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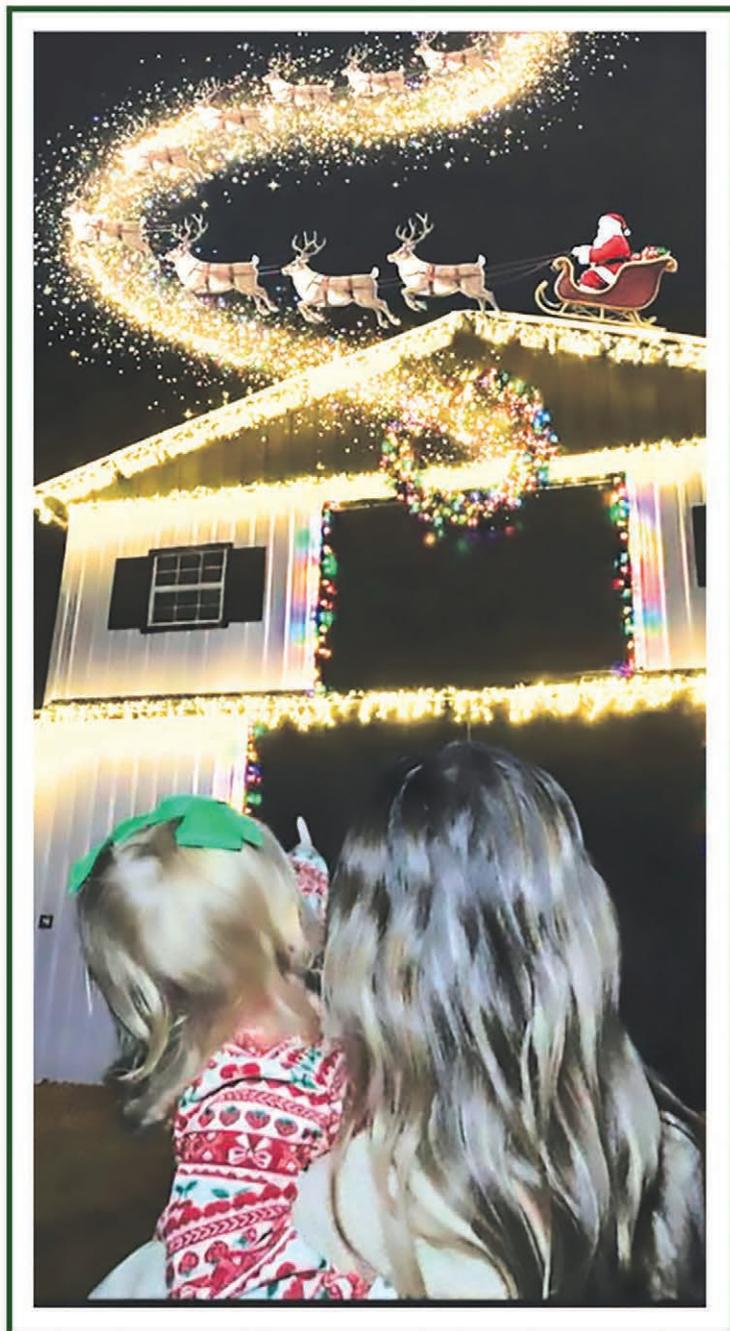
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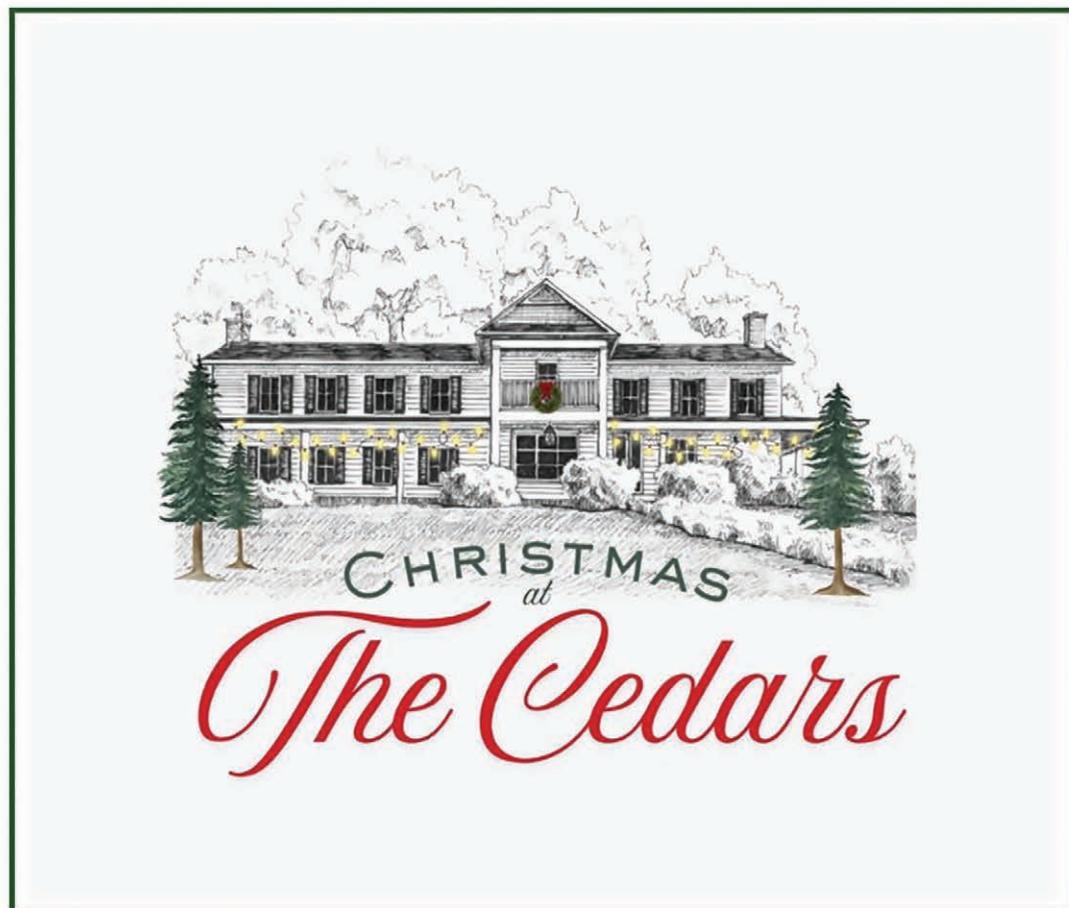
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West Virginia Symphony Orchestra

Carnegie Hall's Mainstage Performance Series is delighted to present the return of the West Virginia Symphony Orchestra (WVSO) for a sparkling evening of holiday favorites on Friday, December 5, at 7 p.m., as part of Lewisburg's First Friday celebration.

Under the baton of Music Director Maurice Cohn, the WVSO's "Sounds of the Season" concert promises a joyful blend of classical and pops selections that capture the magic of the holidays. From timeless carols to festive orchestral arrangements, this beloved annual performance invites audiences of all ages to celebrate together in the heart of downtown Lewisburg.

Now in its 87th season, the WVSO continues to serve as a cultural cornerstone for the Mountain State - bringing world-class music to communities across West Virginia through accessible concerts, dynamic collaborations, and a nationally recognized education program that nurtures the next generation of musicians and music lovers.

This performance is made possible through the generous support of ZMM Architects and Engineers, with additional funding provided by the James F. B. Peyton Fund and The Daywood Foundation.

Tickets are \$50/adult and \$20/student and only a limited number of tickets are still available. Call to take advantage of the discounts that are available for Carnegie Hall members, students, senior citizens, and military.

To purchase tickets, call Carnegie Hall, visit [www.carnegiehallwv.org](http://www.carnegiehallwv.org), or stop by at 611 Church Street, Lewisburg, West Virginia. Carnegie Hall Box Office is open Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. until 5 p.m.

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## NANCY MILLER: A LIFE IN SONG

Nancy Miller's musical roots go deep. The seventh of ten children, she grew up on a farm in Hollywood, West Virginia, where her father, Fred Bostic, often sang as he worked the land. Her eldest sister, Connie, remembers that Nancy "had the music in her even as a baby." She would sing and dance every time she heard a tune.

For many years, Nancy shared her love of music with those closest to her—her family, Head Start and preschool students, and church communities. At the encouragement of family and friends, she decided to record a CD, never imagining her songs would reach beyond her local circle.

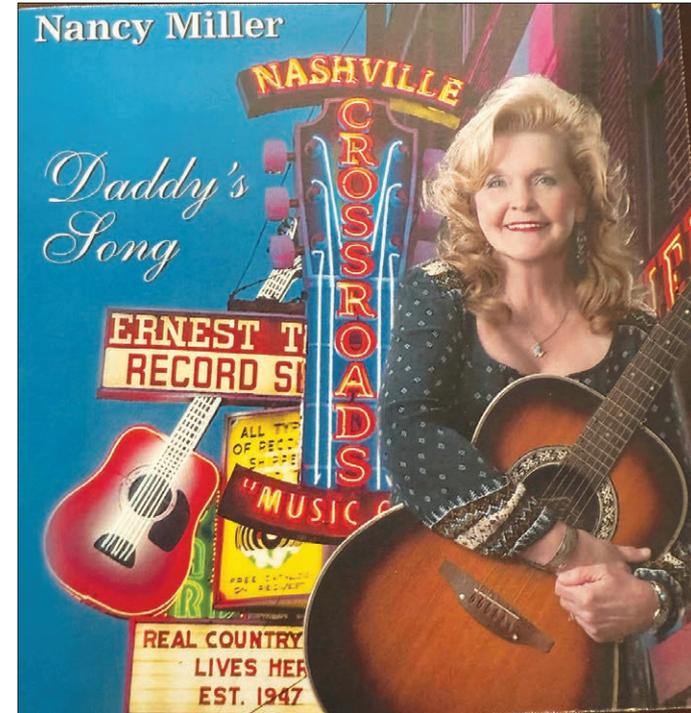
A chance encounter during a road trip would soon change that. Nancy and her husband, Duane, a carpenter, traveled west each year to do mission work on an Apache reservation. One favorite stop along the way was The Big Texan restaurant in Amarillo, Texas. Shortly after finishing breakfast, a stranger handed Duane a coupon for a free meal. Since they had already eaten, they decided to pass the kindness along to someone else.

Their first two offers were turned down, but on the third try, a man named Ron Gentry and his wife accepted and struck up a conversation. As it turned out, Ron was a music producer. Nancy offered him one of her CDs, which he gladly purchased before they went their separate ways. Weeks later, Nancy received a call from Ron, who said he was "blown away" by her music. His industry connections led to her songs being played on several radio stations, invitations to perform began coming in, and Nancy was featured on gospel and country promoter Don Frost's television show in Atlanta, and in his Christmas show at the Hendersonville Country Club near Nashville. She also had the opportunity to perform with Jim Vest, well known steel guitar player at the Bell Cove Supper Club in Nashville.

Today, Nancy is a celebrated country, gospel, and blues singer-songwriter. Her love for country comes from being "a country girl," gospel "reaches to the depths of my soul," and blues has always captivated her with its "distinct melancholic and somber tones." She has recorded five albums: *Wings as Eagles*, *Daddy's Song*, *Jesus, I Hear You*, *Fields of My Mind*, and her most recent, *Hot Rod Woody*, recorded in 2019 at Charlabois Studios in Nashville. The title track tells the story of her brother Steve restoring their father's old car for a "joy ride," reflecting Nancy's knack for weaving family and memory into song.

Her husband, Duane, has also joined her as a songwriter on several albums. One of Nancy's most cherished pieces, "Daddy's Song," from her second album, is dedicated to her father, who "...instilled the love of music within my heart with his joyous singing and with his harmonica and fiddle playing. His life was a melody of love to my mom and to each of his 10 children!"

During her Nashville recording sessions for *Jesus, I Hear You* with producer Don Frost at SMS Studios, Nancy and Duane visited the Ernest Tubb Record Shop. Nancy recalls, "A kindly gentleman approached us and introduced himself as Johnny Moore—the singer who wrote and recorded the song 'Fifteen Acres of Peanut Land' in 1962. As our conversation evolved he invited me to sing



at the John A. R.O.P.E. event that night. It was a memorable experience, and Duane and I met some wonderful singers while there. We became good friends with the Moores: Johnny, his wife Susie, and son, Johnny G." They remain in contact with Johnny G. today, following the passing of Johnny.

Nancy also befriended Nashville songwriter Elwood Parker, whose songs appear on her albums. "Since all of these encounters with these wonderful singers and songwriters in Nashville, I've had the opportunity to perform at several venues there as well, for which I am very thankful!" she says.

Although she has faced recent health challenges, Nancy remains optimistic about the future. She continues to share her music at local events and has been invited to perform in Tombstone, Arizona, during the winter months. She also hopes to spend this winter writing new songs.

Even with all her career highlights and the many stages she has graced, Nancy says her proudest moment came singing with her granddaughter, Destiny, who has also written several songs and began her journey in music at EG3 Recording Studios in Beckley.

"When I sing with Destiny, it's something truly special," Nancy says. "Even with all the places I've sung and career highlights, my best by far is the opportunity to sing with my granddaughter."

When asked what advice she would give to aspiring musicians, Nancy says, "If you have a bent for the arts, particularly music, your heart will go on singing no matter what. My heart is content singing to an audience of thousands or to a babe in arms—makes no difference. My spirit will sing for time and eternity."

For more information about Nancy's music, email [nmiller7@frontier.com](mailto:nmiller7@frontier.com) or call 304-646-4293.



# A FESTIVE JOURNEY THROUGH THE PAST: DECEMBER EVENTS AT THE NORTH HOUSE MUSEUM

The Greenbrier Historical Society is bringing holiday cheer and rich local history together this December with two special events at the North House Museum in Lewisburg. From a festive Tavern Night during First Friday to hands-on witch ball workshops, guests are invited to step back in time, celebrate seasonal traditions, and connect with the community.

## **Tavern Night: A Historic Holiday Celebration**

**Friday, December 5th - 5PM-7PM**

**The North House Museum**

**814 Washington St W, Lewisburg, WV 24901**

Join the Greenbrier Historical Society for a historic holiday celebration and **Tavern Night** for Lewisburg's final First Friday of the year on **December 5th** from **5PM to 7PM!** Come for celebration of local artistry with Alderson Artisans Gallery and live music, historic hot chocolate and mulled wine made in-house, and our seasonal North House Christmas exhibit!

Our gift shop will feature a round of brand new artists from the Alderson Artisans Gallery, and our knowledgeable docents will be there to answer questions about our exhibits and local history. This is the perfect opportunity to learn about the Greenbrier & Meadow River Valley's unique history and connect with others in the community. **Tavern Night is free to attend** and no RSVP is required! We hope to see you there!

## **Witch Ball Workshops with Jennifer Daniel**

**Saturday, December 13th - 10AM & 2PM Sessions**

**The North House Museum**

**814 Washington St W, Lewisburg, WV 24901**

Join the Greenbrier Historical Society on **Saturday, December 13th** for a special workshop with **Jennifer Daniel, Education Coordinator at the Roanoke Historical Society!** Witch balls once adorned English windows and are the likely forerunner of the gazing ball and Christmas ball. They were thought to have trapped evil spirits and protected homes. Settlers brought the tradition to the colonies, and now we are studying them today! Step back in time and make your own witch ball while learning the history and techniques of the trade.

Sessions last approximately one hour, one at **10AM and 2PM**. Tickets are \$25 each. Limited space is available--12 slots per session. Purchase tickets today at [https://bit.ly/ghswitchballworkshops!](https://bit.ly/ghswitchballworkshops)

Questions? Contact the Greenbrier Historical Society at [info@greenbrierhistorical.org](mailto:info@greenbrierhistorical.org) or (304) 645-3398.

## FROM THE EDITOR

The holidays are in full swing, and our region is glowing with all the sights, sounds, and charm that make this season truly merry and bright!

Have fond memories of Christmas past? Want to step back into them for a while? Then head to Christmas at The Cedars this month for a joyful, old-fashioned celebration that's sure to make you feel like you've gone "over the river and through the woods to Grandmother's house..."

You'll also want to experience The Magic of Christmas in Lewisburg, where downtown transforms into a wonderland filled with Santa sightings, carriage rides, twinkling lights, and all the traditions that make Christmastime feel so treasured.

And of course, no December is complete without the beautiful holiday shows and concerts scattered across our area. One of the season's highlights: the Greenbrier Valley Chorale's Holiday Concert at Carnegie Hall. It's a timeless annual tradition you won't want to miss.

This issue is overflowing with all the things that make Christmas in the Valley (and beyond!) such a meaningful time of year. It's a chance to experience beloved, time-honored traditions, make brand-new memories, and maybe even start some new favorites of your own.

There are parades to enjoy, and Santas and Grinches to meet (depending on whether you're feeling full-on "fa-la-la-la" or just trying not to scowl at the tinsel), shows to catch, and even a brand-new event: the inaugural Winterlight Music Festival at Greenbrier Valley Brewing Company, bringing music and brightness to the shortest day of the year on December 21.

And while you're checking off your Christmas list, don't forget to shop local. Our small businesses shine especially bright this time of year, offering everything from this season's most popular finds to one-of-a-kind treasures you won't discover anywhere else. If you're thinking outside the box, consider gifting relaxation itself: Mountain Mystic Massage offers soothing services perfect for taking the stress out of the holidays (or giving someone a much-needed breather).

This month's Unplugged musician is someone I know very well: my mom, Nancy Miller, now a retired Monroe County and Greenbrier County schoolteacher. She began her musical journey in her 30s and has been filling places with her music ever since, often alongside my niece, who started performing a few years ago. And no, I did not inherit any of that musical talent. My own singing is strictly a windows-up, alone-in-the-car situation, with heavy "howling cat meets scratched record" energy.

December is the perfect time to savor all the joy, holiday spirit, and community our region has to offer. No matter how you celebrate, you'll find plenty of inspiration in these pages and in The Agenda.

Here's wishing you and yours all the warmth, joy, and sparkle of the season.

Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays!

Your Editor,

Lisa

## EVENTS TO LOOK FORWARD TO ACROSS THE GREENBRIER VALLEY

### DECEMBER

- Girls Day Out: Downtown Lewisburg
- Winterlight Music Festival, GVBC, Maxwelton
- Christmas at the Cedars, Cedars Farm, Alderson

### JANUARY

- Lewisburg Winter Music Festival, Lewisburg
- January Jazz Special Event, Carnegie Hall, Lewisburg
- Martin Luther King Jr. Day Celebration, Lewisburg
- Winter Carnival, Williamsburg

### FEBRUARY

- Opry Night at Pocahontas County Opera House, Marlinton
- Gatsby at the Greenbrier, White Sulphur Springs

### MARCH

- Sweet Honey in the Rock Mainstage, Carnegie Hall, Lewisburg
- The Joe Stamm Band, Pocahontas County Opera House, Marlinton

# WHERE CHRISTMAS FEELS LIKE IT USED TO: THE CEDARS INVITES YOU IN

*“We want it to feel like joy, excitement, hearth, family, grandma’s house, snow covered roads, falling asleep in the backseat and waiting up for Santa for EVERYONE, no matter their age.” - Rachel Warner-Baker*

That one line captures the heart of what is happening at **The Cedars Farm** this season. A historic property that spent years sitting vacant is now coming back to life in the most joyful ways a community could hope for.

The Cedars is a historic property, listed on the National Registry of Historic Places. The 12 acres include the home, an almost 20,000 square foot barn, a smaller barn, a historic log cabin and a large detached garage. The original house was built in 1881 and has been home to authors and diplomats, among others. Jayson Baker and Rachel Warner-Baker purchased the property this past spring after it had sat mostly vacant over the last few years. When they moved in there was a leaking roof and a host of other issues that needed immediate attention. Once the urgent repairs were done, the conversation shifted to the fun part. It turns out the fun part included transforming the entire farm into a nostalgic Christmas destination.

## A Holiday Experience for Every Age

Visitors can expect a full weekend of activities across the farm. The decorated barn will hold the **Kriskindlmarkt**, concessions, a mercantile, picnic tables and plenty of activities for kiddos. The historic log cabin will become **Santa’s North Pole Home** where guests can have their photos taken with Santa. The small barn will turn into **Rudolph’s Petting Zoo**. There will be a **snowmaker** with a **sledding hill** and **snow play area** if the weather cooperates, and the long range forecast is looking good. **Bonfires, sweet and savory s’more kits, games, thousands of Christmas lights, a Lumberjack Axe Throwing Competition, Mrs. Claus’s Magic Kitchen, hay rides** in a beautiful parade wagon and **live trees for sale** are all part of the weekend lineup.

## Where the Idea Began

The plan for **Christmas at The Cedars** started almost by accident. “One of my best friends, Abby, was exploring the barn with me and we came across a giant Christmas tree sealed in a wooden box. She threw out the idea, ‘Christmas at The Cedars’, and since it’s my favorite time of year, I was automatically on board,” says Rachel. From there the vision grew quickly. “Jayson is always down for new adventures and does anything he can to make my dreams come



true, so he also had ideas on how to make it bigger and better (like the snowmaker)... and here we are, less than 8 weeks later, about to host the community.”

Christmas at The Cedars is also a tribute to someone very special. “To me it’s also a bit of a nod to my Nana, who passed away a few years ago,” Rachel remembers. “She made Christmas magical when I was young, it was her favorite time of year and she passed that down to my mom and then to us siblings. That’s why our goal is to have an old-fashioned, family Christmas experience. We want to bring back that nostalgia for everyone who visits. Whether it’s the Christmas you had as a kid, or the one you want to create for your own family.”

She added one of the most heartfelt visions of the event. “As we age, the remark you hear more and more is ‘Christmas doesn’t feel the same as it used to...’. We want it to feel like joy, excitement, hearth, family, grandma’s house, snow covered roads, falling asleep in the backseat and waiting up for Santa for EVERYONE, no matter their age.”

## The Kriskindlmarkt

Their Kriskindlmarkt has roots in tradition. “Our Kriskindlmarkt is again inspired by my Nana, who



Stella, Rachel’s granddaughter, stands with her aunt Harper — Rachel’s daughter — as they admire the barn lit for Christmas. *All images courtesy of Jayson Baker and Rachel Warner-Baker*

was from Germany. It’s historically a European outdoor vendor market that takes place during the advent season,” Rachel explains. At The Cedars it will be semi indoors, in the barn, turning each stall into its own little shop. Visitors will find arts, handcrafted items, foods, woodwork, Christmas items, jewelry, personal items and gifts. Dozens of vendors will be bringing their best for guests. **The Cedars Mercantile** inside the barn will also be open with Christmas gift items, souvenirs and goodies for kids, along with concessions featuring food, drinks and items from **Manic Espresso**.

## The Activity Everyone Is Talking About

“We are DEFINITELY most excited about our snow maker. We have a sledding hill and snow play area planned. We are all praying those nights are cold enough before the event to make a lot of snow,” Rachel says.

## The Rewarding Part of the Work

Pulling this event together has been a true com-



Meet the family at the heart of Christmas at the Cedars. Image courtesy of Amanda Reed



The Mercantile Under Construction



Meet Lloyd and Harry, two of the charming animals awaiting visitors at Rudolph's Petting Zoo during Christmas at The Cedars.

munity effort. "The most rewarding part of bringing Christmas at The Cedars to life has been doing this event with my family and friends. It's been really fun all working together, brainstorming, decorating, etc. I can't believe how many people have stepped up and volunteered their time to make this happen," Rachel explains, noting most events of this scale take over a year to plan, yet they are bringing this one to life in under ten weeks because of the help they have received.

#### Visit Details

**Christmas at The Cedars** will be open **Saturday and Sunday, December 13 and 14, from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.** A two acre lot next to the front gate will be available for public parking. **Admission is \$15 per guest ages 10 and up, \$12 per guest ages 3 – 9, and free for children 2 and under, and includes nearly everything except food, drinks and personal purchases.** "We want families to come and be able to

spend the day having fun together," Rachel emphasizes. Visitors are encouraged to **dress warm** and **"remember to look adorable for your photos with Santa."** No outside animals will be allowed on the farm for the safety of guests and animals.

The Cedars Farm is located at **352 Hemlock Ave East in Alderson.**

#### What Comes Next for The Cedars

Rachel says the plan is to make *Christmas at The Cedars* bigger, brighter, and even more epic each year: "We are definitely planning on making Christmas at The Cedars a yearly event. We will most likely add more weekends in the future years and continue to add to our lights show, grow our concessions, add more activities and keep everyone wondering how we could make it even better each year. Each year we want CaTC to grow larger and larger and become more and more epic."

They are also receiving interest in weddings, receptions and other events as excitement builds around

the barn renovation. Event hosting is something they will consider in the coming year.

Rachel added one final hint. "I can't confirm anything right now... But I CAN say, while MY favorite season is Christmas, Jayson's favorite season is DEFINITELY Autumn. So keep following The Cedars Farm to see what the future brings."

#### A Christmas They Hope You Will Remember

For Rachel, the hope is simple: that the community feels the love behind every detail. "We have put a lot of heart and time into Christmas at The Cedars. I truly think everyone will be impressed at the scale of the event that has been created, and we hope that everyone brings their family and stays for an afternoon (or two!) and that we can share our big, fun, old fashioned, family Christmas at The Cedars with everyone in the community."

## FREE DELICIOUS DINNERS AT NO COST FOR STUDENTS 18 AND UNDER, WED-FRI 4-6 PM AT THE HIGH ROCKS HUB CAFÉ

Join us for free delicious dinners for kids 18 and under, Wed-Fri from 4-6 pm at the High Rocks Hub Café located at 232 Lee St Building C, Lewisburg, WV 24901 (next to Hollowell Park). Each meal is paired with fun, engaging activities! Student meals must be enjoyed on-site. Meals are available on a first-come, first-served basis. Reserve your meals in advance by calling ahead. 304-647-4994. Adult meals are also available for \$7; add a salad for just \$3 more.

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##### Fridays:

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# MEET ACCLAIMED ARTIST **ALAN ANDERSON** IN LEWISBURG, DECEMBER 6

Alan Anderson, an artist celebrated for reimagining objets d'art from repurposed vintage jewelry, will be in Lewisburg on **Saturday, December 6, 2025, from 1-6 p.m.** at **Robert's Antiques and Wine Store, 1055 East Washington Street**, for a special meet-and-greet event.

Since 1974, Anderson has been transforming vintage materials into unique, imaginative works of art. His uncommon ability stems from his extensive interaction with the finest fabrics, materials, and designers gained through a life-long career in exclusive and sophisticated retail. His experience with the Hotel del Coronado in San Diego, the Tarbox Art Gallery in LA Jolla, Barneys of New York at Beverly Hills, as well as professional stints with Hermès, Mark Cross, and Ferragamo has instilled a sense of high design in everything he undertakes.

Beyond his artwork, Anderson has an extensive career in design and consulting spanning more than 35 years. His accomplishments include:

Consulting on design selection with **Tag Interiors at The Greenbrier**, serving as assistant manager at **Ralph Lauren and Greenbrier Avenue Men's**, and working as the **Roberto Coin Specialist at Greenbrier Avenue Jewelers**.

Visually merchandising retail stores including **Hermès, Mark Cross, Ferragamo**, and most recently, **The Front Porch Gift Shop and Design Center** in Lewisburg.

Serving as **Director of Corporate Service and Design at Barneys of New York in Beverly Hills**, where he worked with top designers in the Los Angeles area and worked with major movie studios such as **Columbia Tristar, Paramount, and Warner Brothers**, as well as celebrity clients including **Mary Tyler Moore, Sally Field, Kelsey Grammer, Steve Martin, Billy Crystal, and**



## **Dustin Hoffman.**

Yet, he states, "The greatest compliment I receive is when someone tells me, sometimes with a tear, that I have touched their life in a meaningful way by what I have created."

Now pleased to be a part of the Lewisburg community, his work has been shown at "America's Resort," The Greenbrier, since 2001. He was invited to display his pieces with the Best of West Virginia Artists at Tamarack Marketplace. His work has also been displayed at the Broadmoor Hotel in Colorado Springs and at the Taste of Texas in Houston. He has been a featured artist both in Carlton Varney's article in the Palm Beach Daily, and in the 2013 Spring issue of the Greenbrier Valley Quarterly. He now reaches an international clientele in partnership with GalleriSoHo in Vasteras, Sweden."

Don't miss this extraordinary opportunity to meet Alan, a master of imagination and design, at Robert's Antiques and Wine Store on December 6!



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Celebrate our wild and wonderful this season on a fun, informative wreath walk, followed by a festive natural wreath-making workshop using your foraged finds.

Appalachian Headwaters and artist Michele Pollina will be your guides on **Sunday, December 7** from 2 to 4 pm at **Wood Thrush Park** (334 Richland Ln, Lewisburg). Make sure to dress for the weather.

Free and open to all ages. Basic assembly materials and light refreshments will be provided. Participants can bring their own decor or refreshments to share.

RSVP by December 3 through the Facebook event (@appalachianheadwaters) or to [kjohnson@appheadwaters.org](mailto:kjohnson@appheadwaters.org).

See you there with bells on!

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# Alan Anderson Jewelry Craftsman



## MEET THE ARTIST

SATURDAY,  
DECEMBER  
06, 2025  
1 PM - 6 PM

As an artist, Alan has been reimagining objets d'art from repurposed vintage jewelry since 1974. His uncommon ability stems from his extensive interaction with the finest of fabrics, materials, and designers gained through a life-long career in exclusive and sophisticated retail. His experience with the Hotel del Coronado in San Diego, the Tarbox Art Gallery in LA Jolla, Barneys of New York at Beverly Hills, as well as professional stints with Hermès, Mark Cross, and Ferragamo has instilled a sense of high design in everything he undertakes. Yet, he states, "The greatest compliment I receive is when someone tells me, sometimes with a tear, that I have touched their life in a meaningful way by what I have created."

Now pleased to be a part of the Lewisburg, WV community, his work has been shown at "Ameri-ca's Resort," The Greenbrier, since 2001. He was invited to display his pieces with the Best of West Virginia Artists at the esteemed Tamarack Marketplace. His work has also been displayed at the Broadmoor Hotel in Colorado Springs and at the Taste of Texas in Houston. He has been a featured artist both in Carlton Varney's article in the Palm Beach Daily, and in the 2013 Spring issue of the Greenbrier Valley Quarterly. He now reaches an international clientele in partnership with GalleriSoHo in Vasteras, Sweden."

The secret to each unique objet is the careful pairing of frame to canvas to rhinestone in an imaginative, alluring and delightful manner.

At Roberts Antiques and Wine Store  
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Amanda Balasko, LMT



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## HOLIDAY CONCERT

Sunday, Dec. 14, 2025

3pm

Carnegie Hall, Lewisburg

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# CHRISTMAS TEA AT A NEW LOCATION



One of the tables from the 2024 Christmas Tea.

For more than ten years, it has become part of the holiday tradition for many to enjoy afternoon tea in Alderson. The Christmas Tea is a significant fund raiser for Alderson Main Street and helps support the many activities AMS sponsors throughout the year, particularly the “Gem of the Hills” Holiday celebration. This year the tea will be held at the home of Dorris Kasley on Sunday, December 14 with seatings at 1 and 3. The address is 118 Wilson Street.

Past guests will remember Doris’ warm hospitality when she hosted the tea at her Bed and Breakfast Inn. Guests can imagine how special it will be to have tea in her home surrounded by the long history of her family in Alderson. Guests will be seated at tables throughout the house and Leah and Roger Trent will add their beautiful seasonal music to the occasion.

A special feature this year will be the elegant dress of the greeters and the smart attire of the wait staff

and kitchen help. It is rumored that French, the Alderson Lion, may make an appearance since he is fond of cookies. AMS member Meg Chamberlain is extremely skilled at costume design and creation and has helped with this effort.

There are two seatings at 1 and 3 and tickets are limited. Guests must purchase non-refundable tickets in advance for \$25 each at the Alderson Artisan’s Gallery (304-445-7952) by cash, check, or credit card.

Alderson Main Street Treasurer Margaret Hambrick said, “This is a very special tradition in Alderson. Groups of friends, including men and boys, plan on attending each year and generations of women and girls feel very special in their Sunday best as they sip their tea and eat the tiny sandwiches, scones, and sweets.”

This is a private home. If you need handicapped accessibility, please discuss the need with the staff at the AAG when you purchase your tickets.

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# CELEBRATE THE SEASON WITH THE GREENBRIER VALLEY CHORALE

Director Barbara Lutz has planned a wonderful program of seasonal music for the **Greenbrier Valley Chorale's** annual **Holiday Concert on Sunday, Dec. 14, at 3 p.m. at Carnegie Hall** in Lewisburg.

The first half of the program will feature *Magnificat*, a five-movement work by celebrated choral composer Taylor Scott Davis. Inspired by "The Song of Mary," this work accompanied by a chamber orchestra and sung in English and Latin, reflects Mary's humility and proclaims hope to the downtrodden. Appearing with the chorale are soprano Jordan Stadvec from Concord University and special guest artist, eminent violinist and teacher Rus-

sell Fallstad.

The second half of the program will feature two additional pieces accompanied by the chamber orchestra: the transcendent *Ecce Novum* by Ola Gielo and Dan Forrest's awe-inspiring arrangement of *Silent Night*.

Among the pieces rounding out the program are audience favorites including *Go Tell it on the Mountain* and *Go Where I Send Thee*. Fallstad will return to the stage as the violin soloist on Shawn Kirchner's jubilant arrangement of *Brightest and Best*.

The Greenbrier Valley Chorale is made up of 60 singers from across the Greenbrier Valley and beyond. With a tradition of inspiring choral music going back

more than 30 years, the choir is known for its broad-ranging repertoire and high quality performances. Last year, they were honored to be a part of the phenomenal production of *The Hunchback of Notre Dame* in collaboration with Greenbrier Valley Theatre and Carnegie Hall. Barbara Wygal Lutz is the group's founding artistic director, and Teresa Bryant is the accompanist.

Tickets are available at the **Carnegie Hall Box Office**, 611 Church Street, Lewisburg, WV, (304) 645-7917, or through the Carnegie Hall website, [www.carnegiehallwv.org](http://www.carnegiehallwv.org). Carnegie Hall is ADA compliant. Patrons with disabilities are encouraged to contact Carnegie Hall in advance if assistance is required.



**Special guest artist Russell Fallstad will conduct a chamber orchestra that will accompany the Greenbrier Valley Chorale during its December 14 concert.**

## MOUNTAIN MYSTIC MASSAGE: GIVE THE GIFT OF RELAXATION



Courtesy of Amanda Balasko

**Ease holiday stress and treat yourself or a loved one to a moment of peace this season**

"It is my honor to meet each person where they are and provide meaningful massage and body work for them." - Amanda Balasko

**Amanda Balasko** of **Mountain Mystic Massage** lives by these words every day. With a deep passion for helping others feel their best, she believes in the power of skilled

therapeutic touch to bring peace, relief, and renewal. And with the holidays approaching, there has never been a better time to give yourself or someone you love the gift of relaxation.

In 2008, Amanda studied at Aveda Institute of Saint Petersburg, Florida. It serves as her foundation for her passion about healing through skilled therapeutic touch. "I know how difficult it can be to make time for yourself, but it's so important for helping us be and feel our best. Massage is one way we can give that peace to ourselves."

### Services Tailored to Every Need

Amanda offers a variety of massage options to meet the needs of her clients. She provides Relaxing and Firm Massage in 50, 80, or 110 minute sessions. Hot Stone Massage is excellent for those who like therapeutic work without deep pressure and is extra pleasant on those chilly winter days. She also welcomes expectant mothers with Prenatal Massage, which can make all the difference in easing aches, pains, and emotional stress as the body prepares for a new baby.

"I will customize each session to your unique needs. Along with several Salon services from the team of Curl Up & Dye, we have something to support everyone's beauty and wellness," Amanda shares.

**Mountain Mystic Massage** is located inside **Curl Up & Dye** at **12366 Alta Drive,**

**Alta, WV**, near Alta Station. It's a warm and welcoming space thanks to salon owner Kaitlin Fleshman, whom Amanda credits with graciously hosting Mountain Mystic Massage.

Whether you're looking for a little personal self-care or a thoughtful gift for someone special, Mountain Mystic Massage offers something for everyone this holiday season.

### Ease Stress and Find Peace During the Holidays

The holidays can be hectic, stressful, and overwhelming. Amanda believes that everyone can benefit from quality massage therapy. "Massage can ease pain from chronic inflammatory conditions, emotional and digestive ailments, it affects our brain waves to reduce cortisol, stress levels, and it just feels good. Intentional touch sounds simple, but it is really profound in what healing can be ushered in through it," she explains.

A session at Mountain Mystic Massage is more than a luxury. It's an investment in well-being, calm, and balance. It's the perfect antidote to holiday stress or a meaningful gift for a loved one who deserves a moment of peace.

### Holiday Gifts and Specials

For those interested in giving the gift of relaxation this season, Amanda encourages you to follow the Curl Up & Dye Facebook page for holiday specials and gift certificate

options. It's a way to share wellness and care with family, friends, or coworkers, while supporting a local business that truly prioritizes the well-being of its community.

### Why Amanda Loves Her Work

Amanda's dedication extends far beyond her skill with massage. "Our community is full of caregivers, encouraging souls and behind-the-scenes people who are strong and live in service to others," she says. "I dearly enjoy serving them. Everyone deserves to feel supported and whole in their bodies, at whatever stage or moment they are personally at. I hold a space for you."

Her philosophy makes every visit personal, restorative, and welcoming. Clients leave not only feeling relaxed, but also seen and cared for.

### Booking and Location Information

Book a massage online at <https://mountain-mystic-massage.square.site> or text or call Amanda directly at (304) 992-1012.

For hair and salon services, contact Kaitlin or Amber at (304) 661-1189.

This holiday season, give yourself or a loved one the gift of care, relaxation, and restoration. Whether it's a quiet moment of peace for yourself or a thoughtful massage for someone you love, Mountain Mystic Massage makes it easy to pause, breathe, and truly feel your best.

# ASTROLOGY

## Your Horoscope According to AI

### Let our robot overlords Predict Your Perfect Old- Fashioned Christmas Tradition!



**Aries (March 21 – April 19)**

#### Tree Decorating Trailblazer

Bold and adventurous, you dive headfirst into holiday cheer. Your tree is a spectacle of color and sparkle, full of energy and surprises — no ornament goes unnoticed!



**Taurus (April 20 – May 20)**

#### Cookie Connoisseur

You savor every sweet moment. Baking classic treats and filling the home with the scent of nostalgia is your holiday love language. Sharing warm cookies makes your season truly magical.



**Gemini (May 21 – June 20)**

#### Caroling Companion

Talkative, charming, and full of energy, you bring cheer wherever you go. Singing, storytelling, and laughter are your gifts to everyone around — the life of every holiday gathering.



**Cancer (June 21 – July 22)**

#### Cozy Hearth Keeper

You cherish comfort, family, and warmth. With a fire crackling, cocoa in hand, and loved ones close, you embody the heart of a timeless Christmas evening.



**Leo (July 23 – August 22)**

#### Star of the Show

Dramatic and radiant, you light up every room. Whether it's dazzling lights or coordinating holiday outfits, your festive flair makes you the center of the seasonal spotlight.



**Virgo (August 23 – September 22)**

#### Gift-Giving Guru

Thoughtful and meticulous, you turn giving into an art. Each gift is carefully chosen to make someone feel truly seen — a timeless touch of holiday magic.



**Libra (September 23 – October 22)**

#### Festive Entertainer

You bring beauty and harmony to every celebration. From hosting perfect dinners to arranging charming décor, you make every gathering feel magical and memorable.



**Scorpio (October 23 – November 21)**

#### Mystery Stocking Stuffer

You love surprise and intrigue. Clever, unexpected gifts and secret delights fill your stockings, making the magic of Christmas a playful mystery for all.



**Sagittarius (November 22 – December 21)**

#### Outdoor Adventure Elf

Bold and playful, you thrive in snowy escapades. Sleigh rides, ice skating, and snowball fights are your way of embracing a classic, spirited holiday season.



**Capricorn (December 22 – January 19)**

#### Tradition Keeper

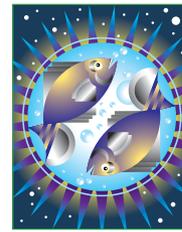
Dependable and thoughtful, you honor rituals that link generations. Lighting candles, reading classic stories, or singing carols — you embody the essence of an old-fashioned Christmas.



**Aquarius (January 20 – February 18)**

#### Inventive Ornamenteer

Creative and unconventional, you put a unique twist on old favorites. Handmade decorations, quirky light displays, and imaginative crafts showcase your visionary Christmas spirit.



**Pisces (February 19 – March 20)**

#### Sentimental Storyteller

Dreamy and nostalgic, you treasure the emotional magic of the season. Sharing stories, reminiscing, and creating heartwarming moments keeps the spirit of Christmas alive in every heart.

# the agenda

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## Saturday, November 29

**Luke Wiggins**, 6 PM, Greenbrier Valley Brewing Company, 862 Industrial Park Rd, Maxwelton

**Holiday Market**, 10 AM – 4 PM, Riverbend Garden Center, 35917 Midland Trail E, Caldwell

**Miss Bennet: Christmas at Pemberley**, 7:30 PM, Greenbrier Valley Theatre, 1038 E Washington St, Lewisburg

**Holiday Bazaar**, 10 AM – 12 PM, Williamsburg Community Building, 6571 Shoestring Trail, Williamsburg

**Queen of Hearts Fundraiser Drawing for Gateway Industries Project: Mini Golf by Jardin**, 7 PM, Sportsman Tavern, 683 Edgar Ave W, Ronceverte

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## Sunday, November 30

**A Christmas Carol – Mainstage Performance Series**, 2 PM, Carnegie Hall, 611 Church St, Lewisburg

**Farm to Table Brunch**, 10 AM – 2 PM, Mountain Table, 24140 Seneca Trail N, Renick

**Miss Bennet: Christmas at Pemberley**, 2:30 PM, Greenbrier Valley Theatre, 1038 E Washington St, Lewisburg

**Sunday Brunch**, 10 AM – 2 PM, Hawk Knob Appalachian Hard Cider, 2245 Blue Sulphur Pike, Lewisburg

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## Monday, December 1

**Case of the Mondays Group Rides**, 5:15 PM – 7 PM, Pocahontas Trails, Stillwell Park Rd, Marlinton

**Ronceverte Christmas Parade**, 7 PM, Ronceverte

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## Tuesday, December 2

**Paint Night – Colorful Winter Trees**, 6 PM – 8 PM, Lewisburg Elks Country Club Lodge, US – 219, Lewisburg

**Super Taco Challenge & Special Margaritas**, 3 PM – 8 PM, Mountain Table, 24140 Seneca Trail N, Renick

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## Thursday, December 4

**Miss Bennet: Christmas at Pemberley**, 7:30 PM, Greenbrier Valley Theatre, 1038 Washington St E, Lewisburg

**Scrabble Night**, 5:30 PM – 7:30 PM, A New Chapter, 922 Washington St W, Lewisburg

**Die Hard Trivia**, 7 PM, Across the Board Game Cafe, 698 E Main St, White Sulphur Springs

**Paint Night – Holiday Snowman**, 6 PM – 8 PM, The Sportsman Tavern, 683 W Edgar Ave, Ronceverte

**Lewisburg Christmas Parade**, 7 PM, Downtown Lewisburg

**Mini Mornings**, 9:30 AM – 11 AM, The Hub Cafe, 232 Lee St Bldg C, Lewisburg

**Open Mic w/Ben Luckett**, 6 PM, Greenbrier Valley Brewing Company, 862 Industrial Park Rd, Maxwelton

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## Friday, December 5

**Miss Bennet: Christmas at Pemberley**, 7:30 PM, Greenbrier Valley Theatre, 1038 Washington St E, Lewisburg

**WV Symphony Orchestra – Mainstage Performance Series**, 7 PM, Carnegie Hall, 611 Church St, Lewisburg

**Elements of Us**, 7 PM, The Blackboard, 232 Lee St, Bldg E Studio 7, Lewisburg

**Game Night: Free-for-All Edition**, 4 PM – 6 PM, Tech Express, Powered by High Rocks, 232 N Lee St, Bldg C, Lewisburg

**Alderson Grand Illumination & Christmas Parade**, 6 PM, Alderson

**Tavern Night**, 5 PM – 7 PM, The North House Museum, 814 Washington St W, Lewisburg

**Matt Mullins Live at GVBC**, 6 PM, Greenbrier Valley Brewing Company, 862 Industrial Park Rd, Maxwelton

**Tea & Tarot**, 5 PM, Sensorium Herbs, TarotWaters, & Luna's Light, 178 Lafayette St, Lewisburg

**Stained Glass Art Demonstrations**, 4 PM – 6 PM, Plants Etc, 846 Jefferson St S, Lewisburg

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## Saturday, December 6

**A Barnyard Christmas**, 4 PM – 7 PM, Serenity Hill Farms & Wedding Venue, 2550 Hillsdale Toll Gate Rd, Sinks Grove

**Miss Bennet: Christmas at Pemberley**, 2:30 PM, Greenbrier Valley Theatre, 1038 Washington St E, Lewisburg

**Miss Bennet: Christmas at Pemberley**, 7:30 PM, Greenbrier Valley Theatre, 1038 Washington St E, Lewisburg

**Winter Market**, 9 AM – 12 PM, Greenbrier Valley Brewing Company, 862 Industrial Park Rd, Maxwelton

**Queen of Hearts Fundraiser Drawing for Gateway Industries Project: Mini Golf by Jardin**, 7 PM, Sportsman Tavern, 683 Edgar Ave W, Ronceverte

**Meet Artist Alan Anderson**, 1 PM – 6 PM, Robert's Antiques & Wine Store, 1055 E Washington St, Lewisburg

**White Sulphur Springs Christmas Parade**, 6 PM, White Sulphur Springs

**Holiday Magic on Main St in White Sulphur Springs**, 9 PM – 8 PM, Main St, White Sulphur Springs

**Whiskey & Wine Live at GVBC**, 6 PM, Greenbrier Valley Brewing Company, 862 Industrial Park Rd, Maxwelton

**Breakfast w/The Grinch**, 9 AM, White Sulphur Springs Elementary School, 150

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**Save the Weeds – All About Salves \$15**, 4 PM – 5:30 PM, Primitive Goods WV, 625 Edgar Ave, Ronceverte

## Sunday, December 7

**The Met Live in HD: Arabella**, 1:30 PM, Greenbrier Valley Theatre, 1038 Washington St E, Lewisburg

**Free Wreath Walk & Wreath Making**, 2 PM – 4 PM, Wood Thrush Park, 334 Richland Ln, Lewisburg

**Farm to Table Brunch**, 10 AM – 2 PM, Mountain Table, 24140 Seneca Trail N, Renick

**Sunday Brunch**, 10 AM – 2 PM, Hawk Knob Appalachian Hard Cider, 2245 Blue Sulphur Pike, Lewisburg

**Brunch With The Grinch**, 11 AM, Across the Board Game Cafe, 698 E Main St, White Sulphur Springs

**Cookies w/Santa**, 1 PM, The Sportsman Tavern, 683 W Edgar Ave, Ronceverte

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## Monday, December 8

**Case of the Mondays Group Rides**, 5:15 PM – 7 PM, Pocahontas Trails, Stillwell Park Rd, Marlinton

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## Tuesday, December 9

**Bullock Winter Warmer**, 3 PM – 8 PM, Mountain Table, 24140 Seneca Trail N, Renick

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## Wednesday, December 10

**Miss Bennet: Christmas at Pemberley**, 7:30 PM, Greenbrier Valley Theatre, 1038 Washington St E, Lewisburg

**Paint Night – Red Truck**, 6 PM – 8 PM, Greenbrier Valley Brewing Company, 862 Industrial Park Rd, Maxwelton

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## Thursday, December 11

**Miss Bennet: Christmas at Pemberley**, 7:30 PM, Greenbrier Valley Theatre, 1038 Washington St E, Lewisburg

**Book Group**, 11 AM, White Sulphur Springs Public Library, 344 W Main St, White Sulphur Springs

**Holiday Traditions & Memories**, 4 PM, Alderson Library, 115 Walnut Ave, Alderson

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## Friday, December 12

**Miss Bennet: Christmas at Pemberley**, 7:30 PM, Greenbrier Valley Theatre, 1038 Washington St E, Lewisburg

**Game Night: Free-for-All Edition**, 4 PM – 6 PM, Tech Express, Powered by High Rocks, 232 N Lee St, Bldg C, Lewisburg

**Santa Toy Giveaway – TRC (Please Pre-register)**, 6 PM – 8 PM, The Redemption

Center, 1265 Tuckahoe Rd, White Sulphur Springs

**The Santa Clause Trivia**, 7 PM, Across the Board Game Cafe, 698 E Main St, White Sulphur Springs

**Herb & Hanson Live at GVBC**, 6 PM, Greenbrier Valley Brewing Company, 862 Industrial Park Rd, Maxwelton

**Introduction to Watercolor Painting w/ Jeanne Brennehan**, 4:30 PM – 6:30 PM, Primitive Goods WV, 625 Edgar Ave, Ronceverte

**Saturday, December 13**

**Girls Day Out**, 10 AM – 9 PM, Downtown Lewisburg

**Miss Bennet: Christmas at Pemberley**, 2:30 PM, Greenbrier Valley Theatre, 1038 Washington St E, Lewisburg

**Miss Bennet: Christmas at Pemberley**, 7:30 PM, Greenbrier Valley Theatre, 1038 Washington St E, Lewisburg

**Custom Leather Cell Phone Cases – Classes & Workshops**, 10 AM – 2 PM, Carnegie Hall, 611 Church St, Lewisburg

**Technology Training Workshop**, 1 PM – 3 PM, Tech Express, Powered by High Rocks, 232 N Lee St, Bldg C, Lewisburg

**Christmas at the Cedars**, 10 AM – 8 PM, The Cedars Farm, 352 Hemlock Ave E, Alderson

**Santa is Coming to Freedom Ag & Energy!**, 10 AM – 12 PM, Freedom Ag & Energy Cooperative, 608 Monroe Ave, Ronceverte

**Breakfast with Santa!**, 9 AM, Event by Alderson Public Library & Friends of the Alderson Public Library, Alderson Elementary School Cafeteria, Elmwood Ave, Alderson

**Winter Market**, 9 AM – 12 PM, Greenbrier Valley Brewing Company, 862 Industrial Park Rd, Maxwelton

**Holiday Craft Fair**, 9 AM – 3 PM, Greenbrier East High School Auxiliary Gym, 273 Spartan Ln, Lewisburg

**Artisans & Makers Market by Shea New Jewelry**, 12 PM – 5 PM, WV Ascend Office, 121 Straton Alley, Suite 6, Lewisburg

**Queen of Hearts Fundraiser Drawing for Gateway Industries Project: Mini Golf by Jardin**, 7 PM, Sportsman Tavern, 683 Edgar Ave W, Ronceverte

**Witch Ball Workshops**, 10 AM and 2 PM, The North House Museum, 814 Washington St W, Lewisburg

**Rainelle Christmas Parade**, 6 PM, Rainelle

**Matt Petty & The Whiskey Chasers Live at GVBC**, 6 PM, Greenbrier Valley Brewing Company, 862 Industrial Park Rd, Maxwelton

**Evergreen Wreaths Classes & Workshops**, 1 PM – 3 PM, Carnegie Hall, 611 Church St, Lewisburg

**Paper Quilled Winter Ornaments Classes & Workshops**, 10 AM – 12 PM, Carnegie Hall, 611 Church St, Lewisburg

**Once Upon a Stocking Storytime**, 6 PM – 7:30 PM, Splatter & Sprout, 729 Main St E, White Sulphur Springs

**Christmas w/Krampus**, 8 PM, The Sportsman Tavern, 683 W Edgar Ave, Ronceverte

**Christmas in the Park**, 6 PM, Renick Town Park, Railroad Ave, Renick

**Sunday, December 14**

**Christmas at the Cedars**, 10 AM – 8 PM, The Cedars Farm, 352 Hemlock Ave E, Alderson

**Annual Christmas Tea**, seatings at 1 PM & 3 PM, 118 Wilson St, Alderson (Tickets on sale at Alderson Artisans Gallery)

**Farm to Table Brunch**, 10 AM – 2 PM, Mountain Table, 24140 Seneca Trail N, Renick

**Greenbrier Valley Chorale's Annual Holiday Concert**, 3 PM, Carnegie Hall, 611 Church St, Lewisburg

**Sunday Brunch**, 10 AM – 2 PM, Hawk Knob Appalachian Hard Cider, 2245 Blue Sulphur Pike, Lewisburg

**Candyland – Encore's School of Dance Christmas Production**, 3 PM, 722 Main St E, White Sulphur Springs

**Brunch w/Santa**, 11 AM, Across the Board Game Cafe, 698 E Main St, White Sulphur Springs

**Monday, December 15**

**Al Jeter Series: WVJO Christmas Celebration**, 7:30 PM, Greenbrier Valley Theatre, 1038 Washington St E, Lewisburg

**Case of the Mondays Group Rides**, 5:15 PM – 7 PM, Pocahontas Trails, Stillwell Park Rd, Marlinton

**Tuesday, December 16**

**Paint Night – Snowman**, 6 PM – 8 PM, The Schoolhouse Hotel, 125 Schoolhouse Way, White Sulphur Springs

**Eagles Landing Supper**, 3 PM – 8 PM, Mountain Table, 24140 Seneca Trail N, Renick

**Thursday, December 18**

**Silent Book Club**, 5:30 – 7:30, A New Chapter, 922 Washington St W, Lewisburg

**A Christmas Story Trivia**, 7 PM, Across the Board Game Cafe, 698 E Main St, White Sulphur Springs

**Mini Mornings**, 9:30 AM – 11 AM, The Hub Cafe, 232 Lee St Bldg C, Lewisburg

**Friday, December 19**

**Game Night: Free-for-All Edition**, 4 PM – 6 PM, Tech Express, Powered by High Rocks, 232 N Lee St, Bldg C, Lewisburg

**The Dynamic Duo Live at GVBC**, 6 PM, Greenbrier Valley Brewing Company, 862 Industrial Park Rd, Maxwelton

**Muppet Christmas Carol Movie**, 4 PM, Alderson Public Library, 115 Walnut Ave, Alderson

**Saturday, December 20**

**Acoustic Fusion Back at the Old Red**

**Mill!**, 7PM – 9 PM, Old Red Mill Taphouse Grille, 970 Jefferson St N, Lewisburg

**The Met Live in HD: Andrea Chenier**, 1:30 PM, Greenbrier Valley Theatre, 1038 Washington St E, Lewisburg

**Winter Solstice Salt & Sound**, 5:15 PM, Pomona Salt Cave & Spa, 6705 Pocahontas Trail, White Sulphur Springs

**Winter Market**, 9 AM – 12 PM, Greenbrier Valley Brewing Company, 862 Industrial Park Rd, Maxwelton

**Queen of Hearts Fundraiser Drawing for Gateway Industries Project: Mini Golf by Jardin**, 7 PM, Sportsman Tavern, 683 Edgar Ave W, Ronceverte

**Once Upon a Stocking Storytime**, 6 PM – 7:30 PM, Splatter & Sprout, 729 Main St E, White Sulphur Springs

**Sunday, December 21**

**Farm to Table Brunch**, 10 AM – 2 PM, Mountain Table, 24140 Seneca Trail N, Renick

**Winterlight Music Festival**, 1 PM, Greenbrier Valley Brewing Company, 862 Industrial Park Rd, Maxwelton

**Sunday Brunch**, 10 AM – 2 PM, Hawk Knob Appalachian Hard Cider, 2245 Blue Sulphur Pike, Lewisburg

**Tuesday, December 23**

**Community Potluck, Holiday Market, & Ugly Sweater Contest**, 3 PM – 8 PM, Mountain Table, 24140 Seneca Trail N, Renick

**Friday, December 26**

**Game Night: Free-for-All Edition**, 4 PM – 6 PM, Tech Express, Powered by High Rocks, 232 N Lee St, Bldg C, Lewisburg

**Saturday, December 27**

**Queen of Hearts Fundraiser Drawing for Gateway Industries Project: Mini Golf by Jardin**, 7 PM, Sportsman Tavern, 683 Edgar Ave W, Ronceverte

**Untrained Professionals Live at GVBC**, 6 PM, Greenbrier Valley Brewing Company, 862 Industrial Park Rd, Maxwelton

**Sunday, December 28**

**Farm to Table Brunch**, 10 AM – 2 PM, Mountain Table, 24140 Seneca Trail N, Renick

**The Nutcracker Ballet at The Greenbrier**, 7:30 PM, 101 Main St W, White Sulphur Springs

**Sunday Brunch**, 10 AM – 2 PM, Hawk Knob Appalachian Hard Cider, 2245 Blue Sulphur Pike, Lewisburg

**Tuesday, December 30**

**New Years Eve Supper (Reservations Recommended)**, 3 PM – 8 PM, Mountain Table, 24140 Seneca Trail N, Renick

**The Nutcracker Ballet at The Greenbrier**, 12 PM, 101 Main St W, White Sulphur Springs

**Wednesday, December 31**

**New Year Party Hosted by SPACE FREQ**, 9 PM, Greenbrier Valley Brewing Company, 862 Industrial Park Rd, Maxwelton

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# THE MAGIC OF CHRISTMAS IN LEWISBURG CONTINUES EVERY WEEKEND THROUGH CHRISTMAS!

As the holiday season approaches, downtown Lewisburg transforms into a winter wonderland, ready to welcome both locals and visitors for a festive kickoff. The air is filled with excitement and a hint of cinnamon, inviting everyone to partake in the celebrations.

The festivities began with a grand tree lighting ceremony on November 21<sup>st</sup> in the central Green Space, where a towering tree adorned with twinkling lights and colorful ornaments becomes the heart of the celebrations. Families gather around, sipping hot cocoa and enjoying the sound of carolers singing timeless holiday classics.

Local retailers are showcasing gifts and seasonal treats. The aroma of freshly baked goodies waft through the street from The

Frosted Farmgirl, enticing passersby to indulge in the holiday spirit.

Children can meet Santa Claus where they can share their wishes and take memorable photos. A festive parade winds through the downtown on December 4th at 7 pm, featuring floats adorned with lights and lively performances that capture the joy of the season. You can also visit Santa's Mailbox and do The Polar Express Scavenger Hunt daily!

As night falls, the streets come alive with enchanting light displays, and horse drawn carriages roll through the streets. Santa and holiday characters roam the streets every Saturday spreading cheer. Local bands play upbeat tunes that encourage spontaneous dancing and merriment.

Throughout the month of December, various events take place all over town. Special offerings include Black Friday on November 28, Small Business Saturday on November 29, and Girls Day Out on December 13. From Carnegie Hall and movies at The Lewis Theatre to Greenbrier Valley Theatre and exhibits at the Visitors Center, there's holiday fun for everyone to enjoy. The downtown area becomes a vibrant hub of joy, where the spirit of the holidays is celebrated in every corner, creating lasting memories for all who join in the festivities.

For more information and updates, including Santa's schedule, please follow **Visit Lewisburg WV on Facebook and Instagram** and **The Magic of Christmas in Lewisburg on Facebook**.



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## The Magic of Christmas Downtown Lewisburg

### November

- 21 TREE LIGHTING 7PM, SANTA RAISING ARIZONA, 7:30PM LEWIS THEATRE
- 22 10AM JINGLEBELL JOG - GBR COMMUNITY SCHOOL SANTA PHOTO OPS 11, 1, 3, 4 - VISITORS CENTER 3-7PM CARRIAGE RIDES - GREENSPACE
- 28 BLACK FRIDAY SHOPPING SPECIALS 5:30-7:30 CARRIAGE RIDES - CITY HALL
- 29 SMALL BUSINESS SATURDAY 12-2 SANTA - STROLLING 3-7 CARRIAGE RIDES - GREENSPACE
- 30 2PM A CHRISTMAS CAROL - CARNEGIE HALL

### December

- 4 CHRISTMAS PARADE 7PM, SANTA
- 5 FIRST FRIDAY CARRIAGE RIDES 5:30-8:30PM - CITY HALL 5PM CAROLERS - GREENSPACE 5PM-6PM CHRISTMAS UKULELE TUNES, - VISITOR CENTER 5:30-7:30 CARRIAGE RIDES - CITY HALL 6PM ELF ON THE SHELF READING LOVE CHILD 7PM HOME ALONE - THE LEWIS THEATRE 7PM CARNEGIE - WV SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA
- 6 12-2 SANTA - STROLLING 12-2 LEWIS THE ELF - STROLLING 3-7 CARRIAGE RIDES - GREENSPACE
- 12 5:30-7:30 CARRIAGE RIDES - CITY HALL 7PM GREMLINS - THE LEWIS THEATRE
- 13 GIRLS DAY OUT-ALL DAY 12-2 SANTA- STROLLING 12-2 LEWIS THE ELF - STROLLING 3-7 CARRIAGE RIDES - GREENSPACE
- 14 3PM GREENBRIER VALLEY CHORALE - CARNEGIE HALL
- 19 5:30-7:30 CARRIAGE RIDES - CITY HALL 2PM-3PM GEHS CHOIR CAROLING - GREENSPACE 7PM-BAD SANTA - THE LEWIS THEATRE
- 20 12-2 SANTA-STROLLING 12-2 LEWIS THE ELF - STROLLING 3-7 CARRIAGE RIDES - GREENSPACE 3PM-5PM GEHS CHOIR CAROLING IN THE STREETS, CONCLUDES AT CVB
- 21 1PM CHRISTMAS UKULELE TUNES - VISITOR CENTER



NOV 21 - DEC 24

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EXTENDED HOLIDAY SHOPPING/DINING HOURS, PHOTO-OPS IN GREENSPACE, SANTA'S MAILBOX & MORE!

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## WINTERLIGHT MUSIC FESTIVAL TO BRING BIG SOUND AND BRIGHT SPIRITS TO GVBC

Greenbrier Valley Brewing Company (GVBC) is excited to announce the **Winterlight Music Festival**, a brand-new winter gathering set to bring music, community, and craft beverages together on **December 21st at 1PM**. Hosted at GVBC's taproom and production facility, Winterlight will showcase live music, local WV artisans gallery along with a special beer release crafted exclusively for the occasion.

Winterlight Music Festival is a celebration of local music and the incredible community that surrounds Greenbrier Valley Brewing Company and is about setting a bright spark in the heart of winter.

This year's debut festival features performances by:

**The Settlement (Headliners)**  
**Chandler Beavers and the Busted Damn's**  
**Been Fishin**

In a lineup that spans high energy jam fusion, and hard driving bluegrass. The Winterlight stage aims to shine during the shortest days of the year, offering an atmosphere full of warmth, rhythm, and creative energy.

Attendees can enjoy the festival's new beer release, the full lineup of GVBC craft beers, and Hawk Knob's award-winning ciders as well as specially curated craft cocktails.

Food options for the event:

**The Hangar**  
**The Burrito Bar**

A \$10 cover will be collected at the door. **18 and un-**

**der/DD no cover charge. Must have a valid ID.**

For updates, follow GVBC on social media or visit our official channels for more information.

**Winterlight Music Festival**

**The Settlement**  
**Chandler Beavers & The Busted Damn's**  
**BEEN FISHIN**

Beer release!  
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\$10 Cover

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