

# Felisha Richmond Hartwell New REACHH Executive Director

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HINTON W.Va. (Hinton News) - Felisha Hartwell has been with REACHH since 2002 and on Jan. 1, she accepted the position of Executive Director of the organization. What an amazing way to start the new year.

Felishas's career started at REACHH when she was only 19 in April 2002. She started out working at Dandy Lions and Lady Bugs Daycare Center where she worked her way up to Day Care Director.

In 2007, Felisha began working at Little Lambs Child Development Center where she once again made Day-care Director. From there Felisha went on to Safe and Sound Security where she learned office manage-

ment and administrative duties. At the same time, Felisha was also attending Mountain State University to get her BSW. This led her back to REACHH in 2011 as an intern. In 2012 Felisha graduated from MSU and worked in the Birth to 3 and the Parents as Teachers programs at REACHH where she served families in Summers and Monroe Counties.

For the next step in her career, Felisha transferred to the Child Advocacy Center at REACHH and became a family advocate. After several years of advocating for children and their non-offending caregivers, Felisha went on to become a forensic interviewer in 2017 while she was also working on her master's degree in social work. She obtained

her degree in 2018 and quickly became the Director of the Child Advocacy Center (CAC). Here she worked with child survivors of abuse by listening to their stories. In this capacity, she worked alongside law enforcement and Child Protection Services, as well as the Prosecutor's Office. All of this was to help ensure quality services were being offered to children and their families after a disclosure was made.

In addition to all this, Felisha works as a trainer for Concord University's WVFACT Program where she trains on trauma with foster care parents.

Felisha Hartwell has always served the people in her community with a listening ear, a kind heart, a hug, a warm meal, words of

wisdom, humor and love. All this has been done while being a full-time wife and mother.

Felisha lives with her husband Rodney, son Weston and two very spoiled dogs. Felisha was raised in Summers County by her Dad and Mom, Gary and Karen Richmond. Along with her siblings and cousins, she claims she got her grit from her beloved grandmother lovingly called Ninnie.

Felisha would also like to announce other big news at REACHH. Jennifer Meadows has been promoted to Assistant Director of REACHH. Jennifer has been with REACHH 16 years and will be wonderful in her new role. Elizabeth "Nikki" Gill has been promoted to Family Support Center Director and has already implemented



Felisha Hartwell

several new ideas to move her program forward. Josie McNeely was promoted to Felisha's old position of CAC director. She is already doing an amazing job. Everyone is so excited and can't wait to dig in and serve the community in bigger and better ways. Congratulations to Felisha Hartwell and everyone on their new titles.

# Five generations celebrated

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S U M M E R S COUNTY W.Va. (Hinton News) - In life, there's nothing like having multiple Generations of family around. It means there's more love to go around, more stories to share and more seats around holiday tables. The Pack Family is extremely blessed with five generations.

Back in 2002, the Packs celebrated with five generations including Effie Furrow, Mollie Pack, Dave Pack, Kristen Yancey, and Brooklyn Kincaid.

This year the 2002 baby that made the 5th generation, gave the family a brand new 5th generation with her daughter Macklyn Ratliff.

All the West Virginia family gathered to celebrate Mollie Pack's 89th birthday. Brooklyn said that five generations remind us of all the love, wisdom and lessons that a family passes down to one another. She went on to say what an honor it is to have such a large family but even more so to be surrounded by the love of generation after generation.



From left to right: Mollie Pack, 89; Dave Pack, 62; Kristin Yancey, 42; Brooklyn Ratliff, 23; and Macklyn Ratliff, 6 months

# Summers County Commissioners Support Spay Neuter Funding Continuation Bill Introduced in Legislature

HINTON W.Va. (Hinton News) - Nearly a million dollars a year in spay and neuter funding assistance is set to expire next year without legislative action. A bill submitted by the West Virginia Department of Agriculture was introduced on the opening day of the state legislature on Feb. 12 by lead sponsor Delegate Doug Smith of Mercer County. House Bill 2158 seeks the elimination of a sunset clause on the West Virginia Spay Neuter Program responsible for assisting 84 humane societies in the state offering vouchers in 54 counties, including Summers County.

Federation of Hu-

mane Organizations President Theresa Bruner says the \$450,000 annual fund involves zero taxpayer money. "The funding," according to Bruner, "comes from the fee from pet food registration at the WVDA. \$356M in pet food was sold in WV in 2023 - one-tenth of one percent (.001%) is provided to WVSNP. The \$450,000 for the State Spay Neuter Fund is currently matched by a \$450,000 donation through FOHO WV by an anonymous private donor." West Virginia is one of only 5 states with this spay-neuter assistance program funded by this manner. WVSPN provides

grants to 501c3 local government organizations and humane organizations and has funded over 80,000 population control surgeries since 2018.

Summers County Humane Society advocate Gayle Rancer appeared before the Summer's County Commission the day after the bill's introduction to explain how essential WVSPN funding assistance is and has been to dogs and cats in Hinton and the county. "As funding for the program requires nothing from tax revenues and is already in force," Rancer appealed to commissioners to support the legislation to "strike the sunset clause and en-

courage the state senate and house to continue the funding assistance program without interruption". Vouchers will become available through the local humane society beginning in March.

"Demand for vouchers is great here in our community," Rancer explained. "SCHS (ACWP, Inc.,) has been able to help pet owners with rising costs of spay and neuter through local vets and 'Fix It' clinics in the state over the years, and it's essential this funding continues. Hundreds of dogs, cats and feral communities of felines have benefited from this funding assistance. Registration fees paid by pet food com-

panies amount to zero tax assessed on West Virginia taxpayers."

County Commissioners Charles Saunders, Ted Kula and Mike Gore agreed to advocate for the legislation. Commissioner Kula said "Advocating for this bill is consistent with the county's commitment" to animal welfare. Commissioner Gore, who participated via telephone, said supporting the ongoing program is the right thing to do, "we will support and take it up when we meet with our representatives in March." That meeting will be held in Charleston. In the meantime, a similar bill will be forthcoming in the Sen-

ate. In a recent phone conversation Senator Woodrum "It's an established program and asks for no taxes" from West Virginia taxpayers.

To advocate for the continuation of spay-neuter assistance through the non tax dollars WVSPN funding, SCHS and FOHO request phone calls, emails and letters be sent to Delegate Roy Cooper and Senator Jack David Woodrum (Summers County) and Senator Vince Deeds (Greenbrier County).

Email addresses: jack.woodrum@wvsenate.gov; roy.cooper@wvhouse.gov; vince.deeds@wvsenate.gov



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## TRY Theater Spring Session to Begin

HINTON W.Va. (Hinton News) - Three Rivers Youth Theater will start our Spring Session on March 10 at 4:30 p.m. as we start working on a new full length play for a performance in May. If you know of young actors in 4th to 12th grade, please let them know about this opportunity! Practices are every Monday from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. in the Memorial Building with a performance on Saturday, May 10. There are no fees to participate in this theater program. Contact Cheryl Kula at [cheryl.kula@gmail.com](mailto:cheryl.kula@gmail.com) with any questions.

## Monroe County Flood Damage Portal Now Open

MONROE COUNTY W.Va. (Hinton News) - The Monroe County Commission has launched a Flood Damage Reporting Portal to assist in assessing the impact of the recent flooding disaster that occurred on the evening of Saturday, February 15, 2025. Residents who experienced flood-related damage are encouraged to submit a report through this portal to help local and state authorities understand the extent of the devastation. The portal, available at <https://shorturl.at/HDebR>, allows residents to provide detailed descriptions of their property damage and upload photos for documentation. Please note that this portal is for damage assessment purposes only and is not an application for financial assistance. Why Reporting Matters: Submitting damage reports helps officials evaluate the full impact of the flooding. Information gathered will be used to support emergency response efforts and potential future assistance programs. Accurate data is crucial for Monroe County's ability to advocate for state and federal disaster relief resources. All Monroe County residents who have experienced flood damage are strongly encouraged to report their losses through the portal as soon as possible. For additional assistance or questions, residents may contact the Monroe County Office of Emergency Management at 304-772-3911.

## Carnegie Hall’s Mainstage Series Continues With Tartan Terrors

LEWISBURG W.Va. (Hinton News) – Carnegie Hall presents Celtic group Tartan Terrors on Friday, March 7, at 7 p.m. Guests are invited to come early to Club Carnegie from 6–6:45 p.m. in the Board Room located adjacent to the Hamilton Auditorium. A cash bar and snacks are available. Tartan Terrors bring their Celtic Invasion to festivals and shows across North America, blending the energy of a rock show with humor and stepdance. The members include Ian Irmisch (Bodhran, Emcee), Peter McArthur (Bagpipes, Whistle, Vocals), Emily Yarascavitch (Fiddle, Stepdance, Vocals), Charlie McKittrick (Drums, Vocals), Phill Hood (Guitar, Vocals), Chris Kerba (Bodhran, Guitar, Vocals), and Jake Saenz (Bass Guitar, Vocals). Ian Irmisch founded the Tartan Terrors with his late sister Ellen in 1996. He has an extensive career in the professional arts and sports worlds. At the age of five, he performed in the prestigious Great Hall of Hamilton Place and hasn't looked back since. Ian holds credentials with ACTRA, CAEA, and the AFM and has appeared in the Spirit of a Nation Tour, Charlottetown Festival, Ross Petty Productions Robin Hood, 42nd Street, Hamilton Theatre Inc, Brigadoon, Drury Lane Productions and across the UK. He has appeared in numerous film and television productions including Death to Smoochy, Superstar, Road to Avonlea, and The Santa Claus. As a child, he trained at his mother's dance school, Sundance Studios in Burlington. He went on to Ryerson University and Sheridan College and worked across New York City. In 1996, the Wilkes-Irmisch siblings formed Tartan Terrors and Celtic performances haven't been the same since. He now resides in Muskoka, Ontario, where he's an avid collector of advertising signs and gas/car memorabilia. Peter McArthur has been performing the traditional music of the Great Highland Bagpipe for over 25 years. He first performed with Tartan Terrors in Manheim, Pennsylvania, at Celtic Fling in 2015. Peter grew up in Fayetteville, North Carolina playing with his local pipe band and spending influential time each summer at the North American Academy of Piping. He received most of his instruction from Bill Caudill at St. Andrews University in Laurinburg, NC. While at St. Andrews, Peter became a Grade 1 piper and earned a BA with Honors in Philosophy. Peter's tenure with the SAU Pipe Band spans 20 years of winning performances in the southeastern United States and numerous championships in Grade 3. Peter currently teaches his hometown pipe band, the Cross Creek Pipes and Drums, whose hard work earned the EU-SPBA Southeastern Branch Championship for Grade 5 in 2018. Peter performs at over 250 events throughout each year and spends his spring and fall giving regular weekend recitals at Pinehurst Resort. The sounds of his pipes have been heard with choirs, organs, trumpets, large orchestras, and even handbell choirs. Along the way, Peter performed with the Chieftains, Seven Nations, and the Rend Collective. Emily Yarascavitch is a fiddling and step-dancing sensation. She draws audiences in and creates an authentic and memorable connection with her deft musicality, warm smile and infectious energy. She began step-dancing at four years old and took up fiddle shortly after. She spent numerous years in the Canadian competition circuit, achieving prestigious awards in both fiddle and stepdance. She is trained in various fiddle styles as well as classical violin. She is a mutli Canadian Grand Masters Finalist, Junior Canadian Champion, and a two-time Canadian Open Duet Champion. As a classical musician, she has completed Advanced Theory and playing examinations. Emily is currently the fiddle player and stepdancer for Tartan Terrors. She has been in high demand as a performer across North America and has toured with The Shreem X Celtic Remix, and The Scott Woods Band. Emily is an in-demand music teacher and runs a full private studio in Oshawa, Ontario, teaching violin, fiddle, music theory, and stepdance. Charlie McKittrick joined forces with the Tartan Terrors in November 2016. He first hit the stage at a Christmas concert in Harrisburg, PA. Since then, he's played dozens of festivals and theatres with the band all over North America. He brings with him his genuine passion for playing the drums, animated and energetic showmanship, an angelic tenor vocalist, and 14 years' professional playing experience. He formerly belonged to the Hamilton Philharmonic Youth Orchestra and holds a BMus from the University of Windsor, where he studied classical percussion and physical geography. He's performed internationally including stops in Germany, Singapore, nine provinces in Canada and 33 states in the USA. He's released a solo EP and two singles (Two Hearts, Brand New Love and Christmas Countdown respectively) and continues to write and record. He performed onstage with Sen Dog of Cypress Hill and the band Finger Eleven and appears on the Scary Movie 5 soundtrack. He is endorsed by Promark drumsticks, Evans drumheads and D'Addario guitar strings. With Ireland and Scotland in his bloodline, Charlie wears the kilt with pride and makes for an explosive addition to the Tartan Terrors arsenal. Phill Hood, Tartan Terrors' resident Newfoundland, has been an active member of the band since 2011. Raised off of the rugged shores of the North Atlantic, Phill brings an east coast flare to the Terror's Celtic sound. A seasoned songwriter and performer in his own right, Phill has found success as a composer, producer, and solo artist with his band "Phill Hood and The Exclamation." His debut album, Detour, took him across Canada in 2018, playing shows from British Columbia to Newfoundland to great acclaim and radio play! You can always count on Phill for a laugh, a song, and great dinner plans (which he regularly documents through his food blog and instagram account)! Whether you've known him for a while or are watching him perform for the first time, you'll surely be singing along but the end of the first set. A 20+ year musician, Chris Kerba has been with the Terrors for over a decade now. He shares his time and talents with another band, Eclectic Revival, which has helped turn him into the performer he is today. He brings to the stage his guitar, bodhran, singing, and his tough outer shell. Jake Saenz is an American/Canadian musician based out of Toronto who has been pumping out the low end as the Tartan Terrors' bass guitarist for over 10 years. With an expansive range of influences ranging from rock to new wave, and electronic/industrial, Jake provides a stoically dependable backbone to the Tartan Terrors' intricately layered timbre. With a distinctive sound and a proud tradition of making Celtic music fun and accessible to any audience, the Terrors have played big stages across North America, including The Iridium, Times Square, NYC, Daryl's House Club, Pawling, NY, Freeman Arts Pavilion, Selbyville, DE, Glasgow Lands Scottish Festival, Florence, MA, and The Celtic Music & Craft Beer Festival in Dunedin, FL. Tickets are \$35. Thanks to the Carnegie Cardinal Fund, Greenbrier County Students attend for free, but still must reserve a seat. Discounts are available for Carnegie Hall members, senior citizens, and military. To purchase tickets, call Carnegie Hall Box Office at 304-645-7917, visit [www.carnegiehallwv.org](http://www.carnegiehallwv.org), or stop by at 611 Church Street, Lewisburg, West Virginia. 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# A Peek into Summers County's Past: Flood Photos

William Jones

SUMMERS COUNTY W.Va. (Hinton News) - As I sit here trying to decide on something to write this week's piece about, thinking about the flood prediction for the Greenbrier River last weekend, I ran across these two photographs. They were found in my Grandfather Bernard Thompson's roll top desk in Tornado, WV. They were taken during a high water event on February 1, 1950, where it crested at 16.52ft. Which relatively isn't a "flood" but a "high water event". But back then there were many more camps and homes along the river. It wasn't until the highest flood on record in 1996 that

many of these homes were bought out and demolished or raised. So until then these times of high water were more substantial. This was before the days of cell phones and Facebook, so if you wanted to find out about an event that was going on in your area you had to go exploring. You knew the back roads to travel to get around in order to find out what all of the "gossip" was about. Word had gotten back to Talcott that someone from the area had tried to drive through the dip that used to be in front of the bridge in Pence Springs. So grandad made his way to Pence Springs to be one of the many spectators by going up Hungars Creek

to Clayton and coming down Fisher Hill to Pence Springs where he found the car he had heard about washed against the power poll in the dip. You see, yes the water got higher than 16ft but looked much worse than it really was in these photos. After the flood of 1996 the state filled this dip with big culverts and filled it to allow the water to run through it during high water events. They changed the elevation of that section of road to the bridge. So now it takes something like 15.5 feet to start over the pavement and block that section of road. As a child I can remember it being blocked time and time again during my youth.

I don't remember the exact stage but it would block the dip somewhere between 12 to 13ft. I have always been fascinated by flooding on the Greenbrier River, especially in Pence Springs and Talcott. On a side note, Dale Hedrick who went to school with my father and started out together at the Pence Springs School. In the 1960's it was school policy that when the water crossed the pavement, the kids that lived on the Pence Springs proper side of the river would be excused to go home and if they were already at school they could go home as soon as it crossed the road. When the water would be high, which occurred fairly often during that



Photo provided by William Jones

decade. He would stop faster so he wouldn't on his walk to school have to go to school. and scrape his foot This came straight from through the gravel to the "horse's mouth." Ha "help" it cross the road

# Empty Bowls: A Heartwarming Evening of Epicurean Cuisine, Handcrafted Artistry and Community Spirit



White bean duck stew by Gustard's Bistro

LEWISBURG er Valley is excited W.Va. (Hinton News) — The United Way of Greenbri-

the community, while supporting local food pantries, within Greenbrier, Monroe, and Pocahontas counties. Empty Bowls is a celebration of local flavors, craftsmanship, and the spirit of giving. Guests will savor gourmet soups and freshly baked bread and may take home a gift of a beautifully handcrafted bowl of their choice. This evening of fun is on Feb. 27, from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m., at the Clingman Center, in downtown Lewisburg. This year's event will feature a selection of 18 gourmet soups, each

thoughtfully prepared to warm your heart and delight your taste buds. Attendees will also enjoy live music, sip refreshing beverages from the cash bar, and have the chance to bid on an array of exciting items, during the silent auction. Local eateries contributing their culinary creations include: Gustard's Bistro, The French Goat, The Greenbrier, Amy's Market and The General Lewis Inn, among others. "This year, we have two very interesting sources of cuisine; homemade buttermilk bread

from Carnegie Hall, and three gourmet soups from Greenbrier East High School's ProStart culinary arts program," says Lauren Rainier, executive director of United Way of Greenbrier Valley. More than just a meal, Empty Bowls is an opportunity to come together

with friends, family and neighbors to make a meaningful difference. Your attendance will directly support local food pantries and help those in need throughout the region. For more information, including tickets, please visit: unitedwaygreenbrier.org.

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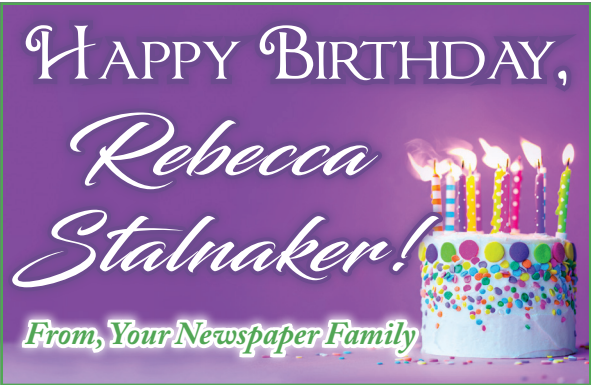
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# WVSP Provides Report on Lives Lost in McDowell County During Flood

WELCH W.Va. (Hinton News) - Tragically, multiple lives were lost during recent flooding in McDowell County. The West Virginia State Police released the following information: "On Monday, February 17, 2025, at approximately 12:00 pm, Welch Detachment Troopers responded to the area of Summer Street in Welch for a deceased male, identified as Donald Eugene Griffin (69-year-old white male from Welch, WV), on the bank of the Tug River. "Senior Trooper K.M. Saddler conducted a death investigation and identified the deceased as an occupant of a silver Chevrolet Silverado that had reportedly been driving in high water and washed into the Tug River on Sunday, February 16, 2025. The truck was located a short time later in the water near Coney Island in Welch. "At approximately 5 pm, the truck was partially extricated from the water and was confirmed to contain the body of an adult female. The female's identity has been confirmed as Deborah Griffin (69-year-old white female from Welch, WV). According to witnesses, another occupant of the truck, a two (2) year old male was seen being taken from the truck by Donald Griffin. "Two (2) female juve-

niles were able to escape from the truck after being swept down river. Trees struck the truck, and the back glass was damaged, allowing the female juveniles to escape. The juvenile females were rescued from the water by fire department and EMS. "On Tuesday, February

18, 2025, at approximately 10:30 am, the two (2) year old male was located deceased in the river in the area of Hunting Shirt Bottom in Davy, WV, which is an estimated ten (10) miles from the location of the truck. Mr. and Mrs. Griffin were the legal guardians of the children."



## Series On Calvinism (Part 4) An Introduction to Calvinism

### Total Hereditary Depravity

(Last week we looked at the 5 basic tenets of Calvinism. Today we will begin to look in depth at each of the tenets beginning with total hereditary depravity.)

by Gene Taylor

As with the other four doctrines of Calvinism, the doctrine of Total Hereditary Depravity, also known as the doctrine of "original sin," is taught by a large number of denominations. The phrase, "Total Hereditary Depravity," implies three things which Calvinists believe about the nature of all humans at birth.

- They are **depraved**. They are caught up in and guilty of sin.
- They are **wholly** or **totally** depraved. Nothing about them is good.
- The sinful condition, depravity, in which they are born is **hereditary**—it comes to them from their parents.

This article will examine this doctrine by looking at how it is expressed by denominations and individuals who teach it and the basic meaning of the terms used to express it; the proof texts used by its proponents to defend it; its consequences if it were true; and some Scriptural objections to it.

### Total Hereditary Depravity Expressed

The *Westminster Confession of Faith* states, "They (Adam and Eve, GT) being the root of all mankind, the guilt of this sin was imputed, and the same death in sin and corrupted nature conveyed to all their posterity, descending from them by ordinary generation. From this original corruption, whereby we are utterly indisposed, disabled, and made opposite to all good, and wholly inclined to all evil, do proceed all actual transgressions." (Chapter VI)

The *Philadelphia Confession of Faith*, the first creed adopted by the Baptist churches in the United States, says,

- "Our first parents by the sin, fell from their original righteousness and communion with God, and we in them, whereby death came upon all; all becoming dead in sin, and wholly defiled in all faculties, and parts of soul, and body." (p. 24)
- "They being the root, and by God's appointment, standing in the room, and stead of all mankind, the guilt of their sin was imputed, and corrupted nature conveyed, to all their posterity, descending from them by ordinary generation, being now conceived in sin, and by nature children of wrath, the servants of sin, the subjects of death and all other miseries, spiritual, temporal, and eternal, unless the Lord Jesus sets them free." (p. 24)
- "From this original corruption whereby all are utterly indisposed, disabled, and made opposite to all good, and wholly inclined to all evil, do proceed all actual transgressions." (p. 24)

The *Augsburg Confession of Faith* was presented June 25, 1530, it contains the 28 articles which constitute the basic confession of the Lutheran churches. It relates, "...That since the fall of Adam, all men...are born with sin, that is without fear of God...and this disease or vice of origin is truly sin even now in condemning and bringing eternal death upon those not born again..."

John Wesley, 1703-1791, was "a leader of the Evangelical Revival and founder of the Methodist Church in Great Britain and America..." (*The World Book Encyclopedia*, Vol. 21, p. 352) In regard to the doctrine of Total Hereditary Depravity, he said, "We are condemned before we have done good or evil, under the curse before we know what it is." (*Sermons on Original Sin*, p. 340)

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(Continued next week when we will look at some of the proof texts used by Calvinists to support total hereditary depravity.)

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Total Amount Due and Payable to **WV State Auditor** - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check .....**\$1,259.77**  
**You may redeem at any time before June 30, 2025 by paying the above total less any un-earned interest.**

*If the above real estate is your primary residence, you may petition the Auditor to redeem the real estate in not more than three incremental payments that equal the total amount required to redeem the real estate prior to the issuance of the deed described above.*  
Given under my hand January 27, 2025.  
*Christal G. Perry*  
Christal G. Perry  
Deputy Commissioner of Delinquent and Nonentered Lands of SUMMERS County, State of West Virginia (12,19,26fe)

NOTICE OF REDEMPTION

2023-C-000140  
Summers County  
To: MARK BEASLEY, TANYA KING, OCCUPANT, IRS, ATTN: ADVISORY CONSOLIDATED RECEIPTS, WV STATE TAX DEPARTMENT, 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 any interest in the subject property.

DISTRICT TALCOTT MAP 8 PARCEL 0022 0005 0000

You will take notice that WVTK LLC, the purchaser of the following real estate, **Cert No.** 2023-C-000140, located in TALCOTT District, 1.53 ACRES SURVEY which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of BLEVINS MARY, and was sold by the deputy commissioner of delinquent and nonentered lands of SUMMERS County at the sale for the delinquent taxes on July 2, 2024. WVTK LLC requests that you be notified a deed for such real estate will be made on or after July 1, 2025, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to re-

deem on or before June 30, 2025 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 2022 -11997 .....\$306.24  
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 2023-13489 .....\$780.47  
Additional taxes with interest ..... \$0.00  
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest ..... \$212.05  
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest..... \$863.16  
Additional Statutory Fees with Interest....\$0.00  
Total Amount Due and Payable to **WV State Auditor** - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check .....**\$2,161.92**  
**You may redeem at any time before June 30, 2025 by paying the above total less any un-earned interest.**

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NOTICE OF REDEMPTION

2023-C-000119  
Summers County  
To: NEW PEOPLES BANK INC, SUSAN KAYE BRADLEY, TRUSTEE, LOWELL M WILLIAMS, TRUSTEE, PIPESTEM SPA AND CHALET CORPORATION, PIPESTEM SPA AND CHALET CORPORATION, IRS, ATTN: ADVISORY CONSOLIDATED RECEIPTS, WV STATE TAX DEPARTMENT, 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 any interest in the subject property.

DISTRICT PIPES-TEM MAP 16 PARCEL 0020 0000 0000

You will take notice that WVTK LLC, the purchaser of the following real estate, **Cert No.** 2023-C-000119, located in PIPESTEM District, 1.15 ACRES PIPES-TEM WATERS which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of CJ BRYANT CO, and was sold by the deputy commissioner of delinquent and nonentered lands of SUMMERS County at the sale for the delinquent taxes on July 2, 2024. WVTK LLC requests that you be notified a deed for such real estate will be made on or after July 1, 2025, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before June 30, 2025 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 2022 - 10364 .....\$1,551.31  
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 2023-11200 .....\$1,331.32  
Additional taxes with interest ..... \$0.00  
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest .....

.....\$212.05  
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest..... \$964.08  
Additional Statutory Fees with Interest....\$0.00  
Total Amount Due and Payable to **WV State Auditor** - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check .....**\$4,058.76**  
**You may redeem at any time before June 30, 2025 by paying the above total less any un-earned interest.**

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Deputy Commissioner of Delinquent and Nonentered Lands of SUMMERS County, State of West Virginia (12,19,26fe)

NOTICE OF REDEMPTION

2023-C-000166  
Summers County  
To: PETER TILDEN. PETER TILDEN, CRISTI TILDEN, WESLEY TILDEN, LAUREN TILDEN, JEFFREY TILDEN, SANDRA TILDEN, CRISTI TILDEN, WESLEY TILDEN, LAUREN TILDEN, JEFFREY TILDEN, SANDRA TILDEN, OCCUPANT, IRS, ATTN: ADVISORY CONSOLIDATED RECEIPTS, WV STATE TAX DEPARTMENT, 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 any interest in the subject property.

DISTRICT TALCOTT MAP 14 PARCEL 0019 0000 0000

You will take notice that WVTK LLC, the purchaser of the following real estate, **Cert No.** 2023-C-000166, located in TALCOTT District, 97.13 ACRES M/L HUNGARTS CREEK TRACT A which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of TILDEN PETER JEFFREY & ET ALS W/S, and was sold by the deputy commissioner of delinquent and nonentered lands of SUMMERS County at the sale for the delinquent taxes on July 2, 2024. WVTK LLC requests that you be notified a deed for such real estate will be made on or after July 1, 2025, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before June 30, 2025 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 2022 - 14866 .....\$309.43  
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 2023-14902 .....\$206.46  
Additional taxes with interest ..... \$0.00  
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest ..... \$212.05  
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest..... \$990.84  
Additional Statutory Fees with Interest....\$0.00  
Total Amount Due and Payable to **WV State Auditor** - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check .....**\$1,718.78**  
**You may redeem at any time before June 30, 2025 by paying the**

**above total less any un-earned interest.**

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NOTICE OF REDEMPTION

2023-C-000126  
Summers County  
To: SHERRIE DAVIS, OCCUPANT, IRS, ATTN: ADVISORY CONSOLIDATED RECEIPTS, WV STATE TAX DEPARTMENT, 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 any interest in the subject property.

DISTRICT PIPES-TEM MAP 15 PARCEL 0125 0000 0000

You will take notice that WVTK LLC, the purchaser of the following real estate, **Cert No.** 2023-C-000126, located in PIPESTEM District, LOT 1 EDWARDS S/D which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of PETTREY RALPH H, and was sold by the deputy commissioner of delinquent and nonentered lands of SUMMERS County at the sale for the delinquent taxes on July 2, 2024. WVTK LLC requests that you be notified a deed for such real estate will be made on or after July 1, 2025, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before June 30, 2025 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 2022 - 11147 .....\$548.90  
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 2023-10443 .....\$585.10  
Additional taxes with interest ..... \$0.00  
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest ..... \$180.22  
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest..... \$850.40  
Additional Statutory Fees with Interest....\$0.00  
Total Amount Due and Payable to **WV State Auditor** - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check .....**\$2,164.62**  
**You may redeem at any time before June 30, 2025 by paying the above total less any un-earned interest.**

*If the above real estate is your primary residence, you may petition the Auditor to redeem the real estate in not more than three incremental payments that equal the total amount required to redeem the real estate prior to the issuance of the deed described above.*

Given under my hand January 27, 2025.  
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Christal G. Perry  
Deputy Commissioner of Delinquent and Nonentered Lands of SUMMERS County, State of West Virginia (12,19,26fe)

IN THE FAMILY COURT OF SUMMERS COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA

Civil Action No. FC-45-2025-D-2

IN RE:

The Marriage of:  
Paul Lawrence Waldron, Petitioner,  
and  
Sheila Kay Waldron, Respondent

ORDER OF PUBLICATION

THE OBJECT OF THIS SUIT IS TO OBTAIN A DIVORCE.

THIS IS A PUBLICATION BY CLASS II LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT.

To the Above-Named Respondent:

It appearing by affidavit filed in this action that Sheila Kay Waldron is a non-resident of the State of West Virginia or has an unknown address. It is hereby ordered that Sheila Kay Waldron serve upon Paul Lawrence Waldron, Petitioner, whose address is 167 Pleasant Street, Hinton, WV 25951, an Answer, including any related counterclaim or defense you may have to the Petition For Divorce filed in this action on or before March 28, 2025. 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 February 18, 2025.  
/s/ Stacy D. Ford  
Clerk of the Court (26fe5mr)

IN THE FAMILY COURT OF SUMMERS COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA

Magistrate Court Case No.: 25-M45D-00002

Family Court Civil Action No.: 25-DV-2

TO:

Raymond Gilman  
Respondent  
650 Clover Dale Road,  
Shady Spring, WV  
Campground on Pluto Road, top of Sandstone Mtn.

Respondent Address  
04/25/1978

Respondent's Date of Birth

ORDER OF PUBLICATION

PROTECTIVE ORDER

1. The object of this suit is to obtain protection from the Respondent.

2. The object of this publication by Class I legal advertisement is to notify Respondent of the PROTECTIVE ORDER prohibiting the above-named Respondent from having contact with certain individuals. This Order may affect property and other rights of the Respondent. Violating this Order may subject the Respondent to criminal sanctions. The Respondent is strongly encouraged to obtain a copy of this Protective Order from the Circuit Clerk of the county listed above.

TO THE ABOVE-NAMED RESPONDENT:

If appearing by evidence duly taken in this action that you could not be found in or that you have left the State of West Virginia, you are hereby notified of the ORDER referenced above, a copy of which may be obtained at the **SUMMERS** County, Circuit Clerk's office. This PROTECTIVE ORDER will remain in effect until 08/12/2025.

The Respondent may appeal this Protective Order pursuant to W.Va. Code § 48-27-510, within 10 days of the date the Order was entered.

Issued this 02/13/2025 at 10:50 a.m.

/s/ Stacy D. Ford  
Circuit Clerk (26fe)





LEGAL NOTICE

STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA  
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DIVISION OF WATER AND WASTE MANAGEMENT  
**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
WEST VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION'S, PUBLIC INFORMATION OFFICE, 601 57TH STREET SE, CHARLESTON, WEST VIRGINIA 25304-2345  
TELEPHONE: (304) 926-0440. APPLICATION FOR A CLASS 5 UNDERGROUND INJECTION CONTROL PERMIT  
**Public Notice No.:** JKL-04-25  
**Public Notice Date:** February 26, 2025  
**Paper:** Hinton News  
The following has applied for a Class 5 Underground Injection Control Permit for this facility or activity:  
**Application No.:** 0817-04-089  
**Applicant:** J & J Country Roads Store LLC  
2905 Tug Creek Mountain Rd  
Hinton, WV 25951  
**Facility:** J & J Country Roads Store LLC, 8065 Rt 3 & 12, Pence Springs, WV 24962  
**Latitude:** 37:40:59  
**Longitude:** 80:43:20  
**Business conducted:** Country Store  
**Activity:** Discharge solely sanitary waste to a septic tank and leachfield system.  
The State of West Virginia will act on the above application in accordance with the West Virginia Legislative Rules, Title 47, Series 13, Section 14.24 issued pursuant to Chapter 22, Article 11 and Article 12.  
Any interested person may submit written comments on the draft permit and may request a public hearing in writing within thirty (30) days of the date of this public notice. Comments or requests should be addressed to:  
Director, Division of Water and Waste Management, DEP  
601 57th Street SE  
Charleston, WV 25304-2345  
ATTN: Judy Lupson, Permitting  
The public comment period begins February 26, 2025 and ends March 28, 2025.  
Comments received within this period will be considered prior to issuance of the permit. Correspondence should include the name, address, and telephone number of the writer and a concise statement of the nature of the issues raised. A public hearing may be held if the Director determines there is significant public interest in one or more issues relevant to the draft permit. Interested persons may contact the public information office to obtain further information  
The application, draft permit or factsheet may be inspected by appointment at the Division of Water and Waste Management, 601 57th St SE, Charleston, WV 25304 between 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on business days.  
For further information contact the person identified above at (304) 926-0495, or judy.k.lupson@wv.gov. (26fe)



Dear Recycle Lady

**Recycle Lady,**  
Are empty paper towel rolls and toilet paper rolls recyclable? **Do Hope So**  
**Dear Do Hope So,**  
Yes, empty paper towel rolls, toilet paper rolls, and other rolls such as wrapping paper rolls are all recyclables as they are made from cardboard or recycled paper fibers. Be sure the rolls are clean and free of contaminants before you put them in the cardboard bin. Empty and clean cardboard rolls are also compostable as brown material, similar to dead leaves, sticks and wood chips. Cut or tear them into small pieces and wet them before adding them to your compost pile. If your rolls are not wet, they will take a very long time to decompose. Paper towel rolls and toilet paper rolls are also biodegradable. If they

are shredded, wet and exposed to air, empty rolls degrade in three or four months. If not exposed to air, as covered in a landfill, it can take years for them to degrade.  
**Dear Recycle Lady,**  
There have been several articles lately about food waste. Why so much concern? **Curious**  
**Dear Curious,**  
According to the UNEP Food Waste Index Report 2024, “The global estimate of food waste at retail and consumer level in 2022 was 1.05 billion tons (1,050,000,000), or almost one-fifth of all food available to consumers. This included 60% household waste, 28% food services waste and 12% retail waste.” It also reported that “household waste was over 1 billion meals a

day.” With millions of people worldwide facing hunger and food insecurity, this food waste is a tragedy. According to usda.gov, when food is discarded, all inputs used in producing, processing, transporting, preparing and storing discarded food are also wasted. That translates to immense waste of water, energy, fuels, human manpower and ultimately, our money! Food waste also impacts climate change as it generates Carbon Dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>) emissions, methane and greenhouse gases.  
**Dear Recycle Lady,**  
When I receive my prescriptions, they are packaged in a white paper bag. Are these white paper bags recyclable with office paper? **Shopper**  
**Dear Shopper,**  
Yes, your white pa-

per bags are recyclable with office paper, and I am happy to say that today almost every kind of single-use bag is recyclable. Brown paper bags are recyclable with cardboard and single-use plastic bags are recyclable at Kroger, Walmart or Lowes. Have you considered taking your own bags when shopping, especially to the grocery store? Many sizes and shapes are available that are attractive and environmentally friendly. It takes a while to get accustomed to taking your own bags, but it is worth the effort.  
Kudos to White Sulphur Girl Scout Troop 51150, who are now recycling plastic film for the Trex challenge. They are the fifth local group to accept this challenge to recycle 1,000 pounds of plastic film and receive a Trex bench for their efforts.

**Interesting Information:**  
Oysters are incredible ocean cleaners as they filter up to 50 gallons of water every day to remove algae, nutrients, and other particles. This helps improve water quality and supports healthy marine ecosystems. Rising ocean acidity prompts more oysters to become female. This phenomenon isn't shell gossip—it can impact oyster populations and coastal ecosystems, reminding us that climate change really spares no corner of marine life. (fto.com)  
Have questions about recycling, or interesting information about recycling? Send questions or requests to Recyclelady7@gmail.com. Dear Recycle Lady is sponsored jointly by the Greenbrier Recycling Center and Greenworks Recycling.

Local UPS Driver Goes Above and Beyond  
Call of Duty: “Not All Heroes Wear Capes”

**Cynthia Mattison**  
GREENBRIER COUNTY W.Va. (Hinton News) - Just last week during one of several snow storms that have blanketed Greenbrier County, a video captured by ‘Ring’ began circulating social media. Many didn’t realize it was a local video because of how quickly it gained attention. We all see these things on the national news, but how often do we see them garner such large interest in our small town? The caption on the original video read, “Not all heroes wear capes. If anyone knows this UPS driver, he deserves a raise and I would like to thank him” from homeowner Bob McCoy.  
The UPS driver in the video, longtime employee Stacy McClure, was seen shoveling heavy snow away from McCoy’s door so that he could safely place the packages out of winter’s

unforgiving reach. It was the largest snowfall Greenbrier County has seen this season and unknown to McClure, his good deed was especially meaningful to the McCoy family. Bob McCoy and his wife, Samantha, recently welcomed a baby girl into the world much earlier than expected. Due in March but born in January, she weighed in at nearly 4 lbs and quickly became the sole focus of the family.  
“It put a smile on our faces seeing a relative stranger cleaning the snow off our porch so our daughter’s things wouldn’t get ruined,” said Bob McCoy. “It was an incredibly heartwarming act of kindness, when we were so occupied on her in the NICU that we didn’t even realize we needed it.”  
McClure’s daughter, Haley McClure, spoke to WVDN and said her dad “



McClure carries packages up snowy steps. Photo courtesy of Bob McCoy

always goes above and beyond to make sure people get their packages on time. He’s told stories about how he stopped at the end of driveways and walked packages up to the houses when the truck couldn’t make it.” She also noted that he has caught dogs and put them back on their leashes after they got loose. He is a true local hero.

During a time where there’s so much negativity, it’s refreshing to know that here in Greenbrier County we seemingly live in a bubble that’s unaffected by the outside world. We still smile and say ‘hello’ to strangers at the store, throw up our hand to wave at a neighbor and some still go above

and beyond to help out. If you ask customers on his route, many will have cheerful stories to tell you about Stacy McClure. His kind acts touch not only his customers and the community in general but in this case, a baby girl who is now thriving at home with her family.

APPENDIX A

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION  
OF WEST VIRGINIA  
CHARLESTON  
TARIFF FORM NO. 10  
**NOTICE OF APPLICATION TO CHANGE RATES**  
(Tariff Rule 19-A)  
CASE NO. 24-0788-PSD-19A  
MEADOW CREEK PUBLIC SERVICE DISTRICT

On September 30, 2024, Meadow Creek Public Service District filed with the Public Service Commission of West Virginia an Application requesting increased rates and charges for furnishing sewer service to approximately 117 customers in Summers County, West Virginia.  
The Staff of the Public Service Commission have reviewed the Application and recommended increased rates and charges designed to produce approximately \$25,218 annually over current rates, an overall increase of 30.67%. The current and recommended rates are as follows:

	Current	Recommended
<u>Flat Rate Charge</u> (per month)	\$ 44.41	\$ 58.03
<u>National Park Visitors Center</u>	\$ 1,691.00	\$ 2,209.71

Anyone desiring to review the Staff recommendation report may do so on the Commission website ([www.psc.state.wv.us](http://www.psc.state.wv.us)). Anyone desiring to protest the changed rates and charges must do so, in writing, within ten (10) days of the date of publication of this notice. All protests may be filed online through the Commission website using the “Submit a Comment” link or may be mailed to the Executive Secretary, Public Service Commission of West Virginia, P. O. Box 812, 201 Brooks St., Charleston, West Virginia 25323, or hand-delivered to the Public Service Commission. To help the Commission determine the justification for additional review and investigation, protests must be specific as to reasons that the changed rates and charges should be modified.  
The Commission may adopt rates and charges which are the same as, greater than or less than the Staff-recommended rates and charges.  
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# Mama Joan’s Diner Brings Homestyle Comfort Food to Union

**Joshua Lambert**

UNION W.Va. (Hinton News) - Nestled in the heart of Monroe County, Mama Joan’s Diner has officially opened this year, bringing a fresh dining experience to the small town of Union and its surrounding communities. With a focus on hearty, home-cooked meals and a welcoming atmosphere, the new eatery has quickly become a popular gathering spot for locals. Using her grandmother’s sacred recipes, the owner Judy Humphreys, has created a new space for the community.

Mama Joan’s Diner, located at 7997 Sweet Springs Valley Rd. in Union, is designed to offer meals reminiscent of homemade Southern comfort food. From classic breakfast platters with fluffy biscuits and gravy to savory fried chicken dinners, the restaurant prides itself on serving fresh, made-from-scratch dishes that cater to all appetites.

Since opening, Mama Joan’s Diner has generated excitement in the close-knit community. Residents have been eager to try the new establishment, with many praising its generous portions, reasonable prices and friendly service. The diner’s arrival adds to the local restaurant scene, complementing long-standing favorites.

The menu at Mama Joan’s Diner boasts a variety of breakfast, lunch, and dinner options, with an emphasis on comfort food. Breakfast features include stacks of buttermilk pancakes, country ham, and made-to-order om-  
lets. Lunchtime guests can enjoy hand-pressed burgers, fresh salads and house-made soups, while dinner specials include Southern-style meatloaf, fried catfish and mashed potatoes topped with rich brown gravy. Everything they create is sourced from the local community. The owner also wants the community to be aware of the specials offered on Friday and Sunday evenings, which the locals have come to enjoy.

Mama Joan’s is more than just a restaurant—it’s a family-run business with deep local roots. Joan Dunber, who has spent decades cooking for family and friends, decided to turn her passion into a full-time venture. With the help of her children and a dedicated staff, she has brought her culinary vision to life, serving up dishes inspired by generations of home cooking.

“We’re just getting started, but the support from the community has been incredible,” said Humphreys. “We’re looking forward to becoming a staple in Union, and we want people to know that all of our food is home-made.” She attributes her grandmother’s recipes for the inspiration of the restaurant and its name. Keeping true to community roots is something the folks at Mama Joans care about deeply.

Mama Joan’s Diner is open from 6 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday through Saturday and from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Sundays. The restaurant also offers takeout options and possible plans to introduce catering services in the future.

For those looking to experience a taste of home-cooked comfort food in a warm and inviting setting, Mama Joan’s Diner is poised to become a go-to destination in Monroe County.

For more information, customers can call the diner at 304-772-4750, visit them on Facebook or visit in person at its Union location.



Photo courtesy of Mama Joan’s Diner’s Facebook page

# Kendall Wilson Estate provides third gift to WVSOM Foundation

LEWISBURG, W.Va. (Hinton News) – The West Virginia School of Osteopathic Medicine (WVSOM) Foundation, which provides support to WVSOM, received a \$65,000 gift in January from the estate of Kendall Wilson Jr., D.O., a graduate of the school’s Class of 1981 who also taught at WVSOM and served on its Board of Governors.

The check, presented by estate executor Steve Hunter, is the third gift from the Wilson estate. The WVSOM Foundation received an initial \$80,000 gift in February 2024 and a second gift of \$45,000 in April 2024.

Wilson’s third gift will support the Fredric W. Smith Memorial Family Practice Scholarship.

Donette Mizia, WVSOM’s executive director of foundation relations, said the school is thankful for Wilson’s gifts and that it will help medical students for years to come.

“This gift is a direct result of an alumnus who valued his education so immensely that he chose to remember WVSOM in his estate planning,” Mizia said. “Dr. Wilson had such a strong connection to the school that he ensured his generous gift was in perpetuity. This gift will bolster two scholarship endowments at the WVSOM Foundation, giving both the ability to provide more meaningful awards.”

Wilson’s gift also helps the foundation with efforts to qualify for matching funds from other organizations, such as the Maier Foundation.

Wilson was born in 1948 in Marion Station, Md., and studied biology at Randolph-Macon College in Ashland, Va., before completing a Master of Science degree in pathology at the Medical College of Virginia. He came to WVSOM in the late 1970s with the intention of becoming a student but was first hired as a pathology instructor and director of laboratories, he said in a video recorded for the school in 2022.

After earning a medical degree from WVSOM, Wilson completed a residency at the Kirksville College of Osteopathic Medicine in Kirksville, Mo., and additional training at the Cranial Institute and at the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center.

He established a practice in Lewisburg, specializing in osteopathic manipulative treatment and the treatment of chronic pain. He also treated patients at the Federal Bureau of Prisons in Alderson, W.Va. His passion for education led him to become an associate professor of clinical sciences at WVSOM, in addition to serving on the school’s Board of Governors for seven years.

Wilson passed away in September 2022.

Mizia said gifts presented to WVSOM through estate planning help ensure the school’s future, and that donors who contribute through this method receive a special designation.

“Estate gifts are a remarkable way to give back to WVSOM. When alumni and friends name WVSOM as a beneficiary in their estate planning and provide the necessary documentation to the WVSOM Foundation, they will be recognized in our Society 1972 and invited to exclusive donor events,” she said.



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