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Lincoln Girls Cross Country Team Wins State Title

By Leigh C. Merrifield



Pictured here aboard the firetruck proudly displaying their trophy are members of Lincoln's Girls Cross Country team who returned home as Class AA State Champions. Team members included Raley Cochran, Samantha Fitch, Kennedy Linville, Annaleigh Pierce, Savannah Harris, Catherine Hannah, Adalynn Milnes, and Matty Drainer.

It was truly a Happy Halloween for Lincoln High School's Girls Cross Country Team! Both Lincoln's boys' AND girls' Cross Country teams qualified and participated in the state championship that was held at Cabell Midland High School in Ona, WV on October 31st. It was also the second year in a row that both LHS teams qualified, and the first time in school history that the full team qualified.

Making the day even more special, Lincoln's Cross Country Head Coach Kevin Nuzum was also named 2025-26 Boys Cross Country Coach of the Year!

Nuzum stated, "Typically, State title holders are from much larger schools, so I am beyond delighted that our program is being recognized throughout the state! They are a great group of students, and I consider it a privilege to work with them. While I was honored to be named Coach of the Year, for me, it was even more thrilling that our team won, and our school was acknowledged."

Head Coach Kevin Nuzum and Assistant Coach Jeremy Cochran are thankful to the community for supporting their teams. While many Lincoln sports teams have done very well, it is only the LHS cheerleaders who have ever garnered a State Championship.

The coaches praise the participants who really put their heart in their training, They will be sad to lose a few team members next year because they will be graduating.

Nuzum added, "They utilize the park and the Rail Trail to train and they work hard. I have three rules I stress – that they stay healthy, stay focused and stay together. They are a close-knit group and more like a family."

When the girls' team returned home, the Shinnston Volunteer Fire Department escorted the girls through town and to the City Park where they were greeted by family members and well-wishers.

Nuzum also noted that a few of the boys and several girls placed well overall, which he said was a "big deal" as well. CONGRATULATIONS to all!

Thomas Retains Commission Seat And Levies Pass in General Election Vote



Harrison County Commission President Susan Thomas earned reelection in last weeks polling.

By Stephen Smoot

One of the biggest races on the ballot for Harrison County was the local race between County Commission President Susan Thomas and challenger Martin Howe. Commission President Thomas has steered the elected body through a number of stormy sessions and controversial issues. Voters rewarded her leadership with a 9,455 to 8.035 win.

In a Facebook post, she stated "thank you to my friends, family, supporters, and the voters of Harrison County for your support."

A little less than 18,000 of 43,835 cast ballots for this general election.

The top of the ticker was the United States Senate race, which saw Shelley Moore Capito best Rachel Fetty Anderson and S. Marshall Wilson from the Constitution Party. She had 10,297 votes to Anderson's 6,842 and Wilson's 532.

Riley Moore held the cards in the contest against Ace Parsi, earning 10,385 to Parsi's 7.022.

Ben Queen earned 10,379 votes in Harrison County towards his 12th District State Senate win against Lynette Murray's 7,085. He got a total of 16,822 to her 10,087.

Danny Hamrick kept his House of Delegates seat in the 69th District with a 2,971 to 1,729 win over Jocelyn Blackwell. In the 70th District, Shannon Welsh defeated Paul J. Howe 2,258 to 1,631, the sole Democrat to outperform a Republican in Harrison County legislative tallies. Tim McNeely edged Robert Garcia for the 71st District. Clay Riley won an unopposed race.

Steve Johnson defeated Doug Cornelius to win the unexpired term of the Circuit Clerk, 9,476 to 7,934.

The Historical Preservation Levy won 9,961 to 7,247 and the Community Services Levy also passed 12,228 to 4,658

Amendment One to prevent non citizens voting in elections in West Virginia passed resoundingly 12,315 to 3,057, one of the few points of bipartisanship seen on the state ballot.



The Best Economic Development Project May Already Be Here



By JIM HUNT

Building Amazing Cities

For the Harrison County Journal

During my years in local government, I participated in countless conversations about economic development. We talked about attracting companies, creating jobs, filling vacant buildings and giving people reasons to invest in our community.

Those are worthwhile conversations. But sometimes, while looking down the highway for the next opportunity, we overlook the person down the street who is already building something.

Lately, I have been thinking about that as I follow the work of a young Clarksburg entrepreneur, Maya Gentilozzi.

Maya owns Washington Square Pizzeria and Lounge and has developed Maya's on Main, an event venue in downtown Clarksburg. What has caught my attention is both what she is creating and her willingness to share the challenges of

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Space X President Donating Two Million Shares of Stock to Trump Accounts In Low Income Areas

By Stephen Smoot

This year saw the establishment of a policy of President Donald Trump to establish special savings accounts for qualifying American children. Each account is in the care of parents or guardians until the child turns 18. Up to $5,000 can be contributed towards its growth tax free.

Account holders can use it to establish themselves in adulthood after leaving home, pay for schooling, or hold onto the funds until retirement. Projections based on historical market performance indicate

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OPINION

The Last Decades of the Roman Republic

By Stephen Smoot

"There were many parallels between the history of Rome and the history of America." wrote Robert C. Byrd, United States Senator and historian of both the Roman and American Senate.

That fact both encouraged and worried the Founding Fathers of the United States. They appreciated the Roman Republic's rule of law and commercial freedoms, but feared that the Republic - "if you can keep it" Benjamin Franklin famously noted - would end in the same trials and tribulations as that of the Roman.

And that fear may be coming to pass.

Much of the history of the Roman Republic took place with its leadership coming from a mix of urban and pastoral settings. One of its greatest figures was Cincinnatus who in the early years was called upon to serve as "dictator" during a time of invasion and national emergency. The patrician tilled a simple four-acre farm in his normal life.

Roman dictators served instead of ruled. They had temporary authority, not unlike Israel's Judges from the Bible, until the emergency ended. When he steered Rome through the crisis in just 15 days, the people wanted him to stay on. Cincinnatus stated he was "returning to his plow" and left behind fame, wealth, and power to till the land again.

Just as Cincinnatus served as a beacon of virtue for Romans over the centuries, so did the American who valued his example most, George Washington. Washington evoked Cincinnatus repeatedly in life, preventing a military coup in the early 1780s with an appeal to unpaid Continental Army soldiers to give the new government and peace a chance.

The simple values of great men illuminated the characters of their countrymen for a time, until the wisdom of both was submerged in cultures less dedicated to virtue.

Between the Second and Third Punic Wars, Rome's Republic entered a period that, as it turns out, prefaced the ruin of the relatively free society it enjoyed. Carthaginian invasions of Italy in the Second Punic War (218 to 201 BC) disrupted the farming economy of the Italian peninsula. Displaced peoples gravitated to the cities.

Roman authorities addressed the growing population of refugees with public housing and food distribution. This helped in the short term, but pulled more people out of the countryside where they could in some ways provide for their needs. They came into cities where there was no land or space to take care of one's own in the traditional ways.

Urbanization also created a population of "Novo Homos" or new men. They placed material gain and opulent lifestyles over virtue.

By the last third of the 100s BC, the urban population of Rome was starting to reject the values and virtues of its founders.

Senator Byrd wrote "The century that began with the year 133 B.C. has often been referred to as the Roman Revolution." He described it as "an era of increasingly

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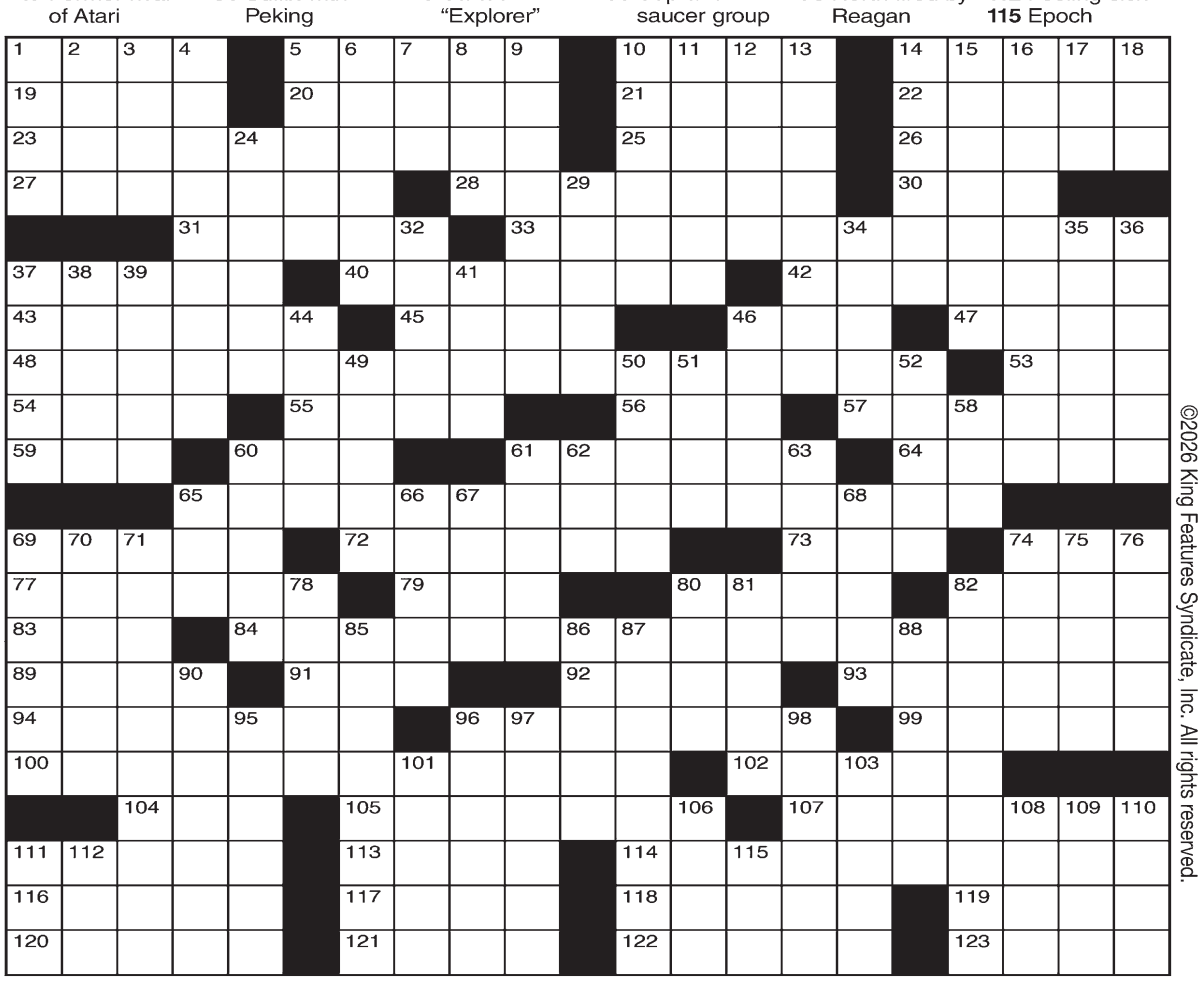
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5 Rush
10 Corp. money overseers
14 Whacks
19 Skin soother
20 Longtime Yankees manager Joe
21 Plentiful
22 Painter Rousseau
23 Mil. officer in "Beetle Bailey"
25 Tennis' Lendl
26 Potato sieve of a sort
27 Attach with glue
28 Captive's cry
30 Cry of disgust
31 Indian money
33 Old theatrical illusion making objects seem to materialize
37 Script studier
40 What "top" is to "bottom"
42 "I'm not lying!"
43 "Hah, I win!"
45 Legal wrong
46 Old sporty Pontiac
47 Former rival of Atari
48 1962 Western with Kirk Douglas, Gena Rowlands and Walter Matthau
53 Govt. lawyers
54 Scraped (out)
55 Female bleaters
56 Bovine call
57 Kingdom
59 Scarlet, e.g.
60 Viral gene material
61 Ho Chi Minh City, formerly
64 Iowa senator Joni
65 Certain inner lettuce leaves
69 Hazard
72 Explodes
73 Pea protector
74 Trinity part
77 Newborn's bodysuit
79 Texter's "I think ..."
80 Rounded hammer end
82 Bruins' sch.
83 Lupino of film
84 Instructors at golf resorts, often
89 Mardi Gras city, in brief
91 Suffix with Peking
92 Clears, as profit
93 Vigorless condition
94 Chicago newspaper
96 Evening wingdings
99 Force out
100 Leader of a marching musical group
102 The second "S" of SST
104 Boston fish
105 Title for Walter Scott
107 Be an arbiter
111 Rain forest, desert or wetland
113 2004 Chevy debut
114 Group associated with six key starting words in this puzzle
116 Fudd who bugs Bugs
117 Caulk, e.g.
118 Lop- — rabbit
119 Coup d'—
120 Valleys
121 J.D. Salinger title girl
122 Logbook, e.g.
123 Cartoon "Explorer"

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2 Gymnast Korbut
3 A ton
4 Totally ruined
5 Crouch down
6 Pupil coverer
7 Mork's planet
8 Pitcher Hershiser
9 Relocate instantly, in sci-fi
10 Having small ridges, as a piecrust
11 "1700 hours"
12 Old enough to vote, say
13 Madrid miss
14 Says "So what?" with the shoulders
15 Bodybuilders lift them
16 Firmly supported by
17 Uno + due
18 Title for Walter Scott
24 Of the brain and spinal cord
29 "0.1" portion
32 — nous
34 Kitchen range
35 Sweeteners
36 Cup-and-saucer group
37 More skillful
38 "You Send Me" singer Sam
39 Quieted (down)
41 "Piggies"
44 "Laughing" mammal
46 "I do" sayer
49 In the know
50 Islamic chiefs
51 Acronym for a twofer sale
52 Edit
58 Lead-in to nuptial
60 Saintly article
61 Abnormally deep sleep
62 Rear, at sea
63 Neck backs
65 That boy's
66 Clan
67 Drainage pit
68 Ancient Greek region
69 Destination of a trip, generically
70 "Bewitched" witch
71 Wages measured in terms of actual purchasing power
74 Scallywag
75 North fired by Reagan
76 Schnozz-related
78 Kate Nelligan title role
80 Tennis' Sampras
81 Twisty letters
82 Lacking enthusiasm
85 Software clientele
86 Shallot cousin
87 Hunted for and found, with "out"
88 Central New York lake
90 Body's midsection
95 Cow's milk sources
96 Haunted house sound
97 "The Lion in Winter" co-star
98 Very serious
101 Roof edges
103 Indigent
106 Bangkok native
108 Choir voice
109 Put a rip in
110 This, in Baja
111 Beseech
112 Feeling sick
115 Epoch



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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.

Nov. 11, 1922: Jane Taylor Cox George was born in Possum Hollow, Roane County. As a 4-H leader, she introduced young people to traditional crafts and dance in Kanawha, Putnam, Mercer, Monroe, and Roane counties, helped oversee the first Mountain State Art & Craft Fair in 1963, and was a longtime contributor to the Vandalia Gathering and other festivals.

Nov. 11, 1929: The Memorial Arch was dedicated on Armistice Day in Huntington. The Memorial Arch stands at the intersection of 11th Avenue and Memorial Boulevard. The arch pays tribute to Cabell County soldiers who fought in World War I.

Nov. 12, 1844: Henry Schmulbach was born in Germany and moved to Wheeling with his family as a child. In Wheeling, he formed one of the state's largest breweries and served as president of the German Bank, now WesBanco. He also built Mozart Park and the Schmulbach Building.

Nov. 13, 1853: The first recorded baptism occurred at St. John's Chapel in Monroe County. The building still stands, making it one of the oldest Catholic churches in the state.

Nov. 13, 1879: Educator Elsie Clapp was born. Under her direction, the community school at Arthurdale, Preston County, stressed education for real-life situations and revived traditional music to strengthen reading and writing skills.

Nov. 13, 1911: Old-time fiddler Woody Simmons was born south of Huttsonville, Randolph County. He perhaps won more fiddle contests than anyone in West Virginia history, not even counting his blue ribbon in the "over-60" banjo competition at the 2003 Vandalia Gathering, at age 91.

Nov. 13, 1923: When appointed by President Lyndon Johnson in March 1964, attorney Virginia Rae Brown of Putnam County became the first woman to serve on the Interstate Commerce Commission.

Nov. 13, 1944: During World War II, Junior J. Spurrier of Bluefield nearly singlehandedly captured Achain, France, from the Germans. His actions earned him the Medal of Honor.

Nov. 14, 1788: Kanawha County, named for the Kanawha River which flows through it, was created.

Nov. 14, 1814: Statehood leader Gordon Battelle was born in Ohio. Serving as the minister of a Wheeling church in the early 1860s, he helped make public education free in the new state but failed in his efforts to abolish slavery. He also served as chaplain to the First West Virginia Infantry before dying of typhoid fever in 1862.

Nov. 14, 1939: The Charleston Civic Orchestra gave its first concert at the Municipal Auditorium. The group changed its name to Charleston Symphony Orchestra in 1943 and in 1988 became the West Virginia Symphony Orchestra.

Nov. 14: 1970: A chartered plane slammed into a hillside just short of Huntington's Tri-State Airport near Ceredo, killing all 75 of the passengers and crew. The victims included nearly the entire Marshall University football team, all but one of their coaches and a number of fans.

Nov. 15, 2010: The landmark Aracoma Hotel in Logan was damaged by fire. It was demolished later that year.

Nov. 16, 1734: Samuel Washington was born at Pope's Creek, Va. In 1770, Samuel, a younger brother of George Washington, moved to present Jefferson County, becoming the first of many Washington family members to live in what is now West Virginia's Eastern Panhandle.

Nov. 16, 1823: Politician and industrialist Henry Gassaway Davis, known in the early 20th century as West Virginia's "Grand Old Man," was born in Baltimore, Md. In 1904, he was the Democratic Party's vice presidential candidate.

Nov. 17, 1927: Composer and performer Robert Drasnin was born in Charleston. He performed with classic combos and big bands such as Tommy Dorsey and Les Brown, and scored music for movies and television.

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Ruthan Allen Clark

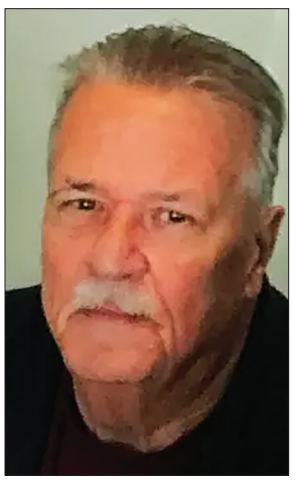
Ruthan Allen Clark, 87, of Hepzibah, passed away on Sunday, November 12, 2026, at her residence. She was born in Brown, WV, November 12, 2026, a daughter of the late Ralph E. and Genova Glory Currey Allen.

She is survived by her husband, Walter W. Clark, Jr., whom she married June 2, 2001; two children, Debbie Flanigan, Sun Valley, Gloria Flanigan, Yulee, FL; two step children, Tracy Clark Alfred and her husband Casey, Jane Lew, and Mike Clark and his wife Kelly, Hepzibah; a daughter-in-law, Linda Hall, Charleston; grandchildren: Kaylee Kirkpatrick, Tori Vankirk-Hochstetler, McKinley Clark, Brookelyn Clark, Manning Clark, Amy Neuenschwander, Michelle Kirkland, Julie Steinhagen, Joseph Alfred-Rubio; and several great grandchildren.

Ruthan was also preceded in death by her twin sister, Rubyan Allen Browning and her husband Bob, and a stepson, Dr. Rodney Hall.

Ruthan was a volunteer with UHC Auxiliary for many years and served as a past president. She was a member of the Hepzibah Baptist Church and was also a past president of the American Baptist Women. She loved to play on her computer. She will be sadly missed.

The family will receive friends at the Perine Funeral Home, 1348 S. Pike St., Shinnston, from 11am until the time of the funeral service at 1pm, Thursday, November 12, with Pastor Fred Hawkins officiating. Interment will be in the Shinnston Memorial Cemetery. Condolences may be extended to the family at www.perinefunerals.com. The Perine Funeral Home is honored to serve the Clark family.



David Lee Closson

David Lee Closson, 71, of Swisher Hill Community, passed away on Saturday, November 7, 2026 at his home with his family by his side. He was born June 27, 1955 in Fairmont, a son of the late Leroy Junior and Edith Rae Fetty Closson.

He is survived by his loving wife of 49 years, Pamela Sue Christian Closson, whom he married on August 19, 1977.

David is also survived by his children, Patricia Spurr and her husband Steve of Swisher Hill; and Brian Closson of Monongah; his beloved grandchildren, Kynlee and Carson Spurr; and Ashton and Colt Closson; his brother, John Closson of Monumental; his sisters-in-law, Cindy Closson; Linda Hinebaugh and her husband Tim; and Sherry Williams; his best-friend, John Holt of Boothsville; as well as several nieces and nephews.

In addition to his parents, David was preceded in death by his brother, Robert Closson; his sister, Joyce Closson; an infant brother, Jimmy Lee Closson; and his brothers-in-law, Tim Bowers and Dennis Williams.

David was employed in sales at Mosebach and later retired from State Electric. He was very active in youth sports. He coached Little League and Senior League at Monongah, as well as youth basketball. He loved farming and spending time with his family, especially his grandchildren. For several years, he and Pam attended Everson Baptist Church. They later became members of Jewel City Church where David enjoyed attending the Men's Meetings. David also loved to read his Bible and follow the word of God.

Friends will be received at Perine Funeral Home, 1348 S. Pike St. Shinnston, on Tuesday from 4-8pm. A funeral service will be held at the funeral home on Wednesday, November 11th, at 1:00pm with Pastor Robert Shingleton officiating. In keeping with David's wishes, cremation will follow the service. Online memories and condolences can be shared with the family at www.perinefunerals.com

The Perine Funeral Home is honored to serve the Closson family.



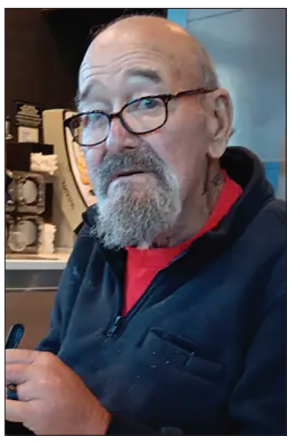
Mary Lou Garrett

Mary Lou Garrett, 82, of Enterprise, passed away on Sunday, November 8, 2026 at her residence. She was born in Clarksburg, February 1, 1944, a daughter of the late Paul Arlis and Edna Irene Bice Jett. She was also preceded in death by her husband, Willard Thomas "Tom" Garrett, whom she married March 12, 1960; one brother, Harvey Leonard Jett and his wife Mary Ella, his son-in-law, Tim Burnell, and a brother-in-law, Kenneth West.

Surviving are three children: Brent Edward Garrett and his wife Tara Knutson Garrett, Morgantown, Jeannette Irene Shadley and her husband Melvin, Enterprise, Cindy Stewart and her husband Kurt, Enterprise; six grandchildren, Kory Michael Garrett and his wife Taylor, Montana Paige Garrett, Logan Alexander Boyle and his wife Heidi, Nicole Irene Burnell-Aldridge and her husband Jon, Heather Marie Stewart-Tichnell and husband Sean, T.J. Stewart and his wife Kelsie; great grandchildren: Nico Aldridge, Alistair Stewart, Thaddeus Stewart, Remi Garrett, Magdalyn Garrett, Baby Boy Garrett, J.T. Savage, Adrien Savage, and Scarlett Forte; and one sister Monna West, Enterprise.

Mary Lou was a homemaker and a member of Family Life Fellowship Church in Enterprise and the Spelter Senior Citizens. She enjoyed spending time with her grandchildren and great grandchildren.

The family will receive friends at the Perine Funeral Home, 1348 S. Pike St., Shinnston, from 2-8pm, Thursday where funeral services will be held at 11am, Friday, November 13th with Pastor Aaron Thomas officiating. Interment will be in the Shinnston Memorial Cemetery. Condolences may be extended to the family at www.perinefunerals.com. The Perine Funeral Home is honored to serve the Garrett family.



Billy Edward (Wild man) Nichols

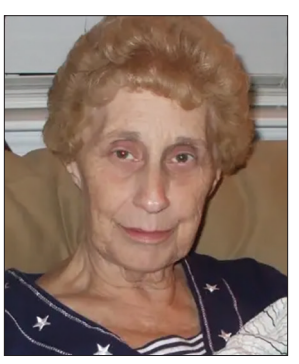
Billy Edward (Wild man) Nichols, 80, of Owings passed away on Sunday, November 1, 2026 at United Hospital Center following an extensive medical history. He was born July 26, 1946 at Willard, near Shinnston, a son of the late George Edward and Bonnie J. Baldwin Nichols. Also deceased is his daughter, Tina Marie McCormick, who died June of 2024.

He is survived by his wife, Rebecca Nichols, his son, Virgil Edward Nichols and wife Mary Kay, Clarksburg and their daughter, Twila Dawn Wilson (Mike), Tina's son Zachary Miller, TN, Step-Daughters, Chicketha Talkington (Jamie), her sons Dakota Talkington (Maria) and Levi Talkington, and Becky Ann Wade (Christopher) and her children, Christopher Wade (Taylor), Nicholas Wade (Heather), Cameron Wade (Partner Analee) and Breanna Nice (Caleb); 10 great-grandchildren.

Billy was a member of Sons of American Legion, Shinnston. He loved riding his motorcycle, going to Nascar races, and going to Franklin with his fishing buddies. He also enjoyed hunting and processing deer meat.

At the family's request, he will be Cremated.

A service of Harmer Funeral Home, Shinnston.



Edna Rose Payne

Edna Rose Payne, 85, of Mannington, Hilltop Community, passed away on Friday, November 6, 2026 at her residence. She was born in Marion County, February 7, 1941, a daughter of the late Clarence Edward and Thelma Onicka Wadsworth Deavers. She was preceded in death by her husband, Earnest Carl Payne; two children, Carl Alan Payne, of Mannington, and Kimberly Ann Legette, of South Carolina; and one brother, Harold Deavers, Mannington.

Surviving are one daughter, Kathy "Kat" Headrick, Mannington; five grandchildren, Connor Headrick, Caitlynn Headrick, both of Mannington, Aaron Headrick, Bridgeport, Trista Haynes and her husband John, and Krista Driggers and her husband Darren, all of SC; great grandchildren, Sullivan, Sawyer, and Saylor Driggers, and Rhett and Colton Haynes, all of SC; her son-in-law, Tim Legette, SC; a sister-in-law, Charlotte Payne, and several nieces and nephews.

Edna was employed as a CNA at St. Barbara's Nursing Home in Monongah for 15 years. She was a respected member of the Wyatt Fellowship Church and the Shinnston Rebekah Lodge #47. She enjoyed watching her soap operas, listening to Christian music, and was the best potato salad maker. She was a loving wife, mother, grandmother and great grandmother who enjoyed spending time with all of her grandchildren and had a special bond with her best friend Connor. Edna was the glue that held her family together and meant everything to them. She will be deeply missed.

The family will receive friends at the Perine Funeral Home, 1348 S. Pike St., Shinnston, from 11am until the time of the funeral service at 1pm, Tuesday, November 10, with Pastor Roy Clark officiating. Interment will be in the Mannington Memorial Park Cemetery. Condolences may be extended to the family at www.perinefunerals.com. The Perine Funeral Home is honored to serve the Payne family.

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Championships and Narrow Losses



The Bottom Line
By Bill Nestor
Sports Editor

Achieving a season-long goal is the ultimate satisfaction in team sports and Lincoln's cross country team accomplished that feat. The Cougars won the Class AA championship held at Cabell Midland High School.

Head coach Kevin Nuzum and his team made news garnering the first title in program history. Nuzum, a top-notch coach and an even better person, was recognized as the 2025-2026 National Coach of the Year.

Three runners earned first team all-state accolades. Raley Cochran was the state runner up for a second consecutive year. Adalynn Milnes was a third place finisher just 20 seconds behind Cochran. Samantha Fitch finished in eighth place, rounding out the first team selections.

Kennedy Linville narrowly missed the top 10, claiming 11th place, which landed her on the second team. Matty Drainer, Savannah Harris, and Catherine Hannah were all key contributors to this year's championship team.

This past week, the Lincoln girl's soccer team was busy competing for a state title at the Carter Family Foundation Center in Beckley. The Cougars claimed an impressive three to one victory over Sissonville earlier in the week that sent them to the finals. Lincoln scored first against the "Ville" when Gabrielle Milnes battled through a pack of players to find the net, giving her squad the advantage.

Sissonville would tie it up with a header about 20 minutes later. The two teams would battle until just under three minutes remaining in the half.

A free kick for the Cougars resulted in a goal when Eryn Ashcraft passed to Brystol Toth. Toth sent the ball over the goal tender into the net for a two to one halftime lead. Ashcraft, the school's all-time leading scorer, added a second half goal for insurance. The triumph propelled Lincoln into the championship game for a rematch with Wheeling Central Catholic for the title.

Last year, the Maroon Knights defeated the Cougars three to one to garner the title. Wheeling Central Catholic would score first early in the contest and then once again later in the affair to take a two to nothing win.

The Cougars would have a few scoring chances, but the Maroon Knight defense played well throughout the contest. Lincoln had an impressive season ending with a 19 and four record.

On the boys side, Bridgeport claimed the Class AAA soccer championship this past weekend. In a repeat of the state title game from a year ago, the Indians locked up with Nitro in Beckley. The result was the same and the Tribe has now won back-to-back championships.

The Wildcats would score first, but after that the Indians would go on the attack. Bridgeport would score three straight goals to roll to a three to one victory. Riel Figueroa had a pair of goals for the Indians while Grayson Church scored the game-winner. Bridgeport ended the campaign with an undefeated 22 - 0 - 2 mark.

The best way to describe West Virginia's loss to Texas Tech last Saturday evening was frustrating. A roller coaster contest that saw the Mountaineers outscore the Red Raiders 21 to nothing in the third quarter take a 48 to 41 lead in the contest going into the final frame. That is when the wheels came off of the Mountaineer offense that limped to the finish, failing to put a point on the board in the final period.

There were multiple opportunities, but with every one came an even bigger disappointment. The upset was there for the taking, but WVU just couldn't grab it.

It was an excellent effort for sure, but Rich Rod will be the first to tell you that there are no moral victories in college football. If WVU had pulled it off, it would have meant a great deal to the program. This one stung, but it's time to move on.

That will do it for now! Until next week . . . 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 Lincoln's girls cross country team and Bridgeport's boys soccer team. These teams earned the championship in their respective sports.

The Cougars girls cross country team was led by a trio of runners, Raley Cochran, Adalyn Milnes, and Samantha Fitch all earned first team all state accolades while helping the team to the title.

The Indians boys' soccer team won a second consecutive championship. Leading the way were a pair of standouts. Riel Figueroa and Grayson Church. Figueroa had a pair of goals in the title game and Church scored the game winner. Congratulations to Lincoln's girls' cross country and Bridgeport's boys' soccer for shining bright in the SN and HCJ spotlight!

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W. Va Atty. Gen. McCluskey Takes Aim At "Harmful" Snapchat and TikTok

By Stephen Smoot

This week, West Virginia Attorney General J. B. McCluskey fired off two major suits on behalf of the State against global social media giants TikTok and Snapchat.

The first announcement came in a release on the case alleging that "TikTok created a platform that puts West Virginia kids at risk by encouraging continuous use, targeting younger users with its recommendation systems that select what content children see, and failing to disclose safety gaps to parents and caregivers."

Part of the impetus for the case came when the Consumer Protection Division of the Attorney General's Office tested the differing results between those provided for an adult and one provided for a 13-year old girl. As the release stated " the testing identified notable differences in the content delivered to each account." It went on to add that "the child's account repeatedly received sexually suggestive content while the adult account largely received content focused on ordinary interests like home improvement and local restaurants."

The Attorney General stated in the release that "West Virginia parents should not have to compete with an algorithm built to keep their kids scrolling while targeting them with sexualized content."

In an interview, he added that "children in this country are addicted to social media in a way that I don't think anybody could have possibly predicted." He went on to explain that previous suits through the discovery process have revealed "a multitude of documents . . . that give us . . . a real strong indication that the same things are happening."

"Parents expect that if their children are using a product, that their product will be delivering safe things to them," said Attorney General McCluskey, who went on to relate that the social media outlet lacks protections "to ensure that when young people are using it that they're getting contact that is appropriate for young people."

The Red China-owned app is suspected of working closely with that country's military and intelligence services. The British Left-leaning outlet The Guardian in recent years accused TikTok of creating "a mass collection of personal and biometric data from American citizens and their race to develop weapons that could one day directly assault or disable human minds." NATO Act Innovation Hub official Francois du Cluzel shared that "the Chinese People's Liberation Army (PLA) is investing heavily in cognitive domain operations, including AI research in brain-inspired software, hardware, and decision-making." It does this by "shaping the beliefs and preferences of its vast user base while collecting data and developing psychogenic profiles of its users."

Possible proof of its effectiveness could lie in a surge of violent antisemitism in the United States, a nation that has rarely known it prior to recent years.

The European Union just this week specifically targeted the "For You" feature of TikTok, sharing that "the platform failed to assess how its recommendation systems could lead people into 'rabbit holes' that threaten their well-being." Examples include steering children towards clips of weight loss and mental health struggles that provide negative reinforcement in those areas.

See "TikTok" Pg 6



Super Crossword

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HCSCC SPOTLIGHT

Featuring news from the Harrison County Senior Citizen Center

Please Note: *HCSC will be closed on Thursday & Friday, November 26 & 27, 2026, for the Thanksgiving Holiday.*

HCSC Board of Directors News

The HCSC Board of Directors met on Thursday, October 22, 2026, at 9:30 a.m., in the boardroom, in person and via Zoom. The HCSC Board Actions were as follows:

- Approved and adopted the FY27 Budget.
- Adopted the 2027 HCSC Board meeting schedule.

The next board meeting will be held on Thursday, January 28, 2027, at 9:30 a.m., in the boardroom, in person and via Zoom. Additional approved 2027 board dates are as follows: March 25, April 22, June 27, September 23 and October 28.

2026 Board Officers & Members

Bill O'Field, President, Bill Phillips, Vice President, Donna Stuart, Secretary, Don Burton, Treasurer, Carol E. Brown, Franklin Hairston, E. Ryan Kennedy, Susan Thomas, and Betty Waddy.

HCSC Membership

HCSC Membership Term is October 1 to September 30 each year. HCSC Membership is $10 yearly and open to those age 50+ (prorated for new members). Activities and services available include fitness room, exercise group, Tai Chi classes, Bingocize classes, Drums Alive classes, Line Dance group, Ceramics classes, Bingo Fun Club, Senior Olympics Practice class, daily cards and game playing in the café, puzzle & TV room, computer use, transportation, food box programs, in home caregiving programs, socialization, and Kinley Café food service. The center is open M – F, 8 AM – 4 PM.

HCSC Golden Angel Submissions Due by November 13

HCSC In-Home Department will end taking information and participant names for the Golden Angel Program on November 13 in order to prepare the list of Angels for selection by community members. HCSC started the Golden Angel Program for our local low-income seniors, with limited family support, that would benefit from some Christmas presents. Submitters are asked to provide the senior's gender, age, address, phone number and specifics about the items requested (brand, size, color, etc.). Information for the delivery person is also requested.

Please submit the name and information for a senior to be included on the Golden Angel Program by FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2026. You can call Crystal at 304.623.6795, Ext. 209, at any time. If she is not at her desk or if it is after hours, please leave a message indicating it is about the Golden Angel Program.

Organizations and individuals wishing to adopt and shop for a Golden Angel or Angels please call Crystal as soon as possible at 304.623.6795, Ext 209, and advise her of your intent and the number of angels requested. Angels will be available for adoption by Tuesday, November 17, 2026. A book with the lists will be available at the front desk until all are adopted out. The list will also be posted as a Google document, and a link will be provided on our website and Facebook page with instructions. Gifts for all adopted angels are due to the senior center no later than Friday, December 11, 2026, this will allow time for volunteers to deliver the gifts to the recipients.



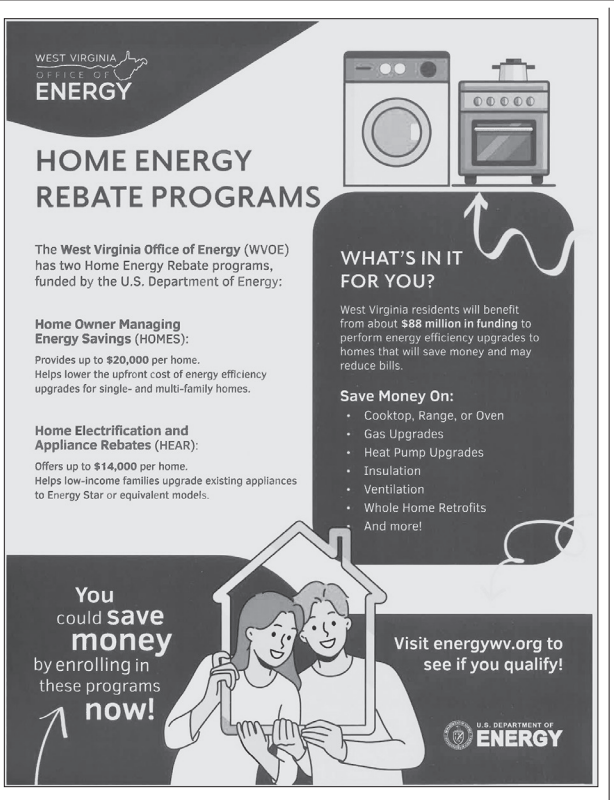
HCSC participates in IC Parish Nurse Health Fair

On October 31, 2026, HCSC participated in the annual health fair held at the IC Parish Hall in Clarksburg. In addition to table information, the HCSC Line Dancers, Drums Alive classes, and Tai Chi classes gave demonstrations and encouraged attendee participation.



HCSC Celebrates Halloween with Costume Contest

HCSC seniors celebrated Halloween with a costume contest for the Wickedly Original, Frighteningly Funny, Most Bootiful, and Terrifically Terrifying. Donated door prizes were passed out to all in attendance.



WV Office of Energy to Be at Senior Center

On Wednesday, November 18, 2026, from 12 Noon to 3:00 PM, the WV Office of Energy will have several representatives available to take applications for the Home Energy Rebate Program. Visit our Facebook page (document links) or visit energywv.org, call 833-549-3833, or email them at wvoeinfo@wv.gov for more information.

HCSC Team for North Central Walk to End Alzheimer's Continues Fundraising

The NC Walk is still collecting donations through December 31, 2026 to meet this year's walk goal. Use the QR code (pictured) or go to the 2026 Walk to End Alzheimer's - North Central Walk to make a donation to benefit our area.

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Hope Scholarship Annual Report Shows High Parental Satisfaction

By Stephen Smoot

West Virginia State Treasurer Larry Pack late last month released the 2025-2026 Annual Report for the Hope Scholarship. This program helps parents choosing to pursue alternative forms of education receive funds to pay for that educational opportunity. "We wanted to be very transparent. We are trying to be as transparent as we can" noted the Treasurer in an interview. That came from the fact that "we get a lot of questions about Hope." The Annual Report reflected the intention to get as much detailed information into the 64 page document as possible.

In the introduction to the Annual Report, he penned that he "is a father of six children, I know firsthand that every child learns differently. There is no single educational setting or approach that will work best for every student."

He went on to explain "that is why the Hope Scholarship is so important. It gives parents greater flexibility to tailor an individualized learning experience for their child, whether that means attending a private or parochial school, participating in a microschool, learning from home, or pursuing another form of individualized education."

"For West Virginia to build a more prosperous future, education must remain a top priority. That means supporting innovation, listening to families, and recognizing that students can succeed in many different educational environments," Pack went on to state.

The Hope Scholarship supports educational programs for non traditional public school students. As the report states, "It's designed to allow parents and guardians to use the state portion of their child's education funding to tailor a learning experience that works best for their child."

Treasurer Pack noted that the public has some misconceptions about the program that have led to questions. He noted that "every time we have a new program, people are concerned about it." The Treasurer explained that such concerns are natural and often dispelled by accurate information. One issue lies in "a number of people who seem to think that we write a check to people." Unlike college grants and loans, recipients do not receive cash. Tuition is paid to the appropriate school and other educational expenses are purchased through an online portal.

Families receiving the funds spend on a variety of approved educational expenses via a portal. They are not distributed directly to the family. Any funds not spent roll over into the next school year if the student remains eligible. In this order, curriculum, non public school tuition, technology, and digital courses represented the top four qualifying expenses covered by Hope for scholarship recipients.

The Treasurer also explained that no public school funding is used to pay for Hope Scholarships. After a West Virginia State Supreme Court of Appeals decision, it was established in State case law that Hope funds could only come from the general fund. The misconception about Hope taking public school funds comes from the school aid funding formula and misconceptions about how it works.

While each student lost by a school system affects the student to staff or faculty ratio on which the state funds schools, that is a function of the aid formula itself, not of the Hope Scholarship.

Treasurer Pack has called also for the West Virginia State Legislature to address public school funding because of demographic trends over the past decades. "We have less children, less students. That's not a West Virginia issue. That's a national issue." Los Angeles, California and Fairfax County, Virginia lost thousands of students a piece in the past year. Populations across the industrialized world are falling due to declining birth rates. These are happening, essentially, because in industrialized nations



State Treasurer Larry Pack shared information about the progress of the Hope Scholarship while explaining some misconceptions.

children become economic costs instead of economic assets. Families used to have large numbers of children to help with chores, farming, or family business, which helped household units save or even generate money.

"Hope is not the reason for decline," he added, then stated that the State needs to put more into public schools because "we can give the public educational choice and still provide a top-notch public education."

The program has expanded significantly since its inception four years ago. Recipients numbered 2,333 in the first year and more than 14,000 coming into this year. The top three reasons for choosing Hope lay in teaching religious values, "concerns about public school curriculum", and greater flexibility in conducting their child's education. Others cited concerns about poor influences among other children or adults in the school system, smaller class sizes, peer bullying, and wanting to spend more time with one's own children, among other reasons for taking control of their child's education.

The Annual Report touted significant results in terms of parental feedback with the program. Approximately 96 percent reported satisfaction with Hope overall with just under 78 percent selecting "very satisfied." Said Treasurer Pack, "That feedback is important because the continued success of the Hope Scholarship should not simply be measured by how many students participate. It should also be measured by whether we are giving families the tools, resources, and support they need to make meaningful educational choices."

About 88 percent stated the portal was easy to use and just under 60 percent shared that requirements were "very clear" and not confusing. About 95 percent reported no trouble with compliance issues related to their local public school system.

Interestingly, a graph of which grades receive the most Hope funding looks like a descending staircase. Kindergarten has 2,130 participating students while 12th grade has approximately 10 percent of that number. The biggest dropoff in numbers appears between third and fourth grade. Fourth through seventh grades appear roughly even with declines starting again in eighth and continuing through the senior year. One can speculate that parents choosing Hope have strong concerns about early childhood education and influences, but have more trust that their children can navigate traditional settings in high school. Students reaching that age also likely push more for the traditional high school experience and socialization.

About 97 percent of students had their academic progress submitted properly and almost the same numbers achieved satisfactory progress. Backers of the program, however, will say that the importance of choice is best shared in the stories of kids using Hope.

The Treasurer noted that likely 15 percent, no more than 20 percent, of students will opt for non traditional education. Approximately 80 percent or more, he said "will always be in public schools."

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TikTok has settled similar cases in the United States already. Alabama's State Attorney General in September announced that the State will receive a minimum of $100 million and a maximum of $300 million depending upon the outlet meeting certain conditions. More importantly, and also the emphasis in the West Virginia case, TikTok "must implement a host of safety features designed to protect children using the platform." These would counter effects such as "addictive features (that) knowingly exposed young users to serious mental harms."

Attorney General McCluskey said "the number one objective in all of these suits is injunctive, which means to ensure that TikTok is providing a product in West Virginia that is safe, that complies with what the generalized norms would be of society, of what a safe product could be for children."

Late last week came the announcement that the Attorney General was also vigorously pursuing Snapchat.

The case comes in the wake of the tragic death of a 15-year old honors student at Nitro High School. The young man was targeted during school in a sextortion scheme by a predator posing as a female classmate. After being induced to share personal photographs, the predator then demanded $500. When the victim provided all he had, $30, the predator demanded $500 and encouraged him to end his life if he couldn't pay, which the student did. Over 120 messages in 20 minutes drove the promising young man to suicide.

Attorney General McCluskey alleges that Snap Inc "rushed the launch of its 'My AI' chatbot to children without adequate safety testing." It also "misled families about what the chatbot does with their private conversations and location."

Also in 2018, a British national preyed on a 12-year old Preston County girl. He tricked her into providing sexual material "and threatened to expose it unless she obeyed him."

An internal review by Snap in 2022 "acknowledged that grooming was prominent on the platform and that predators felt confident because Snap 'had not gone looking for them.'" Staff also stated that the platform was "accidentally addictive" but that they would find ways to monetize that." Also, the "My AI" feature was teaching teenagers how to hide the smell of alcohol and marijuana and was "offering tips" to a 12-year old on "making a first sexual encounter'romantic' for a user who said she was 12 and was planning to meet a 31-year old man."



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Food For Thought
By Leigh Currey Merrifield

Hit The Brake!

I believe I may have written before about how we operate in rush mode way too much and need to slow down! I did some research and will share with you why we should actually put our foot on the brake once in a while and permit ourselves to enjoy some down-time because it IS important!

Many people's lives are dictated by staying constantly busy. Even if we're not rushing, we still can't be busy ALL the time; we need some time to refresh ourselves. Whether it is a demanding job or family responsibilities or a number of awaiting household tasks, or even remaining digitally connected all the time, any and/or all of these can be truly unhealthy. It becomes stressful when there is simply not enough of us to go around. Sometimes it is necessary to put our foot on the brake, or better, yet, just throw the gear in park!

Look around you; probably many people you know are involved in a LOT of things, and whether they are volunteer projects or dictated responsibilities at home or in the workplace, something seems to take control of most of their time; they are busy and on the go constantly and this often becomes a way of life that will catch up with them. It is also a habit that is hard to break – at least until it breaks them down!

Here are a few things I learned from what I read:

*Downtime is NECESSARY for mental, emotional, and physical health. Constant busyness can lead to burnout, poor decision-making and strained relationships.

*Live in a state of perpetual activity and your body could likely suffer health issues.

*Free your mind and allow it to unwind; this can lead to better creativity and problem-solving and reduce impulsive choices.

*A brain on overload will have reduced concentration but some rest will allow it to reset and be more productive.

*Establish a calming night-time routine that will signal your brain to wind down before bedtime, and you'll fall asleep faster and remain asleep longer, without waking often to chew on things that irritate you.

*You'll find that allowing yourself to unplug every so often will help you reconnect with what really matters most!

*Set some boundaries so your work doesn't follow you home. Schedule your down-time like you would an important appointment!

*Allowing yourself some down-time is essential for a more balanced, fulfilling life.

I'm going to put this at the top of my list because I really need to flip my mental switch into the OFF position!!!!! I'm in the process of moving, and I have been sorting, planning, purging, etc. for weeks now. It has been stressful, and I kind of feel like a ticking time bomb most of the time. SO …. I'm going to take the advice that I'm sharing with YOU! I will be taking some time off to get moved and settled, and hopefully reset my mind and body! So I will be hitting my OFF button for a while, but I WILL be back!

Quote of the Week: *"I will be entering power-saver mode until further notice … and hopefully I'll return refreshed!" ~ Leigh Merrifield*

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"Space X"

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that these accounts would provide a significant retirement for most Americans if left untouched.

For qualifying in low income, or sparsely populated areas, the deal just got better courtesy of Space X President and Chief Operations Officer Gwynne Shotwell and her husband Robert. According to analysis performed on Grok, qualifying Harrison County zip codes are 26448 (Wallace), 26404 (Meadowbrook), 26369 (Hepzibah), 26323 (Anmoore), 26422 (Reynoldsville), 26366 (Haywood), and possibly others.

An initial gift of one share of stock a piece will go to 11 to 17-year olds living in zip codes with median family incomes of $57,000 or less. Importantly for much of West Virginia, donations will also take place for qualifying children living in zip codes with too few residents to calculate a median family income.

A second gift will go to eligible children in military families serving overseas, children in foster care, and children whose family income is $90,000 or less and also live in eligible Texas counties.

This comes 11 days after Elon Musk pledged to provide one share of Space X stock "to every kid in America." He explained that he is "giving shares directly to the public" through Trump Accounts because of the artificial intelligence generated "windfall" of profits that his companies have earned through their work. Distribution will start in 2027 and represents about $10.5 billion in company stock and 1.5 percent of Musk's personal stake in the company.

This, on a much larger scale, mimics the



Gwynne Shotwell and her husband donated shares of Space X stock to children in selected low income zip codes nationwide

sharing of ownership between the Green Bay Packers and residents of its home city.

Scott Bessent, United States Secretary of the Treasury, shared that Trump Accounts are meant to complement, not replace, Social Security. "if they have maintained their Trump Accounts into retirement age, then they will also have a substantial nest egg that they can grow upon for their retirement needs."

About 70 million children under the age of 18 with a valid Social Security number have had Trump Accounts established in their names.

"Smoot"

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bitter strife that erupted into bloody civil wars."

Those conflicts "brought about the end of the Roman Republic and replaced it with a disguised form of monarchy," noted Senator Byrd.

He passed over the origin of these troubles in his presentations, though. Rome gradually conceded political rights over the centuries to the plebeian class, which had started in the early Republic as second class citizens under the law. By the late 100s, one of those concessions was the creation of a new elected executive.

The Republic started with a dual chief executive called a consul. Two were elected as chief executives and only served for a year. No decision could be made without the consent of both and they focused on foreign affairs, defense, and interior administration.

The new political creation by the late 100s was the office of tribune, whose job was to represent the common people's voice. Again, two tribunes operated simultaneously and no measure could legally take place without the consent of both.

Interestingly, since the end of the property-based franchise in the United States, the presidency has evolved from a more consular office to a hybrid consul and tribunate. Presidents such as George Herbert Walker Bush and Calvin Coolidge leaned towards the model of consul. Andrew Jackson, both Roosevelts, John F. Kennedy, Bill Clinton, and Donald Trump in their own ways governed more as tribunes.

Tiberius Gracchus saw a legitimate problem when he earned election to the office of tribune in 133 BC. He was described by Appian of Alexandria as "an illustrious man, eager for glory, a most powerful speaker, and for these reasons (was) known to all."

Disruptions of the land economy led to small farmers unable to continue and those with means, both plebeian and patrician, buying up acreage and creating large-scale operations. An influx of slaves captured in successful wars led to Gracchus introduced a proposal for a law to place a cap on ownership of acreage, which was vetoed by his colleague Octavius.

Gracchus unconstitutionally deposed Octavius and passed the act into law. He then appointed himself, his brother Gaius, and his father-in-law as commissioners in authority. The final insult lay in pursuing a second term in office. The Roman Senate led a mob against him and his followers and killed them.

His brother Gaius Gracchus proposed even more radical measures. By then, two political parties had developed. The Optimates backed continuing the Republic's traditions of rule of law and abiding by its Constitution. The Populares, led by the Gracchi, argued that change should occur much faster than the Constitution allowed and that laws and that the balances of political power in the Republic should be bypassed, if needed.

Appian concluded of the death of Tiberius Gracchus that "he lost his life in consequence of a most excellent design, which, however, he pursued in too violent a manner."

His next statement bears examination. "This shocking affair, the first that was perpetrated in the public assembly, was seldom without parallels thereafter from time to time."

Urbanization had helped to set the stage for a breakdown of Roman social discipline and the emergence of violence as an accepted tool of politics. From the 120s BC through the installation of Augustus as in all but name the first Emperor of Rome in 63 BC, Rome saw authoritarian leaders on both sides come and go.

That included the statesman and traditionalist Cicero. He tried to reestablish the political norms of the Republic, but was pushed into extralegal executions to maintain order. He failed, obviously, despite the esteem with which most later held him in the West for his thoughtful writings on politics and life in general.

The Founding Fathers blamed political parties for killing the Roman Republic, but urbanization and a constant series of wars and crises undermined popular patience for the justice of rule of law.

Urbanization has also eroded the American system of values. As more moved into the city and families lost their ties to parents, siblings, then cousins, uncles, and aunts on the farm, they divorced themselves from the rural values that the body politic and the thriving economy were built on. People who live in US cities today have little understanding or knowledge of rural areas, but seek to extend their values and political authority over them.

When Rome succeeded as a Republic, it came via a system based on rule of law and a balance of viewpoints between city residents and rural farmers. When all of the authority, wealth, and power, gravitated to the cities, authority moved from legal to personal. Society grew lazy and impatiently blamed others for their own collective or individual failures.

Respect, discipline, and virtue faded, replaced by power allied with great wealth and endless individual ambition.

And the power of the state expanded accordingly.

America can save its Republic, which has moved into a danger zone of sorts in terms of mirroring Rome. It can do it, but it would require changes that no other country has dared make.

The United States federal government would have to mostly cease to exist outside of diplomacy, defense, and other issues that need to be national, such as those related to the Treasury or law enforcement across state lines. The federal government itself is the wellspring of American social consternation. Lawfare launched against Donald Trump in his interregnum led to a disintegration of society. Trump and his allies were right to fight back as they did against the illegal and unethical moves of their adversaries, but this has not led to national cohesion.

Removing federal powers back to the states would shift the loci of public tension from Washington to state capitals. There, people can and should have the ability to vote for the society they want. At this point, if Maryland wants to ban guns and West Virginia wants to hand out a free gun to every citizen, both states should be able to choose that pathway.

Using the Constitution to force unwanted policies from some states onto each other is destroying the nation.

The other fix would be a congressional act that invalidates the United States Supreme Court case that nationalized the federal Bill of Rights. That has created the situation where one national standard exists in areas that it does not need to and continually makes federal elections seem like life or death. Each state has its own Bill of Rights that covers those that most agree are naturally held by all, so there is no current need for the single national standard.

Fixing the problem gets more difficult as time passes and may be almost impossible at this point. That said, it is a better alternative than continuing to follow the example of Rome through decades of deadly civil wars into an authoritarian empire bent on expansion at the expense of its neighbors.

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(2025-C-000076 - HARRISON COUNTY - WVTP LLC)

To: RICHARD SHAFFER, RICHARD SHAFFER, RICHARD SHAFFER, WV STATE TAX DEPARTMENT, CITY OF CLARKSBURG, RICHARD SHAFFER, ILORA MERRIMAN, OCCUPANT, IRS, ATTN: ADVISORY CONSOLIDATED RECEIPTS, 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** 3 **PARCEL** 0425 0000 0000

You will take notice that WVTP LLC, the purchaser of the following real estate, **Cert No.** 2025-C-000076, located in CLARK CLARKSBURG CORP District, 1 LOT 111 STEALEY HTS LAND CO, which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of SHAFFER RICHARD LEE, 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 April 1, 2027, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before March 31, 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 - 9882.	$ 692.93
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 - 9958.	$ 616.54
Additional taxes with interest.	$ 0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest.	$ 193.26
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest.	$ 1.083.84
Additional Statutory Fees with Interest.	$ 0.00
Total Amount Due and Payable to **WV State Auditor** - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	**$ 2,586.57**

You may redeem at any time before March 31, 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 October 9, 2026

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(2025-C-000261 - HARRISON COUNTY - WVTP LLC)

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DISTRICT CLAY OUTSIDE DISTRICT **MAP** 209 **PARCEL** 0005 0001 0000

You will take notice that WVTP LLC, the purchaser of the following real estate, **Cert No.** 2025-C-000261, located in CLAY OUTSIDE DISTRICT District, 2 AC MUDLICK, which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of BASNETT PHILLIP & MELISSA, 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 April 1, 2027, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before March 31, 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 - 12722.	$ 1,275.56
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 - 12824.	$ 1,176.89
Additional taxes with interest.	$ 0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest.	$ 211.60
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest.	$ 1.236.76
Additional Statutory Fees with Interest.	$ 0.00
Total Amount Due and Payable to **WV State Auditor** - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	**$ 3,900.81**

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(2025-C-000308 - HARRISON COUNTY - WVTP LLC)

To: MANDY HURST, LARRY F. MAZZA TRUSTEE, RICHARD A. PILL TRUSTEE, INTERCOASTAL MORTGAGE, LLC, SAMMIE GEE, KRISTIN A. SHAFFER TRUSTEE, WEST VIRGINIA HOUSING DEVELOPMENT FUND, 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 CLAY SHINNSTON CORP **MAP** 1001 **PARCEL** 0063 0000 0000

You will take notice that WVTP LLC, the purchaser of the following real estate, **Cert No.** 2025-C-000308, located in CLAY SHINNSTON CORP District, 1 LOT 109 PLEASANT HILL, which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of HURST MANDY D, 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 April 1, 2027, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before March 31, 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 - 18633.	$ 586.60
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 - 18816.	$ 516.71
Additional taxes with interest.	$ 0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest.	$ 211.60
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest.	$ 1,153.65
Additional Statutory Fees with Interest.	$ 0.00
Total Amount Due and Payable to **WV State Auditor** - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	**$ 2,468.56**

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DISTRICT CLAY SHINNSTON CORP **MAP** 1004 **PARCEL** 0276 0000 0000

You will take notice that WVTP LLC, the purchaser of the following real estate, **Cert No.** 2025-C-000325, located in CLAY SHINNSTON CORP District, 9.80 AS E SHINNSTON, which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of LINCOLN REAL ESTATE 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 April 1, 2027, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before March 31, 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 - 18737.	$ 231.39
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 - 18927.	$ 155.98
Additional taxes with interest.	$ 0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest.	$ 211.60
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest.	$ 1,127.92
Additional Statutory Fees with Interest.	$ 0.00
Total Amount Due and Payable to **WV State Auditor** - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	**$ 1,726.89**

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Sewer line settlement involves Mount Olive Complex



Guest Column

By Charlotte Lane
Chair, WV Public Service Commission

We have hope at the Public Service Commission that we will soon see some relief for a major environmental sore that has involved the state's maximum-security prison.

Mount Olive Correctional Complex is served by a sewer system which lost two miles of sewer infrastructure in flooding that affected Cannelton Hollow in Fayette County. These lines are owned and operated by Kanawha Falls Public Service District.

Residents report noxious odors from the stream, and they have health and environmental concerns.

This matter has involved more than one filing over years concerning the operations of the public service district. Our legal staff contended that the district's services were so inadequate and its management so grossly ineffective that we should appoint a receiver to run the PSD.

Without going into the full history of this and related cases, it is sufficient to say that in September we agreed that West Virginia-American Water Company could acquire the system's assets.

The decision came after we received a joint request from West Virginia-American and the Fayette County Commission to allow the move after the district was dissolved by the county commission. To this, we agreed.

But a specific stipulation we made in agreeing was that the water company would begin immediately to plan and design a project intended to address issues experienced by Kanawha Falls' customers in Cannelton Hollow and along the creek.

We want this work done promptly so investment and construction can commence as soon as possible after the closing of this signed agreement. We want the construction work to be completed in a timely manner.

Two other systems are also involved in this settlement that was filed with and agreed to by us.

We believe this agreement we approved is going to be good for all the customers of these three systems and for the overall health of people served by them and those in the prison.

THANK YOU FOR READING

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(2025-C-000426 - HARRISON COUNTY - WVTP LLC)

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DISTRICT COAL OUTSIDE DISTRICT **MAP** 9999 **PARCEL** 0654 1021 0000

You will take notice that WVTP LLC, the purchaser of the following real estate, **Cert No.** 2025-C-000426, located in COAL OUTSIDE DISTRICT District, 1/12 INT 176 AC O&G LIMESTONE (EQUITABLE-API#0814-, which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of ZELAZNY MILLICENT J & LANG CHARLES, 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 April 1, 2027, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before March 31, 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 - 25190.	$ 98.08
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 - 25527.	$ 27.46
Additional taxes with interest.	$ 0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest.	$ 211.60
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest.	$ 1,009.31
Additional Statutory Fees with Interest.	$ 0.00
Total Amount Due and Payable to **WV State Auditor** - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	**$ 1,346.45**

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DISTRICT COAL CLARKSBURG CORP **MAP** 6 **PARCEL** 0121 0000 0000

You will take notice that WVTP LLC, the purchaser of the following real estate, **Cert No.** 2025-C-000453, located in COAL CLARKSBURG CORP District, 1 LOT PT #17-18 BLK B AC & C CO PLAT, 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 April 1, 2027, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before March 31, 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 - 25668.	$ 1,329.46
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 - 26002.	$ 1,224.02
Additional taxes with interest.	$ 0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest.	$ 211.60
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest.	$ 1,434.65
Additional Statutory Fees with Interest.	$ 0.00
Total Amount Due and Payable to **WV State Auditor** - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	**$ 4,199.73**

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To: JEFFREY A KIMBLE TRUSTEE, RICHARD O RITTER, ASHTON SNYDER, OCCUPANT, OCCUPANT, ASHTON SNYDER, 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 COAL CLARKSBURG CORP **MAP** 11 **PARCEL** 0502 0000 0000

You will take notice that WVTP LLC, the purchaser of the following real estate, **Cert No.** 2025-C-000476, located in COAL CLARKSBURG CORP District, 1 LOT N 1/2 9-10 SEC 16 N VIEW, which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of SINGLETON DOLORES 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 April 1, 2027, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before March 31, 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 - 28558.	$ 459.56
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 - 28916.	$ 800.98
Additional taxes with interest.	$ 0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest.	$ 189.62
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest.	$ 1,047.15
Additional Statutory Fees with Interest.	$ 0.00
Total Amount Due and Payable to **WV State Auditor** - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	**$ 2,497.31**

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DISTRICT COAL CLARKSBURG CORP **MAP** 13 **PARCEL** 0209 0000 0000

You will take notice that WVTP LLC, the purchaser of the following real estate, **Cert No.** 2025-C-000484, located in COAL CLARKSBURG CORP District, 1 LOT PT #29 UPLAND GROVE (1330 N 17TH ST), which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of VANNORMAN LOUIS & JULIANE C, 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 April 1, 2027, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before March 31, 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 - 28996.	$ 825.03
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 - 29373.	$ 746.10
Additional taxes with interest.	$ 0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest.	$ 211.60
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest.	$ 1,097.74
Additional Statutory Fees with Interest.	$ 0.00
Total Amount Due and Payable to **WV State Auditor** - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	**$ 2,880.47**

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To: DIANE SNELL, JAMES ALLEN MOORE ESTATE UNKNOWN HEIRS, BETTY SECKMAN, DANIEL MOORE, JAMES ALLEN MOORE ESTATE UNKNOWN HEIRS, DANIEL MOORE, BRUCE SMITH, DANIEL MOORE, DANIEL MOORE, JAMES ALLEN MOORE ESTATE UNKNOWN HEIRS, JAMES ALLEN MOORE ESTATE UNKNOWN HEIRS, JAMES ALLEN MOORE ESTATE UNKNOWN HEIRS, JAMES ALLEN MOORE ESTATE UNKNOWN HEIRS, DIANE SNELL, JAMES ALLEN MOORE ESTATE UNKNOWN HEIRS, DANIEL MOORE, JAMES ALLEN MOORE ESTATE UNKNOWN HEIRS, ROSE MARY KANE, JAMES ALLEN MOORE ESTATE UNKNOWN HEIRS, DANIEL MOORE, BETTY SECKMAN, SHARON HURLEY, ANITA SEIBERT, DOUG SMITH, TRACY SMITH-EASTON, DONNA CROFT, ELAINA SMITH, BRUCE SMITH, PHILLIP SMITH, JAMES MOORE, BETTY SECKMAN, DIANE SNELL, JAMES MOORE, DANIEL MOORE, BETTY SECKMAN, SHARON HURLEY, DIANE SNELL, ANITA SEIBERT, DOUG SMITH, TRACY SMITH-EASTON, DONNA CROFT, ELAINA SMITH, BRUCE SMITH, PHILLIP SMITH, 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 COAL CLARKSBURG CORP **MAP** 13 **PARCEL** 0620 0000 0000

You will take notice that WVTP LLC, the purchaser of the following real estate, **Cert No.** 2025-C-000486, located in COAL CLARKSBURG CORP District, 1 LOT 7 A B TETER ADD, which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of SNELL DIANE MARIE 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. WVTP LLC requests that you be notified a deed for such real estate on or after April 1, 2027, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before March 31, 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 - 28601.	$ 1,400.48
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 - 28965.	$ 1,296.24
Additional taxes with interest.	$ 0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest.	$ 211.60
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest.	$ 1,593.20
Additional Statutory Fees with Interest.	$ 0.00
Total Amount Due and Payable to **WV State Auditor** - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	**$ 4,501.52**

You may redeem at any time before March 31, 2027 by paying the above total less any unearned interest.
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Given under my hand October 9, 2026

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(2025-C-000508 - HARRISON COUNTY - WVTP LLC)

To: JOHN SCOTT, DONNA SCOTT, JOHN SCOTT, DONNA SCOTT, JOHN SCOTT, DONNA SCOTT, JOHN SCOTT, DONNA SCOTT, JOHN SCOTT, DONNA SCOTT, JOHN SCOTT, DONNA SCOTT, JOHN SCOTT, DONNA SCOTT, 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 COAL CLARKSBURG CORP **MAP** 17 **PARCEL** 0504 0000 0000

You will take notice that WVTP LLC, the purchaser of the following real estate, **Cert No.** 2025-C-000508, located in COAL CLARKSBURG CORP District, 1 LOT 18 & 10 FT 19 HAY ADD, which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of SCOTT JOHN A & DONNA, 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 April 1, 2027, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before March 31, 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 - 28428.	$ 830.79
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 - 28799.	$ 754.61
Additional taxes with interest.	$ 0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest.	$ 211.60
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest.	$ 1,181.16
Additional Statutory Fees with Interest.	$ 0.00
Total Amount Due and Payable to **WV State Auditor** - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	**$ 2,978.16**

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To: KENNETH HARRIS, REBECCA HARRIS, KENNETH HARRIS, REBECCA HARRIS, KENNETH HARRIS, REBECCA HARRIS, KENNETH HARRIS, REBECCA HARRIS, OCCUPANT, KENNETH HARRIS, REBECCA HARRIS, OCCUPANT, KENNETH HARRIS, REBECCA HARRIS, OCCUPANT, KENNETH HARRIS, REBECCA HARRIS, 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 EAGLE OUTSIDE DISTRICT **MAP** 1701 **PARCEL** 0205 0000 0000

You will take notice that WVTP LLC, the purchaser of the following real estate, **Cert No.** 2025-C-000544, located in EAGLE OUTSIDE DISTRICT District, 1 TRACT (LOTS 98 99 100) MARTIN 2ND ADD HAYWOOD, which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of BAILEY TIFFANY D, 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 April 1, 2027, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before March 31, 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 - 29601.	$ 777.41
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 - 32047.	$ 183.06
Additional taxes with interest.	$ 0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest.	$ 211.60
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest.	$ 1,191.19
Additional Statutory Fees with Interest.	$ 0.00
Total Amount Due and Payable to **WV State Auditor** - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	**$ 2,363.26**

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To: BARBARA JEAN LYCAN ESTATE, AMY LYCANS, UNITED HOSPITAL CENTER, MARTHA LOGSDON, JO ANN MANEINI, MARTHA LOGSDON, AMY LYCANS, BARBARA JEAN LYCAN ESTATE, OCCUPANT, BARBARA JEAN LYCAN ESTATE, MARTHA LOGSDON, AMY LYCANS, OCCUPANT, BARBARA JEAN LYCAN ESTATE,MARTHA LOGSDON, AMY LYCANS, 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 EAGLE OUTSIDE DISTRICT **MAP** 1704 **PARCEL** 0027 0000 0000

You will take notice that WVTP LLC, the purchaser of the following real estate, **Cert No.** 2025-C-000545, located in EAGLE OUTSIDE DISTRICT District, 1 LOT 79 THRU 85 & PT 86 HELDRETH ADD, which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of LYCANS BARBARA JEAN (LE) (MARTHA LO, 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 April 1, 2027, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before March 31, 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 - 32933.	$ 269.05
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 - 33337.	$ 407.74
Additional taxes with interest.	$ 0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest.	$ 211.60
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest.	$ 1,221.08
Additional Statutory Fees with Interest.	$ 0.00
Total Amount Due and Payable to **WV State Auditor** - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	**$ 2,109.47**

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To: ROBERT PHILLIPS, GLENNDA SIGNORELLI, STEVEN PHILLIPS, ROBERT PHILLIPS, STEVEN PHILLIPS, STEVEN PHILLIPS, ROBERT PHILLIPS, ROBERT PHILLIPS, OCCUPANT, GLENNDA SIGNORELLI, STEVEN PHILLIPS, ROBERT PHILLIPS, OCCUPANT, GLENNDA SIGNORELLI, STEVEN PHILLIPS, ROBERT PHILLIPS, 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 EAGLE OUTSIDE DISTRICT **MAP** 1704 **PARCEL** 0230 0000 0000

You will take notice that WVTP LLC, the purchaser of the following real estate, **Cert No.** 2025-C-000546, located in EAGLE OUTSIDE DISTRICT District, 2 LOTS 2 & 8 FT 1 LUMBERPORT, which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of GLENNA DARLENE & STEVEN, 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 April 1, 2027, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before March 31, 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 - 34890.	$ 659.26
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 - 35332.	$ 593.60
Additional taxes with interest.	$ 0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest.	$ 211.60
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest.	$ 1,186.17
Additional Statutory Fees with Interest.	$ 0.00
Total Amount Due and Payable to **WV State Auditor** - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	**$ 2,650.63**

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To: DELORIS JUNE RICHARDS ESTATE, SCOTT RICHARDS, MATT RICHARDS, ADA SHREVES ESTATE, DELORIS JUNE RICHARDS ESTATE, SCOTT RICHARDS, MATT RICHARDS, ADA SHREVES ESTATE, OCCUPANT, ADA SHREVES ESTATE, OCCUPANT, ADA SHREVES ESTATE, OCCUPANT, ADA SHREVES ESTATE, 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 EAGLE LUMBERPORT CORP **MAP** 1801 **PARCEL** 0197 0000 0000

You will take notice that WVTP LLC, the purchaser of the following real estate, **Cert No.** 2025-C-000588, located in EAGLE LUMBERPORT CORP District, 1 TRACT (LOTS 34 35 36) GRIFFIN HTS, which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of RICHARDS SCOTT WILLIAM & MATTHEW DA, 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 April 1, 2027, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before March 31, 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 - 36479.	$ 402.15
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 - 37023.	$ 651.17
Additional taxes with interest.	$ 0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest.	$ 211.60
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest.	$ 1,149.49
Additional Statutory Fees with Interest.	$ 0.00
Total Amount Due and Payable to **WV State Auditor** - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	**$ 2,414.41**

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To: JULIE GARVIN, JULIE GARVIN, MATTHEW LANGFORD, MATTHEW LANGFORD, MATTHEW LANGFORD, JULIE GARVIN, JOHN GARVIN, JULIE GARVIN, MATTHEW LANGFORD, MATTHEW LANGFORD, OCCUPANT, JULIE GARVIN, 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 ELK OUTSIDE DISTRICT **MAP** 388 **PARCEL** 0002 0000 0000

You will take notice that WVTP LLC, the purchaser of the following real estate, **Cert No.** 2025-C-000596, located in ELK OUTSIDE DISTRICT District, 1 LOT .73AC ELK CREEK (PT CRITES TRACT), which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of GARVIN JULIE NOELLE LANGFORD & MATT, 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 April 1, 2027, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before March 31, 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 - 37516.	$ 345.90
Back tax tickets, with interest, and charges due on the date of certification for ticket number.	$ 0.00
Subsequent of taxes paid on the property, with interest to for tax year 2025 - 38118.	$ 259.38
Additional taxes with interest.	$ 0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest.	$ 211.60
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest.	$ 1,139.45
Additional Statutory Fees with Interest.	$ 0.00
Total Amount Due and Payable to **WV State Auditor** - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	**$ 1,956.33**

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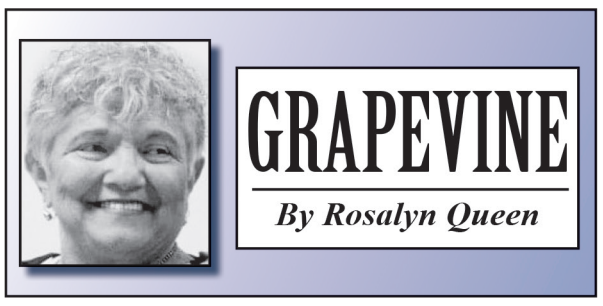
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Remembering the "International Wives" Who Followed American Heroes Home



This past week I attended the funeral of Phylis Andy.She was a permanent fixture in the Broadway area for many years as she worked at the family business, Andy's Grocery Store. She was kind of family to me as her sister in law, Virginia Veneziano was married to my uncle. Now I am done with these details so I will share with you why she really made a memory for me.

Many years ago the YWCA, now the PWA, sponsored a program which was called The International Wives. This programs members were women who came to America mostly after the war, as brides of our men who served in the military? They came from mostly European countries. Phylis was one of these women. She came from England and another lady who came to West Virginia was Irmagard Morrison, the Wife of Charlie Morrison from the East View area. There were several women who belonged to this group.

The YWCAs mission was to sponsor these ladies so that they could Introduce to Clarksburgers culture and customs from their countries. Their monthly meetings would present recipes from each of their countries and they would prepare them and the ladies present would have the opportunity to sample them. Food was not the only thing they introduced to our area. Many will remember Jennie Calaygio's presentation of her countries popular dance which many of us called "belly dancing". It became so popular that she started teaching weekly classes at the "Y." Many of the ladies would share different customs from their countries.

This International exchange made us aware of the many contributions these women made to our area. Many of us remember these presentations and still include them in our life styles today. A late thank you to them.

November 11, marks the observance of Veterans Day. The VFW will be sponsoring a parade in Clarksburg which will start at noon. The Clarksburg Lions Club will serve as parade marshals. I urge all of you to attend the parade as a show of support for those serving and those who have served in our military. It was also announced that the meeting dates of the Clarksburg Lions Club have changed to the first and third Fridays of November and December due to the Holidays. They will resume their regular schedule in January.

With Thanksgiving on its way we need to think about all we have to be thankful for. My birthday this past month made me very aware of all my family and friends that I am so thankful for. All of my children gathered for a dinner with me. My sister Joan and Virgil took me to lunch, Cheryl and John Mihaulic, Jeannie McNabb and JoEllen Crowley, Kathie Titus, my brother Bill and Danni all treated me with a meal and gifts. Ruby kept us supplied with peanut butter candy and cake. My cup runneth over. So thankful for these wonderful people. And by the way I did not forget all those Facebook messages and cards. I re read some of them every day. We have so much to be thankful for. Remain optimistic no one ,likes a pessimistic person.

Get out those warm clothes, stay healthy and until next week. "Now You Have Heard It Through The Grapevine."

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To: RANDALL FRANKLIN, RANDALL FRANKLIN, WEST VIRGINIA STATE TAX DEPARTMENT, BB&T COLLATERAL SERVICE CORPORATION, TRUSTEE, BRANCH BANKING AND TRUST COMPANY, BRANCH BANKING AND TRUST COMPANY, RICHARD A PILL, TRUSTEE, 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 GRANT OUTSIDE DISTRICT **MAP** 427A **PARCEL** 0077 0000 0000

You will take notice that WVTP LLC, the purchaser of the following real estate, **Cert No.** 2025-C-000657, located in GRANT OUTSIDE DISTRICT District, 1 LOT #19 WOODSTOCK HEIGHTS SD, which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of DODD TYLER & TIFFANY, 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 April 1, 2027, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before March 31, 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 - 40676.	$ 1,142.73
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 - 41351.	$ 1,020.23
Additional taxes with interest.	$ 0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest.	$ 211.60
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest.	$ 1,223.45
Additional Statutory Fees with Interest.	$ 0.00
Total Amount Due and Payable to **WV State Auditor** - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	**$ 3,598.01**

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DISTRICT GRANT OUTSIDE DISTRICT **MAP** 9999 **PARCEL** 0677 7213 0000

You will take notice that WVTP LLC, the purchaser of the following real estate, **Cert No.** 2025-C-000665, located in GRANT OUTSIDE DISTRICT District, .0060 INT 200 AC O&G DUCK CREEK (CONS #68632-68632, which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of KARWICK LORETTA HRS, 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 April 1, 2027, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before March 31, 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 - 41536.	$ 87.68
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 - 42236.	$ 22.91
Additional taxes with interest.	$ 0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest.	$ 181.60
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest.	$ 1,044.21
Additional Statutory Fees with Interest.	$ 0.00
Total Amount Due and Payable to **WV State Auditor** - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	**$ 1,336.40**

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(2025-C-000710 - HARRISON COUNTY - WVTP LLC)

To: DAVID CLAYPOOL, TERESA CLAYPOOL, DAVID CLAYPOOL,TERESA CLAYPOOL, DAVID CLAYPOOL, TERESA CLAYPOOL, TERESA CLAYPOOL, DAVID CLAYPOOL, DAVID CLAYPOOL, 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 SARDIS OUTSIDE DISTRICT **MAP** 9999 **PARCEL** 0691 8834 0000

You will take notice that WVTP LLC, the purchaser of the following real estate, **Cert No.** 2025-C-000710, located in SARDIS OUTSIDE DISTRICT District, .3750 INT 63 AC O&G/DEEP COAL LITTLE ROCK CAMP(XTO, which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of CLAYPOOL DAVID S & TERESA, 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 April 1, 2027, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before March 31, 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 - 45507.	$ 120.86
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 - 46316	$ 53.71
Additional taxes with interest.	$ 0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest.	$ 211.60
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest.	$ 1,106.63
Additional Statutory Fees with Interest.	$ 0.00
Total Amount Due and Payable to **WV State Auditor** - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	**$ 1,492.80**

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(2025-C-000774 - HARRISON COUNTY - WVTP LLC)

To: 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 W. 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 SIMPSON BRIDGEPORT CORP **MAP** 2411 **PARCEL** 0020 0000 0000

You will take notice that WVTP LLC, the purchaser of the following real estate, **Cert No.** 2025-C-000774, located in SIMPSON BRIDGEPORT CORP District, 1 LOT 9 BLK G CAROL HTS (.71 AC), 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 April 1, 2027, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before March 31, 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 - 56070.	$ 3,140.50
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 - 57064.	$ 3,009.63
Additional taxes with interest.	$ 0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest.	$ 211.60
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest.	$ 1,302.14
Additional Statutory Fees with Interest.	$ 0.00
Total Amount Due and Payable to **WV State Auditor** - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	**$ 7,663.87**

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To: JACQUELINE DAWN SWAGGERTY, WV STATE TAX DEPARTMENT, JACQUELINE DAWN SWAGGERTY, BRANCH BANKING AND TRUST COMPANY, RICHARD A PILL, TRUSTEE, JACQUELINE DAWN SWAGGERTY, 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 SIMPSON BRIDGEPORT CORP **MAP** 2415 **PARCEL** 0056 0000 0000

You will take notice that WVTP LLC, the purchaser of the following real estate, **Cert No.** 2025-C-000776, located in SIMPSON BRIDGEPORT CORP District, 1 LOT #5 BLK E VILLAGE HTS (.29 AC), which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of SMITH PATTY 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 April 1, 2027, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before March 31, 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 - 59597.	$ 7,345.25
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 - 60918.	$ 3,544.38
Additional taxes with interest.	$ 0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest.	$ 211.60
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest.	$ 1,085.92
Additional Statutory Fees with Interest.	$ 0.00
Total Amount Due and Payable to **WV State Auditor** - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	**$ 12,187.15**

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Thanksgiving Dinner

By Rosalyn Queen

No matter how many or the size of the table, we all gathered for Thanksgiving dinner and just before eating we all expressed what we were thankful for. The kids were always thankful for Being out of school and most generally the adults were thankful for being able to gather with family. We always had a turkey and the rest of the meal, green beans and mashed potatoes came from dad's garden. We always bought sweet potatoes and mom completed the meal with her famous potato salad and for desert we had home made pumpkin pie. Dad never had much to do in the kitchen but he always carved the turkey.

Now almost seventy years later, how do we celebrate Thanksgiving? Fifty per cent of us will make reservations at a local restaurant and eat and enjoy visiting with our family for about ninety minutes and then we will go home to take a nap and spend the rest of the day watching a ball game. No left overs to piece on, but if we get hungry we might order a pizza or fix a sandwich.Eating left overs is part of our celebration. We always prepared enough food to make sure we had enough for that evening snack. The pumpkin pie always tasted better in the evening. We might take a few minutes to think about why these changes have come about. Perhaps mother works all week and she wants a day of rest instead of working in the kitchen all morning. It might be because we are financially better off and do not mind paying sixty dollars a plate at a local buffet.

Well here is my challenge to you. Spend Thanksgiving at home this year. Invite all the family and a few friends who otherwise might be alone. About midnight put the bird in the oven get up on Thanksgiving, check the turkey and let it rest. Put it on the table whole, part of the decorations are sering a whole turkey on the table and part of the tradition is having grandpa or dad carve it. Next you have contacted everyone coming and sis is bring mashed potatoes, kept warm in a crock pot, big brother is bringing pies and little brother is bring a pot of green beans also kept warm in a crick pot. Auntie is making a salad and whoever else is coming surprise us with a covered dish. Now all mom a Z Z an ama has to do is set the table and have dad make sure there are plenty of drinks. Then she can rest a while before everyone arrives and will have time to pretty herself up. You still have time to get this ready and meet my challenge.

The last thing we have to do is get our thankful list ready. I will share with you what mine is. I am thankful for the wonderful life God has allowed me to have; for my children and family, who are healthy and happy; for the opportunity as I complete this eighth decade of life, to be able to spend time dining out with my friends; and especially that I have been able to adopt an optimistic view on the passing of Marty and remember the many good times we had. I am thankful for every day that I get to watch that sun come up from my patio. I am thankful for the many things that I have to be thankful for, too many to list here.

Now give this some thought and think about one thing every day, it will improve your mind set on many situations and promise to be more optimistic. Those around you deserve to see a happier you.

Happy Thanksgiving to my many readers and I am so thankful for all of you. Stay healthy and happy and until next week "Now You Have Heard It Through The Grapevine."

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(2025-C-000853 - HARRISON COUNTY - WVTP LLC)

To: ROBERT SCOTT CHIPPS, TONIA CHIPPS, ROBERT SCOTT CHIPPS, TONIA CHIPPS, ROBERT SCOTT CHIPPS, TONIA CHIPPS, ROBERT SCOTT CHIPPS, TONIA CHIPPS, WVSTATE TAX DEPARTMENT, ROBERT SCOTT CHIPPS, TONIA CHIPPS, MARY L. ROBINAON TRUSTEE, CHERYL ROGERS, ROBERT SCOTT CHIPPS, 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 TENMILE SALEM CORP **MAP** 222 **PARCEL** 0012 0000 0000

You will take notice that WVTP LLC, the purchaser of the following real estate, **Cert No.** 2025-C-000853, located in TENMILE SALEM CORP District, 1 LOT #7 SALEM, which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of CHIPPS ROBERT SCOTT & TONIA, 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 April 1, 2027, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before March 31, 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 - 67169.	$ 748.29
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 - 68368.	$ 617.70
Additional taxes with interest.	$ 0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest.	$ 211.60
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest.	$ 1,167.25
Additional Statutory Fees with Interest.	$ 0.00
Total Amount Due and Payable to **WV State Auditor** - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	**$ 2,744.84**

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(2025-C-000862 - HARRISON COUNTY - WVTP LLC)

To: CENTRAL SUPPLY COMPANY OF WEST VIRGINIA, BIG RIDGE CAPITAL LLC, BCBANK, INC., COLIN J MOLNAR, ESQ, BIG RIDGE CAPITAL LLC, BIG RIDGE CAPITAL 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 TENMILE SALEM CORP **MAP** 2704 **PARCEL** 0162 0000 0000

You will take notice that WVTP LLC, the purchaser of the following real estate, **Cert No.** 2025-C-000862, located in TENMILE SALEM CORP District, 1 LOT 5100 SQ FT SALEM, which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of GAIN CHRISTY, 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 April 1, 2027, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before March 31, 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 - 67436.	$ 1,178.54
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 - 68620.	$ 1,069.49
Additional taxes with interest.	$ 0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest.	$ 211.60
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest.	$ 1,204.53
Additional Statutory Fees with Interest.	$ 0.00
Total Amount Due and Payable to **WV State Auditor** - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	**$ 3,664.16**

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(2025-C-000913 - HARRISON COUNTY - WVTP LLC)

To: GARY LAMB, GARY LAMB, GARY LAMB, OCCUPANT, GARY LAMB, OCCUPANT, GARY LAMB, 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 OUTSIDE DISTRICT **MAP** 2905 **PARCEL** 0020 0002 0000

You will take notice that WVTP LLC, the purchaser of the following real estate, **Cert No.** 2025-C-000913, located in UNION OUTSIDE DISTRICT District, 1 LOT (18 A) COURTNEY PLAT WEST FORK (.47 AC), which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of LAMB GARY L II, 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 April 1, 2027, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before March 31, 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 - 73479.	$ 583.95
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 - 74765.	$ 478.72
Additional taxes with interest.	$ 0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest.	$ 211.60
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest.	$ 1,061.06
Additional Statutory Fees with Interest.	$ 0.00
Total Amount Due and Payable to **WV State Auditor** - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	**$ 2,335.33**

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(2025-C-000926 - HARRISON COUNTY - WVTP LLC)

To: JOHN DAUGHERTY, CLARA DAUGHERTY, JOHN DAUGHERTY, JOHN DAUGHERTY, JOHN DAUGHERTY, JOHN DAUGHERTY, CLARA DAUGHERTY, 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 OUTSIDE DISTRICT **MAP** 2905 **PARCEL** 0020 0002 0000

You will take notice that WVTP LLC, the purchaser of the following real estate, **Cert No.** 2025-C-000926, located in UNION OUTSIDE DISTRICT District, .2422 INT 55 AC O&G T T FORK (CNX/API#1313), which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of DAUGHERTY JOHN CHARLES, 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 April 1, 2027, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before March 31, 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 - 70571.	$ 87.68
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 - 71796.	$ 22.91
Additional taxes with interest.	$ 0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest.	$ 211.60
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest.	$ 1,078.82
Additional Statutory Fees with Interest.	$ 0.00
Total Amount Due and Payable to **WV State Auditor** - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	**$ 1,401.01**

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(2025-C-000949 - HARRISON COUNTY - WVTP LLC)

To: JOHN BURGBACHER, JOHN BURGBACHER, 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 OUTSIDE DISTRICT **MAP** 9999 **PARCEL** 0671 0491 0000

You will take notice that WVTP LLC, the purchaser of the following real estate, **Cert No.** 2025-C-000949, located in UNION OUTSIDE DISTRICT District, 1/21 INT 178.55 AC O&G BUFFALO EQT#0785-1567-68/CN, which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of BURGBACHER JOHN 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 April 1, 2027, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before March 31, 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 - 69530.	$ 365.52
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 - 70742.	$ 115.04
Additional taxes with interest.	$ 0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest.	$ 211.60
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest.	$ 1,009.31
Additional Statutory Fees with Interest.	$ 0.00
Total Amount Due and Payable to **WV State Auditor** - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	**$ 1,701.47**

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WV Secretary of State Kris Warner announces canvassing will start on Monday, November 9

Charleston, W.Va. - All 55 counties will begin canvassing the 2026 General Election on Monday, November 9, or as soon after that date that a quorum of members is present. State law requires canvassing to begin five days after the election, not including Sunday.

County Commissioners serve as the Board of Canvassers. Each Board of Canvassers reviews the election night returns, absentee ballots, and provisional ballots cast in all precincts.

According to WV Secretary of State Kris Warner, canvassing across the State will include a manual audit of the unofficial results. Each county will employ teams of opposite parties to manually count every paper ballot from at least 3% of the county's precincts, which this year must include at least 5% of the total ballots cast in each county.

The audit results are then compared to the electronic results to confirm totals. If any comparison shows a difference of 1% or more between the hand-counted results and electronic results, or if the outcome of any race changes, then the electronic results are disregarded and the entire county must be counted by hand.

Secretary Warner said, "I want to express my sincere appreciation to the county clerks and more than 8,200 election day workers who helped our General Election run smoothly."

Preliminary turnout totals for West Virginia's November 3 General Election show that 463,912 ballots were cast statewide, representing 38.33% of West Virgina's 1,210,385 registered voters. Of those ballots cast, 162,349 were cast early, and 7,001 absentee ballots have been received. In the last four midterm general elections, turnout rates were 42.9% in 2022, 47.9% in 2018, 37.8% in 2014, and 44% in 2010.

During canvassing, the Board of Canvassers will review the provisional ballots and absentee ballots postmarked on or before November 3 to determine whether the law requires them to be counted or rejected. In close races, once those legal votes are included in the totals, it is possible for an election outcome to change.

After the canvass, candidates have the opportunity to post a bond and demand a recount. The recount period ends when a county certifies the results, which can occur no sooner than 48 hours after the completion of canvass. Once certified, the recount period closes and results become official. In multi-county districts, the recount period does not end until the last county in the district certifies the results.

Candidates wishing to contest the election for fraud, irregularities, or other lawful contest grounds have 10 days after the certification of results to file the contest and provide the proper notice to opposing candidates. All requirements for properly filing an election contest are set forth in law.

The certification of the results of the General Election should be sent to the Secretary of State as soon as possible but no later than 30 days after the General Election which is December 3rd.

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CORE SOLUTIONS LLC (MORGAN PIPELINE), located at P.O. Box 72, Salem WV 26426, owns and operates a natural gas gathering pipeline system in your area. Yellow vertical pipeline markers with our name indicate the approximate location and route of our pipelines. CORE SOLUTIONS maintains and operates a Damage Prevention and Public Awareness Program for its operations of this pipeline system. Keeping the public, the environment, and our pipeline safe with valuable experience, sound judgement and by following federal codes is our top priority. The pipeline is reliable and no underground leaks have been detected. We use preventative measures such as routine patrols and leak surveys to keep the pipeline safe. A copy of this plan is available in our office. This program includes educating and notifying the residents about specific operations requirements and the existence of the program. These requirements include:

1. Contact CORE SOLUTIONS if you plan to excavate and/or blast on or within hundred (200) feet of our pipeline right-of-way. Company personnel will locate the pipeline for you to ensure safe excavation and/or blasting. All excavators must use West Virginia 811 (Miss Utility) program prior to digging.
2. Contact and/or advise others who you believe to be working near our pipeline to contact CORE SOLUTIONS before performing any activity that might damage our pipeline system.
3. Be aware of gas leaks and hazards and report them immediately. Signs of gas leaks include the hissing sound of escaping gas, dead vegetation, blowing earth, bubbling water, and the smell of gas. Emergencies include any gas leaks, fire or explosion, natural disasters or civil disobedience. If you suspect that the pipeline is leaking, stay away from the area, have others stay away from the area, and notify the company immediately. In case of fire/explosion or natural disaster near the pipeline, notify the company immediately. If you smell gas inside, get out immediately. If you suspect a leak outside, turn off and abandon any motorized equipment you might be using. Leave the area quickly. Gas is an asphyxiant and can be deadly since it displaces oxygen. By notifying CORE SOLUTIONS immediately upon any of the above incidents, the appropriate responders will be dispatched promptly and effectively to take care of the emergency.
4. Do not attempt to locate the gas leak with matches or other open flames. Do not remain in a building if there is a strong odor. Do not turn lights on or off or unplug electrical appliances where there is a strong odor. Do not use a telephone in the area of a strong gas odor. Don't use anything that would spark ignition such as cell phones, flashlights, motor vehicles, power tools, electrical equipment, etc.

To help us enforce our Damage Prevention and Public Awareness Program and ensure the safe operation of our pipeline system, please call these numbers to report excavation projects or suspected gas leaks:

Day time #: 304-203-1934
24 Hour Emergency: 844-267-3273
*Identify your call as an **CORE SOLUTIONS (MORGAN PIPELINE) Emergency, Wallace, WV**
WV State Police: 911
Folsom Fire & Ambulance: 911
Wallace Fire Dept: 911
Log on to the PHMSA.dot.qov website for additional information.

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(2025-C-000369 - HARRISON COUNTY - WVTP LLC)
To: JOHN LOCKWOOD, JOHN LOCKWOOD, 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 COAL OUTSIDE DISTRICT **MAP** 1111 **PARCEL** 0128 0000 0000
You will take notice that WVTP LLC, the purchaser of the following real estate, **Cert No.** 2025-C-000369, located in COAL OUTSIDE DISTRICT District, 1 LOT 106 - 107 HEAVENER 1ST ADD, which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of LOCKWOOD JOHN, 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 April 1, 2027, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before March 31, 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 - 22606.	$ 632.86
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 - 22860.	$ 543.00
Additional taxes with interest.	$ 0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest.	$ 211.60
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest.	$ 1,014.33
Additional Statutory Fees with Interest.	$ 0.00
Total Amount Due and Payable to **WV State Auditor** - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	**$ 2,401.79**

You may redeem at any time before March 31, 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 October 9, 2026
Christal G. Perry
Christal G. Perry
Deputy Commissioner of Delinquent and
Nonentered Lands of HARRISON County, State of West Virginia
Please return this letter and payment to the
West Virginia State Auditor's Office, County Collections
Division 1900 Kanawha Boulevard East
Building 1, Room W-114
Charleston, West Virginia 25305.
Questions, please call 1-888-509-6568

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(2025-C-000622 - HARRISON COUNTY - WVTP LLC)
To: TYLER DODD, TIFFANY DODD, TYLER DODD, TIFFANY DODD, TYLER DODD, TIFFANY DODD, TYLER DODD, TIFFANY DODD, TYLER DODD, TIFFANY DODD, TYLER DODD, TIFFANY DODD, 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 GRANT OUTSIDE DISTRICT **MAP** 387 **PARCEL** 0041 0000 0000
You will take notice that WVTP LLC, the purchaser of the following real estate, **Cert No.** 2025-C-000622, located in GRANT OUTSIDE DISTRICT District, 41.49 AS BROWNS CREEK CID MAP 1 PAR 46, which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of DODD TYLER & TIFFANY, 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 April 1, 2027, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before March 31, 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 - 40474.	$ 145.98
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 - 41126.	$ 97.89
Additional taxes with interest.	$ 0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest.	$ 211.60
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest.	$ 1,153.35
Additional Statutory Fees with Interest.	$ 0.00
Total Amount Due and Payable to **WV State Auditor** - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	**$ 1,608.82**

You may redeem at any time before March 31, 2027 by paying the above total less any unearned interest.
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(2025-C-000794 - HARRISON COUNTY - WVTP LLC)
To: KRISTA FELDMANN, EMILY KOLESKI, KRISTA FELDMANN, EMILY KOLESKI, 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 TENMILE OUTSIDE DISTRICT **MAP** 222 **PARCEL** 0012 0000 0000
You will take notice that WVTP LLC, the purchaser of the following real estate, **Cert No.** 2025-C-000794, located in TENMILE OUTSIDE DISTRICT District, 14.52 AC GRASS RUN, which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of FELDMAN KRISTA M & EMILY N KOLESKI, 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 April 1, 2027, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before March 31, 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 - 62843.	$ 241.17
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 - 63890.	$ 165.38
Additional taxes with interest.	$ 0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest.	$ 211.60
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest.	$ 1,037.12
Additional Statutory Fees with Interest.	$ 0.00
Total Amount Due and Payable to **WV State Auditor** - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	**$ 1,655.27**

You may redeem at any time before March 31, 2027 by paying the above total less any unearned interest.
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(2025-C-000957 - HARRISON COUNTY - WVTP LLC)
To: ROBERT CORDER ESTATE, ROBERT CORDER ESTATE, SHIRLEY CORDER, ROBERT CORDER ESTATE, ROBERT CORDER ESTATE, 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 OUTSIDE DISTRICT **MAP** 9999 **PARCEL** 0672 5001 0000
You will take notice that WVTP LLC, the purchaser of the following real estate, **Cert No.** 2025-C-000957, located in UNION OUTSIDE DISTRICT District, .0072 INT 147 AC O&G TT FORK (CONS/LS#44523(STONEW, which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of CORDER ROBERT, 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 April 1, 2027, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before March 31, 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 - 70309.	$ 87.68
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 - 71535.	$ 22.91
Additional taxes with interest.	$ 0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest.	$ 151.60
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest.	$ 1,051.02
Additional Statutory Fees with Interest.	$ 0.00
Total Amount Due and Payable to **WV State Auditor** - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	**$ 1,313.21**

You may redeem at any time before March 31, 2027 by paying the above total less any unearned interest.
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creating it.

Her posts on TikTok and Facebook offer glimpses of the ingenuity, disappointment, determination and hope that accompany owning a small business. From my perspective, that openness makes her journey compelling. It reminds us that behind a business name is a person who has taken a chance.

According to the City of Clarksburg's business profile, Maya worked in her parents' restaurant before taking ownership in July 2023. She began hosting small events there and recognized an opportunity to expand. That led to an event space on West Main Street, where she could pursue her interest in planning and hosting celebrations.

There is an important economic development lesson in that progression. Experience helped her recognize demand. Ingenuity helped her imagine a response. Determination was necessary to turn the idea into something customers could actually use.

Maya's on Main occupies the former Odd Fellows building at 331 West Main Street. Reporting has documented its growth to include an upstairs ballroom, along with spaces for wedding preparations and other gatherings. An older downtown building is finding renewed purpose as a place where people celebrate important moments in their lives.

One video shows the building at night, with strings of lights draped across its facade and a warmly illuminated entrance. It is a simple scene, but it stayed with me. Someone looked at that building and saw possibilities worth working toward.

Of course, attractive lights cannot tell the whole story.

Maya has also spoken publicly about the difficulties downtown construction created for her businesses. Road closures and uncertain access made reaching customers more difficult. Those concerns deserve attention because even necessary public improvements can place real burdens on the businesses operating around them.

From my years on city council, I know how much thought goes into infrastructure projects. Maya's experience is a reminder that communication and access must remain part of that planning throughout the work. A business owner still has employees to pay and customers to serve while a project moves toward completion.

In my book, The Entrepreneurial City, I explore the importance of an entrepreneurial mindset in local government. Watching Maya's efforts brings that idea close to home. Communities benefit when people recognize an opportunity, make use of what is available and keep adapting as they learn.

Local leaders can apply those same habits. They can listen to existing business owners, understand obstacles and look for practical ways to help investment succeed.

Residents have a role, too. We can choose a local restaurant, consider a downtown venue for a gathering, recommend a business or share information about what it offers. Encouragement matters. Becoming a customer gives that encouragement substance.

I do not know everything Maya has faced, and social media can only reveal part of anyone's life. But my impression is of a young entrepreneur who believes enough in her community to put her time, energy and reputation into its future.

That deserves our attention.

The next time we discuss economic development, I hope we remember to look around at the people already doing the work. The opportunity we are seeking may have roots in our community, an idea taking shape and a light burning on Main Street.



Dear Recycle Lady,
Why are bats associated with Halloween? *Just Curious*

Dear Just Curious,
Perhaps bats are associated with Halloween because they are rather scary looking or perhaps it is because Bat Week is celebrated October 24 – 31. Either way, bats play an important role in our ecosystem and have for more than 50 million years. Worldwide there are more than 1,400 species of bats, but only 47 species are in the US. They range in size from the one-inch bumblebee bat to the giant golden-crown bat that can have a 6-foot wingspan. Bats are the only mammals capable of true flight. They are not blind but are often considered to be as they locate prey using echolocation, which involves producing sound waves and listening for their echoes. Bats are pollinators and help plants reproduce by spreading seeds. They also help control the bug population. According to Wikipedia, it is estimated that bats save farmers in the U.S. 3 billion dollars annually in pest control services. In addition, numerous bat species provide crucial pollination and seed dispersal service. Hundreds of species of bats are endangered and one of the biggest threats to bats is the white-nose syndrome, which caused the death of millions of bats in 2012. Other threats are climate change and destruction of their natural habitats.

Dear Recycle Lady,
This morning's paper included several colorful inserts. I couldn't tell whether a couple of the inseerts were high-quality newsprint or slick paper. Do I recycle these inserts in with newspapers or magazines/slicks? C*onfused Reader*

Dear Confused Reader,
Good question and one that is often asked. Slick paper is usually glossier and heavier than newsprint. One solution is to wet a corner of the paper. A

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Trump Opportunity Zone Program Expands in Harrison County

By Stephen Smoot

During President Donald Trump's first term as president, the United States Congress passed an economic development program aimed at helping low-income areas. Called "opportunity zones," these were established in the Jobs and Tax Cuts Act of 2017 that overall helped to lead to strong economic growth into the Biden Administration.

Now much of the central district of the City of Clarksburg could soon take advantage of this program. West Virginia Governor Patrick Morrisey, under his purview of identifying 25 percent of qualifying census tracts to participate, named Census Tract 301, which roughly extends southward from US 50 and eastward of US 19 as far south as the Veterans Administration hospital. The eastern boundary is Elk Creek, then Saunders Way, Washington Avenue, and roughly along South Second Street.

According to Opportunity Zone Invest, the tract has 2,872 residents with a mean household income of $30,388, a median home value of $101,100, and a poverty rate of 34.1 percent. It joins Tract 303, a wider and broader tract located north of US 50 and extending from north of Clarksburg to north of Bridgeport.

The "One Big Beautiful Bill Act" extended the impact of these zones by putting off the originally planned 2026 sunset. A number can now extend through 2036. According to the West Virginia Division of Economic Development,



Much of the core of Clarksburg south of US 50 will enjoy Opportunity Zone status for a decade

"Opportunity Zones (OZ's for short) are federally designated census tracts from which private investors can receive significant tax advantages from investing in long-term projects that drive economic and community development."

President Trump's program takes cues from a decades-old initiative pioneered by Jack Kemp. Kemp served in the United States Army, quarterbacked a number of National Football League teams in the 50s and 60s, then later served in Congress and as President George H. W Bush's Secretary of Housing and Urban Development.

His plan lay in creating "Enterprize Zones" in poverty challenged districts of inner cities. These zones would have less of a tax and regulatory burden, spurring private investment in more risky areas for doing business.

The Opportunity Zone 2.0 program allows "investors who place capital into a Qualified Opportunity Fund that, in turn, invests in a designated OZ tract may access three primary federal tax benefits: tax deferral. Partial tax exclusion, and a step-up in basis on eligible gains."

Said Governor Morrisey, ""West Virginia is attracting record levels of private investment, and we want to make sure communities in every corner of our state have an opportunity to share in that growth. These new Opportunity Zones give us another tool to bring investment into communities that need it, create good-paying jobs, and help local businesses grow. We're building an economy where more West Virginians can find opportunity close to home."

According to the United States Internal Revenue Service, "the length of time the taxpayer holds the QOF investment determines the tax benefits they receive." For at least five years, "the basis of the QOF investment increases to 10 percent of the deferred gain." At seven years, that jumps to 15 percent and after at least 10 years, "the investor is eligible to elect to adjust the basis of the QOF investment to its fair market value on the date that the QOF investment is sold or exchanged."

Investors must file Form 8897 if they hold a "qualifying investment" in a QOF.

The Governor's release noted that "The West Virginia Division of Economic Development coordinated the state's selection process, reviewing nominations from local economic development authorities, county commissions, and regional planning councils. Priority was given to areas with strong potential for business investment, infrastructure development, and long-term job creation."

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wet corner of the slick paper will not tear easily, while a wet corner of the high-quality newsprint will easily tear. The other solution is to place the questionable paper in with magazines and slicks. This is the best choice for any questionable paper as magazines and slicks are more forgiving of differences than white paper or newspaper.

Dear Recycle Lady,

Do deer and other wildlife like pumpkins? Can they be put outside for them to eat? *Like Wildlife*

Dear Like Wildlife,

Deer and other wildlife do like pumpkins. Just put them out in a field or lightly forested area. One word of caution: break open your pumpkins so a hungry deer won't get its head stuck inside! Feeding wildlife with your used pumpkins is so much better than sending them to the landfill. According to the World Economic Forum, landfills around the country receive about 900,000 tons of pumpkins each year. Food waste emits a potent greenhouse gas, methane, that generates Carbon Dioxide (CO2) and contributes to climate change. Finding a sustainable way to dispose of a Halloween pumpkin is one small way we can make Halloween activities more environmentally friendly.

Interesting Information: Did you know that the name Jack O'Lantern was used in the 1600s as the name for a lantern-carrying night watchman? At that time, "Jack" was a name used for a man whose name was not known, and was carrying a lantern, thus he was called Jack O'lantern. By the 1800s, according to Merriam-Webster, Jack O'Lantern meant "a carved pumpkin used as a lantern." The name may have come from ancient rituals or folk tales about lantern carrying spirits. It also may have come from young pranksters who carved scary faces into pumpkins. A belated Happy Halloween to all!

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

The 18th Annual Shinnston Turkey Trot & Gobble Wobble

The 18th Annual Shinnston Turkey Trot & Gobble Wobble is celebrating 250 years of America! Kick off your Thanksgiving with a fun-filled event for the whole family. Wear your best Red, White, and Blue to honor our nation and join us for a day of running, walking, and community spirit! Don't miss out on creating unforgettable memories together!

Race Details:

Experience the 3.1-mile loop that starts on Route 19 by Walgreens and finishes on the beautiful rail trail! Bring your family and friends for a day of fun and fitness.

- Runners and Walkers: 9:00 AM / Kids Gobble Wobble: 8:45 AM (Rail Trailhead)

Location:

West Fork River Rail Trailhead
208 South Pike Street
Shinnston, WV 26431 US

No Pets Allowed:

**** To comply with our insurance policy and ensure a safe environment for everyone attending, we kindly ask that you leave your pets at home. Thank you for helping us keep the event safe and enjoyable for all. If you bring your pet, we will kindly ask you to leave. ****

Fantastic Prizes:

- Top 3 Overall Finishers (Male and Female) will receive cash prizes:
- Top 3 Age Group Finishers will receive medals
- Biggest Team wins the Turkey Cup
- Costume contests and silly awards recognizing our most creative and spirited participants.

Early Packet Pickup:

Wednesday, November 25
Shinnston Lighthouse
75 Rebecca Street
Shinnston, WV
5:00 PM - 8:00 PM

Day of Packet Pickup:

Registration Station at Shinnston Trailhead.
7:00 AM - 8:30 AM. Packet Pickup will close at 8:30, so the races can start on time.



Day of Registration:

- 7:00 AM - 8:30 AM, Registration will CLOSE at 8:30 AM so the race can start on time.
- $35.00 Day-of Fee for Runners/Walkers. $10.00 Gobble Wobble Fee
- Cash or Check is preferred; Credit Card will be accepted.

In-Person Early Registration:

Available at Pike Street Bikes during business hours.

Making a Difference:

Your participation supports the Shinnston Turkey Trot Scholarship! We're thrilled to award $1,000.00 each to one male and one female high school senior planning to attend college or trade school in fall 2027.

The remaining funds are being put to good use in Shinnston, supporting important projects like the Lord's Pantry and local beautification efforts. These contributions help strengthen our community and improve our surroundings.

We will also be collecting non-perishable items for the Lord's Pantry. Feel Free to drop them off at Registration.

Scholarship Contestants:

Are you a high school senior heading to college or trade school in fall 2027? You could win!

Here's what you need to do:

- Fill out the form and submit it before race day.
- Run the Turkey Trot
- Get entered into the drawing for a chance to win.
- Must be a current senior, a race participant, and college/trade school bound to qualify.
- ***Contact Information:*** *shinnstonturkeytrot@gmail.com*
- *Facebook: Shinnston Turkey Trot*
- *Registration Page: https://runsignup.com/Race/WV/Shinnston/ShinnstonTurkeyTrot5KVirtualRun.*