



A Peek into Summers County’s Past: 10th anniversary of the 2016 flood



Photo: WSJ

William Jones SUMMERS COUNTY- I would be remiss if I did not do today’s story on the flash river flood of 2016 that occurred a decade ago tonight on the Greenbrier River. It had been an unusual weather event for the better part of that week in West Virginia, with countless days of severe thunder and lightning storms, as well as flash flooding around Summers County. But June 23, 2016 was just different with an ominous feel in the air that morning. The day started out as

it had been that week with a muggy feeling and afternoon storms. There was hard rain in Summers County, but I nor anyone else knew what was occurring just upriver would lead to a destructive 1000-year flood event. As the day progressed, like I said, it had been pouring rain all day but nothing that would ever make you think we would see what was hopefully a once in a lifetime event that night. My aunt, who worked at Country Roads Store, called mom and I and hastily said get on Face-

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Fugitive from Justice Caught in Summers County

Per the Summers County Sheriff’s Social Media on Saturday: This afternoon, Deputy Withrow responded to a reported domestic disturbance in the Fox Addition area of Summers County. During the course of the investigation, Deputy Withrow made contact with Cassandra Wood. Further investigation revealed that Ms. Wood was listed as a Fugitive from Justice and was wanted by authorities in the Commonwealth of Virginia in connection with felony narcotics-related charges. Ms. Wood was taken into custody without incident. She will be transported to the Southern Regional Jail, where she will remain pending extradition proceedings. Summers County is not the place for you to hide from justice. As with all criminal matters, Ms. Wood is presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty in a court of law.

Remilicious Run: 7th Annual Memorial Float Honors Jeremiah “Remi” Yancey and Jamie “Bubbalicious” Lilly



Jeremiah Yancey and Jamie Lilly

Susan Smith-Linton HINTON, W.Va. (HINTON) - Remilicious Run Memorial Float will take place on Saturday, July 11 as the float starts at noon at 39 Cloverleaf Lane, Hinton, WV. This river-side gathering is a memorial float remembering Jeremiah Yancey, who died at age 30, and evolved into Remilicious to celebrate the close bond between Jeremiah and his uncle Jamie Lilly, who faced health challenges after a mining

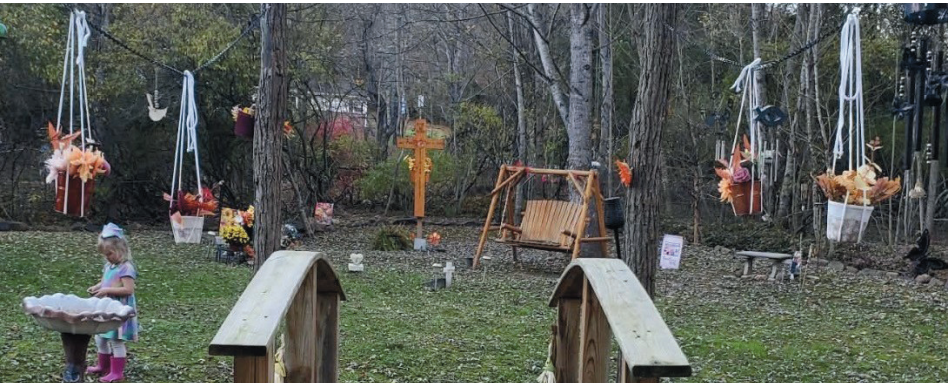
accident in late 2020. The event remains a deeply rooted family tradition, drawing friends and relatives (Renee Lilly, Ariel Lilly, Alea Rodgers, Matthew and Mark Yancey, Isabella Davis) and a broader circle into a day of remembrance and a shared meal with the community. After the float, dinner is provided, followed by a cornhole tournament and time to reflect at Remi’s Rest—the cemetery spot created in the field where Jeremiah’s

football teammates carried him home. Attendees are encouraged to bring floats and life jackets, water, sun protection, and personal memories or photos to share with a focus on celebrating Jeremiah’s and Jamie’s life, keeping their memory alive. “My boy was special. I miss him so,” Beverly Carol Gill, Jeremiah’s mother, shares. “Getting to see his friends every year is very comforting and knowing he isn’t forgotten and neither am

I. Also, three of his friends put my roof on in 2021 because they knew Jeremiah had planned to do it,” she added. Friends and family describe Remilicious Run as more than a float; it is a tribute to two men that touched their lives. For more information on the float, readers are invited to reach to Beverly Carol Gill’s Facebook page. This annual memorial float emphasizes love and remembrance.



Picture from previous floats.



Remy’s resting place



Two Arrested After Princeton Drug Investigation



Jerry Cecil and Amber Stanley

PRINCETON, W.Va. — Two individuals were taken into custody following a drug investigation that resulted in the execution of a search warrant at a residence on Road House Road in Princeton, according to the Princeton Police Department.

Police said the warrant was served after a lengthy investigation into suspected drug-related activity at the residence. During the search, officers reportedly discovered several grams of fentanyl, cocaine and methamphetamine, as well as illegal quantities of gabapentin and Suboxone.

Authorities also seized approximately \$300 in cash and three firearms from the home. According to police, one of the firearms had been reported stolen, while another was determined to be a replica.

Jerry Cecil and Amber Stanley were arrested and charged with multiple counts of possession with intent to deliver, along with additional offenses. Police said specific charges had not yet been released.

In a statement, the Princeton Police Department said the arrests reflect the department’s continued efforts to combat illegal drug activity and remove dangerous substances from local communities.

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book and see what is going on in White Sulphur Springs now. So, I did, and the first thing I saw was the house you see in the photo on fire slamming into the bridge. The thing is that this was occurring on what is only a decent size creek that runs through town but had turned into a raging river!

We all know what comes up must come down and in that case that means downstream to the Greenbrier River in Summers County. All of us locals commenced to help remove the important and most valuable merchandise from Country Roads Store, the local citizens of Pence Springs have always banned together for any flood event since the store’s opening in the 1940’s. It wasn’t long before it was making national news and personal photos were popping up by the thousands on social media sites. We worked diligently for hours that night until we all had to stop with exhaustion,

having saved the main expensive merchandise. But something just wasn’t adding up from what we all had been seeing on our phones. We all ended up out along Route 3 facing the river, looking for the water. I was chatting with my cousin in Alderson, and she had been giving me points of reference to where the water was at that time. I turned and looked at dad and said: “if the water is to (various points of reference to which we were texting back-and-forth) by now shouldn’t it be in the store by now?” I am a bit of a weather nerd and had tracked the river for two decades at that point since the flood of 1996. And even had it to the point of the exact footage it would take to enter the store. It was 18.2 feet before the main floor was raised in 2012 five inches.

He said “yes” and about that time we all heard something and looked down. It was droves of field mice running out of the field.

We all looked confused and as it turns out they were running for higher ground! If you are a local, you know that any flood, the water always backs into the low spot on the right side of the field and crosses Route 3 across from the Exxon sign. This time was different! The water came across the field from the left with a vengeance, tossing round bales of hay as it was rising.

Someone said we better get out of here and dad said, “GET IN YOUR VEHICLES NOW AND GET OUT OF HERE!” So, we did and woke up to the scenes like you see in the second photo. This was taken about

the time the water had crested. It made it to 22-feet even. The flood of 1996 was 24.33-feet. This ‘16 flood was 2-feet less but was more destructive than 96 as people had very little time to prepare or save anything.

I could go on for hours about this event. But the two things that stick in my memory the most was the smell of gasoline in the air and being able to see it floating on the water. That and on one of my trips out sight-seeing that day, I went as far as the water would let me in front of the Pence Springs Flea Market parking lot and I could see big catfish

swimming in Route 3. They had washed out of the Catfish Hole in Pence Springs.

If history repeats itself, we have a big flood on the Greenbrier River every 11 years. There

was a 20-year lull between the last 2 floods, but we are due for one in 2027 if the 11-year pattern repeats itself like it had been since the early 1960s.

Only time will tell.



Water coming up over the Exxon

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Dear Abby: Sister has revealed her true colors time and again



Dear Abby

DEAR ABBY: When I was 16 and my sister “Daisy” was 18, I found out she was in a sexual relationship with my boyfriend, “Tyler” (also 18). I broke it off. She then asked if I minded her dating him. I’m sure I said I didn’t, but I thought, “Why ask? You were already having sex with him.” (He and I hadn’t.) Tyler and I remained friends

through the years. He was my first love. That episode shaped my dating relationships going forward. It took years for me to learn to trust again. Years later, I asked Daisy why she’d done that, and her response was because she could. We enjoy each other’s company as long as I don’t let the past into my consciousness. How do I let this go? Saying anything may make things worse -- but it really hurts that she betrayed me and never once offered an indication of an apology. -- **STILL MATTERS IN NORTH CAROLINA**

DEAR STILL MATTERS: Daisy and Tyler both betrayed you. What they

did showed a distinct lack of character on both their parts. But this is who they are. You and your sister may enjoy each other’s company, but do not think that the core of her -- her character -- has changed. That she hasn’t apologized for hurting you, and her answering you in such a flip manner, should serve as a warning about how selfish and insensitive she is to this day.

DEAR ABBY: I don’t live in the same state as my sister, so I used to call her at the same time each week so we could catch up. Her husband, “Dale,” was usually at work on the day I called. Then, Dale got a new job, so he is now home when-

ever I call. My problem is that Dale enters the room and talks to her while she is on the phone. She answers him immediately, even if I am in the middle of a sentence. Because this is confusing and annoying, I told her it would probably be better if she called me when she was free to talk. (At no time did I specifically say anything about Dale’s interruptions.) She said, “Fine!” -- and that was the last time I heard from her, and it’s been more than five months. If I reach out to her, I’m sure nothing will change. If I say it’s annoying to allow Dale to interrupt phone calls, she’ll probably get angrier and defend him. I love my sister and miss talking to her. Must I resign myself to never hearing from her again? -- **SIS INTERRUPTED**

DEAR SIS: Call your sister and apologize for letting the silence go on so long. It doesn’t matter how rude she and Dale have been; you need to start communicating again if you want to fix this. Then, instead of placing all of the responsibility on your sister, why not show her you’re willing to compromise? Now that Dale’s work schedule is predictable, ask your sister to suggest a time for the weekly call when she knows he won’t be around. If that’s not possible, you’ll have to decide whether Dale’s interruptions are annoying enough to lose a sister over.

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Jesus, The Way To Eternal Life

(Part 3)
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https://executableoutlines.com/topical_series/jesus-the-way-guide/jtw_01.html

As we ended last week, we were looking at why it is Jesus who will make eternal life so wonderful.

Yes, it is Jesus who will make eternal life what it is! This may help us to appreciate the aspirations of the apostle Paul:

We are confident, yes, well pleased rather to be absent from the body and to be present with the Lord. (2 Corinthians 5:8)

For I am hard pressed between the two, having a desire to depart and be with Christ, which is far better. (Philippians 1:23)

When we understand all this, would there be eternal life without Jesus? Not according to the Bible! Jesus is truly **The Way To Eternal Life!**

Since Jesus IS the way to eternal life, should we not also consider what Jesus has to say about it?

WHAT JESUS TEACHES ABOUT ETERNAL LIFE

First, eternal life is “a prepared place for prepared people.” People are not going to stumble into it by “accident.” In His sermon on the mount, Jesus warned His disciples:

“Enter by the narrow gate; for wide is the gate and broad is the way that leads to destruction, and there are many who go in by it. Because narrow is the gate and difficult is the way which leads to life, and there are few who find it.” (Matthew 7:13-14)

The way to life is such that few find it, and lack of preparation is the reason! Jesus taught several parables to stress this point, including the parable of “The Wedding Feast”:

And Jesus answered and spoke to them again by parables and said: “The kingdom of heaven is like a certain king who arranged a marriage for his son,” (Matthew 22:1-2)

“But when the king came in to see the guests, he saw a man there who did not have on a wedding garment. So he said to him, ‘Friend, how did you come in here without a wedding garment?’ And he was speechless. Then the king said to the servants, ‘Bind him hand and foot, take him away, and cast him into outer darkness; there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.’ For many are called, but few are chosen.” (Matthew 22:11-14)

Another parable, “The Ten Virgins” (**Matthew 25:1-13**), teaches the same point: one must be prepared to enter eternal life. In fact, Jesus said later in His sermon on the mount that being a religious person in of itself does not assure one of eternal life:

“Not everyone who says to Me, ‘Lord, Lord,’ shall enter the kingdom of heaven, but he who does the will of My Father in heaven. Many will say to Me in that day, ‘Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in Your name, cast out demons in Your name, and done many wonders in Your name?’ And then I will declare to them, ‘I never knew you; depart from Me, you who practice lawlessness!’” (Matthew 7:21-23)

Doing the Father’s will is how we make preparation to enter into the wonderful life eternal that Jesus has prepared for us! And this requires “diligence” on our part. As the apostle Peter said in his second epistle:

Therefore, brethren, be even more diligent to make your call and election sure, for if you do these things you will never stumble; for so an entrance will be supplied to you abundantly into the everlasting kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. (2 Peter 1:10-11)

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Pisces

Weekly

HOROSCOPES

ARIES – Mar 21/Apr 20

Aries, you are a powerhouse this week. Your energy levels will remain steady as the days go on, and people will notice your drive. Channel this energy into something positive.

TAURUS – Apr 21/May 21

It's your week right now, Taurus, and the stars want to indulge. Indulge in something luxurious and enjoy yourself. You have earned the right to some pampering.

GEMINI – May 22/June 21

Use your gift of gab to mend a relationship issue that stemmed from a misunderstanding, Gemini. Expect some invitations to come your way and a surprise text mid-week.

CANCER – June 22/July 22

You are feeling extra sensitive to others' energy right now, Cancer. It is alright to decline social invitations to protect your peace of mind. A creative breakthrough may emerge while alone.

LEO – July 23/Aug 23

Don't shy away from the microphone or the spotlight, Leo. Whether it is at work or in your personal life, your charisma will be your greatest asset this week. You will be the star of the show.

VIRGO – Aug 24/Sept 22

Decluttering can go a long way to making you feel better, Virgo. Clear your desk to clear your mind. Once the physical chaos is gone, you may find the answer to the problem you have.

LIBRA – Sept 23/Oct 23

Libra, the scales start to tip toward your personal life instead of your professional one this week. Focus on your spouse or special someone and make time for extra moments together.

SCORPIO – Oct 24/Nov 22

Let go of a habit or a resentment that no longer serves you, Scorpio. Just like a snake sheds an old skin, you'll feel lighter and ready to tackle anything.

SAGITTARIUS – Nov 23/Dec 21

You might be ready for a trip, Sagittarius. Even if you can't take a flight right now, explore a new neighborhood or try a different restaurant you've been meaning to check out.

CAPRICORN – Dec 22/Jan 20

A small adjustment to your budget now may lead to a big payoff later on, Capricorn. Your financial discipline is a superpower this week, so stick to the plan.

AQUARIUS – Jan 21/Feb 18

Others are finally catching up to all of your big ideas, Aquarius. Pitch that unconventional plan you have been holding back and you'll likely have some fans.

PISCES – Feb 19/Mar 20

Pay attention to any coincidences that pop up during the next several days, Pisces. The universe is trying to tell you something about your next move.

FAMOUS BIRTHDAYS

JUNE 28	JUNE 30	JULY 3
Mike White, Filmmaker (56)	Michael Phelps, Athlete (41)	Patrick Wilson, Actor (53)
JUNE 29	JULY 1	JULY 4
Melora Hardin, Actress (59)	Daniela Avanzini, Singer (22)	Post Malone, Rapper (31)
	JULY 2	
	Lindsay Lohan, Actress (40)	

Aries

Taurus

Gemini

Cancer

Leo

Virgo

Libra

Scorpio

Sagittarius

Capricorn

Aquarius

Pisces

Beetle Bailey



CLUES ACROSS

- count

39. Snakelike fishes
41. They precede C
42. Popular personal computers
44. Intermediate community stage in ecological succession
46. Wings
47. Indicates position
49. Pleasantly smooth or soft
52. Jeweled head-dress
56. In slow tempo
58. ___ Falls
60. Reassertions
62. Eras
63. Hyphen

CLUES DOWN

1. Corporate executive
2. A plant used for flavoring food
3. Opinion or belief
4. Sheep in their

second year

5. Intensities of sound
6. Indicates support for
7. Expression of laughter
8. OJ trial judge
9. Pointed ends of pens
10. True bugs genus
12. Lawyers argue theirs
13. Body parts
16. Closes tightly
17. World Heritage site in Nigeria
20. Islamic calendar month
22. Commercial
25. "Westworld" actor Harris
26. They ____
27. Religious guilds
29. Woman (French)
31. Parts per billion (abbr.)
34. Brew
36. Spiritual leader
37. Indigo bush
38. Burn with a hot

liquid

- 40. Older citizen
- 43. Scad fish genus
- 45. Morning
- 48. Line passing through the center (abbr.)
- 50. Double S-shaped curve
- 51. Small, thin person
- 53. Older
- 54. Mars crater
- 55. Humanities
- 57. Word element meaning ear
- 58. To the ___ degree
- 59. Residue
- 61. It cools your home

SUDOKU PUZZLE

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8	3							
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	2						1	5
	7				2			3
	4			7		2		
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	5							

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.

***Answer To Last
Wednesday's
Puzzle* →**

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7	2	5	6	3	1	8	9	4
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2	8	7	1	4	3	9	5	6
9	5	1	8	6	2	7	4	3
3	4	6	7	5	9	2	1	8
1	3	2	9	8	5	4	6	7
5	7	8	4	1	6	3	2	9
6	9	4	3	2	7	5	8	1

JUMBLE

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

TFIHA

EUSMO

PRGMUY

BTUETR

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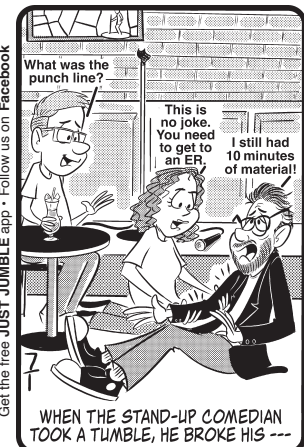
Last Wednesday's Answers

Jumbles: NOISY PRONG HAMMER CANOPY
Answer: Titan was discovered orbiting Saturn back in 1655 which was — MANY MOONS AGO

THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME

By David L. Hoyt and Jeff Knurek

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Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.


 y's Answers Next Wednesday



Last Wednesday's Answer
(Answers Next Wednesday)

1	2	3	4		5	6	7	8	9	10				
11				12							13			
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					62						63			



Animal

FACT:



These animals perspire (give out sweat) through their paws to cool down when it is hot.

Answer: Dogs

Math Blocks

Fill in the missing blocks with numbers between 0-20.
The numbers in each row add up to the totals on the right.
The numbers in each column add up to the totals on the bottom.

10	6		20
	8		18
	15	11	29
14	29	24	

11	15	3
6	8	1
4	6	10

Solution

DAY IN HISTORY

JUL

4

1634:

The city of Trois-Rivières is founded in New France.

1776:

The United States Declaration of Independence is adopted by the Second Continental Congress.

1939:

Lou Gehrig informs the crowd at Yankee Stadium that he is retiring from baseball due to his illness.

NEW WORD

HUMIDITY

the amount of water vapor in the atmosphere

How they say that in...

English: Hot

Spanish: Caliente

Italian: Caldo

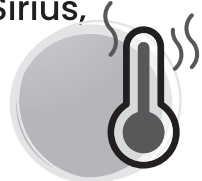
French: Chaud

German: Heiß

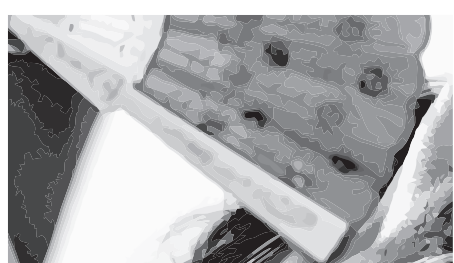
Did You Know?



The hottest time of the year in the Northern Hemisphere occurs between July 3 and August 11. This period aligns with the rising of Sirius, the "Dog Star."



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Dear Recycle Lady

Dear Recycle Lady,
I have two empty 5-pound bags of sugar. One bag has a white liner, and the other bag has a brown liner. Do I recycle them with white paper or cardboard? **Puzzled Recycler**

Dear Puzzled Recycler,
White bag liners and brown bag liners have different material composition, so they recycle differently. Brown bags are typically made with unbleached paper, while white bags are most often made from bleached paper. Due to this difference in composition, brown bags and white bags are not put in the same recycle bin. Brown bags are recycled with cardboard and white bags are recycled with white office paper, unless the outside of the bag is colored and then it is recycled with cardboard. As with all recyclables, be sure the bags are dry and totally free of sugar. You may sometimes find a bag with a liner of wax or plastic coating that makes it non-recyclable.

Dear Recycle Lady,
What is a sea mount? I am reading a very interesting book about the ocean, but it doesn't define new terms very well. **Need Definitions**

Dear Need Definitions,

Summer Meals Begin: Summers County Schools Announce 2026 Summer Food Service Program

The 2026 Summer Food Service Program will begin on July 6 and run through July 31. Head over to the Summers County School's Facebook page and click the link to see the delicious options that will be available at the Hinton Area Elementary summer camps and at the three stops throughout Summers County. If you have questions, call 304-466-6000. The meals are free to all children 18 and under.

A seamount, as defined by oceanographers, is an underwater mountain that rises at least 1,000 feet or more from the deep-sea floor. It never reaches the surface of the sea or ocean, so it is not an island. Many are found hundreds to thousands of feet below the surface and are considered to be in the deep sea. Most seamounts are formed by extinct volcanic activity and are mostly conical shaped. They form ocean apartment towers that create currents and hard surfaces where corals, fish, and other marine life gather. Earth's oceans contain more than 14,500 seamounts, according to Wikipedia, and are one of the most common marine ecosystems in the world.

Dear Recycle Lady,
Are the cans that Seresto flea and tick dog collars come in recyclable? Protecting My Dog From Ticks

Dear Protecting My Dog From Ticks,
Yes, Seresto containers are recyclable with steel cans, which are 100% recyclable. Any chemicals from the flea & tick dog collar that might remain in the can would be destroyed by

the extreme high heating process that is used to process recycled steel. The top of the can be left on or recycled separately. When recycling a steel can with an attached lid, leave the lid attached or place it inside the can. It is not necessary to remove the label as it burns off. However, if you remove the label, it can be recycled with magazines, thus eliminating waste. There is no quality loss during recycling and recycling cans save 74% of the energy required to make a new can. Steel has the highest recycling rate of any material at more than 88%, and two-thirds of all new manufactured steel comes from recycled steel. If in doubt, a can be determined to be made of steel using a magnet as steel contains some iron, making it magnetic. There is a large magnet outside the steel recycle bin at the Recycling Center if you need to check on a can.

Good News: The UK recently reached its lowest greenhouse gas

emissions level since what year? The UK's emissions have dropped to levels not seen since 1872, before cars, planes, and even sliced bread. Cleaner energy, fewer fossil fuels, and a rise in electric vehicles helped drive the historic decline.

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Weekly Recipes

Blueberries Make For Flavorful Additions To Cookies, Too

Cookies are a versatile treat that can incorporate a wide range of ingredients. There's no rules when it comes to making cookies, which means amateur bakers can take to their kitchens and whip up a batch of these beloved treats with whatever they have on hand in the pantry or refrigerator.

Blueberries might be a go-to ingredient when baking a pie at home, but they also make for a delicious addition to a freshly baked batch of cookies. This recipe for "Butter Cookies With Blueberries" from Lines+Angles is a testament to the versatility of blueberries when it comes to crafting homecooked baked goods.

Butter Cookies With Blueberries
Makes 20 to 24 servings

Ingredients:
3/4 cup butter, softened
2/3 cup granulated sugar
2 tablespoons light corn syrup
1 pinch salt
3 large eggs
1 1/2 cups all-purpose flour
1 teaspoon baking soda
2/3 cup almond meal
1/2 teaspoon ground ginger
1/4 teaspoon ground cinnamon
1/2 cup dried blueberries, chopped

1. Preheat the oven to 400 F. Line a large baking sheet with parchment paper.

2. In a large mixing bowl, cream together the butter, sugar, corn syrup, and salt. Add the eggs one at a time, beating after each addition.

3. Add the flour, baking soda, almond meal, and spices. Stir to form a smooth mixture; fold in the dried blueberries.

4. Spoon the mixture into a piping bag fitted with a round piping tip. Pipe 1-inch rounds onto the baking sheet (or use a teaspoon to place small mounds of the mixture on the sheet.)

5. Bake until golden and set, 10 to 15 minutes.

6. Remove from the oven and carefully transfer the cookies to a cooling rack to finish cooling.

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LEGAL NOTICE

TRUSTEE’S SALE
OF VALUABLE REAL
ESTATE

The undersigned Substitute Trustee, by virtue of the authority vested in it by that certain Deed of Trust dated June 24, 2014, and duly recorded in the Office of the Clerk of the County Commission of Summers County, West Virginia, in Deed of Trust Book 272, at Page 639, Thomas J. Mathewson did convey unto Larrick Law Offices, Trustee, certain real property described in said Deed of Trust; and the beneficiary has elected to appoint Pill & Pill, PLLC as Substitute Trustee by a Substitution of Trustee recorded in the aforesaid Clerk’s Office; and default having been made under the aforementioned Deed of Trust, and the undersigned Substitute Trustee having been instructed by the secured party to foreclose thereunder, will offer for sale at public auction at the front door of the Summers County Courthouse, in Hinton, West Virginia, on
July 7, 2026,
at 9:45 AM

The following described real estate, with its improvements, easements and appurtenances thereunto belonging, situate in the Green Sulphur District, Summers County, West Virginia, and more particularly described as follows:

The following described real estate situate in Green Sulphur District, Summers County, West Virginia, more particularly described as follows:

BEGINNING on a forked sycamore on the south side of Duncan Branch opposite a small fork; thence N. 48 40 E. 110.91 feet running with the fence to the southerly R/W of W.V. Secondary Route No. 44/3 just below a small bridge; thence running with the fence and said R/W N. 65 51 E. 132.31 feet to a fence post; thence N. 77 45 E. 30.02 feet to a fence post; thence N. 89 06 E. 19.21 feet to a fence post; thence S. 80 33 E. 39.09 feet to the westerly gate post; thence S. 61 15 E. 131.14 feet to a fence post; thence across the bottom S. 26 22 W. 199.19 feet to a 16” sycamore on the north side of Duncan Branch; thence down the branch but not with its meanders, N. 70 50 W. 346.76 feet to the beginning, containing approximately 1.3 acres, according to survey of Hamilton Sharpe, LLS, said map dated October 16, 1975, a copy of which is of record in the Office of the Clerk of the County Court of Summers County.

And being the same property acquired by Thomas J. Mathewson and Kumcha Mathewson by deed dated May 10, 1995, from Guy Harris and Linda S. Harris, his wife, to be recorded in the Office of the Clerk of the County Commission of Summers County, West Virginia, prior to or simultaneously herewith.

At the time of the execution of the Deed of Trust, this property was reported to have a mailing address of 346 Duncan Branch Road, Meadow Bridge, WV 25976.

AND BEING the same real estate which was conveyed to Thomas J. Mathewson, by Deed dated June 24, 2014, from Randall L. Harris and Kathy Y. Harris, and recorded in the Office of the Clerk of the County Commission of Sum-

mers County, West Virginia, in Deed Book 249 at Page 361. The above-described property will be sold subject to any covenants, restrictions, easements, leases and conditions of record, and subject to any unpaid real estate taxes.

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

TERMS: Ten percent (10%) of the purchase price as a deposit with the balance due and payable within 30 days of the day of sale.
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In the Circuit Court
of Summers County,
West Virginia

Case No. CC-45-2026-C-22
Judge Amy L. Mann

Kimberly Ballard,
Plaintiff,
V.

**Unknown interested
parties and members of
Four Mile Missionary
Baptist Church,**
Defendant

Order for Publication

The object of the above-entitled action is to liquidate the remaining assets of Four Mile Missionary Baptist Church and transfer the net assets to another church or religious organization, yet unspecified, as stated in Petitioner’s “Petition” filed in this matter. In addition, Petitioner asserts that she is unaware of any interested parties or their addresses, and as such Petitioner moves for an Order of Publication pursuant to W. Va. R. Civ. Pro. 4(e) (E) so that proper notice of said “Petition” may be served upon any interested persons.

After the review of the Affidavit for Publication, this Court agrees that the Petitioner and Petitioner’s Attorney used due diligence in locating interested parties in this matter, but was unable to locate any, and there may be interested persons requiring notice. As such, it is **ORDERED** that publication be made. It is further **ORDERED** that any interested party appear and serve upon Anna R. Ziegler, counsel for plaintiff, whose address is 110 James Street, Hinton, West Virginia 25951, any responsive pleadings to the petition filed in this action within thirty (30) days of the first date of publication otherwise judgment by default will be taken against them.

A copy of said Petition and Motions can be obtained from the undersigned Clerk at her office in Hinton, Summers County, West Virginia.

Entered by the said Clerk of Court this 12th day of June, 2026.

/s/ Stacy D. Ford
Teste: Stacy Ford, Summers County Circuit Court Clerk
/s/ Amy L. Mann
The Hon. Amy Mann
Circuit Court Judge
/s/ Amy L. Mann

Circuit Court Judge
30th Judicial Circuit
(24jni1j)

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 Ballegee 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, July 1, 2026

Claim Deadline: Sunday, August 30, 2026

ESTATE OF: ROBERT M. BABER

EXECUTRIX: SANDRA HOLLIDAY

ESTATE OF: GOLDIE FAYE WARD

EXECUTOR: JUSTIN WAYNE WARD

ESTATE OF: RAYMOND RICK STANFORD

EXECUTRIX: DEBORAH VIVEIROS

ESTATE OF: BICY EVELYN SMITH

EXECUTRIX: SHELBY COFFMAN

ESTATE OF: SHIRLEY ED-

WARDS CONNER
EXECUTOR: SHAWN CONNER

Subscribed and sworn to before me on June 23, 2026.
Donald R. Basham Jr.
Fiduciary Supervisor of Summers County
(1,8jl)

Notice To Creditors,
Distributees, and Legatees Proposed / Short Form Settlements

To the Creditors and Beneficiaries of the within named deceased persons:

I have before me the Final settlements and Proposals for the estates of the following deceased persons, which shall be presented to the County Commission of Summers County, at the Courthouse thereof, in the City of Hinton, West Virginia on the 8th day of July, 2026, at or near 10:00 a.m. These proposed settlements and short form settlements have been presented to me by the fiduciary of such estates which settlements I have approved as indicated below:

Estate: Linville Franklin Goins

Fiduciary: Debra Susan Goins

Estate: Paul Lawrence Waldron

Fiduciary: Travis G. Waldron

Estate: Arretta Fox

Fiduciary: William W. Fox

Estate: Reno Glenn Richmond

Fiduciary: Eric Scott Richmond

Estate: Charles Roger Lester

Fiduciary: Charles D. Lester

Estate: Amy Suzanne Crawford

Fiduciary: Michelle Comer

Estate: Dolores Jean Akers

Fiduciary: Mark Massey

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

Given under my hand this the 23rd day of June, 2026.
Donnie Basham
Fiduciary Supervisor
(1j)

Summers County
Courthouse News

Marriages: Trivett to Kelly Ryne
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Dog of the
Week: Elke



Elke

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HINTON NEWS

Veterans Memorial Museum of SWV Fundraiser Happening Now



The Veterans Museum

Susan Smith-Linton

The Veterans Memorial Museum of SWV Basket Raffle Fundraiser is going on now. Proceeds support expenses for the museum. Tickets are \$1 each or six for \$5, and every donation they receive will be featured on their Facebook page as they continue to add more prizes. The Veterans Memorial Museum of Southern West Virginia, located in Hinton, in the historic 1912 Carnegie Library, serves as a military history museum.

The Veterans Museum is the state's first museum dedicated entirely to honoring West Virginia's military veterans. Its exhibits showcase collections of weapons, uniforms,

personal stories, and artifacts from multiple eras. Visitors connect with the soldiers and their journeys when they served.

Stop by and grab your raffle ticket. The museum hours are Saturdays from 11am-3pm.

Admission is free; donations are appreciated.

If you would like a group tour, call ahead

to arrange. Help preserve the stories of our great nation's veterans. Your generosity will help the museum continue its mission. I spoke with Tim Wheeler, the president of the museum, who said the drawing will be held on July 4. Keep an eye on their Facebook page for the announcement of

the winner! The museum is located on 419 Ballengee St. in Hinton, WV

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