

# Marshall County Family Resource Network, Inc.



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## **WesBanco Winter Wonderland to Provide Fun for All at Dec. 31's Marshall County Winter Carnival**

MOUNDSVILLE, WV – Children of all ages will delight in the WesBanco Winter Wonderland children's entertainment at the Marshall County Winter Carnival from 12 p.m. to 5 p.m. on Thursday, Dec. 31, in downtown Moundsville. The Marshall County Winter Carnival is sponsored by the Marshall County Family Resource Network.

You can pick up a coupon, good for one free ticket to the Marshall County Winter Carnival, at local branches of WesBanco Bank, including Moundsville and Benwood. You will also be able to find the coupons at the Gold, Khourey & Turak Christmas tree light-up on the afternoon of Wednesday, Dec. 9, at the law firm's offices on Tomlinson Avenue. A copy of the coupon can be downloaded at any time by visiting [marshallcountyfrn.com](http://marshallcountyfrn.com) and clicking on the Winter Carnival link. Be sure to save them and redeem at the Winter Carnival; there's no limit to the amount of coupons you can collect and redeem.

There will be hours of professional entertainment, either on Jefferson Avenue or inside at Remke's Helping Hands Medical Supplies located at 227 Jefferson Ave.

The schedule of events include:

- Magician Ray, 2007 Pittsburgh Magician of the Year, who will delight all ages with his friendly style of magic. Making objects appear, disappear, reappear, and change size, shape and color are his specialties. His show is amazing and funny, with plenty of audience participation. Magician Ray will be strolling Jefferson Avenue during most of the Winter Carnival.
- Bob the Juggler who will also be strolling Jefferson Avenue as a juggler, unicyclist and stilt walker. Bob the Juggler is one to amaze as he juggles various objects including balls, rings, knives, fire and more. As a master juggler not only can Bob manipulate various objects, he can balance many objects on various parts of his body. He will dazzle Winter Carnivalgoers with his unique skills, including Diablo, Devil Sticks and Spinning Balls. On top of everything else, he rides a unicycle and stilt walks.
- A professional caricature artist will provide customized self-portraits. Drawings are on high-quality paper and are suitable for framing.
- Balloon-A-Tic who creates comical balloon animals and sculptures, crazy and fanciful balloon creations from dogs and cats to flowers and outrageous balloon hats. It's fun for all ages.

- A professional artist who will provide elaborate face-painting designs with non-toxic brightly colored paints and glitter. Traditional, quaint and cute, face painting is a family favorite!

The caricature artist and face-painting artist will be located inside Remke's Helping Hands Medical Supplies, located at 227 Jefferson Ave.

The professional entertainers for the WesBanco Winter Wonderland are being provided by Windswept Entertainment and Events of Latrobe, Pa., a leading company in the region with more than 300 entertainers in its roster and nearly 20 years experience.

The WesBanco Winter Wonderland also includes children's inflatables, including T-ball, basketball, skee ball and Euro Bungee. The inflatables will be on Jefferson Avenue between Fourth and Fifth streets.

The Winter Wonderland is sponsored by WesBanco Bank Inc., which operates 111 banking offices in West Virginia, Ohio and Pennsylvania, including Marshall County offices in Moundsville and Benwood.

"WesBanco is pleased to support the work of the Marshall County Family Resource Network by sponsoring the children's Winter Wonderland at the Marshall County Winter Carnival," said Angie Coe, branch manager of the WesBanco Bank Moundsville branch. "We applaud the Family Resource Network in their efforts to encourage and facilitate community involvement in this and many other meaningful events." Coe is also a member of the FRN's Board of Directors.

There will be other activities for children during the 2009 Marshall County Winter Carnival beyond the WesBanco Winter Wonderland:

- We're Holden Puppets will perform its holiday show, "Elves Fantoccini," from 1:30 p.m. to 2 p.m. at the Moundsville-Marshall County Public Library, 700 Fifth St., Moundsville.
- Andrea Keller of the Grave Creek Mound Archaeological Complex will have a Native American crafts table for children from 12 pm. to 5 p.m. at Remke Helping Hands Medical Supplies, 227 Jefferson Ave., Moundsville.
- "Spike" from the Wheeling Nailers and Wendy from Wendy's Old-Fashioned Hamburgers in Moundsville will be greeting carnivalgoers from 12 p.m. to 1 p.m. on Jefferson Avenue.
- Families will be able to create lasting memories of the Winter Carnival in a professional photo booth, sponsored by the Healthy Families Coalition from 12 p.m. to 5 p.m.
- Children will be able to see the effects of fire at the Smokehouse trailer from 12 p.m. to 5 p.m.

The Winter Carnival is sponsored by the Marshall County Family Resource Network (FRN), an organization that encourages the community to share resources, build capacity, and develop collaborative partnerships. The FRN works across agency boundaries to improve the county through assessment, planning, coordination, and evaluation. For more information about the FRN or its Winter Carnival, please see [www.marshallcountyfrn.com](http://www.marshallcountyfrn.com) or call the Marshall County Family Resource Network at (304) 845-3300.