnie Fisher officiating. Burial was in Haven of Rest Memory Gardens, Red House.

MICHAEL DENNIS LYONS



Michael Dennis (Denny) Lyons, 71, of Murfreesboro, TN, went home to be with the Lord on Saturday, March 23, 2024 after a battle with cancer. He was preceded in death by his father Dennis Lyons and daughter Tammy

Lyons. Denny is survived by his beloved wife of 50 years Pamela Edwards Lyons, mother Emma Kathryn Lyons-Estep of Hurricane, his brother Timothy (Terry) Lyons of Huntsville, AL, his daughters Jennifer Kathryn (Stephen) Lyons Cain of Knoxville, TN, Cynthia Renee Lyons of Saint Louis, MO, and son Jon-Michael Dennis (Ashleigh) Lyons, granddaughters Lucille Lyons, Eleanor Lyons, Clara Can and grandson Walter Cain.

Denny was a graduate of St. Albans High School, class of 1970. Some of his high school honors include being selected to attend the Youth Leaders Camp of the WV National Guard at Camp Dawson and he was appointed to the Selective Service Youth Advisory Committee for WV in Washington, DC, to meet with the President of the United States for his recommendations and suggestions representing the state of WV. He received an appointment and attended the U.S. Air Force Academy and graduated with the class of 1974. Denny was an accomplished baseball player both in high school and at the academy. He was also a skilled organist, pianist and singer where he shared his skills in many churches. After serving in the U.S. Air Force, Caption Lyons turned his skills to civilian life. His dynamic personality and easy going demeanor made him a highly qualified fit for personnel management. In his civilian career he worked in a number of high level positions for various companies with a specialty of job placement.

Denny loved his family, loved life and loved Jesus. Nothing made him happier than to spend time with his wife, children and grandchildren. One of his favorite things to do was to go to his parents' beach cottage for family gatherings. A lot of family memories were made there. After retirement, Denny and Pam turned their extra time to travel and made many trips in the US and abroad including much of Europe.

Caption Lyons will be laid to rest with fully military rites at the U.S. Air Force Academy on October 2 at 10 a.m. in Colorado Springs during the 50 year reunion

of the class of 1974.

JUDY CHERE FERRELL

Judy C. Ferrell, 84, of Winfield, passed away April 9, 2024.

Funeral Service for Judy was Monday, April 15, 2024 at Chapman Funeral Home, Winfield.

Burial was in Donel C. Kinnard Memorial State Veterans Cemetery, Dunbar.

CLINTON DARREL MOSES

Clinton Darrel Moses, 64, of Zanesville, OH, passed away unexpectedly on April 8, 2024 at the James Cancer Hospital in Columbus, OH, surrounded by family. He was born on May 15, 1959 in Charleston, to the late Darrel and Verna Moses of Hurricane. Clinton graduated from Hurricane High School, attended the West Virginia State Police Academy, and worked as a deputy sheriff in Kanawha and Putnam County before starting a distinguished career with American Electric Power (AEP). He retired from AEP on February 2, 2024 after 39 years and 2 months of service.

Clinton was always willing to lend a hand. He loved to share all his wonderful knowledge and skills with his family, friends, and coworkers, though he could be stubborn when it came to asking someone else for help. It seemed there was nothing he could not do or figure out how to do. Clinton was an avid DeWalt power tool collector and loved diesel Ford trucks. He enjoyed traveling, spending time with family, going out to eat, and having play time outdoors with his five German shepherds.

Clinton is survived by his wife of 26 years Renee Moses, his children Summer Moses

of Gahanna, OH, Jared (Emily) Moses of Hurricane, WV, Chris (Risa) Manning of Loveland, OH, and Jaron (Emily) Paima of Zanesville, OH, his sister Dorenda Lee of Hurricane, WV, a host of grandchildren, two nieces, and several grand puppies.

A celebration of life will be held at a later date.

Thomas 'Jeff' Perry Thomas "Jeff" Perry, 67, of Scott Depot, passed away April 10, 2024 at CAMC Memorial with his family by his side.

He was born June 5, 1956 in Charleston, the son of Charles and Donna Adkins Perry. In addition to his parents he was preceded in death by brother, David Perry.

He worked for Local 625 for over 42 years. He was an avid outdoorsman, Dallas Cowboy Fan and spending time with family. A loving husband, father, grandfather, brother and friend that will be greatly missed by all who knew him.

He is survived by his loving wife of 47 years, Gloria, son, Brandon (Sarah) Perry, of Winfield, daughter, Shanna (Matt) McGrath, of Hurricane, grandchildren, Jacob, Conner, Kaleb, Brody, Vada, Lincoln, and Wyatt, brother, Tim Perry, of NC, and a host of family and friends.

And with honoring his wishes there will be no service.

WANDA RICE

Wanda Sue Searls Rice, 79, of Hurricane, passed away on April 8, 2024, after a sudden illness. She was a graduate of Hurricane High School; she was preceded in death by her husband Lewis Cass Rice and parents Earl and Zula Searls and sister-in-law Rita Searls. She is survived by her brother Paul Searls, niece, Kathy Anderson, and nephew,

Davis Searls all of Hurricane and several extended family members and friends.

Funeral service was Thursday, April 11, 2024, at Allen Funeral Home with Pastor Mark Finley officiating. Burial was in Mt. Olive Cemetery.

JUDY CAROL STRATTON

Judith Carol Stratton, 79, of Culloden, passed away on April 11, 2024 at her home.

She was preceded in death by her father: Willard Mays; husband: Clifford Stratton; and her brother: William Gene Mays.

Judy loved to cook, get her hair done on Saturdays, go shopping and spend time

with her family. She was a bookkeeper at the Same Ole Place and attended Lighthouse Baptist Church in Hurricane.

She is survived by her children: Robert Andrews Jr. (Paula Gibson) and Pamela Lewis (Hilton), both of Culloden; 10 grandchildren and 7 great-grandchildren, as well as many other family members.

Funeral Service for Judy was Wednesday, April 17, 2024 at Chapman Funeral Home, Hurricane.

Subscribe to the Breeze in Putnam County for Only \$25.00



- | | |
|--|--|
| RHEA FAITH HAYMAN
P.O. Box 422
Syracuse, Ohio
78th Birthday April 19 | DEBORAH SMITH
SAMPLES
Hurricane Creek Road
Winfield
53rd Birthday April 22 |
| JOYCE HODGES
#5 Bexley Drive
Hurricane
86th Birthday April 19 | MARCELLA
LINCOLNOGGER
2259 U S Hwy 60
Culloden
60th Birthday April 22 |
| LINDSAY HENDRICKS
3689 Martin Drive
Ona
Birthday April 19 | OLIVIA ELAINE TONEY
425 Buffington Acres
Milton
15th Birthday April 22 |
| REV. GILBERT SMITH JR
23055 Ashton-Upland
Road
Milton
Birthday April 19 | MADISON KATHERINE
HAGEE
Texas
11th Birthday April 22 |
| ROBIN CALL DAVIS
Sugar Camp Road
Winfield
58th Birthday April 19 | BRENDA LEWIS
McDANIEL
2693 Benedict Road
Culloden
75th Birthday April 22 |
| J B MILLER
Ashland, Kentucky
Birthday April 19 | DONNA SETLIFF
Sycamore Ridge
Hurricane
61st Birthday April 23 |
| MARSHA HASSIE-
KELLEY
P.O. Box 1102
Scott Depot
Birthday April 20 | MIKE MULLINS
Hurricane
54th Birthday April 23 |
| SHIRLEY CHANDLER
THOMAN
Lexington, North
Carolina
75th Birthday April 20 | DR. MANUEL MOLINA
217 Brentwood Road
Hurricane
65th Birthday April 23 |
| JERRY WELKER
Hurricane
78th Birthday April 20 | WILLIAM ALBERT
MAYNARD
Hurricane
63rd Birthday April 23 |
| EMILY BOWEN
2036 Wilson Street
Dunbar
32nd Birthday April 20 | JERRY WEARS
100 Riverview Road
Pliny
Birthday April 23 |
| LISA GAYLE FRANKLIN
North Carolina
Birthday April 20 | CLAYTON GENE
GRANT
3507 35th Street
Nitro
80th Birthday April 23 |
| JONATHAN OSTEN
Houston, Texas
29th Birthday April 20 | RONNIE ROACH
Rocky Step Road
Winfield
66th Birthday April 23 |
| JERRY "TINK" DANIELS
Winter Haven, Florida
76th Birthday April 22 | |

Eclipse Birthday



Barbra (Davis) Rooper of Teays Lane celebrated her 74th Birthday on April 8, during a total solar eclipse in Greenville, Ohio where totality lasted 3 minutes and 55 seconds!

Putnam History Society to Meet

The Upper Vandalia Historical Society, Putnam County's main history organization, will be offering a geological workshop with guest speaker Paul Hinman from Family Search.

The meeting will take place at 2 p.m. on Sunday, April 28, at Bancroft Church of God Mission, 5936 Charleston Road, Bancroft. Enter in rear of church building.

Online Safety Workshop

Forrest Burdette Memorial United Methodist Church, 2848 Putnam Avenue, Hurricane, will be hosting "Online Safety Starts With You" on Saturday, April 20. The program is presented by FBI Charleston, WV Resident Agency. There are two sessions: a youth session at 10 a.m. and a parent session at 11:15 a.m. Free to all children, parents, and educators.

- | | |
|--|--|
| SAM CRADDOCK
Hurricane
63rd Birthday April 23 | APRIL RICHARDS-
RUTHERFORD
Culloden
51st Birthday April 25 |
| LAUREN LINCOLN
WHITE
2102 11th Avenue
Huntington
38th Birthday April 23 | SCARLETT BALL
120 Deer Run Road
Huntington
15th Birthday April 25 |
| TARA CHAPMAN
14716 Old Vermillion
Drive
Huntersville, North
Carolina
43rd Birthday April 23 | DAVID HILLIARD
340 Jones Cove
Hurricane
69th Birthday April 25 |
| SHEILA ANN FISHER
SPAULDING
Hurricane
63rd Birthday April 23 | MIKE STARKS
2601 Larwood Drive
Charleston
78th Birthday April 25 |
| TAMI HANDLEY
Hurricane
Birthday April 24 | |
| BAYLEE HUDNALL
Mt. Olive Road
Frazier's Bottom
21st Birthday April 24 | |
| STACIE McCALLISTER
SHEETS
Culloden
51st Birthday April 24 | |
| TOM ARMSTEAD
1123 Turkey Creek Road
Hurricane
65th Birthday April 25 | |
| CHARLES PAUL
TAYLOR JR
Blue Sulfur Road
Ona
69th Birthday April 25 | |
| LOWELL CARRICO
105 Alma Avenue
South Point, Ohio
86th Birthday April 25 | |
| MARGARET DONEFF-
LUCAS
1001 Norton Avenue
Culloden
75th Birthday April 25 | |
| KENDALL BAKER
1311 Walnut Street
Kenova
16th Birthday April 25 | |
| LISA KAY TEMPLETON
1635 Jenkins Creek Road
Glenwood
Birthday April 25 | |

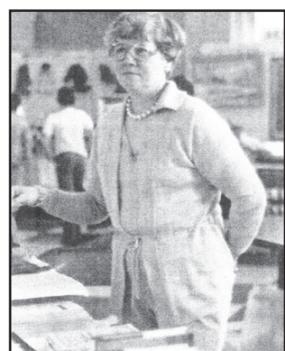
High School Seniors Needed for Elaine Howell Scholarship

Every year since Elaine Howell's death 25 years ago, the Hurricane Woman's Club has awarded a scholarship to a female senior at Hurricane High School. This year since it is the 100th birthday of Ms. Howell, the awards have been increased in amount and number. There will be one \$1,000 and two \$500 awards. Applications are available in the school counselor's office. Deadline for submission of application is April 30.

Biography of Elaine Howell

Elaine Nelia Edwards Howell was manager of a successful bookstore in Charleston, WV. Born in 1924, she was a 1943 graduate of Hurricane High School, she was a lifelong resident of Hurricane, WV. After graduating, she worked in the Works Progress Administration in Winfield, Wv and later, during World War II, the government agency that oversaw rationing of commodities throughout the war. In 1945 she married Lowell Howell of Winfield and, after the birth of her son David and daughter Nancy, moved to Hurricane, WV.

Elaine was an advocate for the establishment of the Hurricane Library in the early 1960s, reflecting her love of books. She worked for the Putnam County Library Hurricane branch and delivered books throughout Putnam County on the library's Bookmobile. IN 1968 she was hired to manage a bookstore in the old Diamond Department Store in Charleston. Her small bookstore on the 5th Floor brought in an amazing array of authors, including Julia Child, Pearl Buck and other well-



Elaine Howell

known authors of the time. One of her specialty areas was keeping a diverse inventory of books by Appalachian authors, including her friend, Appalachian author Jesse Stuart. In the 1960s, Elaine began taking a course at Morris Harvey College (now the University of Charleston) and, while working full time and attending school part time for many years, finally completed her bachelor's degree in English in 1974.

She died in the plane crash of American Airlines Flight 191 on May 25, 1979 in Chicago. Like many others on the flight, she was en route to the American Booksellers Association annual meeting in Los Angeles. The ABA convention was always one of her favorite activities, as she met authors, learned of new books and spent time with colleagues from across the country.

Elaine Howell was 55 when she died. She was survived by her two children, David and Nancy, a new grandson, David, and two brothers, Henry and Virgil Edwards. Her father, Delford Edwards, was Putnam County assessor for many years and her mother, Lurecy, was a farmer and gardener on their farm located on Trace Fork in Putnam County.

PIPESOUNDS Presents Musical Themes of Million Dollar Movies

PipeSounds Organ Concert Series' last concert of this season will be Sunday, April 21, 2024, at 3:00 p.m. Dave Wickerham performed in the 2022-2023 Concert Series, and by popular request has been invited to present "Music of the Million Dollar Movies." He will be playing the renowned Harrah Symphonic Organ at Forrest Burdette Memorial UM Church, Hurricane, WV (Adults \$15.00 and Students - Free).

Dave is a "natural" musician as he began playing the electronic organ at the age of four and had his first pipe organ experience at age ten. His musical education started at age seven. He attended the University of Arizona in Tucson on a full scholarship, pursuing classical organ studies for six years with Dr. Roy Johnson.

Wickerham is a renowned theater organist over a career of forty years with staff positions in Lansing, IL (1984), Greenfield, WS (1990), and the FIESTA Casino and Hotel in Las Vegas, NV (2000). Over the years, Dave has concertized frequently and performed for many chapters of the American Theatre Organ Society, as well as ministering musically while serving at various churches. In 2023 he was

featured in the American Theater Organ Society's National Convention, in Joliet, IL.

In April of 1999, he took great pleasure being a featured artist in Melbourne, Australia for the convention of the Theatre Organ Society of Australia for which he received rave reviews. He returned "Down Under" for a six-week concert tour in Australia and New Zealand during the summer of 2003 and 2012, as well as October/November of 2015.

At Forrest Burdette last year, Wickerham was so complimentary of the uniqueness of their musical instrument. The organ is a six manual (keyboard) and pedal organ with 456 draw knobs, 2,600 actual pipes and more than 20,000 digital pipe notes. When it was dedicated in 2003, it was the largest draw knob console in the world. The digital reproduction of sound in this instrument is supported by 148 systems and has 10,400 watts of power.

You won't want to miss such a talented organist perform on such a "one of a kind" Harrah Symphonic Organ, Sunday, April 21st at 3:00 p.m., Forrest Burdette Memorial UM Church, 2848 Putnam Avenue, Hurricane, WV (Adults \$15.00 and Students - Free).

Happy Anniversary

Steve and Katie Fellure of Frazier's Bottom will celebrate their thirty-fourth wedding anniversary on April 19.

Dr. John and Becky LaFerner Tussing Simmons of Pierre, South Dakota, will celebrate their fifth wedding anniversary on April 20.

Jared and Courtney Howell of Cow Creek Road in Hurricane will celebrate their twelfth wedding anniversary on April 20.

Jarrett and Regina Roy Grant of 3605 Poindexter Road in Frazier's Bottom will celebrate their twenty-third wedding anniversary on April 21.

Henry and Lovetta Burnett of Bluffton, South Carolina, will celebrate their fifty-third wedding anniversary on April 23.

Rev. Dan and Ruth Hofmann of 522 Jones Ridge Road in Gandeeville will celebrate their forty-eighth wedding anniversary on April 24.

Boyce and Tina Gabbard Baker of Ironton, Ohio, will celebrate their third wedding anniversary on April 25.



The
BREEZE
TO SUBSCRIBE
CALL
562-9881

Or Use The Coupon Below
Mail your New Subscriptions And Renewals To
The Hurricane Breeze
Box 310
Hurricane, West Virginia 25526

- ___ \$20.00 per year (Zip Code 25526)
- ___ \$25.00 per year in Putnam County
- ___ \$40.00 per year in West Virginia
- ___ \$45.00 per year out of state
- ___ New ___ Renewal

Enter A Subscription To The Breeze For
Name _____
Address _____
City _____
State _____ Zip _____