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Local Merchants, Attractions Getting into the Fun at Dec. 31's Marshall County Winter Carnival

MOUNDSVILLE, WV – Visitors to Moundsville on New Year's Eve, Dec. 31, can go to the Marshall County Winter Carnival and stay for a number of other events and specials going on around town in celebration of the event.

The Marshall County Winter Carnival will be held from 12 p.m. to 5 p.m. on Thursday, Dec. 31, on Jefferson Avenue in downtown Moundsville. The Winter Carnival will include street performances by the 2007 Pittsburgh Magician of the Year and a juggler/uniyclist/stilt walker plus a professional caricature artist, a balloon animal artist and a face painter plus children's inflatables, a photo booth and wood carving demonstrations. The Winter Carnival concludes with a fireworks show by Presutti Inc. over Moundsville at 5:30 p.m.

There's much more to the Winter Carnival. The West Virginia Penitentiary, Marshall County's biggest tourist attraction, will be open for tours. The Marx Toy Museum will offer special discounts. Andrea Keller from Grave Creek Mound Archaeological Complex will be doing Native American-themed crafts for children all day in a storefront on Jefferson Avenue. Many Moundsville merchants, particularly on Jefferson Avenue, will be offering specials during the Winter Carnival.

The following Marshall County attractions will be holding special events or discounts during the Winter Carnival:

- The West Virginia Penitentiary will be offering 45-minute tours between 11 a.m. and 4 p.m. on Dec. 31.
- The Marx Toy Museum, 15 Second St., will be open from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. The museum is offering a free child admission with a \$3 adult admission plus 10%-30% off gift-shop items. There will be a toy demonstration every hour in the museum's 1950s room from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- The Grave Creek Mound Archaeological Complex's Andrea Keller will set up shop at Remke Helping Hands Medical Supplies, 227 Jefferson Ave., to create Native American-style rattles out of recycled water bottles with children between 12 p.m. and 5 p.m.

A number of Moundsville businesses have also announced they will be offering the following specials during Winter Carnival:

- Allen's Bootery, 337 Jefferson Ave.: Special pricing during Winter Carnival.
- The Appliance Connection, 263 Jefferson Ave.: 10% off all dishwashers.
- City Café, 324 Jefferson Ave.: \$1 hot dogs; \$2.50 sloppy joes; \$3.50 meatball hoagies; \$1 hot chocolate.

- Country Lane Crafts, 318 Jefferson Ave.: 50% off remaining Christmas items; 20% off everything else in stock.
- Fay's Jewelers, 323 Jefferson Ave: 20% off everything in store.
- Frames and Fortunes, 239 Jefferson Ave.: 10% off all framed art, excluding WV Penitentiary and Grave Creek Mound sketches; 10% off Dave Barnhouse prints and artist's proofs; order your custom frames for the drawings by the Marshall County Winter Carnival caricaturist.
- Peggy's Posies, 259 Jefferson Ave.: Refreshments inside store and a drawing.
- MoundTown Music, 278 Jefferson Ave.: Raffle for a guitar, \$1/ticket.
- Old Town Coffee Shop, 272 Jefferson Ave.: \$1 hot dogs; \$1 hot chocolate.
- Rite Aid, 120 Jefferson Ave.: Stop by the store during the Winter Carnival to register for a \$50 gift card drawing.
- Rosebuds, 320 Jefferson Ave.: 20% off items in stock.
- Ruttenberg's, 238 Jefferson Ave.: \$10 off jeans; \$25 off Carhartt coats.
- Theresa's Fabrics, 264 Jefferson Ave.: Annual football widow sale in store.
- Uniquely Yours, 305 Jefferson Ave.: 50% off all Christmas items and 15% off any regular-priced item (excluding Vera Bradley).

You can find out more about the Marshall County Winter Carnival at www.marshallcountyfrn.com.

The Marshall County 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 or call (304) 845-3300.