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'Little Library' Dedicated at Big Elm School





Shinnston Lions Club members gathered last Monday to dedicate the 'Little Library' at Big Elm Elementary School.

Raelynn Yost proudly stands by Big Elm's new 'Little Library', a project inspired by her vision.

By Leigh C. Merrifield

While local children enjoyed a day off from school last Monday to celebrate Columbus Day, the teachers and staff at Big Elm Elementary were having in-service training, and nearly all stayed for the dedication of the school's new 'Little Library', an idea that was introduced in March of last year by one of the school's fifth graders, Raelynn Yost.

Big Elm Assistant Principal Bobbie Jo Harbert read the e-mail she had received from Raelynn to the crowd that gathered. The Shinnston Lions Club was also made aware of Raelynn's suggestion. She had in fact done a lot of research on the value of having a little library that would be placed outside the school during times when school would not be in session. Lions members were impressed by how thoroughly she had studied and explored the idea … and they decided to support and help her bring it about.

Using club funding for materials, Lions member volunteers helped build, sand and paint the structure that will give students an enriching opportunity. Borrow a book off the shelf and return it when you've read it. OR take a book and bring back another one to share and add to the Little Library's supply.

Many academic entities concur that having a free little library that offers books for children to read during holidays or during the summer months is an excellent way for students to eliminate, for example, the 'summer gap' and to maintain and enhance their reading skills

Big Elm Elementary School's Assistant

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Students of the Month





Cody Zheng, son of Qiuling Guo and Simon Zheng and grandson of Lan Li and Ting Zheng, has been selected as the September Senior Student of the Month. Cody has distinguished himself academically with a 4.44 cumulative GPA, a 4.0 unweighted GPA, and a 1370 SAT score. He is an active leader in his school and community, serving as DECA Chapter President and Math Honor Society Vice President while participating in numerous honor societies, Quiz Bowl, Student Council, Key Club, the Rail Trail Committee, and GameChanger. His accomplishments include becoming the state champion in DECA's Principles of Business Management event, earning AP Human Geography Top Scholar and BCA Top Scholar honors, and consistently achieving Honor Roll recognition. Cody has also dedicated four years to high school soccer and one year to track. Outside the classroom, he enjoys spending time with friends, playing soccer, and volunteering. After graduation, Cody plans to attend college and pursue a career in pharmacy.

Seth E. Nay has been named Senior Student of the Month in recognition of his outstanding academic achievements, leadership, and dedication to his school. The son of Jennifer and Brian Nay and grandson of Sue and Roscoe Wilbur and Deborah Nay, Seth has earned an impressive 4.44 GPA and a 1350 SAT score. He is actively involved in Key Club, Student Council, DECA, Math Honor Society, English Honor Society, Science Honor Society, Social Studies Honor Society, and National Honor Society. His accomplishments include being named an AP Scholar with Distinction, earning first place at DECA's International Career Development Conference (ICDC) in Automotive Marketing, achieving Perfect Honor Roll, and receiving Sophomore Top Scholar honors. Outside the classroom, Seth enjoys biking, running, and playing basketball. After graduation, he plans to attend West Virginia University to pursue an engineering degree.

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A Smarter City Still Needs People





By JIM HUNT

Building Amazing Cities

For the Harrison County Journal

Whenever I hear someone predict that artificial intelligence will eliminate millions of jobs, I find myself wondering what happens next.

Will people have more time to enjoy life, as some suggest? Or will they struggle to find their place in an economy that has figured out how to produce more while employing fewer?

For America's cities and towns, these questions deserve more than a discussion about buying new software. They require a conversation about the purpose of local government.

During my 27 years in elected office, I learned that people judge their city through everyday experiences. Does someone answer when they call? Is the water reliable? Are streets maintained? Can a business owner get a clear answer about opening a shop?

Technology should help us do those things better.

Unfortunately, much of the discussion about artificial intelligence centers on how many employees an organization can eliminate. In the private sector, we have all experienced the frustration of navigating automated telephone systems, searching for assistance and wondering whether an actual person still works there.

I would hate to see City Hall embrace that model.

Local governments have an obligation to use taxpayer dollars wisely. Some tasks can be automated, and some positions will change. But reducing payroll is an incomplete measure of progress. A city can employ fewer people and still become more expensive to live in, harder to do business with and less responsive to its citizens.

We have seen technology reshape communities before.

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OPINION

The Beautiful Mysteries of Quantum Physics and Saint Pio

By Stephen Smoot

As the 19th century closed and the 20th century opened, a group of European scientists completely revolutionized the way science and humanity in general looks at the world. Isaac Newton over two centuries prior crafted an elegant set of explanations for the physical universe that he could observe.

Newton based his laws of nature on observations of how big things interacted with each other. The laws had also the happy benefit of making complete sense even to someone unschooled in science or math. It does not take an advanced mind to understand, for example, "for every action, there is an equal and opposite reaction."

At the opening of the 20th century through World War II, theoreticians such as Albert Einstein, Warner Heisenburg (yes, that Heisenburg, "Breaking Bad" fans), and others noted that as one observed and experimented with extraordinarily small objects and concepts of small objects, that those elegant explanations foundered on rocks of growing uncertainty. Observations of the behavior of particles, as well as mathematical equations relating to those, indicated "fuzziness" in how those particles moved about and interacted.

Buried deep inside Newton's crystal clear clockwork universe, however, was entropy. For much of the latter half of his life, Einstein tried and failed to reconcile the comforting clarity of Newton with the unsettling implications of having a foundation of reality based on sheer randomness.

Einstein and Erwin Schrodinger created a thought experiment to explain the problem that went to the heart of two basic states, particle and wave. They had determined that light has both the properties of a wave and a particle, but at different times.

The experiment was this. A cat was placed in a completely contained box with a mechanism that would cause its death if tripped. The mechanism would either work or not work with the cat being either dead or alive.

Those who love their kitties may want to imagine a vial of supercharged catnip instead of poison. It's far more pleasant to think of a cat being either high or sober rather than dead or alive.

The cat's box mechanism is connected to a contained space entirely of inside mirrors. A light wave is introduced. The act of human observation and action on the box forces the wave to revert to the status of a particle. This is called "collapsing the wave." Introduce a barrier in the middle and the particle will either be on the right or left side of the barrier. Even the mere act of looking into the box will collapse the wave into a particle, but the scientists were trying to imagine a quantum action having an impact on the observable world and its functions.

One side means life, the other means death (or sober versus high, if you prefer) and there is no rule determining whether it happens on one side or the other. Thus, randomness exists at the very foundation of reality.

Quantum physics focuses on the mysterious behavior of these subatomic particles, photons, electrons, neutrons,

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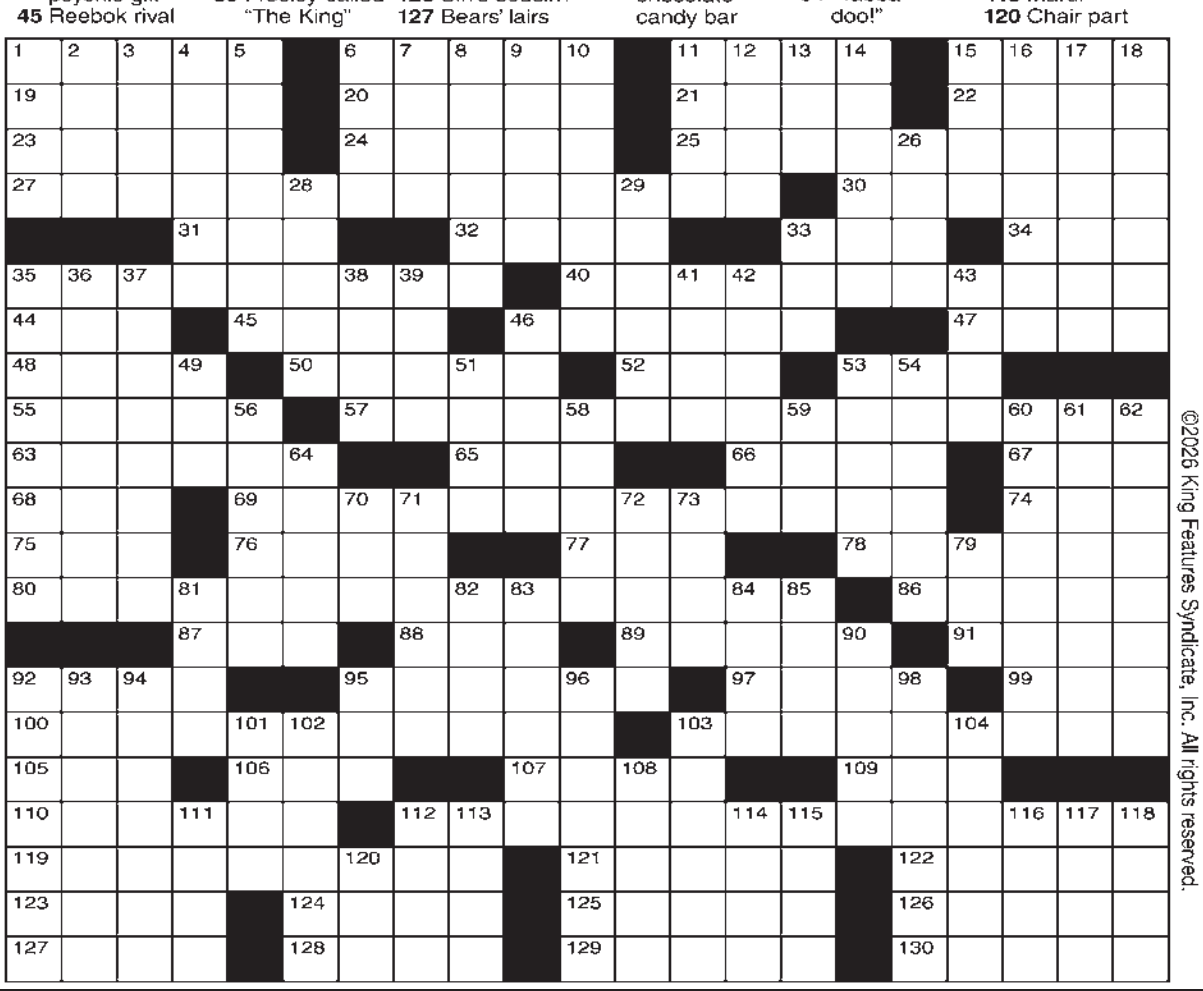
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1 Perp's excuse
6 Bee-related
11 Lipids
15 In addition
19 "Cheers!," in Spain
20 Cousin of largo
21 Concept
22 Geometry, e.g.
23 Photo-sharing app, casually
24 Be finished by
25 "Shakespeare in Love" Oscar winner
27 "A Pocket Full of Rye" novelist
30 Device connecting to a computer port
31 "Alley —!"
32 High mountain peaks, in Italy
33 "J to — L-O!" (2002 album)
34 Put on
35 Portrayer of Emma Peel on "The Avengers"
40 Longtime editor-in-chief of Vogue
44 Purported psychic gift
45 Reebok rival
46 One-celled swimmer
47 — 500 (auto race)
48 Ren or Stimpy, e.g.
50 "Peanuts" blanket toter
52 Cherry-hued
53 "Dr." of rap
55 Gazes at creepily
57 "Rebecca" novelist
63 Fee-free, as a mutual fund
65 Come — halt
66 Succotash ingredient
67 Kung — chicken
68 12-month period, in Rio
69 Longtime Royal Ballet luminary
74 Sick-dog link
75 Levy
76 Conical-bore woodwind
77 Wed.-Fri. link
78 Kind of gas that's banned for autos
80 Best Actress winner for "BUtterfield 8"
86 Large-eyed primate
87 — jiffy
88 Cattle call
89 Presley called "The King"
91 Morning TV's Kelly
92 Trotsky of Russia
95 Copier clogs
97 Free-for- — (melees)
99 Eggy drink
100 "The Good Apprentice" novelist
103 1986 Grammy winner for Best Jazz Vocal Performance
105 La Paz's country: Abbr.
106 Tee preceder
107 See 53-Down
109 Cut the lawn
110 Old Jewish ascetic
112 With 119-Across, "South Pacific" song ... or a declaration about the nine women featured in this puzzle?
119 See 112-Across
121 Mann of pop
122 Apple drink
123 Pernicious
124 British trolley
125 Atlantic, e.g.
126 Siri's cousin?
127 Bears' lairs
128 1980s Dodge
129 Quickness
130 Catnaps, e.g.

DOWN
1 China's home
2 Singer k.d. —
3 "Casablanca" woman
4 Part of a blouse or a mouse
5 Boise native
6 A Baldwin brother
7 Phnom —, Cambodia
8 How RuPaul performs
9 "Garfield: — of Two Kitties" (2006 film)
10 "Move to inbox" email phrase
11 Pacific island nation
12 In unison, in music
13 TV coach Lasso
14 Voiced a quick greeting
15 "That's for sure!"
16 "Arnie" actress Sue Ane —
17 City NW of Minneapolis
18 Classic chocolate candy bar
26 — about-face (flip-flop)
28 May preceder
29 Unrefined source of element #50
33 Pan Am rival
35 Explode, as a bomb
36 Having equal angles
37 Moon-landing mission
38 "Just jokin' with you"
39 Actress Rowlands
41 Must-have
42 Carry off illegally
43 Arena level
46 Take — at (try)
49 Prefix with colonial
51 As many as
53 With 107-Across, he had many hit songs with John Oates
54 Small stream
56 Apia native
58 Three-nation pact of '94
59 Skier Tommy
60 Small tablet from Apple
61 De-intensify
62 Driver's fit of anger
64 "Yabba — doo!"
70 Fish eggs
71 Become irate
72 "That's for sure!"
73 — and void
79 — Lingus
81 California wines, in brief
82 — sapiens
83 "Ooh, good comeback!"
84 Circle relative
85 Irritate
90 Replay mode, for short
92 Defamed in print
93 Causing to wear down
94 Raincoat fabric
95 Srs., last year
96 Ancient Egyptian king
98 Toy racer
101 Actress Suvari
102 In the habit of
103 Regions, weatherwise
104 For a bit
108 Camera brand
111 Morays, e.g.
112 IRS guy, e.g.
113 Half: Prefix
114 Chair part
115 Hawaiian goose
116 — of March
117 Following
118 Mardi —
120 Chair part



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This Week In West Virginia History

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

Oct. 22, 1693: Lord Thomas Fairfax was born in Kent, England. He inherited five million acres in Virginia, land that included much of present West Virginia's Eastern Panhandle.

Oct. 22, 1734: Frontiersman Daniel Boone was born in Pennsylvania. In 1788, Boone and his family settled near the mouth of the Kanawha River at Point Pleasant. He represented Kanawha County in the Virginia General Assembly in 1791.

Oct. 22, 1821: Collis P. Huntington was born in Connecticut. In 1869, he purchased the Chesapeake & Ohio Railway and set about extending its tracks from Richmond across southern West Virginia to the Ohio River. There, in 1871, he established a new city bearing his name.

Oct. 22, 1922: Fiddler Wilson Douglas was born in Clay County. Influenced by fellow old-time musician French Carpenter, Douglas developed a unique style of playing that continues to inspire younger generations. In 1992, he received the Vandalia Award, West Virginia's highest folklife honor.

Oct. 22, 1977: Construction of the New River Gorge Bridge was completed after three years of work. The Fayette County bridge is one of West Virginia's best-known landmarks. It is the third-highest bridge in the United States and has the longest steel span in the Western Hemisphere.

Oct. 23, 1890: The Fast Flying Virginian passenger train wrecked due to a rockslide near Hinton, killing engineer George Alley. It became the source of a folk song known variously as "The Wreck on the C&O," "Engine 143," and "The FFV," among other titles.

Oct. 23, 1908: Old-time musician Sylvia O'Brien was born in Clay County. She learned the clawhammer banjo style from her brother Jenes Cottrell and gained recognition during the late 20th-century folk revival. In 1989, she received the Vandalia Award, West Virginia's highest folklife honor.

Oct. 23, 1913: In 1975, newspaper journalist Jack Maurice became the first West Virginian to earn a Pulitzer Prize for Journalism for his coverage of the Kanawha County Textbook Controversy.

Oct. 23, 1943: German prisoners arrived at Camp Ashford in White Sulphur Springs. Built by the U.S. War Department, Camp Ashford was one of two camps in West Virginia that housed prisoners of war during World War II.

Oct. 24, 1929: Composer George Crumb was born in Charleston. In 1968, Crumb was awarded the Pulitzer Prize for Echoes of Time and the River: Four Processionals for Orchestra.

Oct. 25, 1918: Athlete Marshall "Biggie" Goldberg was born in Elkins. He led the Chicago Cardinals to the 1947 NFL championship (its last to date) and was elected to the College Football Hall of Fame in 1958 and the International Jewish Sports Hall of Fame in 1980.

Oct. 25, 1926: Professor Roy B. Clarkson was born and raised in Cass. He was considered West Virginia's leading historian on the timber industry, particularly through his book Tumult on the Mountains. He also was one of the state's most prominent botanists.

Oct. 25, 1951: Writer Denise Giardina was born in Bluefield and raised in neighboring McDowell County. She is best known as a novelist and also has a long history of community activism, including a run for governor.

Oct. 26, 1801: Jefferson County was established from a portion of Berkeley County by the Virginia General Assembly and named for Thomas Jefferson.

Oct. 26, 1888: Baseball player Dick Hoblitzell was born in Waverly, Wood County. Despite earning two World Series rings outright, Hoblitzell is best known today for being "Babe" Ruth's roommate with the Boston Red Sox and also for his rare T-205 baseball card.

Oct. 26, 1934: Athlete Rodney Clark "Hot Rod" Hundley was born in Charleston. Hundley earned first team All-American recognition his senior year at West Virginia University. He averaged 24.5 points per game and scored 2,180 points over his college career, ranking second in WVU history.

Oct. 27, 1879: Howard B. Lee was born in Wirt County. He was elected state attorney general in 1924 and served for eight challenging years. His term saw the impeachment of a state auditor, the lawlessness of Prohibition and labor troubles in the coalfields.

Oct. 28, 1929: Painter Charles Lewis "Chuck" Ripper was born in Pittsburgh and later moved to Huntington. He was one of the country's best-known wildlife artists, with paintings appearing on nearly 100 magazine covers and 80 U.S. postage stamps.

Oct. 28, 1972: Singer, musician and songwriter Brad Paisley was born in Glen Dale, Marshall County. Paisley has won three Grammys, 14 Academy of Country Music Awards, 14 Country Music Association Awards and two American Music Awards.

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Nancy L. Gump



Nancy L. Gump, 92, passed away on October 17, 2026. She was born on May 9, 1934, on the family farm along Plum Run Road in Mannington, West Virginia. She spent most of her life in Shinnston, West Virginia, where she raised her family and made a home filled with lasting memories.

Nancy was the beloved wife of the late Ronald Gump. Together, they raised two sons, Ronald Duane Gump and Frederick David Gump. She was preceded in death by her husband, Ronald, and her son, Ronald Duane Gump.

She is survived by her son, Frederick David Gump, and his wife, Jill, and their children, Ian Gump and Heather Neeb (Fabian Neeb). She is also lovingly remembered by Ronald Duane Gump's children, Tiffany Plachta (Malachi Plachta) and Ryan Gump, and her great-grandchildren, Oliver and Audrey, children of Tiffany and Malachi.

Nancy treasured time spent with her grandchildren and great-grandchildren, finding joy in their visits and the special memories they created together. These moments were among the greatest blessings of her life.

She was a 1952 graduate of Farmington high School. Following graduation, Nancy was employed by Westinghouse from 1952 to 1959 and after raising her family served as a cook for Harrison County Schools for 23 years, before retiring in 1999. Through her work, she shared her talents and contributed to the lives of those in her community.

Nancy was a faithful member of Christ United Methodist Church, where she served in many roles, including Youth Counselor, Sunday School Teacher, President and Secretary of the United Methodist Women, and Chairman of the finance Committee. Her dedication to her church and community was an important part of her life. She later became a member of Enterprise United Methodist Church. She stood firmly by her principles and held an unwavering faith in the Lord. Her faith was an important part of her life, providing a foundation for the values she lived by.

She enjoyed baking for friends, family, and neighbors, often sharing homemade treats as a thoughtful expression of her affection. She also found pleasure in gardening, crafts, and sewing, pursuits that reflected her creativity and enjoyment of making things by hand.

Nancy will be remembered for her steadfast faith, her generous spirit, and the love she shared across generations. The memories she leaves behind and the traditions she passed on will continue to be cherished by those who knew and loved her.

She will be deeply missed and lovingly remembered by many.

Friends will be received at Harmer Funeral Home, 300 Pike St., Shinnston from 4:00 to 8:00 PM Friday. A funeral service will be at the funeral home at 11:00 AM Saturday, October 24, 2026 with Rev. Craig Blankenship officiating. Interment will follow at Shinnston Memorial Cemetery.

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"Hunt"

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During the Industrial Revolution, factories grew around rivers, sources of power and transportation connections. Workers followed the jobs, and housing, stores and neighborhoods followed the workers. Entire communities developed around the needs of an industrial economy.

Later, automation, changing markets and the relocation of industry disrupted that arrangement. The buildings often remained long after the jobs disappeared. Communities were left to reinvent themselves.

The lesson is that technological progress does not automatically produce community prosperity. That takes leadership, investment and preparation.

Today's local leaders have an opportunity to apply that lesson.

Imagine using technology to identify water leaks sooner, simplify permit applications or reduce the hours employees spend entering the same information into different systems. Those improvements could give public employees more time to solve problems and help citizens.

The National League of Cities is already encouraging communities to explore AI as a way to improve operations, modernize services and strengthen public trust.

That is a worthwhile direction. But the work must extend beyond City Hall.

Cities need partnerships with schools, community colleges and employers to help people develop useful skills throughout their working lives. They need dependable water and sewer systems, transportation connections, broadband and housing that working families can afford.

Those investments help existing businesses succeed and make a community attractive to new employers.

People will continue to make choices about where they live, raise their children and spend their money. Businesses will make similar decisions about where they invest. A community that neglects its services and infrastructure could save money on its payroll while losing the very reasons people choose to be there.

I am skeptical of promises that eliminating work will somehow produce a comfortable life of leisure for everyone. People need income, opportunity and a sense that their contributions matter.

Cities and towns can help build that future. They are close enough to their citizens to understand the consequences of change and practical enough to bring people together around solutions.

The question for local government should be: How can technology help us build a better place to live?

Answering that question will still require people.

"Smoot"

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neutrinos, and other similar things. Scientists between the world wars worked to try to make sense of these new discoveries through observation, mathematical calculation, and experimentation.

Classical physics has a foundation in tangibility. An object can be either there or not there. It cannot operate in two places at once. Physical objects are confined to the space they inhabit, even as they move about.

Einstein's theory of special relativity, though not classical physics, also applies. Two objects cannot occupy the same space, or the same perspective. Even if one person hugs another, the distance that light travels from object to eye puts that observation in the past. One can never experience anything in true simultaneous fashion because what we see is always the past from our perspective, no matter how close we are to it.

Only the individual can experience his or her own true "now." Everything else one sees is the past to them, even though it is microseconds of time. Yet if the act of observation itself collapses a light wave, something else must be at work. Such incongruities frustrated the greatest mind of the modern age.

From some of those scientists came what became known as the Copenhagen interpretation. Long story short, much of it translates to scientists throwing up their hands and saying that humans have no ability to actually observe the quantum realm, so any conclusions must be reached by observing the smallest of microscopic effects on macroscopic materials.

After World War II, more work led to six postulates that tried to define the wave collapse function, attempting to categorize and make sense of what happens and why, as well as trying to predict effects.

Tim Maudlin, an academic working on the convergence of quantum physics and philosophy, called the effort into question. He stated that the six postulates did not represent a theory, because a theory has to meet some standard in explaining something. Maudlin demoted the theory to what he called a "recipe," explaining that these were concepts thrown together that happened to make sense and work, but do not actually explain the "why" or "how."

Similarly, science has no idea how gravity works. It can discuss everything about the effects of gravity between objects and how gravity can bend light without slowing it down, but no scientist can tell anyone what gravity actually is or how it operates.

Says Maudlin, "A physical theory should clearly and forthrightly address two fundamental questions: what there is, and what it does. The answer to the first question is provided by the ontology of the theory, and the answer to the second by its dynamics. The ontology should have a sharp mathematical description, and the dynamics should be implemented by precise equations describing how the ontology will, or might, evolve."

He criticizes the Copenhagen interpretation directly, saying "Nowadays, the term is often used as shorthand for a general instrumentalism that treats the mathematical apparatus of the theory as merely a predictive device, uncommitted to any ontology or dynamics at all."

Of course one would be correct in stating that Maudlin moved the goalposts on his 20s era colleagues with the question being, is that fair or appropriate? Maudlin's philosophical inquiries, however, stop at that level. He never opened the door to asking about the broader implications of what these scientists had revealed.

The most dangerous philosophical question is this. How does the presence of a sentient human mind create such a dramatic effect? Also, why does the act of observing create such a fundamental change in the observed? Does this mean that at some level, the mind is truly over that of matter? If true, what does that mean in terms of the connection of the human mind to the physical universe itself?

Does the act of observing change the observed in everyday life, just at such a small and incremental level as to not be noticed by the observer? Does the accumulation of these random interactions between minds and matter add up to creating a different direction at the quantum level that has an impact on broader parts of reality?

And what does this mean for free will? The Schroedinger's Cat experiment never considers what happens if no one ever looks in the box, which is certainly a choice of free will. What also does this mean in terms of what we understand as "cause and effect?"

One mind could have walked through that door. Martin Heidegger, a German philosopher prominent in the 1930s, spent much time exploring the concept of "now." Existence in the "now," Heidegger referred to as "beying" as opposed to "being." All else but the "now," he said, could never be proven as real and never be accepted as objective truth.

With that starting point, unfortunately Heidegger endeavored to use these concepts to prove what he considered as the superior dynamics of National Socialism and that there was no objective truth or morality to restrain pursuit of power and change, overthrowing the classical liberal world (most of whose concepts are called "conservative" now.) His work, instead of exploring reality's depths, became the foundation of postmodernism and all the Fascist, Socialist, and Communist ills that have come from that ignoble set of ideals.

There is another possibility explaining the wave collapse function, its unpredictable behavior, and its broader impact. Perhaps in this gray area lies the hand of God in the physical realm.

Francesco Forgione was born on May 25, 1887 in Pietreclina, Italy to a family of peasant farmers living in poverty. By the age of five, he decided to dedicate his life to God, taking the path that led him to the name "Brother Pio" when he joined the Franciscans, then "Padre Pio" and finally, eventually, Saint Pio.

His entire life and ministry was defined by dedication to the model and example of Saint Francis of Assisi.

He lived well into the 20th century, rarely physically leaving the monastery, but at times bearing the painful mark of the Stigmata. Doctors had no explanation of the coming and going of these wounds that caused him much suffering. His wounds lasted for 50 years and, as EWTN describes, "emitted a heavenly fragrance" similar to roses.

He did not seek either the suffering or the attention from it and wrote "will Jesus, who is so good, grant me this grace? Will he at least free me from the embarrassment caused by these outward signs . . . which cause me such embarrassment and physical pain?"

Saint Pio became famous for the confession experience of believers. It was said that he could read their hearts and see deceit if it was there, or if they forgot the commission of a serious sin.

That said, Saint Pio has a relevance to his inclusion in this piece on science. Elevation to sainthood means that the individual has satisfied Vatican investigators that at least two confirmed miracles took place related to the figure.

One took place with the most unlikely of witnesses.

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Keeping an Eye on the Championships



The Bottom Line

By Bill Nestor

Sports Editor

Three of the four Harrison County football teams have not only positioned themselves for the postseason, they have given themselves a golden opportunity to host playoff contests. Bridgeport and Robert C. Byrd picked up big wins this past week to push their respective records to six and two. The Indians claimed theirs in a big win while the Flying Eagles had to come from behind.

Bridgeport utilized big plays, scoring four touchdowns of 44 yards or more to build a 56 to 14 halftime lead. The Tribe would score on the ground as expected, but they would also find pay dirt on a pair of touchdown passes from Graham Vincent and add a defensive score on a Gavin Williams 72-yard interception return en route to the 63 to 14 triumph.

Gabe Martin rushed for 190 yards on nine carries with three touchdowns. Williams caught two touchdown passes and rushed for another score. Vincent was two for two for 95 yards. Kicker Jaylen Brown was a perfect nine of nine in point after attempts.

The win puts Bridgeport on a two game streak with a pair of road games remaining. The Tribe heads to Grafton this Friday and closes out the regular season next Friday at Fairmont Senior. If they can win their remaining two, they will host in the playoffs and they will have a week off to prepare for the second season.

The Flying Eagles had to shake off the ill effects of the loss to Lincoln the week prior as they spotted visiting Grafton a 21 to seven advantage. A touchdown pass from Isiah Heflin to Sean Adams with 2.1 seconds remaining in the first half gave RCB momentum heading into the break.

RCB took the second half kickoff and marched down the field, scoring on an Isiah Calvert touchdown. On the extra point attempt, holder Junior Smith appeared to take the snap and take off on his own, getting in to give the hosts a 22 to 21 lead. Calvert would add another score and the defense would provide a safety down the stretch for the 31 to 21 victory.

Heflin was 10 of 14 for 92 yards with one TD passing and one rushing. Calvert had 90 yards on the ground until a pair of scores. RCB has a pair of road trips remaining, including a key contest at North Marion this week. A week off follows before a trip to Buckhannon-Upshur concludes the regular season. A pair of wins would provide home field advantage in the opener of the playoffs for the Eagles.

Lincoln had the week off after the big win over RCB last week.

The Cougars have been steadily climbing the Class AA rankings and with three games remaining find themselves in a great position. This week they travel to Buckhannon-Upshur, a Class AAA team. There are big time bonus points on the table in the lock-up with the Bucs. The remaining tilts are with Class AA powerhouses in Doddridge County and Phillip Barbour.

Both teams are solid, but there isn't a team around as hot as the Cougars currently. Plus, Shinnston provides a homefield advantage that is unmatched, which puts this Lincoln team in prime position for the postseason.

This week's Athlete Spotlight focused on Bridgeport's Alex Randolph and Grayson Church. Randolph helped the golf team to a remarkable comeback. The Tribe trailed by nine strokes after the first day of the Class AAA state golf tournament. Randolph (the low medalist) pushed his team to a nine stroke win!

Also congratulations to Lincoln's Nick Tate. Tate finished his high school career 27th in Class AA at the State Tournament. Church scored four goals and added an assist in the regular season finale. The nine to one victory over University capped off an undefeated season for the Indians (18-0-2) Church also helped Bridgeport to a Big 10 title this year. That will do it for now! Until next time . . . take care and God Bless!!!

Harrison County EMS Athletes of the Week

It's that time once again to acknowledge the efforts of Harrison County's student-athletes. Each week we review the performances of the athletes from the six schools (Bridgeport, Liberty, Lincoln, Notre Dame, Robert C. Byrd, and South Harrison) in our county.

The Shinnston News & Harrison County Journal's Athlete of the Week award is an avenue to promote the youth of our county while bringing attention to their athletic accomplishments.

By Bill Nestor

The Harrison County athletes in the spotlight this week are Bridgeport's Alex Randolph and Grayson Church.

Indian golfer Alex Randolph accomplished a pair of impressive feats this past week at the State Golf Tournament held in Wheeling. Randolph led the Tribe to a Class AAA championship while earning the individual title in the process. Randolph shot an even par 142 in the two day event.

Indian soccer standout Grayson Church helped his squad complete an undefeated regular season with a nine to one win over University this past week. Church poured in four goals and added an assist in the victory over the Hawks.

Congratulations to Bridgeport's Alex Randolph and Grayson Church for shining bright in the SN and HCJ spotlight!

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Valley Link Announces Community Meetings to Engage Public on Transmission Line Project as PJM Navigates Another Load Burden Strain

By Stephen Smoot

In the wake of another Maximum Generation Alert and Load Management Alert from PJM Interconnection, Valley Link has announced a new round of community engagement meetings for its planned transmission line. The proposed line system would connect the John Amos power plant near Charleston to expanding markets for West Virginia-generated energy in the mid Atlantic.

Its Valley North project helps to fulfill the need of expanding both power generation and transmission line capacity to the grid that 13 states and the District of Columbia rely upon for consistent and uninterrupted service. From October 12 through 14, the onset of Indian Summer type temperature increases created load management strains on the system.

Maximum generation alerts request that production and transmission work or testing be canceled if possible to keep the maximum amount of power generation and distribution capacity available. Load management alerts inform those who have voluntarily agreed to reduce or cut power during times of strain that they should do so.

The United States Department of Energy also provided a temporary waiver from Oct 13 through 16 for PJM related generation stations from certain environmental regulations to ensure more efficient generation.

Additionally, data centers and other "Large Load customers" were authorized and encouraged to switch to their in-house backup generator sources.

These measures help to prevent PJM Interconnection from having to reduce service to customers to maintain grid effectiveness overall. They have warned in recent years that without increased power generation and transmission line expansion capacity, that brownouts or blackouts could become necessary during times of strain on the grid.

This normally occurs during extremes of heat and cold weather, also times when vulnerable residents can least afford to lose their electric power at all.

Valley Link's Valley North project will upon completion serve as an important artery of power connecting, in this instance, West Virginia coal and power production to markets that need more power. It also solidifies the PJM grid that West Virginia relies upon for power.

In terms of power production, West Virginia Governor Patrick Morrisey's 50 GW by 2050 plan to step up production will be a major foundation for future grid stability. Exporting power, just like the export of manufactured products, brings back significant revenues that both boost the state economy and expand state and local tax revenues.

Valley Link in its original slate of meetings contacted anyone who might be considered for hosting a transmission tower on their land. This was far more people than will actually be asked to host, which raised the level of community concern. Social media translated concern into organized opposition with the assistance of both in and out of state groups.

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Shinnston City Council To Clamp Down On Unpaid Police Department Citations

By Leigh C. Merrifield

Shinnston City Council met for its regular meeting on Tuesday, October 13th at the Woman's Club clubhouse. With no petitions from citizens wishing to speak, and the approval of minutes from September meetings and work sessions were voted upon.

Mayor Kovalck participated via phone with Vice-Mayor Rodney Strait leading the meeting. Following executive reports, the meeting proceeded to project updates, and it was announced that the Dog Park should be finalized in November.

New business included:

*The First Reading of the municipal service fee which will bring a slight increase in the police fee and street maintenance fee that will amount to a total rise of $7. No one spoke against it and Council members were all in agreement that this was needed. However, a Public Hearing on this ordinance to amend and restate Article 753.02 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Shinnston will be held at Council's next meeting on November 9th and later followed by a 2nd reading.

* Council also discussed dates and times for trick-or-treating. This will be permitted in Shinnston on Saturday, Oct. 31st from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

* The next business item was to discuss collection of unpaid Police Department citations, which comes to a sizeable amount – just over $100,000. A collection agency has been selected to handle this. Mayor Kovalck stated that this problem has been brought up at several Mayors' meetings, and that every municipality appears to be dealing with the same issue. "The total of just our unpaid citations is **a lot** of money, so imagine what this figure is like statewide! The State does not intercede and take action on this with license suspensions or anything, so unpaid citations just keep mounting," he said. "It has to be stopped."

The City Manager was given permission to sign an agreement with a collection agency to collect these delinquent citations.

*The final discussion item was to review the update on the Power Plant water supply. The City finally received a reply from them, which did not answer any of the questions the City Attorney had asked in a previous letter to them. The Power Plant instead requested a face-to-face meeting with Council and the City is in the process of setting that up.

Vice-Mayor Rodney Strait announced that three buildings on lower Bridge Street across from the Fire Department have been sold. Two are uninhabited properties, and the third is the Woman's Club clubhouse. The local buyer has a plan but as yet, those plans have not been announced.

Strait also said that a vote count on Fall Fest's hay bale competition had gathered 500 votes so far, and voting will continue until the end of October. Council is also considering having another Christmas light decorating project in December which will be further discussed at the next work session meeting.

With no need for executive session, the meeting was adjourned.

Treasurer Pack Releases Data Center Impact Report for Two Mason County Projects

Report Shows More Than $150 Million Annually for Local Governments

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Larry Pack, State Treasurer
COMMUNICATIONS DIVISION

CHARLESTON, W.Va. – State Treasurer Larry Pack today released a tax analysis report on two prominent data center projects in Mason County: The Nscale Monarch project and the Starwood Tamarack project. Following the passage of the Power Generation and Consumption Act of 2025 (HB2014), taxable property income was redirected away from standard allocations for high-impact data centers. The two projects are estimated to generate more than $231 million annually in property tax revenue.

"It is crucial that citizens and policymakers understand the impact these projects have on their communities. That is why we continue to put our best estimates out as these projects are announced across the state," Treasurer Pack said. "Once these projects are completed, there will be a huge increase in local revenues for schools, the Mason County Commission, and local EMS. These projections underscore the importance of transparency and thoughtful discussions about how these revenues can be used to strengthen these communities for generations to come."

The report looked at two announced projects in Mason County: Nscale Monarch, with an estimated taxable appraised value of $12.48 billion1, and Starwood Tamarack, with an estimated taxable appraised value of $3.925 billion, after accounting for applicable tax treatment of certain high-tech tangible personal property. Nscale Monarch also includes an associated power plant, increasing the project's taxable value and projected tax revenue generated by the development.

The companies' announced planned investments total $64.9 billion for Nscale Phase One and $12 billion for Tamarack.

The expected government revenue gained is $47.5 million for the Mason County Commission and $90.3 million for Mason County Schools, annually. The Personal Income Tax (PIT) Reduction Fund would receive more than $66.8 million. An extra $7.2 million goes to the County Commission's Fire and EMS Program, a nearly 9.5-fold increase in such funding. Other counties would share approximately $13.3 million, averaging roughly $240,000 per county.

Data Center/Microgrid Property Tax-Mason County

County	Increment Cents/$100 Mason	Share of Total	Allocation
State Regular Levy	0.000	0%	$ -
County Regular Levy	0.000	0%	$ -
County Excess	7.280	3%	$ 7,165,835
School Regular Levy	0.000	0%	$ -
School Bonds	0.000	0%	$ -
School Excess	91.800	39%	$ 90,360,392
State PIT Reduction Fund	67.900	29%	$ 66,835,192
County Commission	40.740	17%	$ 40,101,115
All County	13.580	6%	$ 13,367,038
Economic Grant Fund	6.790	3%	$ 6,683,519
Electric Grid Fund	6.790	3%	$ 6,683,519
Total All	234.880	100%	$ 231,196,612
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Share from All County	0.193		$ 189,675

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Dear Recycle Lady,

Several non-profit organizations are sending coins glued to their letters requesting donations. After removing the coins there are globs of glue left on the letter. Must this glue be removed before recycling the letter? *Avid Recycler*

Dear Avid Recycler,

Yes, the glue dots that hold these coins on the letter must be removed as the glue can cause problems for the paper shredding machine during the bailing process. After the glue dots are removed put the letter in with office paper or magazines. Most glue dots can be removed simply by rubbing your thumb over them, or they can be cut out.

Dear Recycle Lady,

What are orphan wells and why are they a concern? *Learning About the Environment*

Dear Learning,

Orphan wells are oil or gas wells that have been abandoned by the industries that extracted the oil or gas. These wells have no known legal owner responsible for their care or closure, and they are polluting the air with climate-warming methane and contaminating groundwater. They also can leak benzene and other cancer-causing toxic chemicals into the air, surface water and ground water. They are a significant contributor to greenhouse gas emissions. According to Wikipedia, the Interior Department has documented the existence of 130,000 orphaned wells nationwide and an EPA study estimated that there are as many as two to three million orphan wells nationwide. The nation's first commercial oil well was drilled in Pennsylvania in 1859. The Department of Environmental Protection has used old paper coal-mine and farm maps in their attempt to locate these orphan wells. They have been found in 27 states under schools, homes, retirement communities and convention centers. Currently, drones are being launched in northwest Pennsylvania to hunt for these wells. The drones are outfitted with magnetic sensors that can detect metal underground, and special detectors to identify leaking methane emissions. However, according to planetizen.com, finding them is "just the beginning of a costly and urgent cleanup effort."

Dear Recycle Lady,

Can extra-large colored plastic laundry detergent jugs be recycled? *Laundry Lady*

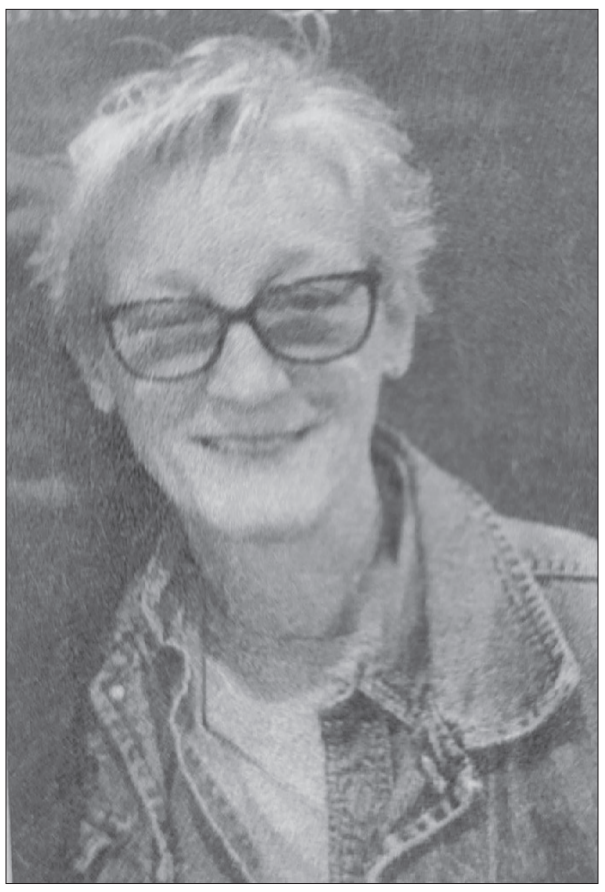
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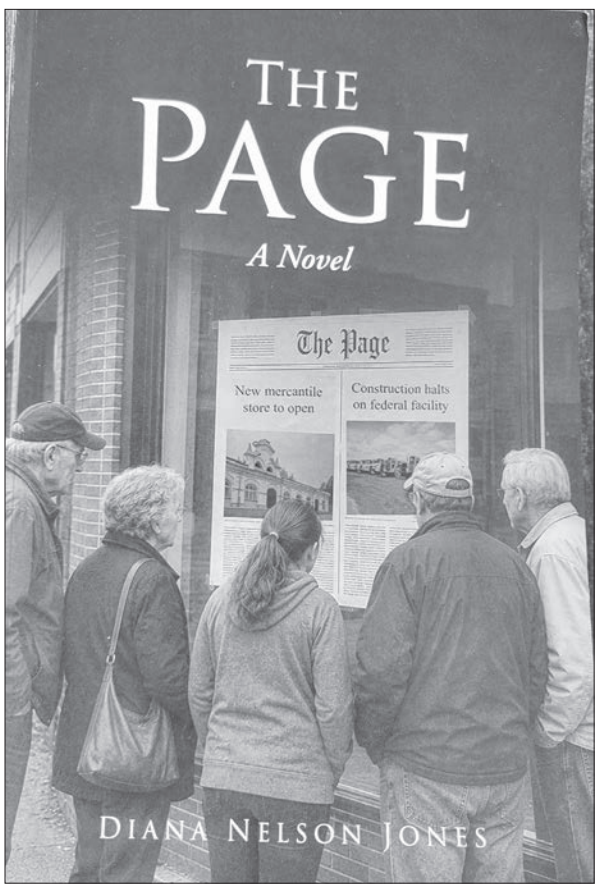
Yes, these jugs are recyclable. Be sure they are clean and dry before placing them in the bin with #2 colored plastics. Each year, 900 million jugs are used in the U.S. alone and unfortunately, only about 30% of plastic laundry detergent jugs are recycled—most end up in landfills contributing to long-term plastic waste. Have you tried the new laundry detergent sheets or tablets? They are Eco-friendly, plastic free, non-toxic and made with clean ingredients. They are also fragrance-free and you'll have no heavy jugs to carry home from the store!

Good News: According to the Environmental Performance Index by Yale and Columbia Universities, Europe is leading the way in caring for the environment. Estonia ranks first out of 177 countries. The United States ranks 27th.

Have questions about recycling, or interesting information about recycling? Send questions or requests recycleladywv@gmail.com. Dear Recycle Lady is sponsored jointly by the Greenbrier Recycling Center and Greenworks Recycling.

Hometown author uses Shinnston as a basis for her fictional town





By Debra Herndon

The Page is a new novel by Diana Nelson Jones. Jones. Jones is a graduate of Shinnston High School and Ohio University in Athens. Diana is the daughter of the late Dick and Helen Jones.

An award-winning journalist, Jones has had a long career, culminating with three decades at the Pittsburg Post Gazette.

In the novel, The Page, Myra has just been downsized from a Pittsburgh newspaper and is forced to come back to her small hometown in West Virginia. There, she must deal with difficult relationships, among which are those with her mother, the man she left behind and old school friends. In starting a newspaper back up, Myra quickly makes both admirers and enemies.

Those who have lived in Shinnston for a while will find many parallels to the setting and will feel right at home. The book has a lot to say about the current state of journalism and the place of local newspapers in our current society.

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"Library" cont. from p. 1

Principal Bobbie Jo Harbert and Principal Donald Powell expressed their deep appreciation for the Shinnston Lions Club's involvement in this project and for bringing Raelynn's design to fruition. Big Elm's 'Little Library' has a plaque above its door noting that it is dedicated to Raelynn Yost who played the leading role in promoting its value to students.

For quite some time, Shinnston Lions have exhibited their commitment to literacy by regularly reading to the students; they also purchase Scholastic Readers for Big Elm students to help them improve their reading skills. In addition, Shinnston Lions regularly conduct eye screening at Big Elm and visit them on Flag Day as well to teach young students about the flag's history and how to show respect for it. It is obvious that the Lions Club and Big Elm Elementary School have become very close partners.

Anyone who might want to make a book donation to the 'Little Library' is encouraged to do so. Books from Kindergarten through 5th grade level would be welcomed. They can be placed inside the Little Library; it's not hard to find – look for the blue and gold glassed in structure near the school's front door. Blue and gold colors were chosen to represent the Big Elm Bobcat's school colors. Help it make a difference by donating a book!

Honoring Judge Bedell



Pictured is Judge Tom Bedell receiving his Distinguished Alumni Award from Alex Joseph

By Rosalyn Queen

On October 9, Salem University presented its Distinguished Alumni Awards at a special ceremony held in the Salem University Benedum Library. The presentation was held in conjunction with the Athletic Hall of Fame Awards.

Receiving the 2026 distinguished alumni award was Judge Tom Bedell of Harrison County. He received his bachelor degree from Salem College in 1977. In 1981 he received his law degree from West Virginia University.

He served as a judge in Harrison County from 1992 until his retirement in 2024.

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Food For Thought

By Leigh Currey Merrifield

"Enough" Is Enough

I read something recently that touched my heart and hit home. It brought back memories of a very similar circumstance. Although it is very private, I repeat it only because it may be helpful to some people at some time in their lives. Perhaps after reading it, you will understand what I mean. Here's the story ….

At an airport one day a gentleman overheard a father and daughter in their last moments together before her departure on a flight. Standing near the door she said, "Daddy, our life together has been more than enough. Your love is all I ever needed. I wish you enough too, Daddy." They kissed good-bye and she left. He walked over toward the window and stood there, watching her leave and looking as if he needed to cry.

The other gentleman did not wish to intrude but wondered what that meant. The father seemed to welcome the other man into his thoughts by asking him, "Did you ever say good-bye to someone knowing it would be forever?" Then the father continued, "I am old and she lives much too far away. I have challenges ahead of me and her next trip back will be for my funeral."

The gentleman couldn't help but ask, "I heard you say "I wish you enough". May I ask what that meant?" The father smiled and explained, "It's a wish that has been handed down in our family for generations." He paused a moment and remembered it in detail … smiling. "When we said "I wish you enough', we were wanting the other person to have a life filled with enough good things to sustain them." He continued reciting from memory … "I wish you enough sun to keep your attitude bright. I wish you enough rain to appreciate the sun more. I wish you enough happiness to keep your spirit alive. I wish you enough pain so that even the smallest joys in life appear much bigger. I wish you enough gain to satisfy your wanting. I wish you enough loss to appreciate all that you possess. I wish you enough 'Hellos' to get you through the final 'Good-bye'."

Nearly 35 years ago, my father and I took my cousin and her third child, then an infant, to the airport to catch her flight home to Virginia. I vividly remember what a quiet and sad trip that was for all of us. My cousin had just said good-bye to her mother, knowing that her next visit to West Virginia would be for her funeral. My dad and I both fought tears to and from the airport, our hearts aching for her. There were NO words of comfort that seemed appropriate to offer at such a time.

Years later, I had to face letting go of my father. I knew it was inevitable and there were things I so wanted to say to him, but I just wasn't strong enough to verbalize them without falling apart. I have regrets about that to this day, but our relationship was such a close one, I'm sure he understood. And if the situation had been reversed, he couldn't have said the words to me either.

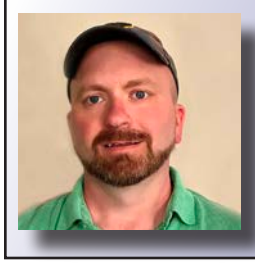
After reading "I wish you enough", I thought it was such a wonderful gift to pass down from generation to generation. It kind of says it all, doesn't it? It is appropriate at any stage of life, and if everyone in the family is familiar with its meaning, it makes saying a final good-bye a little easier. Just say "I wish you enough" and "enough" is enough.

If it touched your heart too, save it and share it with those you love. I not, just toss it away. Either way, my friends, I wish all of you "enough"!

Quote of the Week: *"Those we love don't go away; they walk beside us every day – unseen, but always near, still loved, still missed, and very dear." ~ Anonymous*



It's a bird. It's a plane. It's Peter Crowe!



The Story Behind the Photo

By Bobby Bice

I'm not a lover of evil sorcery, witchcraft, or magic spells and the older I get, the more I dislike Halloween festivities, at least the ones intended to show harm or be horror-like. However, I feel this month's article is appropriate for both October and Halloween.

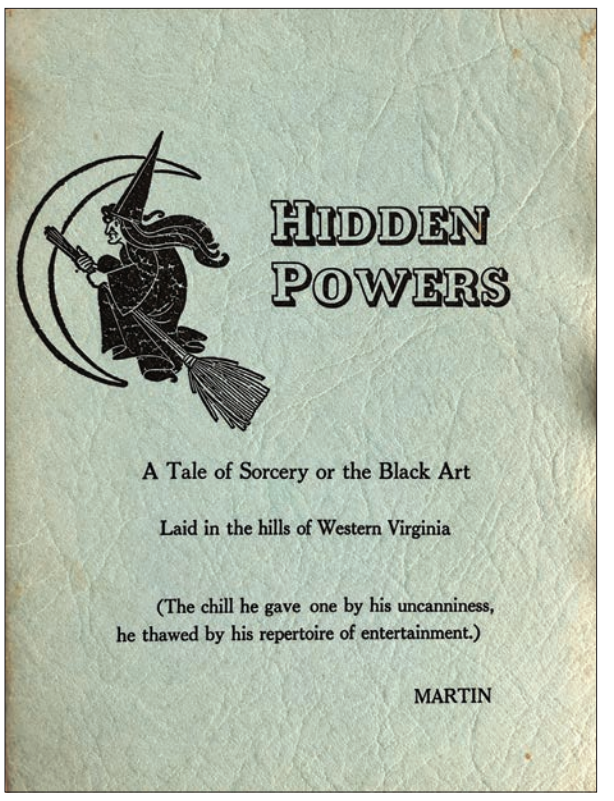
Many years ago, I came across a book titled, Hidden Powers. It appealed to me because the title page showed that the book was printed in 1946 by the Banner Printing Company in Shinnston. Banner Printing Co. was in Shinnston for several decades and was managed by a Mr. Moran. I immediately remembered hearing of the book and its characters, which are few in number. The book was written by Lawrence Herschel Martin and focuses on the few occasions that a man named Peter Crowe visited his home near Wyatt.

Similar to another local book (Daughter of the Elm), Hidden Powers also disguised the names of its characters. For example, Joseph Marston was actually Joseph Martin. The time takes place well over one hundred and fifty years ago. During one cold winter night with blizzard-like conditions surrounding them, the Marston's received a visitor to their home, needing a place to stay for the night. Upon opening the door and welcoming the man in, it was noted that the man did not appear to be cold, had no snow on him, and his boots were dry and clean. He walked into their home, across their oak hardwood floors, with his footsteps making no sound.

He sat with them around the fireplace and joined in conversation with them throughout the night, yet his lips were never seen to move as he talked. He was shown a bed to sleep in and at morning's light, when breakfast was ready, no sign of his use of the bed was seen. He left the home shortly after breakfast and it was noted by the Marston (Martin) family that he left no tracks in the snow.

Peter Crowe arrived a second night at the Marston home. Prior to this visit, the Marston (Martin) family was again seated around the fireplace, except this time, there was a vacant chair in the room. Each family member was preoccupied with mind's thoughts when, out of the blue, a low voice spoke. Everyone looked up and saw Peter Crowe sitting in the empty chair. No one saw him enter, nor heard him walk across the room to sit in the chair. He was warmly welcomed back and busied himself with the Marston children by helping them build corncob castles and Indian wigwams from kindling pieces. He became a regular visitor to the Marston home, having bought land nearby, on which he eventually built a log cabin.

One evening while again visiting the Marston's, word was received that a neighbor several miles away was severely injured by a bull and was rapidly bleeding to death. Peter Crowe stood up, walked to the door as if to leave, then turned around and came back to sit around the fireplace,



Shown is the cover for the 1946 local book titled, "Hidden Powers".

while announcing that the bleeding just stopped. The time was 7:30pm. The next morning, it was learned that the neighbor was out of danger and the bleeding had stopped at 7:30 the night before. On another occasion, one of Mr. Marston's horses was injured at the hip with severe bleeding occurring. When Crowe was told about this, the bleeding stopped.

It was reported that many magical powers existed within the life of Peter Crowe. He was known to be walking through an open field and disappear in the middle of it. During a summer storm when the waters of Bingamon Creek flooded everything in its pathway, Peter Crowe came to another rescue. He was with a group of people on one side of the floodwaters, looking across the hillside as a house was being swept away.

A large rock was left on the bank with a small child clinging to it. In an instance, Peter Crowe was seen standing on the rock, holding the child. Seconds prior to this visual, he was with the crowd on the other side. The time and means of getting to the girl was not possible in just those few seconds of elapsed time. Those present felt like a miracle had just been witnessed by them.

Dogs silenced their barking when he was nearby. When butter clung in the churn or yarn became tangled, Peter Crowe's presence would make the butter come quickly and the yarn reel with ease. When he entered a barn, horse's manes and tails were rid of knots and tangles. It was said that many people thought Peter Crowe was unaware of his strange powers and he also never referred to them.

I'm not a believer in witchcraft. I find the story to be both unusual and interesting, but using a witch on a broomstick for the cover art of the book seems like it would be describing evil spirits. The legend of Peter Crowe is far from evil. He probably had neighbors that feared his powers, but whatever use he got from his "powers", was used for the good. We certainly need a lot less evil and a lot more good in this world! And that is this month's story behind the photo.

The Women's Success Summit



GRAPEVINE

By Rosalyn Queen

The Harrison County Chamber of Commerce presented a new event to Harrison County which was a great success and will possibly be an annual event. The Women's Success Summit played to a sold out audience. The sponsor for this program was Stockmeier Urethanes and it was held at the Uptown Event Center.

Marla Feree, Interim Director of the Chamber invited all present to "have a seat at the table." And enjoy an afternoon about more than professional development. We will learn about connection conversation, encouragement, and empowerment. We will step away from the everyday demands of work in life and meet other incredible women in our community.

Leading this discussion "at the table."; was moderator, Marissa Sayer and the panelist were Amy Harshbarger, Wilson, Melissa Martinkat, Rachel Romano, Laura Winans, Stephanie Hayhurst Hall, Susan Miley, Sherry, Satterfield, Lisa Lang, and Lotus Mac Dowell. The panelists broke into groups of three led by the moderator and shared their experiences. The purpose of the discussions was to step away from the everyday demands of work and life, meet other women from our community and see the change that happens when women support women.The panelist took questions from the audience at the end of each session

The afternoon included a special luncheon prepared by the PW A and several door prizes were awarded to those present. Feree closed the summit by thanking those present for having a seat at the table and for taking time out to connect to listen to learn and to support women in our community..

I truly enjoyed this event more than any other I have attended lately. I hope that I will be able to attend the second annual Women's Success Summit. I had the opportunity to meet several young professional women in our area who truly make a difference. Although they were very professional, they also delighted me with stories about their work life.I came away from the afternoon knowing that we are in good hands for the future from these women.

To learn more about the Chamber and to join, call Marla at the Chamber office. There are many exciting events coming up soon.

Stay healthy, get ready for cold weather and until next week "Now You Have Heard It Through The Grapevine."

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(2025-C-000002 - HARRISON COUNTY - WVTP LLC)

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DISTRICT CLARK OUTSIDE DISTRICT **MAP** 101 **PARCEL** 0071 0000 0000

You will take notice that WVTP LLC, the purchaser of the following real estate, **Cert No.** 2025-C-000002, located in CLARK OUTSIDE DISTRICT District, 2 LOTS 47-48 EAST VIEW INC PAR 70, which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of REESE DEBBIE, and was sold by the deputy commissioner of delinquent and nonentered lands of HARRISON County at the sale for the delinquent taxes on May 7, 2026. WVTP LLC requests that you be notified a deed for such real estate on or after March 1, 2027, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before February 28, 2027, 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 2024 - 2721.	$ 573.82
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 2025 - 2782.	$ 44.50
Additional taxes with interest.	$ 0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest.	$ 211.05
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest.	$ 1,064.94
Additional Statutory Fees with Interest.	$ 0.00
Total Amount Due and Payable to **WV State Auditor** - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	**$ 1,894.31**

You may redeem at any time before February 28, 2027 by paying the above total less any unearned 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 mount required to redeem the real estate prior to the issuance of the deed described above.

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(2025-C-000102 - HARRISON COUNTY - WVTP LLC)

To: BRW REAL ESTATE LLC, BRW REAL ESTATE LLC, BRW REAL ESTATE LLC, BRW REAL ESTATE LLC, BRW REAL ESTATE LLC, FIRST UNITED BANK & TRUST, FIRST UNITED BANK & TRUST, CHRISTOPHER MORRIS TRUSTEE, BRW REAL ESTATE LLC, 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 an interest in the subject property.

DISTRICT CLARK CLARKSBURG CORP **MAP** 18 **PARCEL** 0213 0000 0000

You will take notice that WVTP LLC, the purchaser of the following real estate, **Cert No.** 2025-C-000102, located in CLARK CLARKSBURG CORP District, 1 LOT 8 DALE AVE, which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of BRW REAL ESTATE LLC, and was sold by the deputy commissioner of delinquent and nonentered lands of HARRISON County at the sale for the delinquent taxes on May 7, 2026. WVTP LLC requests that you be notified a deed for such real estate on or after March 1, 2027, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before February 28, 2027, 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 2024 - 5508.	$ 1,309.00
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 2025 - 5542.	$ 1,213.33
Additional taxes with interest.	$ 0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest.	$ 211.05
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest.	$ 1,276.14
Additional Statutory Fees with Interest.	$ 0.00
Total Amount Due and Payable to **WV State Auditor** - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	**$ 4,009.52**

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(2025-C-000178 - HARRISON COUNTY - WVTP LLC)

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DISTRICT CLARK CLARKSBURG CORP **MAP** 26 **PARCEL** 0120 0000 0000

You will take notice that WVTP LLC, the purchaser of the following real estate, **Cert No.** 2025-C-000178, located in CLARK CLARKSBURG CORP District, 1 LOT #30 KELLY HILL, which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of 107 KELLY STREET LLC, and was sold by the deputy commissioner of delinquent and nonentered lands of HARRISON County at the sale for the delinquent taxes on May 7, 2026. WVTP LLC requests that you be notified a deed for such real estate on or after March 1, 2027, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before February 28, 2027, 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 2024 - 4832.	$ 1,119.75
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 2025 - 4923.	$ 1,120.70
Additional taxes with interest.	$ 0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest.	$ 211.05
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest.	$ 1,101.92
Additional Statutory Fees with Interest.	$ 0.00
Total Amount Due and Payable to **WV State Auditor** - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	**$ 3,553.42**

You may redeem at any time before February 28, 2027 by paying the above total less any unearned interest.

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(2025-C-000137 - HARRISON COUNTY - WVTP LLC)

To: DAVIS-WEAVER FUNERAL HOME INC, PAUL GRAY TRUSTEE, PEOPLES BANK, STATE TAX DEPARTMENT, DAVIS-WEAVER FUNERAL HOME INC, 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 an interest in the subject property.

DISTRICT CLARK CLARKSBURG CORP **MAP** 24 **PARCEL** 0039 0000 0000

You will take notice that WVTP LLC, the purchaser of the following real estate, **Cert No.** 2025-C-000137, located in CLARK CLARKSBURG CORP District, 2 LOTS (156 X 150) CARR & MAIN STS INC PAR 40, which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of DAVIS-WEAVER FUNERAL HOME INC, and was sold by the deputy commissioner of delinquent and nonentered lands of HARRISON County at the sale for the delinquent taxes on May 7, 2026. WVTP LLC requests that you be notified a deed for such real estate on or after March 1, 2027, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before February 28, 2027, 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 2024 - 6328.	$ 2,120.00
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 2025 - 6383.	$ 1,910.27
Additional taxes with interest.	$ 0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest.	$ 211.05
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest.	$ 1,185.63
Additional Statutory Fees with Interest.	$ 0.00
Total Amount Due and Payable to **WV State Auditor** - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	**$ 5,426.95**

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West Virginia Farmers Market Association Receives $25,000 from Appalachian Regional Commission to Strengthen Organizational Capacity

Award funds will help WVFMA improve the management and long-term sustainability of shared agricultural infrastructure across West Virginia

CHARLESTON, WV – The West Virginia Farmers Market Association (WVFMA) received a $25,000 grant through the Appalachian Regional Commission's (ARC) READY Nonprofits program, which helps nonprofit organizations strengthen operations and better serve their communities.

WVFMA will use the funding to develop and implement a formal asset management and governance framework for shared agricultural infrastructure, including poultry processing trailers, educational equipment, and partner-managed resources. The project will establish standardized procedures for equipment tracking, maintenance, scheduling, and long-term stewardship while strengthening organizational operations and board oversight.

WVFMA qualified for the funding after completing 10 weeks of virtual training in nonprofit operations, strategic planning, board development, human resources, marketing, and communications. Holly Morgan, WVFMA Executive Director, and Kacey Gantzer, WVFMA Vice President, represented WVFMA in the virtual training alongside a cohort of nonprofit organizations from across the Appalachian Region.

"Our capacity to grow our shared agriculture infrastructure is dependent on keeping detailed records and maintenance logs on and usage data on equipment based all over our state to support producers. We want to be a one-stop shop for producers to get their rental or sometimes free use of shared infrastructure from poultry processing trailers to honey extractors with ease. This grant from ARC gives us the opportunity to streamline internal processes," says Morgan.

About the West Virginia Farmers Market Association

The West Virginia Farmers Market Association works to strengthen the capacity of farmers markets and positively impact the communities they serve by providing education, advocacy, and access to healthy, locally grown food. Through educational programming, technical assistance, shared resources, and statewide partnerships, WVFMA supports farmers markets, local producers, and the communities they serve.

About the Appalachian Regional Commission

The Appalachian Regional Commission is an economic development entity of the federal government and 13 state governments focusing on 423 counties across the Appalachian Region. ARC's mission is to invest and partner to strengthen economic development in Appalachia to help the region reach its full economic potential.



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(2025-C-000144 - HARRISON COUNTY - WVTP LLC)

To: ERIN MURPHY-WOODS, 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 an interest in the subject property.

DISTRICT CLARK CLARKSBURG CORP **MAP** 24 **PARCEL** 0250 0000 0000

You will take notice that WVTP LLC, the purchaser of the following real estate, **Cert No.** 2025-C-000144, located in CLARK CLARKSBURG CORP District, 1 LOT PT 26 CARLISLE CT, which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of COX RAYMOND A JR, and was sold by the deputy commissioner of delinquent and nonentered lands of HARRISON County at the sale for the delinquent taxes on May 7, 2026. WVTP LLC requests that you be notified a deed for such real estate on or after March 1, 2027, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before February 28, 2027, 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 2024 - 6149.	$ 1,040.03
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 2025 - 6197.	$ 967.01
Additional taxes with interest.	$ 0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest.	$ 211.05
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest.	$ 995.43
Additional Statutory Fees with Interest.	$ 0.00
Total Amount Due and Payable to **WV State Auditor** - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	**$ 3,213.52**

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(2025-C-000165 - HARRISON COUNTY - EPIC FAIRLAWN LLC)

To: SHEDDRICK DONALDSON, JR., LE ANNE LEWIS, or heirs at law, devisees, creditors, representatives, successors, assigns, all known heirs, guardians, conservators, fiduciaries, administrators, lienholders, co-owners, other parties having an undivided interest in the delinquent property, and other parties that may have an interest in the subject property.

DISTRICT CLARK CLARKSBURG CORP **MAP** 24 **PARCEL** 0698 0000 0000

You will take notice that EPIC FAIRLAWN LLC, the purchaser of the following real estate, **Cert No.** 2025-C-000165, located in CLARK CLARKSBURG CORP District, 1 LOT 4 CRISS S D, which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of DONALDSON MARY E ESTATE, and was sold by the deputy commissioner of delinquent and nonentered lands of HARRISON County at the sale for the delinquent taxes on May 7, 2026. EPIC FAIRLAWN LLC requests that you be notified a deed for such real estate on or after March 1, 2027, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before February 28, 2027, 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 2024 - 6433.	$ 946.66
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 2025 - 6491.	$ 868.04
Additional taxes with interest.	$ 0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest.	$ 211.05
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest.	$ 986.55
Additional Statutory Fees with Interest.	$ 0.00
Total Amount Due and Payable to **WV State Auditor** - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	**$ 3,012.30**

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(2025-C-000175 - HARRISON COUNTY - WVTP LLC)

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DISTRICT CLARK CLARKSBURG CORP **MAP** 26 **PARCEL** 0091 0000 0000

You will take notice that WVTP LLC, the purchaser of the following real estate, **Cert No.** 2025-C-000175, located in CLARK CLARKSBURG CORP District, 1 LOT PTS 5-6 KELLEY HILL, which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of 711 PIKE STREET LLC, and was sold by the deputy commissioner of delinquent and nonentered lands of HARRISON County at the sale for the delinquent taxes on May 7, 2026. WVTP LLC requests that you be notified a deed for such real estate on or after March 1, 2027, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before February 28, 2027, 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 2024 - 4856.	$ 1,709.63
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 2025 - 4921.	$ 2,089.24
Additional taxes with interest.	$ 0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest.	$ 211.05
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest.	$ 1,067.02
Additional Statutory Fees with Interest.	$ 0.00
Total Amount Due and Payable to **WV State Auditor** - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	**$ 5,076.94**

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(2025-C-000176 - HARRISON COUNTY - WVTP LLC)

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DISTRICT CLARK CLARKSBURG CORP **MAP** 26 **PARCEL** 0093 0000 0000

You will take notice that WVTP LLC, the purchaser of the following real estate, **Cert No.** 2025-C-000176, located in CLARK CLARKSBURG CORP District, 1 LOT #5 & #6 KELLEY HILL (4319 SQ FT), which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of 715 PIKE STREET LLC, and was sold by the deputy commissioner of delinquent and nonentered lands of HARRISON County at the sale for the delinquent taxes on May 7, 2026. WVTP LLC requests that you be notified a deed for such real estate on or after March 1, 2027, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before February 28, 2027, 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 2024 - 4857.	$ 1,682.52
Back tax tickets, with interest, and charges due on the date of certification for ticket number.	$ 0.00
Subsequent of taxes paid on the property, with interest to for tax year 2025 - 4922.	$ 1,988.19
Additional taxes with interest.	$ 0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest.	$ 211.05
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest.	$ 1,101.92
Additional Statutory Fees with Interest.	$ 0.00
Total Amount Due and Payable to **WV State Auditor** - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	**$ 4,983.68**

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(2025-C-000179 - HARRISON COUNTY - WVTP LLC)

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DISTRICT CLARK CLARKSBURG CORP **MAP** 26 **PARCEL** 0123 0000 0000

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Amount equal to the taxes and charges due on the date of the certification, with interest, for tax year ticket number 2024 - 4831.	$ 1,388.94
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 2025 - 4924.	$ 1,289.15
Additional taxes with interest.	$ 0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest.	$ 211.05
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest.	$ 1,185.63
Additional Statutory Fees with Interest.	$ 0.00
Total Amount Due and Payable to **WV State Auditor** - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	**$ 4,074.77**

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"Smoot"

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In 1943, United States Army Air Force bombers targeted the town of San Giovanni Rotondo. Earlier in the conflict, Padre Pio promised the residents of the town that they would be spared the violence of war.

As EWTN explains "when they (the bombers) appeared over the city and prepared to unload their munitions, a brown-robed friar appeared before their aircraft. All attempts to unload the bombs failed." Several pilots reported that they witnessed a brilliant white cloud containing three figures, a bearded monk raising his hand, a woman holding a child, and a young man carrying a sword stained with blood. During the apparition, no bombs would leave the plane.

The pilots, extraordinarily affected by the experience, were taken to the monastery of Santa Maria delle Grazie. There they found to their surprise, "the little friar he had seen in the air that day over San Giovanni." Others whispered "that's him. That's the monk we saw in the cloud." The image of the woman and child was replicated in art in the monastery. The pilots found the sword-bearing man in the shrine of Saint Michael the Archangel at Monet Sant'Angelo.

It was the statue of the Archangel they saw in the sky.

One must understand that the Roman Catholic Church, especially in the 20th century, was wary about miracles in the face of a more scientific and skeptical time. Investigators assumed that reports of miracles in sainthood investigations were false, either by fraud or misplaced belief.

None of the reports of his "bilocation," the official name for one of his miracles, came from the Padre himself, but from other observers. In Friar Gordon McRae's essay "'I am a Mystery to Myself' The Last Days of Padre Pio", he quotes Saint Pio revealing "I don't know how it is or the nature of this phenomenon - and I certainly don't give it much thought - but it did happen to me to be in that presence of this or that person, to be in this or that place; but I do not know whether I was there with my body or without it . . . Usually this has happened while I was praying . . . This is the first time I talk about this,"

The saint had no desire for what others called special spiritual gifts, preferring to be a humble servant of God and God's children rather than a figure of attention. Saint John Paul II the Great, whose own miracles involved unexplained healing, officiated over his canonization.

Bilocation is a possibility in quantum physics through a concept called quantum entanglement in which subatomic particles can wink in and out of existence in two locations at once through some kind of connection. Quantum entanglement has become a tangible reality in the world of technology. American (mostly IBM), Japanese, and Chinese scientists are developing computer systems based on quantum entanglement whose processes could even exceed the speed of light, which Einstein believed was an impenetrable barrier to human ambitions.

Taking us back to the cat experiment, some quantum entanglement between the observer mind and the wave/particle must take place for one to affect the other, given the constraints of the Theory of Special Relativity. Again, how does this happen, what does this mean, and what are the broader ramifications in theology, philosophy, and science?

Interestingly, some initial studies on an observed effect seem to show that some people's brain waves synchronize together somewhat over time, creating possibly deeper connections between the individual minds that would appear to violate both classical physics and Special Relativity. Couples who, as some do, finish each other's sentences could be objective examples of this

Speculation can lead to entire other theories. Some have proposed that the either/or bilateralism of the Schroedinger's Cat box is wrong, that a new dimension or universe hives off when the wave collapses and an infinite number of very similar universes exist somehow simultaneously, diverging in different directions. One could imagine the existence of angels, ghosts, demons, or other religious or supernatural entities with the ability to hop from one realm to another or exist in more than one at once.

Science can become science fiction fairly quickly, but one must remember that the imaginations of science fiction writers have often prefaced real world discoveries of the same things. For example, Gene Roddenberry's fictional creation of a warp drive propelling a spaceship past the speed of light is increasingly today seen as a possibility (though needing unimaginable amounts of power) in the most advanced frontiers of science.

All that said, don't get too crazy in seeing quantum physics as the explanation for all of life's mysteries. Lazy archaeologists when studying early mankind attributed every unexplainable behavior to religion, which may or may not be true, but is certainly not provable in any form and is highly unlikely anyway.

The universe, fortunately or unfortunately, is still largely a mysterious place to us and both the frustration and the joy inherent in exploring theology, science, and philosophy lies in helping reality to reveal itself..

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You will take notice that WVTP LLC, the purchaser of the following real estate, **Cert No.** 2025-C-000181, located in CLARK CLARKSBURG CORP District, 1 LOT 36 KELLEY HILL, which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of 112 KELLY STREET LLC, and was sold by the deputy commissioner of delinquent and nonentered lands of HARRISON County at the sale for the delinquent taxes on May 7, 2026. WVTP LLC requests that you be notified a deed for such real estate on or after March 1, 2027, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before February 28, 2027, 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 2024 - 4835.	$ 1,256.40
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 2025 - 4925.	$ 1,270.18
Additional taxes with interest.	$ 0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest.	$ 211.05
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest.	$ 1,101.92
Additional Statutory Fees with Interest.	$ 0.00
Total Amount Due and Payable to **WV State Auditor** - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	**$ 3,839.55**

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DISTRICT CLARK CLARKSBURG CORP **MAP** 26 **PARCEL** 0189 0000 0000
You will take notice that WVTP LLC, the purchaser of the following real estate, **Cert No.** 2025-C-000182, located in CLARK CLARKSBURG CORP District, 1 LOT 11 KELLEY HILL (109 BROWN ST), which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of 109 BROWN STREET LLC, and was sold by the deputy commissioner of delinquent and nonentered lands of HARRISON County at the sale for the delinquent taxes on May 7, 2026. WVTP LLC requests that you be notified a deed for such real estate on or after March 1, 2027, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before February 28, 2027, 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 2024 - 4833.	$ 1,365.74
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 2025 - 4926.	$ 1,404.95
Additional taxes with interest.	$ 0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest.	$ 211.05
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest.	$ 1,101.92
Additional Statutory Fees with Interest.	$ 0.00
Total Amount Due and Payable to **WV State Auditor** - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	**$ 4,083.66**

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DISTRICT CLARK CLARKSBURG CORP **MAP** 26 **PARCEL** 0212 0000 0000
You will take notice that WVTP LLC, the purchaser of the following real estate, **Cert No.** 2025-C-000186, located in CLARK CLARKSBURG CORP District, 1 LOT PT 14-13 KELLEY HILL (35 X 100), which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of 115 BROWN STREET LLC, and was sold by the deputy commissioner of delinquent and nonentered lands of HARRISON County at the sale for the delinquent taxes on May 7, 2026. WVTP LLC requests that you be notified a deed for such real estate on or after March 1, 2027, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before February 28, 2027, 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 2024 - 4836.	$ 1,422.67
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 2025 - 4927.	$ 1,339.66
Additional taxes with interest.	$ 0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest.	$ 211.05
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest.	$ 1,101.92
Additional Statutory Fees with Interest.	$ 0.00
Total Amount Due and Payable to **WV State Auditor** - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	**$ 4,075.30**

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DISTRICT CLARK CLARKSBURG CORP **MAP** 26 **PARCEL** 0241 0000 0000
You will take notice that WVTP LLC, the purchaser of the following real estate, **Cert No.** 2025-C-000188, located in CLARK CLARKSBURG CORP District, 1 LOT (.10 AC) BROWN ST, which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of 119 BROWN STREET LLC, and was sold by the deputy commissioner of delinquent and nonentered lands of HARRISON County at the sale for the delinquent taxes on May 7, 2026. WVTP LLC requests that you be notified a deed for such real estate on or after March 1, 2027, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before February 28, 2027, 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 2024 - 4839.	$ 1,598.03
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 2025 - 4928.	$ 1,487.05
Additional taxes with interest.	$ 0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest.	$ 211.05
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest.	$ 1,101.92
Additional Statutory Fees with Interest.	$ 0.00
Total Amount Due and Payable to **WV State Auditor** - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	**$ 4,398.05**

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Shinnston Clinic Among Beneficiaries As Governor Morrisey Announces Nearly $2.2 Million to Strengthen Community Health Centers Across West Virginia

CHARLESTON, W.Va. – Governor Patrick Morrisey today announced nearly $2.2 million in Rural Health Transformation Program awards to help community health centers across West Virginia improve patient care, reduce administrative costs, and expand access to healthcare in rural communities.

"Community health centers are a lifeline for hundreds of thousands of West Virginians, especially in rural areas where access to healthcare can be a challenge," said Governor Morrisey. "These investments will give our healthcare providers better tools to spend less time on paperwork and more time caring for patients. That's how we improve health outcomes, strengthen our communities, and help more West Virginians get healthy and return to the workforce."

The funding, awarded through the Provider Productivity Support Fund, includes a $1,656,432 award to the West Virginia Primary Care Association (WVPCA) and a $500,000 award to the Monongahela Valley Association of Health Centers (MVA). Together, these projects will improve coordination among providers, strengthen data sharing, and modernize clinic operations to deliver more efficient and accessible healthcare.

WVPCA will support the phased development of a statewide clinically integrated network, beginning with 16 community health center organizations serving 40 West Virginia counties. The network will deploy shared tools for care coordination, population health management, data analytics, and quality reporting, creating a foundation for future statewide expansion.

MVA will execute an operational transformation designed to significantly improve healthcare access, operational efficiency, care coordination, and long-term health outcomes across its clinic locations in Fairmont, Shinnston, and Mannington. MVA, a Federally Qualified Health Center (FQHC) and founding member of WVPCA that has served North Central West Virginia since 1958, will streamline revenue cycle management, upgrade information technology infrastructure and cybersecurity, integrate Artificial Intelligence (AI) assisted clinical documentation tools, optimize clinical staffing models, and expand data sharing through the West Virginia Health Information Network (WVHIN).

"We are excited to work with both the West Virginia Primary Care Association and community health centers like MVA because of their proven ability to bring providers together, eliminate administrative bottlenecks, and deliver measurable improvements that benefit communities statewide," Secretary of Health Dr. Arvin Singh said. "Pairing statewide data integration and technical assistance with local workflow modernization builds the exact infrastructure needed to strengthen healthcare delivery for hundreds of thousands of West Virginians."

"The Trump Administration's Rural Health Transformation Program has a simple formula for success: state innovation backed by federal funds equals lasting improvements for rural communities," said CMS Administrator Dr. Mehmet Oz. "By investing in locally driven solutions, West Virginia is giving providers the tools and technology they need to improve care, expand access, and build a stronger rural health system."

Additional SmartCare Catalyst Provider Productivity Support Fund awards will be announced as implementation continues across the state.

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Amount equal to the taxes and charges due on the date of the certification, with interest, for tax year ticket number 2024 - 4842.	$ 1,299.66
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 2025 - 4930.	$ 1,221.76
Additional taxes with interest.	$ 0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest.	$ 211.05
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest.	$ 1,101.92
Additional Statutory Fees with Interest.	$ 0.00
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(2025-C-000218 - HARRISON COUNTY - WVTP LLC)

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Amount equal to the taxes and charges due on the date of the certification, with interest, for tax year ticket number 2024 - 10417.	$ 1,218.84
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 2025 - 10491.	$ 1,134.38
Additional taxes with interest.	$ 0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest.	$ 211.05
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest.	$ 1,064.94
Additional Statutory Fees with Interest.	$ 0.00
Total Amount Due and Payable to **WV State Auditor** - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	**$ 3,629.21**

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DISTRICT CLAY OUTSIDE DISTRICT **MAP** 207 **PARCEL** 0037 0000 0000

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Amount equal to the taxes and charges due on the date of the certification, with interest, for tax year ticket number 2024 - 16182.	$ 587.02
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 2025 - 16333.	$ 1,003.35
Additional taxes with interest.	$ 0.00
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Additional Statutory Fees with Interest.	$ 0.00
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DISTRICT CLAY OUTSIDE DISTRICT **MAP** 208 **PARCEL** 0046 0000 6002

You will take notice that WVTP LLC, the purchaser of the following real estate, **Cert No.** 2025-C-000256, located in CLAY OUTSIDE DISTRICT District, PT 1 LOT 1.13 AS SHINNS RUN (.13AC-SHED), which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of RADABUAGH CLYDE, and was sold by the deputy commissioner of delinquent and nonentered lands of HARRISON County at the sale for the delinquent taxes on May 7, 2026. WVTP LLC requests that you be notified a deed for such real estate on or after March 1, 2027, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before February 28, 2027, 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 2024 - 16222.	$ 132.12
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 2025 - 16381.	$ 65.46
Additional taxes with interest.	$ 0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest.	$ 136.05
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest.	$ 1,009.33
Additional Statutory Fees with Interest.	$ 0.00
Total Amount Due and Payable to **WV State Auditor** - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	**$ 1,342.96**

You may redeem at any time before February 28, 2027 by paying the above total less any unearned 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 mount required to redeem the real estate prior to the issuance of the deed described above.

Given under my hand September 17, 2026

Christal G. Perry
Christal G. Perry
Deputy Commissioner of Delinquent and
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(2025-C-000229 - HARRISON COUNTY - WVTP LLC)

To: FEDERICO FONSECA, LINDSEY FONSECA, STEEL MOUNTAIN PROPERTIES LLC, STEEL MOUNTAIN PROPERTIES LLC, STEEL MOUNTAIN PROPERTIES LLC, LINDSEY FONSECA, FEDERICO FONSECA, OCCUPANT, STEEL MOUNTAIN PROPERTIES LLC, FEDERICO FONSECA, LINDSEY FONSECA, 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 an interest in the subject property.

DISTRICT CLARK NUTTER FORT CORP **MAP** 801 **PARCEL** 0236 0000 0000

You will take notice that WVTP LLC, the purchaser of the following real estate, **Cert No.** 2025-C-000229, located in CLARK NUTTER FORT CORP District, 1 LOT 698 FAIRGROUNDS, which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of STEEL MOUNTAIN PROPERTIES LLC (FEDE, and was sold by the deputy commissioner of delinquent and nonentered lands of HARRISON County at the sale for the delinquent taxes on May 7, 2026. WVTP LLC requests that you be notified a deed for such real estate on or after March 1, 2027, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before February 28, 2027, 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 2024 - 12271.	$ 635.53
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 2025 - 12385.	$ 1,073.33
Additional taxes with interest.	$ 0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest.	$ 211.05
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest.	$ 1,195.37
Additional Statutory Fees with Interest.	$ 0.00
Total Amount Due and Payable to **WV State Auditor** - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	**$ 3,115.28**

You may redeem at any time before February 28, 2027 by paying the above total less any unearned interest.

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(2025-C-000253 - HARRISON COUNTY - WVTP LLC)

To: CLYDE RADABAUGH, CLYDE RADABAUGH, INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE, STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA HARRISON COUNTY MAGISTRATE, STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA, CLYDE RADABAUGH, 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 an interest in the subject property.

DISTRICT CLAY OUTSIDE DISTRICT **MAP** 208 **PARCEL** 0029 0000 0000

You will take notice that WVTP LLC, the purchaser of the following real estate, **Cert No.** 2025-C-000253, located in CLAY OUTSIDE DISTRICT District, 1 LOT 1 AS & 73 PLS (BODY SHOP-GARAGE), which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of RADABUAGH CLYDE, and was sold by the deputy commissioner of delinquent and nonentered lands of HARRISON County at the sale for the delinquent taxes on May 7, 2026. WVTP LLC requests that you be notified a deed for such real estate on or after March 1, 2027, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before February 28, 2027, 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 2024 - 16220.	$ 355.82
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 2025 - 16379.	$ 289.78
Additional taxes with interest.	$ 0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest.	$ 211.05
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest.	$ 1,129.72
Additional Statutory Fees with Interest.	$ 0.00
Total Amount Due and Payable to **WV State Auditor** - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	**$ 1,986.37**

You may redeem at any time before February 28, 2027 by paying the above total less any unearned interest.

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(2025-C-000258 - HARRISON COUNTY - WVTP LLC)

To: WILLIAM ROMEO, WILLA ROMEO, WILLIAM ROMEO ESTATE UNKNOWN HEIRS, WILLA ROMEO, WILLIAM ROMEO ESTATE UNKNOWN HEIRS, WILLA ROMEO, WILLIAM ROMEO ESTATE UNKNOWN HEIRS, WILLIAM ROMEO ESTATE UNKNOWN HEIRS, WILLA ROMEO, WILLIAM ROMEO ESTATE UNKNOWN HEIRS, 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 an interest in the subject property.

DISTRICT CLAY OUTSIDE DISTRICT **MAP** 208 **PARCEL** 0129 0006 0000

You will take notice that WVTP LLC, the purchaser of the following real estate, **Cert No.** 2025-C-000258, located in CLAY OUTSIDE DISTRICT District, 1 TRACT 2.23 AC WEST FORK (1975 12X65 FAIRMONT M/H, which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of ROMEO WILLIAM E ESTATE, and was sold by the deputy commissioner of delinquent and nonentered lands of HARRISON County at the sale for the delinquent taxes on May 7, 2026. WVTP LLC requests that you be notified a deed for such real estate on or after March 1, 2027, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before February 28, 2027, 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 2024 - 16538.	$ 256.28
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 2025 - 16689.	$ 181.47
Additional taxes with interest.	$ 0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest.	$ 211.05
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest.	$ 1,185.33
Additional Statutory Fees with Interest.	$ 0.00
Total Amount Due and Payable to **WV State Auditor** - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	**$ 1,834.13**

You may redeem at any time before February 28, 2027 by paying the above total less any unearned interest.

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(2025-C-000283 - HARRISON COUNTY - OCCAM RESOURCES, LLC)

To: JANET DAWSON, STEPHEN GROSS, JACK A LEMLEY C/O LINDA L CARTER, ABIGAYLE JEAN-ANN HERRON, IAN HERRON, ROBERT COLVIN, KATHY A DILL, MARGARET J SCHLESSMAN, CYNTHIA JOHNSTON HORTON ESTATE C/O MICHAEL W HORTON, JO DIANE ABOLT, GAY LYNN HALEY, WYATT BURKS, DENNIS NUGENT, MAURICE NUGENT ESTATE C/O KATHRYN NUGENT, WILLIAM JORGENSEN, CECIL RAY LEMLEY, JOANNE MCCORMICK LOWERY , ANN MARIE SWOARD , LINDA L CARTER, DAVID ROGERS, MATTHEW ROGERS, SANDRA J WILSON, SANDRA STRUCKMAN, CORE SOLUTIONS LLC C/O ANTHONY JOHNSON, or heirs at law, devisees, creditors, representatives, successors, assigns, all known heirs, guardians, conservators, fiduciaries, administrators, lienholders, co-owners, other parties having an undivided interest in the delinquent property, and other parties that may have an interest in the subject property.

DISTRICT CLAY OUTSIDE DISTRICT **MAP** 9999 **PARCEL** 0626 9593 0000

You will take notice that OCCAM RESOURCES, LLC, the purchaser of the following real estate, **Cert No.** 2025-C-000283, located in CLAY OUTSIDE DISTRICT District, 1/2 INT 25 AS O&G MUDLICK PENNZOIL, which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of LEMLEY GEORGIA A EST, and was sold by the deputy commissioner of delinquent and nonentered lands of HARRISON County at the sale for the delinquent taxes on May 7, 2026. OCCAM RESOURCES, LLC requests that you be notified a deed for such real estate on or after March 1, 2027, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before February 28, 2027, 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 2024 - 15132.	$	100.65
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 2025 - 15251.	$	35.45
Additional taxes with interest.	$	0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest.	$	211.05
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest.	$	737.35
Additional Statutory Fees with Interest.	$	0.00
Total Amount Due and Payable to **WV State Auditor** - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	**$**	**1,084.50**

You may redeem at any time before February 28, 2027 by paying the above total less any unearned interest.
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Given under my hand September 23, 2026

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(2025-C-000287 - HARRISON COUNTY - OCCAM RESOURCES, LLC)

To: MILTON F. STURM, GARY STURM, DOUGLAS W. STURM, or heirs at law, devisees, creditors, representatives, successors, assigns, all known heirs, guardians, conservators, fiduciaries, administrators, lienholders, co-owners, other parties having an undivided interest in the delinquent property, and other parties that may have an interest in the subject property.

DISTRICT CLAY OUTSIDE DISTRICT **MAP** 9999 **PARCEL** 0627 7101 0000

You will take notice that OCCAM RESOURCES, LLC, the purchaser of the following real estate, **Cert No.** 2025-C-000287, located in CLAY OUTSIDE DISTRICT District, 1/4 INT 27.17 AC O&G MUDLICK (CABOT/CREWS-STRAIT-A, which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of STURM HAZEL D ESTATE (VICKIE BEIGA, and was sold by the deputy commissioner of delinquent and nonentered lands of HARRISON County at the sale for the delinquent taxes on May 7, 2026. OCCAM RESOURCES, LLC requests that you be notified a deed for such real estate on or after March 1, 2027, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before February 28, 2027, 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 2024 - 17069.	$	91.79
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 2025 - 17230.	$	27.21
Additional taxes with interest.	$	0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest.	$	211.05
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest.	$	445.41
Additional Statutory Fees with Interest.	$	0.00
Total Amount Due and Payable to **WV State Auditor** - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	**$**	**775.46**

You may redeem at any time before February 28, 2027 by paying the above total less any unearned interest.
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(2025-C-000288 - HARRISON COUNTY - OCCAM RESOURCES, LLC)

To: MILTON F. STURM, GARY STURM, DOUGLAS W. STURM, or heirs at law, devisees, creditors, representatives, successors, assigns, all known heirs, guardians, conservators, fiduciaries, administrators, lienholders, co-owners, other parties having an undivided interest in the delinquent property, and other parties that may have an interest in the subject property.

DISTRICT CLAY OUTSIDE DISTRICT **MAP** 9999 **PARCEL** 0627 7110 0000

You will take notice that OCCAM RESOURCES, LLC, the purchaser of the following real estate, **Cert No.** 2025-C-000288, located in CLAY OUTSIDE DISTRICT District, 1/4 INT 25.50 AS O&G MUDLICK (CABOT-M CREWS-1-KJ-0, which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of STURM HAZEL D ESTATE (VICKIE BEIGA, and was sold by the deputy commissioner of delinquent and nonentered lands of HARRISON County at the sale for the delinquent taxes on May 7, 2026. OCCAM RESOURCES, LLC requests that you be notified a deed for such real estate on or after March 1, 2027, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before February 28, 2027, 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 2024 - 17069.	$	90.92
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 2025 - 17230.	$	26.42
Additional taxes with interest.	$	0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest.	$	211.05
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest.	$	445.41
Additional Statutory Fees with Interest.	$	0.00
Total Amount Due and Payable to **WV State Auditor** - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	**$**	**773.81**

You may redeem at any time before February 28, 2027 by paying the above total less any unearned interest.
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(2025-C-000289 - HARRISON COUNTY - OCCAM RESOURCES, LLC)

To: MILTON F. STURM, GARY STURM, DOUGLAS W. STURM, or heirs at law, devisees, creditors, representatives, successors, assigns, all known heirs, guardians, conservators, fiduciaries, administrators, lienholders, co-owners, other parties having an undivided interest in the delinquent property, and other parties that may have an interest in the subject property.

DISTRICT CLAY OUTSIDE DISTRICT **MAP** 9999 **PARCEL** 0627 7129 0000

You will take notice that OCCAM RESOURCES, LLC, the purchaser of the following real estate, **Cert No.** 2025-C-000289, located in CLAY OUTSIDE DISTRICT District, 3/4 INT 51.60 AS O&G MUDLICK, which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of STURM HAZEL D ESTATE (VICKIE BEIGA, and was sold by the deputy commissioner of delinquent and nonentered lands of HARRISON County at the sale for the delinquent taxes on May 7, 2026. OCCAM RESOURCES, LLC requests that you be notified a deed for such real estate on or after March 1, 2027, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before February 28, 2027, 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 2024 - 17070.	$	140.99
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 2025 - 17231.	$	72.88
Additional taxes with interest.	$	0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest.	$	211.05
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest.	$	445.41
Additional Statutory Fees with Interest.	$	0.00
Total Amount Due and Payable to **WV State Auditor** - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	**$**	**870.33**

You may redeem at any time before February 28, 2027 by paying the above total less any unearned interest.
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(2025-C-000293 - HARRISON COUNTY - OCCAM RESOURCES, LLC)

To: ROSE M. HITCHCOCK, or heirs at law, devisees, creditors, representatives, successors, assigns, all known heirs, guardians, conservators, fiduciaries, administrators, lienholders, co-owners, other parties having an undivided interest in the delinquent property, and other parties that may have an interest in the subject property.

DISTRICT CLAY OUTSIDE DISTRICT **MAP** 9999 **PARCEL** 0664 8577 0000

You will take notice that OCCAM RESOURCES, LLC, the purchaser of the following real estate, **Cert No.** 2025-C-000293, located in CLAY OUTSIDE DISTRICT District, 11.11% INT 24.33 AS BINGAMON (MECCA #7-BLARE #1), which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of HITCHCOCK ROSE S, and was sold by the deputy commissioner of delinquent and nonentered lands of HARRISON County at the sale for the delinquent taxes on May 7, 2026. OCCAM RESOURCES, LLC requests that you be notified a deed for such real estate on or after March 1, 2027, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before February 28, 2027, 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 2024 - 14669.	$	86.93
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 2025 - 14774.	$	22.72
Additional taxes with interest.	$	0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest.	$	211.05
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest.	$	417.61
Additional Statutory Fees with Interest.	$	0.00
Total Amount Due and Payable to **WV State Auditor** - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	**$**	**738.31**

You may redeem at any time before February 28, 2027 by paying the above total less any unearned interest.
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(2025-C-000294 - HARRISON COUNTY - OCCAM RESOURCES, LLC)

To: RICHARD F. REED, DANIEL S. REED, or heirs at law, devisees, creditors, representatives, successors, assigns, all known heirs, guardians, conservators, fiduciaries, administrators, lienholders, co-owners, other parties having an undivided interest in the delinquent property, and other parties that may have an interest in the subject property.

DISTRICT CLAY OUTSIDE DISTRICT **MAP** 9999 **PARCEL** 0664 9264 0000

You will take notice that OCCAM RESOURCES, LLC, the purchaser of the following real estate, **Cert No.** 2025-C-000294, located in CLAY OUTSIDE DISTRICT District, 1/32 INT 86 AC O&G SHINN RUN DOMINION/API#3393-338, which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of REED JAMES F EST & JUNE B, and was sold by the deputy commissioner of delinquent and nonentered lands of HARRISON County at the sale for the delinquent taxes on May 7, 2026. OCCAM RESOURCES, LLC requests that you be notified a deed for such real estate on or after March 1, 2027, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before February 28, 2027, 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 2024 - 16284.	$	88.36
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 2025 - 16440.	$	22.72
Additional taxes with interest.	$	0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest.	$	211.05
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest.	$	431.51
Additional Statutory Fees with Interest.	$	0.00
Total Amount Due and Payable to **WV State Auditor** - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	**$**	**753.64**

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"Valley Link"

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Despite some opposition, the response played an important role in shaping the map. "The questions and feedback we received this summer helped shape not only the project but also the information we'll be sharing at these upcoming open houses," said Isaac Rhoades, President of Valley Link in a news release.

The second round of meetings "is focused on gathering additional feedback from landowners and communities within the potential route areas before route recommendations are finalized." he added.

Some local governments in West Virginia have taken sides on the issue. The Town of Wardensville, for instance, has through a resolution registered its opposition to both the line and also House Bill 2014 that precluded county commissions from regulating or preventing such projects on their own.

On the other hand, the Pendleton County Commission declined to pass a resolution that would oppose transmission lines, data centers, or wind and solar production in their county or across the state. Commission President Carl Hevener shared that two of the commissioners had been lifelong farmers and the third worked for the Farm Service Agency for many years.

Then speaking for the Commission, he said "our ancestors had to put in power lines through here once upon a time" and that "power lines have to go through somewhere." Hevener added "are we setting ourselves up for trouble down the road by opposing needed infrastructure upgrades?"

Valley Link shared that "the open houses are an opportunity for community members and landowners to learn about the project, review potential route options, ask questions and share feedback directly with the project team."

Those who live within 1,000 feet of new proposed routes have been notified, as have those whose properties are no longer on or within the 1,000 foot range. Valley Link stated that they heard from more than 6,500 on the project.

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(2025-C-000297 - HARRISON COUNTY - OCCAM RESOURCES, LLC)

To: THE HUGH SOUTHERN FAMILY TRUST, or heirs at law, devisees, creditors, representatives, successors, assigns, all known heirs, guardians, conservators, fiduciaries, administrators, lienholders, co-owners, other parties having an undivided interest in the delinquent property, and other parties that may have an interest in the subject property.

DISTRICT CLAY OUTSIDE DISTRICT **MAP** 9999 **PARCEL** 0669 1403 0000

You will take notice that OCCAM RESOURCES, LLC, the purchaser of the following real estate, **Cert No.** 2025-C-000297, located in CLAY OUTSIDE DISTRICT District, .0229 INT 73.47 AC O&G SHINN RUN (TRIO/SOUTHERN-SE, which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of SOUTHERN HUGH R TRUST, and was sold by the deputy commissioner of delinquent and nonentered lands of HARRISON County at the sale for the delinquent taxes on May 7, 2026. OCCAM RESOURCES, LLC requests that you be notified a deed for such real estate on or after March 1, 2027, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before February 28, 2027, 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 2024 - 16905.	$	84.01
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 2025 - 17057.	$	22.72
Additional taxes with interest.	$	0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest.	$	211.05
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest.	$	417.61
Additional Statutory Fees with Interest.	$	0.00
Total Amount Due and Payable to **WV State Auditor** - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	**$**	**735.39**

You may redeem at any time before February 28, 2027 by paying the above total less any unearned interest.

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Given under my hand September 18, 2026

Christal G. Perry
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DISTRICT CLAY OUTSIDE DISTRICT **MAP** 9999 **PARCEL** 0669 1537 0000

You will take notice that OCCAM RESOURCES, LLC, the purchaser of the following real estate, **Cert No.** 2025-C-000298, located in CLAY OUTSIDE DISTRICT District, .0229 INT 54 AC O&G MUDLICK (INTERSTATE/SOUTHERN #, which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of SOUTHERN HUGH R TRUST, and was sold by the deputy commissioner of delinquent and nonentered lands of HARRISON County at the sale for the delinquent taxes on May 7, 2026. OCCAM RESOURCES, LLC requests that you be notified a deed for such real estate on or after March 1, 2027, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before February 28, 2027, 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 2024 - 16906.	$	84.01
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 2025 - 17058.	$	22.72
Additional taxes with interest.	$	0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest.	$	211.05
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest.	$	417.61
Additional Statutory Fees with Interest.	$	0.00
Total Amount Due and Payable to **WV State Auditor** - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	**$**	**735.39**

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DISTRICT CLAY OUTSIDE DISTRICT **MAP** 9999 **PARCEL** 0669 1644 0000

You will take notice that OCCAM RESOURCES, LLC, the purchaser of the following real estate, **Cert No.** 2025-C-000299, located in CLAY OUTSIDE DISTRICT District, .0229 INT 25.75 AC O&G COON RUN (INTERSTATE/SOUTHER, which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of SOUTHERN HUGH R TRUST, and was sold by the deputy commissioner of delinquent and nonentered lands of HARRISON County at the sale for the delinquent taxes on May 7, 2026. OCCAM RESOURCES, LLC requests that you be notified a deed for such real estate on or after March 1, 2027, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before February 28, 2027, 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 2024 - 16907.	$	84.01
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 2025 - 17059.	$	22.72
Additional taxes with interest.	$	0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest.	$	196.05
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest.	$	417.61
Additional Statutory Fees with Interest.	$	0.00
Total Amount Due and Payable to **WV State Auditor** - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	**$**	**720.39**

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(2025-C-000306 - HARRISON COUNTY - WVTP LLC)

To: CLYDE RADABAUGH, CLYDE RADABAUGH, CLYDE RADABAUGH, 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 an interest in the subject property.

DISTRICT CLAY SHINNSTON CORP **MAP** 188 **PARCEL** 0034 0001 0000

You will take notice that WVTP LLC, the purchaser of the following real estate, **Cert No.** 2025-C-000306, located in CLAY SHINNSTON CORP District, 1 LOT 22 PLAT B MARY M MONROE PARTITION, which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of RADABAUGH CLYDE J, and was sold by the deputy commissioner of delinquent and nonentered lands of HARRISON County at the sale for the delinquent taxes on May 7, 2026. WVTP LLC requests that you be notified a deed for such real estate on or after March 1, 2027, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before February 28, 2027, 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 2024 - 19042.	$	845.44
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 2025 - 19239.	$	766.98
Additional taxes with interest.	$	0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest.	$	211.05
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest.	$	1,018.21
Additional Statutory Fees with Interest.	$	0.00
Total Amount Due and Payable to **WV State Auditor** - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	**$**	**2,841.68**

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(2025-C-000347 - HARRISON COUNTY - WVTP LLC)

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DISTRICT COAL OUTSIDE DISTRICT **MAP** 285 **PARCEL** 0103 0000 0000

You will take notice that WVTP LLC, the purchaser of the following real estate, **Cert No.** 2025-C-000347, located in COAL OUTSIDE DISTRICT District, 11.10 AC LIMESTONE, which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of MAXWELL RONALD LEE JR, and was sold by the deputy commissioner of delinquent and nonentered lands of HARRISON County at the sale for the delinquent taxes on May 7, 2026. WVTP LLC requests that you be notified a deed for such real estate on or after March 1, 2027, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before February 28, 2027, 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 2024 - 22787.	$	165.30
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 2025 - 23040.	$	95.45
Additional taxes with interest.	$	0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest.	$	211.05
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest.	$	1,078.84
Additional Statutory Fees with Interest.	$	0.00
Total Amount Due and Payable to **WV State Auditor** - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	**$**	**1,550.64**

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Upcoming Valley North Project Open Houses Will Showcase Potential Routes

Updated project information reflects feedback from more than 6,500 people who participated in the first round of outreach

FAIRMONT, W.Va. – Community members are invited to attend a new series of open houses this November to learn more about the Valley North Project and provide feedback as the project continues through the route development process in West Virginia, Maryland and Virginia.

The open houses are an opportunity for community members and landowners to learn about the project, review potential route options, ask questions and share feedback directly with the project team. Residents whose properties are within 1,000 feet of the proposed routes have been notified. These events build on the strong participation from the first round of open houses this summer, when more than 6,500 community members attended to learn more and provide input. Residents whose properties are currently no longer near a potential route under consideration have also been notified.

The Valley North Project team used feedback gathered during the June and July open houses, along with environmental, cultural and land-use information, to refine broader study segments into potential routes. During this phase of outreach, Valley Link is focused on gathering additional feedback from landowners and communities within the potential route areas before route recommendations are finalized.

"The questions and feedback we received this summer helped shape not only the project but also the information we'll be sharing at these upcoming open houses," said Isaac Rhoades, president of Valley Link. "Attendees will see more detail on topics that matter most to communities, including local economic impacts, health and safety, and how potential routes are being evaluated. Even if you attended an open house this summer, I'm confident you'll find new information and gain a deeper understanding of the project during this next round of conversations."

Open House Schedule

Community members are invited to attend one of the following open houses to learn more about the Valley North Project, review potential routes and share feedback with the project team. All open houses will follow a drop-in format with no formal presentation, and attendees may stop by at any time during the scheduled hours:

- Nov. 4 | Misty Mountain Event Barn, 430 Mountain Road, Fisher, W.Va. | 4 to 7 p.m.
- Nov. 4 | Tucker County High School, 116 Mountain Lion Way, Hambleton, W.Va. | 5 to 8 p.m.
- Nov. 5 | Frederick County Middle School, 4661 N. Frederick Pike, Winchester, Va. | 5 to 8 p.m.
- Nov. 5 | Sissonville Middle School, 100 Middle School Lane, Charleston, W.Va. | 5 to 8 p.m.
- Nov. 12 | Lovettsville Game Protective Association, 16 S. Berlin Pike, Lovettsville, Va. | 4 to 7 p.m.
- Nov. 12 | The Event Center at Brushy Fork, 929 Brushy Fork Road, Buckhannon, W.Va. | 4 to 7 p.m.
- Nov. 17 | Spencer Armory Facility, 206 E. Main St., Spencer, W.Va. | 4 to 7 p.m.
- Nov. 17 | Old Capon Bridge Middle School, 195 Capon School St., Capon Bridge, W.Va. | 4 to 7 p.m.
- Nov. 18 | Stonewall Resort – Roanoke Event Center, 940 Resort Drive, Roanoke, W.Va. | 4 to 7 p.m.
- Nov. 18 | Ranson Civic Center, 432 W. Second Ave., Ranson, W.Va. | 4 to 7 p.m.
- Nov. 19 | Gilmer County Recreation Center, 1365 Sycamore Run, Glenville, W.Va. | 4 to 7 p.m.
- Nov. 19 | Brunswick Fire Hall, 1500 Volunteer Drive, Brunswick, Md. | 4 to 7 p.m.

Continuing to Shape the Project

The Valley North Project

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(2025-C-000396 - HARRISON COUNTY - WVTP LLC)

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DISTRICT COAL OUTSIDE DISTRICT **MAP** 1119 **PARCEL** 0250 0000 0000

You will take notice that WVTP LLC, the purchaser of the following real estate, **Cert No.** 2025-C-000396, located in COAL OUTSIDE DISTRICT District, 1 LOT PT #72 MCINTIRE ADD, which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of CLAYTON JEFFREY & JOY L, and was sold by the deputy commissioner of delinquent and nonentered lands of HARRISON County at the sale for the delinquent taxes on May 7, 2026. WVTP LLC requests that you be notified a deed for such real estate on or after March 1, 2027, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before February 28, 2027, 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 2024 - 20438.	$ 85.49
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 2025 - 20636.	$ 73.96
Additional taxes with interest.	$ 0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest.	$ 211.05
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest.	$ 1,076.16
Additional Statutory Fees with Interest.	$ 0.00
Total Amount Due and Payable to **WV State Auditor** - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	**$ 1,546.66**

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DISTRICT COAL OUTSIDE DISTRICT **MAP** 1119 **PARCEL** 0250 0001 0000

You will take notice that WVTP LLC, the purchaser of the following real estate, **Cert No.** 2025-C-000397, located in COAL OUTSIDE DISTRICT District, 1 LOT 0.10 AC CALDWELL SD PT 72 MCINTIRE ADD, which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of CLAYTON JEFFREY & JOY L, and was sold by the deputy commissioner of delinquent and nonentered lands of HARRISON County at the sale for the delinquent taxes on May 7, 2026. WVTP LLC requests that you be notified a deed for such real estate on or after March 1, 2027, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before February 28, 2027, 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 2024 - 20439.	$ 1,169.38
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 2025 - 20637.	$ 1,055.92
Additional taxes with interest.	$ 0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest.	$ 211.05
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest.	$ 1,120.55
Additional Statutory Fees with Interest.	$ 0.00
Total Amount Due and Payable to **WV State Auditor** - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	**$ 3,556.90**

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(2025-C-000511 - HARRISON COUNTY - EPIC FAIRLAWN LLC)

To: ALEX R. BRUCE, OFFICE OF THE INSURANCE COMMISSIONER, REVENUE RECOVERY DIVISION, WV STATE TAX DEPARTMENT, CITY OF CLARKSBURG, ALEX R. BRUCE, or heirs at law, devisees, creditors, representatives, successors, assigns, all known heirs, guardians, conservators, fiduciaries, administrators, lienholders, co-owners, other parties having an undivided interest in the delinquent property, and other parties that may have an interest in the subject property.

DISTRICT COAL CLARKSBURG CORP **MAP** 22 **PARCEL** 0379 0000 0000

You will take notice that EPIC FAIRLAWN LLC, the purchaser of the following real estate, **Cert No.** 2025-C-000511, located in COAL CLARKSBURG CORP District, 1 LOT 148 MONTPELIER, which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of BRUCE ALEX R ETAL, and was sold by the deputy commissioner of delinquent and nonentered lands of HARRISON County at the sale for the delinquent taxes on May 7, 2026. EPIC FAIRLAWN LLC requests that you be notified a deed for such real estate on or after March 1, 2027, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before February 28, 2027, 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 2024 - 25658.	$ 1,684.59
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 2025 - 25993.	$ 1,604.98
Additional taxes with interest.	$ 0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest.	$ 211.05
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest.	$ 1,028.25
Additional Statutory Fees with Interest.	$ 0.00
Total Amount Due and Payable to **WV State Auditor** - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	**$ 4,528.87**

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(2025-C-000691 - HARRISON COUNTY - JAY-BEE ROYALTY, LLC)

To: KIDD CHARLES REV TRUST C/O AMP V LP, or heirs at law, devisees, creditors, representatives, successors, assigns, all known heirs, guardians, conservators, fiduciaries, administrators, lienholders, co-owners, other parties having an undivided interest in the delinquent property, and other parties that may have an interest in the subject property.

DISTRICT SARDIS OUTSIDE DISTRICT **MAP** 9999 **PARCEL** 0613 1287 0000

You will take notice that JAY-BEE ROYALTY, LLC, the purchaser of the following real estate, **Cert No.** 2025-C-000691, located in SARDIS OUTSIDE DISTRICT District, 15.55 AS O & G BIG ELK 1/2 INT (MAP 143/10), which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of KIDD CHARLES REV TRUST (PNC BANK TT, and was sold by the deputy commissioner of delinquent and nonentered lands of HARRISON County at the sale for the delinquent taxes on May 7, 2026. JAY-BEE ROYALTY, LLC requests that you be notified a deed for such real estate on or after March 1, 2027, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before February 28, 2027, 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 2024 - 47375.	$ 93.22
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 2025 - 48221.	$ 28.57
Additional taxes with interest.	$ 0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest.	$ 211.05
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest.	$ 417.61
Additional Statutory Fees with Interest.	$ 0.00
Total Amount Due and Payable to **WV State Auditor** - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	**$ 750.45**

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(2025-C-000562 - HARRISON COUNTY - ALPINE MINERALS, LLC)

To: ROBERT LEE CASTO , KEVIN TAYLOR, REBEKAH BAKER, TRACY ALFRED , MIKE CLARK, HOPE ONESTI, TREVOR MATTHEWS, TREY MATTHEWS, LESLIE D. WILLIAMS , KATINA PANTELOUKAS, KATINA PANTELOUKAS, STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA , DONNA C. MATTHEWS, DONNA C. MATTHEWS, ALLEN MCCOLLAM, CHARLES MCCOLLAM , VICTOR MCCOLLAM, RONETTA LANHAM, MARGUERITE L. SPROUSE, SHIRLEY D. WHITEHAIR, JOHN THOMAS REED, GLENDA RABENOLD, STEPHEN M. REED, ALICIA JO FULKS, JEROME ALLEN REED, III, ROBERT A. REED, WILLIAM R. REED, KENNETH E. REED, ISABELLA KORN, MOLLY RANEE KORN, TRISTAN THOMAS KORN, JOHN FRANKLIN SILLIMAN, STEVEN POWELL, KEITH REED, KEVIN REED, JOYCE A. PELLEY-JENKINS, PAUL W. PELLEY, JR, DONNA PELLEY PEARL, LINDA PELLEY WILLIAMS, PAUL W. PELLEY, JR , RONALD A. LAYPORT, CHERYL A. BRUCE , ROBERT L. LAYPORT, LARRY RAY BALSER, WILLIAM C. BALSER, RONALD BALSER, GARY BALSER, KAREN SUE BALSER, DAVID ALLEN MILES, CARL ALLEN MILES, RUTH E. MILES, or heirs at law, devisees, creditors, representatives, successors, assigns, all known heirs, guardians, conservators, fiduciaries, administrators, lienholders, co-owners, other parties having an undivided interest in the delinquent property, and other parties that may have an interest in the subject property.

DISTRICT EAGLE OUTSIDE DISTRICT **MAP** 9999 **PARCEL** 0659 3616 0000

You will take notice that ALPINE MINERALS, LLC, the purchaser of the following real estate, **Cert No.** 2025-C-000562, located in EAGLE OUTSIDE DISTRICT District, 15 AC O&G TENMILE DIVERSIFIED-API#5141, which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of MATHEWS CAROLINE A ESTATE, and was sold by the deputy commissioner of delinquent and nonentered lands of HARRISON County at the sale for the delinquent taxes on May 7, 2026. ALPINE MINERALS, LLC requests that you be notified a deed for such real estate on or after March 1, 2027, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before February 28, 2027, 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 2024 - 33096.	$ 298.33
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 2025 - 33501.	$ 120.40
Additional taxes with interest.	$ 0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest.	$ 211.05
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest.	$ 1,894.75
Additional Statutory Fees with Interest.	$ 0.00
Total Amount Due and Payable to **WV State Auditor** - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	**$ 2,524.53**

You may redeem at any time before February 28, 2027 by paying the above total less any unearned 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 mount required to redeem the real estate prior to the issuance of the deed described above.

Given under my hand September 17, 2026

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(2025-C-000788 - HARRISON COUNTY - EPIC FAIRLAWN LLC)

To: LESLIE DAVID PENNINGTON, RACHAEL PENNINGTON, SHERI PAULSON, SHERI PAULSON, ROBERT W. NESTOR, DEWANE C. WALLS, MARY M. CATON, MARY M. CATON, or heirs at law, devisees, creditors, representatives, successors, assigns, all known heirs, guardians, conservators, fiduciaries, administrators, lienholders, co-owners, other parties having an undivided interest in the delinquent property, and other parties that may have an interest in the subject property.

DISTRICT SIMPSON ANMOORE CORP **MAP** 2501 **PARCEL** 0176 0000 0000

You will take notice that EPIC FAIRLAWN LLC, the purchaser of the following real estate, **Cert No.** 2025-C-000788, located in SIMPSON ANMOORE CORP District, 1 LOT 293 GRASSELLI, which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of PENNINGTON VIVIAN L ESTATE & LESLIE, and was sold by the deputy commissioner of delinquent and nonentered lands of HARRISON County at the sale for the delinquent taxes on May 7, 2026. EPIC FAIRLAWN LLC requests that you be notified a deed for such real estate on or after March 1, 2027, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before February 28, 2027, 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 2024 - 60921.	$ 697.89
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 2025 - 61979.	$ 642.30
Additional taxes with interest.	$ 0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest.	$ 211.05
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest.	$ 1,100.07
Additional Statutory Fees with Interest.	$ 0.00
Total Amount Due and Payable to **WV State Auditor** - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	**$ 2,651.31**

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(2025-C-000876 - HARRISON COUNTY - EPIC FAIRLAWN LLC)

To: DOROTHY E. HUMPHREY, or heirs at law, devisees, creditors, representatives, successors, assigns, all known heirs, guardians, conservators, fiduciaries, administrators, lienholders, co-owners, other parties having an undivided interest in the delinquent property, and other parties that may have an interest in the subject property.

DISTRICT TENMILE SALEM CORP **MAP** 2707 **PARCEL** 0049 0000 0000

You will take notice that EPIC FAIRLAWN LLC, the purchaser of the following real estate, **Cert No.** 2025-C-000876, located in TENMILE SALEM CORP District, 1 LOT CARPENTER ST 7587 SQ FT (56 TERRACE AVE), which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of HUMPHREY DOROTHY E ESTATE, and was sold by the deputy commissioner of delinquent and nonentered lands of HARRISON County at the sale for the delinquent taxes on May 7, 2026. EPIC FAIRLAWN LLC requests that you be notified a deed for such real estate on or after March 1, 2027, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before February 28, 2027, 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 2024 - 67579.	$ 1,070.20
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 2025 - 68756.	$ 957.63
Additional taxes with interest.	$ 0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest.	$ 211.05
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest.	$ 967.63
Additional Statutory Fees with Interest.	$ 0.00
Total Amount Due and Payable to **WV State Auditor** - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	**$ 3,206.51**

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(2025-C-001012 - HARRISON COUNTY - WVTP LLC)

To: HOWARD BOONE, SUE BOONE, HOWARD BOONE, SUE BOONE, HOWARD BOONE, SUE BOONE, 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 an interest in the subject property.

DISTRICT UNION WEST MILFORD CORP **MAP** 3001 **PARCEL** 0038 0000 0000

You will take notice that WVTP LLC, the purchaser of the following real estate, **Cert No.** 2025-C-001012, located in UNION WEST MILFORD CORP District, 2 LOTS #44-45 STOUT LYNCH ADD INC PAR 41, which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of BOONE HOWARD S & SUE A, and was sold by the deputy commissioner of delinquent and nonentered lands of HARRISON County at the sale for the delinquent taxes on May 7, 2026. WVTP LLC requests that you be notified a deed for such real estate on or after March 1, 2027, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before February 28, 2027, 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 2024 - 78439.	$ 555.38
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 2025 - 79954.	$ 508.49
Additional taxes with interest.	$ 0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest.	$ 211.05
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest.	$ 1,064.94
Additional Statutory Fees with Interest.	$ 0.00
Total Amount Due and Payable to **WV State Auditor** - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	**$ 2,339.86**

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(2025-C-000121 - HARRISON COUNTY - EPIC FAIRLAWN LLC)

To: OCCUPANT, ROBERT L. KURKA, SR., DEBORAH JEAN KURKA, CITY OF CLARKSBURG, STANLEY EDWARD MARSH, LANNY ROSS MARSH, DANNY LEE MARSH, EDWARD HUGH MARSH, or heirs at law, devisees, creditors, representatives, successors, assigns, all known heirs, guardians, conservators, fiduciaries, administrators, lienholders, co-owners, other parties having an undivided interest in the delinquent property, and other parties that may have an interest in the subject property.

DISTRICT CLARK CLARKSBURG CORP **MAP** 19 **PARCEL** 0096 0000 0000

You will take notice that EPIC FAIRLAWN LLC, the purchaser of the following real estate, **Cert No.** 2025-C-000121, located in CLARK CLARKSBURG CORP District, 1 LOT PT 3 S-D 26 TO 28 MOORE LOTS, which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of MARION H & ELIZABETH (ROBT SR, and was sold by the deputy commissioner of delinquent and nonentered lands of HARRISON County at the sale for the delinquent taxes on May 7, 2026. EPIC FAIRLAWN LLC requests that you be notified a deed for such real estate on or after March 1, 2027, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before February 28, 2027, 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 2024 - 8475.	$ 117.26
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 2025 - 8545.	$ 70.75
Additional taxes with interest.	$ 0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest.	$ 151.05
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest.	$ 1,081.15
Additional Statutory Fees with Interest.	$ 0.00
Total Amount Due and Payable to **WV State Auditor** - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	**$ 1,420.21**

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(2025-C-001014 - HARRISON COUNTY - WVTP LLC)

To: DOLGENCORP LLC, DOLGENCORP LLC, DOLGENCORP LLC, DOLGENCORP LLC, DOLGENCORP LLC, 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 an interest in the subject property.

DISTRICT UNION WEST MILFORD CORP **MAP** 3002 **PARCEL** 0032 0000 0000

You will take notice that WVTP LLC, the purchaser of the following real estate, **Cert No.** 2025-C-001014, located in UNION WEST MILFORD CORP District, 1 LOT .84 AC W MILFORD (630 W MAIN ST), which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of GEORGE KIMBRA J, and was sold by the deputy commissioner of delinquent and nonentered lands of HARRISON County at the sale for the delinquent taxes on May 7, 2026. WVTP LLC requests that you be notified a deed for such real estate on or after March 1, 2027, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before February 28, 2027, 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 2024 - 78503.	$ 1,437.00
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 2025 - 79989.	$ 1,100.79
Additional taxes with interest.	$ 0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest.	$ 211.05
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest.	$ 1,080.92
Additional Statutory Fees with Interest.	$ 0.00
Total Amount Due and Payable to **WV State Auditor** - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	**$ 3,829.76**

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(2025-C-000344 - HARRISON COUNTY - WVTP LLC)

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DISTRICT COAL OUTSIDE DISTRICT **MAP** 285 **PARCEL** 0085 0000 0000

You will take notice that WVTP LLC, the purchaser of the following real estate, **Cert No.** 2025-C-000344, located in COAL OUTSIDE DISTRICT District, 1 LOT 1 AC LIMESTONE, which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of MAXWELL RONALD LEE JR, and was sold by the deputy commissioner of delinquent and nonentered lands of HARRISON County at the sale for the delinquent taxes on May 7, 2026. WVTP LLC requests that you be notified a deed for such real estate on or after March 1, 2027, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before February 28, 2027, 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 2024 - 22784.	$ 893.92
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 2025 - 23037.	$ 805.86
Additional taxes with interest.	$ 0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest.	$ 211.05
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest.	$ 1,078.84
Additional Statutory Fees with Interest.	$ 0.00
Total Amount Due and Payable to **WV State Auditor** - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	**$ 2,989.67**

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DISTRICT CLARK CLARKSBURG CORP **MAP** 26 **PARCEL** 0242 0000 0000

You will take notice that WVTP LLC, the purchaser of the following real estate, **Cert No.** 2025-C-000189, located in CLARK CLARKSBURG CORP District, 1 LOT PT 14 PT 15 KELLY HILL ADD (35 X 100), which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of 117 BROWN STREET LLC, and was sold by the deputy commissioner of delinquent and nonentered lands of HARRISON County at the sale for the delinquent taxes on May 7, 2026. WVTP LLC requests that you be notified a deed for such real estate on or after March 1, 2027, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before February 28, 2027, 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 2024 - 4838.	$ 1,438.61
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 2025 - 4929.	$ 1,354.40
Additional taxes with interest.	$ 0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest.	$ 211.05
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest.	$ 1,101.92
Additional Statutory Fees with Interest.	$ 0.00
Total Amount Due and Payable to **WV State Auditor** - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	**$ 4,105.98**

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includes approximately 260 miles of new 765-kilovolt (kV) transmission line between Putnam County, W.Va., and Frederick County, Md., along with two new substations in Hardy County, W.Va., and Frederick County, Md. The project was selected by PJM Interconnection as part of its long-term planning efforts to strengthen the regional electric transmission system, maintain reliability and support future energy needs across the region.

Valley Link remains committed to an open and collaborative process. Potential routes continue to be evaluated using technical studies, environmental and cultural resource information, land-use considerations and community feedback. The project team will use input received during the upcoming open houses to further refine route options.

Can't Attend an Open House?

Residents can access the same information shared at the open houses by visiting vltransmission.com/valley-north, where they can view project information, review maps as they become available and submit feedback. Community members may also contact the project team by:

- Website: www.vltransmission.com/valley-north
- Email: vlnorth@vltransmission.com
- Phone: (304) 207-0120

About Valley Link

Valley Link Transmission Company LLC was formed to build the modern infrastructure needed to keep electricity reliable and affordable for homes, businesses and growing industries across the Mid-Atlantic region. Valley Link combines over two centuries of utility expertise, strengthening the regional grid and supporting long-term economic vitality.

Following PJM's identification of new transmission needs, Valley Link's proposed solutions were selected and approved in early 2025. The company's mission is to deliver cost- effective infrastructure that keeps power flowing, supports efficient energy, and prepares the grid for the future. Learn more at vltransmission.com.

2026 Women of Distinction

The Progressive Women's Association will host a luncheon on Friday, October 23, at noon to honor the Italian American Women of Distinction. This annual event takes place during October in recognition of national Italian Culture Month.

The luncheon honors women who have distinguished themselves through their contributions to the community, with a focus on the meaningful impact of their efforts.

The Luncheon will be held at the Progressive Women's Uptown Event Center, 305 Washington Avenue. If you would like to attend this event and help us honor these women, please be sure and RSVP by calling 304-624-6881. Plates will be $15. Thank you for your support.

Diane Aloi



Diane Louise Alasky Aloi, grew up in a small town in Farmington, WV among many immigrants from Italy, Russia, France and Poland. She found it very interesting and educational to grow up around all the different nationalities.

She was born November 15,1951 to Pete and Violet Sherry Alasky and her husband, Donald's parents were Sam and Frances Manchin Aloi. They were married June 24,1972 and were grateful to have two sons, Donald, Jr (Teresa) and Julius (Amber) and five grandchildren.

After graduating from Farmington High School and Fairmont State College, she married into an Italian family and experienced firsthand their traditional ways of cooking and celebrating. The Alasky and Aloi families were friends and had already shared their cultures together and it made it so easy to blend in.

She has dedicated her life to family, God, church, and community. Having worked at her family's business since 1969, she plans to retire soon. In the beginning, she was the cleaning girl and worked her way up to Corporate Secretary. Her father instilled in her to learn all the trades of the business before she could run it.

At her church, St. Peter the Apostle in Farmington, she presently serves on the Finance Council, serve as music minister, the organist for 57 years, the ladies' altar group, was on the Parish Council, and taught CCD. She has always been active in 4-H as a member and counselor. She enjoys gardening, hiking, reading, traveling, as well as playing different musical instruments.

Learning the Italian way of cooking was very special to her. She was eager to learn the recipes for meatballs, spaghetti sauce, fritti, Easter bread, homemade bread, wedding soup, and canning the peppers and sauce. Mostly she was taught by her husband's grandmothers. They made it fun! Everything was from memory, no recipe cards! She had to write down the instructions very quickly.

She and her husband would go to all kinds of the Knights of Columbus dances every year and to the Italian Festival in Clarksburg. The tarantella was their favorite at the festival. They were members of the Festival Mass choir, Diane still is.

Diane has organized many fundraisers including St. Jude Children's Hospital, WVU Children's Hospital and Moms in Need.

The past couple of years she has had the privilege to travel to Italy and Sicily to experience her husband's roots. Mama Kay and Papa Manchin were from San Giovanni in Fiore and Nunna Grace Aloi (Hervatine) was from Librizzi. Sicily. She learned so much history there,

and she was so happy to meet some of the Aloi family. The food was incredible as well as the beautiful scenery and people.

Having the privilege of raising her granddaughter has been a gift. Watching her excel in her faith, teaching, music, education, leadership and community service is most rewarding. Franchesca, Regina Maria XLVI of the West Virginia Italian Festival, has brought a lot of joy, love and pride to the family. She is a perfect example of why it is always a "great day to be an Italian." Her grandsons Andrew, Jared, and Julian will carry on the Aloi name and she is so proud of the young men they are becoming, and Logan, the oldest, will soon be wed.

During the past five years, she lost her father, mother, sister and most recently, her husband of 54 years. These have been the most challenging times of her life. but Franchesca, her sons, family and friends have been very consoling during the unimaginable grief.

She plans to write a book soon. This has been a goal of hers for several years.

Diane says, "if you marry an Italian, you automatically become an Italian".

Franchesca Rose Aloi



Franchesca Rose Aloi, 25, of Farmington, West Virginia, has been recognized by the Clarksburg Progressive Women's Association as an Italian Woman of Distinction. A dedicated educator, vocalist, recording artist, and community leader, Aloi has spent her life celebrating her Italian ancestry and serving her community.

Aloi serves as Regina Maria XLVI (46th Queen) of the West Virginia Italian Heritage Festival, an institution she has participated in for 18 years. As Queen, she made approximately 50 appearances across the state to promote Italian American heritage and encourage cultural preservation. In October 2026, she represented the festival at the annual Columbus Day Parade in New York City, participating in a nationally televised interview and attending a prestigious gala honoring Italian American leadership.

Her reign was marked by community outreach and public service, including organizing a charitable toy drive for WVU Medicine Children's Hospital, supporting local fundraisers, and leading educational programs on Italian American history at the public library in Fairmont.

Professionally, Aloi is a sixth-grade homeroom teacher and middle school social studies educator at Fairmont Catholic Grade School. She earned her Bachelor's degree from Fairmont State University and a Master's Degree in Teaching and Leadership from Point Park University, and is currently pursuing her principal certification and licensure. She integrates cultural heritage and history into her classroom instruction.

An accomplished singer-songwriter, Aloi has released two albums and an EP of original music. She has performed as a showcase vocalist for the West Virginia Italian Heritage Festival for seven years and has served as a cantor and soloist for over a decade.

Deeply committed to her faith and community, Aloi is a parishioner at St. Peter the Apostle Parish in Farmington, where she serves as Chairperson of the Parish Pastoral Council, cantor, and youth leader. She is also a longtime member and volunteer with 4-H.

Valerie Sue Bailey



Valerie Sue Bailey was born and raised in Clarksburg, West Virginia, the daughter of Ben and Sue Guido. A graduate of West Virginia University, she earned a degree in Exercise Physiology with a minor in Dance before moving to New York City, where she lived and danced professionally for more than seven years. During her time in New York, Valerie founded Tinkered Dance, a project-based professional adult dance company dedicated to movement storytelling and creating art that feels accessible, relatable, and meaningful to audiences. After marrying her college

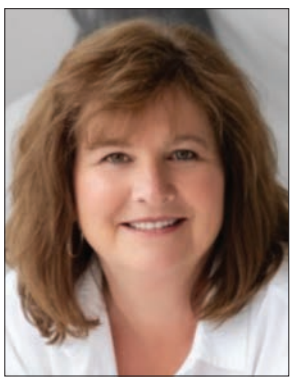
sweetheart, Thomas Bailey, the country roads brought them back to West Virginia. Today, Valerie and Thomas call Morgantown home. Valerie serves as a Project Manager for West Virginia University's Talent and Culture team and continues to share her passion for creativity through Tinkered Dance, often connecting with audiences through social media and digital storytelling. Of all the roles she holds, however, her favorite is being Mom. Valerie and Thomas are the proud parents of 5-year-old Lottie and 2-year-old Teddy, and they are excitedly awaiting the arrival of their third child, a baby girl due in March 2027.

Angela Renzelli DeMarco



Angela is blessed and happily married to Lou DeMarco. She is the proud mother of three wonderful children: Adam and Zach Miller and Kelsey (Austin) Spaur. She has two bonus sons, Brad (Emily) Miller and Bub (Rachel) DeMarco. Her family continues to grow, as she has also inherited three grandchildren and she has one grandchild on the way. Her family means everything to her, and she cherishes the love and memories they continue to create together. Angela is the proud daughter of the late Lavaughn and Junior Renzelli. Her paternal grandparents were the late Maria and Gulio Renzelli, who were Italian immigrants that came to America from Cosenza, Calabria, Italy. Her parents and grandparents remain an important part of who she is today. She has two siblings Bub (Tammy) Renzelli and Kris (Duke) Gladden as well as several nieces and nephews and cousins, who she adores. She has always treasured the traditions, values and customs passed down through her family. She especially enjoys keeping those traditions alive through Italian cooking and family recipes, including homemade sauce and meatballs, pasta, Italian cookies, pieta pita, and many special foods that bring everyone together. Faith has also been a central part of Angela's life. She began practicing her Catholic faith at St. Francis Borgia Church in Anmoore and continues today at All Saints Church in Bridgeport. For approximately 30 years, she has volunteered in many different capacities. She currently works part time as the church secretary, along side her sister Kris. A position her mom Lavaughn held for 21 years. This role allows her to continue to serve a parish that has been such a meaningful part of her life. Angela feels blessed by the life she has been given and by the people who fill it with love. Her greatest hope is that the legacy of her family, Italian Heritage and faith will continue to grow through future generations.

Kris Gladden



With a heart and passion for helping others, Kris dedicates her free time to volunteering and serving her community.

A resident of Bridgeport, Kris has been married to Duke Gladden for 41 years. Together, they have one son, Michael (Sarah) and three grandsons, Julian, Oliver and Leo who are among her greatest sources of pride and joy. She is the daughter of the late Julio and Lavaughn Renzelli and takes great pride in her Italian heritage, which comes from her paternal grandparents, Maria and Giulio Renzelli

For the past 18 years, Kris has served as the business manager at All Saints Church, where she also serves on the Finance Council. Her commitment to service extends beyond her church, as she has been a member of the Women's Moose Fraternity since 2008.

Kris has achieved many accomplishments throughout her life. At the age of 12, she became the first girl to play on a sanctioned boys' Little League baseball team in Northern West Virginia. Her athletic achievements continued throughout high school. In 1979, she was featured in Sports Illustrated's "Face in the Crowd "after scoring 2,052 points during her basketball career at Notre Dame. She was also recognized as an All-American and All-State athlete.

Outside of her community commitments, Kris enjoys gardening, canning, cooking, and collecting Christmas Ornaments. She is especially proud of preserving her Italian heritage through cherished family traditions, including Sunday pasta and meatballs, baking Italian cookies, and celebrating the Feast of the Seven Fishes at Christmas.

Above all, Kris treasures the traditions that connect her family across generations. Her greatest hope is that her family will continue to honor, cherish, and preserve these traditions for many years to come.

Jamie Jo McDonald

Jamie, born October 6, 1982, to Tom and Maria (Lucente) Bailey of Clarksburg. Her Italian heritage come from her maternal grandparents Joe and Velma (Lopez) Lucente and great grandparents who immigrated from San Giovanni In Foire, Italy. Jamie's love of her Italian heritage came at the age of 2, when she first danced with the West Virginia Italian Heritage Festival Dancers, under the direction of Romona Rose. Jamie danced and sang with the group until she was 14. She also served as a princess on the minor and senior court. She received the Mary Lou "Weege" Vargo scholarship. Jamie has driven in the parade, helped in the merch tent, helped in the festival office and gave birth to the 2026 Festival Poster Contest Winner Bailey Rose McDonald. Jamie graduated from Robert C. Byrd high school and later West Virginia University and Fairmont State University with a Masters in Elementary Education, Masters in Reading and Early Childhood Specializations.

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Jamie is in her 20th year of teaching and currently is teaching 1st grade at Simpson Elementary. Over the course of her career, she has held numerous positions such as Title One Specialist, 4th grade teacher, Kindergarten teacher, 2nd grade teacher and Academic Support Specialist. Jamie is also on the academic and sports Boosters at Bridgeport High School. Both of her children attended Simpson, and her mother also teaches right down the hall from her. She is Vice President of the Faculty Senate and a member of the school's LSIC (Local School Improvement Council). Jamie is a member of the Bridgeport Women's Juniors Club, where she was secretary for 2 years and currently co-sponsor of the Juniorettes. This organization means a great deal to Jamie because this group volunteers its time and donations toward the students and local organizations in our community. One way they are about to help and give back to the students of the community is by providing food for the "backpack program" at Simpson and BMS- where the Juniors provide food bags every weekend and holiday breaks for the families that need them. Jamie is also part of the Juniors annual Gala planning committee. Jamie and her family attend All Saints Catholic Church where Jamie has volunteered for the summer bible school program. Jamie also volunteers with the Derek Hostenpiller 5K. Jamie and her husband Randen were married in 2009 and have two amazing children, Joseph 15, who attends Bridgeport high school and Bailey Rose, 11 attends Bridgeport Middle School. They currently reside in Bridgeport. Jamie feels great pride to be able to pass down the Italian traditions she learned from her grandparents to her children.

Barb Navarini-Higgins



My name is Barb Navarini-Higgins. I'm the daughter of Mary and Reno Navarini. I'm a proud WVU alumna, lifelong WVU fan, wife, mom, volunteer, and athlete. Upon graduating from Notre Dame High School, I went on to West Virginia University. I earned my undergraduate degree in Finance and my MBA from WVU. I worked for more than 25 years in banking and finance, before retiring to care for my dad. I was his caregiver for 15 years, until he passed away in 2021. Caring for my dad was one of the most meaningful experiences of my life and taught me so much about love, patience, compassion, and resilience. Family has always been at the heart of my life. I've been married for 38 years to my husband Shane. and am blessed with two sons, Alex, 35, and Jacob, 22. We live in Charleston WV, but I still own my parents home in Clarksburg and I'm up here often. My Italian heritage has also shaped who I am, teaching me the importance of family, tradition, hard work, and community. My WVU athletic story began when I joined the Crew team as a freshman in 1980 and served as both a rower and coxswain. Those early days were such a special part of my college experience, and I'm incredibly proud of how far WVU rowing has come. I began running to raise money for children battling cancer, inspired by a young boy named Jack Rollins, who lost his battle with neuroblastoma 10 years ago. Jack became my reason to run, and his memory continues to inspire me. I've also been fortunate to have served for eight years on the WVU Medicine Children's Hospital Advisory Council, helping raise money to build the new children's hospital, and I continue to volunteer for them. It was also an honor to serve as an Honor Flight guardian in October 2022 accompanying veterans to Washington DC. When I look back on my life, I feel truly blessed. I'm grateful for my family, my WVU family, the people I've met along the way, and the opportunities I've had to give back. I'm especially honored to be nominated alongside so many remarkable women who inspire me.

Rose Sterling

Laura Vigilanco



Laura Lee Lobuts Viglianco, recipient of the 2026 Italian Heritage Legacy Award, was born in Fairmont, West Virginia. She is the daughter of Peter Lobuts and Margaret Vecchiarelli Lobuts, both first-generation Italian Americans. Her father's family came from San Giovanni in Fiore in Calabria, while her mother's family came from Sulmona in Abruzzo. Laura grew up with her sister, Flora Jo Lobuts Oliverio, and her brother, Joseph Lobuts.

A 1954 graduate of Fairmont Senior High School, Laura was salutatorian and senior class president. She also participated in Girls State, the Homecoming Court, Choraliers, and the National Honor Society. She continued her education at Fairmont State College, graduating in 1958 with a degree in primary and secondary education. During college, she was a member and past president of Gamma Chi Chi Sorority, a Student Council representative, a member of the Home Economics Club, and TBI Sweetheart Queen. Laura later taught full time and worked as a substitute teacher for many years in Marion County.

In 1957, Laura married Julius M. Viglianco, the son of Matt and Theresa Viglianco of Bagnolo Piemonte, Italy. Together, Laura and Julius had two sons, Steven and Richard. Steven is married to Kerry. Laura's family has since grown to include three grandchildren and six great-grandchildren. Julius passed away in 1991.

Laura also helped operate North Pole Ice & Storage Co. of Fairmont, Inc. until the business closed in 1996. Throughout her life, she has remained deeply involved in her community, her church, and numerous civic and service organizations.

Her many activities have included the Jayceettes, Fairmont Garden Club, Red Hat Club, and Three Rivers Coal Festival Queen's Coronation Committee. She taught Sunday school at St. Anthony's Catholic Church in Fairmont and served as a member and past president of both Gamma Chi Chi Sorority and the Fairmont State College Alumni Association. Her dedication to Fairmont State was recognized when she received the college's Outstanding Alumni Award.

Laura also served on the Mountaineer Area Boy Scouts Board and was past chairman of the WVIHF Dance Committee for Marion County. She has been a member and past officer of the Fairmont Elks and a member and past president of St. Theresa's Society.

A devout Catholic, Laura is currently a member of St. Francis de Sales Catholic Church in Morgantown. Her service to the Catholic community has included leadership roles with the Catholic Daughters of the Americas, where she served as president, state vice president, and district deputy. She also served as president of St. Peter's Altar and Rosary Society.

Laura is a member of the Mountaineer Athletic Club and the Mountaineer Touchdown Club. She has also served as a member and officer of the Sons and Daughters of Italy Lodge No. 914 in Morgantown, continuing her lifelong commitment to celebrating and preserving her Italian heritage.

Through her dedication to education, faith, family, community service, and Italian traditions, Laura has built a remarkable legacy. Her lifetime of service and leadership makes her a deserving recipient of the 2026 Italian Heritage Legacy Award.

Delaney Wells



Telling the stories and events of the people of West Virginia has been an honor for Delaney Wells.

She is a television reporter for the Nexstar Corporation based in Charleston at WOWK-TV. But long before she was behind the microphone, Delaney had a knack for promoting West Virginia and the arts. She worked on the promotions team for Charleston's minor league baseball team and has performed on the main stage of the Clay Center for the Arts as part of the Charleston Light Opera Guild. Of course, we know her as Regina Maria the 44 th - the queen of the 2023 West Virginia Italian Heritage Festival. It was there where we learned about her true love for her Italian heritage and her willingness to share it beyond the streets of Clarksburg. She walked with pride representing the festival through the halls of the West Virginia State Capitol, danced in the streets of Huntington, and lead a procession through the village of San Giovanni in Fiore. During this most recent Italian Festival, she had the honor of dancing with the professional dance group Allegro. Delaney's pride in her Italian traditions and heritage runs deep, from San Giovanni to North View. Her maternal great grandparents, Joe and Catherine DeLuca Brunetti, were the first people married at Saint James Catholic in North View. This Italian Woman of Distinction says her fond Italian memories were formed in the home of her late maternal grandparents, John and Rose

Mary "Wizzie" Brunetti Tennant where she helped her mother and Nonnie make pita piatas, sing Italian songs, and learn about her family history. Delaney has continued her commitment of promoting West Virginia by competing in the Miss West Virginia Organization. Through that organization, she is an advocate and educator for heart health throughout West Virginia using her Community Service Initiative of Scarred but Stronger. It's a program in which Delaney tells her story of having open heart surgery at a week old and growing up with a scar on her chest. She educates the state on how to live heart-healthy lives - using tools such as the American Heart Association's "Life's Essential 8". Delaney is passionate about the stories of those impacted by heart disease. She believes all heart survivors should know they are never alone, and by sharing her story, she is a voice that tells survivors their scars are what make them strong. Delaney is the daughter of Erik Wells and Natalie Tennant. She graduated with a broadcast Journalism degree from the University of Kentucky and is now pursuing her master's degree from West Virginia University.

Governor Morrisey's Rural Health Transformation Programs Start to Take Shape Across West Virginia

By Stephen Smoot

"The overall vision is to dramatically improve healthcare outcomes for people in the state of West Virginia," said Governor Patrick Morrisey a few days after he made major announcements at Minnie Hamilton's Gilmer County facility. Three grants to Minnie Hamilton will bring advanced technology to bear on mitigating challenges in delivering health care and related services in rural West Virginia.

With the passage of the "One Big Beautiful Bill" last summer came $50 billion in grant funding that will go to states between 2026 and 2030. The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services will operate the program. According to a White House release the program "is uniquely designed to promote innovation and long-term sustainability of rural healthcare." It explained that "when legacy programs link funding to reimbursements for services provided, they do not promote long-term sustainability." Rural hospitals have lower volumes of patients, but must maintain a certain level of service access to accommodate unforeseen situations such as pandemics or natural disasters.

Each state provided a blueprint of how it would use funding, subject to approval by CMS. West Virginia received $199 million for 2026 and about $500 million for the life of the program. According to the Governor, this represented one of the highest per capita awards in the region. The original stated goals included expanding access through both in-person and digital or virtual medicine, investing in attracting medical talent while retaining workers already in state, improving transportation access for patients, and developing a slate of prevention programs to help rising generations not have to contend with chronic disease.

Last week, he shared that he was "focusing on the fundamentals" of key state issues. He shared his list of health care priorities currently, saying "We need to make sure we're bringing healthcare closer to patients. So that means more telehealth, it's investing in technology, and it means mobile healthcare clinics as well. One of the announcements we made this week is going to enable a number of counties to have better access to mobile healthcare. Other announcements allowed us to invest heavily in telehealth."

West Virginia's blueprint focused on linkage between health care problems bedeviling the state and also the social and economic impacts. Federal government missteps in creating a nutrition chart that encouraged the eating of carbohydrates and also initially seeing powerful new narcotic medicines in the 1990s as not addictive when they were helped to fuel serious chronic health care problems for decades after. West Virginia has higher than average rates of chronic drug

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addiction, diabetes, heart disease, and related health issues. Governor Morrisey's program focused on mitigation of current challenges while putting a focus on prevention.

Said Governor Morrisey, "It's an opportunity of a lifetime for West Virginia, because it's the first effort we've ever seen that tries to engage in prevention. and attack the root causes of problems before they exist and take people out of the workforce."

The Federal Reserve Economic Data (or FRED) shares that labor force participation has seen the rates struggle over the decades. The late 1970s saw it dip to a little higher than 51 percent, rising by 1990 to almost 56 percent. That slowly dropped by January 2017 to 53 percent with a nadir in April 2020 of 52.7. It has bounced between 53 and 55.5 percent since then. The Mountain State has the lowest percentage while Nebraska has nearly 70 percent of eligible people working.

Chronic health problems related to low rates of workforce participation thus represent a long term issue that the State has struggled to address for decades.

Getting that participation rate up, according to the Governor, represents the goal of a healthier workforce. The idea lies in getting the body and mind healthy, then the individual will be able to focus on improving his or her condition in other ways. "To me, that's the essence of rural health transformation," he said, "because we need to get more people in the workforce. We need to get people healthier. This is a great opportunity to do that. So what does that mean practically? It means that we're trying to make sure that there's strong access, healthcare, for people in the communities, access to nurses, access to hospitals, access to physicians.. We need to make sure we're bringing healthcare closer to patients. So that means more telehealth, it's investing in technology, and it means mobile healthcare clinics as well."

Improvement in workforce participation also translates to easier attraction of investment that brings jobs and tax revenue to the state. Some of the areas that have seen the least progress in economic development unfortunately sometimes also have the highest levels of chronic health issues.

West Virginia University has seen great success in sending mobile testing units for breast and lung cancer into rural areas and the rural health transformation will build on that, plus expand opportunities for telehealth as well.

Laws, however, may serve as a barrier to expansion of telehealth in some fields. For example, West Virginia requires that to offer telehealth services in optometry, a doctor must be physically present in addition to the provider online. This creates barriers because many communities struggle to attract the services of such professionals. Even Keyser, the second largest city in the Eastern Panhandle with about 10,000 people living in town and nearby, saw one of its main eye clinics shut down services for months because it had no eye doctor on site.

Better access to medicine through advanced technology makes getting to the doctor less of a challenge for rural residents. Those who keep up with regular visits tend to have fewer chronic health problems, but transportation for many remains a struggle. Bringing medicine as close to people as possible reduces barriers.

"All of it does tie together, good economics are tied inextricably with better healthcare outcomes," shared Governor Morrisey.

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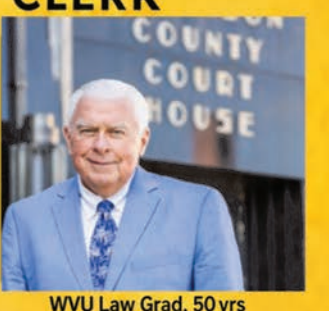
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