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HISTORIC BEVERLY First seat of Randolph County. Site of frontier, Civil War & county history. Home of Laura Jackson Arnold (sister of Stonewall Jackson) & Lemuel Chenoweth (inventor & covered bridge builder). Civil War cemetery & fortifications. Walking Tour brochure avail. Guided town tours by appt. 637-7424

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- **GOFF HOUSE** Former Civil War Union Hospital. Main St., Beverly. Th-Mon 10-5 637-1180 or 637-7424
- **RANDOLPH COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY MUSEUM** Winter hrs. by appt. Call for group tours (Adults\$3/students\$1) Also, Stalnaker Log House & Subscription School open by special arrangement. Main St. Beverly. 636-2650 or 636-1953
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HELVETIA HISTORICAL MUSEUM Early Swiss settlement in Randolph County. Open only by appt. or on special holidays: Call 924-6435

EXHIBITS

MOUNTAINMADE GALLERY in Thomas features mixed media by Annie Simco (www.petuniahead.com) in January. February: tba (www.mountainmade.com)

RANDOLPH COUNTY COMMUNITY ARTS CENTER Corner of Randolph Ave. & Park St., Elkins. Hrs. & Info: 637-2355 thru 1/20: *50 Years of Climate, Culture & Landscape Change in the Mt. Everest Region in the Great Hall Gallery*. Solo Exhibit by Linda Walker Roberts in the Maxwell Gallery.

LESSONS & WORKSHOPS

AUGUSTA HERITAGE CENTER of Davis & Elkins College offers programs in traditional folk arts. (See *Ongoing* for Pickin' Indoors) Spring Dulcimer Week in April offers several levels of classes for playing lap dulcimer, hammered dulcimer & autoharp. See their website: www.augustaheritage.com or call 637-1209 for more info.

THE DANCE FACTORY. Offering classes for all ages and levels in dance and gymnastics. New classes forming for the winter/spring semester in Hip-Hop, Jazz, Babies & Toddlers: Move & Play. Adult classes include Pilates, Movement & Fitness and workshops in Swing dance. 107 W. Main St., Buckhannon (Upshur Co.) Details & registr: 472-8291 or www.dancefactorywv.com

SEW-IN at scenic Camp Horseshoe (Tucker Co.) Feb. 13 – 15 (bring supplies); Registration required & fee for food/lodging. Info: 478-2899

THE GALLERY in Weston (Lewis Co.) hosts a Mosaic Snowman Class on Sat. 1/10 at 1p. Call Susan to register: 304-269-5100 X127. Sat. 1/17: Learn all about permanent watercolor on fabric using soy-based paints. Also See *Ongoing* for Weaving workshops on 3rd Sat. every month. A tri-loom workshop will be held: 2/21, 3/21, 4/18. To register, call Donna Wilfong: 304-269-3376. The Gallery, 128 Main Ave, Weston.

MOUNTAINMADE STUDIO WORKSHOPS in Thomas. 10a – 5p. 1/10-1/11: *Peyote Bead Stitch* w/ local artist Sarah Hubbard. Students may bring beads and/or use materials from Sarah. 1/17-18: *Quilting Tremendous Trees* w/ Margaret Babb. Students make quilted wall hanging. Bring sewing machine if you have one. 1/18: *Prodding the Petals* w/ fiber artist Susan Feller. Noon – 4p, learn Rug-hooking techniques (only \$22 + \$10 materials fee). Local potter Lori Haldeman is also giving pointers in the pottery studio Mon/Wed 1 – 4p. and Tues.eves. 6 – 9p. Experienced artists may use any of Mountainmade's Studios (ceramic, glass, fiber, jewelry, & print/paper/bookbinding) for a small fee. Pre-registration required. All workshops held in studios above Mountain Made Country Store in Thomas (Tucker Co.) Save 5% by registering online at www.mountainmade.com; or Call 463-3355

RANDOLPH COUNTY COMMUNITY ARTS CENTER Arts classes & workshops for toddlers – adults. Pottery, painting, basketry, children's multimedia, dance, & more. Winter 6 week session runs 1/12 – 2/20. Info/cost/registr: 637-2355 or www.randolpharts.org

VOICES FROM THE EARTH Mountain Voices School of the Arts: Classes in music through the winter months, dance, drama, storytelling in spring & summer, for all ages. At Thomas Education Center, Third & Brown Streets (Tucker Co.) Info/registr: 463-4561

OTHER OPPORTUNITIES

POCAHONTAS COUNTY

ARTISAN CO-OPERATIVE Featuring paintings, stained glass, blacksmith creations, photography, baskets, carved birds, jewelry, textile & fiber arts, wood & slate items and more. Rte 28/92, Green Bank. 456-9900

RANDOLPH COUNTY

ARTISTS AT WORK Gallery featuring pottery, woodwork, paintings, photography, textile & fiber arts, jewelry & more. Classes available. 329 Davis Ave., Elkins. 637-6309

AUGUSTA HERITAGE CENTER of Davis & Elkins College. Programs in traditional folk arts. (See *Ongoing Augusta's Pickin' Indoors* and January 16-19: *Wild & Wonderful Dance Weekend*) 100 Campus Dr., Elkins. 637-1209 or www.augustaheritage.com

C.J. MAGGIE'S American Grill -- Eclectic, casual restaurant & bar. Funky food for cool people. Eat & drink what you want. Visit "Armadillo Flats." 309 Davis Ave., Elkins. 636-1730

CERAMICS WITH CLASS For all your ceramic needs. Greenware, bisque, brushes, paints, glazes & other supplies. Also customized orders & personalized classes. Open Mon-Sat (eve hrs, MWF). 203 Davis Ave., Elkins. 636-2903

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ELKINS SEWING CENTER Classes, supplies & books for quilting, needlecraft & other fiber arts. Wide variety of specialty threads & notions available. Sewing machine sales & service. Call or check website (elkinssewingcenter.com) for newsletter & class list. 300 Davis Ave., Elkins. 636-9480

THE GOFF HOUSE ANTIQUES & TEXTILE STUDIO Featuring Appalachian Piecework's contemporary & traditional weaving, spinning, shibori-dyed textiles, basketry & more. Also, antiques, workshops & private lessons. Thurs-Mon 10a-5p; or, by chance or app't. Main St., Beverly. Laurie Gundersen. 637-1180

THE LODGE AT KELLY MOUNTAIN Central WV's premier dining & lodging experience. M-Th 5-9, Fri & Sat 5-10. On Kelly Mtn Rd, just off Rte 33, approx 3.5 miles east of Elkins. 635-0300

MAIN LINE BOOKS Featuring books of local interest, children's books, railroad books, popular titles & other fine reading. Call for book-signings & other special events. 301 Davis Ave., Elkins. 636-6770

THE MINGO ROOM RESTAURANT Casual dining at Graceland Inn, a national historic landmark on the Davis & Elkins College campus in Elkins. Dinners: Wed-Sat 5:30-9; Sunday Brunch: 11:30-2. Also: conferences, retreats, special events & catering. Info, bookings & dining or lodging reserv: 637-1600

SMAKULA FRETTED INSTRUMENTS Repair, restoration & sales of fine quality guitars, banjos, mandolins, violins & other stringed instruments. Call 636-6710 for appointment.

TALBOTT FRAME SHOP Custom frame shop featuring limited edition prints by Fracé, duBois, Redlin, G. Harvey & local artists, framed mirrors & much more. Open 9-5 M,T,W; 9-6 Th & Fri; 10-6 Sat. 220 Third St., Elkins. 636-7691

YARN & COMPANY Quality yarns from all over the world, knitting accessories, books & more. Also gift items, special orders, & classes. Find us just S of Elkins, off Rte 219/250, 2 mi down Airport/Country Club Rd. (near Beverly end). Open T & W eves; Th, F & Sat 10-5; also by chance or appt. 636-3760 or www.yarnandcompany.net

TUCKER COUNTY

GIFTS TO GO West Virginia's finest food products, candles, local crafts, novelties, dolls, angels, baskets etc. You make the budget decision: We make the impression! Bag, Box or Basket! We ship! 201 First St., Parsons. 478-2057 or www.giftstogowv.com

HERITAGE HOUSE Fine arts & crafts co-op with members from across WV. New artists welcome. Art workshops. Parsons RR Depot, Main St., Parsons. 478-2402

MOUNTAINMADE Gallery & Country Store, featuring fine art & craft by nearly 600 WV artists. Visit www.mountainmade.com or two retail locations in historic Thomas. Open daily 10-5. (Also see MM Studio Workshops in Lessons & Workshops.) 1-877-MTN-MADE or 463-3355

THE WHITE ROOM Art Gallery featuring local artists and dedicated to original, eclectic, & thought-provoking works of art including beadwork, paintings, pottery, photography, pen & ink drawings, even a salon for artistic conversations. Open wkends & some weekdays -- 10a-5:30p. 14 Front St. in Thomas. Info: 304-621-2008.

WV HIGHLANDS ARTISANS GALLERY Fine art, photography, jewelry, wood, textiles, leather, glass, scents, candles, soaps, baskets, pottery, notecards & more. Open 10 - 5; closed Tues-Wed. 487 William Ave, across from Sirianni's.

UPSHUR COUNTY

BOOKS BOOKS BOOKS More than 200,000 new & used books in wide-ranging categories at discounted prices. A book-lover's paradise! Also, gift shop with all-new items. M-Sat: 10-5. 47 E. Main St., Buckhannon. 473-0011

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88 RESTAURANT & LOUNGE, INSIDE THE BICENTENNIAL INN Newly updated, fabulously located hotel restaurant, featuring great food, banquet/conference/reception facilities & comfortable rooms. Room enough for all your needs! 88 & 90 E. Main St., Buckhannon. Inn: 472-5000; Restaurant: 473-1988

LASCAUX MICRO-THEATER Intimate underground venue (named after the ancient French cave paintings) specializing in art & foreign films. Friday eves. at 7:30pm. Limited seating. 33 E. Main St. (X from Dairy Queen), Buckhannon. For features, times, reservations, mailing list: 473-1818

WHIMSICAL TREASURES A unique gift & home décor shop w/ items ranging from traditional to whimsical. Featuring regional hand-crafted items: soy candles, stained glass, goats milk lotions & soaps, textiles, furniture & more. M-Sat 9a-7p. Main St. Buckhannon 304-472-5186

ONGOING EVENTS

AMERICAN MOUNTAIN THEATER will be closed in January & February, but look for their brand new musical variety & comedy show in March. Info: americanmountaintheater.com or 1-800-943-3670

AUGUSTA'S PICKIN' INDOORS sponsored by Augusta Heritage Center (637-1209) Wednesday evenings - acoustic bluegrass & old-time jam sessions open to all. Join a jam, start one of your own, or just come and listen. No alcoholic beverages or smoking. Hermanson Center Lounge, D&E College, Elkins. 637-1209 FREE

CANAAN VALLEY NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE (Tucker Co.) Visitor Center with exhibits & information. Also, books & gifts. Visitor Center open Sat. & some weekdays. For hrs, details about activities co-sponsored by Friends of the 500th & other info: 866-3858 or www.fws.gov/canaanvalley

CANAAN WEAVERS GUILD Meets 2nd Tues of every month. All interested in weaving welcome. 6p. at Ben's Old Loom Barn in Canaan Valley. More info: 227-4390 or 866-273

DURBIN & GREENBRIER VALLEY SCENIC RR Three excursion trains traveling thru 100+ miles of WV's best mountain scenery. (See 2/14 Valentines Dinner Train) For railroad souvenirs & gifts, visit our Rail & Trail store in the Elkins Depot. Call for schedule, reserv, charter info: Toll free, 1-877-MTN RAIL or www.mountainrail.com

ELKINS COUNTRY DANCE SOCIETY Hosts a Sat eve square/contra dance to live music, most months Nov-June. (See 1/16-19 *Wild & Wonderful Dance Wkend*; 2/13 ECDS Square Dance) More info: 637-3501

THE GALLERY in Weston (Lewis Co.) hosts weaving workshops on 3rd Saturday of every month. 128 Main Ave, Weston. 304-269-5100

HEALTHWAYS SILVERSNEAKERS FITNESS PROGRAM presented by Total Training Fitness Center on the Glenmore Loop in Elkins. This program is designed for older adults & those who are Medicare-eligible. Classes offered Tues & Thurs, 8-9a. or 11a-noon. Call 636-0322 for info. on this or other fitness programs.

HELVETIA SQUARE DANCES 1st Sat of each month (Jan. 3 & Feb.7) 8p-midnight, Red Hall or Community Hall (Also see Feb. 21st *Fasnacht*) Call for info: 924-6435 or dave@helvetiaww.com

MOUNTAIN WEAVERS GUILD meets 3rd Sat. of each month at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, 302 1st St. in Elkins. Spinners, weavers, basket-makers welcome. 227-4390

PURPLE FIDDLE COFFEEHOUSE coffee, brews & stage with live music every Fri, Sat & Sun eve. (some weeknites too.) Serving deli sandwiches, soup, desserts, coffee, beer, wine & other beverages daily. Smoke-free & family friendly. Historic DePollo General Store, 21 East Ave., Thomas (Tucker Co.) www.purplefiddle.com or 463-4040

RCCAC & DAVIS TRUST CO. BROWN BAG CONCERT 3rd Wed each month (1/21: TBA, 2/18: EHS Encores and Jazz Band) Bring your lunch & enjoy live music, Noon-1p, Randolph County Community Arts Center, Randolph Ave. & Park St., Elkins. 637-2355 FREE

RCCAC OPEN PAINTING STUDIO Tuesdays 9:30A - 3:30P. Join fellow artists in the Great Hall. Bring all supplies, incl. drop cloths. We provide warm space & coffee. RCC Arts Center, Randolph Ave. & Park St., Elkins. 637-2355 FREE

SENECA TRAIL ARTISTS GUILD Monthly mtgs, newcomers welcome! 3rd Mon of each month, 5:30p Old Brick Lobby, 4th & Davis, Elkins. 338-2502 or 339-6309

TIMBERLINE RESORT open everyday, year round, with live entertainment & dinner specials on wkends. Timbers Pub & Fireside Grill (Special events see: 1/2, 1/9-11, 1/16-19, 1/23-25, 1/30-2/1, 2/13-15) 1-800-766-9464 or www.timberlinerestort.com

WV NATIVE AMERICAN FLUTE CIRCLE 1-3p, 2nd Sat of each month, at Randolph Co. Community Arts Center, Elkins. All welcome. 637-5290 FREE

WV PUBLIC BROADCASTING: Radio & TV. Tune us in for whatever you're looking for in the arts. www.wvpubcast.org

JANUARY

DON'T FORGET!

WEDNESDAYS Augusta's "Pickin' Indoors" Jam sessions open to all, 7-10p. Hermanson Ctr, D&E College, Elkins 637-1209.

FRIDAYS: Lascaux Micro-Theater Art & foreign films, Friday 7:30p. in Buckhannon (see *Other Opps, Upshur*) 473-1818.

WEEKENDS: Purple Fiddle Live music & more, in Thomas (see *Ongoing*). www.purplefiddle.com or 463-4040.

- 2 – 3 WILD WEST WINTER WEEKEND at Timberline Resort (Tucker Co.) Featuring music by *The Saddle Tramps*, Fri: 6-midnight & Sat: 4-9p. Also late night dancing w/ *James Michel Woodyard* Sat: 10P-1A in Timbers Pub. No cover. Call 1-800-SNOWING
- 3 HELVETIA SQUARE DANCE "First Saturday Dance" of the year! Rain, snow or shine. 8pm, Star Band (Red) Hall. \$5/adults; \$1/12&under. 924-6435
- 7 AUDITIONS for award-winning musical, *Gypsy*, at West Virginia Wesleyan College, Atkinson Auditorium. 6:30p. Bring 16-24 bars of memorized song w/ sheet music and a short comic monologue or read & sing from the script. (Children's auditions: Jan. 10 @ 2p.) Info: 473-8810.
- 7 & 9 & 11 ELKINS HIGH SCHOOL THEATRE presents *Our Town* by Thornton Wilder. Wed & Fri at 7p. and Sunday at 2p. Tickets \$5 in advance or \$10 at door. Visit www.ElkinsDrama.com or call 591-1142 for info. & advance res.
- 9 – 11 MIDWINTER CELEBRATION at Timberline Resort. Ski from 8a to late night. Fri: John Michel Woodyard (no cover); Sat: Brother Short (\$5/cover) in Timbers Pub. Info: 1-800-SNOWING or www.timberlinerestort.com
- 10 WINTER MORNING BIRD WALK led by Casey Rucker. Meet 8a. at Cannan Valley Wildlife Refuge Visitor Center, Rt. 32 in Canaan Valley (Tucker Co.) Wear warm comfortable boots & dress for weather. Bring drinking water. Binocs. may be borrowed or bring your own. 304-866-3858 for more info. FREE
- 10 Children's auditions for *Gypsy* at West Virginia Wesleyan College, Atkinson Aud. 2p. (see above Jan. 7th - AUDITIONS) Info: 473-8810

10 WINTER TRAILS DAY AT WHITEGRASS Free lessons/clinics & rentals to all first time skiers or snowshoers. X-Country lessons every hour & 10A & 2P clinics on types of snowshoes, clothing, techniques & outdoor winter snow travel, followed by natural history tour on snowshoes into neighboring Nat'l Wildlife Refuge (Tucker Co.) 866-4114

11 GATEWAY TO THE REFUGE: High Elevation Spruce Forest. An ecosystem trek through red spruce with naturalist Dave Saville who will discuss efforts to protect & restore this species in the refuge. Meet at 10a. at White Grass lodge. Bring snowshoes or borrow from White Grass Ski Touring Center, Freeland Rd., Canaan Valley (Tucker Co.). Co-sponsored by CV Nat'l Wildlife Refuge: 866-3858 or www.whitegrass.com for info. FREE

16 -19 WILD & WONDERFUL DANCE WEEKEND (Proceeds benefit RCCAC.) Fri 8-11:30p: Cajun dance w/ music by *Tracy Schwarz & the Cajuneers*. Sat, Sun 8p & Mon 10a: Contra/square dances. All with music by *Great Bear Trio, Gerry Milnes & friends* and calling by Joyce Rossbach. Sat & Sun daytime: Dance & music workshops. All at Randolph County Community Arts Center in Elkins. Co-hosted by RCCAC, Augusta Heritage Center, & ECDS. Wkend: \$100 (Single day: \$60; evening: \$12, space permitting). Space limited, pre-registration strongly advised. Lodging avail. Info: www.randolpharts.org or 637-2355.

16 – 19 MLK WKEND @ TIMBERLINE RESORT Continuous activity starting with breakfast at 6a. until Timbers Pub closes at 2a. Slopes open at 8a. Entertainment Fri, Sat, Sun: James Michel Woodyard 4 – 8p. *McClures Drive* 9p – 1a. No cover/early show; \$5/late show each night. 1-800-SNOWING

17 VALLEY VIBES Naturalist program at Canaan Valley Nat'l Wildlife Refuge Visitors Ctr, Rt.32 in Canaan Valley. 7p. (topic TBA, call 866-3858 for info.)

18 CAREFREE SNOWSHOE TOUR Your chance to appreciate the simple beauty of snowshoeing. Natural history & local lore included. Meet at 1p. Whitegrass Ski Touring Ctr. Freeland Rd. Canaan Valley (Tucker Co) www.whitegrass.com or 866-4114 for info. FREE

18 MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. CELEBRATION Program at 4p. preceded by commemorative march from RCCAC at 3:45. Sponsored by the Cultural Awareness and Enrichment Group. Location: Old Brick Playhouse, 4th & Davis Ave, Elkins. Donations welcome. Call for info. 636-4160 or 636-8195

19 MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. DAY Elementary school age children are invited to participate in activities to commemorate civil rights leader M.L.King Jr. Sponsored by Americorps & VISTA members. 10a – 3p. at Old Brick Playhouse, 4th St. & Davis Ave, Elkins. Parents invited for last hour or may stay & watch. Info: 636-6182

19 ALDERSON-BROADDUS COLLEGE Music Dept. will perform Opera scenes from *Aida* and *Little Women*. 7:30p. in Wilcox Chapel, A-B College, Philippi. 457-6297. FREE

21 RCCAC & DAVIS TRUST CO. BROWN BAG LUNCH CONCERT 3rd Wed of each month. Bring your lunch & enjoy live music (TBA) Noon-1pm, Randolph County Community Arts Center, Randolph Ave. & Park St., Elkins. 637-2355 FREE

23 BRAZENHEAD INN in Mingo (Randolph Co.) features *Gypsy Dave & the Stumpjumpers*, a Pennsylvania trio whose songs run the gamut from heartfelt emotion to light & playful. Info/Res: www.brazenheadinn.com or 1-866-339-6917. Rt. 219 S. (between Valley Head & Snowshoe)

23 – 25 COUNTRY LEGENDS TRIBUTE WEEKEND at Timberline Resort (Tucker Co.) Enjoy the sounds of WV's rich musical heritage with MGM recording artist & star of the WVA Jamboree, *Roy Scott*. Also, Jan & Laurie of *Harmony Scott*, performing contemporary & classic renditions of country legends. Fri: 7 – 11 & Sat: 5 – 9. Followed by James Michel Woodyard on Sat. No cover. Restaurant open early til late with full menu. 866-4801 or 1-800-SNOWING

24 BRAZENHEAD INN in Mingo (Randolph Co.) features live music by *HOLY COW!* (parodies, blues, & then some with Mike Arcuri & Keith Lahti) You *WILL* be entertained! Icy roads? – Relax, book a room! Info/Res: www.brazenheadinn.com or 1-866-339-6917. Rt. 219 S. (between Valley Head & Snowshoe)

24 POCAHONTAS COUNTY OPERA HOUSE presents *The Black Twig Pickers* Down-home old-time music for toe-tappin' or boot-stompin'. Showtime: 7:30p. Pocahontas Co. Opera House in Marlinton. Tix: \$5 at the door, children under 12 Free. 799-6645 or www.pocahontasopera-house.org

25 GATEWAY TO THE REFUGE: GPS Mapping. Dr. Rick Landenberger from WVU will discuss uses of GPS in wildlife & forestry. You will learn how to use one on the ground. Bring snowshoes or skis or borrow from White Grass. Meet 10a. at Whitegrass Ski Touring Ctr, Freeland Rd, Canaan Valley (Tucker Co.) Call 866-3858 or 866-4114 for info. FREE

25 SNOWSHOE 5K WALK/RUN Starts at 1p. (Regist: 11-12:30, \$5) from White Grass Ski Touring Ctr in Canaan Valley. A rolling course full of prizes & fun. Rentals available for \$8 or bring your own. Info/Reg: 866-4114 or www.whitegrass.com

28 – 30 WV SPECIAL OLYMPICS WINTER GAMES includes racers from 3 states w/parents, coaches, volunteers. An emotional inspiration to partake in. www.whitegrass.com

30 – 2/1 WINTER CELTIC FESTIVAL & SUPER BOWL WKEND at Timberline Resort (Tucker Co.). Beginning 4P Fri & Sat: Traditional Irish & Scottish music by *Pete Tenney & Blaine Stevens*. Late night: rhythm & blues w/ *James Michel Woodyard*. No cover. Restaurant open early til late. SUPER BOWL PARTY on SUNDAY in Timbers Pub to watch the game on high def. T-V. 866-4801 or 1-800-SNOWING

30 – 2/1 WEST VIRGINIA WESLEYAN COLLEGE WINTER DANCE FESTIVAL Three days of workshops, master classes & performances featuring established as well as up & coming new talent from the region & beyond. See the endless possibilities of movement, line, form & content. Atkinson Auditorium stage, WVWC, Buckhannon (Upshur Co) Info/Regis: 473-8449 or www.wvwc.edu



The Randolph Arts Alliance publishes this calendar as a service to the community. All responsibility for activities, facilities & programming rests with the sponsoring organizations listed.

Please note: All events, dates and times are subject to change. Call to confirm, especially if coming from a distance or in bad weather. All area codes "304" unless noted.

FEBRUARY

DON'T FORGET!

February is Black History Month: look for programs to be announced in your local papers.

WEDNESDAYS Augusta's "Pickin' Indoors" Jam sessions open to all. 7-10pm Hermanson Center, D&E College, Elkins 637-1209. FREE

FRIDAYS: Lascaux Micro-Theater Art & foreign films, Friday 7:30p. in Buckhannon (see *Other Opps*, Upshur) 473-1818.

WEEKENDS: Purple Fiddle Live music & more, in Thomas (see *Ongoing*). www.purplefiddle.com or 463-4040.

5 – 7 Davis & Elkins College Theatre presents: *TWO "GENTS"* - a gently-twisted comedy about friendship, love and betrayal, adapted from Shakespeare's *TWO GENTLEMEN OF VERONA*. (also Feb.12-14) 8 pm in the Boiler House Theater. \$7/Gen. Adm; \$5/Seniors, Alumni, under 18. Reservations: 637-1212.

7 VALENTINE PARTY & CARD STAMPING It's more fun to make your own & get ideas from other valentine makers. All welcome. 1p. at The Gallery, 128 Main Ave, Weston (Lewis Co.) 304-269-5100

7 POCAHONTAS COUNTY OPERA HOUSE presents The Washington Street Strutters playing Dixieland jazz favorites on clarinet, piano, trombone & vocals. Showtime: 7:30p. Pocahontas Opera House in Marlinton. Tix: \$5 at the door, children under 12 free. Info: 304-799-6645 or www.pocahontasoperahouse.org

7 WV WESLEYAN COLLEGE MUSICAL THEATRE RECITAL featuring senior musical theatre majors performing a variety of selections from the classical and contemporary American stage. 8p. (Location: TBA Call 473-8810) FREE

7 FIRST SATURDAY SQUARE DANCE in Helvetia (Randolph Co.) 8p. – midnight, Red Hall or Community Hall. Info: 924-6435 or dave@helvetiawv.com

8 GATEWAY TO THE REFUGE: Animal Tracking. Refuge biologist Ken Sturm will lead this snowshoe walk, examining & identifying animal tracks. Meet at 10a. White Grass Ski Touring Ctr. Freeland Rd. Canaan Valley (Tucker Co) Bring snowshoes or borrow from White Grass. Info: 866-3858. FREE

12 – 14 Davis & Elkins College Theatre presents: *TWO "GENTS"* a gently-twisted comedy about friendship, love and betrayal, adapted from Shakespeare's *TWO GENTLEMEN OF VERONA*. (also Feb. 5-7) 8 pm in the Boiler House Theater. \$7/Gen. Adm; \$5/ Seniors, Alumni, under 18. Reservations: 637-1212.

13 ECDS SQUARE DANCE Get lucky at our "Friday the 13th" Valentine's Dance! Lively music by guest fiddler Nathan Druckenmiller & friends. Calling by Mary Alice Milnes. All dances taught. Potluck snacks. Singles and beginners welcome. Hosted by Elkins Country Dance Society (see *Ongoing*) \$5/\$3 students 7:30p. RCC Arts Center, Park St. & Randolph Ave, Elkins. 637-3501.

13-15 SEW-IN at scenic Camp Horseshoe (Tucker Co.) Bring supplies); Registration required & fee for food/lodging. Info: 478-2899

13 – 15 PRESIDENTS WEEKEND at Timberline Resort (Tucker Co.) features 3 days of continuous music from 4P-2A Fri,Sat,Sun in Timbers Pub, starting off each performance with a Willie Nelson Tribute, by country legend Roy Scott. Late night show: rhythm & blues, variety by *James Michel Woodyard*. No cover. Restaurant open early til late with full menu. 866-4801 or 1-800-SNOWING

14 WV MTN. TRAIL RUNNERS "PUB RUN" starts at Mountain State Brewing in Thomas, 10a. with 2 loop courses: a 6 mile and a 15 mile. Info/Regist: 304-924-5835 or irun@starband.net

14 VALENTINES DINNER TRAIN Celebrate with your sweetheart aboard the Tygart Flyer on a 4 hr. round-trip train ride featuring gourmet dining. Departs 5p. from Elkins train depot. \$85/person. Reservations required. 1-877-MTN-RAIL or www.mountainrail.com

15 CAREFREE SNOW SHOE TOUR Your chance to appreciate the simple beauty of snowshoeing. Natural history & local lore included. Meet at 1p. Whitegrass Ski Touring Ctr. Freeland Rd. Canaan Valley (Tucker Co) www.whitegrass.com or 866-4114 for info. FREE

15 ALDERSON-BROADDUS COLLEGE hosts a Concerto Competition Concert with orchestra, 7:30p. Wilcox Chapel, A-B College, Philippi. 457-6297. FREE

18 RCCAC & DAVIS TRUST CO. BROWN BAG LUNCH CONCERT 3rd Wed of each month. Bring your lunch & enjoy *Elkins High School Encores & Jazz Band*. Noon-1pm, Randolph County Community Arts Center, Randolph Ave. & Park St., Elkins. 637-2355 FREE

19 – 22 WV WESLEYAN COLLEGE THEATRE presents *Dancing at Lughnasa* by Brian Friel. The story of five unmarried sisters, one with a young son who grows up to tell the story of one summer in their small village in Ireland, 1936. Thurs – Sat, 8p. Sun. matinee at 2p. Atkinson Theatre, WV Wesleyan College, Buckhannon. Tix: \$5/gen.adm; \$3/seniors&students. Info/Res: 473-8037

21 WINTER BIRD WALK led by Casey Rucker. Meet 8a. at CV Wildlife Refuge Visitors Center, Rt. 32 in Canaan Valley. Dress for weather & bring drinking water and binocs. (some may be borrowed) FREE

21 BRAZENHEAD INN in Mingo (Randolph Co.) features Doug & Shelly Harper, folk duo blend of harmony with Appalachian-inspired lyrics. Info/dinner res: www.brazenheadinn.com or 1-866-339-6917. Rt. 219 S. (between Valley Head & Snowshoe)

21 POCAHONTAS COUNTY OPERA HOUSE presents *The Grass Stains*, southern WV Mountain bluegrass band, based in St. Albans. Showtime: 7:30p. Pocahontas Opera House in Marlinton. Tix: \$5 at the door, children under 12 free. Info: 304-799-6645 or www.pocahontasoperahouse.org

21 RCCAC CONCERT SERIES presents *The Dixie Hummingbirds*, in concert at 7:30p. Traditional gospel legends, this a cappella group has performed with many of the top hit entertainers of the 60's-90's. Reservations strongly recommended: 637-2355. Randolph Co. Community Arts Center, corner of Park St. & Randolph Ave, Elkins. www.randolpharts.org

21 FASNACHT Masquerade parade & dance. 8:30pm: Candle-lit procession from the Hütte Restaurant to the Helvetia Community Hall; 9-midnite: Dance, followed by huge bonfire, burning Old Man Winter! Sponsored by the Helvetia Restoration & Development Org. (Randolph County) 924-6435 for more info.

22 GATEWAY TO THE REFUGE: Geology of Canaan Valley & Environs. A Snowshoe walk led by Barnes Nugent of the WV Geologic Survey, lifelong mountaineer & X-country skier. Meet 10a. White Grass Ski Touring Center, Freeland Rd., Canaan Valley (Tucker Co.). Co-sponsored by CV Nat'l Wildlife Refuge: 866-3858 or www.whitegrass.com for info. FREE

22 ELKINS CULTURAL AWARENESS & ENRICHMENT GROUP and the WV Humanities Council present "Bertha's Story" 3 years before Rosa Parks refused to give up her bus seat in Montgomery, Alabama, Bertha Dozier did the same thing in Florida and was jailed for it. Her niece made a movie about the incident and they will both be honored guests for our Black History month presentation at 4p. Randolph County Community Arts Center, Park St. & Randolph Ave, Elkins. Info: 636-4160

27 MASTERS CLASS JAZZ WORKSHOP taught by Will Scruggs. 10a.-2p. Robert L. Bland Middle School in Weston. Pre-registration required: 269-3683 or WVJazzSociety@aol.com.

27 WV JAZZ SHOWCASE Enjoy WV's best jazz players at 7p. in West Hall, 2nd St. Weston (Lewis Co.) Info: 304-269-3683 or WVJazzSociety@aol.com

28 THE ARTS COUNCIL OF WESTON presents *Jazz & Tapas*. Gourmet dining with the Jazz Foundation from Atlanta & *Latin Comparsa* from Charleston, WV. \$50/person. Doors open at 6p. West Hall, 2nd St. in Weston. Info: 269-3683 or WVJazzSociety@aol.com

28 "TASTE OF MARDI GRAS" FAMILY EVENT Enjoy authentic Cajun/Creole dishes and live New Orleans jazz band. Sponsored by the Barbour County Arts & Humanities Council. 6 - 8pm, Philippi City Building. Children 12 & under accompanied by adult, free. Info: 457-4323

28 ARTSBANK ART AUCTION Fundraiser to benefit art education in Randolph County elementary schools. Silent & grand auctions, gourmet coffees & dessert bar. Doors open 7p. Orchard Hall, Elkins. \$15, tix at the door or in adv. 636-4244

March Preview

March 7 – 8 GOVERNOR'S CUP SKI RACE Tucker County Alpine Festival presents "*the Oldest Ski Race in the South*" at Canaan Valley Resort (Tucker County) Compete in the Giant Slalom race Sat/Sun, fee required; discount lift tickets for all racers. For details: call 1-800-782-2775

March 7 GLENN SINGER as *El Gleno Grande* performs at Randolph County Community Arts Center as part of their Children's Concert Series. Hilarious Glenn is at it again! Showtime: 4 PM. Park St. & Randolph Ave, Elkins. All tickets \$5 at the door. Info/Res: 637-2355 or www.randolpharts.org

March 21 – 22 PICKENS MAPLE SYRUP FESTIVAL The sap is a'risin' so come on up to Pickens (Randolph Co.) for a tour of the maple syrup camp, pancake feed, artists at work, live music, puppet show, and lots of exhibits & demonstrations. A Full Weekend of activities. Visit online: www.smilingcountry.com/pickenswv

