

'Communities are transformed within, by committed citizens: People like you.'
- Peter Hille, director of the Brushy Fork Institute



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Excellence training planned

The Marshall County Family Resource Network is hosting a Standards for Excellence Clinic Series in November. The Standards for Excellence program is an initiative dedicated to strengthening management and governance in nonprofit organizations.

The centerpiece for the program is a code of conduct for well managed, responsibly governed nonprofits called Standards for Excellence: An Ethics and Accountability Code for the Nonprofit Sector. The standards program is designed to promote excellence and integrity in nonprofit management and to strengthen the public's trust in nonprofit organizations.

The clinic series will cover the eight major topic areas in the Standards for Excellence in detail. These sessions are designed to help you learn how to use the standards to assess and improve your organization's

mission, governance, financial systems, personnel practices, fundraising, legal and compliance issues, conflicts of interest and public policy and public affairs.

The sessions are designed for 10 organizations who learn from each other over the series of three workshops that take place over a three-week time frame. A facilitated peer-to-peer exchange follows each topic overview. Organizations are encouraged to send one representative who will attend all three full-day sessions and one other member of the organization to each of the sessions depending upon their area of need or expertise. Space is limited to 10 organizations and the West Virginia Community Development Hub is offering some scholarships for the series. To download the registration form, please visit www.marshallcountyfrn.com.

Congratulations!

For a second year in a row of passing compliance checks with flying colors:

- Speedway, Glen Dale
- Wal-Mart, Moundsville
- Gumby's, Route 2 South, Moundsville

For a perfect record in 2009 for Marshall County alcohol compliance checks

- Butch's Corner, Fairmont Pike, Wheeling
- Georgetown General, Cameron
- Greg's Market, Jefferson Avenue, Moundsville
- Greg's Market, Fourth Street, Moundsville
- Dairy Mart, Moundsville
- Woodlands Breeze Thru, Proctor
- Holmes Market, Moundsville
- Poling Tire, Moundsville
- Gumby's, Glen Dale
- Roseland Guest House and Campground, Proctor
- SOS Express, Glen Dale
- Hills and Hollows General Store, Glen Easton
- Rite Aid, Moundsville
- Rite Aid, Benwood
- Jerry's Mini Mart, McMechen
- Moundsville BP
- Smith Oil, Moundsville
- Derrow's Mountaineer Mart, Cameron
- Moundsville Grocery Store
- Kroger, Moundsville
- Kroger, Benwood
- CVS, Moundsville

Preparations under way for 2009 Winter Carnival

By Stacie Dei
Executive Director

On New Year's Eve, we will bring in 2010 with the second annual Winter Carnival celebration held on Jefferson Avenue from 2nd through 5th streets in Moundsville.

Here at the Marshall County Family Resource Network, we have been working behind the scenes to create an even bigger and better winter carnival for New Year's Eve 2009. Like last year, we're planning to close off from 2nd to 5th streets on Jefferson

Avenue for a mix of music, food, children's entertainment and games between noon and 5 p.m.

For the first time, the event will kick off with a tiny trot race sponsored by Wendy's Old-Fashioned Hamburgers. We'll cap off the event with fireworks over the city. The entire event will be a positive, family-friendly and alcohol-free atmosphere. This is an alcohol-free family event that will bring a big-city celebration to

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Marshall County picked for pilot project

MOUNDSVILLE -- The West Virginia Center for Civic Life has chosen Marshall County for one of three pilot projects in the state to increase citizen involvement in their community. The Marshall County Family Resource Network and the Marshall County Anti-Drug Coalition are joining others in the

community to work on the pilot project, which will focus on underage drinking.

In the first step of the project, local organizers will ask citizens for the input on the issue of underage drinking. The responses will help guide the course of the project. If you are interested in becoming involved, a survey is available online at

<http://tinyurl.com/mkpeeg> or by emailing frnpr@comcast.net for a link to the survey.

In the coming months, the group will be holding a number of community forums about underage drinking. For more information, please see marshallcountyfrn.com or contact the Marshall County FRN at (304) 845-3300.

Moderator training planned Oct. 9 at Marshall County FRN

The West Virginia Center for Civic Life will also be presenting a training in Marshall County on Friday, Oct. 9. The training, which is sponsored by the Marshall County FRN and the Anti-Drug Coalition, will be called "Moderating Community Forums."

It will be held from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Marshall County FRN offices, 324 7th St., Moundsville. Lunch will be provided.

The training will be conducted by Betty Knighton and Jean Ambrose from the WV Center for Civic Life. Participants will learn how to moderate a deliberative

discussion in their community, they will learn strategies for organizing and promoting forums, and they will learn how to record and report outcomes of community discussions.

Continuing Education Units (CEUs) will be provided through the WV Prevention Resource Center as an approved provider for the WV Board of Addiction/Prevention (AP09-101), the WV Board of Examiners in Counseling (WVBEC-508), the National Commission for Health Education Credentialing (MEP2479), and the West

Virginia Board of Social Work Examiners (490097) and the WV Law Enforcement Training Board. The WVPRC is funded primarily with federal Substance Abuse Prevention & Treatment Block Grant dollars administered through the WV DHHR's Bureau for Behavioral Health & Health Facilities and Strategic Prevention Framework State Incentive Grant funds administered by the WV Governor's Office via the Division of Criminal Justice Services. Additional information is available at www.PrevNET.org.

To register, call (304) 845-3300.

Sanford Center looks for volunteers to help

The Sanford Center committees are seeking citizens from Marshall County who would be interested in volunteering their time to help make this center succeed.

The center is to be self sufficient. Its only source of income will come through rent, fundraising and grants. The board of directors and committee chairs need your help to accomplish it. If you are interested or want to know more, please contact committee chairs:

- Organizational Development committee,

which is responsible for bylaws, filing for incorporation, budgets, creating a recordkeeping system and developing the center as a nonprofit, contact chair Joyce Howard at (304) 845-8200.

- The Funds Development committee will deal with fundraising and grant writing. Contact Della Deskins at (304) 845-8182.

- The Property Management committee handles the rental agreements and leases. Contact Richard Healy at (304) 843-1784.

- The Maintenance

Committee will handle the upkeep of the building/grounds. Contact Robert Blake at (304) 845-5683.

- The Public Relations committee will be dealing with continuous contact with the community through the media and recruit new members. Contact Kim Kidd at (304) 845-3991.

The new Sanford Center Board of Directors are Della Deskins, Joyce Howard, Robert Blake, Dara Pond, Richard Healy, Allen Hendershot and Kim Kidd.

Project Sticker Shock returns in November

The Marshall County Anti-Drug Coalition will again sponsor Project Sticker Shock to address the continuing issue of youth access to alcohol.

Project Sticker Shock will be held from 10-11 a.m. Wednesday, Nov. 11. This

project aims to reach those individuals over age 21 who legally purchase alcohol and illegally provide it to a minor.

The coalition is looking for youth and adults who would like to volunteer to visit stores in the area to place stickers on alcohol products reminding

adults about the drinking age. A wrap-up fiesta is planned at the Acapulco Restaurant on Route 2 in Moundsville from 11 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Call Kimberli Green at (304) 845-3300 or email marshallcountysdfc@comcast.net.



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Winter Carnival

New Year's Eve
12 p.m. - 5 p.m.

Jefferson Avenue
Moundsville, WV

Fireworks

Children's Entertainment, Games,
Tiny Trot Race, Live Music

MCFRN

now on
Twitter,
Facebook

Did you know that the Marshall County Family Resource Network is now on Twitter?

The nonprofit agency can be found on the up-and-coming social networking site at MCFRN. You can sign up for our feed at twitter.com. Accounts are free, and following MCFRN is the easy way to get the latest news



about the FRN and community events onto your computer or mobile phone. Twitter is only the latest way to track the FRN's work. You can also become a fan of the Marshall County FRN on Facebook or visit www.marshallcountyfrn.com, the agency's Website.

FREE TICKET

Marshall County Winter Carnival

Present this coupon for a free ticket for a children's inflatable ride at the 2009 Marshall County Winter Carnival, Dec. 31, 2009, on Jefferson Avenue in Moundsville. Limit one per customer. Coupon must be surrendered. No cash/credit value.

Coupon Code: NEWSLETTER10 ZIP CODE: _____ #: _____

Local businesses thanked

The Marshall County Anti-Drug Coalition would like to congratulate a number of Marshall County businesses who passed their compliance checks with flying colors and didn't sell to an undercover minor in 2009.

Marshall County retailers have shown a strong level of improvement in reducing alcohol sales to minors during spot checks by police in 2009. In alcohol-law compliance checks this year, only 11% of retailers sold alcohol to

an undercover minor working with police. There were nine successful buys out of 85 attempts in 2009. That compares to a 94% buy rate in 2008, when 45 attempts out of 48 were successful.

Only Speedway in Glendale, Wal-Mart of Moundsville and the Gumby's on Route 2 in Moundsville did not sell to minors during the 2008 compliance checks.

All three continued their streak in 2009; none of those three businesses sold to minors in the compliance checks in 2009.

Carnival

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Marshall County. We hope you will be a part of this unique opportunity to showcase our community.

If the Winter Carnival is to be successful, then it has to have the support of everyone in the community. And we need your help, too. If you'd like to be a part of the Winter Carnival, please let us know. We are looking for sponsors, volunteers and others who want to help improve Marshall County. Nonprofit organizations can also set up concession stands during the event. You call us at (304) 845-3300.

We want to thank the businesses and organizations that

have already contributed to the 2009 Marshall County Winter Carnival. Wendy's of Moundsville, along with other Wendy's owned by Primary Aim LLC, is a major event sponsor. Other Platinum, Gold and Silver sponsors include Consol Energy, Wal-Mart Store #2852 in Moundsville, Ohio Valley Medical Center, Gold, Khourey and Turak, Lamar Advertising, Vance Printing & Graphics LLC, Healthy Family, Savage Heavy Highway, Moundsville Rotary Club and Reynolds Memorial Hospital.

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Upcoming Events

Saturday, Oct. 10

St. Jude's Women's Guild Craft Fair, St. Jude Church, 710 Jefferson Ave., Glen Dale.
Dungeon of Horrors, former WV Penitentiary, Moundsville. Continues through Oct. 31. Make reservations at www.wvpentours.com.

Tuesday, Oct. 13

Hats Off to Women, 6:30-8 p.m., Pine Room, Oglebay Park, Wheeling. Annual benefit for the Wheeling Family Violence Prevention Program.

Thursday, Oct. 15

Haunted Hills, 7-11 p.m., Grand Vue Park & Recreation Center, Moundsville. Continues on Thursday, Fridays and Saturdays through Oct. 31. For more information, call (304) 845-9810.
Marshall County Chamber of Commerce Business After Hours, 5 p.m., Mound View Health Care Inc., 2200 Floral St., Moundsville.

Saturday, Oct. 17

Marshall County Family Disc Golf Day, 9 a.m. - 7 p.m., Grand Vue Park, Moundsville.

Tuesday, Oct. 20

FRN General Membership Meeting, 11 a.m., Marshall County Family Resource Network, Historic Federal Building, 324 7th St., Moundsville.
Frame Show, Glen Dale Vision Center, 12 Wheeling Ave., Glen Dale. Designer eye glass frames as well as regular ones can be purchased. The event will be from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. Lenses can also be purchased. Benefits Appalachian Outreach.

Monday, Oct. 26

Dungeon of Fun for the Little Ones, 6-8 p.m., Moundsville Center, former WV Penitentiary. Cost: \$5 per child, adults free. For ages 2-6 with games for children and families, treat stations, fun activities, music, prizes and much more.

Tuesday, Oct. 27

Little Dungeon of Horrors, 7-9 p.m., Moundsville Center, former WV Penitentiary. Cost: \$10 for a family of four, \$5 for each additional child. For ages 7-12, a special peek at the Dungeon of Horrors.

Friday, Oct. 30

CASA for Children Tailgate Fundraiser, 6 p.m., Grand Vue Park, Moundsville. Come dressed to cheer on the mountaineers, while supporting CASA Volunteers mission of advocating for abused and neglected children. \$15 admission includes food and drink. Call (304) 232-0511.
Fifth Quarter Youth Halloween Party, 10 p.m. - midnight, First Christian Church, Moundsville. First Christian Church is excited to offer local youth a safe environment in which they can celebrate Halloween, cool their jets after the John Marshall-Brooke football game, and enjoy some good, clean fun. Adult volunteers are welcome and may volunteer by calling the church at (304) 845-1750.

Thursday, Nov. 5

Standards for Excellence Training, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m., Marshall County Family Resource Network, Historic Federal Building, 324 7th St., Moundsville. Three-day workshop continues Nov. 10 (10 a.m. - 4 p.m.) and Nov. 17 (10 a.m. - 4 p.m.). Cost: \$500; limited number of scholarships available.

Celebrity Server Night, Ponderosa, Route 2, Glen Dale. Benefits Appalachian Outreach.

Friday, Nov. 6

Marshall County Anti-Drug Coalition Meeting, Historic Federal Building, 324 7th St., Moundsville.

Wednesday, Nov. 11

Project Sticker Shock, sponsored by the Marshall County Family Resource Network and the Marshall County Anti-Drug Coalition.

Saturday, Nov. 21

Holiday Parade, downtown Moundsville. Sponsored by the Marshall County Chamber of Commerce.

Tailgate set Oct. 30 to benefit CASA

The second annual YWCA's Court Appointed Special Advocates Volunteer Program (CASA) Tailgate Fund-Raiser will be held at 6 p.m., Oct. 30 at GrandVue Park in Moundsville.

Join Ohio Valley residents, lawyers, judges, social workers and professionals as we cheer on the Mountaineers. Raffles, door prizes and a corn hole tournament are in the plans. Ticket price includes tailgating foods and beverages. Come dressed to cheer on the Mountaineers as they play South Florida.

Tickets are \$15. Call (304) 232-0511 to reserve tickets or send money to CASA, 1100 Chapline St., Wheeling. Tickets will also be available at the door.

Pen holds Halloween events for children

There will be a "Dungeon of Fun for the Little Ones" on Monday, Oct. 26, from 6-8 p.m. at the Moundsville Center inside the walls of the former WV Penitentiary. This event is for children ages 2-6 with games for children and families, treat stations, fun activities, music, prizes and more!

The cost to attend is \$5 per child; adults are free. All proceeds benefit the local chapter of the Osiris Shrine Children's Fund.

On Tuesday, Oct. 27, families with children ages 7-12 can enjoy the "Little Dungeon of Horrors" from 7-9 p.m. This special peek of the wildly popular Dungeon of Horrors will have thrills and chills, but allows the kids to control the level of fright they encounter with a friendly warning to spooks, "Monsters BE GOOD!" Admission for a family of four is \$10 and \$5 for each additional child.

Co-sponsors for "Dungeon of Fun for the Little Ones!" are the Moundsville Economic Development Council (MEDC); Bayer Heritage Federal Credit Union; the law firm of Gold, Khourey, and Turak; the Marshall County Family Resource Network; and the Moundsville City Police and Fire Departments.

Call (304) 845-6529 for advance tickets.