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**Mission Statement :** The Community Coalition for Social Justice is a coalition of organizations and individuals dedicated to promoting the principles of social, environmental, and economic justice and respect for all persons. We oppose discrimination and hate-motivated violence in Morgantown and surrounding communities.

## ***CELEBRATE NATIONAL TRAILS DAY – JUNE 7th***

### **Spaghetti Dinner**

Friday, June 6<sup>th</sup> - From 5:00-8:00 p.m. at St. Mary's Peace Hall in Star City. Cost is \$7.00 adults, \$4.00 10 & under. All proceeds benefit The Shack Neighborhood House. Established in 1928, the mission of The Shack Neighborhood House, Inc. is to "enhance growth and development through spiritual, social, recreational, educational, economic, and health programming to all people of Scott's Run and surrounding areas."

### **Deckers Creek Trail Half-Marathon (sponsored by the Mon River Trails Conservancy)**

Saturday, June 7<sup>th</sup> - A mostly downhill course, the Deckers Creek Trail has an elevation drop of 800 feet over the span of the 13.1 mile course. The course is packed limestone for the first 10.4 miles and asphalt for the final 2.7 miles. The race begins at 9:00 a.m. in Masontown and finishes at the Hazel Ruby McQuain Riverfront Park in Morgantown. There will be seven waterstops along the way. Packet pick-up from 7 – 8 am on the day of race at the McQuain riverfront park. Buses to Masontown leave at 8:15 a.m. **Pre-Registration: by May 23<sup>rd</sup> - \$27 with t-shirt, \$22 w/o t-shirt; after May 23<sup>rd</sup> - \$35 with t-shirt, \$30 w/o t-shirt.** Live music at McQuain Riverfront Park - Sam Lamont from 10:45-11:30 and the Half-Time String Band from 11:40-12:45. To register, contact Ella Belling at 304-296-6185 or visit [www.montrails.org](http://www.montrails.org).

### **Star City Trail Fest and Shack Quack Duck Race**

Saturday, June 7th from 11:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m., Edith Barill Waterfront Park, Star City.

**Star City Trail Fest:** Children's games including 2 bounce houses; Karaoke and DJ; concessions; Children's Caricature artist; Puddin' the Clown; Steve & Sweetie Magic Show (2 p.m., Tugboat Depot); Dunk Tank: Prayer Flag Project; and more. There will also be Glass Making Demonstrations by Appalachian Glass and Hinkle Glass.

**Shack Quack Duck Race (the Shack's major annual fundraiser):** At 3:00p.m., hundreds of rubber ducks are released from the Star City Bridge into the Mon to race across the finish line. Winners are awarded large prizes. Ducks can be adopted for \$5 at The Shack up to the day of the event and at the event. All proceeds benefit the Shack.

### **Prayer Flag Project at Star City Trail Fest - Can you help?**

Funded by the WV Council on the Arts and Arts Mon and co-sponsored with the Community Coalition for Social Justice, event participants will design their own flag to honor something they care about - the river, a favorite tree, their grandmother, etc. The completed 500 personal prayers flags will fly over Star City. The Shack needs a few volunteers to help out.

- The Shack needs a morning and an afternoon volunteer to string completed flags onto the rope from which they will be flying. This is a simple job and can be done sitting down in the concession tent.

- We also need a few people to assist children and adults to use fabric markers to draw or write on the cotton flags during the event (11-4).

If you can help, please contact Ann Payne at 304-292-7673 or [paynestake@verizon.net](mailto:paynestake@verizon.net).

### **Greatest Garage Sale on Earth**

August 2<sup>nd</sup> at the Spruce Street garage from 8 am to 3 pm. CCSJ needs volunteers to work the CCSJ booth. CCSJ will have bumper stickers and buttons for sale. For more information, please contact Barb Howe at [bhowe@wvu.edu](mailto:bhowe@wvu.edu).

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### **CCSJ STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING AND MEMBERSHIP**

Next Steering Committee Meeting – July 14th at 7:00 p.m. in the front conference room of the Public Safety Building on Spruce Street. Please contact our co-chairs, Roz Becker and Susan Brown, if you have issues for the steering committee to consider or if you would like to be on the CCSJ steering committee.

### **PLEASE SEND YOUR DUES AND IDEAS**

Please send your dues if you have not done so already, so that we have the resources to continue our work. Dues are \$5 for individuals and \$25 for organizations. Youth under the age of 18 are free. Please send your checks, payable to CCSJ, to PO Box 160, Morgantown, WV 26507-0160.

Please send your web site suggestions to Mike Attfield at [attfield@comcast.net](mailto:attfield@comcast.net).

Please contact any of the steering committee members to volunteer to help and to share your suggestions for our work or e-mail us at [ccsjwv@hotmail.com](mailto:ccsjwv@hotmail.com).

Deadline for items to include in next Update will be June 9th. Please send items to share with our membership to [cvtall@verizon.net](mailto:cvtall@verizon.net).

If we can support your event or your issues in some way, please let us know, especially if you represent a member organization. We want to be a true coalition that unites groups and individuals interested in social justice. Please let us know how we can help and please send us information about your group to publicize to our membership.

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### **CCSJ Steering Committee 2007-2008**

Roz Becker and Susan Brown, Co-Presidents. Barb Howe (WVU Center for Women's Studies), Treasurer. Michael Sharley, Al Anderson, Mike Attfield, Judy Cohen, Tim Hairston, Sandra Nelms, Belinda Owens, Sheila Rye, Catherine Tall.