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FRN to Host Grant Writing 101 Workshop

The Marshall County FRN is hosting a Grant Writing 101 Workshop on Wed., Jan 9 from 10 a.m. – 3 p.m. at the FRN. The registration fee is \$50 and includes lunch.

With today's extreme competition for grant funding, it is necessary to submit polished grant applications that really stand out. The FRN was asked by numerous organizations to host a training that would help new grant writers as well as more experienced ones learn the process and write winning proposals.

Participants will learn how to develop ideas for winning grant proposals, identify and work with funding sources, and understand the proposal development, submission and review process. The workshop affords participants the opportunity to learn more about the common components of good grant proposals from the point of view of individuals with several years of grant writing and administration experience.

The workshop developers and instructors are Stacie Dei and Latrisha Whitelatch, veteran grant writers with more than 10

years of experience in the field and more than \$2.5 million in winning grant proposals between them.

“According to those who attended the FRN’s previous Grant Writing 101 Workshop, the information shared was beneficial to the novice grantwriter as well as to the experienced grantwriter looking to enhance his or her skills,” said Latrisha Whitelatch, strategic planning director at the Marshall County FRN.

The FRN held its first Grant Writing 101 Workshop on Dec. 4 and immediately filled every spot. Seeing the need for this type of training, the FRN is hosting a second Grant Writing 101 Workshop. There are 20 spots available so participants will need to RSVP early by calling (304) 845-3300.

“We received feedback that two of our participants from our previous workshop have already written and submitted their first grant for \$30,000,” said Whitelatch.



The FRN is a catalyst of change, 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 brings new resources into the area. In the last 6 years the FRN has secured and invested over \$3 million in the community.

New: VETCORPS Prevention Coordinator

The Marshall County FRN has a new addition to the team. Nate



Roberto, an AmeriCorps VISTA member, will spend the next year as the VETCORPS Prevention Coordinator, a position created by the partnership of the Community Anti-Drug Coalitions of America (CADCA) and the National Guard with funding from the Corporation for National and Community Service.

As the VETCORPS Prevention Coordinator, Nate will focus on

enhancing Marshall County FRN's capacity to address Veteran's issues, specifically substance abuse and mental health issues along with housing and unemployment issues. To address these social issues the MCFRN will foster a VETCORPS Task Force. The goal of the taskforce will be to build a sustainable coalition in Marshall County that serves as a forum for community members to discuss creative solutions aimed at consolidating resources for service members and their families.

Community members interested in showing support for our troops and military families can attend the Wheeling Wounded Warrior Amputee Softball Game on April 27th. The game will take place at

J.B. Chambers I-470 Baseball Field in Wheeling starting at 1:00pm.

Veterans in the community are welcome to join Jeremy from the Wheeling Vet Center every first Friday of the Month @ 9am at Eat N' Park at the Highlands for breakfast and chat. You can call Jeremy at the Vet Center @ 304-232-0587 for further info.

Female family members of combat veterans interested in gaining a greater understanding of combat-related PTSD and improving family relationships are encouraged to attend "Tears of a Warrior" Support Group. You can contact Sara Delong, Marriage & Family Therapist of the Wheeling Vet Center @ 304-232-0587.

Neighborhood Association Meeting

The second Neighborhood Association Meeting for Moundsville residents in the Second Ward will be held at the Marshall County FRN Training Center, 1501 Second Street, on Dec 5 from 6:00pm - 7:30pm. Refreshments will be provided.

A neighborhood association is a group of neighbors who get together, share ideas and work cooperatively to make their neighborhood a better place to live. Membership in the Neighborhood Association is voluntary

and open to anyone who lives in the area. The goals of the Neighborhood Association include:

- * Beautification
- * Building community connections
- * Successful communication between residents and city council members
- * Information/resource sharing.

For more information about the meeting, please contact: Councilman David Wood (304) 650-6611 or Tyler Poliquin, FRN VISTA at (304) 845-3300.

Nonprofit Support Program Helps Cameron Pool Restoration

In September 2012, the Friends of Cameron Pool Committee enlisted the aid of the FRN's Nonprofit Support Program to assist with the restoration of the Cameron Pool. As a result of this collaboration, the City of Cameron recently received a \$20,000 grant from the Evan G. Roberts trust.

These monies will be used for renovations at the pool, which is slated to reopen in 2013.

Through its Nonprofit

Support Program, the FRN provides training and technical support to local non-profit organizations and community groups regarding topics such as strategic planning and funds development. For more information about the Nonprofit Support Program, please contact 304-845-3300.

For anyone wanting to help with the Cameron Pool Restoration, Please send all donations to: City of Cameron, 44 Main Street, Cameron, WV 26033, and mark "Pool" in the memo line.

New Fundraiser: SCRIP!!

We're pleased to share some exciting news about a new fundraising program for our organization. It's called "scrip", and it's the fundraising program that works while you shop.

Scrip is simply a word that means "substitute money" – in other words, scrip are gift cards from national and local retailers. They're the same gift cards that you buy at the store.

Many popular retailers participate in our scrip program including JCPenney, The Gap, WalMart, Nini's Treasures, Red Lobster, American Girl Dolls,

Build-a-Bear and many, many others.

You're probably asking yourself how will these stores help the MCFRN raise money? It's simple -- scrip participating retailers agree to sell gift cards to our organization at a discount. You, the purchaser will buy the certificates for full face value, redeem them for full face value, and our organization keeps the difference as revenue.

Please call the FRN to place your order at (304) 845-3300. We appreciate your support!



The Marshall County Family Resource Center (MCFRC) and the Strand Theatre are hosting "The Muppet Christmas Carol" on Saturday, Dec 15 at 4pm at the Strand Theatre. Admission is free! The show is open to the community.

The MCFRC will be hosting special needs pool parties on Friday, Jan 18 and Friday, Feb 8 from 6:30pm - 7:30pm at the four seasons pool in Moundsville. The pool parties include a swim lesson and pizza.

The pool parties are free and open to the public.

Upcoming special needs pool parties will be March 8 & 22 from 6:30pm - 7:30pm at the Four Seasons Pool.

The MCFRC, in partnership with the FRN, is sponsoring the printing of the playbill for the John Marshall Monarch Company's production of "Alice in Wonderland." The play is Jan 10, 11, & 12 at 7:30pm and Jan 12 & 13 at 3:00pm.

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Marshall County Calendar

December 2012

Sunday, December 2

"Santa Paws" pictures at Grand Vue Park from 1pm - 3pm.

Tuesday, December 4

Grant Writing 101 workshop at the FRN from 10am - 3pm. Registration fee is \$50. RSVP by Nov 27.

Tuesday, December 4

6 p.m. MAGICIAN DAVE POWERS presents HOLIDAY MAGIC! Another family-friendly show - with snow! Always a favorite, professional magician, ventriloquist and all-around trickster, Dave Powers will delight and amaze you...don't miss this program of special magic for the winter holidays! Can Dave Powers make it snow in the library? Come see for yourself! For all ages. FREE! Co-sponsored by the Moundsville Rotary Club.

Wednesday, December 5

MARC HARSHMAN BOOK-SIGNING from 5pm - 6pm Former Marshall County resident and school teacher, favorite local storyteller and children's book author, and now West Virginia's Poet Laureate, Marc Harshman will be at the Moundsville Library on Dec. 5th to present his new collection of poetry, GREEN-SILVER AND SILENT...POEMS.

Wednesday, December 5

Chamber Breakfast Meeting at 7:30am at the Guest House.

Thursday, December 6

The 19th Annual Christmas Tree Gala Auction at the Mound Muesuem at 6:30pm.

Wednesday, December 12

Easy Networking Group (EZNG) would like to invite you to join us for breakfast with a side of networking from 8:30am to 9:30am at Generations. We are a group of like-minded business professionals who enjoy a breakfast together and recognize, advise, create, or exchange business leads or referrals. We meet the second (2nd) and fourth (4th) Wednesdays of every month for approximately one hour. For more information check us out on Facebook or contact Adriane Metz at EZNgroup@yahoo.com.

Wednesday, December 12

"Cookies & Crafts with Santa" at Grand Vue Park from 6pm - 8pm. Cost is \$5 and includes a craft, snack and picture.

Saturday, December 15

Breakfast with Santa at Simpson United Methodist Church from 9am - Noon. Free admission. Call for reservations at (304) 845-5080.

Saturday, December 15

The Marshall County Family Resource Center (MCFRC) and the Strand Theatre host "The Muppet Christmas Carol" at 4pm. Admission is free.

Thursday, December 27

Film - Poverty Point Earthworks: Evolutionary Milestones of the Americas. Hosted by Andrea K. Keller and David E. Rotenizer at the Grave Creek Mound Archaeological Complex at 7pm. One of the largest Native American earthworks is located at The Poverty Point State Historic Site in northeastern Louisiana. Free of Charge & Open to the Public.

January 2013

Wednesday, January 9

Grant Writing 101 workshop at the FRN from 10am - 3pm. Registration fee is \$50. RSVP by Jan 2.

Friday, January 18

Special Needs Pool Party hosted by the MCFRC at the Four Seasons Pool from 6pm - 8pm.

February 2013

Saturday, February 2

Break out your Mardi Gras beads and masks; it's almost time for The Moundsville Rotary Club's 3rd annual MARDI GRAS PARTY!! This year's event will be held at St. Jude Hall in Glen Dale, WV from 5pm - 10pm. Tickets are \$30.00 for more information please contact Adriane Metz at (304) 312-2822.

Friday, February 8

Special Needs Pool Party hosted by the MCFRC at the Four Seasons Pool from 6pm - 8pm.

Thursday, February 28

"Transitions Across a Lifespan" is a two session workshop for parents and professionals working with residents of special needs. The sessions will be in the Ballroom of the Catholic Heritage Building located at 2000 Main Street, Wheeling from 4pm - 5pm and 6pm - 7pm.

The Fostoria Glass Museum is closed for the season and will reopen on March 1, 2013.

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 frnpr@comcast.net.