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*L-R: Taylor Connor, Julie Minor, and Lisa Moore.*

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**Business Spotlight Trivia**

- At what festival can you find delicious pierogis and other delicious offerings?
- What has reopened after a \$1.9 million renovation?
- Where can you create a one-of-a-kind custom candle?
- What is housed in the former Greene County Poor Farm?
- What event supports the Mt. Pleasant Township Volunteer Fire Company?
- What nonprofit is giving away a brand new truck this year?
- What two locations in Greene County are part of the covered bridge festivals?
- Where can you go for fresh-off-the-farm milk, ice cream, a buffet, catering services, and more?
- What location in Rices Landing, still open to visitors, is a National Historic Landmark?
- Who started his business in his hoe more than 30 years ago before opening a storefront?

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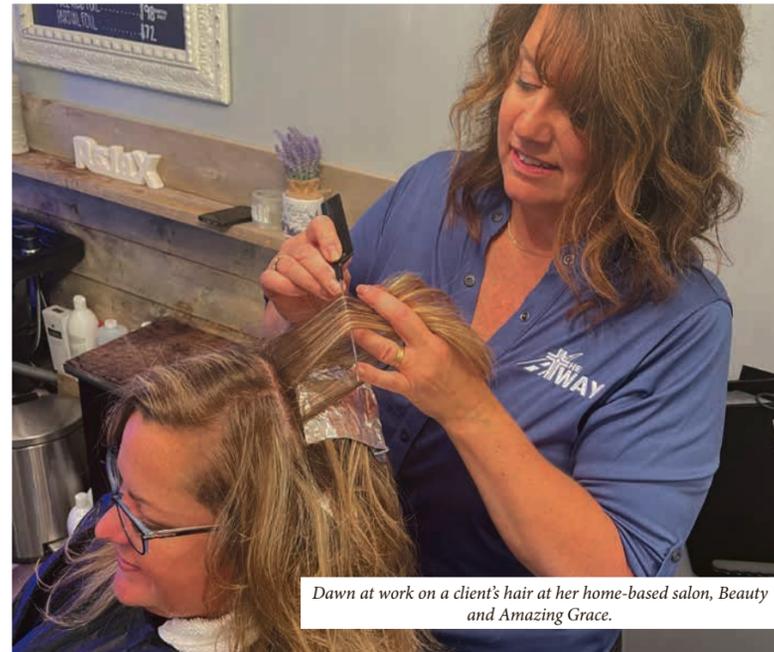
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# I Love this Community — CHASING THE DAWN

By Colleen Nelson



Dawn Mankey, grandson Mason and pup Athena relax at home.



Dawn at work on a client's hair at her home-based salon, Beauty and Amazing Grace.

“I recharge my batteries here.” We’re sitting on the patio at Dawn Mankey’s deceptively old-style farmhouse tucked above the stream that splashes along Ross School Road on its way to Ten Mile Creek. Sunshine and shadow play across the patio tables, chairs and up the retaining wall where a wood-fired brick pizza oven is the star of the show. Plants are everywhere, rubbing elbows with concrete angels, statuesque pottery, wind chimes, hidden niches and cozy corners overlooking lawns that wander into the forest.

“I built the pizza oven because I love pizza parties,” Dawn cheerfully admits. “I was the oldest child, and I got to go to work on Saturday with my dad—he was a carpenter and did home remodeling.” In fact, she and husband Tim Mankey, who works for Penn Dot, and his dad Jake, a retired surveyor, designed and help build this two-story country home slash beauty shop slash community gathering place in 2000, the year after daughter Gina was born.

“We couldn’t find an old farmhouse, so we built this.” Long wall mining will soon come through “so we might only have a year and a half before we have to deal with subsidence. The foundation is poured, not like the old houses built with stone, so it will be bad. We’re doing what we can; it’s in our lawyer’s hands. So many of my friends and customers

who come here are sad. They think of it as a retreat. They’ve written wonderful testimonials about it for me.”

Sitting here with my coffee cup and scone in hand, and taking in the living, cheerful, kinetic energy of this place, I feel like writing one of my own.

When I arrived for this first visit, Dawn informed me things these days are in a messy, wondrous flux—two new dogs, new cats, new plants and extra furniture tucked into every corner. Her son David is moving back to the area from Clearfield County, while preparing to deal with a new regime of treatments for chronic myeloid leukemia that arrived with Covid-19 in 2020. “Most people get it late in life. David is only 34, so his is a special case. He’s determined to fight it and get back to work. He’ll be moving into his new home in a few weeks, but until then...it will be pretty crazy around here!”

As if on cue, the kitchen door opens and eight-year-old grandson Mason, hair flying, joins the conversation long enough to grab blueberries off the plate of scones and agree to join grandma for a photo-op.

We’re deep into the time traveling that interviews are fueled by, bound by the common thread of what it is about Dawn that makes up her kaleidoscope of a life. She hits me with her 150-watt smile. “While we are on this earth, live with grace and truth.”

Dawn remembers the moment she fig-

ured this out. “I was done. I cried out for hours. And within hours the Sprit filled me.”

The rest is a crazy quilt of what happened next when living day to day in grace and truth. She found the right partner and married him in 1999: “Tim is my calm to the storm, my home base, my best friend. He supports whatever I do.”

And getting up at 4 a.m. helps. “That’s my spiritual time to decide how to ground myself. I don’t really plan my life. It just happens. I get phone calls!”

Dawn moved to Greene County from Newton Falls, Ohio when she was in 6th grade and, “I wasn’t happy to leave Ohio but once I got here...I learned carpentry from my dad Butch Cassidy. I’m always busy. I love figuring things out.”

She also had a knack for cutting hair, thanks to an aunt and cousins with beauty shops. “My mom let me use the razor comb when I was eight. I cut my brother’s ear, but it was a great haircut!”

That skill came in handy later when, as a single mother with two kids, she needed some kind of profession. While training for her license at the county Career & Technology Center in 1996, Dawn competed: “I took first in districts and third in state before I graduated.”

She got her chance to become a professional when a teacher recommended Dawn take over veteran hair stylist Jimmy Sacko of

Washington’s clientele while he recuperated. “I met him and he told me, ‘Forget everything you learned in school and let me show you.’ He was an amazing mentor.” When he died eight months later, Dawn took over the business.

Cutting hair is another way that Dawn gives back to her community. “When United Way did Stuff the Bus last week, over 150 kids got a haircut. I don’t know how we did it with the four of us hairdressers. Next year I’m going to have to recruit more help!”

Dawn found her true calling—helping kids have fun while learning that others care for them—when she was helping a friend run for office in 2006. As she and son Cody canvassed neighborhoods in the coal patch town of Elizabeth, Fayette County, they saw houses were becoming incredibly dilapidated, and then “a dead playground, no swings, all that was left was the bars. There were kids playing there, and it broke my heart. So I called some friends and got extra seats and chains. Cody and I went back with weed-whackers and worked on that playground. The kids... you would have thought we’d given them the world.”

As a member of First Baptist Church, teaching Sunday School, spearheading the church’s community project Touch a Truck, being actively involved in The Way, the new community center under construction next door to the church parking lot, is a no-brainer



Marcia Bartlett created this custom quilt from Touch-A-Truck event t-shirts.

for this mom.

“I never needed a babysitter—my kids came with me, serving meals, helping at Touch a Truck, whatever I was into. They all have a fantastic work ethic but I think they know how to pace themselves a little better than me! The Way is going to be a wonderful place for families to do things together and I can’t wait to see it finished.”

Dawn’s boundless energy to make fun happen includes helping friends. She helped Denny House owner Pam Marisa carry off the first annual Grinch and Santa there in 2022. “When I said I was ready to do an Easter Bunny event this spring, Pam said ‘I need a hot minute to get over the Grinch!’ We had the Easter Bunny and did face painting, crafts, adopt a stuffed bunny, oh and the 4-H kids brought live bunnies. We were all over the yard. The Bunny Hop Sack Race was open to all ages, and I won!”

When I return a few days later, I find Dawn recharging her batteries in the kitchen, surrounded by trays of perfect Roma tomatoes and stellar green peppers, busily making a humongous pot of spaghetti sauce. The secret ingredient? The right olive oil, of course! “My friend—she wouldn’t want her name mentioned, she’s very private—has an amazing garden. She grows it, I can it, and we split it!”

Dawn shows me her newest prized possession, a quilt made by another old friend, Marcia Bartlett, who stitched in T-shirts from eleven years of Touch a Truck. “I was so surprised!” We take the quilt outside and dangle it down the porch steps. Dawn points to a patch, beaming. “Here’s the first year.”

I’m back tomorrow at 10 a.m. to meet a very satisfied customer who drives from Canonsburg to have her hair color, and everything else, done just right.

When illness caused by cellulitis caused Dawn and Tim to move her business on E. Maiden St. Washington home to Sycamore and open Beauty and Amazing Grace in 2019, her loyal fan base followed.

“She’s just herself. Makes you feel comfortable, and the cut is perfect for me and the color; she does just what I need. No more, no less.”

Susan is in the chair, and the foils are out. She’s here for an end-of-summer touch up to carry her through until her next appointment in October.

“Every time I complained about my hair being too dark or too light, my friend Robin would tell me ‘You need to see my Dawn.’ Then Chaleece, my next-door neighbor, got her hair colored, and I said ‘wow!’ when she told me who did it. When I find somebody, I like I hold on to them.”

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Dawn’s unnamed friend raises an awesome garden haul, Dawn cooks & cans it, and they split the finished product.

# GreeneScene of the Past By Colleen Nelson

This relatively (in kid years) “old photo” is from the second annual Touch a Truck held in the parking lot of First Baptist Church of Waynesburg, way back in 2012.

Organizer Dawn Mankey doesn't know the name of the little boy with the missing front teeth. (If you recognize your seven-year-old self, please let us know!) She found this photo on a camera card that was so old it was hard to get the photos to open past thumbnail size. Luckily, this one did open so here's a snapshot of childhood past to chuckle over and remember—ten plus years is another lifetime when it comes to kids.

“That's my daughter Gina in the Wonder Bread costume. She was 11 years old!” Mankey exclaimed when she saw it.

Touch a Truck is one of her favorite church projects, thanks to Pastor Ed Pierce. “He took his grand kids to one in Ohio and he said they really liked it—they got to honk the horns! He asked me did I think we could do it here at First Baptist?”

Heck yeah!

That first year, “we had 20 vehicles and popcorn and I didn't take any photos. I was too busy running around!”

Touch a Truck lets kids meet the real life super heroes who drive the trucks, ambulances, police cars and utility vehicles that come each year to educate and entertain. Kids are invited to climb aboard, blow horns and see the world from the ladder of a fire truck, from the top of an earthmover, from the cockpit of a plane. There are free T-shirts and lunches, health screenings and games to play and plenty of costumed culture icons to pal around with.

Fantasy blurs lines with reality at Touch a Truck but the truth is - the machines that keep our society running are here for real and there will be some kids who will grow up to keep them on the road. What better way to feel the connection of a possible career than to touch it?

This second year Touch a Truck had doubled in size, with more vehicles and more things to see and do. Community human services agencies are part of the outreach act, with slushy machines, games to play and on the spot checkups. Over the



years it will keep growing.

Cornerstone Care's dental mobile unit always comes. “I just love them!” Mankey said.

Touch a Truck is also a great chance to network with the companies and organizations that participate. A note to families: event regular West Penn Power offers free tuition to become a lineman.

And for kids who dream of flying high, Max Loughman of SOAR brings a little Cessna with its wings detached, along with the Plane Train that chugs around the tarmac during Airport Days in August.

Like I said, in kid time, this is an old photo.

Gina Mankey outgrew her Wonder Bread suit and is now working for Cornerstone Care as a nutritionist, ready to help build a culture of healthy lifestyles by doing community outreach into schools focusing on nutrition.

But Touch a Truck is still truckin' for a new generation of little dreamers. Stop by on September 30 and see – and touch for yourself.

Don't forget to take plenty of snapshots. These are the good old days!

For more information or to get involved with Touch a Truck, call First Baptist Church 724-627-6444 weekdays 9a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

## Do you have an old picture that would be perfect for the GreeneScene of the Past? Send it to us!

If you have an interesting old photo from the area you'd like to share, just send it to: **GreeneScene of the Past, 185 Wade Street, Waynesburg, PA 15370** or email to: [info@greenescenemagazine.com](mailto:info@greenescenemagazine.com) with *GreeneScene of the Past* in subject line. *GreeneScene Community Magazine* can even scan your original in just a few minutes if you bring it to our office. We are particularly interested in photos of people and places in the Greene County area taken between 1950 and 1980, though we welcome other dates, too.

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# SHINING THE LIGHT

By Colleen Nelson



L-R: Jonathan Johnson, Mark Fox, Jay Buckhalter, and Greg Kittridge.

Where to next? That was just one of the questions I had for Pastor Jay Buckhalter when I finally caught up with him on the phone between flights, on his way to the Dominican Republic. Yes, it was a vacation, but “Whenever we missionaries vacation, we meet the people, get to know them and learn what their needs are. Some of us were just down there in March seeing what another mission group is doing. It looks like it will be a good fit for us in the future.”

Us?  
Welcome to Hands and Feet Ministries—a great notion dreamed up by Pastor Buckhalter and wife Penny in 2000. Together they created a faith-based organization that sends Greene countians and others out into the world to help established missions in need of some extra hands and feet.

Over the years, “we’ve done work in five different countries and 21 states. We’re not exclusive, we just figure out how we can work with others.”

In Liberia, for example, “we built a building that became a physicians assistance college that the people there could use. As they grew, we built another.”

Hands and Feet Ministries volunteers come from local churches and the community at large, Pastor Buckhalter pointed out.

“I’m the pastor of Waynesburg Bible Chapel but Hands and Feet Ministries is separate. The church is our umbrella but we’re

organic in the way we network. One of our strategies is to partner with other people who are connected with the people on the ground where missions are being done.”

In the states, Hands and Feet Ministries has done work with the Lummi Tribe in Washington and partners internationally with missions in Liberia, Bermuda, the Philippines and Ghana. Upcoming missions will be partnerships with others in the Dominican Republic and Guatemala.

Here at home, there are equally important missions to be done. Pastor Buckhalter is board vice chair of The Way, an educational nonprofit busy converting the building that was once Belkos Market at 209 W. High Street Waynesburg into a state of the art family center. He and a host of other community volunteers were there on April 28 for Raise the Roof Preview, a fundraising event for potential new community partnerships.

When Hands and Feet Ministries holds its planning meeting in September, members will take a vote on where to go next.

“My number one choice is Guatemala,” Pastor Buckhalter told me on the phone. The mission group “Hope of Life” has been there for more than ten years and “teams are over 100. I think it will be something we can do.”

Whatever mission is chosen, “We’re targeting 2024. It takes a lot of planning to do it right.”



## GOOD NEIGHBORS MAKE OUR COMMUNITIES

Neighbors in southwestern Pennsylvania make a difference in our small towns. From tasks such as helping a neighbor with yard work to organizing benefit dinners, our neighbors make a town a community.

Our “I Love This Place” feature is transitioning to “I Love This Community” and we want to know about your community and its people. We want to hear about your neighbors making a difference or having an impact in our communities. Help your neighbors get the recognition they deserve with a nomination to be featured in an upcoming issue.

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## ARE YOU A VETERAN IN CRISIS OR CONCERNED ABOUT ONE? YOU ARE NOT ALONE.

Suicide has no single cause and takes multiple approaches and awareness to end it. Prevention is possible.

Veterans aged 18-34 have the highest suicide rate. This age group also uses social media frequently, and often shares their feelings and thoughts online. According to Refuel Agency’s Military Explorer Series 2020, about 9 in 10 post-9/11 veterans use some kind of social media. This includes Facebook, Instagram, TikTok, Twitch and Twitter, and more.

What do you do if you spot a social media post or comment that makes you concerned for a veteran? Utilize S.A.V.E.

VA S.A.V.E. Training is a free, online suicide prevention resource to help you understand what (and what not) to say if a veteran in your life is having thoughts of suicide. This training allows you to act with care and compassion if you encounter a veteran in crisis or experiencing suicidal thoughts. The acronym S.A.V.E. helps you remember the important steps involved in suicide prevention.

### SIGNS OF SUICIDAL THINKING SHOULD BE RECOGNIZED.

Learn to recognize these warning signs that a veteran may need support:

- Hopelessness, feeling like there is no way out.
- Anxiety, agitation, sleeplessness, or mood swings.
- Feeling like there is no reason to live.
- Rage or anger.
- Engaging in risky activities without thinking.
- Increasing alcohol or drug use.
- Withdrawing from family and friends.

The following signs in a veteran require immediate attention:

- When asked, they express a desire to hurt or kill themselves.
- When prompted, they reveal that they are looking for ways to kill themselves.
- They talk about death, dying, or suicide.
- They begin to exhibit self-destructive behavior, such as increased drug or alcohol use, talking about acquiring/using weapons for self-harm, and stockpiling medication.

### ASK THE MOST IMPORTANT QUESTION OF ALL: ARE YOU THINKING OF KILLING YOURSELF?

Know how to ask the most important question of all: “Are you thinking of killing yourself?” Other ways to ask the question include: “Are you

thinking of suicide?” or “Have you had thoughts about taking your own life?”

When asking the question, remember:

- DO ask the question if you’ve identified warning signs or symptoms.
- DO ask the question in such a way that is natural and flows with the conversation.
- DO NOT ask the question as though you are looking for a “no” answer (“You’re not thinking of killing yourself, are you?”)
- DO NOT wait to ask the question until he or she is halfway out the door.

### VALIDATE THE VETERAN’S EXPERIENCE.

As you listen to the veteran, let him or her do the talking and use supportive, encouraging comments. Use the following steps to let the veteran know that you are listening and acknowledge his or her experience.

- Talk openly about suicide. Be willing to listen and allow the veteran to express his or her feelings.
- Recognize the situation is serious.
- Do not pass judgement.
- Reassure them that help is available.

### ENCOURAGE TREATMENT AND EXPEDITE GETTING HELP.

If a veteran is having suicidal thoughts, remain calm and reassure them that help is available.

- DO NOT keep the Veteran’s suicidal behavior a secret.
- DO NOT leave him or her alone.
- Try to get the person to seek immediate help from his or her doctor or the nearest hospital or emergency room, OR
- Call 911.
- You can also call the confidential Veterans Crisis Line at 988 and press 1.

Everyone has a role to play in veteran suicide prevention. While a decrease in veteran suicide provides hope, there’s much more work to be done, and even one veteran suicide is too many.

You don’t have to be an expert to help veterans, just attentive and compassionate. Share this information with the people in your life so they can be prepared in case a veteran they know needs support.

The Veterans Crisis Line is a free, confidential resource that connects veterans and their loved ones to a caring, qualified responder. Dial 988 then press 1, chat online at VeteransCrisisLine.net/Chat, or text 838255. Veterans don’t have to be enrolled in VA benefits or health care to connect.

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# Public Service Profile

By Michelle Church

## BUTTERFLY ANGELS: THE MCKINLEY ANNE FOUNDATION

*"If you know someone who has lost a child, and you're afraid to mention their child because you think you might make them sad by reminding them that they died—you're not reminding them, they didn't forget they died. What you're reminding them of is that you remember that they lived and that is a great gift."* — Elizabeth Edwards

Elizabeth and Robert Shultz started Butterfly Angels: The McKinley Anne Foundation in memory of their youngest daughter, McKinley Anne. Elizabeth explains, "We quickly learned there were few resources to support grieving parents. We provide financial assistance for funeral and burial costs for pregnancy loss and children up to age 18. We also provide bereavement boxes of comfort items and books that we found helpful. We also host remembrance events every year for families to attend to honor their child..."

The Shultz family's love for McKinley Anne led to the formation of Butterfly Angels. A community where kindred spirits meet and share a connection of knowing and understanding. The mission statement for Butterfly Angels is "Lighting the pathway back from the loss of a child."

"Grief can be very lonely, dark, and isolating. All loss is difficult, but child loss is another level... there isn't a name for those who lose a child because the heart can't conceive that kind of pain... Our goal is to help those navigating the loss of a child to know that even though it doesn't feel like it, they can survive this and they're not alone. We want them to be able to look at some of us who are years out from a loss and see that we're still breathing and still standing. And to know that joy and grief can co-exist in the heart."

"I truly believe loving the family and friends that are still with you is the best way to honor someone you've lost. Doing acts of kindness in their memory is also a great way to honor them."

Butterfly Angels hosts a couple of recurring events. There is a butterfly release/family picnic in September at Valley View Farm Venue. A meal is provided, there are song selections and readings, and each family is given a butterfly to release when

their child's name is read during the remembrance service. This year the event will be held on September 10. If you are interested in attending, please RSVP with number attending by September 3 by phone/text to 724-986-1874 or email to info@butterflyangels.org.

A few weeks before Christmas, a candlelight service will be held. This year's service will be held at Gospel Tabernacle in Mt. Morris. "We go outdoors and release floating sky lanterns that families write special messages on and then we provide a meal afterwards. Each family is also given a keepsake ornament in memory of their child. We've found the little details, like the ornaments, mean a lot to families, because it's something tangible they can take home and put on their tree and know their child is loved and remembered."

They have also added an event in May on Bereaved Mother's Day. "This year's event consisted of brunch, an instructor led craft session, essential oils workshop with make and take sugar salt scrubs, candle making by Hughes farm candles and yoga/guided meditation sessions," says Elizabeth.

FMI on Butterfly Angels: The McKinley Anne Foundation, find them on Facebook.



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**UMBRELLA CONTEST:**  
1st place winner receives \$100 prize, 2nd place prize is \$50 & 3rd Place prize is \$25.

**1ST PLACE:** Juliana Kirsch "Celebrate Rain Day's 150th with Raindrops & Sunshine"  
**2ND PLACE:** Lettie Menhart "Rain Day Souvenir"  
**3RD PLACE:** Elena Kreuzer "Purple Reign"

**RAIN DAY WINDOW DECORATING CONTEST WINNERS:**

1st place is \$100 plus ownership for one year of the coveted Golden Watering Can, 2nd place is \$50 & 3rd place is \$25. Each receives a Rain Day Ribbon.

**1ST PLACE:** Phillips and Ross, LLC  
**2ND PLACE:** The Perfect Arrangement & Lily Bee's  
**3RD PLACE:** Kelsey Insurance

**MINI/LITTLE/JR MISS RAIN DROP WINNERS**  
Winners receive a \$100, sash, and tiara, and represent Rain Day throughout the coming year.

**MINI MISS:** Harper Leigh Fuller  
MINI MISS PHOTOGENIC: Brooklyn DiEffenbauch  
MINI MISS PERSONALITY: Kamariyah Williams

**LITTLE MISS:** Aubrey Farrier  
LITTLE MISS PHOTOGENIC: Allison Yerovich  
LITTLE MISS PERSONALITY: Lilly Bice

**JR MISS:** Isabella Wise  
JR MISS PHOTOGENIC: Joscelyn Policz  
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**Pamela Marisa**

**Coloring Contest:**  
**1ST PLACE (5-8):** Brooklyn DiEffenbauch & Kaelyn Duncan  
**1ST PLACE (9-12):** Becket Blouir

**BABY RAIN DAY WINNERS**  
Winners receive a \$100, crown or tiara, title banner, and special gifts and represent Rain Day throughout the coming year.

**BEST DECORATED BABY RAIN DAY CAN:**  
Stella Price  
Mother is Shelby Price of Waynesburg

**PRINCE: GATLIN CALDWELL**  
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**KING: CHARLIE PIKULA**  
PARENTS ARE BREANNA SHUCKHART-PIKULA & COLTON PIKULA OF WIND RIDGE

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## Cool at School: Carmichaels Area High School

Students in the Carmichaels Area School District (CASD) have new artwork to enjoy thanks to a unique project that repurposed aluminum soda pop cans to create murals at the district's elementary center. These colorful upcycled aluminum can murals were created during a Pittsburgh Center for Arts and Media Artist Residency Project with Carmichaels Elementary Center.

The project was led by Metalsmith/Teaching Artist Lindsay Huff in collaboration with 5th grade teachers Dave Bates, Brittney Bell, Tymme Freeman, Kathy Hillsman, Crystal Pratt, and their enthusiastic students. It was supported in part by the Arts in Education Partnership of the Pennsylvania Council on the Arts, a state agency funded by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. Additional support was provided via the THRIVE Project and Domestic Violence Services of Southwestern Pennsylvania (DVSSP).

Earlier this year, representatives from DVSSP and CASD discussed the project with students and faculty members to gather input and generate ideas for the mural subjects. The team also met with Huff to review the survey results and plan the designs for the murals. Community members were asked to collect cans in various colors that would be used to

create the murals. To begin the project, CASD students designed and created mini murals to get familiar with the process and learn how to cut the cans safely. Once the survey was completed and the mural subjects were determined, the students worked with Huff to create the murals, which included sculpting the cans, hammering the cans onto the wood, and painting some of the mural background.

"It was a joy to create with the students of Carmichaels Elementary Center," said Huff. "Using tools like hammers and pliers is a novel experience in the classroom, and allows for students to see how everyday tools and materials can be used in creative ways, which may connect with outside interests or spark curiosity about career choices."

"A mosaic mural also serves as a beautiful metaphor for creating community in parallel with artmaking. The process allows students and teachers to work side by side, all learning and creating together, and demonstrates that every small piece counts and contributes to something greater," Huff added.

The murals were unveiled to students, faculty, and community members on May 31. During the unveiling, DVSSP team members announced that the THRIVE Project has se-

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cured additional funding and will be continued for the next 5 years. "On the day that we revealed the art pieces, you could see such excitement and happiness from our students. They were extraordinarily proud of their efforts, and we are so proud of them," said Carmichaels Elementary Center Principal Marc Berry. "These pieces of art help reflect the legacy that this 5th grade class has left at our elementary school, and we can't wait for the students to stop by next year, and as they progress through middle and high school, to see these artistic masterpieces."

The "pop can" murals will not be the final project for students at Carmichaels Area Elementary, thanks to the THRIVE

Project. DVSSP has received additional funding from the CDC DELTA AHEAD program to continue this work over the next five years. Plans include an annual artist residency for the 5th grade class, additional opportunities for arts and cultural expression in the community, and work to address economic and housing security in the area.



# Greene Artifacts

By Matthew Cumberledge, GCHS EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

## SANBORN FIRE INSURANCE MAPS & CALDWELL'S ATLAS BUSINESS DIRECTORY

Since Greene County's establishment in 1796, there has been a long history of business activity, from stock selling, general stores, boat building and mercantile business, to full-fledged industry and large companies. But how does one go about learning about these businesses of the past? Early records are sparse, and in some cases business ledgers and transaction registers survive, but most information can be found in tax and census records. Published family histories can often be the best sources of information for early business.

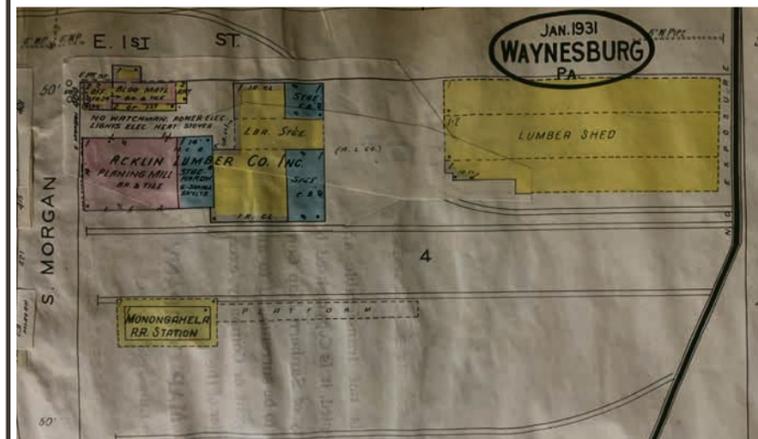
For later in the 19th century, there are a couple excellent resources available that can shed a lot of light on businesses that existed within our borders for a 75-year period stretching until about 1940. This information can be found in the Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps and the Business Directory of Caldwell's Atlas.

Caldwell's Atlas is the earlier resource, dating to 1876. It's easy to find a copy of Caldwell's Atlas; local libraries and historical organizations have them in their collection, and they are available for sale at Cornerstone Genealogical Society. However, they can also be found online in scanned resources. If you go to the website [www.greeneconnections.com](http://www.greeneconnections.com) and click on the resources icon, then books, you'll find a listing for Caldwell's Atlas that will take you to online scans. The last several pages of the Atlas are organized as Business Directories

for each township. Each entry shows when a business was established, who operated it, and the nature of the business, including farmers, stock raisers, carpenters, and everything else. Some descriptions go into detail, for example specifying the sorts of goods a merchant may be selling in the store.

The Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps are a later resource that span several decades, from the late 1880s through the 1930s. Unfortunately, depending on the year, the Sanborn Maps may only cover Waynesburg and its immediate vicinity or other larger towns in the county. However, given that they cover a period of several years, you can see the buildings the business occupied and how its footprint expanded over time. You can also sometimes see the types of large equipment they may have been using, if they had direct railroad access, how their buildings were constructed and other things of that nature. Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps are also easy to find and are also easily found via the Greene Connections website. On the website, click on the resources tab again, then follow it to maps, and there you will find a listing for Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps.

Businesses in Greene County are a very interesting topic to research, and while these resources are just a basic introduction to researching local businesses they are an excellent place to begin your journey.



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## Going **Greene:** AN OUT OF THE WAY PLACE

By Matthew Cumberledge

**ENLOW FORK OF WHEELING CREEK**

In the extreme northwestern corner of Greene County is perhaps one of the most beautiful locations in the area. Few have been there, although it is part of the State Game Lands, and it isn't the easiest place to find or get to, but it is well worth the journey. From Waynesburg, take Route 21 west through Rogersville, Graysville and into Wind Ridge, and turn right onto Crabapple Road. Follow that several miles to the bottom of the hill, and travel Day Road, then turn left onto Nebo Ridge. This is a beautiful drive through the countryside and rural beauty that is western Greene County. From Nebo Ridge, turn left onto Raymer Road, take it to the bottom of the hill, and make a sharp left-hand turn. Follow the road into the State Game Lands, you'll be right along Enlow Fork of Wheeling Creek.

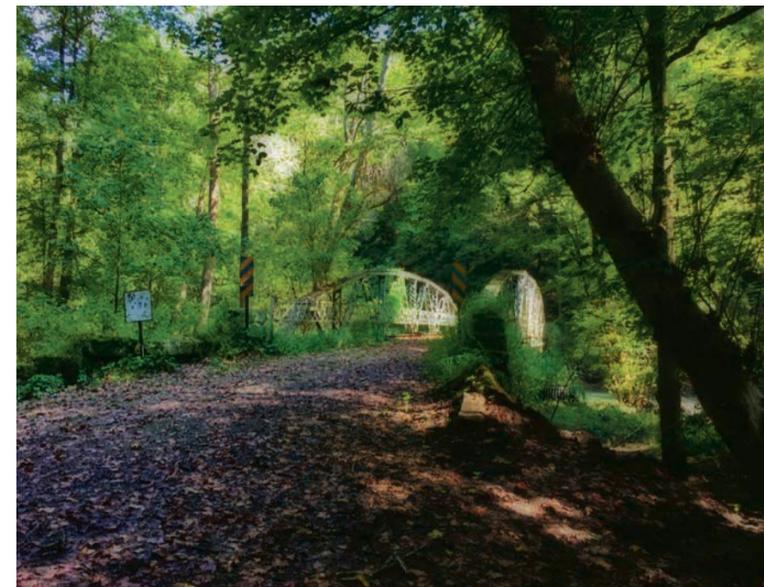
This area is notable for the Wildflower Walk held there every spring and is a beautiful area. The road will take you into a parking area, and there you will see a gated trail that takes you on a beautiful walk through the woods. This trail was once a state road, and many years ago the Fisher family had a

farm here, and there were several other houses along the old state road that is now a trail through the game lands. The trail goes on for miles and miles, approximately 6.5 miles. Walking out the trail, you'll go up over a small hill, and descend back down to an old iron bridge that dates to the very early 20th century. Just beyond the bridge is a very large sycamore tree, shaped rather strangely, that is an old Native American trail tree. These trees were bent in the direction of an oft-visited location. This massive sycamore is estimated to be at least six hundred years old. Following the trail further, it runs just above the floodplain of Wheeling Creek. On the northern side of the trail, you'll occasionally see ruins of old foundations of farm buildings, and some interesting rock outcroppings. If you walk the trail far enough, you'll find stone abutments that are all that remains of another ancient iron bridge that crossed Wheeling Creek on a side road that once met the road that is now the trail. The trail goes further on, and will eventually lead you to a dry dam, and more beautiful woodland scenery.

If you need a peaceful destination to es-

cape the world, Enlow Fork is the place to go. There is much solitude there, though you may encounter a fisherman or two, as Wheeling

Creek is a great fishing spot! But for a nice peaceful walk, there is no better place.



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# Happening in Greene & Nearby



The Humane Society's Dog Gone Pool Party at the Greene County Water Park was an immense success! The dogs had a great time!



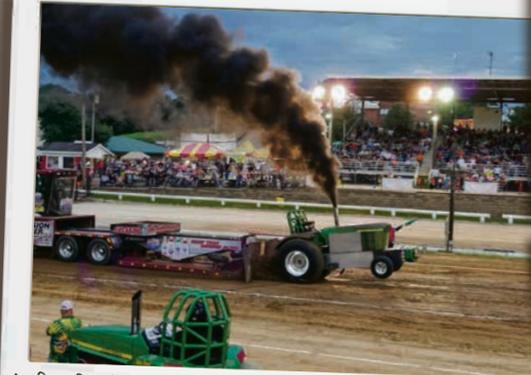
Attendees had the best day with VVAQ at the Free Play Freedom Day, courtesy of Freedom Kia of Morgantown WV. Mov View pool and skating rink were FREE, with music, giveaways, and more fun thanks to Freedom Kia.



Crosspoint Assembly of God volunteered at the Fairgrounds in late July.



The annual Rain Day Festival in downtown Waynesburg was a success, starting at 5:01am with the first rain drops and all the way to the evening's fireworks.



A fun-filled week of events, activities, food, music, and more brought attendees to the annual Greene County Fair August 6 to 12. Greene County's fairs are always a good time!



The 21st Annual Stuff the Bus was a success. Thank you to the volunteers, sponsor First Federal Savings and Loan Association of Greene County, the GCUW Board of Directors, and everyone that helps make this event available for community children.



Thanks to Bowlby Library patrons' efforts, they collected the 500 pounds of plastic necessary to get a bench. The new bench is now in the Reference Department and available for use.



The Oglebay Good Zoo brought some fun animals to the Flenniken Library this summer and shared some cool facts on a hot day!

# We want to see your photos in the GreeneScene!

Do you have a GreeneScene you'd like to share with us? Each year, we receive hundreds of photos from readers like you, sharing their very favorite images of the places and people they love in and around Greene County!

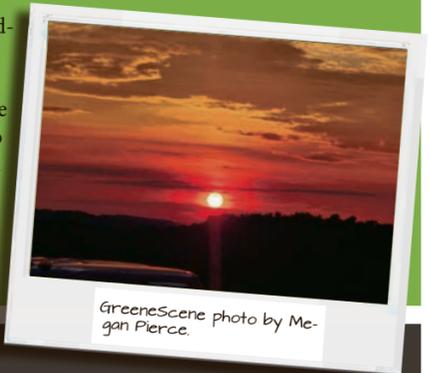
The images are used within GreeneScene Magazine and we also enjoy sharing them via our social media venues. We love the incredible images our readers share! Why? Because they are so much of what the GreeneScene is all about — local people sharing the good life in and around Greene County, Pennsylvania!

Many of the images we receive won't work for publication. We want to make sure you're capturing your best shot, so here are some helpful tips on how to get a great photo for submission.



## Tips on Taking the Best GreeneScenes

- **Submit a high quality file - 300 DPI - for best results.** Set your camera's quality to the highest or finest possible setting. For print purposes, we are only able to consider images of excellent quality and resolution.
- **Send photo at original size** and with minimal editing or post-processing.
- **Make sure that photo is in focus and isn't blurry,** especially the part you want the viewer to focus on.
- **Have a focal point.** Is the image too busy? Are their distracting elements in the picture you can avoid? If you find that there are distractions on the image due to background elements, take the photo from a different angle or position.
- **Don't let your email client or phone downsize the image** for sending. Send it at full size!
- **Don't crop in too close to your subject!** It's better to leave some room so that everything important is included. Plus the extra space around your subject gives us more opportunities to use your photo in a variety of ways - either as a cover photo, a calendar photo, or a GreeneScene inside the magazine.
- **The best pictures are unplanned.** Always have a camera with you to capture those moments.
- And most important of all, have fun!



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## THE GREENE COUNTY FAIR BROUGHT ENTERTAINMENT, FUN, & AWARDS

The fair started in July with the Junior, Little, & Mini Princess, and Fair Queen contest. (See Good News section for results!).

The following week, the draft horse halter and hitch shows, followed by a vesper service by Rev. Don Wilson officially kicked off the first day of the fair.

The fair welcomed musician Daniel Ray for the Wednesday concert. Attendees packed the stands to hear the music. During the rest of the week, the fair hosted 4-h exhibitions, live baking judging,

home and garden entries, rides, harness racing, bingo, wood carving shows, laser tag, truck and tractor pulls, the demo derby, KOI drag racing and much, much more. A senior citizens vendor day vendor show was held on Thursday, with informational booths from local organizations.

If you missed the fair fun this year, make sure to attend in 2024! And start thinking about those home and garden entries early!



## Greene County Fair Queen Crowned

On Saturday, July 30, 2023, nine young women competed for titles to represent the Greene County Fair. The Greene County Fair Queen Program was excited to expand their program this year, opening three new age divisions, bringing the total to four age divisions: minis from ages 6-8, littles from 9-12, juniors from 13-15, and queens from 16-20.

Every division was tasked with a different requirement based on age: the minis and littles each filled out a "My Greene County Fair" a page answering questions regarding their favorite experiences of the fair, a personal introduction, and an on-stage question. Junior Princess and Queen contestants started earlier in the day at the Hampton Inn of Waynesburg, where their essays were judged, and they had a personal interview. From there all the contestants met at the fairgrounds for an evening gown portion where they gave introductions, a speech presentation on "Why You Should Come to My Fair," and lastly an impromptu question. There were three contestants competing for queen, two for junior princess, two for little princess, and two for mini princess.

The queens prize package had some additions this year, and the queen receives a \$4,000 scholarship towards Waynesburg University, if that's where she attends

(\$1,000/ year over the four-year period), as well as a \$1,000 Professional Development Training course, and a \$1,000 scholarship from the Greene County Fair Queen Program.

The crowns and sashes were graciously donated by Lola Energy, floral arrangements were donated by Ralph & Betty Anderson & family, the trophies were donated by Waynesburg Milling, and many other prizes and gifts were brought by supporting businesses, local individuals, and visiting royalty.

The winning contestants were Adysan Kern, Queen; Rachel Koratich, Princess; Cameron Wendell, Junior Princess; Peyton Duncan, Little Princess; Marklee Beal, Mini Princess.

The girls hustled around the fairgrounds last week throughout events and will be seen throughout the community the rest of this year as they complete their reigns. Be sure to send the queen well wishes and safe travels in January, when she



## Memorial Ride Raises Funds for ALS Association

The Bogucki Memorial Ride raised \$15,816.89 for the ALS Association. Organizers met with Karen Bogucki, her son Joe, grandsons Josh and Garrett, and Christy from The ALS Association where they presented a check in Justin Bogucki's honor for research into the disease.

The organizers would like to send a big thank you to their Legion Riders, the Legion, the Sons, the Auxiliary, their Club, the volunteers, the generous sponsors, and most of all attendees for coming out enjoying the day with us making this ride a success.



## St Jude's Classic Golf Outing Raises Funds

Thank you to the community, businesses, volunteers, family, and friends for your overwhelming support for the annual (3rd Saturday of July) St. Jude Classic Golf Outing in memory of Gary Rohanna Jr. The event raised \$54, 411

for St. Jude Children's Research Hospital; accepting the check for St Jude's is Jamie Rhoades. Pictured are Gary & Suzanne Rohanna, Rhoades, event sponsors, and volunteers.



## Miss Rain Day Crowned

On Sunday before Rain Day, those competing for the title of Miss Rain Day competed in the annual Miss Rain Day Pageant.

Abby Ray was crowned Miss Rain Day 2023, as well as awards for Top Interview, Top Evening Gown & Pageantry Spirit. First Runner Up Bryn Lahew received awards for Top Sportswear, Scholastic Achievement, Rain Maker, the Remo C. Bertugli Memorial Award, and the John O'Hara Essay Award. Second Runner Up Addie Palko also received Top Talent award.

Contestant Camryn Hawfield received Miss Photogenic, Bryn Patton Smile Award & Kelly Smotzer Memorial Award, and contestant Angie Keane received Miss Personality.

Miss Rain Day 2023 and her court, L-R: Addison Palko, 2nd Runner Up; Miss Rain Day

2023 Abby Ray; Bryn Lahew, 1st Runner Up; and Naya Jetten, Crown Bearer.



## Student-operated WCTV and WUSN Receive 7 Awards

Waynesburg University's student-operated television station, WCTV, and sports network, WUSN, recently received a total of five Communicator Awards and two Telly Awards.

"It is an honor for WCTV and WUSN to be recognized by these outstanding organizations that represent high professional standards," said Melinda Roeder-Skrbin, instructor of communication and WCTV faculty advisor. "Once again, our students earned more awards this year than any other university in the region. This recognition is a testament to their ambition, professionalism and teamwork."

The winning entries for The Communicator Awards included:

- "Soaring Sailplanes" – Caleb Yauger, reporter, WCTV
- "The Haunting of Greene County" –Rebekah Vaughan, Micah Leith and Benjamin Champ, production team, WCTV
- "WCTV Newscast" – Timothy Durkin, producer
- "Waynesburg's Men's Basketball" – Jeremiah Miller, executive producer, WUSN live production

• "WCTV Election Night Special Report" – Micah Leith, executive producer

The winning entries for The Telly Awards included:

- "WCTV Newscast" – Timothy Durkin, producer
- "WCTV Election Night Special Report" – Micah Leith, executive producer

The Communicator Awards, presented and reviewed by the Academy of Interactive & Visual Arts (AIVA), is the leading international awards program for the recognition of excellence in all areas of communications. Annually, almost 5,000 entries are received from various agencies, companies and studios.

The Telly Awards honor excellence and creativity in video and television across all screens. Entries received span from all 50 states and five continents, and represent widely respected agencies, companies and stations.

"I am very proud of our students' efforts and dedication to their craft," said Roeder-Skrbin. "Their work exemplifies the excellence and high standards that WCTV and WUSN has come to represent"

## Graduate Counseling Program receives Staunton Farm Foundation Capacity Building Grant

The Graduate and Professional Studies Counseling Program at Waynesburg University was recently awarded a one-year grant totaling \$25,000 from Staunton Farm Foundation. Staunton Farm Foundation believes in investing in a future where behavioral health is understood, supported and accepted.

Grant funding will provide scholarships to five eligible students while supporting continuous quality improvement of the Certificate in Clinical Supervision at Waynesburg. This program is a 12-credit, non-degree, post-baccalaureate certificate available 100% asynchronous online and can be successfully completed in as little as two semesters. The certificate consists of three core clinical supervision courses, with a fourth course dedicated to advanced methods of clinical supervision.

Waynesburg University will offer scholarships to five eligible students enrolled in the non-degree Certificate in Clinical Supervision, which will begin Monday, August 28, 2023. Eligible students will receive a 50% scholarship to cover the cost of the four supervision courses and the University will match the 50% scholarship. As such, non-degree Certificate in Clinical Supervision students will be able to complete the four supervision courses, or the 12 credits, at 100% cost savings.

The Certificate in Clinical Supervision aims to enhance the professional identity and competence of clinical supervisors in the behavioral health workforce by offering an advanced educational training program.

"Clinical supervision is a required component of the counseling profession, yet the vast majority of state licensing boards do not require a doctoral degree to function in the capacity of a supervisor, and master's level counseling curriculum does not prepare

counselors to become supervisors," explained Dr. Kelley McNichols, assistant director of the Graduate Counseling Programs and assistant professor of counseling. "There are limited education and training opportunities that specifically address the core competencies of clinical supervision. In fact, many clinical supervisors are deemed a good 'fit' for the position of supervisor because they were good counselors first and/or have tenure in a profession that suffers from high turnover rates."

Waynesburg University is committed to addressing the unmet needs of the behavioral health workforce and recognizes the necessity for properly trained, competent and effective clinical supervisors.

Interested individuals can learn more about the program, scholarship opportunities and the application process at waynesburg.edu/clinical-supervision.

The Certificate in Clinical Supervision fulfills the mission of Waynesburg University to educate students to make connections between faith, learning and serving so they might faithfully transform their communities and the world. As a Christian comprehensive University, we strive to inspire and challenge every undergraduate and graduate student to a life of leadership and purpose for the glory of God.

Waynesburg University's Master of Arts in Counseling is accredited by the Council for Accreditation of Counseling and Related Education Programs (CACREP), a specialized accrediting body recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA).

FMI, please contact Dr. McNichols at kelley.mcnichols@waynesburg.edu. To view Waynesburg University's profile, visit collegesofdistinction.com/school/waynesburg-university.

## WU Names 2023 Christian Life Scholarship Recipients

Waynesburg University has announced eight incoming students will receive the Christian Life Scholarship. The 2023 recipients include Barry (Kent) Peterson, John (Wyatt) Clatterbaugh, Dane Jones, Mackenzie Wilson, Lindsey Sylvania, Julia Luzar, Kaitlyn Prickett and Samantha Withers.

The scholarship is awarded annually to incoming freshmen who demonstrate a growing relationship with Jesus Christ and are involved in the life of a local church.

As part of the scholarship, each recipient is paired with a Christian mentor

from their field of study and are presented with opportunities to be engaged in activities, conversations and mentorship through the Center for Campus Ministry.

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"We believe that engaged students are successful students," said Tyson Schritter, chief operating officer for Colleges of Distinction. "And Waynesburg University's dedication to experiential learning shows us that each of its students has the opportunity to play an active role in their education."

As part of the selection process by Colleges of Distinction, institutions undergo detailed interviews and research which evaluate their adherence to the Four Distinctions: Engaged Students, Great Teaching, Vibrant

Community and Successful Outcomes.

In addition to its recognition as a 2023-2024 College of Distinction, the University's programs in business, education and nursing also received specialized recognition.

"We don't rank our schools," said Schritter. "Every student has individual needs and flourishes in a specific environment. We prefer to focus on the innovative ways that colleges all around the country are providing an enriching undergraduate experience."

Schritter continued, "We are deeply inspired by how Waynesburg University immerses students in their academic pursuits, fostering a welcoming community that provides unwavering support throughout their college years and beyond."

## EQT Corporation Donates \$500,000 to Project

The EQT Corporation recently donated \$500,000 to the Wisecarver Reservoir Recreation Project near Waynesburg. The project will develop the 360 acres around the reservoir into a destination for families and outdoor enthusiasts.

Mike Belding, Chairman of the Greene County Commissioners stated, "As we continue to develop amenities and recreational opportunities for Greene County residents and visitors, we are ever so grateful for the continued support of our industry partners. Many will recognize EQT as an ever-present sponsor of county and non-profit events, and we truly appreciate their investments in our communities and Greene County."

Toby Rice, EQT President and CEO said, "EQT strives to be a good neighbor and give back to the communities where we operate. We greatly value our relationship with Greene County and are proud to support the transformation of this signature outdoor recreational space. We look forward to seeing the evolution of Wisecarver Reservoir and remain committed to doing our part to help drive economic growth and prosperity throughout the community."

Phase One of the project, which is nearing completion, included parking areas, a small walking trail, and the first of three softball fields. Funding for the initial phase was obtained from the state and the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources. The Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Commission has

also provided funding for the first of two kayak/canoe launches, which will kick off Phase Two of the development.

Additional plans for the area include ADA accessible walking, fishing, and picnic areas. An amphitheater, biking trails, a 3D archery range, and areas for drone launches and environmental education classes are also part of the scheduled development. Support facilities such as rest rooms and concessions will also be available to visitors.

The reservoir was created in 1931 with the construction of a dam built by the Waynesburg Water Company, which was purchased by the Southwestern Pennsylvania Water Authority in the late 1960s. The SPWA stopped using the reservoir as a water supply in the early 1990s.

County Commissioner Betsy McClure said, "Greene County is building momentum in economic growth at a record pace. I feel part of the momentum is the relationship that is being fostered with industry partners such as EQT. We are sincerely grateful to them for investing in the growth of recreation in the county."



## Morris Township VFD brings the Heat!

The Morris Township Greene County Volunteer Fire Department is hosting its second annual 5k fundraiser. The BattleAxe 5k opens its doors to all types - walkers, hikers, and trail racers - and is appealing to all fitness levels. A kid's race, swag bags, T-shirts, medals, podium awards and lunch are also part of the experience on September 30, 2023.

The unique BattleAxe 5k Trail offers a walk/run on a wooded trail course with race day activities for the entire family. All race participants will receive a BattleAxe swag bag, t-shirt, finisher medal, and the BattleAxe Brunch to enjoy after the race. Top place finishers also receive podium awards. Registration options start at \$59 online for the run or walk. Late registration will be available beginning at 9 am the day of the event for \$69.

For competitive runners looking for more, the BattleAxe 5k Obstacle Run is everything you're after! This forested 5k trail offers a gauntlet of challenges. Over 27+ obstacles including Heavy Hoist, Traverse Rope, Spear Throw, 10' Grotto, Z-Wall 2.0 and many more. The course will test your upper body & core strength, concentration, endurance, agility, balance, and much more. Top place obstacle finishers also receive BattleAxe podium awards. Registration options start at \$69 online for the obstacle course run. Late registration will be available beginning at 9 am the day of the event for \$79. Looking for a way to build camaraderie and trust? The BattleAxe 5k Four Per-

son Team Obstacle Run is what you want. Gather a team of four runners and put your minds and bodies to the ultimate test. The 5k trail facilitates your team to conquer obstacles, perform physical surveillance, reconnaissance & social engineering while you run. This is the ultimate in team building. Top placing teams receive BattleAxe podium awards. Registration options start at \$239 for your four-person team. Late registration will be available beginning at 9 am the day of the event for \$259.

Course Manager Bryan Yukon grins with excitement when talking about the groomed trails and obstacles he has built on the course. "Our track is so much fun and so much more than road running. The elevation changes are challenging, but the wooded trails draw you in to a place all its own."

Morris Twp. VFD Chief Jeff Lash says, "This is our most successful fundraiser of the year. We have a great group of volunteers working to make this day memorable for everyone!"

Early Registration ended August 1 and regular online registration will close on September 28, 2023 at noon. Race shirts and finishing medals are guaranteed to early registrants ONLY. Race shirts will be first come, first serve for quantity and sizes to those who register AFTER August 1.

Rain or shine, walk, hike, or run to Nineveh on September 30. To sign up go to: <https://runsignup.com/Race/PA/Nineveh/BattleAxe5KFirstResponder>.

## Nominations for Veterans Day Parade Grand Marshal

The Veteran's Day Parade committee is now accepting nominations for Grand Marshal of the Veteran's Day Parade. Eligible nominees must be or have been a resident of Greene County, not previously been Grand Marshal of Greene County Veteran's Day Parade and be able to provide DD-214 discharge papers at the time of interview.

Please send the nominated person's name, branch and era of service, person making nomination, email, phone number, and why the nominee would make the best Grand Marshal. Legible nominations must be received by Monday, September 25, 2023, by e-mail to [greenevetsunite@hotmail.com](mailto:greenevetsunite@hotmail.com); by mail to PO Box 324, Waynesburg, PA

15370; or by the 24-hr drop box located at Chamber of Commerce, 3157 Mount Morris Rd. Waynesburg, PA 15370. All nominees will be notified to accept and confirm their eligibility to partake in Veteran's Day Parade on Saturday, November 4, 2023, and schedule interview time to be conducted October 1-3. DD-214 will be requested at that time. (Judges for interview process ineligible to participate.)

## CFGC Accepting Summer Community Grant Applications

The Community Foundation of Greene County (CFGC) is accepting applications for several grant opportunities for nonprofits, public schools and teachers. Grant awards for community grants will not exceed \$5,000.

Community Grant Fund projects may include (but are not limited to) any one or more of the following broad priorities:

- Arts, Culture & Humanities
- Children, Youth & Families
- Community and Economic Development
- Education
- Environment
- Food and Hunger
- Health & Fitness
- Human Services

Grants are available from the following funds:

**Cindy's Wind Fund for Women and Girls** will provide one grant of \$500 to projects which help women and girls fulfill their potential. The Cindy's Wind Fund seeks proposals for projects that aim to help women and girls fulfill their full potential, which may include activities such as information programs, direct service programs, special activities, professional development for women and more.

**Consol Energy Excellence in Education Fund** will provide up to eight grants of \$250-\$500 for teacher-led classroom projects that fall outside the normal school budget, or that the teacher would otherwise use their own funds to support. Grants are

available to public school teachers.

**EITC Innovative Education Fund** for Greene County public school approved innovative education projects. \$6,000 is available for one or more grants.

**L&M Medical Needs Fund Grants** will provide multiple grants to provide assistance for medical needs, such as medical prescriptions, hospice care, or other medical services. This fund is geared toward programs or projects that serve individuals who have difficulty paying for medical services or needs.

Eligible organizations for grants from the Community Grant funds, Cindy's Wind Fund for Women & Girls and L&M Medical Needs Fund must be 501(c)(3) nonprofits, educational institutions, or governmental units/agencies. Religious organizations may apply for projects that focus on addressing community needs outside the organization.

For more information about these grant opportunities, please go to our website [www.cfcpa.org/about-cfgc-grants](http://www.cfcpa.org/about-cfgc-grants) to review guidelines, application procedures and process.

The deadline to submit applications for each of these funds is October 1, 2023.

Successful grant awards will be announced in late October for projects beginning after the first of December.

Applications will be accepted through the CFGC Online Grant Portal on the CFGC Grants website at <http://www.cfcpa.org/apply-for-a-grant/>

FMI, contact the Foundation office at 724-627-2010, or e-mail [cfcpa@gmail.com](mailto:cfcpa@gmail.com).

## 2023 Coal Queen Crowned

Congratulations to the new 2023 Pennsylvania Bituminous Coal Queen, Hadyn Chipps from Albert Gallatin!

- 1st Runner-Up: Ella Lybarger (Clay-Battelle)
- 2nd Runner-Up: Trinity Rudman (Beth-Center)
- 3rd Runner-Up: Caylee Balabon (Brownsville)
- 4th Runner-Up: Alexa Mori (Carmichaels)



## This Message Board Is For You!

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## YOU CAN'T DIE HAPPY 'TIL YOU'VE BEEN TO THE JACKTOWN FAIR!

The annual Jacktown Fair kicked off with a worship service on Sunday July 16 at the Jacktown Fairgrounds. That evening, the 2023 Jacktown Fair Princess and Queen competitions crowned the Jacktown Fair Princess, and the Queen was crowned on Tuesday following the parade. This year, Harley Frye was crowned Jacktown Fair Princess, and Melissa Sharp was crowned Jacktown Fair Queen. At the ceremony, Trevor Triplett received a scholarship from Harveys Aleppo Grange.

A recent fun addition to the fair is the public judging of the chocolate cake, apple pie, angel food cake, and junior baking contests. Lew Crouse

won the blue ribbon for his apple pie and angel food cake, and Diana Gottschalk won the chocolate cake contest; Sophie Crouse won the junior contest.

The parade on Tuesday brought a lot of fun entries. (If you missed it, you can watch a recap on the Jacktown Fair's Facebook page!)

Other activities at the week-long celebration included truck pulls, ATV/UTV dirt drags, the Cincinnati Circus, animal judging, musical acts, dunk a football player, tractor pulls, bingo, demo derby, fireworks on Thursday evening, and more.

During the fair, the 4-H Cloverbuds presented Mr. and Mrs. Burns with a hand-tied blanket made as part of a service project.



# Salute to Veterans



The November issue of the *GreeneScene Community Magazine* will pay tribute to all area veterans.

*GreeneScene Magazine* readers are encouraged to send the name, address & phone of a vet you know - family, friend or neighbor - it doesn't matter as long as they're veterans. All names will be included in our honor roll. **If you've previously submitted a name, you don't have to resubmit it; those names are automatically included yearly.**

We'll also feature select pictures & stories about some area veterans. So, if you have an interesting story or picture of a local vet you know, send it before Oct. 1, 2023 to:

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Remember, you can submit just a name to get your vet on the honor roll. However, if you decide to share a picture and brief story, be sure to include your own name & phone #, too. We can also scan original photos by appointment.



# '50s Fest & CAR CRUISE

On September 9, 2023, downtown Waynesburg welcomes back for the 22nd year one of the most popular car cruises in southwestern Pennsylvania. The 50s Fest & Car Cruise, presented by Waynesburg Prosperous and Beautiful, Inc., typically draws 150+ classic vehicles to downtown, including a wide assortment of hot rods, street rods, rat rods, and other classic cars, trucks, and motorcycles.

The festival also offers retro fun with contests and oldies music broadcast live all day by Sponsor WANB Radio's "Greene County Greaser" aka Doug Wilson. There are also plentiful door prizes and unique shopping and specials from many downtown merchants and restaurants. Best of all, it's free for both participants and attendees!

Several local sponsors support the event and are featured on the back of the festival's annual collectible t-shirt. The hand drawn t-shirt art is created each year by local artist Colleen Nelson and usually features an actual classic vehicle belonging to a cruise participant. This year's shirt features Joseph Kiefer's red 1974 Volkswagen Maxi Taxi. On the t-shirt, the car will be depicted in front of Pollock's Mill Bridge.

"It's always fun to tie in some local landmark with the vehicle on the t-shirt, and Colleen Nelson has a way of really bringing the personality of both the site and the vehicle alive. Our 50s Fest t-shirts are

highly collectible. They will go on sale at the 50s Fest at 10am starting at \$15, so don't miss getting yours," shares Danielle Nyland, 50s Fest Committee Co-chairperson and board member for Waynesburg Prosperous & Beautiful. Previous years shirts are also available for a discounted rate.

The festival is organized by co-chairs Danielle and Doug Wilson and their committee of local gear heads, grumpy old men, and car collectors. If you're interested in being part of this annual event, reach out to [info@50sfest.com](mailto:info@50sfest.com) to share your interest.

50s Fest tradition also offers a collectible magnetic dash plaque free to all participants and for sale to spectators as long as they last. "The generous support we receive from the downtown merchants and local businesses is what enables us to make this a free event for spectators and participants. There are no admission fees or registration fees for the 50s Fest & Car Cruise in downtown Waynesburg. Make your plans now to be there or be square," warns Danielle.



## First Federal of Greene County proudly announces its 2023 scholarship winners



Seven area students were recently selected by First Federal Savings and Loan Association of Greene County to receive four-year college scholarships. Each winner will receive a \$1,000 scholarship renewable for a maximum of four years, or \$4,000 total. Funding is made possible through the First Federal Scholarship Fund, which awards up to eight randomly selected eligible students each year. Eligible students must reside in Greene, Fayette, Washington or Monongalia counties; have been accepted full-time to an accredited educational facility; and maintain an Education Club savings account with minimum regular deposits. The Waynesburg and Uniontown offices each randomly draws up to four students every year. Congratulations and best wishes to all of this year's winners!



Pictured, from l. to r., are Charles W. Trump, Jr., First Federal of Greene County President/CEO; Waynesburg scholarship recipients Hayden Pennington, Hannah Wood, Caleb Hartman and Mason Switalski; Terry L. Clutter, First Federal of Greene County Vice President/Treasurer; and Kourtney Skinner, First Federal of Greene County Education Club Coordinator, Waynesburg.



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## Local Library Love

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The Greene County Library System is announcing its official 2024 Reading Competition with a list of great books to read for Elementary (grades 3-5), Middle (grades 6-8), and High School (grades 9-12) kids. Both Eva K. Bowlby Library and Flenniken Library have multiple copies of all the books on the lists.

Teams must consist of four to eight members, have a team name, a captain, and a coach. Your team can be from your school, your library, your church, your scout group, or just some friends. Divide up the books on the list (or read them all yourself) and then be prepared to answer questions at the Official Reading Competition held at Waynesburg University in March.

You've got months to read these great books, so grab some friends, dream up a team name, and get reading. For complete information and rules check out the Reading Competition link at <http://www.GreeneCoLib.org>

#### Elementary Book List:

- The Good Dog – Avi
- Sarah, Plain and Tall – Patricia MacLachlan
- Bridge to Terabithia – Katherine Paterson
- On the Far Side of the Mountain – Jean Craighead George
- I Survived: The Destruction of Pompeii, AD 79 – Lauren Tarshis
- The Mixed-Up Files of Mrs. Basil E. Frankweiler - E.L. Koningsburg
- Mercy Watson to the Rescue – Kate DiCamillo
- Unusual Chickens for the Exceptional Poultry Farmer – Kelly Jones
- Number the Stars – Lois Lowry
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#### Middle School Book List:

- Alone - Megan Freeman
- Hoot – Carl Hiaasen
- Into the Wild – Erin Hunter
- New Kid – Jerry Craft
- Tuck Everlasting – Natalie Babbitt
- Mr. Popper's Penguins – Richard Atwater
- The Crossover – Kwame Alexander
- Insignificant Events in the Life of a Cactus – Dusti Bowling
- Starfish – Lisa Fipps
- When Stars are Scattered – Victoria Jamieson\*

#### High School Book List:

- An Abundance of Katherine – John Green
- All Quiet on the Western Front – Erich Maria Remarque
- Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde – Robert Louis Stevenson
- The Inheritance Games – Jennifer Lynn Barnes
- Out of the Dust – Karen Hesse
- Life as We Knew It – Susan Beth Pfeffer
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## WU Veteran and Military Center Celebrates Grand Opening

Waynesburg University's Veteran and Military Affiliated Center celebrated its grand opening with a ribbon cutting Thursday, August 10. Made possible by a generous donation from Range Resources, construction on the Center was completed this summer.

During the ceremony, remarks were provided by Tony Gaudlip, Vice President for Operational Planning at Range Resources and a U.S. Army veteran; Waynesburg University President Douglas G. Lee; and Dr. Michelle Steimer, Director of Veteran and Military Student Services and Initiatives and Assistant Professor of Counseling for the Graduate and Professional Studies Counseling Program.

"We at Range Resources have long recognized the importance of supporting veterans," said Gaudlip, who referenced various grants and service initiatives that Range Resources leads in support of non-profit veterans' organizations. "This Center will not only strengthen our relationship with Waynesburg University, but most importantly, will provide our veterans with important resources."

Attendees included Sen. Camera Bartolotta, Greene County Commissioner Betsy Rohanna McClure, and representatives from the Pennsylvania National Guard, the Pennsylvania Air National Guard, the U.S. Army Reserve, Rep. Guy Reschenthaler's Office, the Pennsylvania Department of Military and Veterans Affairs, the Department of Veterans Affairs, West Virginia University ROTC, City Mission, GBU Life, Range Resources and Waynesburg University.

Located at the heart of campus, on the first floor of Miller Hall, the new Veteran and

Military Affiliated Center offers dedicated programs and services for veteran and military-affiliated students; information and assistance with military benefits and resources; a gathering point for veteran and military-affiliated students; and a place to learn about Waynesburg's connection to service in the Armed Forces. The Center will also serve southwestern Pennsylvania through community outreach and service-learning opportunities to connect University students to military members and veterans.

"The Center is a reflection and recognition of the long history of service to country ingrained in the Waynesburg University tradition," said President Lee. "An important element of that tradition is providing services to our veterans."

In 2022, the University launched an initiative to better serve the needs of veteran and military-affiliated students and their families. As part of this initiative, the new Center helps streamline and grow the University's established veteran and military services in a physical location, at the heart of campus.

"I am so grateful to our leadership and staff at Waynesburg University, Range Resources, and our community partners for making our Center a reality for our students and community," said Dr. Steimer. "As a veteran and member of our University, I am excited for our future, as we will now be able to collaborate with our students, local military units, veteran service organizations, and community leaders to improve lives."

Responsible for the review of University policies to create and implement military-friendly changes on behalf of veterans, ac-



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tive-duty military personnel, reservists and dependents, Dr. Steimer's ability to recognize the specific needs of the military community stems from her extensive military background, having served in the United States Army and Army Reserve for more than 22 years. She has been both enlisted and an officer, and currently serves as a lieutenant colonel in the Army Reserve in Pittsburgh. Her husband, Drew, also serves.

"Waynesburg University has the expertise, commitment to service, and dedication to faith and learning to continue to build resources that will benefit veterans, both students and community members, in the areas of veteran education, corporate hiring, service access, and advocacy," Dr. Steimer said. "The University provides a place for veterans to learn, grow, and remain in service of others."

Dr. Steimer has also worked for the Department of Defense, served as president for the Pennsylvania Military and Government Counseling Association, and served as an expert and consultant in military and veteran culture and mental health on both national and international levels as a counselor educator.

Charles Stoddard, who serves as the Assistant Director of Veteran and Military Student Services and Grant Program Manager and Training Coordinator at the University,

also brings a wealth of valuable experience and knowledge to the Center.

Between active duty and being in the Army Reserve, Stoddard has served in the Army for 18 years and worked as a combat medic for 16 years, which included serving as an infantry platoon medic during deployment in Iraq. More recently, he has served as a personnel officer.

In addition, Stoddard served as an Army Division Suicide Prevention Program Manager for six years, during which he was responsible for providing mental health and crisis resources for 7,000 soldiers.

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## Intentional Walks

By Bret Moore

### Waynesburg Was the Real Birthplace of Little League Baseball

Thirty-one years before Carl Stotz created the Little League in Williamsport, the editor of the *Waynesburg Daily Times* started a "Juvenile League" in Waynesburg. In 1908, the paperboys of the *Waynesburg Daily Times* started playing baseball and talked the editor into coming out and watching one of their practices. Guy Ralston, who went on to become a renowned editor of the *Pittsburgh Post-Gazette*, was so impressed with the boys he had his business manager purchase equipment and uniforms for the team. Ralston became the manager and chief publicist for the team. He ran box scores in his paper for their exhibition games and even ran individual profiles of the boys.

The Pittsburgh Pirates were extremely popular at the time and were perennial pennant contenders, so the boys called themselves the Times Pirates. The original plan was just to play sandlot exhibitions. However, Elmer "Doc" Daily, a star pitcher at Waynesburg College, decided to get another group of boys together and play a five-game series against Ralston's boys. He named his team Daily's Colts. Doc went on after college to play professionally in the Middle Atlantic League and eventually became that league's president.

The boys used a slightly smaller ball, but the mound and base distances were regulation. Ralston and Daily decided to charge ten cents admission to the five games to cover some expenses. The games proved so popular in town that all expenses were covered after the first game. They even made enough money to have photos taken of both teams. The Pirates won the series three games to one.

Soon after, Harry Hicks, a local barber put together a team he called the North Side Cubs. Even though his boys were a littler older than the Pirates, they also fell three games to one. Local businessman Sam Ogden put together the East Side Winners, but their name did not prove prescient as they too fell in four games.

The following year, a 91-game league schedule was played and the Pirates won the title. On Labor Day, 3,000 people flocked to College Field to see the Pirates take on the Washington (PA) Juniors. The Pirates won the game 4-2, and a parade was held downtown to celebrate all four local teams and the visitors. The boys were given ice cream at the



end of the parade route. The league finished the season with an incredible profit of \$60, which was donated to the public school's library.

The Times Pirates were a unique and storied collection of young men in Greene County history for other reasons as well. Many of them were also members of one of the first Boy Scout troops in the country. Edward Martin started the local Boy Scouts in 1911. Martin, a legendary Waynesburg College alum, went on to become a U.S. Army general, and a Pennsylvania governor and senator. Six years later, five of the Pirate/Boy Scouts served in World War I under Martin's Command. Jimmy Farrell and Norman Zahniser made

the supreme sacrifice in the Argonne Forrest as members of Company K's Rain Day Boys. Walter McVay was wounded in the same battle and Ernest Clayton and George Black came home without physical injuries. The Waynesburg American Legion Post is named after Farrell. Three other members of the team served in other branches of the military during the war.

It is amazing to note that until the last Times Pirate died, the local newspapers referred to the men in their obituaries as a member of "that great kid team."

# FOOTBALL SCHEDULES 2023

### Albert Gallatin Colonials

08/25	@ Connellsville	7:00pm
09/01	@ Spring Mills	7:00pm
09/08	Northern Garrett	7:00pm
09/15	Uniontown	7:00pm
09/22	Allegany	7:00pm
09/29	@ Southern	7:00pm
10/06	@ Laurel Highlands	7:00pm
10/13	Weir	7:00pm
10/20	@ Brownsville	7:00pm



### Beth-Center Bulldogs

08/25	Riverview	7:00pm
09/01	@ Burgettstown	7:00pm
09/08	Fort Cherry	7:00pm
09/15	@ Mapletown	7:00pm
09/22	Jefferson-Morgan	7:00pm
09/29	@ Carmichaels	7:00pm
10/06	Bentworth	7:00pm
10/13	West Greene	7:00pm
10/20	@ California	7:00pm
10/27	Monessen	7:00pm



### Carmichaels Mighty Mikes

08/25	Waynesburg	7:00pm
09/01	@ Fort Cherry	7:00pm
09/08	Chartiers-Houston	7:00pm
09/15	@ West Greene	7:00pm
09/22	Mapletown	7:00pm
09/29	Beth-Center	7:00pm
10/06	@ Monessen	7:00pm
10/13	California	7:00pm
10/20	Bentworth	7:00pm
10/27	@ Jefferson-Morgan	7:00pm



### Clay-Battelle Cee Bees

08/25	@ Hundred	7:00pm
09/08	Valley Wetzel	7:00pm
09/15	Beallsville	7:00pm
09/22	@ Tygarts Valley	7:00pm
09/29	@ Hancock	7:00pm
10/06	Meadow Bridge	7:00pm
10/13	@ Cameron	7:00pm
10/20	Belpre	7:00pm
10/27	Paden City	7:00pm
11/03	Magnolia	7:00pm



### Jefferson-Morgan Rockets

08/25	@ Chartiers-Houston	7:00pm
09/01	Waynesburg Central	7:00pm
09/08	@ Jeanette	7:00pm
09/15	California	7:00pm
09/22	@ Beth-Center	7:00pm
09/29	Bentworth	7:00pm
10/06	@ Mapletown	7:00pm



Schedules posted at time of printing, subject to change.

10/13	Monessen	7:00pm
10/20	@ West Greene	7:00pm
10/27	Carmichaels	7:00pm

### Mapletown Maples

08/25	@ Avella	7:00pm
09/01	@ Frazier	7:00pm
09/08	Avella	7:00pm
09/15	Beth-Center	7:00pm
09/22	@ Carmichaels	7:00pm
09/29	California	7:00pm
10/06	Jefferson-Morgan	7:00pm
10/13	@ Bentworth	7:00pm
10/20	@ Monessen	7:00pm
10/27	West Greene	7:00pm



### Waynesburg Raiders

08/25	@ Carmichaels	7:00pm
09/01	@ Jefferson-Morgan	7:00pm
09/08	California	7:00pm
09/15	Keystone Oaks	7:00pm
09/22	@ McGuffey	7:00pm
09/29	Washington	7:00pm
10/06	@ Brentwood	7:00pm
10/13	Uniontown	7:00pm
10/20	Sto-Rox	7:00pm
10/27	@ Charleroi	7:00pm



### West Greene Pioneers

08/25	@ Cameron	7:00pm
09/01	@ Chartiers-Houston	7:00pm
09/08	Greensburg Central Catholic	7:00pm
09/15	Carmichaels	7:00pm
09/22	@ Bentworth	7:00pm
09/29	Monessen	7:00pm
10/06	@ California	7:00pm
10/13	@ Beth-Center	7:00pm
10/20	Jefferson-Morgan	7:00pm
10/27	@ Mapletown	7:00pm



### Waynesburg University Yellow Jackets

09/02	Allegheny	1:00pm
09/09	Grove City	1:00pm
09/16	@ Carnegie Mellon	1:00pm
09/23	Westminster	1:00pm
09/30	@ Thiel	3:00pm
10/14	Saint Vincent	1:00pm
10/21	@ Case Western Reserve	2:00pm
10/28	Geneva	1:00pm
11/04	@ Bethany	1:00pm
11/11	@ Washington & Jefferson	1:00pm





Dustin Hastings is the son of Tom and Angie Hastings of Carmichaels. He is a three-year letterman in golf. He was the Class 2A Section 3 Individual Champion last year. Dustin maintains a 4.082 GPA and is the treasurer of the National Honor Society and a member of the Leo Club. Outside of school, Dustin is an EMT and volunteer firefighter with the Nemacolin Fire Department. Upon graduation, Dustin plans to attend college to pursue a career in nursing.



Alexa Mori is the daughter of Anthony and Lois Mori. In school, Alexa is co-captain of the varsity cheerleading squad and co-captain of the cross country team. She is a mentor with Big Brother Big Sister, a member of the Carmichaels Lions' Club - Leo Club. She is also involved with the Junior Standing Committee, National Honor Society, student council, and Spanish club. Alexa is Carmichaels' Bituminous Coal Queen Representative. She is involved in many community service activities in the community. She was the recipient of The Challenge Program, Inc. Community Service Award in October of 2022. Alexa is an assistant teacher at Moschetta's Performing Arts Center. She has been dancing for 15 years and has been a member of MPAC's competitive dance team for 12 years. Alexa's future endeavors include attending a Medical Imaging School for Radiology Technology to obtain a Bachelor of Science degree and continue dancing at the collegiate level.



Joel Menear is a member of the Maple's football, basketball, and baseball teams. He has had a love of all sports since age six. Joel is a senior honor student and announces for the junior high Maples football team as well as announcing the varsity basketball starting lineups. He also enjoys esports at Mapletown. He plans to attend college and pursue a career in sports broadcasting. Joel attends Crosspoint Church and is the son of Brian and Erika Menear of Greensboro.



Miranda Fox is the daughter of Christine and Dave Wise of Bobtown. She is a sophomore middle blocker for the Maples' volleyball team. She led the team in blocks for the 2022 season. Miranda has enjoyed playing volleyball since she was in 7th grade. She volunteers her time helping the junior high volleyball team. In school, Miranda holds a 3.4 GPA.



Seth Wolfe is the son of John and Kelly Wolfe of Mather. He is a returning lineman for the Rockets. In his spare time, he enjoys hunting, fishing, kayaking and target shooting. Seth attends the electrical program at the Greene County CTC and plans to attend Penn Commercial to earn his certification.



Tessa Eggleston is the daughter of Joy and Kevin Eggleston of Jefferson. She is a senior defensive specialist for the Rockets volleyball team. She is also a cheerleader, a member of SADD, the NHS Academic League, and the debate team. Tessa plans to attend college to major in nursing.



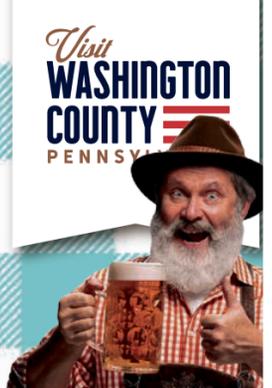
Kameron Tedrow is the son of Matt Tedrow of Wind Ridge and Christina Gawlik of New Kensington. He is a senior and participates in football, rifle, and baseball. Kameron was a member of the 2023 Prom Court and takes welding at the Greene County CTC. In his spare time, he loves to hunt and fish.



Brooklyn Burns is the daughter of Nyle and Scarlett Burns of Graysville. She is a sophomore Cheerleader for the Pioneers. She has also participated in volleyball and is a member of the FFA program. Brooklyn is a member of the ICONICS Competitive Cheer team sponsored by EQT and a member of the FLD (For the Love of Dance) dance team.



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**Fall Activities with the Greene County Department of Recreation**

As the summer comes to end, temperatures - and the leaves - start to drop, and Greene County gears up for its fall festival season. Throughout the months of September and October, events and activities can be found almost every weekend. The Greene County Department of Recreation is bringing their share of fun events for the fall season.

**Saturday, September 16**, from 8am to noon, the Fall Fishing Frenzy for kids ages 5 to 12 will take place at the Waynesburg Water Park. Once the pool closes after Labor Day, the chemicals will be withheld from the pool to make it suitable for fish. Various trout will be placed in the pool prior to the event, with some tagged for special prizes. Tickers are \$20/child.

On **Saturday, September 30**, the Outdoor Show returns to the Greene County Fair-

grounds from 10am to 4pm. Vendors include Bears Birds Taxidermy, Ryerson Station State Park, Waynesburg Sportsman Association, Mon River Archery, MP Knives, Morris machinery, Archangel Defense, Clark's Nursery, Outcast bass Club, and more.

**Saturday, October 14**, brings the 'Oh My Gourd' Fall Day at the Greene River Trail. The day kicks off at 9am with the Greene River Trail 5k Walk/Run, followed by an 11am Kids Bike Ride, and a Fall Craft Show from 11am to 4pm. At 5pm, there will be a Pink Out Party Breast Cancer Walk, a foundry ghost tour from 7pm to 9pm, and Quick Exit at the Jessop Boat Club from 7pm to 1pm. The day will also have story hour by Flenniken Library and a Haunted hay ride, with times to be determined. If you'd like to be a vendor for the Outdoor Show or the Oh My Gourd festival, call 724-852-5323.



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## PAM MARISA RECEIVES JACK MCCrackEN AWARD AT RAIN DAY FESTIVAL

Each year, the Rain Day Festival presents the Jack McCracken Award to a deserving individual. The award is presented to a community member "who has been a humanitarian, civic leader, role model, who served God, family and community with integrity and an open heart."

This year, the award was presented to Pamela Marisa. She received a special plaque during a ceremony held on Rain Day. Pam is the owner of Direct Results, GreeneScene Community Magazine, The Perfect Arrangement & Lily Bee's, and The Denny House in Waynesburg. She is a member of the Together with Veterans Board, assisting with veteran suicide awareness and prevention. She is also a member of the Greene County Children & Youth Services Advisory Board and The Way Advisory Board. In 2021, Pam started a litter campaign throughout Greene County to curb the effects of littering on the environment. The campaign placed additional garbage cans around the county, with fun slogans promoting proper garbage disposal. She also supports many local organizations and events through sponsorship and donations.

The recipient is determined by Jeff McCracken, son of Jack McCracken, the current Chief of Police, the current Borough Manager, and the current Borough Secretary. This group meets to discuss those that are most deserving of the recognition. Winners are chosen by May of each year and are announced at the award presentation during the festival. There is no formal application or nomination process.

The award is presented in honor of the late Jack McCracken. Jack moved to Greene County in 1957 and opened McCracken pharmacy in 1961. Jack was dedicated to his community and was involved in multiple volunteer organizations in the area. He received the first Distinguished Service Award from the Waynesburg Area Chamber of Commerce in 1988. Jack was also a charter member of the Community Foundation of Greene County; he received the Service Above & Beyond for his dedication to CFGC. He died in 2009.

The first Jack McCracken Award in 2010 was presented to Jeff McCracken. Other winners include Chuck Baily, John Humble, Cathie Carpenter, Mark Fox, Reverend Donald Wilson, Sister Audrey Quinn & Sister Sue Fazzini, Jane Gapen, Doug Wilson, George Blystone, Tim Hawfield, Connie Hart, and Charles A. Berryhill. A permanent plaque of past winners is on display at McCracken's Pharmacy.

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According to the latest report from the PA Department of Health, Pennsylvania’s Medical Marijuana Program (PAMMP) has granted over 1 million patient certifications to individuals seeking legal access to marijuana as a means of alleviating serious medical conditions, including chronic pain and anxiety — and that number continues to rise across the state.

But it’s not always easy or clear for patients how they can take their first steps into the program.

That’s where Compassionate Certification Centers — better known to most Pennsylvanians as CCC — comes in. As a physician-owned medical organization, CCC was founded at the genesis of the Pennsylvania MMJ Program in 2016 and quickly became a leading provider of certifications, having certified more than 100,000 patients across the state through its in-office and virtual telehealth appointments.

“Our goal has always been to support,

educate, and remove any stigma associated with MMJ certifications, and we are proud to be ongoing advocates for the PA MMJ community and its patients,” said Dr. Bryan Doner, Chief Medical Officer and Co-Founder of CCC.

Offering a comprehensive range of services to ensure patients receive the care they need, CCC’s team of experienced physicians is dedicated to helping patients find success with the state-led MMJ program. Through its personalized approach, CCC aims to empower patients with the knowledge and resources to make informed decisions about their healthcare.

In a recent interview, Dr. Doner shared the CCC team’s passion for providing compassionate care and supporting patients on their paths to healing.

“At CCC, our primary focus has always been on patient well-being. We understand the unique questions and challenges that patients face in obtaining legal access to medical marijuana, and we are here to guide them through the process with empathy and professionalism.”

The impact of CCC’s efforts also extend

beyond patient care. Dr. Doner and his team actively collaborate with industry partners, clinical studies, policymakers, and advocacy groups to drive positive change in PA’s medical marijuana landscape. Through their collective efforts, they aim to promote understanding, expand access, and improve the lives of patients who could potentially benefit from medical marijuana.

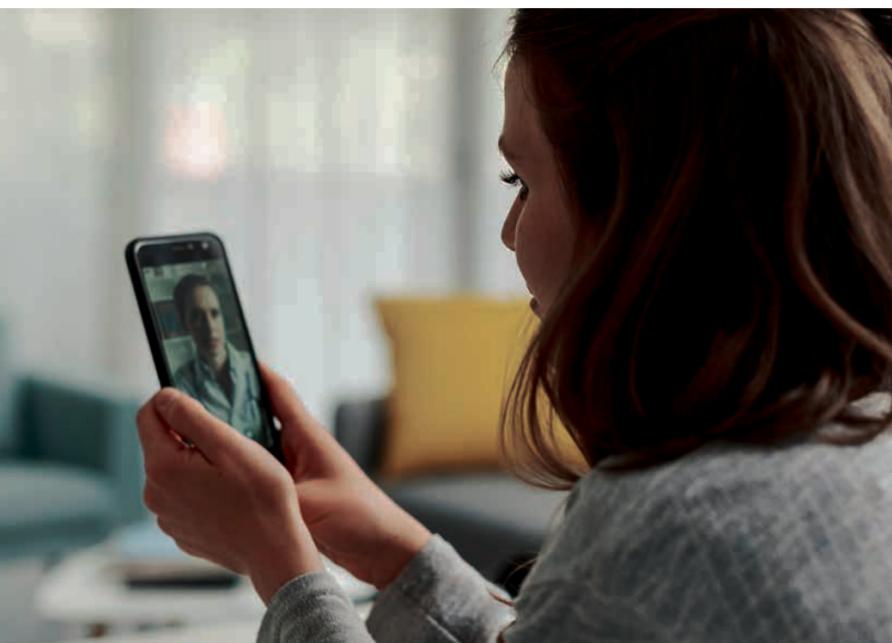
Dr. Doner also emphasizes the importance of education in the field of medical marijuana, and CCC actively engages in educational initiatives, providing resources to those interested in learning more about Pennsylvania’s program and its patient options.

“We believe that education is key to destigmatizing medical marijuana and promoting its

acceptance in the healthcare community,” said Dr. Doner.

“Patients are reporting tremendous results,” he added, “It’s past due that those who want to access this information and medicine have a better understanding of their options.”

PA residents interested in registering for a medical marijuana card with CCC can book a virtual appointment on the company’s website, [www.cccregister.com](http://www.cccregister.com), or call (888) 316-9085 to speak with a member of the team for details. In-person certifications are also available at CCC’s main office, located at 220 S Main St., Suite 105, in Butler.



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The Carmichaels Covered Bridge Festival is held on the grounds of the Greene Academy at 314 North Market Street. There will be FREE horse-drawn wagon rides both days. The festival features plenty of quality crafters and artisans providing the perfect time to shop for unique gifts before the holiday season. Be sure to visit the second floor for Greene Academy and Covered Bridge memorabilia, a demonstration of the 1800s loom, and the Carmichaels Area His-

torical Society. There will be food vendors, ice cream, and lots of music. Free parking is available at the Laurel Point Cemetery.

Located in the Borough, the Carmichaels Covered Bridge sits near the Greene Academy just a short distance from the town square. The original bridge built in the 1770's has been rebuilt three times. This 64 ft. Queenpost-truss bridge crosses Muddy Creek and has been a part of the Annual Covered Bridge Festival since its inception in 1970.



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that cause weakness and limited movement. We are very proud to have these clinicians as a part of our organization. They provide unique services that are very much needed in our community.

FMI or to request an appointment, visit [novacare.com](http://novacare.com) or call 724-627-9489 (Waynesburg) or 724-491-5220 (Masontown).



## RUMBAUGH BACK IN ACTION

At Rumbaugh Back In Action Chiropractic, we are passionate about helping as many people as possible achieve true health and wellness. We know that chiropractic care cannot only help alleviate physical pain, but also helps a person maintain wellness. Chiropractic is the beginning of true health care - not just sick care. We are a community-based practice that understands your needs, with a friendly staff and convenient office hours to accommodate your busy schedule.

Dr. Rumbaugh is a 2ND generation Chiropractor. Dr. Rumbaugh has been serving Greene County and the surrounding areas for over 35 years. In addition to his father, he has three siblings, one nephew and 5 cousins/uncles that are chiropractors. "I grew up with chiropractic and experienced firsthand the many benefits that could be achieved by chiropractic care. I knew I wanted to be a hands-on health care provider and Chiropractic fit the mold for me. It provided me

the opportunity to treat patients naturally, to help them feel better and return to their normal activities. I enjoy the diversity of treating patients of all ability levels and helping them achieve their goals."

Dr. T. Curtis Jones grew up in Rogersville, PA attending West Greene High School. After high school, he attended Slippery Rock University obtaining his bachelor's in biology. Dr. Jones attended Palmer College of Chiropractic in Davenport, Iowa where he received his Doctor of Chiropractic Degree. Dr. Jones has been practicing in the Greene County area since 2019.

Our office is also FMC-SA certified to do CDL Exams, DOT and NonDOT drug screens, breath alcohol tests, learner's permits and school bus physicals.

Rumbaugh Back in Action Chiropractic is open Monday, Friday and Saturday from 8:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m., Tuesday and Thursday from 8:00 a.m. - 6:30 p.m. Call 724-852-1624 for an appointment. Find us online at [rumbaughbackinaction.com](http://rumbaughbackinaction.com).



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# SEPTEMBER

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## FAIR 23

### Memories

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2023 Buyers & Supporters of Our Market Rabbit Sale at the Jacktown Fair

Exhibitor: Brielle Whipkey  
**Buyer: Washington Chevrolet & CNX Foundation**

Exhibitor: Grace Kovach  
**Buyer: Iron Senergy (Cumberland Coal)**

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**Buyer: Six Fencing**

Exhibitor: Maddie Behm  
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Buyer - CNX Foundation



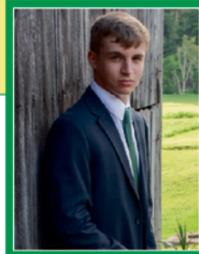
Reserve Champion Lamb - Maddie Behm  
Buyer - George R. Skull

### MARKET LAMB LEADERS

Kim Barnes, Becky Casto, Tracy Cole, Darren Crouse,  
Lindsey Williams, Loni Willis

### 2023 SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS (pictured left to right)

Kelly Courtwright, Nathan Reed, Carly Whyte, Grace Woodling, Morgan Mooney



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### MARKET STEER LEADERS

Robin Archer, Tommy Brookover, Heath Mooney, Wesley Simpson

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- CNX Foundation (5, 3 4-H Livestock Scholarship)
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- Valley View Farm Venue (2 Gate Fund)
- High Point Construction
- Viking Well Service
- Hildreth Show Calves (2, 1 WG FFA)
- KM Enterprises (Gate Fund)
- KSW Oilfield Rental, Chris Ramsey (2)
- Ross Tractor Sales
- (3, 1 4-H Livestock Scholarship, 1 Gate Fund)
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- Elysian Fields, LLC (2)
- DH Services (2, 1 Gate Fund)
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- NexGen Industrial Services (2)
- Baron Filtration Co.
- RM Manufacturing, Lloyd & Kim Blaker (Buyer Banquet)
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- Rocky Ridge Land, LLC
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- Washington Health Care (2)
- DH Services
- Carla Jacobs
- Headlee Properties
- Seldom Seen Farm, Kim Blaker
- RM Manufacturing, Lloyd & Kim Blaker



## DUDA'S FARM

Duda's Farm is a family owned and operated farm located in Brownsville, PA that has been providing home-grown produce for approximately 35 years. In addition to their numerous roadside stands, including a stand in Greene County at the airport, one in Westover, and a new location in Cheat Lake, their farm has a farm store, greenhouses, and during the fall, hayrides, and corn mazes.

Duda's grows over 25 different kinds of vegetables and fruits, all of which are available at their roadside stands and Market. Their famous Super Sweet Corn is one of their top products and continues to be a shopper favorite. Duda's Farm Market generally opens around the beginning of May and stays open until November. All locations accept credit cards.

Duda's has recently introduced a rewards program. Sign up with the program to receive 10% of your next purchase! To begin enjoying your rewards, download the Clover app and search for Duda's Farms. Once you arrive at the stand, open the app to check

in and notify the employee to apply your rewards points. "Pumpk'n Pick'n Hayrides" at Duda's Farm starts September 16 and lasts until October 31. Admission includes a hayride to the pumpkin patch, choice of pumpkin in the patch, corn maze, walk through animal barn, double barrel shotgun slides, bonfires, and more. New this season are a haunted maze and hayrides on Friday and Saturday evenings.



**SUMMER HARVEST & FALL FUN, RIGHT IN YOUR BACKYARD!**  
Our summer produce is still going strong and is perfect for canning and pickling!

**DUDA'S FARM**  
Check out our website for details on our Fall Pumpkin Picking Hayrides and Haunted Attractions!  
Brownsville, PA or visit our local Waynesburg, PA stand near the Greene County Airport.  
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## RIVERS OF STEEL

Step back in time to the early 1900s and discover the artistry of handcrafted manufacturing.

Nestled along the Monongahela River, the W.A. Young & Sons Foundry and Machine Shop is an astonishing industrial treasure from an era when the historic district of Rices Landing operated as an important early industrial town and river port.

In 2017, the Machine Shop was recognized as National Historic Landmark for its unique role as a "small-job" shop, bridging the gap between traditional blacksmith shops of the 1800s and the commercial machine shops of the 20th century.

Built in 1900, the shop produced parts for steamboats, coal mines, railroads, and supported local small businesses. When it closed in 1965, the building was locked with all of its tools and equipment in place—perfectly preserving its line shaft driven, 25-machine network for future generations.

Today, visitors can tour the blacksmith shop, pattern shop, hardware store, and foundry—and marvel as the machines are switched on during a live demonstration of this turn-of-the-last

century technology!

Tours are offered by Rivers of Steel on Sundays, May through November. Tickets and information are available at [riversofsteel.com](http://riversofsteel.com).

The Machine Shop is owned and operated by Rivers of Steel, who also manage the Rivers of Steel National Heritage Area and the Carrie Blast Furnaces. Over the last decade, the heritage nonprofit has invested over \$1 million in a four-phase restoration of the historic structure.



## Rivers of Steel Tours

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W.A. Young & Sons Foundry and Machine Shop  
A National Historic Landmark in Greene County



Step back in time to discover the artistry of handcrafted manufacturing!

**Flea Market**  
7am-2pm @Greene Co. Fairgrounds. Every Tuesday & Saturday.

**Greene County Marketplace**  
9am-1pm @Greene Co. Fairgrounds. Every Saturday.

**Mindful Movement**  
9:30am @Thistlethwaite Vineyards. \$12/each, mats provided. Every Saturday.

**TOPS**  
10:15am @Bowliby Library. Weight management support group meets every Saturday. FMI: 724-627-9776.

**Roller Skating**  
7pm @Mon View Roller Rink, Greensboro.

**Friends Sharing Grief**  
6pm @Bowliby Library. First Monday of every month. Support group for those that have suffered a loss. FMI: 724-627-9776.

**Divorce Support**  
7pm @First Christian Church in Waynesburg

**SOAR Meeting**  
6:30pm @Greene Co. Airport. First Tuesday each month. FMI, visit [soarofgreeneconomy.org](http://soarofgreeneconomy.org).

**Carmichaels & Cumberland Twp VFC Bingo**  
6:30pm @Carmichaels & Cumberland Twp VFC, every Tuesday.

**White Covered Bridge Assoc. Meeting**  
7:30pm @Greene Twp. Community Building. First Tuesday each month. FMI, visit [facebook.com/wcbridge](http://facebook.com/wcbridge)

**Farmers Market**  
10am-2pm @High Street in downtown Waynesburg. Every Wednesday.

**Tech Tutoring**  
10am-12pm (Wednesdays), 1-3pm (Thursdays) @Bowliby Library. Need help with your device? A tech-savvy librarian is ready to help! FMI, call 724-627-9776.

**Mahjong Club**  
1-4pm @Bowliby Library, FMI, call 724-627-9776.

**Wine Down Wednesday**  
5pm @Thistlethwaite Vineyards. Glass and bottle specials, food, and a peaceful atmosphere.

**Happy Hour at the Denny House**  
5-9pm @The Denny House. Drinks, food, music, every Thursday.

**Bingo**  
6:30pm @Waynesburg VFW Post 4793. Doors open at 5:30pm Every Thursday.

**50s Fest**  
10am-4pm @Downtown Waynesburg. A day of cars, music, and fun. Free admission.

**Farm to Fork**  
3-8pm @Thistlethwaite Vineyards. Sample local

delicacies.

**Cornerstone Genealogical Society Meeting**  
5pm @Cornerstone Genealogical Society. Field trip to Mather.

**Flenniken Book Club**  
6-7pm @Flenniken Library. Second Tuesday each month.

**Bowliby Book Club**  
4:30pm @Bowliby Library, FMI, call 724-627-9776.

**Stand Up Comedy Night**  
7:30pm @Thistlethwaite Vineyards. Doors at 6:30pm. Tickets \$17 online or \$20 at the door.

**Family Movie Night**  
8pm @Bowliby Library. 724-627-9776 FMI.

**CPRI/AED Training**  
10am-2pm @Bowliby Library. Certification with 2-year certification and manual. Cost: \$88. Register at 724-984-5702.

**Fall Fishing Frenzy**  
8am-12pm @Waynesburg Water Park. \$20/child.

**Covered Bridge Festivals**  
10am @Carmichaels Covered Bridge & White Covered Bridge. See articles FMI.

**Mt. Morris VFD Car & Truck Show**  
9am-4:30pm @Mt. Morris VFD. Registration \$10/

vehicle from 9-12:30pm. Awards at 4:30pm.

**Scratch Block Aluminum Casting**  
3-5pm @WA Young & Sons Foundry and Machine Shop. Tickets \$15/person, available at [riversofsteel.com](http://riversofsteel.com).

**Warrior Trail Meeting**  
6:30pm @Warrior Trail Headquarters, Garards Fort.

**Puzzle Competition**  
9:30am-12:30pm @Bowliby Library. 724-627-9776 FMI.

**Lippencott Alpaca Open House**  
1-5pm @Lippencott Alpacas.

**Flashlight Drags**  
12-6pm @Greene County Airport. Racers \$40, spectators \$10. Registration from 12-2pm.

**Cosmic Bingo**  
7pm @Bowliby Library. 724-627-9776 FMI.

**Outdoor Show**  
10am-4pm @Greene County Fairgrounds.

**52nd Annual HARVEST FESTIVAL**  
October 7 & 8, 2023 10am - 5pm

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

OCT 07	Harvest Festival	OCT 08
OCT 17	Sark: A Sacred Island	NOV 26
NOV 25	Christmas Open House	DEC 03
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## AIDS FREE PITTSBURGH

### True or False: HIV and AIDS are the same. False.

**H**IV (human immunodeficiency virus) is a virus that attacks the body's immune system. If HIV is not treated, it can lead to AIDS (acquired immunodeficiency syndrome) and the person could get seriously ill or die.

The good news is that HIV can be treated with effective medication (called antiretroviral therapy). HIV medicines can't cure HIV, but they help people with HIV live long, healthy lives. And, someone on effective HIV medication cannot pass the virus on to someone else.

Knowing your HIV status gives you control over your own health and can help you to make choices to keep you and your partner(s) healthy. Everyone should get an HIV test at least once in their lifetime. As a general rule, people at higher risk for HIV should get tested each year or more often.

The first thing a person should do after testing positive for HIV is to see a healthcare provider who knows how to treat HIV. There are many healthcare providers and community organizations throughout Southwestern PA who provide HIV testing, prevention, treatment, and supportive services for those living with HIV. If you want to get tested for HIV, and you don't want to go to a doctor's office or clinic, you can get a free HIV self-test kit through the mail. Go to [www.getmyHIVtest.com](http://www.getmyHIVtest.com) for more information and to order.

HIV prevention and treatment strategies have significantly improved over the last decade. PrEP, or "Pre-Exposure Prophylaxis," is a medication that can reduce the chances of getting HIV by about 99%, if used correctly. PrEP can be used by anyone who is HIV-negative. PrEP can help people to feel more in control of their HIV status, help them achieve their sexual health goals, and have pleasurable sex lives.

PrEP might be for you if:

- You are HIV-negative
- Do not know your sex partner(s) HIV status
- Have a partner who is HIV-positive (or if you think they might be HIV-positive)
- Have anal or vaginal sex without a condom
- Have multiple sex partners and don't always use condoms
- Have a partner who has multiple sex partners
- Use needles to inject drugs

PrEP does not:

- Protect against other STDs
- Protect against pregnancy
- Cure or treat HIV, if you already have the virus

If someone is living with HIV, there are support services available to keep them healthy so they are able to live a long life. This program is called Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program (RWHAP) and these services include but are not limited to:

- Emergency Financial Assistance
- Food Bank/Home Delivered Meals
- Home Health Care
- Housing Assistance
- Legal Services
- Linguistic Services
- Medical and Non-medical Case Management
- Transportation to Medical Appointments
- Mental Health Services
- Oral Health Care
- Assistance with eyeglasses and hearing aids
- Substance Abuse Outpatient Care and Services

To receive these services, a person must:

- Live in Pennsylvania
- Be living with HIV, and
- Have a gross annual income of less than or equal to 500% of the Federal Poverty Level (FPL). For example, the individual income limit for a single person is \$72,900. This limit would increase for two or more persons in a household.

If you would like to learn more and would like assistance finding prevention tools, testing locations, or care providers in your community, please go to [AIDSFreeWesternPA.org](http://AIDSFreeWesternPA.org) or text/call 412.773.1120 for assistance. You can also connect with AIDS Free Pittsburgh on social media at:

**Facebook:** <https://www.facebook.com/AIDSFreePittsburgh>

**Instagram:** <https://www.instagram.com/aids.free.pgh/>

**TikTok:** @aidsfreepgh

#### The Numbers:

Since 1981, more than 63,200 residents of Pennsylvania have been diagnosed with HIV. More than 27,000 of these persons have died, and nearly 36,000 are currently living with the disease. In 2021, 121 (13.7%) of Pennsylvania's 886 new HIV diagnoses were among people residing in the southwest region of Pennsylvania. At the end of 2021, approximately 4,755 people were estimated to be living with HIV in the southwest region of Pennsylvania.

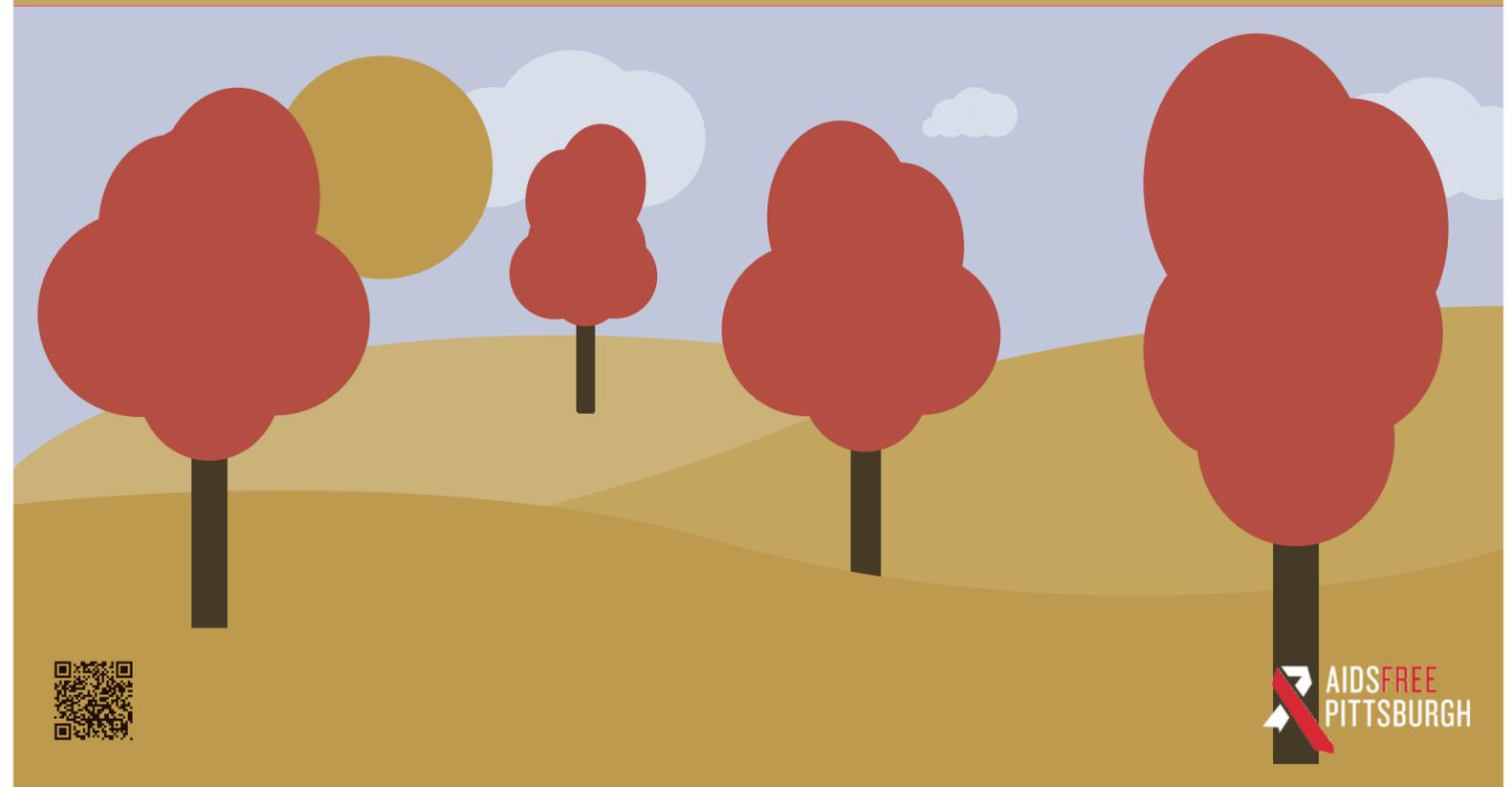
Substantial progress has been made towards reducing the number of new HIV infections and ensuring that people with HIV receive the care they need to live long and healthy lives. For instance, over the last five years, the number of new diagnoses per year in the state has declined by 22%, from 1,132 in 2016 to 886 in 2021. Yet, in recent years, the rate of this decline has slowed, and significant disparities in race, gender, age, and geography continue to persist, and in some areas worsen. Furthermore, about 1 and 4 new diagnoses are classified as late diagnoses. This means the individual was diagnosed with AIDS within 90 days of the initial HIV diagnosis, which is linked to poorer health outcomes.



# TAKE CARE OF YOURSELF SO YOU CAN BE THERE FOR THEM

If you are living with HIV, Southwestern PA has many services to help you stay healthy

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## TOUCH-A-TRUCK

The annual Touch-A-Truck will be bringing happiness to children (and adults) again this year on September 30. The event allows children to get up close and personal with many types of vehicles, especially those of first responders.

"I am thrilled that we are able to serve the community again with this fun-filled event," organizer Dawn Mankey shares. "The community's support in the past gave children not only a truck to touch, but also a t-shirt, a meal, fun games, sweet treats, and a vision of a possible future career."

Everyone that attends the event will get a free lunch. Cornerstone Care will bring their mobile dental unit. Other groups will be giving out goodies and prizes throughout the day. There will be bounce houses, a free lunch, free ice cream, photo booths, and giveaways throughout the day.

Touch-A-Truck was born in 2011 when Pastor Pierce wanted to provide a fun, free event for families. During that first year, 109 children attended the event. The event continued to grow and by 2017, they had more than 1,800 children attend.

This year celebrates 12 years of Touch-A-Truck. Although the pandemic put a halt to the 2021 event, that didn't put an end to the event. It returned in 2021 with Touch A Truck 9 and 1/2 and has rebuilt any momentum lost during their year off.

Dawn, along with the help of the First Baptist Church's Educational Board, organizes the event, "but it takes a village to run it!" Dawn adds, "We have several of our congregation that

assist with the event, and after many years of helping, know just what they need to do to make the event a success. There are also several people and groups in the community that help in many ways."

Many local businesses bring their vehicles to the event while others provide support in different ways. Ed Koneski (Hartman & Hartman) and Dave Hapchuk (Hapchuk, Inc) shared the idea to have outside sponsors help fund the event to provide more t-shirts, feed attendees, and have fun stations and prizes. Many area businesses hopped onboard.

"Pam at Direct Results has been there from the beginning, making t-shirts and we add new ideas every year. Her passion and dedication to the event, along with all the designers at Direct Results, give Touch-A-Truck its fun friendly look," Dawn says.

"The children love touching the vehicles that are normally off-limits. And it's not only the children that love it. Whole families enjoy feeling the love of community. So many people and businesses volunteer their time on a Saturday and money to give back to community."

Come out and enjoy the 2023 Touch-A-Truck event on Saturday, September 30 from 11am - 2pm. FMI or to sponsor call Dawn



**Holy Transfiguration Orthodox Church**  
**ETHNIC FOOD FESTIVAL**  
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**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2023**  
**NOON - 5PM**

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**SEPTEMBER 30th, 2023**  
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## ETHNIC FOOD FESTIVAL

Holy Transfiguration Orthodox Church in Edenborn, PA will be holding their 3rd Annual Ethnic Food Festival on Sunday, September 17, 2023, from 12 noon to 5 pm. This year's event will take place at the McClellandtown Volunteer Fire Hall, 102 Blaine Ave., McClellandtown, PA. The festival has previously been held on the church grounds, but this year's move will provide bigger and better accommodations for the parish and the festival goes alike.

Over the past few years, the church

has become known for its holiday bake sales, pierogi sales, and, of course, the festival. It is the hope of all involved that this year's event will be the biggest yet, with additional menu offerings and an assortment of baskets that is sure to provide everyone with something they want to take a chance on. For more information call 724-880-2206.

Holy Transfiguration Orthodox Church is located at 108 Main St., Edenborn, PA. Divine Liturgy at 10 am on Sundays.



## SPECIALTY HERBAL

Specialty Herbal Products' motto is "getting back to the roots of healing." Owner Brian King, a registered, practicing pharmacist, started the business in his home more than 30 years ago, before moving it to High Street, Waynesburg; and then eventually to its current location at 1470 East High Street. Co-owner Lee Ann King, Brian's wife, has contributed greatly to the store via her computer expertise and outgoing kindness. Roberta King has been the backbone of the store since the beginning, and Tamara Cerra has provided expert advice to many Greene County citizens over the past several years. Barb Dickey and Beth Frye complete the knowledgeable and friendly staff at Specialty Herbal. Specialty Herbal Products is Greene County's only health food store and carries a large assortment of vitamins, herbs, essential oils, CBD extracts, organic foods, weight loss, gluten-free, and other specialty and natural products. They also sell locally grown/made products: honey, eggs, candles and soaps. Specialty Herbal offers an everyday 15% NOW products discount, 10% Terry Naturally discount, and a weekly senior (55+) discount day (10%) on Wednesday.

Providing quality products is the promise that Specialty Herbal makes to all their customers. "The Health Food Store/ Alternative Health industry was created and driven with the motive to provide wholesome natural foods and supplements that are as close to nature as possible. The big food stores and big box chains were taking every short cut to provide cheaper foods and supplements (and still are), resulting in inferior, and even harmful foods and supplements. We are the healthy alternative to the misbranded, nutrient compromised products of that industry. For example, the health promoting effects of herbs are determined by the seed stock used, the soil they are grown in, when they were harvested, what solvents were used in extraction, and how they are dried and stored. It's not something that can be rushed and mass marketed," Brian says. "Our motivation is to get people who have tried inferior products that didn't work to try our products."

Specialty Herbal Products continues to add new products to its existing product line. Their fastest growing supplement line is manufactured by "Terry Naturally." They make unique vitamin/herbal combination products that go the extra mile. For example, Terry Naturally's Turmeric/Curcumin is made with the most clinically studied, en-

hanced absorption curcumin in the world, and has been used in over 70 groundbreaking clinical studies. "Terry Naturally" was voted the #1 supplement company by Whole Foods Magazine in 2022. Terry Naturally's Curamin, was voted the #1 pain relief supplement. Their newest supplement line is "Nutritional Frontiers", a Pittsburgh company that is on the forefront of the natural products industry. Their formulations contain some of the top patented natural ingredients in the industry: Traacs chelated mineral, Quatrefolic, Curcumin, vitaMK7, Lutemax, BioPerine, BioCell Collagen, etc.

Specialty Herbal Products was on the forefront in the COVID-19 pandemic fight, providing numerous vitamins and immune stimulant supplements. As their name implies, "Specialty Herbal Products" are their expertise, and immune enhancing herbal products are some of the most effective immune products in the world. Traditional herbs proved to be very helpful during the pandemic for many cultures around the world. Brian agrees with the FLCCC protocol for Covid-19 prevention, which includes Vitamin D3, Vitamin C, Zinc, Quercetin, Elderberry, Resveratrol and Melatonin. Specialty Herbal Products brought in a number of less known supplements which some Covid-19 protocols and doctors recommended, and many people could not find. These included: Black Cumin Seed Oil, Nattokinase, Lumbrokinase, NAC, and Liposomal Glutathione. If you want sound advice and quality supplements you can trust, stop in and talk to the helpful, knowledgeable staff at Specialty Herbal Products.



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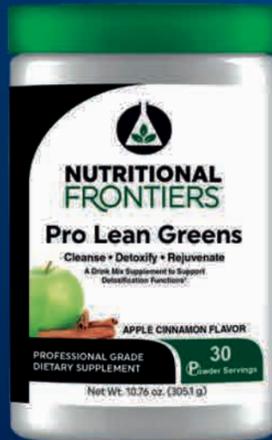
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Morris Machinery is a family owned and operated business. Established in 1998, they are celebrating 25 years of quality customer service this year. Rick Morris started the company selling pre-owned tractors and implements with the help of his father, H.L. The business was on the family's farm—where it still is today!

Since its origins, Morris Machinery has grown significantly. Besides offering pre-owned tractors, new and used implements and hay equipment, they now carry three tractor lines—Branson, TYM, and Zetor—boasting an impressive range of options from small utility tractors to heavy duty farm tractors and agricultural machines. These three tractor lines boast durability, strength, and quality, making you productive at your work.

They carry a full line of Gravely Zero-Turn mowers, Stand-On mowers, and Atlas JSV side-by-side vehicles. Gravely has been shaping the American landscape for over 100 years. Their equipment is designed for comfort and dependability to make sure you get the job done quick and right.

Morris Machinery offers several lines of new equipment from brands such as Sitrex, IronCraft, Del Morino, HLA Attachments, Shaver, and Sunfire. Between these brands, they've got almost everything you could need to accessorize your tractor and work your farm: mowers, rakes, tillers, blades, graders, pallet forks, prong bale spears, post drivers, heaters, and more.

Pre-owned equipment is available for those interested. Throughout the year, Morris Machinery takes equipment on trade. Once received, they thoroughly inspect and service each of these tractors, so you get the best tractor for your money, new or used. If you're looking to purchase a new tractor and

are interested in a trade, reach out to them for more information.

Their service department offers tractor parts and repairs on most makes or models. Besides servicing the new tractors they currently sell, they service many older tractor brands, big or small. Whether it's a part, a seasonal repair, or rebuilding an engine, Morris Machinery will get your tractor back to work. They're experienced at tracking down the hardest parts, so if you need assistance finding that hard-to-get part, Parts Specialist Marcus King can help. Their lead mechanic, Jordan Kiger, has been a part of the team since 2017 and is a certified diesel mechanic, Kawasaki engine technician, Kohler engine technician, and has completed Gravely's Advanced Dealer Certification training. Mechanics Ethan Harbarger, Tom Isiminger, and Ben Morris round out the talented service team with a combined 40+ years of experience.

Despite their growth over the last two decades, Morris Machinery remains a family business. Rick's three children—Kelley, Samantha, and Ben—proudly continue to help on the family farm and at the family business. Previously, his sister, Rita, was an invaluable business manager. The employees have become family.

Morris Machinery is committed to providing high-quality, reliable service to their customers throughout Pennsylvania, Ohio, and West Virginia. Visit them today at 823 Dunn Station Road, Prosperity, PA 15329 or call them at 724-852-1060. Their hours are Monday to Friday 9am to 5pm and Saturday 9am to noon. Appointments are available upon request. You can also visit their website at [morrismachinery.com](http://morrismachinery.com) or email them at [morriss00@windstream.net](mailto:morris00@windstream.net).



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## HICKORY APPLE FESTIVAL

Join us in Hickory, PA, October 7th and 8th for the 2023 Hickory Apple Festival. This festival is celebrating its 40th year in the quaint town of Hickory supporting the Mt. Pleasant Township Volunteer Fire Company. The festival is the largest fundraiser for the fire department and something that has been bringing families together since 1983. As you walk around the festival grounds you are greeted by local volunteers, many of whom have been volunteering for the festival year after year. There is always plenty to see and do in addition to spending a lovely fall weekend outside. Festival booths are open 10am – 5pm each day with the pancake breakfast starting at 7am!

Begin your day with an all you can eat pancake breakfast before heading outside! This year's entertainment includes the following bands: Ruff Creek, Part Time Cowboys, and the Timothy Earl Band; in addition to a kid's Rock and Roll Pet Show and many fun contests. Try your hand at our apple pie eating contest, apple cider chugging contest, or returning this year, apple bobbing! Not only is there live entertainment throughout the mornings and afternoons, Fort Cherry Band kicks us off each year with a performance

including the national anthem, and Sunday morning, Hickory United EPC has an outdoor church service enjoyed by all. Children will have plenty of fun as well when they join us in the festival field for a fire truck themed bounce obstacle course, petting zoo, face painting, Character meet and greets, and games for all ages!

After getting your fill of our favorite festival treats such as fire roasted chicken, apple crisp, bean soup and fresh baked bread, hand-dipped caramel and candy apples and warm or chilled apple cider; take a stroll through our 3 crafter areas. In the fire truck garage, the breakfast hall, and the field, we have over 75 crafters bringing their wares for you to see! Live chainsaw carving, blacksmithing, chair caning and cornmeal grinding will be happening on site all weekend, too.

We are proud to support the Mt. Pleasant Township Volunteer Fire Company with this festival and are grateful for their support of our community. The Hickory Apple Festival is the largest fundraiser for the Mt. Pleasant Township Volunteer Fire Company which services 88 miles of road for approximately 3,500 residents and a number of businesses. The fire company thrives because of

the hard work and dedication of its members, including the Ladies Auxiliary, and the generous support of the people, businesses, and organizations from the township and nearby communities.

Please consider joining us for the 2023

Hickory Apple Festival and make memories that will bring your family back for the next 40 years. For more information including parking and schedule of events visit [hickoryapplefest.com](http://hickoryapplefest.com) and up to date information festival weekend on our Facebook page.



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## VOICES FOR INDEPENDENCE

### Voices for Independence Now Hiring Caregivers in Washington, Fayette, and Greene Counties

Voices for Independence is an Erie-based Center for Independent Living (CIL) which has provided services to individuals with disabilities for nearly 30 years, and they're now actively hiring caregivers in Southwestern Pennsylvania.

In 2019, Voices for Independence began an affiliation with Washington-based CIL, Transitional Paths to Independent Living (TRPIL). Together, they now serve 27 counties throughout Western Pennsylvania, bringing more robust services to individuals with disabilities than ever before.

Providing additional services beyond the five core CIL services covered by TRPIL, Voices for Independence is now looking to hire in-home caregivers in Southwestern Pennsylvania as part of their Personal Assistance Services (PAS) program. Caregivers provide daily support for people with physical disabilities, which allows these individuals to remain independent in the community, as opposed to living in a nursing facility or a group home.

Caregivers at Voices for Independence are offered paid training, paid time off, time and a half on holidays worked, and competitive pay. Once in the field, they often speak

about the fulfilling nature of the job in terms of the difference being made in everyday lives of individuals they serve. Providing these vital services to those in our community is rewarding, allowing caregivers to make a difference while making a living.

With offices in Erie, Seneca, and St. Marys, Voices for Independence now also shares office space with TRPIL at the site of their new program and community center in downtown Washington, PA. Having a local office is extremely important to Voices for Independence, to ensure that office staff are committed to being readily available, working together with caregivers as a team for those we serve. Support for Voices for Independence caregivers does not end at their introductory training-- RN's and PAS Supervisors are always available as part of a 24-hour emergency on-call system.

Voices for Independence is looking forward to the opportunity of meeting with all potential caregivers in Washington, Fayette, and Greene counties. To schedule your interview today, simply call the Washington office at (724) 223-5115 or apply online directly at [www.vficil.org](http://www.vficil.org).







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## CENTERVILLE CLINICS

Carmichaels Clinic, part of the Centerville Clinics network, recently marked its 62nd anniversary of providing total healthcare to the entire community and looks to a bright future as an involved community member.

Following a \$1.9 million renovation that lasted nearly 18 months, Carmichaels Clinic marked its official reopening with a ribbon-cutting ceremony on August 7. As part of the event, guests toured the facility, which underwent extensive improvements inside and outside.

Barry Nicolai, executive director of Centerville Clinics, called the ribbon-cutting “the beginning of a new era at Carmichaels Clinic. This renovation expanded and improved the medical and behavioral healthcare facilities.”

Construction of the building that became Carmichaels Clinic was announced in June 1961. Spearheading the original project was Joseph A. “Jock” Yablonski, a UMWA International Board member. Mr. Yablonski had led a group of UMWA members in founding Centerville Clinics in 1955.

Upon its opening, Carmichaels Clinic quickly became an important healthcare provider in the area. Carmichaels Clinic and the

entire Centerville Clinics network provides total healthcare to the entire community. Medical care is provided regardless of a patient’s ability to pay.

The main medical wing now includes six exam rooms, three doctors’ offices, a lab, a social-worker office, workspaces for medical assistants, and a staff lounge.

The wing also includes a specially designed area that can be isolated from the rest of the wing and used to treat patients with respiratory symptoms.

The Behavioral Healthcare wing houses individual and group therapy rooms.

A complete renovation of the exterior of the building, including installation of energy-efficient windows, was a major part of the project. A new portico was added, and the parking area was redesigned to include additional handicapped parking spaces.

Exterior work also included a refurbished circular driveway, plantings, new signage, and exterior lighting.

Nicolai said the renovation enables Carmichaels Clinic to continue its tradition of service. He noted that Centerville Clinics and its medical facilities, including Carmichaels Clinic, have been certified by the National Committee for Quality Assurance as

a Patient-Centered Medical Home (PCMH) location.

Funding for the \$1.9 million project included a grant of \$945,324 in Federal funds under the Health Center Construction and Capital Improvements section of the American Rescue Plan. The balance of the funding came from Centerville Clinics.

Architect for the project was Ken Kulak, president of Kulak-George Associates.

Today the Centerville Clinics network includes 13 medical clinics, 5 dental offices, and 10 behavioral health sites located throughout the tri-county area. Centerville Clinics serves more than 45,000 patients.

Nationally recognized for excellence in healthcare, Centerville Clinics is a Federally Qualified Health

Center (FQHC) that participates in most insurance programs, including Medicare, Medicaid, UPMC, and Highmark.

The renovation of Carmichaels Clinic is the latest investment by Centerville Clinics in providing excellent medical, dental, and behavioral healthcare.



## The “New” Carmichaels Clinic Opens!

CARMICHAELS CLINIC LOOKS TO A BRIGHT FUTURE!



After nearly 18 months, the \$1.9 million renovation is complete, paving the way for many more decades of providing excellent healthcare to the entire community.

The main medical wing, with six exam rooms, three doctors’ offices, and a lab, provides outstanding facilities and room to grow. The wing also includes an isolation area for treating patients with respiratory symptoms.

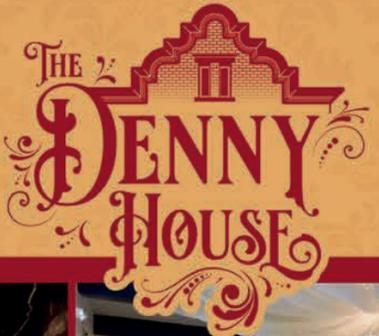
The behavioral healthcare wing has therapy rooms and a community room that provide treatment flexibility.

All of the improvements at Carmichaels Clinic, both inside and out, build on our record of service. Take a closer look and see how we can help you.

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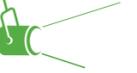


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## THE DENNY HOUSE

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The Denny House is a memorable setting for your event as unique as you are. The home went through a complete restoration in 2021 to restore it to lost grandeur and the doors are now open to a new round of guests. Entertaining for over 200 years has been a tradition at The Denny House, and the guest list has included local guests and dignitaries including a US President and senators.

No matter the size, The Denny House can accommodate the occasion. The Denny House has three attractions that can be used for your event, either together or as individually: The Denny House itself, the Carriage House, and the Loft VIP Suite.

The Denny House main house is a stunning environment to host your event. The house’s luxuriously decorated interior will add a sense of elegance to any event. Formal seating can accommodate up to forty guests or can be scaled down to suit your party’s needs. The house includes parlors, bedrooms, and kitchens. Overnight lodgings are avail-

able for guests. Outside, enjoy the gardens, lawn, and porches for casual conversation or to enjoy a colorful sunset. The homes lower level includes an underground wine cave. Flexible rates will make sure that you get what you need for your event within your budget.

The Carriage House Event Center has everything you need for an event. The center holds up to a hundred guests in a variety of floor plans. It is fully equipped with a stocked bar (complete with onsite liquor license), buffet space, tables, chairs, and place settings. The space is perfect for parties, showers, reunions, and wedding receptions.

The Loft VIP Suite is in intimate mid-century setting perfect for smaller affairs. Period tile work and lighting provide a cozy setting for up to twenty people. An overnight option can accommodate up to six guests. The Loft VIP Suite can be rented with the Carriage House main space to offer a quiet getaway from the event downstairs or as a cozy smaller setting for wedding showers or bachelor parties.

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## PATHWAYS OF SWPA

Pathways of Southwestern PA is a health and human services agency that serves children, adults, and their families with a range of programs. In Greene County our services include childcare, early intervention, Agency with Choice, and Adult IDD and Autism support and residential programs.

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On Friday, September 22nd at the Hunting Hills Shooting Preserve in Dilliner, PA, Pathways is hosting its 27th annual Sporting Clays Classic event. This fundraiser honors the memory of Brian Smith, who dedicated his life to

servicing his community. Proceeds of the event support the programs and services of Pathways. The event will begin at 9am and will include 2 hours of clay shooting, lunch, and awards. We need teams to participate, as well as local companies to donate prizes or make financial donations. For more information contact Sam Kulp at [skulp@yourpathways.org](mailto:skulp@yourpathways.org) or Heidi Buckley at 724-825-1953.



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Want to be part of an international organization that has spent billions on life-changing projects? The Rotary Foundation and its thousands of branches offer everyone a chance to change lives through service. While the Rotary International's Foundation is committed to global educational and humanitarian efforts, the local Rotary Club of Waynesburg carries the same dedication to helping service projects on a communal level.

Since its start in 1937, the Rotary Club of Waynesburg has contributed over half a million dollars to the Foundation's cause – eradicating polio worldwide. The club provides its services to a variety of organizations and groups.

They support Corner Cupboard Food Bank, packing kids' food bags and sponsoring one of their raised bed gardens. They assist the Salvation Army with bell ringing. They also provide a multi-phasic blood testing program for Greene County. Flags for Heroes honors local heroes with a flag placed at the fairgrounds for July 4th. Other contributions are charitable donations, scholarships, grants, educational outreach, programs, etc. Among their scholarships are two given to students from local high schools. These students dem-

onstrate their dedication to community service and education and promote the Rotary's motto of "Service Above Self".

Their Winter Wonderland Gala will be held in December at the Greene County Courthouse. Enjoy a strolling feast from local restaurants, caterers, and dessert businesses while listening to holiday music by local musicians. For tickets or information on sponsorship opportunities, email [rotaryclubofwb@gmail.com](mailto:rotaryclubofwb@gmail.com).

Additional details about the Rotary Club of Waynesburg can be found on their Facebook page



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FMI about the Hideaway Candle Bar, visit [hideawaycandlebar.com](http://hideawaycandlebar.com), find them on Facebook and Instagram, email [hideawaycb@gmail.com](mailto:hideawaycb@gmail.com), or call/text them at 723-833-3357. You can visit them at their location on 55 S Morgan Street (Lower Level), Waynesburg, PA on Thursdays 4pm-7pm, Fridays 4pm-8pm, Saturday 10am-2pm, and Sunday 11am-2pm. Reservations are recommended and can be done through their website. They are also available for private parties for up to 30 and offer fundraising options. Make a candle, make a memory – at the Hideaway Candle Bar!

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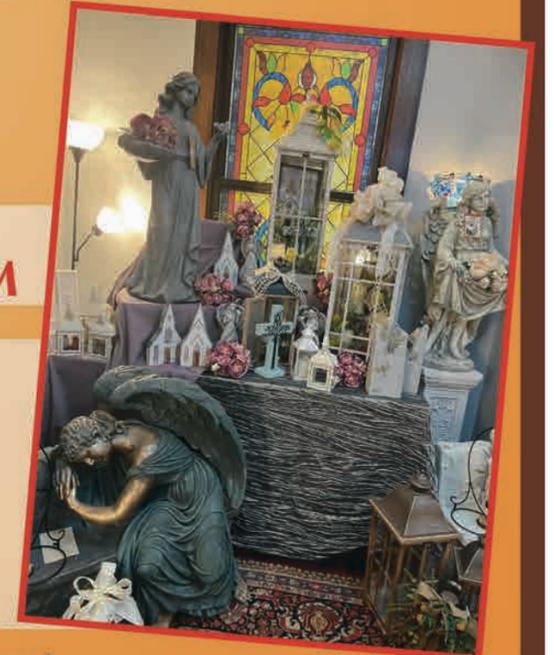


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## PA CYBER SCHOOL

### PA Cyber Graduate Follows Blueprint to Architecture School

Chloe Perko, 20, is a smart, curious person who, after graduating in 2021 from PA Cyber in the top one percent of her class, took two semi-gap years to flex her entrepreneurial and creative skills. In that time, she started her own online business, became an Instagram ambassador for multiple companies, took summer classes online at Marywood University, and worked as a freelancer. Being a student at PA Cyber helped her understand her personal workstyle and empowered her to teach herself how to do anything she chooses.

Chloe has been awarded Marywood University's Presidential Scholarship for all five years of architecture school. She will begin full-time as a freshman at Marywood this fall with 18 credits in tow from summer classes. She first became interested in architecture when she and her parents were looking for a new home. "We really wanted to find our dream house," she said. After searching, they finally found a house designed by Peter Bohlin, an internationally recognized architect. "It's such a unique house. Living in a Bohlin-designed house has made me even more obsessed with architecture and how it works with nature to create a masterpiece."

In 2020 and 2021, Chloe attended Marywood's two-week architecture summer program for high school students. She gained hands-on experience and made connections with other participants that she still maintains today. She interviewed architects local to her parents' home to better understand the different types of architecture and to create a blueprint for her own career path.

#### Creative Prowess

Chloe grew up in a creative environment with her parents, Rhonda and Wyatt, who met in art school. "They have done everything creatively," she said. "It's been wonderful to have that exposure. It has made me seek out and seize upon

every opportunity I could find." This year, she submitted one of her architectural marker renderings to the Copic Award 2023.

Chloe has gained professional experience since August 2022 when she began working as a freelance videographer and video editor alongside her mother who is Vice President of Marketing for Pride Mobility. In this short time, she has completely altered the company's social media presence, which has greatly increased engagement and sales for the business.

Her entrepreneurial father, Wyatt, is primarily a creative director and talent manager in the music industry. "He has started many unique businesses," she said. "We are extremely similar." When she was in cyber school, her father was able to work from home in order to help her navigate through challenges.

#### The PA Cyber Difference

Chloe enrolled at PA Cyber at the beginning of ninth grade in anticipation of moving for her mother's new job. She recalls discussing with her parents that her brick-and-mortar school didn't feel safe, and the curriculum and schedule didn't match the path she wanted. Her family moved from Pittsburgh to their current home in Bear Creek Village without having to change schools.

"I could still attend my classes," Chloe said. "All my work was still there. Nothing had to be transferred."

She loved the flexibility of being a cyber student. She was able to have experiences that she wouldn't have had if she attended a brick-and-mortar school, including traveling to trade shows for her mom's job.

Chloe chose blended classes while at PA Cyber, which are self-paced but provide a live classroom experience one day per week. The blended classroom format granted Chloe the most flexibility over her schedule. For example, during her se-

nior year she completed six classes in two or three months so she could later focus on AP Calculus.

"Chloe is a brilliant young mind," said calculus teacher Brad Chrisman. "Her drive and dedication in AP Calculus brought her to the forefront of the class. ... Students like her make teachers enjoy their career every day."

Attending PA Cyber was the right fit for Chloe. She graduated with As in all of her classes, including two Advanced Placement classes. She raved about her AP English Language and Composition class. "It was by far my favorite class that I ever took. The teacher was so fun!"

#### Ready for The Next Challenge

Our future architect feels that PA Cyber has prepared her well for university. Being a cyber school student taught her how to manage time and has made her aware of her work style. "You learn how to govern yourself and gain a sense of independence," Chloe said.

"PA Cyber prepared me for the many challenges that I face in university," she said. "Continuing in the architecture program at Marywood University this fall, I can confidently reinforce my appreciation for the way PA Cyber is structured and their skill-building methods of teaching. Having exposure to critical thinking and gaining confidence in working independently, I have continued to achieve academic success at Marywood University."

PA Cyber is proud to have been an integral part of Chloe's education. She is looking forward to dorm life this fall and diving into the hands-on architecture studio sessions. With a solid foundation, she is ready to build her future, like the architecture she admires, with balance and integrity.

Connect with Chloe on Instagram @chloemperko and learn more about PA Cyber at [pacyber.org](http://pacyber.org).



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## DUNLAP CREEK LAKE OUTDOOR CENTER

One of rural Appalachia's greatest traditions is a father teaching his child to fish for the first time. From the child's small starter pole colored with cartoon characters, to Dad teaching him how to bait his hook, all the way to reeling in that first little bluegill they caught all by themselves, a father-son fishing trip is one of the most memorable bonding experiences a child has with their paternal parent. For many Fayette and Greene County anglers, this first fishing trip starts at one of Fayette County's greatest fishing spots: Dunlap Creek Lake.

Although the lake itself is official public property of Fayette County, the Dunlap Creek Lake Outdoor Center is owned and operated by the Pento family of Uniontown, PA. This long-standing bait and tackle shop has been around since the lake was first developed clear back in the 1970s, and although the Pentos are not the original owners, they have dedicated their time to upkeeping the shop and modernizing it to have a place in the present day.

One of those improvement efforts has been keeping outdoor center open year-round for the past two winters, selling equipment for ice-fishing once the lake officially freezes. Other efforts include tagged fish stocked in

the lake for cash prizes, an active social media presence, participating in a mentored youth day, and more.

Having acquired the shop and its surrounding property in 2017, the Pento family has been selling an assortment of essential fishing equipment, refreshments, and live bait. They also offer boat sales, including kayaks and pontoons, for more experienced

anglers looking to get on the water itself. The Dunlap Creek Lake Outdoor Center is one of Fayette County's NuCanoe dealers; NuCanoe is an American made brand of high-tech kayaks built for even the most rugged outdoorsman.

The Dunlap Creek Lake Outdoor Center also works in partnership with the Dunlap Creek Lake Co-op Stocking Committee to

make sure there are enough fish in the lake to go around all-year long. Both groups raise funds throughout the year to ensure a variety of freshwater species is abundant throughout the lake, including trout, bass, crappie, catfish, and carp.

A few years ago, the two organizations, along with the local government and the PA Fish and Boat Commission, dredged, restored, and restocked the lake's children's trout pond. The restored children's pond is exclusive to first-time and youth anglers under the age of 15 during opening season, almost guaranteeing them the chance of catching their very own trout.

Bob Pento, one of the primary owners of the Dunlap Creek Lake Outdoor Center, feels that running the shop and maintaining the lake is his main way of giving back to the community in which he was raised. "Originally, my wife and I bought the shop and house on the property as part of my retirement present, but now, it's become a seven day a week commitment," he says. "But I don't mind. I love seeing the kids enjoy themselves on the lake and seeing how excited they get when they catch even a small fish. Watching the kids and their parents fishing together is what makes running this place worth it."



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## GREENE COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY MUSEUM

In 1925, Andrew Waychoff wrote in his History of Greene County Pennsylvania, that the movement to found and establish a county Historical Society was in full motion, later that year it would happen. Waychoff, Paul Rich "Prexy" Stewart, Frank B. Jones and a few others would Establish the Greene County Historical Society and begin collection and assembling artifacts to create a new museum.

Originally housed in the basement of the Long Building in Waynesburg, the Museum would continue to grow over the years, until 1968, when the space in the Long building was insufficient to house the ever growing collection. At that time, the Greene County Historical Society secured use of the building that formerly housed the Greene County Home, formerly the Greene County Poor Farm.

From 1968 to 1971, the Historical Society would renovate and repair the aged county home structure and move in and open to the public by 1971. In October of that year, the First Annual Harvest Festival was held.

At that time, the Greene County Historical Society also housed a genealogical research library. Out of that library, Cornerstone Genealogical Society would be born in

1975. Now two separate organizations, the Historical Society houses an amazing treasure trove of artifacts covering every period of history, and prehistory in the re-

gion. Cornerstone Genealogical Society, now housed in the old log courthouse on Greene Street, houses one of the best genealogical libraries in the region.

The Greene County Historical Society hosts a wide variety of events and presentations including the Annual Harvest Festival in October, a car show in June, and Opening Day in Late April. Other events include Civil War reenactments and monthly presentations on a variety of topics.

Presently, the Greene County Historical Society is in the midst of the second major renovation of the old county home structure. A great deal of the interior work has been completed, though there is still a way to go, and many of the building's 147 windows have been restored. The Print Shop has received major updates and in the future the interior of the print shop will be revitalized. As always, change and growth are staples at the GCHS.

Please come out and pay us a visit during our open season from April through October and keep an eye on our facebook page as we post event updates and schedules and through the winter/closed season keep an eye on our social media as we post updates on projects, repairs and renovations.



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## WVU Medicine Primary Care in Waynesburg provides close-to-home access to WVU Medicine's network of specialty and subspecialty care

Establishing a primary care physician and having regular check-ups is an important step in managing a person's health.

The WVU Medicine Waynesburg Outpatient Center is committed to providing high quality primary care close to home for patients of all ages, including infants, children, adults, and seniors. For non-emergency medical care, primary care providers are an essential part of the healthcare team. They specialize in diagnosing, treating, and helping to prevent a wide variety of conditions.

The 15,000-square-foot clinic is conveniently located off exit 14 of I-79 at 451 Murtha Drive. The facility includes 30 exam rooms and six procedure rooms. Lab and diagnostic services are also provided.

### PRIMARY CARE EXPLAINED

At WVU Medicine Primary Care, patients can choose from the following practitioners:

- Family medicine providers, who care for patients of all ages, including infants, children, adults, and seniors;
- Internal medicine providers, who see only adults and;
- Pediatricians who focus on children's health.

Primary care providers get to know their patients, their history, and their family history; can recommend screenings; and can identify and treat many minor problems before they become major ones.

For patients experiencing any undiagnosed symptoms or medical concerns, a WVU Medicine primary care provider should be the first point of contact for improved well-being.

They provide a variety of services to help improve and maintain health, including but not limited to:

- Physical exams
- Vaccinations
- Routine lab work
- Management of chronic diseases, such as diabetes and high blood pressure
- Cancer screenings

- Well-child exams
- Diagnosis of common and complex diseases of the respiratory, digestive, and vascular systems

### ACCESS TO SPECIALIZED CARE

When patients need more specialized care, primary care providers at the WVU Medicine Waynesburg Outpatient Center will coordinate a referral with a WVU Medicine specialist or subspecialist, some of whom conduct appointments onsite. They will work together to provide the best possible medical management of their patient's condition.

Specialty services offered at the clinic include:

- Dermatology • Family Medicine
- Heart and Vascular
- Obstetrics and Gynecology • Optometry
- Podiatry • Urology • Wound Care

Available diagnostic services include:

- Cardiac and vascular imaging • EKG
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### REFERRALS FOR PEDIATRIC SPECIALTY AND SUBSPECIALTY CARE, TOO

Pediatric patients requiring a higher level of care can be referred to the new WVU Medicine Children's Hospital, which provides the greatest range of pediatric specialty and high-risk maternal care in the region.

It is a fully integrated facility that provides specialized, high-level care in areas such as cancer, comprehensive heart care, craniomaxillofacial surgery, dentistry, gastroenterology, neurology and neurosurgery, ophthalmology, orthopaedics, otolaryngology (ENT), pulmonology, surgery, trauma, and urology.

### FINGERTIP ACCESS FOR CARE TEAM COMMUNICATION, APPOINTMENT SCHEDULING, AND MORE

Primary care patients at the Waynesburg Outpatient Center can join the more than 350,000 WVU Medicine patients who manage their health needs with

MyWVUChart, WVU Medicine's secure, online patient portal.

### With MyWVUChart, patients can:

- Manage and schedule appointments. Request appointments and look up information on previous visits. Online scheduling is available for primary care providers.
- Refill prescriptions. Request refills on medication prescribed by WVU Medicine doctors.
- View test results. Most lab results (excluding sensitive labs) can be viewed within days.
- Communicate with their care team. Send secure messages and photos to providers. Generally, answers are received in one-to-two business days.
- Pay their bill, view statements, and make payments online for hospital and physician services.

### LOCAL CARE BY LOCAL PROVIDERS

One of the most important characteristics about the providers at WVU Medicine Waynesburg Outpatient Center is that they live in the community they service and develop relationships with their patients that sometimes stretch across generations.

"I've served the community as a physician for 25 years now and joined WVU Medicine when this clinic opened in 2019," Dr. Donley said. "A lot of my patients have known me for a long time, and I know them and their families."

"We want to make sure that this is a place where our patients can feel comfortable talking to us about their medical needs. We want to be approachable and relate to patients on their terms."

The clinics at the WVU Medicine Waynesburg Outpatient Center are open 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. Lab services are available 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.



## Your first step when you need routine healthcare services.

Providers at the WVU Medicine Waynesburg Clinic specialize in diagnosing, treating, and preventing a wide variety of conditions for both children and adults. Conveniently located off exit 14 of I-79, clinic hours are Monday through Friday, 8 am to 5 pm.

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## GREENE COUNTY UNITED WAY

Since 1979, United Way has changed lives by bringing our community together to raise awareness and create solutions around the challenges faced by all our residents. Greene County United Way (GCUW) is unique in that our organization serves both the people and the charities in our county.

We are proud to work with 18 local nonprofit agencies – 2nd Sam 9, Red Cross, Big Brothers Big Sisters, Boy and Girl Scouts, Blueprints, Catholic Charities, Cornerstone Care, Corner Cupboard Food Bank, Domestic Violence Services of SWPA, Dress for Success, Bowlby and Flenniken libraries, Greene Arc, Greene County CASA, Salvation Army, SPSHS Care Center, and WWJD Christian Center. We have funded programs that improve where we live and work by strengthening the resolve of our people, including funding financial stability resources, health and wellness programs, emergency assistance, and local education. Over the last five years, our Community Impact Fund has given over \$200,000 in grants, supporting programs that touch almost every person in Greene County. And while we are proud of our on-going support, GCUW continues to look for new ways to help.

GCUW is one of the founding mem-

bers of the Greene County Nonprofit Partnership; a collaboration of agencies devoted to the betterment of Greene County and its citizens through cooperation, education, and engagement. It comprises over 20 organizations who believe that together we can make a greater impact. Founded in 2022, the GC-NPP began offering free networking and educational classes for nonprofit staff in 2023.

Through our Stuff the Bus+ program, United Way gives Greene County kids from 0 to 12th grade materials and resources for the upcoming school year. The event provides each child a backpack filled with school supplies, along with new athletic shoes and gently used clothing. In addition, GCUW also offers free haircuts, lice checks, dental and eye exams, lunch along with access to local agency assistance. In 2023, we expect to assist almost 1,000 kids.

Our Virtual Volunteer Center, which started in 2021, connects volunteers of all ages to a variety of opportunities in our community. Through the Center, individuals and/or groups can explore activities from nonprofits and easily register for projects. Because of our partnerships, GCUW is able to match a person's passion and skills to the most beneficial tasks and opportunities.

United Way's also offers Inspire Greene, a training course that was developed to offer networking for new and existing leaders within Greene County. This ten-week program provides opportunities to explore community issues, learn from local experts, and build lasting relationships. Through Inspire Greene, GCUW aims to educate and equip interested participants to become engaged Board members and influential community leaders.

Over the summer, GCUW is giving away a brand new 2022 Ford F-150 4x4 Supercrew XL. Tickets are \$20 a piece with have three chances to win on each. If you would like to purchase a ticket (or two) and see the truck in-person, you can visit the Greene County Historical Society's Car Cruise on August 27 or the

White Covered Bridge Festival (in Kirby) on Sept 16-17. But get your ticket soon because the drawing date is Saturday, September 30, 2023, with the 7pm PA Pick 4 daily number.

If you would like to join GCUW in supporting our community, we want to hear from you. You can visit us at [www.greene-countyunitiedway.org](http://www.greene-countyunitiedway.org) or on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/GreeneCountyUnitedWay](https://www.facebook.com/GreeneCountyUnitedWay).



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The Pento Homecare Agency has been providing the elderly and individuals with disabilities in both Fayette and Greene Counties with home health aides for almost fourteen years. Based in Uniontown, PA, this BBB A+ Rated homecare agency is owned and operated by founder Jesse Pento. Pento and his company came from humble beginnings, having turned what was once a side job of caring for his close friend's disabled uncle into a growing home healthcare business. The agency now employs more than 200 people, making it an important figure in the Fayette County community and its economy.

Now, the Pento Homecare Agency is now hiring home health aides to better serve its many patients. No higher education degree is required. Neither is any medical experience, as training is provided through the company. Full-time employees can receive benefits, hours are flexible, and wages are competitive for both full-time and part-time employees.

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Although the agency has been dealing with staffing shortages due to the unstable job market and higher costs due to post-COVID-19 inflation, Pento and his team are still providing top quality services to their clients in the face of adversity. He's looking for dedicated workers who genuinely care for the patients they're helping. He also hopes that any new job candidates also share his attitude on workplace loyalty and perseverance, just like his current staff that have been with the agency for many years.

"Since Covid hit, the workforce and its attitudes have changed drastically. Many

employees from all sorts of businesses have jumped ship and moved onto other things, but not my faithful, longtime staff," Pento said. "They've stuck by my side, plugging along throughout these crazy few years. I am beyond grateful for them and everything

they've done for me and this company."

If you think you're the right fit for this position, send your resume to [pentohomecareagency@hotmail.com](mailto:pentohomecareagency@hotmail.com). You can also call 724-322-1683 for additional information or questions.





## GREENE COUNTY FOSTER CARE



Open your heart, open your home... change a life! That is the mission statement of Greene County Foster Care, which is constantly on the hunt for individuals in the region looking to do just that—open their hearts and homes.

Maybe you're wondering what exactly is a foster parent? Foster parents provide a loving and caring home for child whose parents are unable to do so. When a child's parents provide an unsafe, inadequate environment for the child, the courts address the situation. These children are placed in the custody of the Greene County Children and Youth Services agency by the courts. Greene County Foster Care provides homes for these children and gives children a safe and loving home due to parents not being able to provide adequate care.

Foster children may be in their position due to a variety of reasons, including neglect, physical/emotional abuse, or parental incarceration. The conditions foster children endure are often damaging and trauma-inducing, and the custody transfer is even more so. While having their basic needs fulfilled by being placed in a foster home, the most important need a foster parent can provide to the children is love.

Foster parents are in high demand. There is a universal need for foster parents to care for children of all ages, but especially teenagers.

Foster care is never intended to be long-term, and reunification is the department's primary goal, with adoption as their concurrent goal. Pre-adoptive homes are an option with different certifications and becoming a foster care family is more straightforward than one may think.

Ideally, the goal is to reunite foster children with their original parents after the time of correction, which takes anywhere from 15-24 months. Court orders typically allow visits as much as every week to reunite the family. Foster parents do not typically keep foster children for more than two years.

Currently, Greene County is actively recruiting loving homes to care for these children in need. Utilizing their Facebook page, Greene County Foster Care shares encouraging and fun-spirited posts to recruit potential foster parents. Ice Skating, sledding, movie night, winter hike, living room camp-out, building snowmen and snowball fights are some activities that foster families can do together, according to their Facebook page portraying such activities.

To become a foster parent, one must be 21 years of age, pass a medical examination, pass a drug test and random screenings, obtain clearances relating to child abuse and criminal history, provide adequate space for the child and other standards to make sure the incoming foster child is set to live in a safe environment. Pre-service training is also provided to give potential foster parents a better understanding of how the child's past experiences can affect them and how to employ various parenting techniques. This training also teaches one about resources available to help guide new foster parents.

Foster parents can let the agency know what behaviors they will and won't be able to handle, certain age groups they prefer etc. and from that information they determine how many children families can receive based on the size of the homes and available beds. Families also receive appropriate subsidies for childcare.

"We just need loving homes, it's a simpler process than it looks like on paper," foster care and adoption supervisor Beth Booker says. "If parents would like to foster, they can call 724-852-5217 and ask for Lisa Henry or Jessica Walsh. We're very

passionate, we want to get the word out, we're trying to recruit as many parents as we can in Greene County."

Booker said that their first option is attempting to certify a kinship home so that the children can stay with someone they already know.

"So, when a child comes into care, we always try to find kinship first. That can be an actual blood relative or just a family friend, somebody the child, or the family has a relationship with," Booker explains. "We've had some people that we've certified for kinship who then decide once their time as a kinship provider is done, to become foster parents. That's great because we always do appreciate them staying on."

It's no secret that the fostering process can be difficult, however. These children need love, make no mistake, but they may not reciprocate that, at least at first. Foster parents need to show both love and patience and allow the child to adjust to the challenging situation they've been put into. Greene County Foster Care will make sure the parent-child combination is compatible before any further steps are taken.

To make the process easier on both the child(ren) and the foster family, Greene County Children and Youth offers additional services and collaborations. "We create a positive experience that is rewarding to both children in need and families that open their doors to the children of Greene County," Booker says. "We provide an array of services to foster families that need assistance with foster children."

To help establish connections and additional support for children and families in Greene County, the agency is in the process of searching for mentors, as well as creating a support group for foster parents.

Greene County Foster Care is partnering with Blueprints, a local nonprofit, to develop their mentorship program for willing youth currently in the system. The program is still within the planning phase but will aim to help develop mean-

ingful connections that help children relationally and to build skills for their future. The county has never had something like this, so they are building from the ground up. The agency has been in contact with Heather Thornburg from Blueprints, who runs their Independent Living Program.

The Independent Living Program works with any kids in foster care, kids that have ever been in foster care, or adjudicated dependents. Once children reach the age of 14, they can take part in this program which teaches life skills and builds connections within the community.

The agency is envisioning various tiers of service to the children depending on how hands-on mentors would like to be. Being a mentor could just mean sending cards on the holidays, or as in-depth as taking children out for school shopping, dinner, or to the movies, which would require a thorough vetting process and obtaining clearances.

The agency would also like to have psychological training available for mentors so that they can approach conversations with the children and mentoring in general to encourage understanding of the complexities of PTSD, mental health, and other types of traumas they would be exposed to as mentors to children in foster care.

"Greene County Foster Care provides nurturing and loving homes to children in need. Greene County wants to provide these children with the same opportunities that other children have," Booker says. "We want to prepare these children to be part of a great community and be able to be a good citizen."

Anyone interested in learning more about Greene County Foster Care can call (724) 852-5217, visit their Facebook page or visit their website, gcfostercare.com. Only you can make a difference in this mutually rewarding, live-changing experience.

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## MCCRACKEN'S PHARMACY

Originally established in 1961 by Jack McCracken, this local drug store has progressed in all the right ways over the years, changing where change was needed while keeping personal service a tradition; very much in keeping with the slogan, "Yesterday's Service, Today's Technology."

Long-time pharmacist, Scott Adamson, who began his relationship with McCracken when he served an internship in 1992, purchased the pharmacy in 2013, when Jeff McCracken retired. With the same philosophy of balanced progression and tradition, Scott has continued the work of keeping McCracken Pharmacy at the forefront of technology and modern convenience while maintaining comfort and personal attention to every customer.

The last few years have brought many changes as McCracken Pharmacy underwent a total re-branding, introducing a new logo design, color scheme and complete remodeling of the building's interior and exterior. Located at the gateway to downtown Waynesburg, the remodeling project enhanced both the McCracken building and the neighborhood around it. With carefully chosen colors and style that represent McCracken's unique brand of "Yesterday's Service, Today's Technology" the look certainly says it all. Scott is quick to point out, however, that the longevity and most valuable asset to McCracken Pharmacy is what you find inside the building -

the people. "We've been fortunate to be able to maintain a relatively large staff, and to keep a high caliber of people who are consistent and compassionate with our customers, I'm proud to work with the people here," Scott emphasizes. There are four pharmacists on staff, along with 8 additional techs and support personnel serving McCracken's customers. That's how they continue to provide "Yesterday's Service" you can't find anywhere else.

As for "Today's Technology," McCracken Pharmacy has always been a leader in the latest tools and expertise to deliver accuracy and efficiency in filling prescriptions and serving all needs of customers. That never changes. Just as McCracken was among the very first pharmacies to even use computer technology back in the 1960s, and later the most innovative dispensing systems, our local pharmacy today is helping to pioneer new methods of packaging designed to facilitate and improve accuracy in daily dosing of medications. "We offer innovative blister and strip packaging systems that clearly label and separate medicines for daily doses and help patients and caregivers stay informed and in control," Scott explains. Particularly useful for those who take multiple doses and meds, this new system is easy to follow and much appreciated by customers. Just one more example of how our iconic "corner drug store" with all the charm of Yesterday's Service is still a leader in Today's Technology.

## WHITE COVERED BRIDGE FESTIVAL

It's festival time! Come join us as we celebrate 104 years of the White Covered Bridge in

Garards Fort, Pennsylvania, September 16 and 17, 2023!

The White Covered Bridge Association has worked throughout the year to prepare for this year's festival. Crafters and demonstrations are ready. Gospel singers will perform on our stage. Civil War re-enactors will be camped out and ready to battle! We also welcome back Native American re-enactor "Ghost in the Head".

Rocky Ridge Farm will provide their beautiful horses and mules for wagon rides. There will be lots of fine homemade food; made by local church groups, fire departments and non-profits - something for everyone.

The festival starts at 10am on Saturday, September 16 with a flag raising ceremony by Civil War re-enactors and Bernice Jeffrey singing our National Anthem. Immediately following the National Anthem the Flickingers will renew their wedding vows on stage! Gospel singers will perform throughout the day

and at 3pm there will be a Civil War re-enactment. The festival closes at 5pm.

On Sunday, September 18, a 10am Worship Service led by the Reverend Gary Whipkey of John Corbly Memorial Baptist Church of Garards Fort starts the day. Music, vendors, food and a 3pm Civil War re-enactment fill the day's schedule. The festival will end at 5pm with Civil War Re-enactors retiring the colors.

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Throughout the year, the SpringHouse is home to multiple events — with something for everyone! Spe-

cial holiday and event dinners, BBQs, and roasts; an Easter egg hunt; springtime dairy farm tours; autumn's Great Pumpkin Festival, Breakfast with Santa, and many more. Upcoming events for 2023 include a Labor Day BBQ on September 4, Grandparents Day Dinner on September 10, the Great Pumpkin Weekends (Friday, Saturday, Sunday) from September 22 to October 29, and 4-H Hog Roasts every Sunday from September 24 to October 29.

Take a step back in time and enjoy the inviting atmosphere at the SpringHouse. You can find them at 1531 Route 136, Washington, PA, Monday to Saturday from 9am to 7pm, and Sundays from noon to 7pm. FMI, visit their website at [springhousemarket.com](http://springhousemarket.com).



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Throughout the past year, the Community Foundation has been instrumental in programs helping our community's youth. Their support of the weekend backpack program assists with food insecurity for area schoolchildren. The program, available in all Greene County school districts, ensures that children discreetly receive nutritious meals to take home each weekend.

The CFGC has also assisted 4-H and FFA youth with the fees that come from selling their livestock at area fairs. Their donations can cut the cost of selling fees almost in half, and they've donated almost \$4,000 to underwrite the 4-H selling fees.

Partnering with the Greene County Career &

Technology Center's Dan Wagner and Mark Krupka, the CFGC has raised money for the purchase of a food truck for the culinary arts students. The food truck project will also provide an educational experience in a mobile setting for culinary arts students beyond the classroom, support the community during events, and inspire CTC students to think in an entrepreneurial spirit.

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## CORNERSTONE CARE

### “Learn As You Earn” Cornerstone Care’s Medical Assistant in Training Program Creates Opportunities in Health Care

Ever since the COVID-19 pandemic struck the nation in 2020, the healthcare industry has been suffering a shortage of workers. Cornerstone Care Community Health Center is helping that shortage by providing opportunities to people to get into the field right here in Greene County. They are beginning their new Medical Assistant in Training program, helping individuals interested in the healthcare field to get the start they need.

“You always hear about the nursing shortages across the country, but it’s really a healthcare shortage,” said Cornerstone Care’s Workforce Development and Marketing Administrator Lesa Trunzo. “While it is very important to fill jobs as doctors and nurses, the support staff roles are just as important to patient care. Our support staff assist providers and take care of our patients, they are a crucial part of our care teams. By offering training programs for these roles, we are hoping to help strengthen our workforce and expand that care to our patients.”

The fast-track program trains recruits as Medical Assistants in about five months. Cornerstone Care is offering full-time employ-

ment and opportunities for free tuition and clinical training. Trainees accepted into the program begin learning the field through career study, where they receive opportunities to learn in the classroom, in simulated scenarios, and through intensive clinical work. After the completion of the program, trainees will have the opportunity to be placed into one of Cornerstone Care’s locations in Greene, Washington, or Allegheny counties.

“You don’t need to have ever worked in the medical field to sign up for this program,” said Trunzo. “We are gearing this program to anyone 18 and older who is eager to work in healthcare and want to make a difference in their communities. We want to provide them with the opportunity to work full-time while earning a skill. College is expensive. If you want to get into the field and are unsure where this is a good place to start.”

This isn’t the first time that Cornerstone Care has taken and trained individuals without experience in the medical field. It is something they have been doing since the company began back in 1978. Trunzo says they have been creating opportunities for staff to be successful and believe in promot-

ing within.

“We are not shy to training Medical Assistants with no experience; we have been doing it since our beginnings in 1978,” said Trunzo. “By adding the educational component, we hope that will excite more interest in the field. At Cornerstone Care, job growth is possible, and many of our Medical Assistants have grown into other roles within the company that range from Supervising Assistants, Practice Managers, Referral Specialists, and Quality Specialists among others. There are so many career opportunities, and we recognize those within who are excited to learn and grow.”

The first cohort of Cornerstone Care’s Medical Assistant in Training program begins August 28, and recruiting for the next cohort is set to begin in the fall. Interested in-

dividuals are encouraged to keep their eyes on Cornerstone Care’s Facebook, Instagram, and LinkedIn or give them a call at 878-212-2058 to reach someone for more information. Spaces are limited, so take your opportunity to “Learn while you Earn” today.



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“We’re in a unique position where we’re large enough to handle any job there is, whether it is a large construction job, a large commercial business or a residential pickup. But we’re local, so you’re going to get the hometown service,” says Mountain State Waste’s President and co-owner JP Phillips. “It has been great being here in Greene County. The people of Perry Township have been very helpful and supportive as we set up operations and have been great partners who are beneficial to our operation.”

Community service is also a large part of Mountain State Waste’s mission. Despite making no money from the service, the company has provided free recycling to Greene County and a few of their areas of service. The Mt. Morris location has recycling bins for metals, plastics, papers, and cardboards. The bins are open from 8am to 4:30pm on weekdays and 7am to 11am on Saturdays.

Along with waste management services, Mountain State Waste also offers waste and recycling audits for local businesses. During these audits, they sort through the waste and see what is being recycled and what is being landfilled and how you can get more out of your recycling solutions. “We offer services to go out to local businesses and do a waste audit right there on site,” says Phillips. “We check to see how efficient your waste and recycling services are and whether or not you are getting the most bang for your buck.”

When asked why someone should choose Mountain State Waste over other waste management companies, Phillips responded with one word: accessibility. “One thing that we hear from our existing customers a lot is that we are accessible. When you need to get a hold of us you can reach someone at the office, and you are going to

get a solution to your issues and a response to request in less than 24 hours. You can call our offices, and they’ll ring right here in Mt. Morris,” Phillips says. “You’re not going to be sourced out to some call center in the middle of nowhere halfway across the country.”

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