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FRN Moves into New Location

Article by Art Limman

The Marshall County FRN moved into its new building at 1501 Second Street in Moundsville. Officials say the move was made to make the organization more visible, accessible, and accommodating to the community.

“It has been a lot of hard work but we are so pleased to be working out of our new offices”, said Stacie Dei, executive director for the FRN. “It’s very exciting. We outgrew our old rental space, in the old post office building on Seventh Street, and decided to purchase this building. Our board has worked very hard.”

She continued, “Our organization is growing and we needed more office space to accommodate our needs. We were looking for a place to move for the past few years. It was important for us to reinvest in our community. We also wanted to help beautify the area. Our new neighbors have been gracious and I think they are pretty excited about this change. This was a good opportunity for us.”

Dei said the building became available last July and plans to remodel started immediately following the closing in September. She said in the past, payments were going to rent, now they will be going to the mortgage on the organization’s new building. Other utility costs will be reduced as well.

Chaz Pozell Contracting did the renovations. The offices were custom remodeled to the FRN specifications. Pozell said he was, “excited to work with Dei and her team at the FRN. They were always

right on task, which is essential in this business. I feel the project shows the potential of the many other vacant buildings in the Ohio Valley community.”

Dei credited Pozell noting, “he was a wonderful person to work with. We had very few problems. It was a good experience.”

The building has now taken on a completely new look. Dei said the new location not only provides more space for the staff of nine, but is also more cost effective, highly energy efficient, and handicapped accessible.

A new roof has been put on as well as new plumbing and electrical systems. It has a large conference room, for meetings and training sessions, in addition to the offices and a kitchen.

“I think it’s beautiful. It looks so good,” Dei said. “It’s not an easy process, moving into a new building, but it has been unbelievable to see our vision come to be. I’m so happy.”

Dei explained the FRN as a catalyst of change. It is an organization that understands and is responsive to the needs and opportunities in the community. Working with community groups, the FRN develops innovative projects and bring new resources into the area.



She also noted in the last six years the FRN has secured and invested over \$3 million in the community through many projects which promoted education, health, and positive youth development. For more information on the FRN, please call (304) 845-3300 or visit www.marshallcountyfrn.com.



Unifying Moundsville - Unlocking Our Future

The City of Moundsville is collaborating with a project team from West Virginia University to complete a visioning and planning process over the coming year. The ideas gathered will help the City update its Comprehensive Plan prior to 2014 as required by state law. The Comprehensive Plan is a document that guides all City policies and programs that have to do with social, economic, and environmental quality of life.

Accordingly, the City has invited key stakeholders from government, business, and nonprofit organizations to act in an advisory capacity throughout the project so that they can engage in collaborative responses to issues and opportunities identified.

However, the visioning and planning process will engage all interested residents and business

owners. The first public meetings will be held at the West Virginia Penitentiary April 20th at 7:00 p.m. and April 21st at 9:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. Announcements will be posted that week.

City Council member David Wood is acting as the project liaison while new City Manager, Deanna Hess, gets up to speed in her new post. The project leader, Margaret Stout, is an Assistant Professor of Public Administration with an extensive background in local governance and community development. Over the course of four consecutive semesters, she is leading graduate students in the Master of Public Administration program in facilitating the visioning and planning process.

"As a Moundsville native I find this project to be a particularly gratifying experience. Not only am I getting valuable experience

in the field working directly with citizens and professionals, but I also get to give back to my community," said Grant White, WVU graduate student working on the program.

Unifying Moundsville—Unlocking Our Future

You're invited...

Unifying Moundsville—Unlocking Our Future is a community visioning and planning project that will shape the City's revised Comprehensive Plan—a document that guides all City policies and programs.

We need your ideas!

Please complete the Civic Survey at www.surveymonkey.com/s/Unifying_Moundsville

The Civic Survey is based on the National Civic League Civic Index Survey. We are using this document so that the City of Moundsville can see where it stands in comparison to other cities.

Marshall County Chamber of Commerce Presents:

2012 Home & Business Expo

March 9, 2012 4pm - 8pm
March 10, 2012 10am - 5pm
at the Former WV Penn-
Moundsville Center.

Free Admission!



During the "Week of the Young Child" (April 22-28) the MCFRC will be hosting a free community event on an evening TBA from 5:30pm-7pm. This collaborative event will include youth programming and an informational session for parents. This year the WOYC's theme is "Early Years are Learning Years." The event will attempt to incorporate three themes: Play: Where Learning Begins, Encouraging Health and Fitness, and Investing in Young Children Benefits All.

This week's purpose is to honor young children and all those who make a difference in children's lives.

Collaborative partner Grand Vue Park will be present to support health and fitness in Marshall County by demonstrating some of their outdoor adventure fun to the community. For more information, contact Jay Jack at the MCFRC at 304-810-4294

Mommy & Me Expo to Benefit CASA

The Mommy & Me Expo is a unique children and maternity sales event that brings you the greatest selection in children's clothing, toys, baby equipment, and more at the absolute best prices. The event will be held at the Wheeling Park Memorial Ice Rink on April 13 & 14.

Three ways to participate:

- 1) Shop and save on everything you need for your family! Admission is \$5. Choose from a vast selection of high quality, current items.
- 2) Set up a table and earn money for your outgrown children's items! Tables are \$25 a piece.
- 3) Don't have time to join us? Give your items to CASA and let us sell

them to benefit abused and neglected children in our area!

CASA will advertise for the event, but please tell your family and friends! Set up will be Friday from 12-2pm. Vendors shop first from 2-4pm, then open to the public from 4-7pm on Friday and Saturday from 8-4pm. Admission to the public is \$5.

There will be limited space set aside for "home based businesses" that cater to mothers. Tables for vendors will also be \$25 to set up a display.

Please contact CASA at (304) 810-0952 for more information or to purchase a table.



Mother-Daughter Overnight Retreat

March 9 & 10, 2012

Grand Vue Park Moundsville, WV
Friday 7pm- Saturday 11am

Come and share an overnighter with your daughter (6th - 8th Grade). Learn to communicate WITH her and "How Not to Date a Jerk." Share a movie, have a make-over and just have fun!

\$20 deposit reserves a spot for you and your daughter(s). Call (304)843-1170 for more information or to RSVP.

Sponsored by Healthy Families Healthy Children Coalition

"Fatherhood Today: A Whole New MAN-ual" With speaker Jim Harris, MSW, Ed.S

FREE EVENT

Jim Harris is a dynamic speaker, presenter, and educator with a warm, interactive, and personable style. This is an event that will not only benefit fathers, but mothers as well. Mixing pragmatism, 'real-world' experiences, and a healthy dose of wit, Jim engages all audiences. You will leave this event feeling rejuvenated, skill enhanced, and looking for his next presentation. Save the date and we will see you on March 21st! Call 304-232-2250 for more information.

WHEN: Wednesday, March 21, 2012

7:00 pm

WHERE: John Marshall High School
Auditorium

Presented by Marshall County Partners in Prevention & Marshall County Starting Points Center, Inc.



UNITED IN PREVENTION
A Project of the Marshall County FRN

United in Prevention is a 16-county collaborative group, led by the FRN, focused on substance abuse prevention. This Spring, United in Prevention will be focusing on the prevention of prescription drug abuse in our communities. As part of this focus, each of our counties will be promoting and facilitating the National “Take- Back Day” on April 28, 2012.

“Take-Back” events provide a venue for persons who want to dispose of unwanted and unused prescription drugs.

We also use the opportunity to educate our communities about healthy use, safe storage, and smart disposal of prescription drugs to help prevent misuse and abuse.

Collection sites for the “Take-Back Day” will be announced in early April. For more information on the event or disposal of prescription drugs, please visit our website at www.unitedinprevention.com.



If you cannot make it to the “Take-Back Day,” you can safely dispose of your unwanted prescription drugs in the Rx Return located at the Moundville Police Department. The Rx Return is open 24/7 to the public for the safe disposal of prescription drugs, no questions asked.

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Marshall County Calendar

March 2012

Thursday, March 1

The Fostoria Glass museum opens for the season on Thursday, March 1st. The normal business hours are Wednesday through Saturday from 1pm until 4pm.

Friday, March 2

The Marshall County Anti-Drug Coalition will be holding its Quarterly Meeting at Noon in the FRN Conference Room located at 1501 Second Street, Moundsville. Please RSVP by calling (304) 845-3300.

Monday, March 5

"Musical Movies in March" begins with the West Side Story at 7:30pm at the Strand Theater in Moundsville.

Wednesday, March 7

Marshall County Chamber Breakfast Meeting at 7:30am at the Young's Cafeteria. Contact the Chamber for more information at (304) 845-2773.

Friday & Saturday, March 9 & 10

Marshall County Chamber of Commerce presents its 2012 Home & Business Expo at the former WV Penn from 4:00pm - 8:00pm on Friday and 10:00am - 5:00pm on Saturday. Free Admission.

Friday & Saturday, March 9 & 10

Mother-Daughter Retreat at Grand Vue Park starting Friday at 7:00pm until Saturday at 11:00am. Come and share an overnigher with your daughter (6th - 8th Grade). For more information, please call (304) 843-1170.

Sunday, March 11

The 2012 Grand Vue Park Seasonal Job Fair will be held in the Banquet Hall from 12:00pm - 4:00pm. This is an opportunity for potential seasonal employees to meet managers and supervisors and to make a good first impression. This is a "Dress for Success" event. All interested individuals should fill out an application prior to the event. Applications can be accessed online at www.GrandVuePark.com or at the Main Office. Resumes and cover letters may also be accepted the day of the event. Questions about the event can be answered by calling (304) 845-9810 ext. 408.

Monday, March 12

"Musical Movies in March" with Rent at 7:30pm at the Strand Theater in Moundsville.

Tuesday, March 13

The Youth Club of Marshall County is having a 'Celebrity Server' fundraiser from 5pm to 9pm at Undo's Restaurant in Benwood.

Friday, March 16

The Ohio Valley Chapter of the State Health Education Council invites you to attend a workshop which examines Current Trends in Community Health from 8:30 a.m. - 4 p.m. at the Mountainside Conference Center in Bethany, WV. Registration is required by March 9. Please contact Linda at (304) 242-5548.

Monday, March 19

"Musical Movies in March" with Fiddler on the Roof at 7:30pm at the Strand Theater in Moundsville.

Monday, March 19

Veterans of Foreign War Ladies Auxiliary #437 presents "Spring Games Party" at 6:30pm. Admission is only \$5.00. Located at the VFW Building on Grant Avenue and Center Street in Moundsville.

For more information call (304) 845-8182.

Wednesday, March 21

"Not On Tobacco" free facilitator training opportunity. Please contact Tony Richards directly for registration forms at trichards@lunginfo.org.

Wednesday, March 21st

"Fatherhood Today: A Whole New MAN-ual" with speaker Jim Harris at the John Marshall High School Auditorium at 7:00pm.

Monday, March 26

"Musical Movies in March" with Grease at 7:30pm at the Strand Theater in Moundsville.

April 2012

Wednesday, April 6

Marshall County Chamber Breakfast Meeting at 7:30am at the Perkins. Contact the Chamber for more information at (304) 845-2773.

Friday & Saturday, April 13 & 14

"Mommy & Me Expo" at the Wheeling Park Memorial Ice Rink from 4:00pm - 7:00pm on Friday and 8:00am - 4:00pm on Saturday. Benefits support CASA.

Thursday, April 19

RX Abuse Prevention Strategies Workshop from 9:00am - 4:00pm at Mt. Vernon Baptist Church, 2150 Mt. Vernon Rd., Hurricane.

Friday & Saturday, April 20 & 21

"Unifying Moundsville—Unlocking Our Future" is a community visioning and planning project that will shape the City's revised Comprehensive Plan—a document that guides all City policies and programs. Community members are asked to attend one meeting either Friday from 7:00pm - 9:00pm, Saturday from 9:00am - 11:00pm, or Saturday from 2:00pm - 4:00pm at the WV Penn.

Saturday, April 28

"National Prescription Drug Take-Back Day" from 10:00am - 2:00pm. Take expired, unused, unwanted medication to local collection sites for safe disposal.

May 2012

Wednesday, May 2

Marshall County Chamber Breakfast Meeting at 7:30am at the Guest House. Contact the Chamber for more information at (304) 845-2773.

Thursday, May 10

The Marshall County Chamber presents the Chocolate Jubilee at Grand Vue Park. For more information, contact the Chamber at (304) 845-2773.

Saturday, May 26

The Sanford Center will be holding a golf scramble at the Fairway River Links starting at 7:00am. Watch for more details on The Sanford Center Facebook page and in your local paper.

NOTE: This listing is for information purposes only. Information is believed to be accurate at the time of printing. Any exclusions or misprints are purely accidental. To send a calendar item, please email fnrpr@comcast.net.