

Students to Participate in Inspiration Gallery

S U M M E R S COUNTY W.Va. (Hinton News) - Students selected to introduce those being inducted into the Inspiration Gallery at Summers County Comprehensive High School are the following:

Ben Bragg introducing Butch Miles, world-re-known jazz percussionist

Stephanie Williams introducing Christopher Harrison Payne, born prior to the Civil War, African American pastor, legislator, lawyer, and Council to the Virgin Islands

Sarah Okes introducing Blind Alfred Reed, well-known American folk singer

Ava Stover introducing Ella Marie Atkins, professor at Virginia Tech and prominent expert in drones

Marie McKinney introducing Ken Allman, entrepreneur and philanthropist

Joshua Crawford, also a student, will be the Videographer for the event.

Inspiration Gallery is designed to inspire students to achieve at their highest level as the above-named individuals have done. All inductees were educated in Summers County. Last year's inductees were Pearl Bragg, pioneer aviator, Cornelius Burdette, Olympic Gold Medal Winner, Sylvia Mathews Burwell, former US Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services, Gene Fife, head of Goldman Sachs in Europe, and Dr. Titus Pankey, physicist who made important discoveries pertaining to space.

The ceremony takes place at 2 p.m. on Saturday, April 12, at the high School and is open to the public.

Man arrested in Talcott following a domestic situation

TALCOTT W.Va. (Hinton News) - A man was arrested in Talcott following a domestic altercation and alleged brandishing of a firearm. The Summers County Sheriff's Department released the following statement:

On the 30th of March 2025, Deputies responded to Lowell Market in the Lowell area of Summers County. The call was in response to a Domestic argument which escalated into the brandishing of a handgun. While responding the Deputies were advised that the vehicle which was occupied by the victim and suspect had left the store.

The vehicle was later reported to be at Talcott Post Office. While there the suspect later identified as Chase Keaton struck the victim with a closed fist multiple times. A motorist who witnessed the incident attempted to intervene at which time Mr. Keaton brandished a handgun at him. Mr. Keaton fled the scene on foot. After a search of the area Mr. Keaton was taken into custody at the John Henry Park. The firearm was also recovered which was used by Mr. Keaton, Mr. Keaton was charged with the following:

1. Domestic Assault
2. Domestic Battery
3. Brandishing a Firearm (2 Counts)

All subjects are presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

While this incident was occurring an additional Domestic Battery call occurred in the Hilldale area of Summers County. Our Deputies also responded to this incident to assist the WV State Police in their investigation. There was also an arrest made in that incident.

I would like to commend all of my Deputies on their outstanding work this weekend. Most of them were off duty and spending time with their families and loved ones. I was able to send out one message and have several Deputies responding in an extremely short amount of time. I would also like to commend their families for their support and sacrifices they make for the people of Summers County. It is truly an honor to lead a great group of individuals who care for their community.

Thank you,
Sheriff
Justin L. Faris



Chase Dean Keaton

Man Arrested in Hilldale After Allegedly Shooting into Door of Residence

HILLDALE W.Va. (Hinton News) - A Summers County man was arrested after allegedly attempting to break into a residence and firing multiple shots through the front door. Summers County Sheriff, Justin Faris released the following statement:

On the 28th of March 2025, Deputies responded to a residence on Doug Craft Road in the Hilldale area of Summers County. The call was in response to a Norton Canterbury attempting to break into a residence. Upon Deputies arriving on scene, it was determined that Mr. Canterbury had fired multiple rounds through the front door of the residence in an attempt to gain entry. The residence was occupied by a woman who was in a relationship with Mr. Canterbury. Mr. Canterbury had fled to the scene prior to our arrival. Mr. Canterbury was apprehended on Brookside Drive in Forest Hill after Deputies were able to talk him out of residence. Mr. Canterbury was charged with the following:

1. Domestic Assault
2. Wanton and Endangerment
3. Firing a Firearm with 500 feet of a dwelling
4. Obstructing
5. Attempt to commit a felony
6. Destruction of property

We would like to thank the West Virginia State Police and the Hinton Police Department for their speedy response and their support in this incident. A lot of incidents of this magnitude do not end peacefully we are very grateful that this one did.

Sheriff
Justin L. Faris

Cacophony of cicadas to descend on West Virginia

Lisa Abshire

S O U T H E R N WEST VIRGINIA (Hinton News) - Spring always brings with it the beauty of returning flowers and trees, the warm weather and the bluest of skies. Then, every 17 years, the cacophony of cicadas that might make you want to bury your head in the sand until they're gone.

In an interview, West Virginia University professor of entomology Yong-Lak Park spoke about the incoming insects. According to Park, West Virginia will have brood 17-year cicadas. Park said that each group is called a brood, and the last brood was the 14th in 2008 that West Virginia experienced. The brood 17 coming this year will mainly be in southwestern West Virginia, including the counties of Logan, Cabell, Wayne, Lincoln, Mingo and McDowell counties. Surrounding counties will see a smaller population of cicadas. Park said brood 17 has significant numbers, and tree damage can be expected in the counties that have them due to their egg laying on small branches. This includes fruit trees.

Immature cicadas are called nymphs. Nymphs fasten themselves into to secure places in a tree to molt. They must molt, or lose their exoskeleton, to reach the adult stage. The newly molted cicada is very vulnerable as it is not only pale in color but also very soft. It will hemolymph (blood) into its wings to cause them to inflate. The brand new exoskeleton will slowly harden and darken and the cicada has become an adult.

Cicadas don't emerge all in one night. It takes two weeks for the cicadas to come out. Once the cicadas start emerging at a certain location, the clock has started ticking. Cicadas will be at that location for six weeks. This brood is considered to be among the largest of periodical broods. West Virginia is one of 13 states in which the 17th brood will have billions of the brood emerging around the third week of April or whenever the temperature is consistently above 65°.

Kentucky and Tennessee are most likely to get more cicadas than the other states experiencing brood 17 this year.

While this brood of cicadas appears every 17 years to the utter dismay of our trees and ears, to many fishermen it's a time to rejoice.

According to Summers County resident and fisherman Aidan Whittaker, "When the cicadas flap their wings, it causes the water to vibrate. That attracts your fish like bass really fast."

The noisy insect is often considered a magnet for fish such as trout, bluegill and bass. Catfish and carp have also been known to bite when using cicadas as bait.

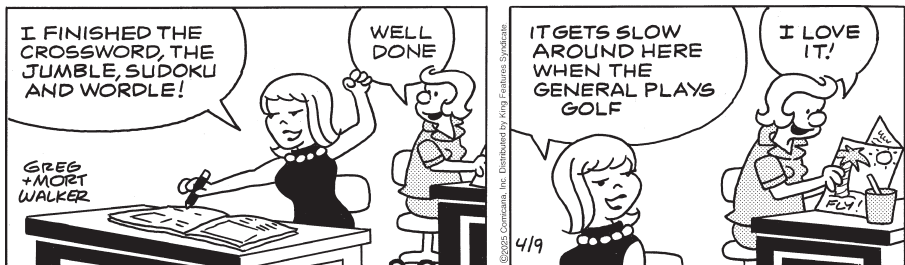
Whether you're looking forward to brood 17 or not, one thing is certain: it signifies that spring has most assuredly sprung.





ENTERTAINMENT & COMICS PAGE

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Blondie



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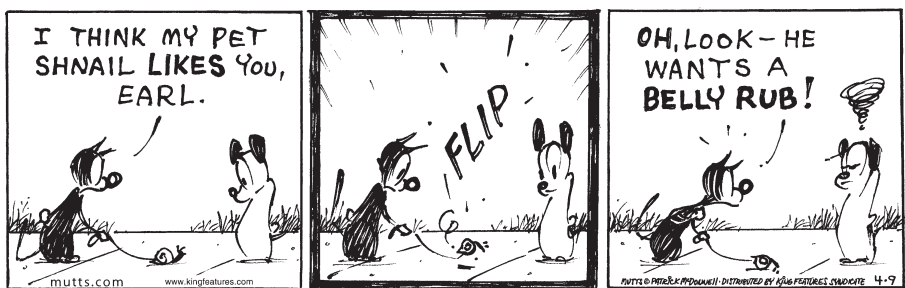
Hi and Lois



Marvin



Mutts



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ROYAL STARS HOROSCOPE

BY GEORGIA NICOLS

MOON ALERT: There are no restrictions to shopping or important decisions today. The Moon is in VIRGO.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Wednesday, April 9, 2025:

You are ambitious. You're also energetic, focused and have a strong sense of purpose about your life. This is a year of work and creating solid foundations in your life. You might build external structures as well as internal ones. Take charge of your health. Stay grounded and levelheaded.

The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll Have: 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

3★ Today you have to put your emotional considerations second to the immediate necessities as you see them in your life. You might have to work for the benefit of someone else. This doesn't mean you're being a martyr. It's just what's happening. (Some of you will deal with home crafts.) Tonight: You're strong.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

4★ This is a third romantic day in a row this week! Small wonder that many of you can't conceal your feelings from others. However, today there is a slight shift, because you need to be yourself. You want to do your own thing. Simple as that. Tonight: Seek privacy.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

4★ This is a popular time for you, and you need to catch your breath. Fortunately, today is the perfect day to hide at home and nurture yourself. Give yourself a chance to relax among familiar surroundings. A conversation with a female relative might be significant. Tonight: Friends.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

4★ This is a fast-paced day! You want to get a lot done, plus talk to people and, at the same time, read and study. (Busy you!) When it comes to talking to others, you want to be heard. This is why you'll be dismayed if people are just chit-chatting about trivialities. Tonight: You look good.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

3★ Money issues are

on your mind, especially matters related to taxes, debt and your financial interactions with other people. You are a "Fixed" sign (like TAURUS, SCORPIO and AQUARIUS), which means you like your ducks in a row. You don't like loosey-goosey finances. Tonight: Explore and learn.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

4★ Today the Moon is in your sign, which happens for two and a half days every month. When this occurs, it will make you more emotional than usual. However, it also slightly improves your good luck. (Bonus!) Why not test this out by asking the universe for a tiny favor? More porridge? Tonight: Check your finances.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

3★ Today you need some peace, quiet or privacy so that you can mentally and physically regroup. Because your ambition is strong, you've been hustling your buns. Fortunately, this is an ideal day to take a rest and nurture yourself. You can't run on fumes. Tonight: Be patient.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

4★ Today you feel a strong need to make con-

tact with friends or people in groups. You might even feel protective or supportive to a friend more than usual. Actually, this is a good day to sit down with a friend (or a member of a group) and discuss your long-term future goals. Tonight: Work.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

3★ You should know that today you're high-viz, which means people notice you more than usual. In fact, some people will actually know personal details about your private life. (Good to know in case you have to do some damage control.) Tonight: Socialize!

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan 19)

4★ Today you have a strong urge to break free from your daily routine and do something different. (You might not be aware of this -- or you might.) Either way, indulge your need for variety, stimulation and a bit of adventure. Do something different! Tonight: Cocon.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

3★ You're juggling a lot of balls in the air. Financial issues, especially from the past, might come to fruition

SUDOKU PUZZLE

King Classic Sudoku

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Difficulty: ★★★ 4/9

Fill in the grid so that every row, every column, and every 3x3 grid contains the digits 1 through 9. That means that no number is repeated in any row, column, or box.

(Today's Answers Next Wednesday)

Answer To Last Wednesday's Puzzle:

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Difficulty: ★★★ 4/2



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Last Wednesday's Answer
(Answers Next Wednesday)

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JUMBLE

Unscramble these Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

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Last Wednesday's Answers: Jumbles: ONION BRINK NEPHEW GRASSY Answer: When their equipment malfunctioned during the interview, it was — BREAKING NEWS

(Today's Answers Next Wednesday)

now. Furthermore, favors and checks might still be delayed. (Groan.) It's important to define your relationship with the wealth and resources of someone else. Tonight: Conversations.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

3★ Today the Moon is in the sign that is opposite your own sign, which means you will have to go more than halfway when dealing with others. This is

no biggie. You simply have to be congenial, cooperative and willing to go along to get along. Tonight: Ponder your values.

BORN TODAY

Actress Kristen Stewart (1990), actress Elle Fanning (1998), actor Dennis Quaid (1954)

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A Peek into Summers County's Past: Paul Leslie Canterbury



Paul Leslie Canterbury. Photo provided by William Jones



Canceled checks. Photo provided by William Jones



Items from Chattin's Store. Photo provided by William Jones

William Jones

SUMMERS COUNTY W.Va. (Hinton News) - I have been having to write so many of these memorial stories lately. My Uncle Paul Leslie Canterbury passed away on March 17, 2025. I always idolized Uncle Paul growing up. We shared a mutual love for antiques and history, especially local history.

Uncle Paul was born in Rainelle, WV, in 1950. His father, Kenneth, worked for the Meadow River Lumber Company there. This was one topic that he and I both loved to discuss.

We both attended the auction of John "Chubby" Clay in Riverside Rest in 2014, and he purchased an original ledger book from Meadow River Lumber from the 1940s.

The three checks you see here from W. R. Chattin General Merchandise in Talcott, WV, were given to me by Uncle Paul when I was a kid. He stopped me at Pence Springs Community Church one Sunday when I was young and told me to come up to his house later that day, that he had found something he wanted to give me.

Mom took me to visit

him and Aunt Debbie that evening. He handed me these three checks, knowing how obsessed I am with my local memorabilia. At the time, I didn't know anything about this location; I only knew it was in Talcott, which is one of my favorite spots regarding local history.

It wasn't until early 2022 when I purchased the bank stamp from the Talcott Bank and Gratuity Company in Talcott, WV, that I put two and two together and remembered having these checks tucked away. The bank stamp has a date of 1907, and the checks

are from 1922.

The Talcott Bank and Gratuity Company never had a formal location and operated out of Chattins Store. I have looked ever since I first learned of this bank over a decade ago and have never found an envelope or letterhead, a cancelled check, or anything from the bank. But having these three cancelled checks from the store it operated out of is priceless to me.

I attended an auction with my mother and grandfather when I was in high school in Talcott. It had many of the original contents

from Chattin's store. The three pieces you see here were purchased at that sale.

The antique metal angled holder was used to hold the paper bags on the counter in Chattins Store. The paper holder was used to wrap most likely a cheese or other items that were sold in the store that had to be sliced. And the white table top scales were used to weigh those items before they could be rang up at checkout.

There was no one like my Uncle Paul; very few people share a passion for this type of thing like we did. He took his love for it a bit farther

than I do; he began going to Primitive Rendezvous more than 20 years ago. This was an aspect of our history connection that he held with a passion!

Growing up as a small child, I always thought of him as "Grizzly Adams." A funny little side tale that is related to him being the "Mountain Man" he was. I am good friends with his niece Emily Cruse, and she recently reminded me of this. Uncle Paul nicknamed her "Half Pint" from the TV show Little House on the Prairie, and she called him "Whole Gallon." Ha

Hinton to Host Volunteer Expo April 12

HINTON, W.Va. (Hinton News) — The local Accelerate Team, a group of community volunteers, will host a volunteer expo on Saturday, April 12, at the Freight De-

pot. The event, scheduled from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., aims to connect residents with local organizations seeking volunteer support.

According to or-

ganizers, more than 25 organizations that rely on volunteers to fulfill their missions will be present to provide information.

The Hinton Accelerate Team, in

partnership with the West Virginia Community Development Hub, is organizing the expo to encourage community engagement and vol-

unteerism. The public is invited to attend and learn about opportunities to contribute to various local initiatives.

Organizers hope

the event will help residents find suitable volunteer positions where they can utilize their skills and talents to benefit the community.

Carnegie Hall Seeking Volunteers For 2025 Kids' College

LEWISBURG W.Va. (Hinton News) - Carnegie Hall is seeking volunteers to assist with the 32nd Annual Carnegie Kids' College during the weeks of July 7-11 and July 14-18.

This year's Kids' College will be a unique opportunity for rising Kindergarten-7th grade students to expand their artistic and scientific horizons in a safe and nurturing environment. Volunteers will assist teaching artists in classes such as pottery, origami, baking, basket weaving, painting, archeology, music, and more.

vt6rnrag/index. 2025 Kids' College registration will be available in May. For any questions or more information, contact Education Director Harmony Flora at 304-645-7917 or education@carnegiehall-wv.org.

Carnegie Hall WV is a nonprofit organization supported by individual contributions, grants, and fundraising efforts such as TOOT and The Carnegie Hall Gala. The Hall is located at 611 Church Street, Lewisburg, WV.

NOTICE NOTICE

The 2024 Real and Personal Property Taxes are now Delinquent. Unless paid by April 30, 2025, they will be included for publication in the forthcoming delinquent list.

Justin L. Faris
Sheriff of Summers County

Series On Calvinism (Part 10)

Unconditional Election

(Last week we looked at some Bible references used in support of predestination. Today we will look at a few more of those verses and then began looking at scriptural objections to the doctrine.)

by Gene Taylor

1 Corinthians 2:7. The argument from this passage is the predestination of God elected certain individuals to salvation. The context shows clearly that it is God's plan of redemption that was ordained (predetermined) before the ages. The wisdom and power of God in reference to salvation are revealed in the gospel. (Rom. 1:16) In times past it had been a mystery, i.e., not fully revealed. Even the prophets did not understand it. (Note vv. 8-10) Now it is revealed as the wisdom of God. (Eph. 3:3,4)

Ephesians 1:4, 5, 11. The argument is that certain individuals are predestinated and others are not and that if one was not one of those predestinated, he is eternally damned and there is nothing he can do about it. In reality, it is a particular **group** or **class** of people that God chose before He made the world. It is those who are "in Him," i.e., those in Christ.

- Verse 4a. The apostle Paul and the others were part of that class which God chose before the foundation of the world. Those "in Him" (this class or group) are the predestinated ones.
- Verse 4b. The kind of life these should live is predestinated.
- Verse 5. The adoption was predestinated.
- Verse 11. One is an heir of eternal life because he is a part of that predestinated group.

A school teacher, on the first day of class, told his students that some would pass and some would fail the course they were about to take. He then described the things necessary for one to be of those who would pass. At the end of the school year, just as the teacher had said, some passed and some failed. Since the teacher predestinated the outcome before he began, did it mean that he caused each individual to either pass or fail and that there was nothing they could do about it? No. Likewise, God predestinated before He made the world that He would choose those "in Christ" and revealed those things necessary for one to be in Him. It is therefore up to each individual to do those things necessary to be found in Christ and have salvation.

Scriptural Objections to Unconditional Election

God has given mankind freedom of choice. He gave Adam and Eve the freedom of choice. (Gen. 2:16-17) Their choice was plain—obey and live or disobey and die. Their choice was made through and by their own will having been influenced by Satan. Who is willing to say that since God foreknew the outcome that He forced or ordained Adam and Eve to sin? (James 1:13-14) Mankind today still has freedom of choice. (Josh. 24:15) People can choose today whether or not they will serve God. (Rev. 22:17) Both the Psalmist (Psa. 119:30) and Mary, the sister of Martha (Luke 10:42), are examples of this principle.

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Dear Recycle Lady

Dear Recycle Lady, What is upcycling? Is it the same as recycling? Upcycling or Recycling

Dear Upcycling or Recycling,

Upcycling is a special kind of recycling. Most recycling is downcycling or making a lower grade version of the same product; for example, downcycling plastic bottles into lower quality plastic bottles. Upcycling often creates something entirely new, for example, upcycling plastic bottles into shoes, jackets and purses. Upcycling may repurpose an item into something of greater value than original item, such as upcycling plastic bottles into houses. Upcycling supports a circular economy in which goods are used and reused many times instead of being thrown out after a single use. It also saves money, lowers the amount of waste sent to the landfill and helps reduce our carbon footprint.

A circular economy is more sustainable as it uses what we have instead of creating new products out of new materials.

Dear Recycle Lady, One of your former columns had informa-

tion on sending empty prescription bottles and over the counter (OTC) pill bottles to Matthew 25 Ministries. I have several bottles to send, but how do I get the labels off? Must the pill bottles have child resistant caps? Want to Help

Dear Want to Help, The labels on prescription bottles are generally harder to remove than the OTC bottles. I found the easiest thing to do is to drop the bottle in a cup of water and let it sit overnight and sometimes longer. The label will then just peel off. Most OTC labels peel right off, but some may also require overnight soaking. Sometimes a sticky residue remains on the bottles after the label is taken off, but that can be removed quickly with a little Goo-B-Gone.

Matthew 25 Ministries (M25M) accepts bottles of any color or size, with or without a child resistant cap. Bottles should be washed in very hot water and dish soap, rinsed and dried. There should be no glue or residue on them, and they must have caps. Sort the bottles by type (prescription or OTC) and place the clean, dried, capped bottles in

a resealable plastic bag, marked Clean Bottles. These empty bottles replace paper envelopes used to send pills to distribute medications in developing countries. Sending these bottles to M25M helps protect the pills from moisture, loss and little hands. It also keeps thousands of bottles out of landfills each year. For more information, see https://m25m.org.

Dear Recycle Lady When is Earth Day this year? Want to Celebrate It

Dear Want to Celebrate It,

Earth Day this year is Tuesday, April 22. It is celebrated each year on the day the spring equinox occurs.

The first Earth Day in the U.S. was in 1970 when more than 20 million Americans joined in teach-ins, protests, and other events. They were calling on the U. S. Government to get serious about protecting the environment. In December of 1970, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) was formed to regulate and enforce U.S. legislation on national pollution. Also, the Clean Water Act and the Endangered Species Act were passed that year. Several stud-

ies now show that more than 97% of climate scientists agree that climate change is happening and is primarily caused by human activity.

Rachel Carson's "Silent Spring" published in 1962 detailed the significant environmental impact of DDT and other chemical pesticides. Her book created a public awareness of humankind's impact on nature and the need for industrial regulation to protect our planet.

Earth Day and every day we must work to build a more just and sustainable future.

Good News: The Recycle Center recently sent two more 25-pound boxes of used toothbrushes, empty toothpaste tubes and caps and floss containers to Terracycle for recycling. Many thanks to Colgate Oral products that pays the postage for these boxes.

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.

The WVDN Greenbrier Humane Item Drive is Underway

Rebecca Stalnaker

LEWISBURG W.Va. (Hinton News) - The West Virginia Daily News annual item drive for the Greenbrier Humane Society has officially begun! The drive will continue throughout April and is one way we give back to the community that continues to support us.

Officials at the humane society shared a list of items on their wishlist to help support their daily operations, and we're asking you to consider donating if you can.

Here's what they need:

- 13-gallon trash bags,
- Slip leads,
- Clip-on leashes,
- Cat Churu treats,
- Dog toys,
- Bleach,
- HE laundry detergent,
- Non-clumping cat litter,
- Contractor trash bags,
- Adult dog food,

- Adult cat food,
- Small bites dry dog food,
- Quart-sized and gallon-sized Ziplock bags,
- Adult dry cat food,
- Stainless steel bowls (all sizes).

Community Liaison Kirstin Cole emphasizes the vital role community support plays. "As a community, we hold the power to transform lives. Donating to the Greenbrier Humane Society isn't just about supporting animals; it's about enriching the very fabric of our community. Every contribution helps provide shelter, medical care, and a second chance for countless animals in need. By giving, you're investing in a future where compassion and care thrive, creating a lasting impact on both our furry friends and the families they touch. We thank you all for your generosity and support. Our

work to save them all is a strong depiction of the community's dedicated support."

Please consider dropping off your donations at The West Virginia Daily News office located at 188 Foster Street, Monday through Thursday, from 8:30 a.m.-4 p.m. throughout April. Let's show the Green-

brier Humane Society how much our community cares.

Our goal is to collect 1,000 items for Greenbrier Human by April 30; help us, help the Greenbrier Humane Society.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA

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Division of Water and Waste Management

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GENERAL WATER POLLUTION CONTROL PERMIT

STORMWATER ASSOCIATED WITH OIL AND GAS RELATED CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITIES

WV PERMIT NO. WVo116815

Public Notice No.: BS-029-2025

Publication: Statewide/ West Virginia Press Association

Publication Date: April 9, 2025

The State of West Virginia, Department of Environmental Protection, Division of Water and Waste Management is proposing to reissue the West Virginia General Stormwater Associated with Oil and Gas related Construction Activities. The General Permit will authorize discharges associated with industrial activity from oil and gas to surface waters of the state for construction activities.

It is proposed that this General Permit be issued for a five (5)-year term. All facilities covered under the existing general permit within thirty (30) days of the effective date of the reissued general permit will be required to submit a new registration form to obtain coverage under the new Stormwater Associated with Oil and Gas related Construction Activities Permit.

The Draft Permit and Fact Sheet are available on the WVDEP website at: https://dep.wv.gov/WWE/Programs/stormwater/ogcsw/Pages/default.aspx.

The comment period for the Draft General Permit begins April 10, 2025, and ends on May 10, 2025.

During the public comment period, any interested person may submit written comments on the draft permit and/or request a public hearing. Comments and/or a request for a public hearing shall be made in writing and addressed to:

Director

Division of Water and Waste Management

601 57th Street SE

Charleston, WV 25304

Attention: Billy Shirley

Phone: (304) 926-0499, Extension 43893

E-mail: billy.t.shirley@wv.gov

The request shall state the nature of the issues proposed to be raised in the hearing and must be received within the comment period. The Director shall hold a public hearing whenever he or she finds there is a significant degree of public interest in issues relevant to the draft permit.

For more information, contact Billy Shirley at the email address or phone number listed above.

Hearing impaired individuals having access to a Telecommunication Device for the Deaf (TDD) may contact our agency by calling (304) 926-0489. Calls must be made between 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. (9ap)

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LEGAL NOTICE

IN THE FAMILY COURT OF SUMMERS COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA

Civil Action No. FC-45-2024-D-46

IN RE: The Marriage of: Kasondra Kay Meadows, Petitioner, and Joshua Adam Meadows, Respondent

ORDER OF PUBLICATION

THE OBJECT OF THIS SUIT IS TO OBTAIN A DIVORCE.

THIS IS A PUBLICATION BY CLASS II LEGAL ADVERTISE-MENT.

To the Above-Named Respondent:

It appearing by affidavit filed in this action that Joshua Adam Meadows is a non-resident of the State of West Virginia or has an unknown address. It is hereby ordered that Joshua Adam Meadows serve upon Kasondra Kay Meadows, Circuit Clerk's Office, whose address is 120 Ballengee Street, Suite 107, 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 May 2, 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 March 21, 2025. /s/ Stacy D. Ford Clerk of the Court (2,9ap)

CIVIL SERVICE APPLICATION DEPUTY SHERIFF

Applications for the Civil Service Examination for the position of Summers County Deputy Sheriff will be available beginning **Tuesday, April 1, 2025.**

Application packages shall be received from and returned to Lynn Reed, Summers County Clerk, 120 Ballengee Street, Suite 106, Hinton, WV 25951. All persons interested in this position must make application by **Friday, April 25, 2025, at 4:00 p.m.**

Persons successfully completing the Physical Agility test will be notified of the time, date and location of the Civil Service Examination. All applicants certified or non-certified must take the physical agility test.

We urge all veterans and

minorities to apply. Applicants must live within 5 miles of Summers County.

The Summers County Commission is an Equal Opportunity Employer. Discrimination is prohibited due to race, creed, color, religion, sex, orientation or national origin. Applicants must be 18 years old and not more than 45 years old on the date of application. (9,16ap)

NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION TO CREDITORS, DISTRIBUTEES & LEGATEES

Notice is hereby given that the following estates have been opened for probate in the Summers Fiduciary Supervisor's Office at 120 Ballengee Street, Suite 100, Hinton, WV 25951-0097. Any person seeking to impeach or establish a will must make a complaint in accordance with the provisions of West Virginia Code § 41-5-11 – 13. Any interested person objecting to the qualifications of the personal representative or the venue or jurisdiction of the court, shall file written notice of an objection with the County Commission through the Summers County Fiduciary Supervisor's office within 60 days

after the date of the first publication or within 30 days of the service of the notice, whichever is later. If an objection is not filed timely, the objection is forever barred. Any person interested in filing claims against an estate must file them in accordance with West Virginia Code § 44-2 or 44-3A.

Settlement of the estates of the following named decedents will proceed without reference to a fiduciary commissioner unless within 60 days from the first publication of this notice a reference is requested by a party of interest or an unpaid creditor files a claim and good cause is shown to support reference to a fiduciary commissioner.

First Publication Date: Wednesday, April 2, 2025

Claim Deadline: Sunday, June 1, 2025

ESTATE OF: DAVID LEE FARLEY

EXECUTRIX: DREMA MAXINE FARLEY

ESTATE OF: BARBARA ELIZABETH GRIMMETT

CO EXECUTOR: ALAN LEE GRIMMETT

CO EXECUTRIX: SARA ELIZABETH (GRIMMETT) FIX

ESTATE OF: JESSE WILLARD GILL II

ADMINISTRATOR: DREW ALLEN GILL

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ADMINISTRATOR: GREGORY K. RICHMOND

ESTATE OF: DONALD

GRIFFIN SPEIDEN
EXECUTRIX: LINDA PAULINE SPEIDEN
Subscribed and sworn to before me on March 26, 2025.

Donald R. Basham Jr.
Fiduciary Supervisor of Summers County (2,9ap)

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF SUMMERS COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA

In Re: Vacancy for Magistrate in Division I

NOTICE OF OPENING FOR POSITION OF MAGISTRATE OF SUMMERS COUNTY (DIVISION I)

NOTICE is hereby given of a vacancy of the office of Magistrate in Division I of the Magistrate Court of Summers County. By law, the Judge of the Circuit Court of Summers County is required to appoint an eligible person to fill the vacancy until the next applicable election. See W. Va. Code § 50-1-6.

To be considered for appointment as Magistrate, the applicant: (1) must be at least 21 years of age; (2) must have a high school diploma or equivalent; (3) must never have been convicted of any felony crime or any misdemeanor crime involving moral turpitude; (4) must be a Summers County resident; (5) and cannot be an immediate family member of any other magistrate in Summers County. This position is non-partisan and will be appointed on a non-partisan basis.

Application Forms may be obtained from the Circuit Clerk's Office or the Magistrate Clerk's Office. All applicants for the Magistrate vacancy must complete the Application Form in full and return the original and one copy thereof by mail to: Amy L. Mann, Circuit Judge | Circuit Court of Summers County | 120 Ballengee St., Ste. 200 | Hinton, WV 25951. Applications may also be hand-delivered and submitted to the Circuit Clerk of Summers County, 120 Ballengee St., Hinton, WV 25951.

All applications must be received by this Court not later than Friday, April 18, 2025.

Judge Amy L. Mann,
Circuit Court of Summers County, West Virginia

Summers County Commission Levy Estimate (Budget) 2025 - 2026 Fiscal Year

STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA
County of: Summers, West Virginia

In accordance with WV Code §11-8-10, as amended, the Summers County Commission proceeded to make an estimate of the amounts necessary to be raised by a levy of taxes for the current year, and doth determine and estimate the several amounts to be as follows:

General Fund	Estimated Revenues
Fund Balance	\$ 905,434
Property Taxes Current year	2,748,946
Prior Year Taxes	253,921
Tax Penalties, Interest & Publication Fees	90,991
Property Transfer Tax	134,916
Gas and Oil Severance Tax	81,113
Wine & Liquor Tax	5,096
Hotel Occupancy Tax	300,000
Payment in Lieu of Taxes	121
Miscellaneous Energy Tax (Coal Bed Methane)	4,915
Licenses	115
Building Permits	3,234
Federal Grants / Federal Payment in Lieu of Taxes	75,000
Sheriff's Service of Process	9,000
Sheriff's Earnings	6,437
County Clerk's Earnings	36,031
Circuit Clerk's Earnings	9,259
Prosecuting Attorney's Earnings	1,093
Accident Reports	741
Motor Vehicle License Fee	2,800
Parks & Recreation Fees	135,939
Rents & Concessions	35,904
Franchise Agreement	42,627
IRP Fees (Interstate Registration Plan)	70,737
Fines, Fees & Court Costs	459
Regional Jail Operations Partial Reimbursement	16,555
Interest Earned	12,243
Miscellaneous Revenue	25,383
Sheriff's Commission	15,000
Gaming Income	40,618
Video Lottery	33,815
Refunds/Reimbursements (External Sources)	32,578
General School Reimbursements	34,456
Magistrate Court Reimbursements	4,837
Worthless Check Reimbursements	63
Transfers Assessor's Valuation Fund	301,243
Total Estimated General Fund Revenues	\$ 5,471,620

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Coal Severance Tax	Estimated Revenues
Assigned Fund Balance	\$ 25,004
Coal Severance Tax	20,000
Total Coal Severance	\$ 45,004

ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES	General Fund	Coal Severance Tax Fund
GENERAL GOVERNMENT		
County Commission	\$ 249,549	\$ -
County Clerk	356,907	-
Circuit Clerk	229,959	-
Sheriff - Treasurer	362,877	-
Prosecuting Attorney	349,209	-
Assessor	283,883	-
Assessor's Valuation Fund	301,243	-
Statewide Computer Network	34,209	-
Fiduciary Supervisor	50,000	-
Agricultural Agent	9,000	-
Elections - County Clerk	103,603	-
Purchasing Department	525,000	45,004
Courthouse	391,317	-
Other Buildings	92,500	-
Regional Development Authority	12,000	-
Economic Development	15,750	-
County Clerk Operations	13,306	-
TOTAL GENERAL GOVERNMENT	3,380,312	45,004
PUBLIC SAFETY		
Sheriff - Law Enforcement	836,757	-
Sheriff - Service of Process	9,000	-
Regional Jail	320,000	-
Emergency Services	18,650	-
Flood Control	17,990	-
TOTAL PUBLIC SAFETY	1,202,397	-

Summers County Commission Levy Estimate (Budget) 2025 - 2026 Fiscal Year

ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES	General Fund	Coal Severance Tax Fund
CULTURE AND RECREATION	-	-
Parks & Recreation	129,180	-
4 - H Camp	235,300	-
Visitor's Bureau	150,000	-
Library	6,000	-
TOTAL CULTURE & RECREATION	520,480	-
CAPITAL PROJECTS	-	-
General Government	353,991	-
Courthouse	14,440	-
TOTAL CAPITAL OUTLAY	368,431	-
Total Expenditures	\$ 5,471,620	\$ 45,004

Summers County Commission Levy Estimate (Budget) 2025 - 2026 Fiscal Year

SUMMERS COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA
REGULAR CURRENT EXPENSE LEVY
FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2025 - JUNE 30, 2026

	Certificate of Valuation Assessed Value for Tax Purposes	Levy Rate/\$100	Taxes Levied
Class I			
Personal Property	\$ 0	14.30	\$ 0
Public Utility	0		0
Total Class I	\$ 0		\$ 0
Class II			
Real Estate	\$ 339,113,760	28.60	\$ 969,865
Personal Property	1,750,896		5,008
Total Class II	\$ 340,864,656		\$ 974,873
Class III			
Real Estate	\$ 143,427,640	57.20	\$ 820,406
Personal Property	48,953,681		280,015
Public Utility	102,911,341		588,653
Total Class III	\$ 295,292,662		\$ 1,689,074
Class IV			
Real Estate	\$ 34,867,790	57.20	\$ 199,444
Personal Property	18,191,829		104,057
Public Utility	19,280,830		110,286
Total Class IV	\$ 72,340,449		\$ 413,787
Total Value & Projected Revenue	\$ 708,497,767		\$ 3,077,734
Less Delinquencies, Exonerations & Uncollectable Taxes		7.00%	215,441
Less Tax Discounts		2.00%	57,246
Less Allowance for Tax Increment Financing (if Applicable)			0
Total Projected Property Tax Collection			2,805,047
Less Assessor Valuation Fund (Subtracted from regular current expense taxes levied only)		2.00%	56,101
Net Amount to be Raised by Levy of Property Taxes			\$ 2,748,946

Summers County Commission Levy Estimate (Budget) 2025 - 2026 Fiscal Year

STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA
COUNTY OF SUMMERS

I, Lynn Reed, CLERK OF THE COUNTY COMMISSION OF SAID COUNTY, DO HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE FOREGOING ARE TRUE COPIES FROM THE RECORD OF ORDERS MADE AND ENTERED BY SAID COMSSION ON THE 28th DAY OF MARCH 2025.


(Signature)

The Hillbilly Storyteller: Being Good to Your Neighbors

The Appalachians are very pretty this time of year. I was sitting underneath a shade tree with my dad. We had done got hot. We was hoeing corn. You could see the main road from the cornfield and a car went by. I said to my dad, “Was that the people that bought the old Gill farm?” I said to my dad, “What is the matter with them people?” He said, “I hope nothing. Maybe they just want to be left alone.” I said, “They got a posted sign every 10 foot between us and them.” Dad said, “That means they just want to be left alone. You got no business over there. Just stay away.” I said to my dad, “Did you ever talk to them?” My dad said, “He had a flat tire along the road one day and his jack wouldn’t work. I loaned him mine. He changed the tire and said thank you and left.” Dad said “I’ve seen him at the store a few times. He just nodded and went on by.”

One day as I was going to town his car was out in the road and the door was open. It was almost blocking traffic. His wife was standing at the door of the car and she was waving and screaming “Help me, help me.” I asked her what I could do to help. She was hysterical. He could come to and then he would pass back out. I said, “Let’s get him to the hospital.”

About that time another neighbor pulled up. I told him what was going on and he said he would help. We were going to put him in my truck but he was a big man so we put him in the neighbor’s car. His wife said, “Hurry, please hurry.” We did and we got him to the hospital. The woman said,

“Thank you.”

I told my dad when I got back from town what had happened. He said, “You go down to the hospital and ask the woman if there is any way we can help her.” I said, “The car is still in the road.” Dad said, “Wait, I will go with you. If she’s got the keys we will move it.”

As we got to the hospital you could tell she had been crying. Dad told her that we were her neighbor and I was his son and would like to help her. The woman said nothing for a while and then she said thank you. Dad said, “Everybody needs some help now and then.” About that time the doctor came in. He said, “Your husband is lucky to be alive. If he hadn’t got here when he did he would be gone. He is stable now. We hope for the best for him.” The doctor left and she started crying. Dad sat and talked with her for at least an hour.

The doctor came back into the room and told her he was improving and that it was looking better for him. The doctor told her that he would have to stay in the hospital at least 2 weeks before he would even think about letting him go home. The doctor said, “We have stabilized him. You just need to go home. If anything changes I will call you. I promise.” She said, “There is no way. I am staying.”

Dad told me to go get her a sandwich and some coffee. I did. My dad said to the woman, “What is your name?” She said, “Mary.” The woman thanked me for the food. She said, “I haven’t eaten all day.” Dad said to her, “Are you sure you don’t want to go home?” She said,

“No. I cannot.”

I said to dad, “I’ve got to go feed.” She said, “Oh no. My horses and chickens have not been fed.” My dad said, “I know you don’t know nothing about me but we will feed your animals for you.” It took a load off her mind. She gave me the keys to the gate and told me how much feed she gave to each animal. She kept saying thank you

Dad said, “Do you have any kids?” She said, “Yes, but we haven’t spoken in a year.” Dad said, “You give me their number and I will call them for you.” Dad knew there was something wrong because her face had tears running down it. She gave him the number. He said, “What is your husband’s name?” She said, “Bill.” Dad called the number. The lady on the other end did not say nothing for a long while and dad could hear her crying. She said, “It will take me one day to get there. Tell mom I will be there as fast as I can.” Dad told her to drive safe. That the doctor said he was stable at the present time.

I went back to the waiting room and told Mary that her daughter had said she would be here as fast as she could get here. Mary started to cry. I said, “I hope everything works out for you. She will be here tomorrow to be with you.” Mary said to my dad, “I cannot tell you something I need to tell you until tomorrow. I am too upset to tell you today.” Dad told Mary not to worry about the animals, that I would take good care of them.

As dad got back with the truck I told him about all the work Bill and Mary had done on the farm. It looked very

nice.

The next day dad went back to the hospital to talk to Mary. As he got to the waiting room she was talking to someone. She saw dad and me and said, “Come over and talk to me.” She said, “This is Ann. She is my daughter.” We said hello to Ann. Mary seemed very pleased to have Ann with her.

The doctor came in and said to Mary, “He is improving very fast. He is a strong man. We need to keep him sedated so that we can keep him quiet and keep him improving.” As the doctor left Ann said to her mother that she was going to get some food and asked if we wanted something. We said no thank you.

As Ann left Mary said, “We had lost a son. He was in a bad car wreck. We tried everything that we knew to do for him but he died. Ann felt guilt and blamed herself and us too. Bill just about lost his mind over this. That is why we came here. We knew that if we got busy working we could get a little bit of peace. At the time Bill thought it was his fault for some reason thinking he had not gotten the best medical care or something.” Mary said to dad, “Ann told me she loved me and made up with me. She wanted to tell her dad that she forgave him.” I said to Mary, “Did you tell the doctor? This might be a shock to Bill.” Mary said, “Yes. Ann and myself have talked to the doctor and he said he said he would be in the room when we talked to Bill and hopefully it would be a good thing.

Later Mary said to dad, “What is your nice son’s name?” Dad laughed and said, “We



Being a good neighbor by The Hillbilly Storyteller

just call him Hillbilly.” Mary said, “Tell him thanks.”

The next day I went back to the hospital because I needed to get Mary’s keys back to her. I gave her the keys and said, “If you need any more help call me.” And gave her my number.

About a week later dad decided he would go check on Mary. He run into the doctor in the hallway and asked him how Bill was doing. The doctor pointed to the door down and

hallway and said, “Go in slow and you will see.” As dad walked into the room slowly Mary was sitting beside him on the bed. She had told him what we had done for them, doing the feeding. Bill motioned for Ann to give him a tablet that was on the table. He wrote down the words “Thank you neighbor.”

Moral of the story – We all need a good neighbor.

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Rosemary’s Pumpkins and Pines Hosts First-Ever K9 Easter Egg Hunt

ASBURY W.Va. (Hinton News) - Rosemary’s Pumpkins and Pines kicked off the year with its first ever K9 Easter Egg Hunt on Monday, March 24, at 5 p.m.

The event featured over 100 eggs filled with an array of treats, including dried salmon and liver, to encourage the participating dogs in their search. A total of nine dogs and their owners attended, making for an exciting and festive evening.

Among the standout participants was Jingle, handled by Cari Ortman, who eagerly found her eggs and dropped them into her Easter basket. Occasionally, she couldn’t resist cracking an egg open to enjoy a treat on the spot. Hennessy, guided by Ryan Mollet, showed remarkable cleverness in tracking down her eggs, while Arielle, handled by Helen Igo, excelled in the hunt with an impressive search performance.

Adding to the festivities, Sprite and Dazzle, owned by Johnny and Stuart King, arrived in style with matching baskets and bunny ears. Saber, led by Laura Hark-Plumly, re-

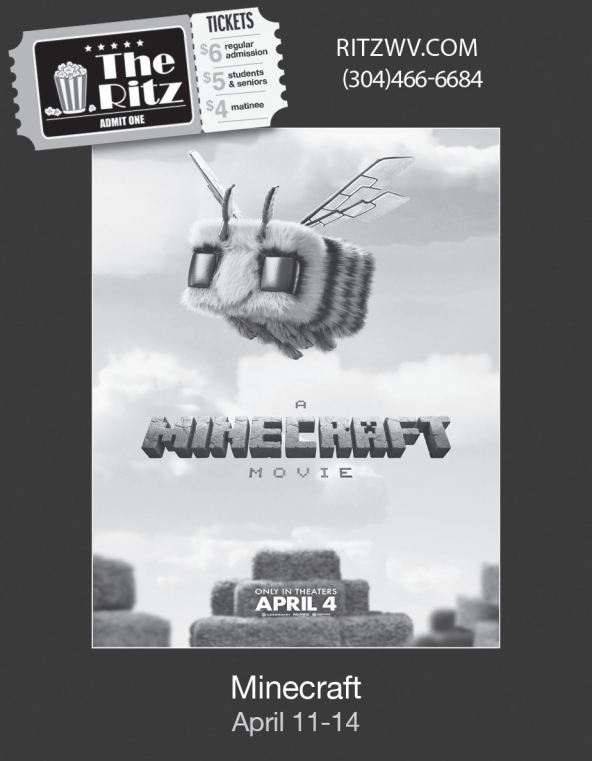
mained focused and determined, enjoying every moment of cracking open his eggs. The title of most eggs found went to Louise, handled by Julie Nester, who took home the most toys and treats.

The dogs who participated boast impressive credentials, holding titles in various canine sports and activities, including Barn Hunt, Scent Work, Agility, AKC Canine Good Citizen, AKC Champion,

Rally, Fast CAT, Beginner Novice Obedience, Herding, and Tracking. Additionally, Jingle and Cinda, trained at the K9 Academy in Rupert, WV, have earned an invitation to the prestigious 12th AKC Rally National Championship, taking place in Gray Summit, Missouri, on July 3-5, 2025.

Rosemary’s Pumpkins and Pines hopes to make the K9 Easter Egg Hunt

an annual tradition, inviting even more dogs and owners to join the fun next year.



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