

SEPTEMBER

Don't Forget!

DAILY Cass Scenic Railroad (Pocahontas Co.) Day-time fall foliage runs & 9/24: *Murder Mystery Dinner Train*; 9/25 Fall Harvest Day & Dinner Train.
Info/reserv: 304-456-4300

FRIDAYS: Lascaux Micro-Theater Art & foreign films, Showtime: 7:30p. in Buckhannon.
Info: 304-473-1818.

WEEKENDS: Purple Fiddle Live music & more, in Thomas (direct link from *Live Music Venues*), www.purplefiddle.com or 304-463-4040.

3 REFUGE ARTISTS ASSEMBLY Meet at 1pm at the Canaan Valley Wildlife Refuge Visitors Center to carpool to a favorite spot. Join this gathering of artists to explore & capture in art the beauty of the Refuge. A time for camaraderie, sharing & encouragement.
Info: 304-866-3858

4 CHEAT MOUNTAIN SALAMANDER all-day excursion to historic logging town of Spruce. Enjoy 9 hours of scenic mountain wilderness with stops at High Falls of the Cheat River & Spruce. Departs Elkins depot 10:15am, includes sandwich lunch buffet & a hot dinner buffet served on board the train. Adults: \$85, Seniors: \$82, Children: \$78, (3 & Under: Free) Reservations required: 1-877-MTN-RAIL / www.mountainrail.com

4 HOLLY RIVER FESTIVAL at Holly River State Park features Arts & Crafts, Cake Walks, Apple pie contests, apple butter making, hayrides, tours of Windy Gap one-room school house, live music & many more activities, Northern Webster Co. near Upshur/Randolph county lines. (Rt. 20 S. from Buckhannon) Info: 304-493-6327

3 – 5 JACKSON'S MILL JUBILEE Labor Day wkend celebration of Appalachian heritage, featuring old-time music concerts & fine crafts. Also: Civil War re-enactments, exhibits & demos; vintage car show. Fun for the whole family! Jackson's Mill, near Weston (Lewis Co.) Info: 304-269-4988/ mountainlakescvbww.com

3 – 5 JANE LEW FIREMAN'S ARTS & CRAFTS FESTIVAL Over 200 crafters display an exciting array of exhibits: glass, wood, leather, dolls, dried & silk flowers, baskets, ceramics, soaps, candles, painting, honey, & much more. Food concessions inside the fire hall, also food vendors outside fire hall and in city park. Info: 304-457-3097 / mountainlakescvbww.com

3 – 5 LABOR DAY WKEND CELEBRATION at Canaan Valley Resort State Park offers many family activities: swimming, summer tubing, golf & mini-golf, biking, hiking, cookouts & more. Info: canaanresort.com / 304-866-4121 X2677

10 RCCAC's GALA EVENING & EXHIBIT Annual fundraising event for the Randolph County Community Arts Center includes dinner, live music, dancing & juried art show, 6-10p. at RCCAC, corner of Randolph Ave. & Park St. Elkins \$50/person, Reserv: 304-637-2355

10 – 12 ASTRONOMY WKEND AT BLACKWATER FALLS Workshops, noted speakers, star-gazing parties are some of the free activities featured at this event with novice and more advanced amateur astronomers in mind. Reserv. required for lodging. Info: blackwaterfalls.com / 304-259-5216

10 – 12 AUTUMN COLOR MOUNTAIN TRAIL RIDE from Timberline Stables. Explore the Eastern Continental Divide on horseback over thousands of acres of flaming autumn colors. Bring your own horses or rent from Timberline Stables. Also, Fri & Sat. eves: square dancing to live western & country music on deck w/ BBQ Ribs & all the fixin's. Pack lunches available on request. Scenic Chairlift operational on Sat & Sun & Mtn. Bike Shop open in main lodge. Info/Reserv: 304-866-4801 / timberlineresort.com

10 – 12 MOTHER WOVE THE MORNING by Carol Lynn Pearson will be performed by a cast of 13 WV Women on Fri. & Sat evenings at 8p. and a Sun. matinee at 2p. at Scott Hill, corner of Livingston Ave. & Georgetown Rd. Elkins. Gourmet refreshments served. Limited seating. Info/Reserv: 304-636-0005

11-12 FLIGHT OF THE MONARCH

BUTTERFLY at Canaan Valley Resort State Park (Tucker County). Join us to celebrate the monarch & its butterfly friends. A variety of instruction classes & field trips are planned. Details: 304-866-4121 x2688/canaanresort.com

11 – 12 HELVETIA FAIR Alpine Parade, Exhibits, Swiss Folk dancing, field day events, square dancing & much more in the Swiss mountain village of Helvetia. (Randolph Co.) Info: 924-5835 / helvetiawv.com

15 RCCAC & DAVIS TRUST CO. BROWN BAG LUNCH CONCERT Bring your lunch & enjoy live music by the *Jenny Wilson Jazz Duo!* FREE Noon concert sponsored by Davis Trust Co. at RandolphCo. Community Arts Center, Randolph Ave.& Park St., Elkins. Info: 304-637-2355 / www.randolpharts.org

16 – 19 TREASURE MTN. FESTIVAL

The streets of Franklin (Pendleton Co.) come to life in one of the largest & most popular festivals in the state, w/ frontier encampments & re-enactment of the burning of Fort Seybert. Also, mountain & country music, arts & crafts, heritage demos, quilt show, contests (fiddle & banjo, jousting, giant pumpkin, beard, mustache) lots of food & much more. Info: 304-358-3884 / treasuremountainfestival.com

17 – 19 FOOTMAD FALL JAMBOREE

Traditional music & dance weekend with open mic stage, jams, groups sings & lots of dancing to *Gypsy Stars & The Contrarians*. Fayette County Park, 5 miles west of Fayetteville. On-site camping & bunks. Volunteers needed, call: 304-415-3668. Adv tix encouraged. More info: footmad.org

18 CHEAT MOUNTAIN SALAMANDER

9 hours of scenic mountain wilderness with stops at the High Falls of the Cheat River & Spruce. Departs Elkins depot 10:15am, includes sandwich lunch buffet & a hot dinner buffet served on board the train. Adults: \$85, Seniors: \$82, Children: \$78, (3 & Under: Free) Reservations required: 1-877-MTN-RAIL / www.mountainrail.com

18 CULINARY UNIVERSITY – DESSERTS & CHOCOLATE

at Canaan Valley Resort State Park (Tucker County) Learn to cook like a chef during this “themed” cooking class. Create desserts such as Chocolate Mousse, English Trifle, Black Forest Cake, Fruit Tart,

Chocolate Truffles, and more. Fee/Registration required (304) 866-4121 x2652 www.canaanresort.com

18 PANIC CIRCUS PARADE MURDER MYSTERY DINNER TRAIN

4-hour round-trip to High Falls of the Cheat River departs Elkins depot at 5pm . Ticket price includes train ride, 4-course meal, and interactive drama on train. Tix: \$87

18 POCAHONTAS CO. OPERA HOUSE

presents *Larry Sparks*, legendary lead guitarist for the Stanley Brothers & The Clinch Mountain Boys. Concert at 7:30p, Pocahontas Opera House in Marlinton. Info: pocahontasoperahouse.org / 799-6645.

17 – 19 RANDOLPH COUNTY FAIR

4-H & agricultural exhibits, livestock show, crafts, draft horse pull, “Farm Olympics” for kids, pie-eating, greased pig contests, Cow Bingo & more! Sat 1:30p: WV Open Fiddle, Banjo & Dance Contests Sat 5p: Livestock sale; Sat 6:30p: Demolition Derby; Sun 10a: Horse show. All at Camp Pioneer near Beverly. Full schedule: www.randolphcountyfairwv.com

19 WVOPEN FIDDLE & BANJO CONTEST

Come to compete or just to listen! Categories: Open fiddle, old-time banjo, bluegrass banjo. Also, Flatfooting/Clogging Dance Contest. 11:30a: Registr. Contests start at 1:30p. Camp Pioneer, Beverly. Co-sponsored by Randolph County Fair Assoc & the Augusta Heritage Center. Info: 304-637-1334

19 What's Blooming on the Refuge?

Wildflower Walk 2 pm, meet at Canaan Valley Wildlife Refuge Visitors Center, Rt. 32 in Canaan Valley. Info: 304-866-3858

21 – 24 SEPTEMBER FEST SENIOR

FLING at Blackwater Falls State Park, a variety of programs & activities especially planned for the 50+ crowd. Info/Lodging: 259-5216 / blackwaterfalls.com

25 FALL MIGRATION BIRD WALK

Meet 7 am at Canaan Valley Wildlife Refuge Visitor Center, led by Volunteer Casey Rucker. Wear comfortable walking shoes & dress for the weather. Binoculars may be borrowed during Refuge sponsored events. Bring drinking water and enthusiasm! Info: 304-866-3858

25 CONIFER FOREST RESTORATION

Meet 10 am at Canaan Valley Nat'l Wildlife Refuge Visitors Center, Rt. 32 in Canaan Valley. Learn about our conifer forest & help us plant new trees in the Refuge & Mon. Nat'l Forest. Info: 304-866-3858

25 **CANAAN VALLEY WOMEN'S CLUB CRAFT SHOW** at Canaan Valley Fire Hall in Davis (Tucker Co.) Sat. 10-4, *Leaf Peeper Festival* wkend. Info: 304-866-2720 or 866-8785

25 **LEAF PEEPERS FESTIVAL** sponsored by Tucker Co. Alpine Festival, a grand celebration of autumn w/ outdoor events centered around the town of Davis. Info: canaanvalley.org / 304-259-5315

25 **RUN FOR IT** hosted by Tucker Community Foundation, this 2k walk & 5k run are held each year during Leaf Peepers Festival in Davis. Geared for all ages & abilities; cash awards. Entry fees and awards support many community causes, charities & civic organizations in our region. **Start Time:** 11 AM at Davis Fire Hall, Rt. 32. Info/Registr: 304-478-2930 / tuckerfoundation.net

25 **FALL HARVEST DAY at CASS SCENIC RAILROAD** Live demos of traditional mtn. crafts & music all day; fun & games amid fall colors! Harvest dinner train at 5p Info/Res: cassrailroad.com / 304-456-4300

25 **FIELD OF FIRE (DOLLY SODDS TOUR)** Canaan Valley's park naturalist will lead hikers on an exploration of Dolly Sods Wilderness Area, to see the vibrant fall colors & visit a bird-banding station. Info: canaanresort.com / 304-866-4121

25 **PAINT ALONG w/ SUZANNE ROSS** 10 a - noon, at Canaan Valley Wildlife Refuge Visitor Center, Rt. 32. \$15.00 workshop fee. Pre-registration required. Emerging artists will be led through techniques of water media. Info: 866-3858 (Tucker Co.)

25 **ROADKILL COOKOFF** Contest featuring wild game dishes. Cooks must pre-register. Public invited to partake. Judging at 2p. Possum Trot 5K Run/Walk & Pocahontas Artisans Co-op Showcase. Also **AUTUMN HARVEST FESTIVAL** with crafts, quilt & produce displays, food, live music & family fun. 9a - 5p. All in downtown Marlinton. Info: 800-336-7009 or (304)799-4636 / pocahontascountywv.com

25 **POCAHONTAS CO. OPERA HOUSE** presents "The Hammons Musical Heritage Celebration" from 7 – 10pm, a tribute to the legendary Hammons family musicians that continue to influence many who "carry it on" today. All ages invited to perform in this celebration – Register at: pocahontasoperahouse.org or call: 799-6645

25 **ECDS SQUARE DANCE** Music by *Kristina Gaddy & 4th St. String Band w/ Dave Shombert* calling. All Dances taught. Singles & beginners welcome - 8p. at Randolph Co. Community Arts Center, corner of Park St. & Randolph Ave, Elkins. Info: 304637-2857

26 **TEARS OF JOY PUPPET THEATRE** performing in traditional Japanese Bunraku style, a delight for all ages. Sunday Matinee Performance: 3:30p at Pocahontas Opera House in Marlinton. Info: pocahontasoperahouse.org / 799-6645

26 **CRANBERRY MOUNTAIN SHINDIG** Annual celebration of fall colors, with Appalachian arts & crafts, heritage demos, live music, traditional dancing, food & more. Fun for all! 11a-4p, Cranberry Mtn Nature Center, junction of Rts. 39, 55 & 150, between Marlinton & Richwood (PocahontasCo.) Info: 304-653-4826 / pocahontascountywv.com

OCTOBER

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DAILY: Cass Scenic Railroad (Pocahontas Co.)
Day-time fall foliage runs thru 10/30 (see
10/30 *Halloween Train*) Info/reserv: 456-4300

FRIDAYS: Lascaux Micro-Theater Art & foreign
films, 7:30pm, Fri eves in Buckhannon. Info: 304-
473-1818.

WEEKENDS: Purple Fiddle Live music & more, in
Thomas. 463-4040 or www.purplefiddle.com for
music schedule.

In Weston: Haunted Asylum Tours: begin at
dark and run through 10pm Wed, Thurs, &
Sunday; until Midnight Fri. & Sat.
Both the Sci-fi channel's "Ghost Hunters" and
Travel Channel's "Ghost Adventures" have
visited the asylum and declared it haunted.
More info: 304-269-5070

2 Cabin Mountain Fall Colors Hike led by
Master Naturalists. Meet 8am at Canaan
Valley Nat'l Wildlife Refuge, Rt. 32 in Canaan
Valley. (Tucker Co.) Info: 304-866-3858

2 WILD WALKS WEEKEND Enjoy this 8
mile guided walk through colorful foliage
between Blackwater Falls State Park and
Canaan Valley Resort or choose a shorter
hike. Registration fee includes shuttle service
& lunch. Info/Registr: (304) 866-4121 x2688.
www.canaanresort.com

2 CHEAT MOUNTAIN SALAMANDER
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Spruce. Enjoy 9 hours of scenic mountain
wilderness with stops at High Falls of the
Cheat River & Spruce. Departs Elkins depot
10:15am, includes sandwich lunch buffet &
a hot dinner buffet served on board the train.
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Under: Free) Reservations required: 1-877-
MTN-RAIL / www.mountainrail.com

**2 – 10 THE 74TH MOUNTAIN STATE
FOREST FESTIVAL** in Elkins features
Carnival rides, Parades, Lumberjack Contests,
Forestry & Wood Exhibits; Arts & Crafts; City
Park & Downtown Stage Entertainment;
Classic Rock Show & Country Music Show
concerts & much more! Full Schedule:
forestfestival.com / or call 304-636-1824.

2 HUNTERSVILLE TRADITIONS DAY Walk back
through history in this former Pocahontas County seat
in the 1800's, with old jail, cemetery & many other
historic sites. Quilting, storytelling, wagon rides, living
history, frontier cooking, apple butter making & other
demos of old crafts & traditions, horse plowing, back
porch pickin' & more. On Rte. 39, 6 miles east of
Marlinton. Info: 1-800-336-7009 or 304-799-4747
[/pocahontascountywv.com](http://pocahontascountywv.com)

7 – 10 WV WESLEYAN COLLEGE THEATRE
presents Moliere's *Tartuffe* Th, Fri & Sat: 8 pm and
Sunday: 2 pm - directed by visiting faculty and guest
artist *kb saine*. A rollicking French comedy about a
houseguest & hypocrisy. Law Performing Arts Center,
WVWC, Buckhannon. Tix available at the door.
Info: 473-8037

**8 – 10 TIMBERLINE OKTOBERFEST
CELEBRATION** A full wkend of German
foods & music at the Fireside Grill & Timbers
Pub. No cover. Scenic Chairlift rides to summit
of Herz Mtn. Timberline Stables & Mtn. Bike
shop open daily. Attach bike to lift for high
altitude biking. Timberline 4 Seasons Resort in
Canaan Valley (Tucker Co.) Info/Reserv:
timberlineresort.com / 1-800-SNOWING or
304-866-4801

**15 -16 RANDOLPH CO. COMMUNITY
ARTS CENTER CONCERT SERIES**
presents *Dan Kamin* in *Funny Bones* FRI: at
7:30pm, and SAT: *Comedy in Motion* at
7:30pm. This internationally acclaimed
performer, renowned for training Robert
Downey, Jr. and Johnny Depp for their
physical comedy roles, offers hilarious fun.
(Tix: \$12gen.adm/\$10senior/\$5student)
Showtime: 7:30p. Info/Reserv: 637-2355 /
www.randolpharts.org. Corner of Randolph
Ave & Park St. Elkins.

16 FRIENDS OF THE 500TH Annual Meeting
at Canaan Valley Nat'l Wildlife Refuge.
Call for time: 304-866-3858

16 VALLEY VIBES: 2nd Annual Photo Contest Reception at 7pm. Check out these nature photos at Canaan Valley Nat'l Wildlife Refuge & see if you agree w/ judges.

20 RCCAC & DAVIS TRUST CO.

BROWN BAG LUNCH CONCERT Bring your lunch & enjoy a concert by the Davis & Elkins College Appalachian Studies Club. Noon-1p. Randolph Co. Community Arts Center, Randolph Ave. & Park St., Elkins. Info: randolpharts.org / 304-637-2355. FREE

22 -24 WILD, WONDERFUL WINE

WEEKEND at Canaan Valley Resort State Park (Tucker Co.) Join wine and food experts as they lead you on a wine & culinary adventure. Activity fees charged / lodging package available. Info/Freserv: (304) 866-4121 x2677. www.canaanresort.com

23 Fall Migration Bird Walk Meet 8 am at CV Wildlife Refuge Visitor Center, led by Volunteer Casey Rucker. Wear comfortable walking shoes & dress for weather. Binocs. may be borrowed. Info: 304-866-3858

23 ECDS DANCE Squares & contras – with music by Bob Smakula & Friends. All Dances taught. Singles & beginners welcome. 8p. at RCC Arts Center, Park St. & Randolph Ave, Elkins. Info: 637-2857

23 Halloween Party - Blackwater Falls State Park Lots of spooky fun including costume judging for children 12 & younger, candy & refreshments for the whole family at the Harold S. Walters Nature Center from 1 to 3:30pm Info: blackwaterfalls.com / 304-259-5216

23 WV WESLEYAN COLLEGE OF FINE & PERFORMING ARTS presents Senior Musical Theatre Recitals - *Robert Quarles* and *Joshua Holets* - A revue of songs and scenes from musical theatre repertoire. 8pm in Loar Auditorium. Tickets available at the door.

24 – 30 AUGUSTA OCTOBER OLD-TIME WEEK Weeklong, intensive classes on fiddle, banjo, & guitar in the old-time style. Instructors include Dave Bing, Mike Bryant, Carl Jones, Erynn Marshall, Andy Fitzgibbon, Bob Smakula, and Greta Van Doren. Guest Master will be Elmer Rich. Impromptu jam sessions encouraged. Davis & Elkins College, Elkins. Info/Reg: augustaheritage.com / 304-637-1209

29 – 31 AUGUSTA FIDDLERS' REUNION
Friday, 10/29, 8p: Halloween Square Dance in Hermanson Center. Costumes encouraged! (Adm \$8) **Saturday, 10/30, 10a-6p:** Performances all day by invited old-time masters & talented younger musicians; freestyle flatfooting & clogging contest; jam sessions, song swaps, instrument & food vendors, & more. FREE. **Sun 10a:** Gospel Sing in Hermanson Center Lounge. FREE. Info: 304-637-1209 / augustaheritage.com. All in or near Hermanson Ctr at D&E College, Elkins

29 WITCH'S BALL at Trans- Allegheny Lunatic Asylum **Oct. 29** Info: 304-269-5070 / trans-alleghenylunaticasylum.com

30 CASS SCENIC RAILROAD HALLOWEEN TRAIN Bring your family for a "terror-ific" train ride departing at 5:30p. Fun! Adv.Reservations: 304-456-4300 (Pocahontas Co.)

30 DURBIN & GREENBRIER VALLEY RAILROAD presents "*Masquerade & Mayhem*" an interactive Murder Mystery performed by the Old Brick Players on board an evening dinner train to the High Falls of the Cheat River, departing Elkins depot at 5pm. Reservations required: 877-MTN-RAIL. Info: www.mountainrail.com

30 WV WESLEYAN COLLEGE OF FINE & PERFORMING ARTS presents "MY NAME IS RACHEL CORRIE" - Solo senior Performance by *Kathleen Burnard*. A poignant portrait of one college student's experience with political activism. Wesleyan College Administration Building Basement Scene Shop (look for signs). Tickets available at the door.

29 - 31 TIMBERLINE HALLOWEEN CELEBRATION In addition to live entertainment Fri & Sat in Timbers Pub, enjoy fresh seafood on Fri. night & ribs on Sat. Pumpkin pie for dessert of course! Mountain biking, Horseback riding & Scenic Chairlift rides 10a-5p Sat & Sun. Timberline 4 Seasons Resort in Canaan Valley (Tucker Co.) 1-800-766-9464 / www.timberlinerestort.com

NOVEMBER PREVIEW

6 RCCAC CONCERT SERIES presents *The Orrin Evans Quartet*. Incorporating a mix of jazz & original compositions, this electric jazz/funk band combines vocals with horns, guitar and the amazing piano fingers of Orrin Evans, winner of the 1999 Thelonius Monk Competition. Tix: \$12/adult; \$10/senior; \$5/student. Info/Res: 304-637-2355 / www.randolpharts.org

11 – 14 WV WESLEYAN COLLEGE OF FINE & PERFORMING ARTS presents two light one-act operas by Menotti, directed by Dr. Mandy Spivak: “The Telephone” and “Amahl and the Night Visitors” Thurs – Sat: 8pm; Sunday matinee: 2pm in the Law Performing Arts Center, WV Wesleyan College, Buckhannon. Tix available at the door.

12-13, 18-21 OLD BRICK PLAYHOUSE and Elkins Area Community Theatre present “Grace & Glorie” by Tom Ziegler. A heart-felt play about life & death and two women who unexpectedly forge a deep bond despite their very different backgrounds. 8pm (Sun. matinee at 2p.) at The Old Brick Playhouse, corner of 4th St. and Davis Ave, Elkins. Info/Res: 304-637-9090 / oldbrickplayhouse.org

HUNTERS EVENING CELEBRATION & TIMBERLINE THANKSGIVING Hunters & friends of Timberline enjoy Wild Game dinners and swap hunting stories around the fireplace in Timber’s Pub. each evening of Thanksgiving week. On Thanksgiving Thurs: traditional holiday dinner served 1 – 7p. Live entertainment Sat. evening, no cover. Info/Reserv: timberlineresort.com / 1-800-SNOWING

THANKSGIVING CELEBRATION at Canaan Valley Resort Enjoy a variety of family activities, contests, nature walks, & Thanksgiving Buffet Dinner. Lodging Info: canaanresort.com / 304-866-4121

WESTON CHRISTMAS PARADE Nov. 26: Enjoy the Annual Lighting of the Dancing Snowflakes in downtown Weston & spend this magical evening with family, friends & neighbors at this fun-filled event. Info: lcchamber.org / 304-269-2608

JANE LEW HOLIDAY PARADE 11/28/10: Sunday at 2pm, Visit Jane Lew & their annual holiday event w/ all the trimmings. Info: 304-884-7910

The Community Arts Calendar is published by the Randolph Arts Alliance as a service to the community. Note: All events, dates & times are subject to change. Call to confirm, especially if coming from a distance or in bad weather. Contact raa@meer.net for future listings or call 304-636-8195.