

Community Calendar

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NOW - OCTOBER

• The Putnam County Farmers Market will be held every Saturday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the field next to Exxon on Route 34, Teays Valley.

• The Country Roads Farmers' Market will be held from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Valley Park in Hurricane.

WEDNESDAYS IN JULY

• The First Baptist Church of Nitro, 2202 2nd Avenue, will be holding a free lunch every Wednesday in July from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

JULY 4

• The 11th Annual July 4th 5K Run/Walk will start at 8 a.m. at the Buffalo Town Hall. Registration begins at 7:15 p.m. To register, call or text 304-546-0763.

• The Town of Buffalo will be holding their Fourth of July Parade at 1 p.m. Music from 2 to 10 p.m. Fireworks at 10 p.m.

• There will be a 4th of July Zumba class at 9:15 a.m. at Power Up Sports and Wellness, 3540 Teays Valley Road, Hurricane. The cost to attend is \$8.

• The City of Hurricane will be holding their Independence Day Celebration. Parade at 2 p.m. Fun events at City Park from 3 to 8 p.m. Fireworks at 10 p.m.

JULY 5

• The Nitro Antique Car Club will be holding a cruise-in from 5 p.m. to dusk at 2nd Avenue, 21st Street, Nitro.

JULY 6

• There will be an antique tractor pull at 1 p.m. at the West Virginia Farm Museum in Point Pleasant.

• The Poca River Hunting, Fishing and Recreation Club will be holding an 80's themed glow party from 7 p.m. to midnight at 786 Dupont

THE HURRICANE BREEZE

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Road, Poca. The cost is \$6 per guest.

• There will be a Raise the Woof Fundraiser from noon to 4 p.m. at the Putnam County Animal Shelter, 12874 Charleston Road, Red House.

• There will be a comic trade day from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. at The Board Room, behind Walmart in Hurricane.

JULY 8 - 12

• The Bridge Church, 279 Dairy Road, Poca, will be holding Vacation Bible School from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. each evening.

JULY 9 - 12

• The Kanawha County 4-H Day Camp will be held at the West Sattes Community Center, 234 Lee Avenue, Nitro. For more information and to register, call 304-720-9889.

JULY 9

• Zoology Zone will be at the Eleanor Park (behind the Eleanor Library) at 10 a.m.

• There will be open interviews for Valley Health from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Area 34, 971 WV Route 34, Teays Valley.

• There will be a trivia night from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. at VFW Post 9097, 3836 Teays Valley Road, Hurricane.

• Community Autism Resources and Education Systems will be holding a summer meet-up for neurodiverse children and families from 10 a.m. to noon at Valley Park in Hurricane.

JULY 10

• Express Employment Professionals will be holding a recruiting and hiring event from noon to 4 p.m. at Area 34, 971 WV Route 34, Teays Valley.

JULY 11

• The Macholah Ballet, 6422 Teays Valley Road, Scott Depot, will be holding Aristocats Dance Camp for ages 4-6 from 1 to 2:30 p.m. and A Mad Tappers Tea Party Workshop for ages 8-13 from 3 to 5 p.m. To register, create an account at <https://dancestudio-pro.com/online/themacholahballet>

• There will be a Creative Critters Photography Workshop from 5 to 6:30 p.m. at Zoology Zone at Valley Park in Hurricane. For more information about registering, go to <https://www.facebook.com/zoologyzonewv>

JULY 12 - 20

• The Putnam County Fair will be held at the fairgrounds in Eleanor. For a schedule of events, go to <https://putnamcountyfairwv.com>

JULY 12 - 14

• CharCon, West Virginia's Gaming Convention, will be held at the Clay Center in Charleston. For more information, go to <https://www.charcon.org>

JULY 12

• Fitness Friday: There will be yoga at 10 a.m. at Moxie Fitness, 3981R Teays Valley Road, Scott Depot.

JULY 13

• The Clinton-Cunningham-Shamblin Reunion will start at 11 a.m. at the Eleanor Park.

• Horseshoe Heaven on Smith Farm, 121 Banjo Lane, Scott Depot, will be holding a Girls' Day Out from 2 to 5 p.m. Spend time with the horses. The cost is \$60. Call/Text 304-421-5733 to reserve a spot.

WVDNR Releases Updated

Hunting and Trapping Regulations Changes to white-tailed deer, wild turkey and black bear seasons explained in annual publication

Updated hunting regulations for white-tailed deer, wild turkey and black bear will go into effect on July 1, the West Virginia Division of Natural Resources (WVDNR) announced today with the release of its 2024-25 West Virginia Hunting and Trapping Regulations Summary.

"With West Virginia's world-class deer seasons and other small and big game hunting opportunities, hunters have a lot to look forward to this fall, so we want to encourage everyone to review these important changes and plan accordingly," said WVDNR Director Brett McMillion.

The updated regulations summary is available to download at WVDnr.gov/hunting-regulations. Hunters who wish to obtain a printed copy should contact their local hunting and fishing license agent or WVDNR district office. Copies will also be available at the WVDNR's Elkins Operation Center and South Charleston headquarters by July 1.

Major changes include the following:

- Antlerless deer season

dates and open counties have changed (see pages 15-20).

• Fall wild turkey season dates and open counties have changed (see page 44).

• Season dates and open counties for black bear firearms hunting seasons have changed (see page 41).

• The annual antlered deer bag limit for all regular deer seasons combined is two, except that three antlered deer may be taken in a West Virginia CWD Containment Area by Class XS license holders.

• Deer carcass transport regulations are now implemented for Jefferson County.

• Coyote night hunting is permitted only on private land with written consent of the private landowner from Sept. 1 to Dec. 31.

In addition to reviewing the updated regulations, hunters are reminded to purchase their 2024 West Virginia hunting license and stamps before the seasons start this fall. To purchase a license and stamps, visit WVhunt.com. To learn more about the WVDNR's license products, such as durable license cards, visit WVDnr.gov/2024-licenses.

Make-A-Wish® Requesting Volunteers

Make-A-Wish® Greater Pennsylvania and West Virginia needs the support of the local community to bring wishes to life for children battling critical illnesses. When you sign up to become a volunteer, you can inspire hope for a child facing the unimaginable.

Volunteers serve as a source of inspiration and are key pillars in the wish journey. From helping children brainstorm ideas for their wish to organizing fundraisers for wish kids in their community, volunteers are essential to carrying out the Make-A-Wish mission.

Megan, a Make-A-Wish volunteer, witnesses the power of a wish come true every day in her role. She has provided compassionate support for wish families and facilitated the fulfillment of wishes for more than 10 years.

"Being a part of Make-A-Wish has made me grow as a person," Megan said. "I don't know a better way to help impact anyone. Getting to help someone's wish come true is so cool. Nothing brings me joy like meeting a wish kid."

To become a wish volunteer, individuals must be at least 21 years of age, pass a criminal background check and attend a training session.

Those who are interested can sign up through the volunteer inquiry form at wish.org/greaterpawv/volunteer-inquiry-form and the regional Make-A-Wish office will reach out with next steps.

For more information on the impact wishes have on children facing critical illnesses, please contact Make-A-Wish Regional Manager Jo Beth Smith at jsmith@greaterpawv.wish.org or 304.342.9474.

Make-A-Wish® is a nonprofit organization that creates life-changing wishes for children, aged 2 ½ to 18, with critical illnesses. Currently, the local chapter is one of the most active in the country, having fulfilled more than 21,000 wishes.

The Way We Were, The Way We Are

By Brenda Burke

I watched an old movie recently about a tiny church in a small town out west... the little church burned down and the insurance had lapsed. The congregation came together and built (in a day) a new church in an old, dirty, messed up barn... I cried when I watched this movie for many reasons. One reason was that the homeless in the community helped the rich, the middle class, and the unchurched to finish the barn... this made me happy and sad... bittersweet... this is what church is all about.

If the huge churches, with the money, would build outside the church instead of always building bigger and better inside the building... there could be miracles... helping those who are hungry... those who might just need a little assistance... we do not need fancy buildings to get others to come to church.

I have been a member of tiny churches and huge churches... there is a difference sometimes... there are also similarities... but the bottom line is that the reason for the church is to save lives... not to be bigger and better...

If you, my reader, have never had the opportunity to start a church, I wish you could... it is the most amazing experience, and it changes lives for sure... Logan Elm Baptist Church, a small church in the country, is still standing... The Burkes and other families started that church in the 1970's... we sacrificed... we loved... we cried... we laughed... we did it... or rather, our GOD did it... with our help and willingness.

It was not easy to meet in the yard on Sundays... in the heat... then we moved to the Grange Hall... oh the scent after the fair... don't ask... the cold in the winter and heat in the summer... we were Logan Elm Mission... a year later, we became Logan Elm Baptist Church... every penny we gave mattered... finally, we bought land on a hill... we build a church or rather, as I have said, GOD did...

There were NO rich people in our church... we were all middle class, but we had a mission... we wanted to bring the Lord to those on a country road in Ohio... and today, church goers sit on those pews... listen to God's word and sing the hymns

Gabriel Project For Baby Supplies

St. Timothy's in the Valley Episcopal Church, 3434 Teays Valley Road, Hurricane, offers a program called the Gabriel Project to help struggling families with essential baby items. Items offered for children two years of age or younger include diapers, baby wipes, formula, clothing, pack-n-plays, car seats, and more.

The church is open on Mondays (except for holidays) from noon to 2 p.m. Walk-ins welcome.

For more information, call 304-562-9325 or visit www.gabrielwv.org

we loved... a church that cares about others...

When churches keep building out... when the members ask for money to be bigger and better, there has to be a real reason for those requests... are they going to add rooms for the homeless to come out of the weather? Are they going to build a room for a food pantry and pay for the food seven days a week? Are they going to need a bigger sanctuary because the one they are using can fit no more members? More Sunday School classes? Maybe have more services, so there is room... maybe have two sessions or more of Sunday School... but heavens, don't keep asking others to sacrifice to build what is not mandatory... and that should be the reason for requesting money... for mandatory reasons...

This little movie was touching... it made me realize what I have always known... the reason others don't want to attend church is because... many reasons... fill in the blank yourself, my readers... why don't you want to attend? Why don't those you know want to attend?

When church members ask for their congregation to keep building, when there is room already... there has to be something challenging going on... there has to be a desire to build OUT and not in... there has to be a reason that those members are asking God's people to give... and let me add a note here... do not ask for that money unless it is in the best interest of the church members... don't use guilt... don't use words that make no sense to most of us...

Having started two churches in my time... I know what it is like to need money to get a church going and to keep it going... I know that money is needed, along with time and prayer... but there is something not quite right, when we have to be bigger and better instead of caring for those who are in need... there should not be homeless... there should not be children going to school without food... there should be food pantries in churches... open the doors to those who need a place to sleep... I can hear my readers now that I wear rose colored glasses... well, you know what, maybe I do, but I have been hungry... I have had no money at times in my life... and I mean none... I have gone through what some of those who have nothing... experience...

On the other hand, and I must add this here... I do realize that in this country... in some of the cities, there are homeless who make that choice... I am not talking about them... I am talking about small town America where the churches need to look inside and start working outside... this movie was a perfect example of that... we care about others because the way we were is the way we are... praying for those lives we forget about...

Hurricane Sparkle Splash Automated Digital Laundromat — A National First

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machines. LaundroWorks, a laundry card system for vended laundry, is also collaborating with the project. As a fully automated facility, Sparkle Splash is the first of its kind in the entire country.

Thor Meeks, the owner of Sparkle Splash, says that he wanted a unique name for the establishment. During a

discussion with his family, his daughter, five-year-old Colette, suggested that the name needed to sparkle, and that the water would do lots of splashing. After the Sparkle Splash name was decided upon, Colette suggested that the logo feature a mermaid. Colette's artwork is featured on the walls at the laundromat, and she also had a lemonade stand set up during the ribbon

cutting. Meeks says that there has been a need in the community since Geroge's Dry Cleaning and Laundromat closed up shop more than ten years ago. People are driving to South Charleston and other locations to use the laundromat facilities there. Very local customers have a very short laundry drive. Since Sparkle Splash

Laundromat is located in the same building that houses Pita Pit and Sam's Hot Dogs, customers can lunch while they wait for their laundry to finish. The facility also features wi-fi, as well as a bathroom which is accessible by using the laundry card. Sparkle Splash is open 24/7, so customers can use the facility at their convenience, day or night.

Hurricane Girl Scout Earns National Scholarship

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have been recognized on a national level. Her project showcases the core components of the Gold Award and demonstrates her leadership and citizenship skills.

"Earning the Girl Scout Gold Award is truly a

remarkable achievement, and Morgan exemplifies leadership in all its forms," said Beth Casey, chief executive officer of the Girl Scouts of Black Diamond.

"She saw a need in her community and took action. Her extraordinary dedication, perseverance and leadership is making the world a better place, and we

hope this scholarship enables her to continue doing so."

The Girl Scouts of the USA Gold Award Scholarship recognizes one outstanding Gold Award Girl Scout per council whose project exemplifies the core components of the Gold Award.

Since 1916, girls have been making meaningful,

sustainable change in their communities and around the world. The Girl Scout Gold Award acknowledges the power behind each Gold Award Girl Scout's dedication to not only empowering and bettering herself, but also to making the world a better place for others.

OP-ED SUBMISSION

Asking for Truth, Dialogue Amid Unfair Homeschool Scrutiny

Recent reports have brought homeschooling in West Virginia under a critical spotlight. State School Superintendent Michele Blatt has claimed only 37% of homeschoolers submit the required assessment results for grades 3, 5, 8 and 11. However, this accusation raises more questions than it answers and puts the homeschooling community in a defensive position based on potentially flawed data.

Homeschoolers were not given a chance to discuss these statistics with Superintendent Blatt before they were presented to the public. This public revelation has influenced opinions, not only among the public but also within the homeschooling community. It has forced homeschoolers to defend themselves against statistics that even Blatt admits may be inaccurate. This brings me to several concerns about the West Virginia Department of Education's (WVDE) findings.

First, the data spans the 2020-2021 through 2023-2024 school years. Including the chaotic years of 2020-2021 and 2021-2022 is misleading. During this time, public schools were effectively shut down by Gov. Jim Justice, leading thousands of parents to turn to homeschooling temporarily. Our homeschooling groups grew more than tenfold, and many parents were either unaware of homeschool laws or chose to ignore them. Most of these students have since returned to public schools. Public schools themselves struggled to track and oversee their students during this period. Including these years in the study skews the data, as confusion was widespread for all West Virginia parents.

Second, including the 2023-2024 school year in the statistics is fundamentally flawed. The deadline for assessment results submission (June 30) has not yet even. Thus, the WVDE can only reasonably draw data from the 2022-2023 school year. That year also saw significant disruptions, especially in Kanawha County — the county with the largest homeschool population in the state — where all the records were misplaced, and parents were asked to resubmit them. Were these missing records reported as non-compliance? It's a known issue that county school boards frequently lose assessment results and Blatt acknowledged in a recent email that managing these exemptions is extremely taxing for attendance directors. Reports from

across the state describe lost paperwork, uncollected mail, false information given to homeschoolers and instances of harassment and bullying to force children back into public schools. How can we trust statistics from a system that loses funding with each child removed?

Superintendent Blatt asserts that the 37% submission rate is unacceptable, despite schools not being required to follow up on unsubmitted assessments. This is a choice, not a mandate. Public school systems have opted not to utilize the law already in place and follow up, even though state homeschool organizations have long noted that county superintendents can choose to do so.

Additionally, WVDE data showing 70% of students who left public schools were chronically absent begs the question: why did they leave? Reports indicate rising bullying, increased suicides and dangerous conditions in public schools. Berkeley County, for instance, recently faced scrutiny over significant safety issues, prompting many parents to withdraw their children for their well-being.

Blatt also mentioned the 6,000 children in the foster care system, suggesting a need to reevaluate homeschool laws. However, since the state typically denies homeschooling for foster children, this point seems irrelevant and aimed at garnering public sympathy. Furthermore, from a recent Wood County Board of Education meeting, board member Rick Olcott was quoted as saying, "The first thing we need to do is attack homeschoolers and get them back in the school system." How can a system with such animosity toward homeschoolers be trusted with their statistics? This overt hostility only deepens the distrust between the homeschool community and the public education system.

There has been a public outcry from those who believe the homeschool community should face further regulation (despite West Virginia being one of the more heavily regulated states) to prevent child abuse. But where is the outcry for public school students who have been abused in the classroom or sexually groomed by school personnel outside the classroom? Why has there not been a push for further regulation of school personnel?

The homeschool community has not been included in these

discussions. Consequently, incomplete data presented out of context paints an inaccurate picture, shocking the public and legislators with claims of a lack of accountability. It is vital to bring all the facts to light and engage with legislators to counter misinformation with logical and factual

arguments.

Delegate Kathie Hess Crouse, R-Putnam, represents House District 19, which is made up entirely of Putnam County. She has served in the House since December 2021 and is the Vice Chairman of the House Workforce Development Committee.



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.

July 4, 1882: The steamboats Scioto and John Lomas collided on the Ohio River as they were returning from holiday excursions. The Scioto sank almost instantly, and 70 people drowned.

July 4, 1918: Poet Muriel Miller Dressler was born in Kanawha County. Her poem "Appalachia," published in 1970, was her signature piece.

July 4, 1928: West Virginia dedicated Droop Mountain Battlefield State Park. Droop Mountain was one of the most important Civil War battles fought on West Virginia soil.

July 4, 1938: Musician Bill Withers Jr. was born into a miner's family of 13 children in Slab Fork, Raleigh County. In 1971, he released his first album, Just As I Am, including his first Grammy-winning song, "Ain't No Sunshine." In 2015, he was inducted into the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame.

July 4, 1944: Drummer Butch Miles was born in Ohio but grew up in Hinton and Charleston. He became one of jazz's greatest drummers,

Blaze Destroys Home

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on the second floor. The call came in at 4:31 a.m. In addition to Hurricane Fire & Rescue, departments from Culloden, Teays Valley, Nitro, and Milton responded to the emergency. Hoffman reported that firefighters were able to extinguish the fire quickly and that the last unit departed from the scene by 8:30 a.m.

The home's value is in the \$350,000 range.

Swinging in Almost Heaven at Valley Park



Betsy and Ron Allen were among the first to swing in Almost Heaven at Valley Park.

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Valley Resort State Park, Charleston, Chief Logan State Park, Coopers Rock State Forest, Droop Mountain Battlefield State Park, East River Mountain Overlook, Grand Vue Park, Hatfield-McCoy Trail, Lake Stephens, Lost

River State Park, Oglebay, Philippi Covered Bridge, Pipestem Resort State Park, Rockhouse Trail System — Hatfield McCoy Trails, Stonewall Resort State Park, Summersville State Park, Tomlinson Run State Park, Wheeling Heritage Park, West Virginia State Capitol.

appointed Lewis as the first director of the Bureau of Archives and History.

July 6, 1883: Judge "R. D." Bailey was born at Baileysville, Wyoming County. Bailey came into wide prominence as the judge of the Matewan Massacre trial in 1921.

July 7, 1928: The Madonna of the Trail monument was dedicated in Wheeling. It is one of 12 such statues erected along the National Road to honor America's pioneering women.

July 8, 1924: Rock 'n' roll pioneer Johnnie Johnson was born in Fairmont. Johnson collaborated with Chuck Berry on songs such as "Roll Over, Beethoven." Berry's hit "Johnny B. Goode" was supposedly written as a tribute to Johnson.

July 8, 1961: Sutton Dam was dedicated by Governor Wally Barron. The

Army Corps of Engineers operates the dam for purposes of flood control, low-flow augmentation and recreation.

July 9, 1942: An explosion at the Pursglove No. 2 Mine at Scotts Run near Morgantown killed 20 men. It was one of three fatal accidents at the mining operation in an eight-month period.

July 9, 1989: Treasurer A. James Manchin resigned after being impeached. With a stock market downturn in 1987, Manchin bore much of the blame when the state lost nearly \$300 million in investments for which he was responsible.

July 10, 1936: The temperature in Martinsburg reached 112 degrees. It tied the record for the state's hottest recorded temperature, which had been set August 4, 1930, at Moorefield.

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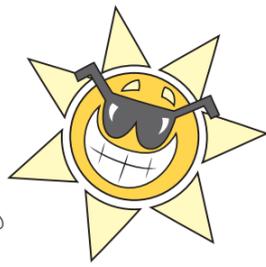
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Fillers Page

Edited by Betsy Allen



The Fourth Of July

By Miriam "Connie" Harbert

The Fourth of July is the holiday when our families get together

And have good food and fun watching the fireworks in the sky

As they pop and crackle and all the kids watch close to see all the colors burst in the sky

And that's how we celebrate the Fourth of July



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.

Grape Summer Gatherings

Easy recipes to enjoy at warm-weather celebrations

(Family Features) Celebrations abound throughout summer, and if you plan on hosting your nearest and dearest for events large and small, you'll need a tasty, convenient ingredient to elevate your entertaining all summer long. When that one ingredient also serves as a healthy, refreshing snack on its own, it's a win-win.

Delicious, healthy and versatile, Grapes from California can be that special ingredient and pleasing snack. In recipes, grapes deliver sweet-tart flavor and crisp, juicy texture to appetizers, main courses, drinks, desserts and beyond. These recipes show the myriad ways this bite-sized fruit can bring out the best in warm-weather fare: a tasty frozen treat, a chic cocktail and a flavorful Southwestern-inspired salad that each add a special touch to any gathering.

In fact, while grapes complement a wide array of flavors – including sweet, sour, salty, spicy and smoky – that make them easy to use in recipes and serve alongside other foods, they're also an ideal snack to serve by themselves. Grapes are inherently cool and refreshing, easily shareable and satisfying to eat.

Take your summer entertaining to new heights with additional recipe inspiration at GrapesFromCalifornia.com.

Lemongrass Grape Cocktail

Yield: 1 drink

Lemongrass Simple Syrup:

- 1 cup sugar
- 1 cup water
- 3-4 stalks lemongrass, trimmed, halved, inner cores cut into 1-inch pieces, chopped

Cocktail:

- 1/2 cup cold Grapes from California
- 2 slices fresh ginger
- 1 cup ice
- 2 ounces vodka
- 1 1/2 ounces lemongrass simple syrup
- 1/2 ounce lime juice
- frozen Grapes from California, for garnish
- lemongrass stalk, trimmed, for garnish

To make lemongrass simple syrup: In heavy, small saucepan, combine sugar and water. Bring to simmer over medium heat. Stir until sugar is dissolved; add lemongrass pieces and simmer 3-5 minutes. Remove from heat. When cool, cover and refrigerate up to 2 weeks.

To make cocktail: In shaker, muddle cold grapes and ginger. Add ice, vodka, lemongrass simple syrup and lime juice; shake well. Pour into glass over ice and garnish with frozen grapes and lemongrass stalk.

Note: For mocktail, replace vodka with seltzer water.

Nutritional information per serving: 270 calories; 1 g protein; 37 g carbohydrates; 0 g fat; 0 mg cholesterol; 0 mg sodium; 1 g fiber.

6 Ways to Chill Out with Grapes

Taking get-togethers, parties and celebrations outdoors during the summer months means frozen treats are essential. Consider these creative ways to use frozen grapes in your summer entertaining:

- Freeze grapes as they are – on or off the stem – for 2 hours for a healthy frozen treat.
- Ice cubes – frozen grapes offer a visually appealing (and delicious) replacement for plain ice cubes to help keep guests' drinks cool.
- Swalty Frozen Grapes – these cold, sweet and spicy grapes rolled in honey, lime juice and spicy chili-lime seasoning are fun to eat.
- Wine-marinated frozen grapes – soak grapes in wine overnight then freeze for a festive, boozy bite.
- Frozen Yogurt Dipped Grapes – dip skewered grapes in yogurt then freeze for a mini, sweet-tart treat.
- Grape Sorbet – fresh grapes blend and freeze beautifully for a lovely frozen dessert.

Fillers from Linda

Submitted by Linda~Lavender Armstead
Washington Hill Road, Hurricane



A husband is someone who, after emptying the bin, gives the impression he just cleaned the entire house.

It's nice to have your own doggy to talk to.

Who was your best friend growing up? Are you still friends?

I'm a person who wants to do a lot of things trapped in a body that doesn't.

When an older person looks in the mirror and realizes life is a short trip.

I just wanna apologize to the people I called old at 40 when I was 18.

I married Miss Right. I just didn't know her name was "Always."

It's hard to be the person who never gives up. - Babe Ruth

A doggy's love can make even the worst days so much better.

The road is always easier when we walk it with a friend.

In a world full of sheep and wolves, be a sheep doggy.

The secret to aging beautifully is to enjoy living.

Most people don't act stupid - it's the real thing.

Marriage is the number one cause of divorce.

Worry bankrupts the spirit.

Worship will get you through the roughest times in your life because it shifts your focus from the problem to the Problem Solver.

When I look in the mirror and see gray hair, tiny wrinkles, and dimming eyes, I think, "They sure don't make mirrors like they used to."

Attitude is everything. Pick a good one.

When people ask me what I do for a living, I tell them, "I do my best."

Give children experiences, not things. Have stories to tell, not stuff to show.

The most courageous act is still to think for yourself - aloud.

No matter how hard life can get, go to bed grateful for all you have.

A smart person knows what to say. A wise person knows whether or not to say it.

Never change who you are because someone has a problem with it today.

When people know they did you wrong, they avoid you.

In the split second when you lose your balance in the shower and think, "Oh God, they're going to find me naked."

Sometimes headache is all in your head. Relax.

The believer is happy, the doubter is wise.

It is never too late to fall in love.

Advice most needed is least heeded.

I'm not old. I woke up, moved my knees, lifted my arms and turned my neck. Everything made the same noise. Cccccrrrrrrraaaaac cckkkk. I'm not old; I'm just crispy.

When your parents are not rich, but still afford to give you a beautiful life, appreciate their sacrifices.

Leaders must be close enough to relate to others, but far enough ahead to motivate them.

Tom asked his wife where she wanted to go for their anniversary. She said, "Somewhere I haven't been in a long time." So he suggested the kitchen.

I am neither bitter nor cynical but I do wish there was less immaturity in political thinking. - Franklin D. Roosevelt

People are like books - some deceive you with their cover and others surprise you with their content.

There are only two forces that unite men - fear and interest. - Napoleon Bonaparte

The husband said when he and his wife goes shopping, he holds her hand, because if he let's go, she shops.

Too many people think the grass is greener somewhere else, but the grass is green where you water it.

Don't be afraid to be who you are. Someone out there needs to meet someone like you.

A lover will give you a kiss, a friend will give you a hug. But a doggy will give you his heart.

The great virtue in life is real courage that knows how to face facts and live beyond them.

Don't let the mind bully your body into believing it must carry the burden of its worries.

A brave man dies but once, a coward many times.

Nothing in life is to be feared; it is only to be understood.

Bible Verse



For in the same way you judge others, you will be judged, and with the measure you use, it will be measured to you.

—Matthew 7:2

Some days you have it all together. Other days you spend 10 minutes looking for the phone while talking on your phone.

You know you're getting older when a recliner and a heating pad is your idea of a hot date.

Nobody's stronger than a toddler who doesn't want to get in their car seat.

I grew up in the era where our parents interpreted exhaling too hard as talking back.

Blessed are we who can laugh at our own mistakes for we will never cease to be amused.

Always remember that in someday or another, you're somebody's angel, even if you don't know it.

People be lying, knowing they lying, knowing you know they lying - and still lie.

Success is a result, not a goal.

When you can't find the sunshine, be the sunshine.

Teachers are not "off for the summer," they are "in recovery."

Some people have food but can't eat. Some can eat, but don't have food. But for you, you have both. Be grateful.

Being underestimated is one of the biggest competitive advantages you can have.

Be careful what you hear about somebody; you might be hearing it from the problem.

The best and most beautiful things in the world cannot be touched or seen but must be felt from the heart.

A person who has nothing to lose will help you lose everything you ever worked for.

If you don't change direction, you may end up where you are heading.

Your mind will answer most questions if you learn to relax.

Good habits formed at youth make all the difference.

Change alone is eternal, perpetual, and immortal.

No man is more cheated than the selfish man.

We are all pencils in the hand of God. - Mother Teresa

To lead people walk behind them.

Time spent with doggies is never wasted.

Second Friday Gospel Sing

The Hurricane First Church of God, 3225 East Putnam Avenue, would like to invite everyone to their monthly, second Friday Gospel Sing on July 12 at 7 p.m.

This will be the church's fourth program for 2024, and they are looking forward to another fine evening of Good Gospel music.

The featured group this month will be the Inheritance Quartet from Kenna.

Additional singers will

include Brother Keith Skiles from Charleston. There will also be a group from Red House called Family Ties Trio. Staff musicians and singers are Gary Sargent, Peggy Cooper, Eddie Rushbrooke, Matt Boggs and Dorsey Johnson.

Gospel sings feature traditional church hymns and Southern Gospel music. It will be a time of fellowship, with a variety of food items immediately after the service.

The church is located one block north of the Dollar Tree store.

JANET ADKINS

Janet Lee Roupp Adkins, 78, of Hurricane, passed away at her home after a long illness on June 24, 2024. She was born in Newton, Kansas to the late Carl W. and Dorthy E. Roupp. She was also preceded in death by her husband Michael Adkins and his parents Harvey and Helen Adkins.

She was retired from Fruth Pharmacy and a Veteran of the US Airforce and a Proud WVU Fan.

She is survived by her son, David Adkins of Orlando FL; daughter, Vicky Adkins of Hurricane; sister, Pam Galusky of Sarasota FL; brother, Bob Roupp (Ellen) of Sarasota FL and many nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

Memorial service was held Saturday, June 29, 2024 at Allen Funeral Home with Chaplain Pete Thompson officiating.

ROBIN RENEE BAKER

Robin Renee Burdette Baker, 56, of Winfield, passed away June 26, 2024.

Robin was an LPN for Celebration Villa in Teays Valley and a graduate of

Nitro High School, Lenoir Community College and Garnett Career College. She enjoyed hiking, kayaking, camping, traveling, and spending time with her family.

Robin was born February 9, 1968, to the late Monty Ray Burdette and Olive Marie Spencer Shamblin. She is also preceded in death by her brother Randall Wayne Burdette.

She is survived by her two children Natasha Marie Wilson (Sam) and Jonathan Wilson (Leann); sister Deborah Witt (Mike); loving companion Mike Wagner; and two grandchildren Emma and Grace.

There will be a celebration of life at a later date.

SARINA BAKER

Sarina Elaine Baker, 78, passed away comfortably and peacefully on June 30, 2024, in Hurricane after 10-years suffering with the brutal and slow progression of Alzheimer's disease. She was born on July 7, 1945, to Ida and John Bonaccorso in Fulton, NY.

On October 15, 1966, Sarina married her beloved

husband, Philip Baker, in Fulton, NY. The couple shared 58 years of loving marriage.

Sarina was a devoted mother to her two children, Michael and Christine. She spent most of her adult life raising her family in Fairport, NY. She had a cherished group of neighborhood friends and extended family of cousins who she was very close to. Sarina was an amazing cook and entertainer who loved to host family and friends. She created many annual traditions that included delicious food, games and lots of love. She was always warm and made everyone feel comfortable and welcomed.

Sarina took great joy and immense pride in her role as grandmother to Rachel (26), Abby (23), and Matthew (16). Sarina adored her grandchildren and was always available to attend any recital, show choir performance, soccer game, or any event where she could show her support and love.

Throughout her life, Sarina loved connecting with people and serving others. She was an active volunteer at her Catholic churches in both Fairport, NY and Lenoir City, TN. She was the organizer, the planner and the doer. She was known for her kindness and thoughtfulness. Sarina never missed a birthday or special occasion with a card or call, always ensuring that her loved ones felt special and remembered.

Sarina is survived by her husband, Philip; her children, Michael ("Tammy") and Christine (Eric); her grandchildren, Rachel, Abby, and Matthew; her brother Joseph and his wife Charlene. She was preceded in death by her parents, Ida and John Bonaccorso of Fulton, NY.

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NOTICE TO REDEEM

2022-C-000344 - Putnam County To: INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE, WV STATE TAX DEPT, CITY OF HURRICANE, OCCUPANT, FREDDY NAZIER ALI, FREDDY NAZIER ALI, or heirs at law, devisees, creditors, representatives, successors, assigns, all known heirs, guardians, conservators, fiduciaries, administrators, lienholders, co-owners, other parties having an undivided interest in the delinquent property, and other parties that may have an interest in the subject property.

DISTRICT SCOTT MAP 223G PARCEL 0012 0000 0000

You will take notice that NO BOUNDARY LLC, the purchaser of the following real estate, Cert. NO. 2022-C-000344, located in SCOTT District, LOT 24 MARINA PARK, which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of MITCHELL MILLARD, and was sold by the deputy commissioner of delinquent and nonentered lands of PUTNAM County at the sale for the delinquent taxes on April 19, 2023. NO BOUNDARY LLC, requests that you be notified that a deed for such real estate will be made on or after September 1, 2024, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before August 31, 2024 will be as follows:

Amount equal to the taxes and charges due on the date of the certification, with interest, for tax year ticket number 2021 - 24205. \$224.52 Back tax tickets, with interest, and charges due on the date of certification for ticket number \$0.00 Subsequent of taxes paid on the property, with interest to for tax year 2022-18513 \$148.46 Additional taxes with interest. \$0.00 Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest. \$199.35 Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest. \$731.57 Additional Statutory Fees with interest. \$203.35 Total Amount Due and Payable to WV State Auditor - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check. \$1,507.25 You may redeem at any time before August 31, 2024, by paying the above total less any unearned interest.

Given under my hand June 27, 2024 G. Russell Rollyson, Jr. G. Russell Rollyson, Jr. Deputy Commissioner of Delinquent and Nonentered Lands of PUTNAM County, State of West Virginia

Please return this letter and payment to the West Virginia State Auditor's Office, County

The family will have a Catholic service to honor Sarina's life on Saturday, July 6th 2024 at 11:00 am. The mass will take place at Ascension Catholic Church of Hurricane.

WILLIAM (REGGIE) BILLUPS

William Reginald (Reggie) Billups, age 71, passed away on Friday, June 28th, 2024. He was preceded in death by his parents William Harley Billups and Levita Billups, sister Billie Sue Sovine and brother-in-law Sherwin Lewis.

He is survived by his wife Gigi Lynne Billups to whom he was married for 53 years. He has three children Christy Ruby (Joshua), Aimee Mynes and Mike Billups (Annie), five grandchildren Jordan Ruby, Kaylyn Ruby, Caleb Ruby, Donald Mynes and Aaron Ruby. Sister Doris Lewis. Nephews Scott Lewis, Dave Sovine, Myron Lewis and niece Missy Sovine.

Reggie was not only an amazing husband, father, grandfather, brother and friend, he used his time on earth to calmly, lovingly and in the most stoic way lead by example with few words. He loved the Lord and served his community as a member of the city council for 43 years. He taught at Hurricane High School for 38 years. And was a member of First Baptist Church of Hurricane since childhood.

He was our hero.

He will be cherished in the hearts of so many. As we all move forward in this great loss, the best way we could honor "Coach" would be to be there for one another!

He was our hero just like in the westerns that that he loved to watch!

Funeral service was Wednesday, July 3, 2024 at Hurricane First Baptist Church with Jerry Losh officiating. Burial was in Valley View Memorial Park.

EUNICE MARIE BOSTIC

Eunice Marie Bostic, 92, of Winfield, passed away peacefully at home on June 22, 2024.

Marie was born on July 28, 1931 to the late James Carl and Beulah Blanche Wiseman. In addition to her parents she was preceded in death by brothers, James (Jay) Wiseman, II, Willard R. (Pete), son Howard H. Bostic, Jr, and the father of her children, Howard H. Bostic, Sr.

After graduation, Marie earned a degree in nursing from the Charleston General Hospital School of Nursing in Charleston.

Marie was a long-time member of the Winfield Church of Christ.

She is survived by her daughters Sandy (Gary) Kessel, Carla (Michel) Leny and brother, Tom (Regina) Cox, several grandchildren, nieces, and nephews.

Funeral Service was Wednesday, June 26, 2024 at Tyler Mt. Funeral Home with Larry Keefer officiating.

ALICE DAVIS

Alice Marie Sheets Davis, 83, of Hurricane, passed away at her home on Monday, June 24, 2024 after a short illness.

She was owner and operator of Davis Wrecker and Auto Parts in Hurricane.

She was preceded in death by her husband Kenneth Davis, sons Mike and Danny.

She is survived by her son, Steve Davis and daughters, Kathy (Earl) Burks and Teresa Davis; 10 grandchildren and 7 great grandchildren, and siblings, Junior (Wanda), Preston (Velma), Jerry (Bea), Kay (Jerry) and Mary.

Funeral service was Wednesday, June 26, 2024, at Allen Funeral Home. Burial was in Culloden Cemetery.

Obituaries

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

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

Estate No.: 5667 Estate Of: Beulah Faye Cartwright Carolyn Y Hart Rapph A Hutchinson 2036 Saunders Creek Road Milton, WV 25541

Estate No.: 5746 Estate Of: Phyllis C Delaney Executrix: 5682 North Poplar Fork Rd Winfield, WV 25213

Estate No.: 5747 Estate Of: John Roscoe Edwards Executrix: Lynn J Edwards 1650 Lady Slipper Circle Orlando, FL 32825

Estate No.: 5759 Estate Of: Nellejane Marie Haverland Administrator: Chris Haverland 315 Belvue Drive Hurricane, WV 25526

Estate No.: 5741 Estate Of: Paul Edward Milhorn Administratrix: Patricia D Milhorn 166 Sycamore Lane Hurricane, WV 25526

Estate No.: 5762 Estate Of: Madeline H Miller Executrix: James E Kidd, Jr. 63 Rockcrest Drive South Charleston, WV 25309

Estate No.: 5663 Estate Of: Paul Gaudalupe Rojas Administrator: Erika Vance 505 Washington Ave Nitro, WV 25143

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 July 4, 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 July 4, 2024.

Subscribed and sworn to before me on the 26th day of June 2024. Fiduciary Supervisor Putnam County Commission 10293 Winfield Road, Winfield, WV 25213

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NOTICE TO LANDOWNER

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that a complaint has been received by the Putnam County Office of Planning and Infrastructure that that certain structure existing at 173 Thompson Road, Culloden, West Virginia 25510, with the legal description and ownership as reflected by the current year's tax records as: Turner, Franklin D et ux, Lot 10 Sec 3, Bryn Mawr Add to S Hills, Curry District, Map 240B, Parcel ID: 001100000000, is DILAPIDATED and has become harmful to the health, benefit and welfare of the general public and the community. The landowner shall contact the Putnam County Office of Planning and Infrastructure, 12093 Winfield Road, Winfield WV 25213, (304) 586-0237, regarding this complaint within 30 days and provide a plan and timeline to remedy the matter and clear the property of all hazards. If no contact is received within 30 days, further action will be taken, which could consist of forwarding a formal complaint to the Putnam County Commission regarding the hazardous conditions on the property. The County Commission could in turn elect: 1) to issue a fine of \$100.00 per day as long as the hazardous conditions remain on the property; and/or 2) contract to have the hazardous conditions removed and seek reimbursement by civil litigation for all monies expended in cleaning up the property, which can include a lien on the property for the cost of the cleanup. A copy of the inspection conducted can be obtained at the Putnam County Office of Planning and Infrastructure.

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE is hereby given pursuant to and by virtue of the authority vested in the Substitute Trustee, WV Trustee Services, LLC, by that certain Deed of Trust dated March 18, 2005, executed by Borrowers Bobby L Jarrett and Lynn Renee Jarrett, to D. Kevin Moffatt, the Trustee of record in the office of the Clerk of the County Commission of Putnam County, West Virginia, in Book 738, at Page 938. At the time of the execution of the Deed of Trust, this property was reported to have a mailing address of 131 Jarretts Way, Scott Depot, WV 25560. WV Trustee Services, LLC were appointed as Substitute Trustees by APPOINTMENT OF SUCCESSOR TRUSTEE dated July 11, 2022, of record in the Clerk's Office in Book 1330, Page 317. The borrowers defaulted under the Note and Deed of Trust and the Substitute Trustees have been instructed to foreclose under the Deed of Trust. Accordingly, the Substitute Trustees will sell the following described property to the highest bidder at the front door of the Courthouse of Putnam County, in Winfield, West Virginia, on the following date:

11th day of July, 2024 at 11:00 a.m.

Beginning at a 5/8" rebar set in the line of Lots 1 and 2 Putnam Gardens Plot 2 Section 2 corner to Tax Parcels 44 and 44.1; Thence with the line of Tax Parcel 44 N 08° 02' E, 106.88' to a point corner to tax parcel 44 and in the line of a deed gap.

Thence with the line of the deed gap S 81° 08' E, 70.74' to a point by a power pole corner to deed gap and in the line of Putnam Street.

Thence with the westerly r/w line of Putnam Street S 03° OS' W, 100.00' to a 1/2" iron pipe (found) corner to lots 1 and 2.

Thence with the line of Lots 1 and 2 N 86° 27' W, 79.61' to the point of beginning, containing 0.18 acres, more or less.

For a more particular description see plat prepared by Wilkinson Surveying, LLC., dated November 18, 2023 and entitled "RETRACEMENT SURVEY PLAT FOR, REISENFELD & ASSOCIATES, LLC., BEING SOUTHERLY ONE HALD OF LOT 1, OF PUTNAM GARDENS, OF PLOT NO 2 SECTION 2, SITUATE ON THE WATERS, OF CROOKED CREE, SCOTT DIST., PUTNAM CO. WV, SCALE 1"=100

Being the same property conveyed to Bobby L Jarrett and Lynn Renee Jarrett by the Deed dated March 18, 2005 and recorded in Deed Book 454 at Page 818 in the Office of the Clerk of the County Commission of Putnam County, West Virginia.

TERMS OF SALE:

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

WV Trustee Services, LLC, Substitute Trustee BY: Jim Ashley, Limited Signing Officer WV Trustee Services, LLC McGuire Office Center 618 Tenth Street, Suite 108 Huntington, WV 25701 (304) 853-3336 jim.ashley@wvtrusteeservices.com

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M.C. Tariff Form No. 8-A

PUBLIC NOTICE OF CHANGE IN RATES UPON APPLICATION WITHOUT PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATES

NOTICE is hereby given that RGL, Inc., dba Mountain State Waste, a motor carrier and public utility, has, on June 21, 2024, filed with the PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF WEST VIRGINIA an application containing increased rates and charges for furnishing solid waste service to customers in the Counties of Braxton, Boone, Gilmer, Harrison, Kanawha, Lincoln, Lewis, Logan, Mason, Monongalia, Putnam, Randolph, Ritchie, Taylor, Upshur, Wayne, and Wetzel.

The proposed emergency interim increased rates and charges will produce approximately \$1,088,752.00 annually in additional revenue, an increase of 4.40%. The carrier's present authorized rates and its proposed emergency rates are as follows:

PRESENT AUTHORIZED RATES PROPOSED INTERIM RATES

MC Certificate Nos. F-455, F-5076, F-5855, and F-6219 serving Braxton, Gilmer, Harrison, Lewis, Randolph, Ritchie, and Upshur Counties Residential: \$30.75 Commercial/Industrial: negotiable 4.40% increase

MC Certificate No. F-4691 serving Putnam and Mason Counties Residential: \$25.52 Commercial/Industrial: negotiable 4.40% increase

MC Certificate No. 5639 serving Monongalia County Residential: \$20.89 Commercial/Industrial: negotiable 4.40% increase

MC Certificate No. F-5784 serving Kanawha County Residential: \$21.41 Commercial/Industrial: negotiable 4.40% increase

MC Certificate No. F-5940 serving Taylor County Residential: \$26.50 Commercial/Industrial: negotiable 4.40% increase

MC Certificate No. F-5943 serving Boone, Kanawha, Lincoln, Logan, Mason, and Wayne Counties Residential (Republic): \$25.26 Residential (Dalton): \$29.58 Commercial/Industrial: negotiable 4.40% increase

MC Certificate No. F-7345 and F-7393 serving Monongalia and Wetzel Counties Residential: \$30.75

95-Gallon Cart Rental Charge (all certificates) \$3.66 \$4.00 Extra Bag Charge (all certificates) \$1.00 \$2.00

The proposed final increased rates and charges will produce approximately \$2,026,965.00 annually in additional revenue, an increase of 8.10%. The carrier's present authorized rates and its proposed final rates are as follows:

PRESENT AUTHORIZED RATES PROPOSED FINAL RATES

MC Certificate Nos. F-455, F-5076, F-5855, and F-6219 serving Braxton, Gilmer, Harrison, Lewis, Randolph, Ritchie, and Upshur Counties Residential: \$30.75 Commercial/Industrial: negotiable 9.21% increase

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95-Gallon Cart Rental Charge (all certificates) \$3.66 \$4.00 Restart Fee (all certificates) \$5.00 \$10.00

Extra Bag Charge (all certificates) \$1.00 \$2.00

Individual customers may receive increases that are greater or less than stated here. The requested rates and charges are only a proposal and are subject to approval, denial, or modification (increases or decreases) by the Public Service Commission in its review of this application. Any increase in rates will not become effective until authorized and approved by the Commission. (If a hearing is scheduled, notice will be given of the time and place of hearing.)

Anyone desiring to protest this proposed change in rates or to intervene should file a written protest or notice of intervention prior to August 15, 2024, unless the Commission, by order, specifies a different date. Failure to file a timely protest or notice of intervention may affect your rights to protest any rate increases and to participate in future proceedings in this case. All protests or requests to intervene should briefly state the reason for the protest or intervention. Requests to intervene must comply with the Commission's rule on intervention set forth in the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure. All protests and notices of intervention should be addressed to the Executive Secretary, Public Service Commission of West Virginia, P. O. Box 812, Charleston, West Virginia 25323.

A complete copy of the carrier's present authorized rates and of its proposed rates, as well as a representative of the carrier to provide any information requested concerning the proposed changes, is available to all customers, prospective customers, or their agents at any of the following offices of the carrier:

7501 US Hwy 19N, Jane Lew, WV 2640 Yates Crossing Rd, Ona, WV 1647 McLane Pike, Red House, WV

A copy of the carrier's present authorized rates and of its proposed rates is also available for public inspection at the office of the Executive Secretary of the PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION at 201 Brooks Street, Charleston, West Virginia.

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A FOREVER FRIEND



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Many of us are fortunate to have had at least one “forever friend” - the friend who’s seen us through good and bad times, the one who knows all our secrets, the one who loves us no matter what. Some of us are not so lucky. But whether you are surrounded by many friends or you are a loner, you can have God as your constant friend and companion. In Proverbs 17:17 we read, “A friend loveth at all times.” God’s unfailing love and direction provides a bond for all our days. God, your “forever friend”, awaits at your house of worship.

Daily Bible Readings

Zechariah	Isaiah	Isaiah	Isaiah	Isaiah	Isaiah	Isaiah
10:1-12	49:1-12	49:13-26	55:1-13	63:15-64:12	66:1-11	66:12-24

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BASIC BIBLE

By Ron Allen
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Hannah Commits Her Son to God

I Samuel 1:20, 26-28; 2:1-10

The text before us captures the actions and words of Hannah. Hannah dedicated her firstborn son to serve God. This action speaks loudly. The adage that actions speak louder than words, however, does not strictly apply in this instance because the words which Hannah would speak were given to her by God.

Let us first consider Hannah’s action. Hannah named her son Samuel (v. 20) because Samuel means “requested from God.” Samuel was God’s answer to the prayer which Hannah had lifted up. Hannah had prayed, asking that she might bear a man child. She vowed to give her future son to the Lord. Hannah held nothing back. The Lord gave her the requested son and she returned her son to the Lord as soon as he no longer required mother’s milk. All of her works stemmed from that which the Lord had done.

If one reads the first ten verses of chapter 2 closely, one will note that Hannah first declares her joy directly to the Lord (v. 1), followed by a declaration of God’s perfect holiness and His unfailing defense of His people. This is followed by words of correction which are directed to them who speak with pride and arrogance (v. 3), followed by declarations of God’s knowledge and His ways. Hannah closes with a declaration of that which the Lord shall cause to come to pass (v. 9-10).

Let us now consider her words.

“Mine heart rejoiceth in the Lord” (v. 1). Hannah rejoiced because the Lord had given her the means to fulfill her vow. “. . . my horn is exalted in the Lord” (v. 1). Again, Hannah is rejoicing because of what the Lord has done. In this instance, her strength and vitality was increased by the Lord. The Lord replaced her years of emptiness (manifested by barren womb) with a fullness that was beyond measure.

Continuing — “. . . my mouth is enlarged over my enemies; because I rejoice in thy salvation” (v. 1). For the third time in this verse, Hannah rejoices in that which the Lord has done. The salvation which the Lord supplied has enlarged Hannah’s mouth. She is able to speak things which she formerly could not.

Her mouth has been enabled to speak out against her enemies. Hannah had suffered greatly because of the words of Peninnah (see I Sam. 1:6). That said, the words which now proceed from her empowered lips speak to a greater audience. It is an audience which does not realize that the holiness of God is beyond comparison. His holiness is the standard by which perfection is established. It is an audience which does not know Him as the all sufficient rock of refuge (v. 2).

In verse 3, the mouth which the Lord enlarged speaks words of warning. The proud need consider their words in the light of God’s perfection. The Lord is a God of knowledge. God knows that all fall short of His standard. The actions of all shall be judged by Him.

“The bows of the mighty . . .” (v. 4). All that is recorded in verses 4 through 8 are declarations of that which the Lord has done and of happenings which He continues to do. The fall of mighty men and the lifting up of them who have stumbled is the work of the Lord. Hannah’s words are God’s words. The Lord uses Hannah to reach out to the proud and presumptuous. The Lord would have all men know that He is a God who reverses the fortunes of both the full and the empty, makes the wombs of the barren fruitful and the mothers of many to grow feeble. God causes men to perish and men who have perished to come to life.

The things which Hannah declares are much like words which the Father would speak through the Son more than one thousand years to the future. The first shall become last and the last first (Matt. 19:30). Those who seek to save their lives shall lose them while those who willingly lose their lives shall gain life (Lk. 9:24). The words of the Son are the words of the Father (Jn. 12:50). Hannah speaks to all who have the ears to hear. New Testament believers are blessed by words which God provided to Hannah because the Comforter, the Holy Spirit, teaches us all things (Jn. 14:26).

In verse 8, the Lord reveals that the power by which He lifts up the poor and beggars and places them on thrones of glory is the same power as by which He caused the world to come into existence. The great I AM would have all men to know Him and be lifted up by Him.

In verses 9 and 10, the verb tense shifts from present to future. Hannah’s words speak loudly to New Testament believers because we are preserved by the Son (see I Jn. 5:12). The Lord declares through the mouth that He has enlarged that the wicked shall be silent and dwell in the dark, that the strength of men shall fail. The Lord’s judgment upon the earth is certain. The Lord shall give strength to His king.

When Hannah was given these words, there was no king in Israel. The king of which Hannah speaks shall be strengthened and exalted by God the Father at a future time in which the wicked are made silent and men are unable to stand in opposition to the Lord. New Testament believers know and follow the Son to whom the Lord said, “Sit thou on my right hand, till I make thine enemies thy footstool” (Matt. 22:44, Ps. 110:1). God has revealed through His word that the Son shall rule from the throne of David in Jerusalem at a time in which Satan is bound (Rev. 20:1-4). The words which God gave to Hannah speak of a time which is more fully revealed in New Testament scripture.

God reveals Himself through Hannah’s works and words to be a rewarder of them who lend themselves for His purposes. May we let the Comforter direct our ways such that we, too, may be enlarged for His purposes.

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DAVID HAROLD ESCUE

David Harold Escue, 73, of Fraziers Bottom, passed away June 29, 2024. Dave was a righteous man. He knew God intimately through the Word and the Spirit of God. He was full of the joy of the Lord.

Dave was a humble and unassuming man, but a powerful influencer loved by all who knew him. It was his open heart, his self-deprecating humor, his calm under pressure and his ability to bring everything back to prayer. He was deeply intellectual but able to reach every demographic with his love and wisdom. He was a family man, embracing not only his family of birth but the family he married into, and they are ever so thankful for this gracious gift. His humor left everyone feeling brighter and lighter. Anyone who has been around him much has a “Dave story”. Never a dull moment. Dave is a friend of many. He had the ability to make everyone feel special and loved.

He is survived by his devoted wife JuLea, his sister Carol Lavender, devoted sister-in-law, Joy Casto O’Cull (Howard) and brother-in-law, Scott Casto (Linda).

Preceded in death by his parents Howard and Lyndell Escue, his older brother Charles “Buddy” Escue and his brother-in-law (brother) Charles Lavender.

Dave served as an uncle/“honorary” parent to their nieces and nephews: Cali McCormick, Leah O’Kelly, Josh Anderson, Neil Wheatcraft, Allie Tejada (Kevin), Caleb Casto, Jacob Casto, Raven Chandler (Tyler), Sparrow McCormick, Sam O’Kelly, Lisa Walker (Eddie) and Randall Lavender and

“Grandpa” to Finn Chandler.

Dave’s life has been filled with joy and laughter and with pain, both experiences were handled in the same fashion, by approaching the throne of our Sovereign God through Jesus Christ and thanking Him for bringing him this way, teaching him, holding him in His righteous right hand, delivering him and keeping him. Filling him with the Holy Spirit and walking with him through the fire.

Funeral was Tuesday, July 2, 2024, at Curry Funeral Home with Pastor Jim Legg officiating. Burial was in Forks of Coal Memorial Park.

WALTER M. FRAZIER, JR.

Walter Manning Frazier, Jr., 78, of Scott Depot, passed away June 28, 2024, after a long life exemplifying unconditional love and a sterling work ethic.

He was born in Charleston, to Elmeta and Manning Frazier. He attended Charleston High School and was graduated with a BS degree in Mathematics from West Virginia University. He was employed by Burroughs Corporation before beginning his own computer software company in 1983, Appalachian Software, Inc. His company serves WV public service districts and municipalities. Walt’s heart was always with his customers and set on

providing the best software products that he could design.

His mantra was always to take care of your customers and good things will follow. Walter was known to his friends as a good man, a man’s man, a polite man and a man with a devilish sense of humor. He was, above all, a loving man; His wife of 59 years always attests to that. Other adjectives to describe Walt are independent and persistent. He was a big game hunter and world traveler, a man filled with respect for God, nature and wildlife. Walt was also a family man, beloved by his two sons and their children. His hobbies included archery and firearms.

Walter is survived by his wife, Kitty Bartholomew Frazier; son Dr. Gary Manning Frazier and his wife Jessica; son Stuart Thomas Frazier; grandchildren Bart Frazier and Cole (and Elaina) Frazier, Max Frazier, Hannah Frazier; Ben (and Katie) Johnston and children, Zak (and Tessa) Johnston and Rebecca Johnston; sisters Mary Margaret Robertson (Joe)and Brenda Boyles (Bill) and family.

Memorial service in praise of Walter’s life was held Wednesday, July 3, 2024, at Barlow Bonsall Funeral Home, Charleston.

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Waiting in line to reunite with her once more, she was preceded in death by her mother, Elizabeth (Libby) Vickers whom her daughters never had the pleasure of meeting but were told about her often. Her father, Arthur (Art) Vickers whom she dearly loved and respected. Her brother, George Vickers whom shared the love for the Lord. Her beloved stepmother, Isabelle Vickers whom shared equal love for fine china and exuded pure class. I imagine the five of them reunited with smiles, embracing each other and catching up on the years that had passed.

She is survived by her husband of 22 years, Darwin Stanley, whom she loved unconditionally and with whom she shared countless laughs. She was his road trip buddy, car song duet partner, and best friend, with whom he shared a beautiful life.

She is also survived by her oldest daughter, Annie Cunningham whom strived to be half the Physician Assistant she was and respected her advice and will never forget it. Her son-in-law, Eddie Cunningham who was there at the very end and stood by her during that fateful first 24 hours like a guardian angel. Her youngest daughter, Melody Dawn (fiancé Lee Stevens) who inherited her beauty and obviously learned how to be a great mom from her and will profoundly miss her and be forever grateful.

She is also survived by her stepson, Dustin Stanley, and her daughter-in-law, Dr. Raquel Silhy Stanley, as well as her stepdaughter, Sarah Stanley; Her grandchildren Charlie Cunningham, Lorelei Stevens, and Lynden Stevens; her step-grandchildren, Autumn, Maia, Jessica, Colin, and Dylan Stanley and Ivy Stevens; her youngest

sister, Susie Lynne Shaffer; cousins and sister in laws whom she loved like her own sisters; best friends, Kelli Myers, Joann Dyson, and Windi D'itri.

Alice was born in Cumberland, Maryland, and raised in Levittown, Pennsylvania, where she graduated Neshaminy High School in 1976 top of her class. She often shared with her family her love for her hometown church First Baptist of Levittown where she just recently attended their 70th anniversary. Her fond memories of home included swimming in summers with her sister and neighbors and working at the local dairy shack just so she could eat her most favorite dessert, ice cream.

To no one's surprise, she embarked on a path few other women in her time pursued, becoming a Physician Assistant. She graduated from Alderson Broaddus College in 1980 and began her career at Thomas Hospital in fall 1980, where she cultivated a deeply rooted work family over nearly 45 years. Alice loved working as a surgical PA and enjoyed mentoring and training students to become the best versions of themselves. She was passionate about her work and dedicated to leaving behind a better future for PAs who followed in her footsteps.

When she wasn't being supermom, wife, and grandmother, she served on the board of Pioneer Appalachia Federal Credit Union. She took her role on the board very seriously. So much so she was found participating in a board meeting the day after her liver transplant surgery because she loved being a part of their vision for 22 years.

Alice loved decorating and taking care of her home. She loved fine china and was an avid collector. She also enjoyed sewing and making her

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GERALD ERVIN SIMMONS

Gerald "Gerry" Ervin Simmons, 88, of Hurricane, passed away on Wednesday June 26, 2024.

Gerry was born on January 24, 1936 in Wallback where he spent his youth working on the family farm. While the work was demanding, Gerry had fond memories of that setting and appreciated the value of hard work which he carried forward throughout his life.

Gerry received his Bachelor's Degree from Marshall University and Master's Degree in Music Education from the College of Graduate Studies. He was employed for over 40 years by various West Virginia County Boards of Education as a teacher and band director, most recently in Putnam County where he retired in 2000. His bands received numerous awards throughout his career. Gerry was WV's Band Director of the Year in 1972 and his Wahama High School Band received the honor of performing in the Presidential Inauguration Parade in Washington D.C. in 1973.

Gerry also served as Music Director for 24 years at Forrest Burdette Memorial United Methodist Church in Hurricane.

It is often said of people that he or she "never met a stranger". That was absolutely an accurate description of Gerry. He loved people and he loved a good conversation. Regardless of the location, whenever Gerry was out in a public setting, you could be confident that he would be engaged with

someone in a good hearted conversation whether he knew the person or not.

He was a kind man who valued his Christian faith and his family more than anything.

Gerry is survived by his wife of 63 years, Barbara Wilson Simmons; daughters: Nancy Simmons and Alicia (James) Martin of Hurricane, WV; son, Lee (Julie) Simmons of Frankton, IN; and grandchildren: Steven (Korinna) Larson, Wesley (Paige) Larson, Adam Martin, Sarah Martin, Leah Martin, Ellie Simmons, and Levi Simmons. He is also survived by brothers: Deward "Evans" Stalnaker, Andrew Jackson Stalnaker and Charles "Chuck" Stalnaker. Gerry was preceded in death by his father, Norville Lee Simmons; mother, Pauline Moore Stalnaker; step-father, Deward Stalnaker; sister, Patricia McArthur; daughter, Tina Larson, and brothers: Steven Stalnaker, Gery Stalnaker, and David Stalnaker.

A Funeral Service honoring Gerry was Sunday, June 30, 2024 at Forrest Burdette Memorial United Methodist Church, Hurricane.

ALICE ANNE STANLEY

Alice Anne Stanley, of Scott Depot, departed from this earth on June 27th, 2024 at 2:00pm at the age of 65 years old, after bravely battling Primary Sclerosing Cholangitis and post-operative complications following her liver transplant. On this day, she saw the face of God, and her weary body found peace as she entered the arms of Jesus, welcomed by rejoicing angels.

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grandchildren clothes, lillies grew taller than her grandchildren, always leaving her family in awe of her green thumb. Funeral Service for Alice was Friday, July 5, 2024 at Chapman Funeral Home, Hurricane.



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Haymaking at the Wyant Farm



Greg Bird sent in this photo of hay making at the Wyant Farm in June. He remarks that square bales are no longer a common sight in Putnam County.

Putnam County Library Summer Reading Program

Are you afraid you're too late to join the Putnam County Library's Summer Reading Program? Have no fear! All ages can join the fun any time before

July 31.

To join, just pick up your book bag and Adventure Log at any library location in Putnam County. Using the log, you'll earn incremental prizes based on how many minutes your read. Each completed Adventure Log will be used as an entry for the grand prize. (Each age group will have a grand prize at each location.)

Still have questions? Ask your local library and they will do their best to answer them.

And remember, you do NOT need to sign up for the Summer Reading Program to attend any of the Library's awesome events this summer. To see a list of scheduled events, go to <https://www.facebook.com/putnamlibrarywv>

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This highly requested tincture class will cover:

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- How to blend herbal tinctures to make custom formulas

- Best practices for how and when to use tinctures

- Tincture recipes to get you started

Participants will make their own tincture to take home. Only \$5 to attend this class! (to cover supplies) (pay at the door)

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Available Pets at the Putnam County Animal Shelter

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



Scar is a special furry friend. He had very itchy skin and ears; he is declawed so his feet hurt; and it was a little hard for him to eat. After a couple trips to the vet, his skin is feeling a bit better and so are his ears. e needs a comfy couch to crash on a shelter is no place for him. Scar, needs some dental work done, so if you would like to donate to his dental fund please reach out to the shelter.



Raise the Woof Fundraiser

Help support the Putnam County Animal Shelter's urgent mission to find loving homes/fosters for our furry friends during the Raise the Woof Fundraiser on Saturday, July 6, from noon to 4 p.m. There will be vendors, games, and more.

The shelter is undergoing renovations, including the installation of new flooring, and they need your assistance to ensure the pets are placed in foster care or adopted as soon as possible.

Your participation can make a significant difference in the lives of these animals. By fostering or adopting, you provide a temporary or forever home, freeing up space and resources needed for the shelter's renovation efforts. Whether you're looking to expand your family with a new pet or can offer temporary care, your help is invaluable.

Come meet the adorable residents and discover how fostering or adopting a pet can bring joy and fulfillment to your life. Together, let's make a lasting impact on our community and ensure every pet finds the love and care they deserve.

Happy Heavenly Birthday

Happy birthday in Heaven to my recently deceased sister, Bernice Oxley, who would have been 86 on July 2.

— Roberta Oxley

Monthly Tire Collection Event This Saturday

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