

Calendar of Events for 2011
For the Bluefields and the surrounding areas

JANUARY

Southwest Virginia Legislative: January 19-21. Visit to Richmond.

Annual Dinner: January 20th. The Princeton-Mercer County Chamber of Commerce. Call 304-487-1502.

Country Western Weekend: January 21-23. Pipestem Resort State Park. For more information call 304-466-1800.

Art Works for Virginia: January 25-27. Richmond, VA. E-mail Richlands Area Chamber of Commerce at richlandschamber@roadrunner.com for more information.

CART presents A Closer Walk with Patsy Cline: January 28. 7:00 pm. Richlands Middle School Auditorium.

John Boy and Billy's No Collar Comedy Tour: January 28. Contact the Chuck Mathena Center at 304-425-5128 for more information.

Barbara Hudson, Faculty Recital: January 28 at 7:30 pm. Event held at the Bluefield College.

FEBRUARY

The Aluminum Show: February 10 at 8:00 pm. Contact the Chuck Mathena Center for more information at 304-425-5128.

Richlands Area Chamber of Commerce Annual Membership Meeting and Banquet: 6:30 pm. SWCC.

“Passing of Pearl”: February 11-12. Reservations 304-589-0339.

“The Passing of Pearl”: February 16. Will take place at the Bluefield Performing Arts Center, Bluefield High School at 7:00 pm.

The Bridal & Special Events Spectacular: February 19. This event will be held on Saturday, Feb 19 at the Mercer Mall. This event will have booths for Wedding, Graduation, Prom, and Birthdays. Contact Pat Tolley for booth info at 304-425-2151.

Mercer County Historical Society Fundraiser: February 24. From 8-5pm. Bob Evans. Must present flyer at time of Check out.

MARCH

CART presents Click, Clack, Moo: March 4. 6 pm. At the Richlands Middle School Auditorium.

Annual Rotary Auction: March 5. 8 am-4 pm. WGTH RADIO. E-mail Richlands Area Chamber of Commerce at richlandschamber@roadrunner.com for more information.

Harvest Herbs: March 5th at Bluefield College. Contact Chris Shoemaker 800-872-0175 or 276-326-4246. E-mail: bcnews@bluefield.edu.

Four Seasons Women's Conference: March 22. This will be held at David's at the Club. For more information please contact the Greater Bluefield Chamber of Commerce at 304-327-7184 or E-mail: info@bluefieldchamber.com.

All-Together-Arts-Week: March 26-April 2. All over Mercer County, WV. For more information contact Lori McKinney at 304-425-6425 or visit www.alltogetherarts.com.

CART presents Highlands Ballet Company: March 27. 3 pm. SWCC Call 276-963-3385 for more information.

APRIL

Southwest Community College Festival of the Arts: Our French Connections. April 4-17 Occurs every Friday. Call Mary Lawson at 276-964-7348.

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Sheep Shearing Day at Thistle Cove Farm: April 9 from 9:00AM to 5:00PM. Children are welcome! Call Thistle Cove Farm at 276-988-4121 or E-mail thistlecovefarms@gmail.com for more information.

WV Symphony Orchestra: April 14. Will be held at the Bluefield Performing Arts Center, Bluefield High School, Bluefield, WV. For more information call 276-326-4248.

Taste of Home: April 16. This event will be held at the Brushfork Amory. Cooking Show sponsored by the Bluefield Daily Telegraph. For more information please call the Bluefield Daily Telegraph at 304-327-2811.

Skirmish at Jeffersonville and Civil War Reenactment: April 15-17. Location: Historic Crab Orchard Museum and Pioneer Park. From 10:00AM to 5:00PM. Call 276-988-6755 or E-mail info@craborchardmuseum.com for more information.

Earth Day: April 18. Concord U. celebrates Earth Day with earth-friendly day-long service activities. Call 304-384-6286 for more information. Volunteers Welcome!

Annual Community Easter egg Hunt: April 23. 1:30 pm at Richlands Recreation Park. E-mail Richlands Area Chamber of Commerce at richlandschamber@roadrunner.com for more information.

Better Living Show: April 29-30. Held at the Brushfork Armory. For more information please contact the sponsor: Greater Bluefield Chamber of Commerce at 304-327-7184 or E-mail: info@bluefieldchamber.com.

MAY

Annual Rotary Teachers Banquet: May 3. 6:30 pm. At Richlands High School Cafeteria.

Shrimp Feast: May 5. This event will be held at the Brushfork Amory. For more information please contact the Princeton-Mercer County Chamber of Commerce at 304-487-1502.

Golf Tournament: May 13. For more information please contact the Princeton-Mercer County Chamber of Commerce at 304-487-1502.

Alumni Day/Graduation Weekend: May 13-14. Featuring the annual Alumni Banquet and Commencement exercises. Call 304-384-6286 for more information.

Bluefield State College Graduation: May 14. The graduation will be held at the Brushfork Armory.

Tour Historic Bramwell: May 14 at 2:00 pm. Tour historic homes in Historic Bramwell, WV. For more information please call 304-325-8438.

Virginia Coal Heritage Festival: May 20-21. Russell County Fairgrounds. E-mail Richlands Area Chamber of Commerce at richlandschamber@roadrunner.com for more information.

Cole Chevy Mountain Festival: May 24-30. For more information please contact the Greater Bluefield Chamber of Commerce at 304-327-7184 or E-mail: info@bluefieldchamber.com. Mountain Festival Pageant Tuesday, May 24th.

JUNE

Celebrate Princeton: June 11. Celebrate Princeton will be held in Downtown Princeton, WV. For more information please call 304-487-5045.

Relay for Life of Tazewell County: June 11-12. Will be held at the Southwest Virginia Community College. Call the American Cancer Society Office at 276-739-7780 or E-mail: bonnie.jones@cancer.org or visit www.RelayForLife.org/taze for more information.

Virginia Mountain Music Festival: June 11. 7 pm at Southwest Virginia Community College.

3rd Annual Appalachian Heritage Writers Symposium: June 17-18. 9 am. Southwest Community College. Call Trish Estep at 276-964-7332 or e-mail: trishestep@gmail.com for more information.

3rd Annual Miss Greater Richlands Scholarship Pageant: June 17. 6 pm at Richlands Middle School Auditorium.

Annual health and Community Resource Fair: June 18. 8am – 10am at the Richlands Police Department.

23rd Annual Greater Richlands Festival and James H Drew Carnival: June 21-25, from 9:00AM – 9PM. Will be held at the Richlands Police Department Complex. E-mail Richlands Area Chamber of Commerce at richlandschamber@roadrunner.com for more information or call 276-963-3385.

JULY

HCOM 4th of July Celebration: July 4.

Jewell Ridge 4th of July Celebration and Miners Homecoming: July 4th at 10:00AM to 10:00PM. The event will be held at the Jewell Ridge Community Center. Please call 276-963-2366 for more information.

Tazewell County Old Time Fiddlers Convention: July 9-10. Tazewell County Fairgrounds. E-mail Richlands Area Chamber of Commerce at richlandschamber@roadrunner.com for more information.

Second Chance Rocks The Two Virginias: July 16. This benefit concert will be held at Mitchell Stadium. For more information please contact Second Chance Learning at

276-326-1078.

Blue-Gray Shrine Horse Show: July 21-23. Will be held at Bluefield City Park. Call Joe at 304-248-7347 for more information.

Tazewell Main Street Heritage Festival: July 23. 9Am. Tazewell. E-mail Richlands Area Chamber of Commerce at richlandschamber@roadrunner.com for more information.

Bluefield Downtown Street Fair: July 29-30. Downtown Bluefield, WV. For more information please call 276-326-3341.

AUGUST

Mercer County Fair: August 5-6. PikeView High School Complex. Call 304-425-7262 for more information.

Lemonade Night at the Ball Park: August 11. Bluefield Ball Park, Bluefield, WV. Sandy Reynolds, Chairperson. Call the Bluefield Chamber at 304-327-7184 or e-mail info@bluefieldchamber.com for more information.

Tazewell County Fair: August 11-20 from 10:00AM to 10:00PM. Please call the Tazewell Co. visitors center at 276-322-2366 or Betty Melvin, Fair Coordinator, at 276-988-7300. You can also visit www.tazewellcountyfair.com for more information.

Lemonade Days in South Bluefield: August 12-13. For more information please call 304-325-2627.

CU at the Fair!: August 12-20, 2011. Visit the Concord University Tent at the West Virginia State Fair.

Tazewell County Airports Airshow: August 13. 9 – 4pm. Tazewell County Airport. Please call 276-963-4509 for more information.

Athens-Concord Town Special: August 14. On the front lawn at the Concord Campus.

R&B Concert: August 27. For more information please contact the Brushfork Armory at 304-589-3361.

SEPTEMBER

Culture-fest 2011: September 8-11. Pipestem, WV.

Never Forget Campaign: September 9. The Salvation Army in Princeton will be holding their 10th anniversary of the Never Forget Campaign in remembrance of 9/11. For more information please E-mail: aaron_goldfarb@uss.salvationarmy.org.

Miss Princeton Autumn Fest Pageant: September 10. For more information please call the Princeton-Mercer County Chamber of Commerce at 304-487-1502.

4th Annual Appalachian Mountain Chapter of ATCA Truck Show: September 10. Tazewell County Airport from 8 – 5pm. Please Call David Ratliff at 276-701-3951 or 276-498-4220 for more information.

Bluefield Autumn Jamboree September 10. From 9:30 AM – 10:00 PM. Please contact the Town of Bluefield at 276-322-4628 for more information.

Bluefield Coal Show: September 14, 15, 16. The Bluefield Coal Show will be held at the Brushfork Armory. For more information please call the Greater Bluefield Chamber of Commerce at 304-327-7184 or E-mail: info@bluefieldchamber.com.

Cedar Bluff Heritage Festival: September 17. 9 – 6pm. Cedar Bluff, VA. E-mail Richlands Area Chamber of Commerce at richlandschamber@roadrunner.com for more information.

AHMA Fall Festival: September 17-18. This event will be held at Camp Creek State Park, WV. For more information visit www.ahma-online.org.

CU Homecoming Week: September 19-24. The public is invited to join CU for a week of celebration including a parade, bonfire, athletic contests, tailgaters and more. Call 304-384-6286 for more information.

Autumn Fest: September 24. Princeton, WV. For more information please contact the Princeton-Mercer County Chamber of Commerce at 304-487-1502.

Burkes Garden Fall Festival: September 24. 8 – 3pm. Directions: From Hwy 19-460 take Exit 3. Follow Rte. 61E six miles to Rte. 623 on the right beside J.R.'s store. You may contact Fred and Barbara Lawless for info concerning vendors at 276-472-2735.

OCTOBER

Annual Richlands Fall Festival: October 1. 10-5pm. Free Admission! Downtown Richlands. E-mail Richlands Area Chamber of Commerce at richlandschamber@roadrunner.com for more information or call 276-963-3385.

Senior Expo: October 6. Sponsored by Glenwood Park and will be held at the Brushfork Armory. For more information please call 304-425-8128.

Southern WV Italian Festival: October 7-8. For more information please call 304-589-3317.

Bramwell Oktoberfest: October 8. Downtown Bramwell, WV. For more information please visit www.bramwelloktoberfest.com.

9th Annual Business-to-Business Showcase: October 13-14. SWCC. E-mail Richlands Area Chamber of Commerce at richlandschamber@roadrunner.com for more information.

Oyster Dinner: October 20. Brushfork Armory. For more information please call the Princeton-Mercer County Chamber of Commerce at 304-487-1502.

Women's Expo: October 28-29. Brushfork Amory. For more information please call the Princeton-Mercer County Chamber of Commerce at 304-487-1502.

NOVEMBER

Shrine Circus: November 3. Sponsored by the Blue-Gray Shriners. Contact Joe Vinciguerra for more information at 304-248-7347.

Country Craft Guild Show: November 5. Fall and Holiday décor! Contact the Chuck Mathena Center for more information.

Veterans Day parade and Celebration: November 5. 2pm Parade, 3pm Celebration at the Richlands Police Department. E-mail Richlands Area Chamber of Commerce at richlandschamber@roadrunner.com for more information.

Good Samaritan Food Pantry Luminary Service: November 7. Food Pantry 7pm. E-mail Richlands Area Chamber of Commerce at richlandschamber@roadrunner.com for more information.

Rough & Rowdy Brawl: November 11-12. Contact the Brushfork Armory for more information at 304-589-3361.

Pocahontas NRHS Train Show: November 12-13. Will be held at the Bluefield Youth Center, Bluefield, WV.

Annual Christmas Parade: November 19. 3pm. Line up at Richlands Police Department.

Southwest Virginia Legislative Breakfast: November 21 at 7:30am. Appalachia School of Pharmacy. E-mail Richlands Area Chamber of Commerce at richlandschamber@roadrunner.com for more information.

Holiday of Lights: November 24-January 7. The Holiday of Lights will be displayed at the Bluefield City Park, Bluefield, WV.

Princeton Christmas Parade: November 28. The Christmas Parade will be held in Princeton, WV. Contact the Princeton-Mercer County Chamber of Commerce for more information.

DECEMBER

Christmas on the Frontier: December 4. 6-9pm. HCOM. E-mail Richlands Area Chamber of Commerce at richlandschamber@roadrunner.com for more information.

Holiday Reception: TBA—Held by the Greater Bluefield Chamber of Commerce. For more information please call 304-327-7184 or E-mail: info@bluefieldchamber.com.

Bramwell Christmas Home Tour: December 10. Tour Historic Homes of Bramwell starting at 5:00 pm. Call 304-325-8438 for more information.

Holiday Reception: December 15. Held by the Princeton-Mercer County Chamber of Commerce. Call 304-487-1502 for more information.

The Barter Theatre: www.BarterTheatre.com • 276-628-3991

Treasure Island: starts February 18!

XANADU: starts February 4!

WV State Men's & Women's Bowling Tournaments:

Mountaineer Bowling Lanes and Green Valley Bowling Center will be hosting these tournaments. The men's tournament begins on Saturday, March 19 and runs every weekend through April 17. The women's tournament begins Saturday, May 7 and runs every weekend through May 22.

The team events will be held at Mountaineer Lanes and Doubles/Singles events will be held at Green Valley Bowling Center.

WARNER on your CORNER

Representatives from Senator Mark Warner's office will be traveling around the Commonwealth to meet with individual Virginians who have specific issues dealing with federal agencies.

Will be held at:

Tazewell County Administration Building

Board of Supervisors Room, 108 E. Main St., Tazewell, VA

Thursday 2/3/11; 3/3; 4/7...

From 2pm—4pm (Same time and place every 1st Thursday each month)

For more information visit: <http://warner.senate.gov>

LUNCH-er-cise

The Perfect Combo

At the East River Arts & Open Mic Café. Noon to 1:00pm, Monday through Friday. New Routines open every 5 minutes. No membership required. Small donation asked.

Call 304-327-9300 for more information.