



The Dominion Past.

## Even meteorologists long for summer vacations

#### **BY JIM BISSETT**

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Depending on what hour of what day he hits Philadelphia, it's a nearly fivehour drive from Paul Pastelok's house in Centre County, Pa., to Wildwood, N.J.

Either way, said Pastelok, a meteorologist who does long-range forecasting for AccuWeather, he's ready to fire up the family ride for the journey.

Or, rather, his kids are ready for Dad to fire up the family ride for the journey.

The oceanfront resort town in the Garden State is the favorite vacation spot for the family. Every year, they go.

Well, except for last year.

And after that 2020 summer of COVID-19, backyard isolation, Pastelok allowed he might be sharing in the enthusiasm of his progeny after all.

"It'll be good to get away," he said. Just like every vacation, though, the weather will get the last word.

At the height of the pandemic last summer, there were still those occasionally lethal 110-degree days in Phoenix, one right after the other.

And that devastating spate of wildfires



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Kalen (left), Konall

and Shawn Davis

fish on a hot Tues-

day morning at the

Coopers Rock

trout pond.

in Colorado then, that scorched thousands of acres of old-growth forests.

North-central West Virginia sojourners, save for the road trip-hearty who venture past the other side of the Mississippi, trend toward Myrtle Beach for their sand and surf.

For many, that trip to the Palmetto State is the definition and embodiment of sum-11:32 p.m. EDT June 20 — the waning day of the Mountain State's 158th birthday.

Besides the pandemic, the climes last summer over the Atlantic and its neighboring waters were tumultuous, Pastelok said. Air masses and currents, along the Gulf Coast, in particular, spawned a record-setting 30 tropical systems, all named, and 11 of which made landfall.

Typically, a U.S. season might generate mer — which, coincidentally, begins at 14 named storms, with three or four gathering enough strength to make landfall.

Pastelok, meanwhile, wonders if a named storm could hit as early as June. perhaps in South Texas or Mexico. There's always a chance of tornadoes, he said.

For summer revelers staying home in West Virginia for camping and say, an outing on the river, June will come in quite nicely, Pastelok said.

Expect the usual bouts of unseasonably cool weather in July, he said, followed by the requisite thunderstorms through August.

"Our biggest concern is what may be coming in through the Ohio Valley," he said, citing that portal from the Midwest and the weather patterns that made their presence known during the warmer months.

Wherever you go, he said, just heed the weather forecasts — especially weather warnings, which means something definitely is on the way, opposed to conditions that could generate a downpour or tornado.

One thing Pastelok can predict with 100% certainty, he said, is that his aforementioned kids will get bored after a day or so in the sands of Wildwood.

"Then we'll have to go into town."

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## Mon County 4-H has this summer covered

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Missing 4-H camp this summer or new to the program and wanting to learn more about what it is?

Join us for our camp-themed fun events June 13 at 4-H Camp Muffly. Kindergarten through 2nd graders are invited to take part in the Cloverbud Camp Day event from 2-4 p.m. and 3rd-6th graders are invited to attend the Amped for Camp event from 6-8 p.m.

These two camp-inspired events will feature a lot of camp activities, including crafts, STEM and snacks. Space will be limited to 24 participants at each event, due to COVID-19 regulations, so do not delay in registering. The cost is \$10 per participant. Masks are required and those participating are required to complete the COVID-19 WVU Extension waiver, as well as the other required forms.

Those who register will be invoiced the \$10 and will not be considered registered until that fee is collected.

Scholarships are available.

If WVU Extension limits in-person activities, this session may be postponed or activity bags may be distributed in place of the in-person activity.

#### **Monongalia County 4-H Jackson's Mill Pod**

The sun is out, the days are longer and 4-H is excited to offer limited faceto-face programming this summer. Jackson's Mill will allow pod camping for all 4-H participants. A plan to offer a brief overnight pod camping experience was developed under the guidance of the CDC and ACA Field Guide for Camps and was approved by the West Virginia University Health and Safety COVID-19 Task Force.

Monongalia County 4-H members will take a trip to Jackson's Mill July 14-16. Campers are responsible for their own transportation. Cost for a 4-H member is

Over the three days participants will be

outside at Jackson's Mill for recreation such at all times. as hiking, fishing, tomahawk/knife throwing, disc golf, ropes course and more.

The third day will be spent at the new STEAM Building. Although this will not be like "normal camp" there will still be time together around a campfire, in the cabins and learning new skills.

There will also be time learning about the history and heritage of Jackson's Mill and take part in a fun scavenger hunt.

A few reminders for pods:

■ 26 participants total (20 youths and six staff members)

■ 3-day experience

■ 95% of programming will be out-

The health and safety of the youths and communities remains a top priority. Rigorous safety and sanitation protocols are in place to ensure the well-being of all participants. On-site health care professionals and telehealth consultations will be available through WVU Medicine and the Lewis County Health Department. Participants are required to wear masks

Registration is due by 4 p.m. June 25. There must be 20 members registered for the trip to happen. Registration will be available through your ZSuites account. you don't have one, visit https://4h.zsuite.org/ to enroll in 4-H.

Registration will first be opened to those who are aging out of 4-H this summer and those eligible to receive their charting pin.

Detailed COVID-19 safety protocols available upon request

#### 4-H is popping up at the parks

Join 4-H this summer as activities popup at various parks throughout the county this summer. You never know where they will be and what fun activity they will have on hand.

Check out the Facebook page at WVU Monongalia County Extension Service to keep updated on what exciting events they have going on.







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## Krepps and Marilla pools open for the season

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The city's Krepps and Marilla pools opened for the season Saturday and will be open through Aug. 15.

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

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

Both Krepps and Marilla pools are open from noon-6 p.m. with evening swim at 8 p.m. on select Fridays.

The 2021 evening swim dates for Marilla Pool are June 4, 11 and 25; July 2, 16 and 30; and Aug. 6 and 13

Krepps Pool will host evening swim June 4 and 18; July 2, 9 and 23; and Aug. 6 and 13.

Daily admission is \$6 for adults, \$5 for senior citizens and ages 4-17. Children 3 and under swim free with a paying adult.

Daily slide passes at Marilla are an extra \$3.

Every Sunday is Discount Day with a group of four admitted for \$15, plus \$2 for each additional person. There is a limit to six per group.

#### **Pool passes**

Passes can be purchased at the BOPARC Administrative Office in Marilla from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Monday-Friday, and at both Krepps and Marilla pools from noon- 5 p.m.

Passes are picture coded and require a driver's license size photo at time of pur-

The Dominion Post file photo Swimmers and sunbathers enjoy Marilla Pool.

chase. Please bring a photo(s) if members of your party will not be present at time of purchase. Passes will not be processed without a picture.

A Family Pass for up to four people is \$200 or \$230 with slides included. Each family member after four will add \$25 each.

An Individual Season Pass will be \$110 or \$130 with slides.

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

#### **Private rental**

Both Krepps Pool and Marilla Pool can rental another \$120 per hour.

be reserved for private events. Reservations may be made in one- or two-hour time blocks from 6:30-8:30 p.m. Monday-Sunday.

Reservations include use of the pool, locker rooms, beach areas, pool pavilion (Marilla only), Aquatic Play Area (Krepps only) and lifeguards. Use of the water slides at Marilla is available for an additional rental fee. Renters are permitted to bring refreshments, but (no alcohol will be permitted.

Reservations for 2021 private pool rentals can be made by calling 304-296-8356.

Pool rental is \$165 per hour, with slide rental another \$120 per hour.

A 10-minute adult swim takes place at the top of every hour. Children are not permitted in the pool during adult swim.

Children under 12 should not be dropped off at either of the pools without supervision.

#### **Contact info**

Krepps Pool: 304-599-3362 Marilla Pool: 304-292-1743

BOPARC Administrative Office: 304-296-8356, 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Monday-Friday

Questions via email- info@boparc.org

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### Area farmers markets offer fresh produce, more

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One of the best things about summer is the colorful bounty it brings to our tables.

Area farmers markets are officially up and running, stocked with fresh, locally grown produce, pasture-raised meats and eggs, beautiful plants and bouquets, honeys and syrups, and artisan-made breads, desserts and beauty products.

To make the most of what they have to offer, and to reach the largest audience, markets in the area are staggered, and provide a wide variety of products.

To help you take advantage of these locally and regionally produced products, The Dominion Post has put together some info about a few markets in the area.

### Morgantown Farmers Market

Held from 8:30 a.m.-noon every Saturday now through mid-November under the pavilion on Spruce Street downtown, the Morgantown Farmers Market features dozens of vendors stocked with everything from handmade yarn, soaps and pet treats to cut flowers, potted succulents, honey, fresh fruit and vegetables, bison, bacon, chicken, eggs, homemade jams and jellies and donuts, cakes, breads and pepperoni rolls.

Availability of items is based on season and demand, and it's always best to arrive closer to opening time to get the best selection.

This year's market is once again operating at full capacity. Pets are allowed, but must be on leashes and well-behaved.

Tokens are available for purchase if you forget to bring cash (small service fee applies) and some vendors do accept card payments.

The market also allows those with SNAP/EBT benefits to swipe their benefit card at the market manager's table to get tokens to spend with food vendors and offers matching dollars for some benefits if spent at the market. It is also a member of the Senior Farmers Market Nutrition Program, and most of the farmers accept

tures dozens of vendors stocked with FMNP coupons for fresh produce and everything from handmade varn, soaps honey at the market.

You can follow the market on Instagram and Twitter @MorgantownMkt, on Facebook @MorgantownFarmersMarket or go to the website for a list of vendors, or to sign up for the weekly newsletter at www.morgantownfarmersmarket.org/.

#### Star City Farmers Market

For the late risers, Star City Farmers Market offers the perfect alternative.

Set for 3-8 p.m. Fridays, Star City's market is held at the Edith B. Barill Riverfront Park and Trail along the rail-trail and runs rain or shine.

The market features food and produce vendors, food trucks, artists and artisans and even booths by local entrepreneurs, selling anything from vintage clothing to handmade crafts.

Those interested in participating as a vendor during the Star City Farmers Markets, should contact Star City Hall at 304-599-3550.

#### Bridgeport Farmers Market

Not free until Sunday? Don't fret. Just a short drive on Interstate 79 South will take you to Bridgeport's offering, held from 10 a.m.-1 p.m. every Sunday through October at Charles Pointe (Exit 124, I-79).

Vendors include local farmers, producers and artisans.

The market features more than 50 vendors (though not always all at the same time), including booths by nonprofit agencies and food trucks.

Brunch is also served every market day and local musicians perform during market hours every week.

Many vendors do accept cards, but it never hurts to have cash on hand.

To check out more information on the Bridgeport Farmers Market, visit its website at https://bridgeportfarmersmarket.com or on Facebook @bridgeportfarmersmarketwv.

You can also follow the market on Twitter @BridgeportFM and Instagram @bridgeportfarmersmarket





### Fairs and festivals around the state are back on the calendars

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With the numbers of COVID-19 cases coming down and those of vaccinations administered going up, more and more events are going on the calendar.

Here's a look at some of the fairs and festivals planned for this year in West Virginia.

■ 2021 South Branch Riverfest, May 29, Moorefield, Brighton Park

The South Branch Riverfest will include music, kids fun zone, river recreation activities and more.

■ 2021 Mountain Music Festival, June 3, New River Gorge, 1 Concho Road

Mountain Music Festival will offer a variety of live musical performances.

■ 2021 Beckley Gun and Knife Show, June 12, Beckley, Raleigh County Convention Center

Beckley Gun and Knife Show will feature an array of vendors and dealer.

■ Celebrate Princeton Street Fair 2021, June 12, Downtown Princeton

Celebrate Princeton Street Fair will feature live music, dance performances. live art mashup and more.

tival, June 17, Glenville, 6 N Court St.

West Virginia State Folk Festival will include old-time square dancing, quilt show, vendors and more.

■ 2021 Roanoke BBQ Bash, June 18, Roanoke, Stonewall Resort State Park

The Almost Heaven BBQ Bash will have more than 50 BBQ teams competing against each other in KCBS sanctioned 4meat competition and backyard BBQ contest. There will also be arts, crafts and live

■ 2021 Mid-Ohio Valley Multi-Cultural Festival, June 18, Parkersburg, 1920 Park

Mid-Ohio Valley Multi-Cultural Festival will feature live music performances in many genres. The festival will also include children's activities, craft and merchandise vendors, ethnic food and

■ 2021 West Virginia Interstate Fair and Exposition, June 22, Mineral Wells, West Virginia Fairgrounds

West Virginia Interstate Fair and Exposition will include 4-H and FFA pro-

■ 2021 West Virginia State Folk Fespiects, livestock and sale, ATV races, truck pulls, live entertainment, pageants, carnival rides and more carnival activieis.

> ■ 2021 Charleston Capitol Street Art Fair, June 26, Charleston, Capitol Street between Quarrier and Washington Street, East

Charleston Capitol Street Art Fair will include approximately 100 artists.

■ 2021 Mountain State Art and Craft Fair, July 1-2, Ripley, Cedar Lakes Conference Center

Mountain State Art and Craft Fair will feature artists exhibiting and selling handmade crafts.

■ 2021 Putnam County Fair, July 9, Eleanor, Ernest Page Jr. Fairgrounds

Putnam County Fair is a multi-day event and includes 4H/FFA shows and exhibits, animals and other fair activ-

■ 2021 West Virginia Hot Dog Festival, July 21, Huntington, Pullman Square

West Virginia Hot Dog Festival will feature live music, entertainment, hot dog eating, costume contest, pooch parade, wiener dog races and more.

■ 2021 Flatwoods Summer Gun and Knife Show, July 31-Aug. 1, Flatwoods, Days Inn Hotel Conference Center

Flatwoods Summer Gun and Knife Show will host an assortment of vendors and dealers selling with a variety of guns, rifles, shotguns, collectible firearms. handguns and more.

■ 2021 Mannington District Fair, Aug. 2-7, Mannington Fairground

There will be a variety of vendors, carnival rides, great food and more.

■ 2021 Pickin' in Parsons, Aug. 3, Parsons. Five River Camp Ground

The Pickin' in Parsons Bluegrass Festival will feature music as well as vendors selling crafts, food, and more.

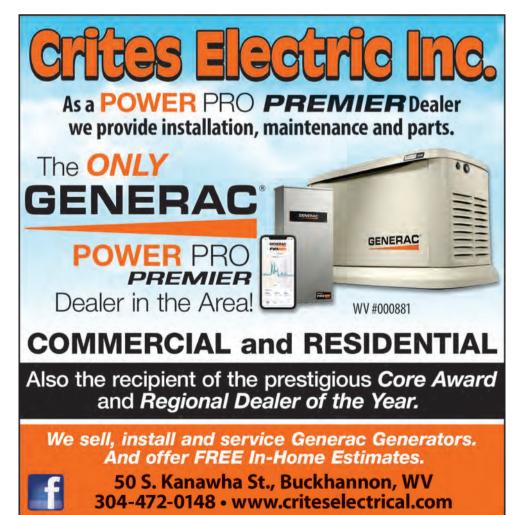
■ 2021 Appalachian String Band Festival, Aug. 4-8, Clifftop, Camp Washington-Carver

There will be concerts, contests, square dances, workshops, hymn-sing, camping and more.

■ 2021 Mercer County Fair, Aug. 6-7, Princeton, PikeView High School

Mercer County Fair will feature live-

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### Preston 4-H ready for summer

#### **BY JENIFFER GRAHAM**

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KINGWOOD — The Preston County 4-H Club will host several programs for members this summer.

West Virginia Extension Agent David Hartley said one of the programs, 4H Adventure days, a two-day program, will be in Eglon, Bruceton Mills and Reedsville.

He said the program will include crafts, STEM activities, as well as recreational activities.

Hartley said the 4H Adventure Days will be held June 23-24, June 30-July 1, July 14-15, and July 21-22.

He said the program will be limited to 30 individuals for each two-day event.

"It will be a great experience to do crafts, science experiments and have some recreational fun," Hartley said.

He said a meal will be provided for 4-H members participating in the program.

A special one-day program will be held for the Clover Buds this summer. The Clover Buds are 4-H members age 5-7. Details about the program will be sent

to the 4-H members.

Hartley said a special one-evening event, the Star Program, will be July 20

"The Star program will allow 4-H members to gain a lot of information about the solar system and astronomy," he said.

Hartley said an in-person Energy Express Program will be offered at West Preston this year for rising first and second graders.

"It's a literacy program that will help students increase their reading skills," he said. "Last year it was virtual, this year it will be in-person."

The program will be held 11:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. Monday through Friday June 20 to July 30.

Hartley said every week children participating will be given a book to take home and keep.

For information and updates about the programs, call the West Virginia Extension office in Kingwood at 304-329-1391.

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### Kingwood set to open pool soon

#### **BY JENIFFER GRAHAM**

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KINGWOOD — Kingwood Parks and Recreation will be opening its pool with some changes and a new diving board.

A shortage of lifeguards has led to the canceling of swim classes this year.

"We are still limited due to COVID," Supervisor Kevin Stiles said. "We have limited staffing, mainly life guards. We've advertised, but have had limited response. Anyone interested can call the office at 304-329-0856.

"I'm hoping to open the pool the first week of June," Stiles said.

Stiles said the diving board was bought with donations from the John W. Trenton Benevolent Trust. The irrevocable trust was created under the will of Dr. John W. Trenton to benefit the citizens of Kingwood and Preston County in the maintenance of community recreation facilities, scholarships and similar charitable, scientific, literary and educational purposes.

Stiles said private pool parties can be reserved Wednesday, Friday and Saturday evenings from 6-9 p.m. He said the two-hour rental fee is \$150. A \$50 deposit is required, and two lifeguards will be provided.

Stiles said general swim will be noon-5 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday; lap swim 11 a.m.-noon Tuesday-Saturday and 5-6 p.m. Tuesday-Friday. Night swim will be 6-8 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday. The pool is closed Sunday and Monday.

He said Kingwood Parks and Recreation will also be holding a summer camp June 14-July 23. The camp will be held five days a week.

Thomas Barlow will be director.

"Last year due to COVID, we only had 25 kids per day. This year we'll have 45," Stiles said.

He said he is hopeful the children will be able to go on field trips this year.

"We try to have three to four field trips a year," Stiles said. He said previous field trips have been to Prickett's Fort, Big Bear Water Park, The Carnegie Science Center and the Pittsburgh Zoo.

Stiles said camp costs \$85 per week and includes breakfast, lunch, field trips and some use of the pool. He said some parents act as chaperons on the field trips.

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## Region offers plenty of camping opportunities

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Monongalia, Marion, Preston and Taylor counties offer a variety of campgrounds to state residents and visitors.

#### **Preston County**

Perhaps one of Preston County's most popular camping areas is Big Bear Lake Camplands in Bruceton Mills. Big Bear Lake's Beaver Creek Village offers several camping options.

Campsites are close to activities at Big Bear Lake, which include mini golf, a game room, tennis, volleyball, baseball and basketball. Big Bear Lake also hosts live music at its community center. Hiking and biking trails are available. Swimming can be done at the 35-acre Big Bear Lake or the smaller Baby Bear Lake.

Big Bear Lake's standard tent sites include electric hookups, fire rings, picnic tables and on-site parking for one vehicle. Rustic tent sites include picnic tables, fire rings and on-site parking for one vehicle, but do not offer water or electric hookups.

Big Bear Lake's standard RV sites are back-in sites that are electric-only. They include picnic tables and fire rings. The location also offers pull-through full hook-up RV sites with electric, sewage and water.

Cabins at Big Bear Lake are one-room and two-room. One-room cabins have one queen size bed and one bunk bed. The one-room cabin can sleep up to four people. Two-room cabins have one queen size bed, two bunk beds and can sleep up to six people. All cabins have electricity, air conditioners, picnic tables, fire rings and charcoal grills. Guest must bring bed linens, kitchen utensils and personal items. The cabins do not have kitchens or



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Lloyd Richards, of Claysvilla, Pa., sets up his camp at McCollum Campground at Coopers Rock while his wife Terri relaxes with their dog.

bathrooms.

Comfort stations and bathrooms, including showers, are located within walking distance of all overnight accommodations at Big Bear.

A less well-known campground in Preston County is Teter's Campground in Albright.

Teter's offers six full hook-up RV sites, three electric-only RV sites, and plenty of space for tents if campers want to pursue a more rustic route.

Fire places, picnic tables, drinking water, a bathhouse with toilets and hot showers and trash receptacles are available for use by campers. Free Wi-Fi is available to campers if they request the

password.

Pets are permitted to join campers at the campground, but campers should call ahead to inform the venue that will be bringing their furry friend along.

Activities in the area include fishing, walking, hiking, kayaking, canoeing, rafting and biking. There is a paintball course nearby. Additionally, Cheat River Outfitters is three minutes away, so campers can venture down to enjoy white water rafting, swimming, rock jumping and rock climbing.

Children under 12 stay for free at

Glade Farms Campground is in Bruceton Mills. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, tenting and restrooms are currently unavailable.

This campground features 85 full hookup sites and 20 rustic tent sites as well as more than three pull-through sites.

Fire rings, ice, picnic tables, wood and a vending machine are all available on campground property. The campground also offers a dump station for campers and shaded sites in a rural area for privacy.

Activities at Teter's include fishing, picnic pavilions and playground equipment as well as a hiking and biking trail that connects to historic Fort Morris.

There will be no camp-sponsored activities due to COVID-19.

#### **Monongalia County**

Morgantown Campground does not offer a tent area, but offers all full hook-up, level, concrete or gravel lots for RVs.

Those interested in procuring a lot at Morgantown Campground can pay rent by the month, though the campground will accept weekly or nightly visitors, if space allows. Rent is \$600 a month for full hook-up concrete pads. This price includes water, sewer, electric and garbage.

Internet and cable are not included.

Morgantown Campground features a laundry room, pool and mail service to its visitors.

McCollum Campground is in Coopers Rock State Forest.

This campground is composed of 25 sites, all with electric hook-ups. There is a bathhouse with showers, laundry and drinking water available at an outside faucet.

Wi-Fi is available for registered guests and pets are permitted as long as they are kept on a leash.

Rhododendron Campground also lies within Coopers Rock. This primitive campsite is open to tent and hammock camping only. There are 25 sites with picnic tables and fire pits. There is a central bathroom with flushing toilets and running water. Pets are also permitted at this campsite and must be leashed.

At both the McCollum and Rhododendron campgrounds, there is a onenight minimum stay requirement on weekdays, a two-night minimum on weekends and a 14-night maximum.

#### **Marion County**

Curtisville Lake Park and Campground in Mannington has five RV sites and six primitive camping sites, which are filled on a first-come, first-served basis

Two vehicles are permitted per campsite and campers are allowed to stay for a maximum of 14 days. Pets are permitted but must leashed and cleaned up after. Pet waste should be disposed at pet stations.

Restrooms are available but no dump stations.

Activities include non-motorized boating, hiking, biking and picnicking. The campground also features an Americans with Disabilities Act accessible fishing pier.

Swisher Hill Campground in Fairmont has 54 RV spaces. The \$525 a month



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rent for a space includes electric, water, sewer, trash and Wi-Fi. If campers don't want to pay a monthly fee for a camping spot, they can pay \$35 a night for overnight camping.

There is no tent area at Swisher Hill and no mail service. There are Dumpsters available.

Pets are permitted but must be leashed and cleaned up after. There is a maximum of four campers, one RV and two vehicles per site.

Country Cottage Rentals and RV Park LLC in Carolina is open year-round and features full hook-ups with water and electric. There are no pull-through sites.

Tent sites are offered at Country Cottage Rentals. Showers and restrooms are available to guests and a playground is on the property for the kids.

#### **Taylor County**

Lakeside Resort Campground in Grafton offers a swimming pool, hiking trails, playground, laundry facilities and bathhouse.

There are no tent; only RV sites. No daily or weekly sites are available.

Pets are permitted but they must be leashed and cleaned up after.

The seasonal camping rate is \$1,700 per season. This rate includes water, sewage and garbage.

Tygart Lake State Park in Grafton has camping options open spring through fall, weather permitting. There is a two-night minimum required stay on weekends, a one-night minimum on weekdays and a 14-night maximum stay.

There are 36 campsites available, 10 with electric and water hookups while the other 26 are standard sites. There are no full hook-up sites available.

There is a dump station.

In addition to standard campsites, Tygart Lake also offers 11 cabins.

Classic cabins include water, electric, kitchens, linen service, central heat and air conditioning, bathrooms with showers, stone fireplaces, satellite TV, Wi-Fi and outdoor fire pits.

Vacation cabins include two bedrooms, kitchens, linen service, central heat and air conditioning, stone fireplaces, outdoor grills, satellite TV, Wi-Fi and outdoor fire pits.

Family Fishing and Camping RV Park in Grafton is home to 82 campsites. This family-owned park offers playgrounds for children. Fishing is \$8, but under 10 fish free.

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stock show and sale, competitive exhibits, arts and more.

■ 2021 Wheeling Heritage Music BluesFest, Aug. 13-15, Wheeling, Heritage Port Amphitheater

Enjoy incredible music by talented artists.

■ 2021 Rails and Ales Craft Beer Festival, Aug. 14, Huntington, Harris River Front Park

The Rails and Ales Craft Beer Festival will offer a wide variety of craft beers, live entertainment, artisan vendors and food.

■ 2021 Doddridge County Fair, Aug. 17-21, West Union, Doddridge County Park

There will be entertainment, amateur talent contest, pageants, horticulture and more.

■ 2021 Mountaineer Brewfest, Aug. 21, Wheeling, WV 1201 Water St.

Taste a variety of tasty beers. There will also be entertainment.

■ 2021 Randolph County Fair, Aug. 25-29, Beverly, Mount Vernon and Kings Run roads

It will include 4-H and FFA livestock shows and sale, demolition derby and more.

■ 4848 Festival 2021, Sept. 3-5, Snowshoe Mountain Resort

The 4848 Festival will feature bluegrass music.

■ 2021 Beckley Summer Gun and Knife Show, Sept. 11, Beckley, Raleigh County Convention Center

It will host a variety of vendors and dealers showcasing guns, rifles, shotguns, collectible firearms and more.

■ 2021 Mothman Festival, Sept. 18-19, Point Pleasant, Main Street/Riverfront Park

There will be live music, special appearances, guest speakers, TNT area tour and more.

■ 2021 Mountain Heritage Arts and Crafts Festival, Sept. 24-26, Shenandoah Junction, Jefferson County Fairgrounds

The Mountain Heritage Arts and Crafts Festival will host a great selection of artisans and crafts persons showing and demonstrating their works.

■ 2021 West Virginia Roadkill Cookoff, Sept. 25, Marlinton, 8th Street

There will be live music, arts and crafts vendors, West Virginia roadkill cook-off, exotic dishes and more.



# Register now for BOPARC many summer programs

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BOPARC is offering a number of summer programs.

They are:

- Swim lessons
- 2021 Summer Camp Junior Volunteer (JV's) and Counselor's In Training (CIT's)
  - Arts in the Park
  - BOPARC Summer Day Camp
- BOPARC & Pro Performance Summer Sports Camp
- BOPARC Summer Arts Camp Series
  - Camp YETI
  - Science
  - Steel Drums Camp
  - Tennis lessons

Registration is available online or by phone only. In-person registration is not offered at this time.

Register online https://apm.activecommuni-

ties.com/boparc/Home.

Activenet does charge user fees. These are not BOPARC fees and cannot be refunded by BOPARC.

For phone registration, call 304-296-8356. If all lines are busy and you enter the voicemail system, press option 0 (zero) to leave a message. A recreation assistant will return your call.

Payment plans will be available for those customers registering via phone. The online registration system does not allow payment plans.

Additional questions should be directed to info@boparc.org, RE: Summer Programming

COVID-19 can impact summer camp protocols. BOPARC will follow all local and state guidelines as enforced by the Monongalia County Health Department. Once guidelines are finalized, they will be shared with summer programming families and the public.

# Pierpont College hosts summer manufacturing camp for students

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Fairmont — Pierpont Community & Technical College is offering a five-day summer manufacturing camp for students ages 12 to 16.

The camp will take place from 8:30 a.m.-3 p.m. daily, June 14-18 at Pierpont's Advanced Technology Center in Fairmont

The goal of the NBT (Nuts, Bolts & Thingamajigs, Fabricators & Manufacturers Association Foundation) Pierpont Maker Camp is to introduce young minds to STEM — Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) — entrepreneurship.

Participants will learn about various types of manufacturing through hands-on activities, company tours, guest speakers and more.

A limited number of family members may attend a Certificate of Completion Ceremony on the camp's final day.

"It is important to expose students

early to STEM careers and opportunities right here in West Virginia and to introduce them to options for education and careers in the area that they may not have thought of otherwise," said Martina Bachlechner, the camp director and STREAM coordinator at Pierpont.

The price for the Pierpont Maker Camp is \$100 with lunch, a T-shirt, microcontrollers, and other materials provided. Scholarships are available based on need.

This camp is in-person and will follow all COVID protocols recommended for schools by the Marion County Board of Education, the State of West Virginia and Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

Registration is online at https://sites.google.com/a/pier-pont.edu/pierpontctc-maker camp/.

For additional information, send an email to maker.pierpont@gmail.com



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Camps:	Date:	Time:
Speed & Agility Camp (ages 5-12)	June 7-11	7:30am - 12:30pm
Basketball Camp (ages 5-12)	June 14-18	7:30am - 12:30pm
Baseball Camp (ages 5-12)	June 21-25; July 19-23	7:30am - 12:30pm
Soccer Camp (ages 5-12)	July 5-9	7:30am - 12:30pm
Football Camp (ages 5-12)	July 12-16	7:30am - 12:30pm
Strength & Conditioning Camp (ages 5-12)	July 26-30	7:30am - 12:30pm
Multi-Sport Camp (ages 5-12)	August 2-6	7:30am - 12:30pm
Backyard Games Camp (ages 5-12)	August 9 -13	7:30am - 12:30pm
Mylan Park Summer Fun Zone (ages 5-12)	Weekly	12:30pm - 5:30pm



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Chris Cortez bowls at Suburban Lanes. The bowling center is offering free bowling for school-age children through the summer.

### Suburban Lanes launches Summer Fun Program

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After a year off due to COVID, Suburban Lanes Bowling Center is re-launching its Summer Fun Program for the summer months. The program is open to all school-age children and will run on weekdays 8 a.m.-5 p.m.

Parents or guardians will be asked to fill out a form to obtain a free game of bowling and free hot dog for their child or children daily. Youth bowlers will need to supply their own bowling shoes or rent a pair for a fee of \$3.25.

The program is underway and runs through Aug. 31 at Suburban Lanes Bowling Center, 35 Chestnut Ridge Road, Morgantown.

Suburban Lanes and snack bar are open seven days a week beginning at 8 a.m. A family-friendly environment is encouraged. Masks are required while



moving around the bowling center. Any changes to the requirement will be posted to the center's social media pages.

For more information, follow @SuburbanLanesWV on Facebook and Instagram or log on to: suburbanlanes.com.

#### Local news and sports at DominionPost.com

## Aquatic center ready for family water fun

The Mylan Park Aquatic Center is a state-of-the-art, and fully accessible 90,000-square-foot facility featuring a 50-meter Olympic pool and diving well.

The facility also houses a community pool with zero-depth entry, water slides and play features, a six-lane lap pool, an outdoor splash pad, multi-purpose rooms to rent and a fitness room.

The facility promotes life-long health development in an innovative, friendly and well-maintained environment, according to its website.

There are individual, couple and family memberships available.

- Individual: \$45 a month; \$486 annually
  - Couple: \$80, month; \$844, annually
- Family: \$120, month; \$1,296, annually

A one-day pass is \$6. Visitor passes are also available. For questions, email info@mylanpark.org.

In partnership with Mon Health, the center offers free trial swim lessons to orient new parents and children. It's open to anyone, but participants may register just once a year.

Classes are offered are:

- Children under 4 with parent
- Children 3-4 years old
- Youth 6-12 years old

Sign up at mylanpark.org/monhealth-swim-stars/

There are also private swim lessons, safety training, specialty courses, aquatic exercies, summer camps, fitness and sports programs.

Find more info at mylanpark.org/theaquatic-center/



The Mylan Park Aquatic Center offers indoor and outdoor water fun. The center has a number of summer programs planned for individuals and families, children and adults.

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### Black Bears return with familiar standouts

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Tremendous experience in collegiate and affiliated baseball is the theme for the three West Virginia Black Bears coaches assigned to first-year manager Jedd Gyorko's coaching staff.

Former Rangers minor league staff member Mike Weatherford was named the Black Bears hitting coach while former Ohio Dominican University coach Jake Hall was named the team's pitching coach. Former WVU shortstop Jimmy Galusky rounds out the team's staff as position coach.

Another Morgantown native won a spot on the team's roster.

Caleb Taylor, a 2019 Morgantown High graduate, completed his freshman season at Potomac State College before securing his spot with the West Virginia Black Bears during their inaugural season in Major League Baseball's Draft League.

The Black Bears' season began last week against the Mahoning Valley Scrappers. While Opening Day was sold out, tickets remain for the remainder of the season, through Aug. 8.

Veteran minor league coach, Weatherford spent time in his professional career with the Texas Rangers, the Pittsburgh Pirates and the Frisco Roughrid-

Weatherford brings his prowess as a hitting coach to West Virginia. A soughtafter batting practice pitcher due to his ability to pitch right- and left-handed, Weatherford served as assistant manager for the independent Sugar Land Skeeters in 2020. He continued to offer his coaching services at Denton Guver High School near Dallas, Texas, Weatherford spent his collegiate days at the University of Okla-

Former All-American relief pitcher. Hale was a standout closer at Ohio State University. He was named to the All-

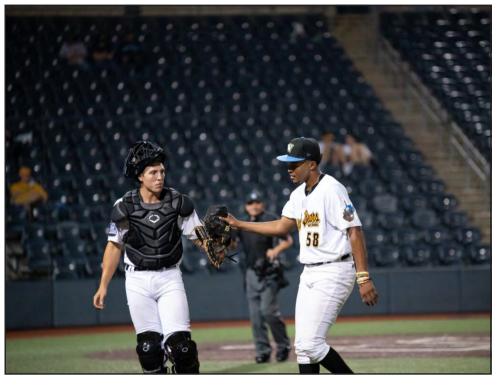


Photo courtesy of West Virginia Black Bears

Black Bears pitcher Ga'von Wray talks with catcher Tucker Mitchell May 24 at Monongalia County Ballpark.

a senior season in which he set a program record for appearances and saves in a single season. At the close of his Buckeye career, he tallied a program-high 29 career saves before becoming a 27th round draft pick of the Arizona Diamondbacks. Hale made 46 career appearances, compiling a 6-5 record with a 2.47 earned run average across two seasons in Arizona's minor league system, the Missoula Osprey, the Yakima Bears and the Visalia Rawhide. Hale began his coaching career in 2015 at the NCAA Division II level as runs scored.

American 1st-Team by NCBWA following the pitching coach at Ohio Dominican University.

> Arthurdale native Galusky rounds out the coaching staff for the 2021 season. A former shortstop for West Virginia University, he was drafted by the Chicago White Sox in 2018 after three seasons as a starter for the Mountaineers.

> Galusky returns to Mon County Ballpark after playing one season for the White Sox minor league affiliates. During his professional playing career, he had a .298 batting average in 37 games with 16

At West Virginia, Galusky played in 171 games between 2016-18 and was named to the All-Big 12 Honorable Mention Team twice in 2016 and 2017.

#### **Ticket info**

Ticket Pricing Advance sale: \$13 Gameday sale: \$15

Group tickets (12 or more): \$11.50 per

Contact: 304-293-7910

#### **Home games**

Today, Williamsport, 4:05 p.m. Monday, Mahoning Valley, 6:35 p.m. Tuesday, Mahoning Valley, 6:35 p.m. June 8, Mahoning Valley, 6:35 p.m.

June 9, Mahoning Valley, 6:35 p.m. June 10, Mahoning Valley, 6:35 p.m.

June 15, Trenton, 6:35 p.m.

June 16, Trenton, 6:35 p.m.

June 17, Trenton, 6:35 p.m.

June 22, Frederick, 6:35 p.m.

June 23, Frederick, 6:35 p.m.

June 24. Frederick, 6:35 p.m.

June 29, Frederick, 6:35 p.m.

June 30, Frederick, 6:35 p.m.

July 1. Frederick, 6:35 p.m.

July 2, State College, 7:05 p.m.

July 3, State College, 7:05 p.m.

July 15, State College, 6:35 p.m.

July 16, State College, 7:05 p.m.

July 17, Mahoning Valley, 7:05 p.m. July 18, Mahoning Valley, 4:05 p.m.

July 23, Mahoning Valley, 7:05 p.m.

July 24, Mahoning Valley, 7:05 p.m.

July 25, Mahoning Valley, 4:05 p.m.

Aug. 3, Frederick, 6:35 p.m.

Aug. 4, Frederick, 6:35 p.m.

Aug. 5, Frederick, 6:35 p.m.

Aug. 6, Mahoning Valley, 7:05 p.m.

Aug. 7, Mahoning Valley, 7:05 p.m.

Aug. 8, Mahoning Valley, 4:05 p.m.

### Get summer started this weekend in Mountaineer Country

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Visit Mountaineer Country CVB proudly salutes those who fight for our freedom. We remember and honor the brave men and women who sacrifice to protect America.

Celebrate these heroes at Triple S. Harley-Davidson's Memorial Day Cookout from noon-2 p.m. Monday. The cost is a \$5 donation, with proceeds benefiting Operation Welcome Home.

Military — active, reserve and veteran eat for free.

There will be live music.

Join High Ground Brewing, a veteranowned business in Terra Alta, for the second of its two-day Memorial Day Weekend event, wrapping up today. Fill up on great food from It's A Wrap — a new member of the food truck scene in Terra Alta, serving today.

Carry on tradition with the 154th Annual Memorial Day Parade in Grafton at 10 a.m. Monday. The parade will start at the intersection of Main and Bridge Street, making its way through downtown and up Walnut Street before concluding at the Grafton National Ceme-

During the COVID-19 pandemic, Visit Mountaineer Country Convention and Visitors Bureau (VMCCVB) found new

ways to engage its audiences.

In response to COVID-19, VMCCVB developed two programs, Commitment to Safety and Pledge to Prevent, which allowed local participants to be listed on VisitMountaineerCountry.com and be given an official program decal to be displayed at their business, signaling to visitors their location prioritized safety.

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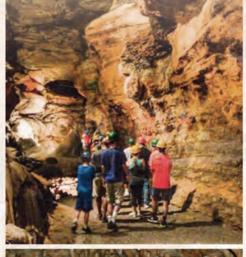
Saturday & Sunday: Gate opens at 10:00am and last tour leaves at 5:00pm

Closed Monday - Tuesday

Seneca Caverns welcomes you to call or email to arrange your group outing.

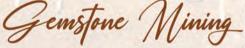
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