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MAIN STREET MORGANTOWN

40ish events for 40th anniversary

BY KARA VAUGHAN
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Main Street Morgantown has more than 40 downtown events planned to celebrate its 40th year. Here are a few highlights:

■ First Fridays

Grab your friends and head to Main Street Morgantown's First Friday events to mingle with the community, meander through art spaces and get groovy with some local art. On the first Friday of the month, head to High Street and turn on your funky flow for an evening of color and creativity. These events will be 6-9 p.m. June 7, July 5, Aug. 2 and Sept. 6.

■ High Street Cruise-Ins

Calling all classic and custom car lovers. Drive into an antique dream at Morgantown's High Street Cruise-Ins, from 4-8 p.m. on June 19, July 17 and Aug. 21. Browse beautiful cars, meet the owners and enjoy an evening in downtown.

■ West Virginia Birthday Party

Join the community in celebrating the

West Virginia Birthday Party event, which will include music, a kids zone and other family-friendly activities. The festival will be from noon to 5 p.m. June 15 and will take place on High Street.

■ Celebration of America

Celebrate our nation's independence at the Downtown Morgantown Independence Day Celebration at 7 p.m. July 1 at the Hazel Ruby McQuain Amphitheater. Enjoy live music, explore delicious food trucks and watch a fireworks show at 10 p.m. The park will open to the public at 5 p.m., and the celebration will officially begin at 7 p.m..

■ Moonlight Market

The Moonlight Market returns to the Morgantown Market Place pavilion on Spruce Street. Open to the public, the Moonlight Market hosts a wide range of artists, creatives and makers, plus entertainment and food trucks. The perfect event for a date night, a family adventure or a group social. These events are planned for 4-9 p.m. May 18, June 22, July 20, Aug. 17

and Sept. 28.

■ The Great Race

From Kentucky to Maine, racers from across the country join in the Great Race Classic Car Rally — and this year they're making a stop in Morgantown. They will be driving down High Street starting at about noon June 24. This event is perfect for the whole family, so bring the kids along and admire the lineup of 120 vintage vehicles. In addition, there will be a finish-line display and event at the top of High Street. There will be showcases, demonstrations, antique shopping, food and more for local and traveling guests alike. The racers will only be in town for a couple of hours before continuing their long journey.

■ 60th Anniversary of the Civil Rights Act of 1964

Join the First Presbyterian Church of Morgantown as it hosts an event for the 60th anniversary of the Civil Rights Act of 1964. The exhibit will open July 2 at the Morgantown Public Library and will be

available to visit throughout July.

■ Morgantown Pride Block Party

This summer, Morgantown Pride is hosting a Pride Block party featuring performances by a lineup of show girls and drag queens at noon June 16 at Hazel Ruby McQuain Park.

■ Fall Handmade Arts Walk

Fall Handmade Arts Walk, featuring local artists, vendors and fun for the whole family will be 6-9 p.m. Aug. 9 on High Street.

■ Merchant Mixer

A mixer for local business professionals and investors from downtown or the Wharf District is planned for June, with the time and date to be determined.

General admission tickets cost \$10, but businesses and their employees can register for free.

See more events on Page 6.

Follow Main Street Morgantown on Facebook and Instagram or visit downtownmorgantown.com to stay updated about upcoming events and celebrations.

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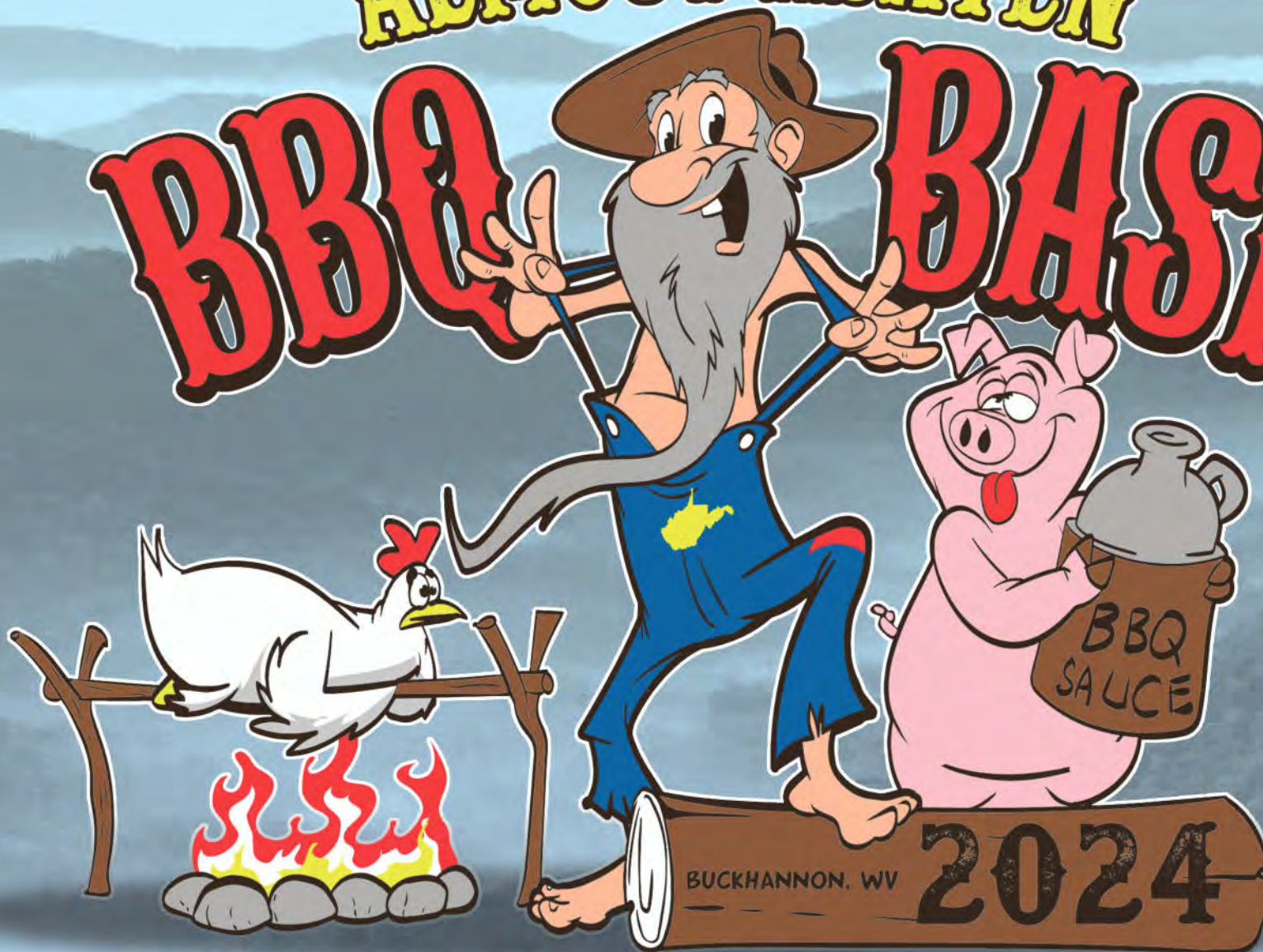
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- First Fridays for the Arts by ACGM, June 7
- West Virginia Birthday Party and Main Street Morgantown 40th Anniversary celebration, June 15
- Pride Block Party by Morgantown Pride, June 15
- Moonlight Market, June 15
- High Street Cruise-In, June 19
- The Great Race, June 24
- First Fridays for the Arts by ACGM, July 5
- 60th Anniversary Civil Rights Act: Conversations, July 13
- Don Knotts 100th with the Met Theatre's 100th, July 20, more info to come
- High Street Cruise-In, July 17
- Moonlight Market, July 20
- First Fridays for the Arts by ACGM, Aug. 2
- Fall Arts Walk and Vintage Market, Aug. 10
- Moonlight Market, Aug. 17
- Merchant Mixer, Aug. 21
- High Street Cruise-In, Aug. 21
- First Fridays for the Arts by ACGM, Sept. 6
- Moonlight Market, Sept. 28

- First Fridays for the Arts by ACGM, Oct. 4
- Hops on the Mon, Oct. 5
- Moonlight Market, Oct. 26
- Downtown Trick-or-Treat, Oct. 31
- First Fridays for the Arts by ACGM, Nov. 1
- Winter Street Party, November, more info to come
- Small Business Saturday and Moonlight Market, Nov. 30
- Vintage Market by Art Party, Nov. 30
- First Fridays for the Arts by ACGM, Dec. 6

2024 Annual Parades

- June 13, Pride Parade by Morgantown Pride
- Aug. 19, Mon County Fair Parade by Monongalia County Fair Association
- Oct. 2, University High Homecoming
- October, Morgantown High Homecoming
- Oct. 18, WVU Homecoming
- Early November, Veterans Day by VFW Post #548
- December, Christmas Parade by Old Colony and Monongalia Wireless



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Soup Camel performs at a previous Arts Walk in downtown Morgantown. The Fall Arts Walk is scheduled for August, but Main Street Morgantown has several events on the schedule during its 40th anniversary year.

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READING

Adventure begins at your area library

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Explore all the pathways to adventure that the Morgantown Public Library System has to offer by participating in the 2024 Summer Reading Program.

The program is open to children going into grades 1-5, tweens and teens in grades 6-12 and adults 18 and over.

Registration begins June 1, and the Summer Reading Program runs from June 10-Aug. 10. Information is available at the Summer Reading Program webpages:

- mympls.org/kids-summer-reading-program-2024/
- mympls.org/tween-teen-summer-reading-program-2024/
- mympls.org/adult-summer-reading-program-2024/
- mympls.org

Children in grades 1-5 can log reading on Beanstack (the library's virtual logging platform) or a paper log, attend exciting adventure-themed events at all of Mor-

gantown Public Library locations, win prizes, collect buttons, pick up craft kits and attend an end-of-program pool party at Camp Muffly from 6-8 p.m. Aug. 16.

Adventurous kids' events include "Nature's Mosaic Marvels" with the Friends of Deckers Creek at the Morgantown Public Library, an "Umbrella Arts Showcase" at the Cheat Area Public Library, "Summer Detective Squad" at the Clay-Battelle Public Library, a "'Go Glow' Dance Party" at the Arnettsville Public Library, "Cryptid Art Classes" with Elisha Rush at the Morgantown and Clinton District Public Libraries, and a system-wide field trip to the WVU Planetarium.

Tweens, teens and adults can log their reading on Beanstack for a chance to win prizes and attend in-person events at the Morgantown Public Library. For adults, there will be craft nights, book clubs and a "Swiftie Party."

Event offerings for tweens (ages 10-12) include a special D&D night, a "Choco-



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Morgantown Public Library on Spruce Street.

late Olympics" and glow-in-the-dark painting. Teens (ages 13-18) can attend "Studio Ghibli Saturday," crafting and gaming nights and a "'Nailed It!' Decorating Challenge," among other fun events.

Too young to register for the Summer Reading Program? No problem. Preschoolers can participate in 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten, pick up a complimentary reading tracker from the front desk and attend preschool programs.

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POOLS

Get ready to make a splash at Marilla and Krepps

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Though it's not officially summer until June 20, for many people, this weekend marks the start of summer.

Both Krepps and Marilla pools opened this weekend and are ready for swimmers and sunbathers. The pools will be open today and Monday but closed Tuesday-Friday, reopening Saturday through Aug. 11.

The pools

Located in the heart of Suncrest, near the WVU Coliseum, Krepps Pool features a pirate ship-themed aquatic play area for children 12 and under, diving board, concession stand, beach area and locker rooms.

BOPARC's largest pool is located in the Sabraton area of Morgantown. Marilla Pool features a zero-grade entry, two water slides, diving board, large beach area, concession stand and locker rooms.

The pools are open seven days a week

from noon-6 p.m.

Admission is \$6 for adults and \$5 for youth (ages 4-17) and seniors (55 and over). Slide passes at Marilla are an extra \$3 per rider.

Children 3 and under are free with a paying adult.

Sundays are discount days, saving each person \$1 all day at both pools. Slide bands are still \$3 on Sundays.

Pool passes

Pool passes can be purchased in person at the BOPARC Administrative Office in Sabraton from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Monday-Friday or over the phone with a credit card. Passes are picture coded and require a driver's license-size photo at time of purchase. Take a photo(s) of all members of your party or be prepared to email (adminoffice@boparc.org) the pictures if paying over the phone. Passes will not be processed without a picture.

Family Pass (up to four people) is \$230. Each additional family member will be \$25 per person with a maximum of four

additional people per family pass.

Individual Season Pass is \$130.

Pool Passes are valid at both pools for public sessions only. Individual programs have additional fees.

Private events

Both Krepps Pool and Marilla Pool can be reserved for a private event. Reservations may be made in one-hour or two-hour time blocks any day, depending on availability, between 6:30-8:30 p.m. Reservations include use of the pool, locker rooms, beach areas, pool pavilion (Marilla only), Aquatic Play Area (Krepps only) and lifeguards. Use of the water slides at Marilla is available for an additional rental fee. Renters are permitted to bring in their own refreshments, but no alcohol permitted.

Reservations can be made by calling 304-296-8356.

Pool rental is \$165 per hour with a maximum of two hours.

Slide rental at Marilla is \$100 per rental, also with a maximum of two hours.

Pool rules & info

- No diving in the shallow end of the pool, hanging on ropes or general horseplay, such as pushing, dunking or hanging on shoulders, waist or neck of other swimmers.

- No spitting in water, swearing or other inappropriate actions or language.

- No food permitted in or near the pool.

- Hard diving sticks, rings and hard balls (footballs, tennis balls) are prohibited.

- Snorkels, masks, flippers and flotation devices, such as water rings, rafts, beach balls and "swimmies," are prohibited.

- Only U.S. Coast Guard approved devices are permitted.

- Adult swim takes place at the top of every hour for 10 minutes. Adult swim is for 18 and over. Children are not permitted in the pool during adult swim. The final whistle is blown at 5:50 p.m. of each regular swim and at 7:50 p.m. of each evening swim.



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ENTERTAINMENT

Ruby Summer Concert Series begins June 7

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Morgantown and the Hazel Ruby McQuain Charitable Trust will again present the Ruby Summer Concert Series — free concerts — every Friday night during the summer at Ruby Amphitheater, along the Monongahela River.

The opening act each Friday will take the stage at 7 p.m.

The schedule

- June 7 — opener, Seven South; headliner, AbbaMania
- June 14 — opener, Truck Stop; headliner, Ace Frehley
- June 21 — opener, Christian Lopez; headliner: Sara Evans
- June 28 — opener, The Parachute Brigade; headliner, Starship featuring Mickey Thomas
- July 12 — opener, Adrian & The Soul Miners; headliner, Resurrection: A Jour-

ney Tribute

- July 19 — opener, EMay; headliner, PostModern Jukebox
 - July 26 — opener, Kate Boytek; headliner, HunterGirl
 - Aug. 2 — opener, The Michael Weber Show; headliner, Marshall Charloff & Purple Xperience
 - Aug. 9 — opener, Last Year's Model; headliner, Fastball
 - Aug. 16 — opener, The Shoats; headliner: Steep Canyon Rangers
 - Aug. 23 — opener Zona Hester; headliner, Diamond Rio
 - Aug. 30 — opener, Grace Campbell; headliner, Plain White T's
- In addition to concerts, there are food trucks each Friday.

AbbaMania plays a previous concert in the Ruby summer series.

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MONONGALIA COUNTY

Parks & Recreation plans Summer Concert Series



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Tom Batchelor Band will play Chestnut Ridge Park June 1.

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The Monongalia County Parks & Recreation will hold a Summer Concert Series at Chestnut Ridge Park.

All concerts are scheduled for 6:30-8:30 p.m., some Saturdays through the summer.

Concertgoers can take a blanket or camp chairs.

Food trucks are scheduled for each concert.

Tickets are \$5 per person with children 6 and under admitted free.

The schedule

■ June 1 — Tom Batchelor Band

Tom Batchelor Band has performed its unique version of reggae and ska-infused jamrock at a variety of venues and festivals around the country and is still flourishing in the place where it all began. Self-taught frontman and West Virginia University graduate Tom Batchelor said it's been a long road for him to finally get settled in where he believes he

belongs in his music career.

■ June 8 — Colebrook Road

Colebrook Road is striving to find a common middle ground between straight-drive, traditional bluegrass popularized by acts such as the Del McCoury Band and the Lonesome River Band, and the genre warping progressive-grass by acts such as Yonder Mountain String Band and Billy Strings.

■ June 22 — Weary Space Wanderer

Weary Space Wanderer is spreading improvisational Appalachian-jams over the made-from-scratch bread of singer-songwriter Kevin Hamric. Taking the stories built on an acoustic guitar, bending and shaping them into mind-melting trips into Americana and roots-rock, Weary Space Wanderer is nothing short of an eclectic ride into what modern mountain music can be.

■ July 6 — Halftime Stringband

Since members began performing together in 2003, the Halftime String Band has entertained audiences throughout the Appalachian region, and as far away

as Alaska, with its unique blend of acoustic Americana music.

■ July 20 — CE Jones & Friends

CE Jones and Friends pulls from the Appalachian roots by playing folk-style music with instruments such as the banjo, mandolin and guitar.

■ Aug. 3 — Culture Thief

Culture Thief's music connects with listeners on an emotional level by drawing inspiration from a wide variety of backgrounds and genres such as metal, punk, folk and progressive rock.

■ Aug. 17 — Meadow Run

Hailing from the mountains of West Virginia, Meadow Run is a husband-and-wife duo, playing songs that blend the contemporary folk genre with a bluegrass spirit.

■ Aug. 31 — Hello June

Hello June formed in the hills of Morgantown after core members Sarah Rudy and Whit Alexander met as tenants of a communal apartment building. Their songs are emotionally open and resonant.

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ADVENTURE OUTFITTERS

Bikes, kayaks, paddleboards available for rent

BY CAVAN TARLEY

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After opening back up in April, Morgantown Adventure Outfitters has continued finding success in the Morgantown area.

"We've definitely seen an uptick in participation," said Chad Baker, assistant director at Adventure WV. "They just opened back up for the summer. Now that the word is getting out that it's down there and it's available, they have definitely seen growth over the last summer and even more growth this summer."

Morgantown Adventure Outfitters is an outdoor recreation facility that focuses on providing bike and boat rentals to its customers.

Bikes, kayaks and paddleboards individually rent at \$12.50 per hour. Through this equipment, customers can enjoy outdoor activities while seeing different

areas around Morgantown.

The main facility is near downtown Morgantown, where the shop is located next to key destinations. Baker attributes the location to part of why Morgantown Adventure Outfitters is so unique.

"It's super close, right downtown next to Walnut Street," he explained. "It's also one of the few places in the local area where you can get boats and explore the river. It's not something that a lot of people in the past were able to do easily. The fact that they can go explore the river that runs through town for hours is a great opportunity."

Apart from equipment, Morgantown Adventure Outfitters also gives guided trips via kayak or bike. Trained guides will give a tour of certain Morgantown areas, such as the Monongahela River and the Mon River Trail. These trips typically last for about 2.5-3 hours.

Morgantown Adventure Outfitters opened in fall 2022, through a partnership between Adventure WV (an outdoor activity organization at WVU) and the city of Morgantown. The organization really began to see a big increase in participation during summer 2023, when most people usually rent kayaks on the water or ride bikes on local trails.

According to Baker, Morgantown Adventure Outfitters has many plans for the future, particularly when it comes to expanding its services.

"They're trying to expand into some family and seasonal programming, as well as some more guided trips for the public to get more involved with," he explained.

Morgantown Adventure Outfitters is at 10 Walnut St., in Morgantown. Typical hours of operation are from noon-6 p.m. Friday-Sunday.

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ARTHURDALE HERITAGE

Many events planned

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Arthurdale Heritage has many summer events and offerings.

A new exhibition, *Factories in the Fields: an Experiment in Agriculture & Rural Industry*, is open, and save the date for the 27th annual New Deal Festival July 13.

Factories in the Fields explores the intersection of subsistence agriculture and rural industry in Arthurdale.

Through President Franklin D. Roosevelt's relief and recovery efforts known as the New Deal, Arthurdale became the first of 99 homestead and resettlement communities in the nation. These homesteads attempted to strike a balance between industry and subsistence agriculture in rural locations. Nicknamed "factories in the fields," this plan encouraged homesteaders to become self-sufficient, acquire new skills and work part-time in manufacturing.

Factories in the Fields features two

historic Co-Op tractors manufactured in the 1930s as well as interactive elements that are fun for all ages.

"As the nation's first New Deal community, Arthurdale has a unique history to share," said Elizabeth Satterfield, curator at Arthurdale Heritage. "This year marks the 90th anniversary of Arthurdale, so we are excited to commemorate this special occasion with a new exhibition."

Arthurdale Heritage will be offering exclusive tours of *Factories in the Fields* through July 11. The exhibition is free for Preston County residents and Arthurdale Heritage members. For all others, the cost is \$5 for adults and free for children and teens up to 18.

After July 15, the exhibition will remain on permanent display and be included in Arthurdale's regular guided tour, which is offered from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Monday-Saturday. The guided tour

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Mon County Fair set for Aug. 20-24 at Mylan Park

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The 2024 Monongalia County Fair is set for Aug. 20-24 at Mylan Park.

Festivities kick off with the annual parade down High Street, beginning at 6 p.m. Aug. 19.

Fairgrounds open at 6 p.m. Aug. 20 with the typical carnival rides and games, pageants, livestock barn and more.

Hours each day: 6 p.m.-10 p.m. Aug. 20-22; 6-11 p.m. Aug. 23 and noon-11 p.m. Aug. 24.

Admission at the gate — cash-only — is \$10 per person and includes carnival rides, motorsports events, rodeo events and access to the livestock barn, indoor vendors and outdoor vendors.

There is an additional charge for Pit Passes for Motorsports, mechanical bull riding, axe throwing, rodeo participation, etc.

Children under age of 2 are admitted for free.

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The Monongalia County Fair provides something for everyone and there are many ways to participate.

If you own a small business, restaurant or food truck, join as an indoor vendor or a food vendor. Showcase your talents on stage or share your crafts in competitive exhibits and compete for a ribbon. Check out ways you can support the Mon County Fair by volunteering, joining the board or donating to support youth activities.

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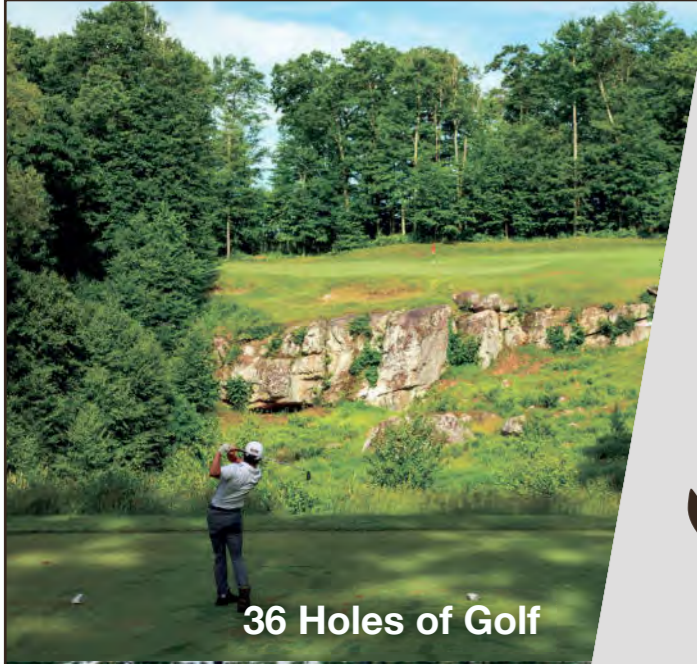

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KINGWOOD

Summer Fest to offer food, vendors, entertainment

BY JENIFFER GRAHAM
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KINGWOOD — If you enjoy shopping, dining and music, the place to be on June 15 is The City of Kingwood’s Summer Fest.

The event offers lots of fun for the entire family, including the farmers market and the West Virginia Day celebration at the McGrew House.

The event begins with a car show at 9 a.m. on High Street, followed by an estimated 35 vendors opening shop at 10 a.m. on Price Street.

If cars and trucks are not your cup of tea, you might want to check out Mountain Man Axe Throwing and show off your skills, or watch the Kung Fu demonstration presented by Morgantown Hung Gar. It starts at noon.

Following the demonstration, Clay Justice, Laurel Mountain Tumbleweed and Greg Short will be providing music

on the courthouse steps. O.J. Gnarly Nate will be the emcee.

For the children attending the event, Children’s Corner will be located on the lawn of The Preston County Inn.

There will be inflatables, a dunk tank, a photo booth, face-painting and Kona Ice.

If you decide to take a break for lunch, food vendors like Donny’s Country Cooking, Kabob A Dis Kabob A Dat, Terra Alta Hot Dogs, Great 8, Tizzy’s Lemonade and The Preston County Inn will be set up on Price Street.

For those looking to do some early Christmas shopping or just searching for a bargain, the flea market at the Kingwood Civic Center will be offering lots of choices. If shopping makes you hungry, Smokin Country BBQ will be set up in the parking lot.

Sparks Fly Permanent Jewelry will also be at the civic center. For those unfamiliar with permanent jewelry,

you are fitted with an anklet or bracelet of your choice, then the end links are welded together with a few small sparks to give you a piece of jewelry that doesn’t come off. The process takes about 10-15 minutes. Beauty Barn Salon, offering hair art and tattoos, will also be available. Those interested should schedule ahead at 304-329-7014.

There will also be a beer garden featuring Screech Owl and Higher Ground Brewing, sponsored by WV Caring.

From 7-10 p.m., Summer Fest After Hours will be holding a dance at the civic center with music by Storm Creek Rising.

It’s a BYOB event and admission is \$10 for singles and \$15 for couples.

The Kingwood Pool has a tentative opening date of June 5. Prices and further information will be found on the Facebook page or by calling 304-329-0856.

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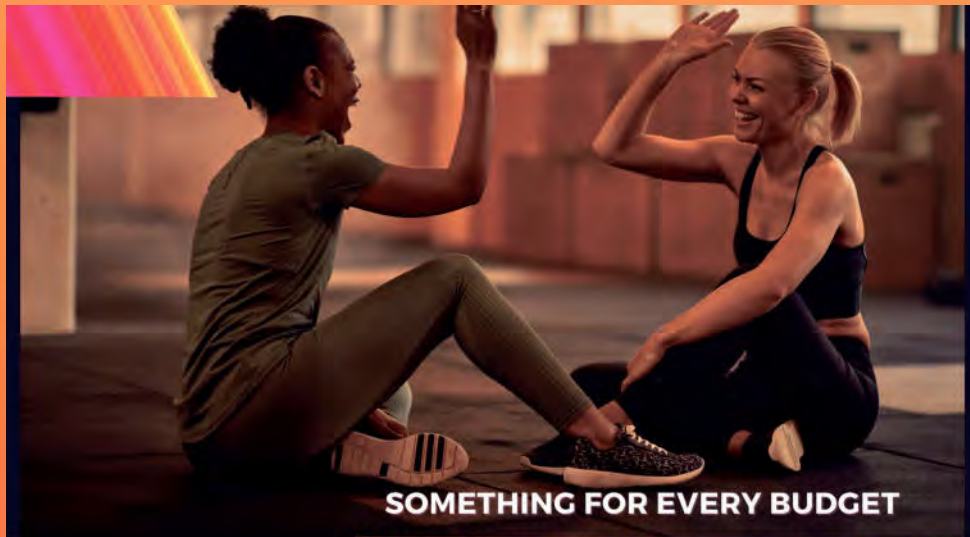
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MON COUNTY 4-H

Club members keep busy all summer

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Head, heart, hands and health: 4-H teaches youth to use all four by learning new things, building life skills and giving back to the community.

This is a busy summer with Monongalia County 4-H, and while the deadline has passed to attend the annual 4-H camps, there are plenty of other summer youth opportunities.

Monongalia County 4-H is part of a regional shotgun club that meets monthly at the West Virginia Sportsmen and Firearms Association Inc. Range in Fairmont. This is for youth who are 12 years old and up. While most of the 4-H clubs take a break during the summer months, the shotgun club still meets monthly. This club is led by 4-H instructors and volunteers Jim Bowers and David Myers. If you are interested in trying this out, call Jim at 304-216-8914.

The 4-H members have been hard at work on their 4-H projects over the past year. Members self-select a hobby-based project or two that includes activities designed to help them learn more about an area of interest. These projects include sewing, cooking, cake decorating, first aid, art, fishing, kitchen chemistry and many other subjects. Once a project is complete, the 4-H member brings what they learned in the

form of an exhibit to the county fair to compete for a ribbon.

It always means a lot when people from the public stop by and show their support of 4-H members' work. All are encouraged to drop by the Monongalia County Center Building during the Monongalia County Fair to check out the 4-H work. For a full schedule, visit www.moncountyfair.org/.

The public is also invited to one of a local fairs to celebrate the successes of Monongalia County 4-H livestock youth by attending a livestock show. Members exhibit their livestock 4-H project animals at the Clay District Fair (Aug. 7-10), Mon County Fair (Aug. 20-24), Battelle District Fair (July 9-13) and the Monongalia County 4-H and FFA Livestock Show and Sale (Aug. 17).

4-H is also excited to be a part of the Monongalia County Schools' Summer Avalanche program by visiting all the elementary schools with a fun, hands-on educational lesson about sun safety.

If you have any questions about the 4-H program, contact WVU Monongalia County 4-H Extension Agent Becca Fint-Clark at Becca.Fint-Clark@mail.wvu.edu or via phone at 304-291-7201.

MONONGALIA COUNTY 4-H IS PART OF A REGIONAL SHOTGUN CLUB THAT MEETS MONTHLY AT THE WEST VIRGINIA SPORTSMEN AND FIREARMS ASSOCIATION INC. RANGE IN FAIRMONT. THIS IS FOR YOUTH WHO ARE 12 YEARS OLD AND UP. WHILE MOST OF THE 4-H CLUBS TAKE A BREAK DURING THE SUMMER MONTHS, THE SHOTGUN CLUB STILL MEETS MONTHLY.



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Monongalia County 4-H member Braylee Spears with her lamb

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PRESTON 4-H

Organization offers two summer camps

BY JENIFFER GRAHAM

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KINGWOOD — Once again, it's time to sign up for 4-H Camp, according to Extension Agent David Hartley.

He said there are two camps, one for younger children and another for older campers.

"I highly recommend 4-H," said County Commissioner Hunter Thomas. "I wouldn't be who I am today without 4-H. I was a quiet kid."

Thomas said he joined 4-H when he was in third grade and stayed with it until he was 21. He said he was very involved

with leadership and worked on many of the projects. He also showed his animals at the Buckwheat festivals and attended many of the camps.

"I'm still involved," he said. "I currently volunteer primarily with the county camps where I am an adult counselor."

Thomas said one doesn't have to be a member of 4-H to attend the camps. He said it's not just about farms and animals — there are leadership projects, STEM projects and a lot of things to do and learn.

"4-H grows you so much as a person," Thomas said. "Even if you're not involved in agriculture, 4-H is still for

you. It has something for everyone. A lot of people believe you have to be in agriculture — you don't. There is a lot of different projects and a lot of things to do."

Hartley said the 4-H younger camp will be July 7-11. This year's theme will be Game Shows and will include outdoor activities, assemblies and interactive workshops. The cost of the camp will be \$160.

Hartley said the older camp will be July 14-19 and the theme will be the same as the younger camp: Game Shows. He said it will involve great service work with Food For Preston, outdoor activities

and interactive workshops. The cost for that camp will be \$175.

Registration for both camps can be done online at Z Suit or by picking up an application at the Extension Office. For more information, call 304-329-1391.

Hartley said 4-H is not the only program the Extension Office is working with this summer. Energy Express will be from 8-11:30 a.m. June 17-July 26 at Preston High School. Hartley said it is free to attend and there will be lunches and activities. Anyone interested in the program can call 304-329-1391 for an application.

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HYDROBIKES

Jazzy's puts cyclists on the water

BY CAVAN TARLEY

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Jazzy's Hydrobikes first opened in May 2023.

It was founded on the focus of Morgantown residents enjoying the outdoors and being by the water.

Since then, the company has gone on to have great success in its Star City location.

"Last July was our peak month in rentals," said Charlene Martinez, founder of Jazzy's Hydrobikes. "Last month, we opened back up and we've already hit that peak in our first month."

Martinez credits people sharing their experiences as a big part of why Jazzy's Hydrobikes has gotten so much attention.

"The word of mouth has gotten out, especially on Facebook," she said. "I think a lot of people in the Morgantown area have seen some form of who we are and where we're at on Facebook and other platforms."

At Jazzy's Hydrobikes, customers rent water bikes to explore Star City on the river. The water bikes are well-known for their state-of-the-art design that's hard to find elsewhere.

"They're made for the ocean to with-

stand waves," Martinez said. "It makes them very stable, and you won't fall off."

Before heading onto the water at Star City, customers are given preparation by the employees.

"We have a few employees that are called Hydrobike Attendants," said Martinez. "They help customers fill out waivers before they rent the hydrobikes, and they go over some safety precautions down at the dock and go over how to work the bike."

Customers can only use the water bikes for a certain amount of time. For a 30-minute trip on the water, the cost is \$15 plus tax per person. If customers wish to extend their trip to an hour — the maximum amount of time customers can have on the water bikes — the cost is \$30 plus tax per person.

For smaller children who can't fit on water bikes, Jazzy's Hydrobikes has paddleboards for parents to rent. It costs \$8 and can be used for 30 minutes on the water.

One of the rewards of renting bikes from Jazzy's Hydrobikes is an offer of either milkshakes or shaved ice after the experience is over. They are conveniently made on location by the employees.

Soon, Jazzy's Hydrobikes is making plans regarding the location of the business and an expansion of services.



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Jazzy Hydrobikes is a unique option for pedaling around the river.

"We have an agreement with the town of Star City, so we're going to be there for the next few seasons," said Martinez. "We are looking to maybe have a permanent location near that area and have a brick-and-mortar shop. We are looking to expand our bikes to accommodate larger

groups. And we are looking to invest in a couple more pedal boats to accommodate more families as well."

Jazzy's Hydrobikes is at 526 Congress Ave., in Star City. The business is open from mid-April to October. Regular hours are from noon-8 p.m. every day.

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New Deal Festival

In celebration of Arthurdale's 90th anniversary, this year's New Deal Festival on July 13 will be the biggest one yet, running from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. Throughout the day, there will be a car show and West Virginia arts and crafts vendors selling their handmade wares.

Enter your homemade pie in the pie contest held in Center Hall and visit other historic buildings to see blacksmithing

and fiber arts demonstrations.

There will be several activities for kids, including a petting zoo and hayrides pulled by a 1930s Co-Op tractor. Grab a bite at your favorite food trucks and enjoy local craft beer by High Ground Brewing while listening to live music by local performers on the main stage all day.

Stick around for a special evening concert from West Virginia country and roots musician Andrew Adkins.

IN CELEBRATION OF ARTHURDALE'S 90TH ANNIVERSARY, THIS YEAR'S NEW DEAL FESTIVAL ON JULY 13 WILL BE THE BIGGEST ONE YET, RUNNING FROM 10 A.M. TO 10 P.M.

MOTORCYCLES

MountainFest returning to Triple S

BY JIM BISSETT

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Get ready to ride again, bikers. Because MountainFest is coming back home this summer.

First, though, some backstory of Morgantown's motorcycle moment — a decibel-declaration of hobby, lifestyle and place.

For 15 years, the MountainFest Motorcycle Rally was hallowed ground here for the get-yer-motor runnin', four-stroke, air-cooled, V-Twin, teardrop tank, open-road set.

You had your bike stars, such as Kyle and Cody Ives, the physics-defying Wall of Death stunt riders whose dad was pals with Evel Knievel, his own bad self.

You had your guitar-heavy rockers: Joan Jett and Peter Frampton played concerts there, as did John Kay and Steppenwolf, whose biker anthem, "Born to be Wild," made the crowd roar like a deluxe Harley-Davidson Electra Glide in the passing lane.

Don't forget all those powder-coat Picassos and Fabricators from another universe whose one-off, two-wheeled creations had rally attendees torquing their cell phones for selfies with the exclusive rides.

Especially don't forget the handlebar humanity of it all.

MountainFest wasn't trying to be an Appalachian Sturgis or Daytona in the Hills.

MountainFest was just, well, the Mountain State and all that implies.

People planned their vacations around it.

Other life-events, too.

Weasel and Hell, Yeah (not their real names) became husband and wife on the main stage one year.

And talk about a road trip:

Nancy and Butch, also married and from Oregon, pulled their deluxe Harley-Davidson Tri-Glide out of the driveway of their ranch house in suburban Portland another year — and didn't stop until they hit West Virginia and MountainFest.

"Hey, it was only 2,663 miles," Butch said, grinning, while recounting the trip to a guy with a notebook.

"All these hills and curves make for some beautiful riding."

Yep, for 15 years, MountainFest was all that.

Then, it wasn't.



The Dominion Post file photo

Motorcycles lined up at Mylan Park while the riders enjoy festivities during a previous MountainFest Motorcycle Rally.

Cost considerations and other factors made the rally go away, but as said, it is coming back to town in July.

You can thank Jamie Summerlin, the community booster whose Guidon Creative event-planning firm has officially taken over the MountainFest proceedings.

Cruising back in, on America's weekend

On July 4, the rebranded Wild & Wonderful MountainFest is throttling into Triple S Harley-Davidson at The Gateway for what Summerlin predicts will be the beginning of what he's taken to calling "the next 15-year ride."

The high-end motorcycle shop was one of the rally's original sponsors, Summerlin said, adding that having the resurrected event there after a five-year hiatus

really, truly, does bring it back home.

"It keeps with the original spirit of MountainFest," he said of the event that runs through July 7, "and that's exactly what we're going for."

Look for music performances from rally veterans, including the Kentucky Headhunters, Darryl Worley and Bastard Bearded Irishmen, Summerlin said.

There's an arena rock tribute show in the lineup also, with the now-legendary Coal Bucket Saloon having a reunion tour of its own.

And, in case you didn't know, Summerlin said, MountainFest fan-favorite Jack Schitt is also back on the bill for the rally re-do.

"It's America's weekend and it's MountainFest," Summerlin said. "Can't wait."

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Jamie Summerlin
Guidon Creative
event-planning firm

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CVB

Mountaineer Country has exciting lineup of summer events

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The Visit Mountaineer Country Convention and Visitors Bureau (VMCCVB) announced a jam-packed summer of exciting events and activities that will delight residents and visitors alike.

The region is set to host a wide array of festivals, shows and celebrations, offering something for everyone to enjoy.

Here's a sneak peek at what's in store this summer, thanks to local organizations:

■ June 14-15 — Pretzel Arena Rodeo

Kick off the summer with a thrilling rodeo at Pretzel Arena in Bruceton Mills. Experience the excitement of bull riding, barrel racing and much more.

■ June 15 — Grafton Monster Festival

Celebrate local lore at the Grafton Monster Festival. This unique event promises a day filled with cryptid-themed activities, vendors and fun for all ages.

■ June 15 — Kingwood Summerfest

Visit Kingwood for a festive day of live music, food and family-friendly activities. Summerfest is the perfect way to enjoy the warm weather with your community.

■ June 24 — Great Race Classic Car Rally

Car enthusiasts won't want to miss the Great Race Classic Car Rally. Witness a spectacular display of vintage and classic cars as they cruise through downtown Morgantown and beyond.

■ July 13 — Arthurdale Heritage New Deal Festival

Step back in time at the Arthurdale Heritage New Deal Festival. This event celebrates the history and heritage of the New Deal community with crafts, music and historical reenactments.

■ July 13-14 — Preston County Farm Crawl

Explore the rich agricultural landscape of Preston County with the annual Farm Crawl. Visit local farms, meet the farmers and enjoy fresh, farm-to-table produce.

■ July 14 — Hovatter's Wildlife Zoo

Car Show

Combine your love for animals and cars at Hovatter's Wildlife Zoo's Car Show. Admire classic cars and enjoy a day at the zoo with the whole family.

■ July 19-21 — Bike Bash WV, Big Bear Lake Trail Center

Cycling enthusiasts will love the Bike Bash WV at Big Bear Lake Trail Center. Participate in exhilarating mountain bike races and enjoy the beautiful trail scenery.

■ July 27-28 — Mountaineer Country Farm Crawl

The Mountaineer Country Farm Crawl offers another chance to explore our region's farms. Discover local agriculture and savor fresh, local produce from across the region.

■ July 29-Aug. 7 — USA Diving Junior National Championships

Cheer on the nation's top young divers at the USA Diving Junior National Championships. This prestigious event will showcase incredible athletic talent and skill.

■ Aug. 20-24 — Monongalia County Fair

The Monongalia County Fair returns with classic fair fun, including rides, games, livestock shows and delicious fair food.

■ Aug. 30 — West Virginia Italian Heritage Festival

End the summer on a high note with the West Virginia Italian Heritage Festival. Enjoy authentic Italian cuisine, music and cultural activities that celebrate the region's Italian roots in Clarksburg.

Enjoy live music every Friday night with the Ruby Summer Concert Series. Bring your lawn chairs and blankets, and enjoy free concerts under the stars.

Every Saturday, Chestnut Ridge Park comes alive with the sounds of the Monongalia County Parks and Recreation Summer Concert Series. These family-friendly concerts are a perfect way to enjoy summer evenings.

For more information on these events and more, please visit visitmountaineer-country.com/events



The Dominion Post file photo

The Circus UNA high wire motorcycle act is one of the attractions at the 15th MountainFest.

MOTORCYCLES

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details, including special lodging packages for the event. Summerlin's exclusive BashTIX platform makes online ticket purchases streamlined and easy, he said.

While you're there, you're also invited to scoot on over guidoncreative.com for a look at past events his firm helped manage — plus the upcoming events it's going to.

One of yours might be up there some day, Summerlin said.

"We've got the experience and we have the contacts," he said.

"We know how to stage the concert and how to manage the beer tent, with all the codes and requirements and legal stipulations," he continued.

"At Guidon Creative, we have a mantra, 'The best event we've ever done is going to be yours.'"

That's whether it's a fun festival or a serious fundraiser, he said.

Mountain State mile-marker

Cause-marketing got him into all this — though he didn't necessarily realize it at the time.

That, he did by putting one foot in front

of the other. Literally.

Summerlin served a hitch in the U.S. Marines during the time of the Gulf War, and he wanted to do something for his fellow veterans carrying battlefield wounds that aren't always visible.

Like the aforementioned Nancy and Butch, he also lit out from Oregon, only he wasn't riding.

He was running.

Summerlin, in fact, didn't stop running until he hit Delaware in the foot-fundraiser for the Wounded Warrior Project. He notched 3,452 miles in 100 days for the effort.

Now, the native West Virginian is doing the same for the profile of his home state.

"This is a special place," he said.

"We've got the best people you're ever gonna meet and scenery without compare. I want us to shine. I want us to be a destination."

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EDUCATION

Umbrella Arts offers summer arts classes

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Umbrella Arts will offer summer arts programming beginning June 10 for both youth and adults in a range of disciplines, including dance, cartoon drawing, creative writing and theater arts.

Most programs will run as camps and workshops at Umbrella Arts, making them great opportunities for students interested in trying something new.

A Summer Theater Arts Camp in partnership with the West Virginia Botanic Gardens will also take place from July 29 through Aug. 2.

Umbrella Arts is a performing and visual arts education organization in Cheat Lake offering a range of artistic learning opportunities, such as dance, visual arts, music, acting, stagecraft, voice, creative writing and more. Umbrella Arts provides elevated instruction experiences in a non-competitive, conservatory-style environment with pre-professional and recreational development programs.

Registration for summer programs at Umbrella Arts is accepted until one week prior to start dates. For more information about Umbrella Arts or to register, visit umbrella-arts.com.

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FAMILY

Tygart Adventure Lake opens for fun-filled summer season

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The excitement at Tygart Adventure Lake has already started for the summer season.

This popular attraction is offering a lake filled with 30 super fun inflatables, including a 20-foot-high iceberg, giant slides, blobs, spinning Saturns, towers and more.

The Tygart Adventure Lake provides the ideal spot for families to enjoy the water in style. Both kids and adults will enjoy climbing on the giant inflatables that will launch them into the air before splashing down into the water.

Lifeguards are on hand to safely supervise the fun. The sandy beach provides a great spot to wind down on one of 150 lounge chairs and enjoy the sun and scenery.

Tygart Adventure Lake is also available as an event venue with rates and accommodations for birthday parties.

The beach and lake at can be all yours from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. It's perfect for family get-togethers, company parties, birthday parties or just a great summer evening in the sun with your favorite people.

Tygart Lake State Park is just 4 miles south of Grafton and offers water activities like boating, water skiing, scuba diving, kayaking, canoeing and fishing. The park is surrounded by mountain views and provides lakeside lodging for relaxation and unwinding after a full day of play.

The lake opens at 10 a.m. and costs \$16 for a half-day or \$21 for a full-day pass (or \$10 for a half/full non-swimming beach pass).

"We are excited to open the Tygart Adventure Lake for the 2024 season and



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Inflatables, including a giant slide, provide hours of fun on Tygart Lake.

look forward to a summer filled with fun for the whole family," said Paul Buechler, CEO at State Park Adventures.

Reservations are recommended and are now being taken for the 2024 season. The lake has capacity limits, and walkup passes can be limited on busy days, therefore online reservation booking is encouraged.

Book your lake pass reservation online at wvstateparks.com/tygart-adventure-lake or by calling 833-WV-Parks (1-833-987-2757). Inquiries for private parties at the lake should be directed to Eva Robinson at 304-641-4702.

THE TYGART ADVENTURE LAKE PROVIDES THE IDEAL SPOT FOR FAMILIES TO ENJOY THE WATER IN STYLE. BOTH KIDS AND ADULTS WILL ENJOY CLIMBING ON THE GIANT INFLATABLES THAT WILL LAUNCH THEM INTO THE AIR BEFORE SPLASHING DOWN INTO THE WATER.

Wheeling Park launches FunFest Fridays all summer

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Wheeling Park announced the launch of FunFest Fridays, sponsored by Belmont Savings Bank.

All are invited to an evening of entertainment, activities and food for all ages every Friday from 6-9 p.m. throughout the summer.

Concerts

- Friday — Full Circle Band
- June 7 — Easy Street
- June 14 — Shades of Time
- June 21 — Honkey Tonk Heroes
- June 28 — Taylor Jo & The Copper Creek Band
- July 5 — Gage Joseph Band
- July 12 — Matt Barranti

- July 19 — 7 South
- July 26 — Vinyl Soul
- Aug. 2 — Eli & the Mojo Kings
- Aug. 9 — Jukebox
- Aug. 16 — Into the Blue
- Aug. 23 — MSM
- Aug. 30 — Hollow

Each Friday will also feature a beer garden and food trucks.

A Kids' Inflatables Fun Zone lets kids of all ages jump for joy in the inflatable playground experience. A face-painting artist will be available from 5:30-7:30 p.m. Fridays.

Enjoy all-day access to miniature golf, swimming and waterslide, tennis and pedal boating with activity wristbands at \$10.95 per person on Fridays.

Interactive Unicorn World coming to Pittsburgh

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Unicorn World, an immersive, interactive and themed event for all ages, will gallop into Pittsburgh June 29-30. The event, which includes a magical forest and animatronic unicorns, will take place at the David L. Lawrence Convention Center.

Tickets, priced at \$30 and free for children under age 2, are available for advance purchase and will not be sold at the event.

To manage event flow and crowd size, time slots must be reserved. For more information about tickets, time reservations and add-on experiences, visit theunicornworld.com.

Created by husband-wife duo Patrick and Lauren Mines, Unicorn World is known for its themed activities, such as an enchanted forest, arts and crafts section, story time and colorful, life-sized, moving and neighing unicorns. This year, it will offer new interactive experiences, including balloon bubble houses, a wish wall and the world's largest unicorn vending machine.

"Unicorn World proved to be a way for families and friends to connect in a fun and magical way, and this year we wanted to give communities a more magical time through new experiences," said Lauren Mines, co-founder of Unicorn World LLC.

The event in Pittsburgh will mark Unicorn World's 38th show in the United States. Previous events have been held in cities such as Chicago, Miami and New York. The events have garnered high attendance and repeat stops due to the family-friendly atmosphere and age-appropriate activities. This year, the Mines plan to expand the footprint as Unicorn World travels to additional locations, including Austin, Texas, and Oklahoma City.

Additional experiences include unicorn bounce houses, rides, face painting and professional photos. For families with very young children, a special section is available for babies and toddlers under 2 years old.



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WVU

Community Music Program summer registration open

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Summer registration at the West Virginia University Community Music Program will be open through Friday.

The program is for performers of all ages and levels who wish to further hone their skills, perform with others who share the same passion or explore new creative territories. Members can register for private instruction on a variety of instruments, depending on teacher availability, or participate in the group classes, ensembles and academies.

Group classes

- Tuesday-June 30
- My First Musical Steps (Early Childhood Music Class)
 - Flute Ensemble
 - Harp on it!
 - Woodwind Chamber Music Ensemble
 - Piano for Fun for Adults
 - Piano for Tiny Musicians
 - Digital Photography (Level 1)
 - Community Steel Drum

Camps & academies

- Summer Harp Academy, June 4-7, 2024
 - Summer Choir Camp, June 11-15, 2024
 - Summer Strings Ensemble, June 25-27, 2024
 - Summer Rhythm Camp, June 24-27, 2024
 - Summer Composition Academy, June 24-28, 2024
- The program has partnered with the West Virginia Music Center to offer exclu-

sive benefits to valued customers and reinforce the decision to make music. Patrons who are affiliated with both programs will receive a 10% discount on their private music lessons through the WVU Community Music Program and an additional 10% discount on rental and leasing services provided by the WV Music Center, located in Morgantown, for the initial four-month term.

For more information:

music.wvu.edu/cmp/instrument-needs-west-virginia-music-center

EVENTS

Tucker County gears up for action-packed summer lineup

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Tucker County is gearing up for a lively summer event season catering to a wide range of interests.

The diverse events calendar offers something for everyone, from art enthusiasts and music lovers to outdoor adventurers and athletes.

ArtSpring, taking place through Monday, showcases Tucker County's thriving art scene. This three-day event features live music, art exhibits, a lantern parade, family activities and more. Art lovers can explore galleries in Thomas, Davis, Canaan Valley and Parsons.

Throughout the summer, unwind with the Mountainside Music Series at Canaan Valley Resort State Park. Every Friday evening through Labor Day weekend, the resort offers free outdoor concerts.

This year marks the inaugural Appalachian Fly Fishing Festival from May 31 to June 2, in Thomas. This unique event caters to both seasoned anglers and curious newcomers. The festival offers educational workshops, casting demonstrations and opportunities to connect with the local fly fishing community.

For mountain bike enthusiasts, the Canaan Mountain Bike Festival,



Submitted photo

Tucker County is ready for summer, hosting ArtSpring today and Monday to showcase the thriving art scene in Thomas, Davis, Canaan Valley and Parsons.

June 13-16 in Davis, is a top pick. This established festival features guided group rides, skill-building clinics and a fundraiser party for the Blackwater Bicycle Association.

The Canaan Valley Trail Run on June 22 takes place on the scenic Promised

Land Trail at Canaan Valley Resort State Park. Choose the 5.9-mile or 11.8-mile option and enjoy a fun, challenging race.

"Our summer events showcase the beauty of our region and the passionate spirit of our community. We hope to see you at an upcoming event," said Jessica

Waldo, executive director of the Tucker County Convention and Visitors Bureau.

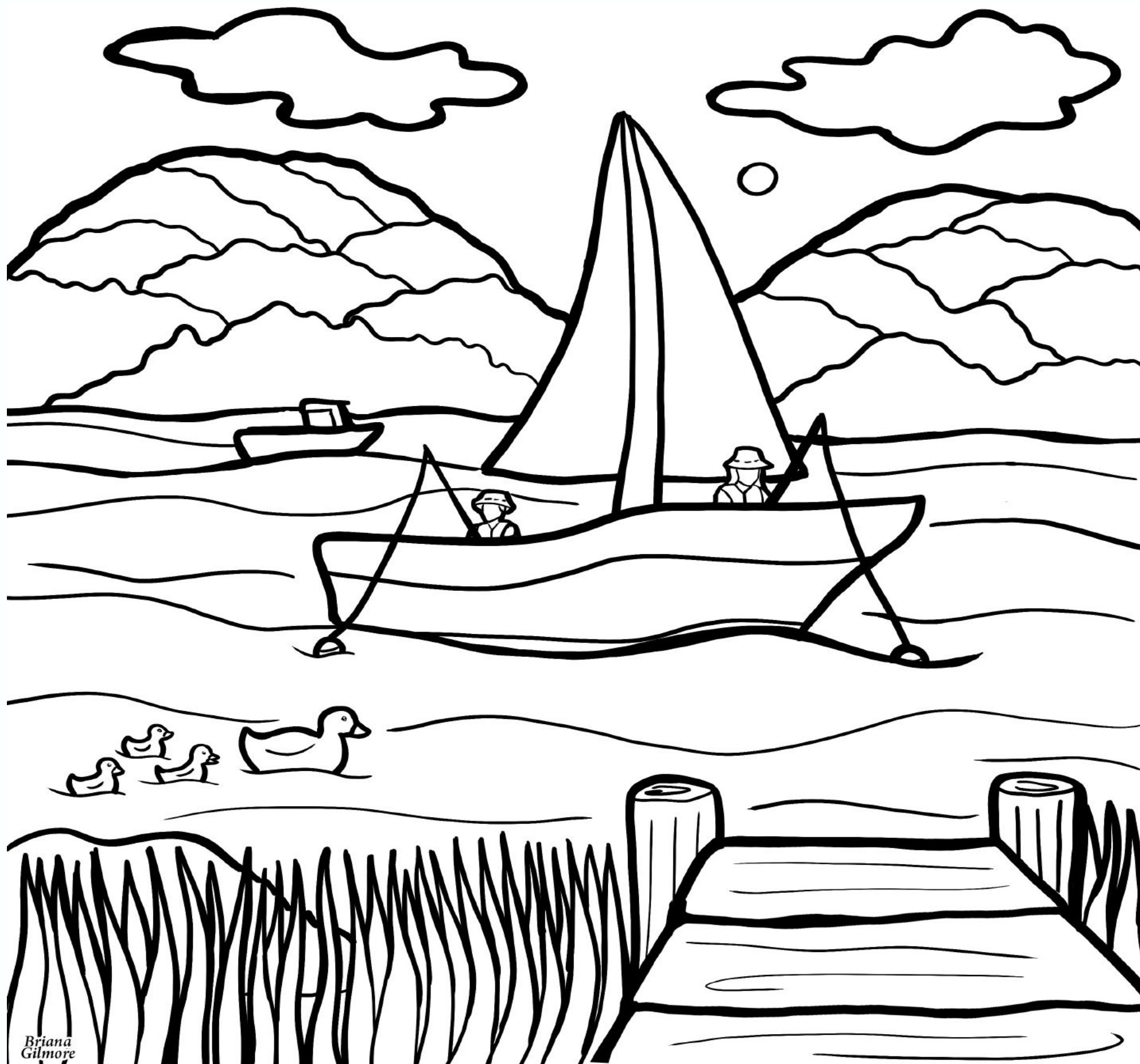
For the complete event schedule and registration details, visit gettuckered.com/events.

The Tucker County Convention and Visitors Bureau is a nonprofit marketing and sales organization whose mission is to promote tourism and advertise Tucker County as a visitor-friendly travel destination.

FOR MOUNTAIN BIKE ENTHUSIASTS, THE CANAAN MOUNTAIN BIKE FESTIVAL, ON JUNE 13-16, IN DAVIS IS A TOP PICK. THIS ESTABLISHED FESTIVAL FEATURES GUIDED GROUP RIDES, SKILL-BUILDING CLINICS AND A FUNDRAISER PARTY FOR THE BLACKWATER BICYCLE ASSOCIATION.

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