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Annual Report





# The Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners of Morgantown

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### ON THE COVER

Hazel Ruby McQuain Amphitheatre Dedication ceremony highlighted by Wheeling Symphony Concert September 2  
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January 23, 2003

To the Citizens of Morgantown,

On behalf of the Commissioners and staff, I am pleased to submit this annual report on the programs, facilities, and services extended to the citizens of Morgantown and surrounding areas by the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners for the year 2002.

In reviewing this report, I hope that you will be both pleased and surprised at the amount and magnitude of services that are offered on a daily basis in the BOPARC system. There is a direct relationship between these accomplishments and the dedication of a small staff that realizes the benefits of healthy minds and bodies through recreation in our community.

Highlights for the year 2002 include:

- ◆ Acquisition of 70 acres of prime park land at Dorsey's Knob.
- ◆ Dedication of the Hazel Ruby McQuain Park Amphitheater with a performance by the Wheeling Symphony.
- ◆ Two open park activities at Dorsey's Knob
- ◆ Presentation of the BOPARC Master Plan to City Council

The successes that were achieved in the 2002 are attributed to the continued support and commitment that Morgantown City Council and the City administration have for our mission. Through their wisdom and desire to improve the status of recreation in our community, BOPARC will continue to provide these services for our growing community.

Finally and most importantly, a special thanks and recognition is extended to Morgantown's citizenry. Your support of BOPARC facilities, programs, and special events, generates revenue that enables this agency to continue to operate. The result an improvement to the quality of life that makes Morgantown a special place to live!

Sincerely,

Mark Wise  
Director of Parks and Recreation



# BOPARC

## Mission Statement

BOPARC is the leisure service delivery system dedicated to providing year-round, comprehensive programs and facilities designed to meet the growing needs of the Morgantown community and its visitors.

Opportunities to meet the needs of the community will be provided by offering a variety of activities as well as the development and expansion of quality recreation facilities. The emphasis for such opportunities will be on educating the community as to the value of recreation in collaboration with other community organizations.

BOPARC recognizes and is committed to ensuring that all recreation and leisure programs, activities, and events will be conducted with equality for all residents and visitors of the City of Morgantown, and that BOPARC will always reflect the highest ideas of integrity and pride in job accomplishment.



# PARKS

## Krepps Park

Krepps Park is a 36-acre park and wooded area sitting on the North side of Morgantown, offering a unique green space amidst the hustle and bustle of city and university activity.

The park sports an outdoor swimming pool with the children's aquatic area. This interactive, colorful unit rests in two feet of water while allowing tykes an assortment of wheels, spouts and slides in which to splash and play. Krepps also provides a unique park setting with the pool, as well as a pair of tennis courts, a basketball court, a children's play cluster, a pavilion and numerous picnic sites. There are also two youth baseball fields and a volleyball court.

Krepps Pool is a 250,000-gallon, L-shaped pool originally constructed in 1978 by Land and Water Conservation Funds and a Morgantown City Levy. The pool received a \$220,000 renovation in 1994. The Children's Aquatic Interactive Play Unit and a new filtration system were added at that time. Both these renovations added not only life but also vitality and interest in what was an aging facility.

The generosity of the Keener family in 1996 allowed the Morgantown Baseball Association to significantly upgrade the two youth baseball fields at Krepps.



*Park Amenities*

- Swimming Pool
- Basketball Court
- Tennis Courts
- Picnic Tables
- Picnic Shelters/Grills
- Hiking/Biking Trails
- Sand Volleyball
- Athletic Fields
- Playground
- Restrooms
- Green Space
- Handicap Access Play Apparatus
- Handicap Access

The heavily-used pavilion, complete with a fireplace, is utilized for reunions, picnics, parties and University functions. The pavilion, which was rented 142 days from April through September in 2002, is centrally located between the park's many facilities and the nearly 20 acres of natural, wooded area which encourages wildlife habitat.





# PARKS

## Marilla Park

Marilla Park is a 45-acre multipurpose facility in the southeastern portion of Morgantown, which is one of the three major parks in the BOPARC system.

The park has an outdoor pool with two water slides, two youth baseball fields, lighted tennis courts, two outdoor basketball courts, a handicap accessible children's play structure, a pavilion and the most extensive picnic area in Morgantown. Marilla Pool is a 300,000-gallon, zero-grade entry pool utilized by over 30,000 people each summer. Handicap accessible, Marilla Pool provides a beach atmosphere in the heart of West Virginia's Hills. The slide system is designed to provide family entertainment for all ages. The 300-foot open slide offers a leisurely, serpentine ride that mom, dad and the kids can all enjoy. The 220-foot tubular slide is an exciting ride that gives thrill seekers a watery rush from top to bottom in less than six seconds. The pool itself was originally built in 1956, and the slides were added in 1991. Marilla Pool underwent extensive renovations in 1998. The changes included a beach-like entry, stainless steel sides and redesign of the bottom to make it a more user-friendly pool.

The two youth baseball fields are utilized by the Marilla League of the Morgantown Baseball Association. In the past couple of years, the "A" and "B" fields have received new lighting, a new storage building, new restroom facilities, a concession stand and a batting cage. All these facilities are possible because of volunteer labor and the generous allocation of the Morgantown City Council.

The Marilla Recreation Center not only houses the BOPARC offices but also is utilized nearly every day by various public groups from aerobic to dog obedience training courses to the Western Stars dance group.

### *Park Amenities*

- Swimming Pool
- Basketball Court
- Lighted Tennis Courts
- Picnic Tables
- Picnic Shelters/Grills
- Athletic Fields
- Playground
- Children's Play Structure
- Restrooms
- Green Space
- Open Space
- Handicap Access Play Apparatus

In 1997, BOPARC purchased the old Morgan's Shirt Factory, located directly behind the Recreation Center. In 2001 it was demolished to allow BOPARC to maintain the continuity of the park setting in Marilla. The shirt factory property also fronts the Deckers Creek leg of the Rail-Trail. A timber bridge spanning the creek, funded by the U.S. Forest Department and the U.S. Department of Transportation, allows easy access from those on the trail to the Recreation Center and park. The bridge, opened in the fall 2002.



# PARKS

## White Park

White Park is a 170-acre facility on the southwestern edge of Morgantown, which is a hub for many athletic activities by a wide variety of age groups.

It offers recreational opportunities for the young and the old alike. This park includes four adult softball fields and two youth baseball fields, and is also the home of the municipal ice arena. In the last couple of years, the Friends of White Park have helped secure funding on the design, development and construction of the trails and bridgework, which run throughout the park's wooded perimeter and along the reservoir area. The park also has a pavilion used for many picnic and family reunions. White Park is also the home of BOPARC's main maintenance facility.

The youth baseball fields, one of which is lighted, serve as the home for baseball playing youngsters from ages 5-15 in leagues that encompass five different age groups. Five generations of Morgantown children have grown up playing baseball through the First Ward Leagues at White Park.

Three of four adult softball fields are also lighted, with over 100 team and more than 1,500 players participating in softball at White Park in leagues that run from late April through October. Despite being the fifth largest city in the state in terms of total population, Morgantown has the highest number of softball participants in West Virginia. The growing number of women playing softball has led to extensive renova-



### *Park Amenities*

Tennis Courts  
Picnic Tables  
Picnic Shelters/Grills  
Hiking/Biking Trails  
Athletic Fields  
Playground  
Restrooms  
Green Space  
Open Space  
Skating Rink  
Handicap Access

tions to the Pam Berry Field recently. Combined grants totaling nearly \$50,000 were obtained through the Governor's Contingency Fund and the West Virginia Legislative Digest to fund the lighting of both Pam Berry and Liberatore fields.

Interspersed throughout the park are five miles of trails used by hikers, bikers and wildlife enthusiasts. Grants obtained through West Virginia Trails, Inc., and T-21 has most recently provided trail construction of an additional mile. The money will also provide for an additional half-mile, handicap accessible trail, which leads to a scenic overlook of the 20-acre reservoir. The trail, designed by the friends at White Park, adds an opportunity that is unique for people of all capabilities in this mountainous region.





# PARKS

## Hazel Ruby McQuain Park

Hazel Ruby McQuain Park is the newest addition to the BOPARC system. One of the highlights of the year was the official dedication of the amphitheater roof and bathroom facility on Labor Day. The Hazel Ruby McQuain Trust was recognized at the event, which included a public concert by the Wheeling Symphony.

The three acre park is nestled between the Monongahela River and the Caperton Trail. It offers fishing, a boat ramp, green space, as well as the aforementioned covered amphitheater and bathroom facility.

It is the site of many stage performances throughout the year as well as home to the Ice Fest Fantasy Ice Sculpturing activity in February, the Mon River Arts Festival in July and the annual Mason Dixon Festival in September.





# PARKS

## Neighborhood Parks

continue to grow in Morgantown which allows the local residents to utilize them for activities within a short distance of their own back doors.



**Jack Roberts Park** is a recently named park in honor of one of the late founding fathers of BOPARC-Jack Roberts. The 4 acre park has become the popular year round gathering spot for adults and children in the area.

**Suncrest Mini Park** is a half acre of nature that affords the neighborhood an escape from their world.

**King Street Mini Park** is little more than an acre of neighborhood open field space in the South Park area and a delight for spontaneous neighborhood recreational activities.

**Whitemoore Park** is the oldest park in Morgantown. Located below Richwood Avenue, the 8.6 acres of park land connects to the Caperton/Decker's Creek Trail.

**Jerome Park** is a 3 acre green space for those in the Southeastern part of Morgantown. This park is a cooperative effort between a private citizen and the city.

**The MEA Fishing Pier** is every fisherman's dream along the Monongahela River

**South University Avenue Park** is a nice green space retreat to re-focus or just catch a breath of fresh air.

### Park Amenities

Basketball Court	Green Space
Picnic Table	Open Space
Athletic Fields	Playground

Picnic Table	Open Space
Playground	Green Space
Play Apparatus	

Picnic Tables	Open Space
Green Space	
Play Apparatus	

Basketball Court	Open Space
Hiking/Biking Trails	Green Space

Basketball Court	Green Space
Playground	Open Space

Picnic Tables	
Fishing/Boat Ramp	

Green Space	
Handicap Access	



# BOPARC Facilities

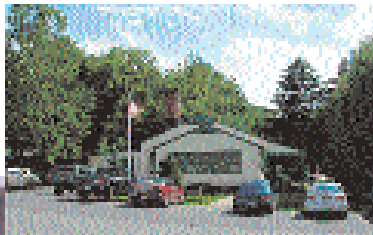
## ~ Rentals ~

	Season April-Sept		Off Season
	Mo-Thu	Fri-Sun	Oct-March
Krepps Park Shelter	\$80.00	\$90.00	\$45.00
Marilla Park Shelter	\$80.00	\$90.00	\$45.00
White Park Shelter	\$60.00	\$70.00	\$30.00
Area schools	\$25.00 Mon-Thu		
	\$40.00 Fri		
	Reg. Rate Sat-Sun		

### Marilla Recreation Center Marilla Park – E. Brockway Avenue

Private Rental  
Seats 150 people  
Limited Kitchen Facilities  
Wood Dance Floor  
Indoor Fireplace – Large Porch  
8' Tables and Folding Chairs

\$50.00 per hour rental  
\$25.00 each additional hour





# BOPARC

## Morgantown Ice Arena

Morgantown is the home to the only indoor ice rink in all of north central West Virginia.

The Morgantown Ice Arena is now 23 years old, but it's not the same facility it was two decades ago. It has undergone extensive renovations in recent years. Originally constructed as an open-sided pavilion, the Arena was completely enclosed in 1997. This enclosure, along with many other park improvements, was possible due to the benevolence of the Williams/Roberts Family.

The Ice Arena serves not only the public for general skating from August through April, but it is also home to the Mason-Dixon Figure Skating Club.

The Morgantown Hockey Association is the most frequent user of the Ice Arena. Nearly 300 youngsters ages 4-17 skate at the rink almost 26 hours a week. The "house" league primarily teaches skills to novice skaters. "Travel" teams in six different age groups compete across the tri-state from October to March.

On a typical weekend, the rink is in constant use from 7 a.m. to well past midnight, as all these groups share ice time. Over 30,000 people utilize the rink each year with crowds of nearly 300 attending on a busy night of public skating.



The Ice Arena is a regulation NHL-size rink. Complete with a warming room, concession stand and locker rooms, the Arena provides for a variety of activities, not just hockey and public skating but also birthday parties, latch key programs outside school environment activities, group skating lessons and WVU physical education classes. Many after school programs such as Kaleidoscope, Stepping Stones, Home Schoolers and other special groups utilize the rink as well.

The adult hockey league is run directly by BOPARC with five recreation and four competitive teams playing two games a week. Over 100 people participate in the adult league.

West Virginia University has two club teams, which call the Ice Arena home. The Mountaineers have a Division I level club team, which competes with other programs on the East Coast. WVU qualified for the National Club Hockey Championship in North Dakota this past season, finishing 11th. The Division II team plays in the West Penn Hockey Association.



Totsickles Morning Skate and Story Hour is a half-hour self paced orientation to movement on ice for preschoolers with their moms and dads. A half-hour story time presented by Morgantown Public Library, hot chocolate and cookies provided. Fee-\$6 includes all skate rentals, cookies and hot chocolate. All children are required to wear a bicycle or other helmet.

# BOPARC

## Senior Center

The BOPARC Senior Recreation Center, located in the former Sabraton Junior High School on Listravia Avenue, offers a wide variety of services and activities for thousands of the city's senior citizens.

From luncheons, to trips, to an array of entertainment opportunities, the Senior Center is the conduit throughout the year.

The Center serves lunch to an average of 75 people each Wednesday. Every luncheon also features musical or program entertainment. The center is also utilized throughout the week for activities like billiards, cards, dances, special events and holiday parties. Various craft activities are also a big part of the regular schedule at the Senior Center. Weaving, acrylic painting, water color are also very popular. In addition, there are classes in defensive driving, aerobics, tax preparation assistance.

The Senior Center also organizes trips to many exciting locales. In the last year, seniors from Morgantown have traveled to Hawaii, Alaska, Branson, Mo., Myrtle Beach and several overnight trips. In addition, the center organizes day trips to a number of places of interest in and around Pittsburgh to such places as the Strip District, Phipps Conservancy, Pittsburgh Zoo, Carnegie Science Center. The Senior Center is also planning a trip to Chicago, a dude Ranch in New York, a cruise to the Western Caribbean and more for 2003.

The Senior Center oversees the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP). This group numbers 180 volunteers who performed 42,000 hours of service last year in Monongalia County. RSVP is a federally funded program for persons who are at least 55 years of age, though the average volunteer is nearly 76. The volunteers perform a variety of duties around the county, including clerical work for the City and Main Street Morgantown, as well as providing directions and information at the Morgantown City Hall.



The Senior Kitchenaire Band and BOPARC Choir also call the Center home. Both groups perform over 30 events a year entertaining the community at rest homes, hospitals and many civic organizations.



Total # of Programs Offered 15 Weekly  
Total # of Participants Served 17,700





# BOPARC

## Rail Trails & Trails in the Parks

The Caperton Rail-Trail and Deckers Creek Rail-Trail have had an incredible impact on the recreational infrastructure of Morgantown.

The Rail-Trail receives heavy usage every day. There are six miles of paved trails within the Morgantown city limits, which connects to approximately 45 miles of trails outside of town that run south to Fairmont, north to Point Marion and east along Decker's Creek to Preston County.

The main line of the Rail-Trail follows along the scenic banks of the Monongahela River. The four miles of paved trail traverse some unique, seldom seen areas of Morgantown, including the WVU Arboretum, the historically glass factories, the renovated Morgantown Train Depot and the Morgantown Lock and Dam.

The Decker's Creek spur travels eastward through Sabraton with two miles of paved trail. Once the spur reaches the eastern city limits, it gives way to crushed limestone surface, which is also suitable for hiking and biking all the way to Reedsville.

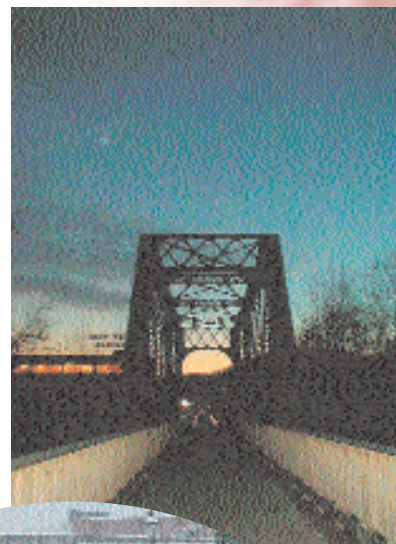
A timber bridge funded by grants from the U.S. Forest Service and the U.S. Department of Highways, now span Decker's Creek, providing direct access from the trail to Marilla Park. A system of connector trails specifically through Whitmore Park to the Decker's Trail now allows families to visit Marilla Park from distant neighborhoods without contact with vehicular traffic.

Trail users who start on the Star City end are greeted initially by the beauty of the WVU Arboretum, which affords them the opportunity to stray from the trail and enjoy the flora and fauna that a forest canopy provides.

A few steps further south along the trail allows hikers and bikers to leave the natural beauty of the Arboretum to get a close-up view of one of Morgantown's modern marvels – the Personal Rapid Transit (PRT) System.

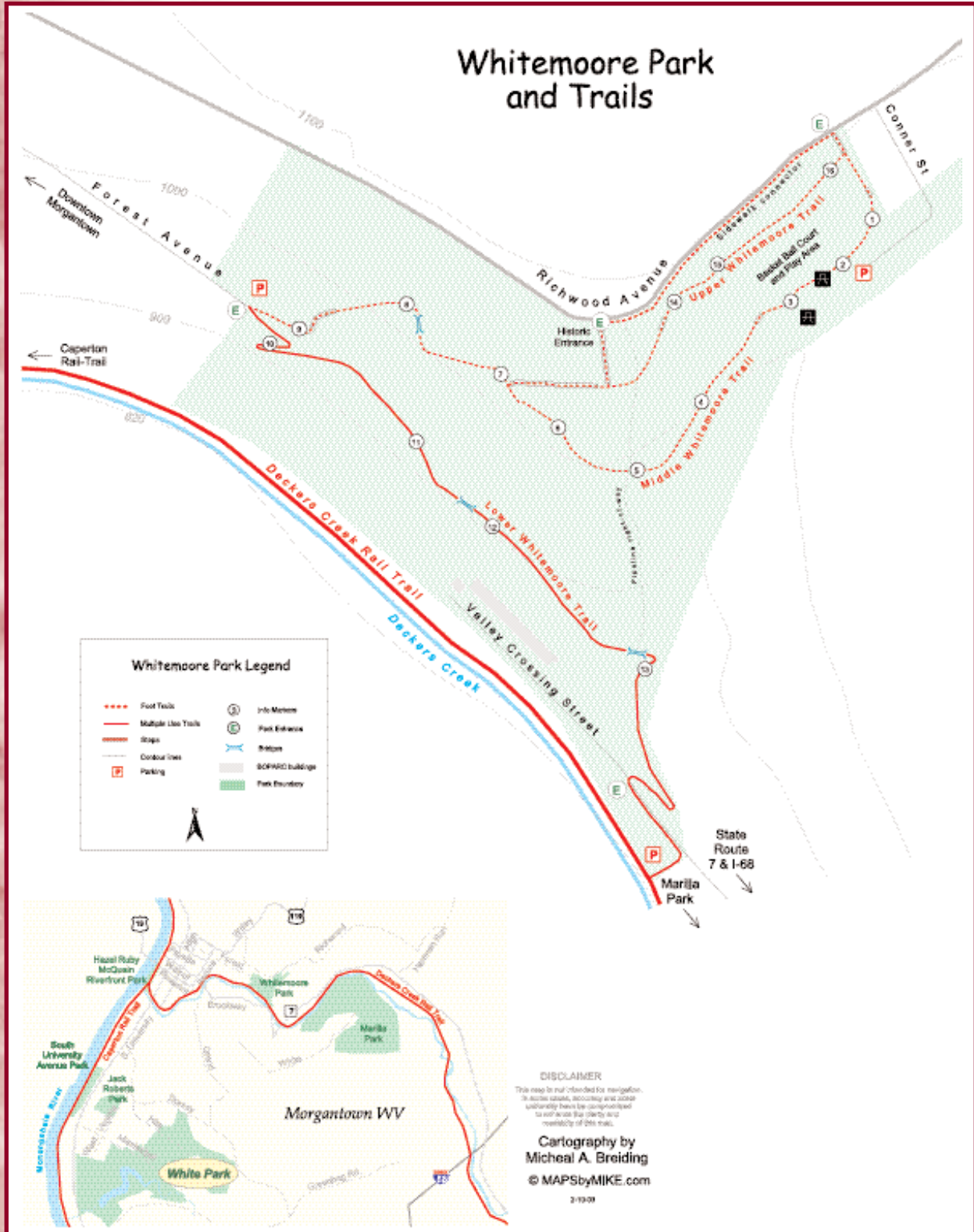
From there, the trail follows the Mon River through the WVU Campus towards downtown Morgantown. The journey eventually leads to the Hazel Ruby-McQuain Riverfront Park.

Just past the Riverfront Park, one crosses the Decker's Creek Bridge, which was renovated with materials and labor supplied by GE Specialties. This trek continues past the Wharf District, which is one of Morgantown's top priorities in terms of urban development. Onward the trail continues to the two-acre South University Avenue Park which offers opportunities for passive recreation amidst the arts and sculptures with a view of the Morgantown Locks and Dam.



# BOPARC

## Rail Trails & Trails in the Parks





# BOPARC

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# BOPARC

## Special Events

BOPARC sponsors a variety of special events throughout the year, offering activities for those who wish to participate, spectate or recreate.

For over 20 years, BOPARC, with continuing cooperation from Pepsi, has sponsored a road race on the Fourth of July. Though the name of the event has changed a few times, the enthusiasm for the race has always been high. Over 300 runners participate annually, challenging the ascents and descents of Morgantown's streets. The range of participants varies from runners in search of a competitive race to the novice who can partake in different lengths from 10K to 5K to a one-mile kid's fun run. In last year's events the youngest participant was nine months old (with the assistance of mom and a racing stroller), while the oldest was in his 70s. In 1999, the Mary Babb Randolph Cancer Center joined forces with Pepsi and BOPARC to help sponsor the race. Any profits raised by the event are now split between the Cancer Center and BOPARC.



The Morgantown trash cleanup-Project Pride-has become an annual spring event in coordination with the national Earth Day projects throughout the country. Over 400 people help collect mountains of trash from throughout Morgantown. Last year over 300 old tires and 20 tons of garbage was cleaned up from many areas around town.

The Worley Gardener Winter Music Festival has become a very popular annual event held on the last weekend in February. Worley Gardener, a Morgantown dulcimer player and music enthusiast, called the event spring training for musicians. Held at South Middle School, the Festival attracts over 300 musicians and nearly 500 spectators for the two-day showcase of the traditional Appalachian and bluegrass music. The sweet sounds of dulcimers, mandolins, fiddles, banjos and bass cellos fill the air at the South auditorium in stage shows and jam sessions alike.



The Ice Festival Fantasy is an enchanting Ice Sculpture Exhibit in February at the Hazel Ruby McQuain Riverfront Park and Amphitheater. The free community winter festival was created to enhance the public's appreciation for wellness, recreation and visual arts. Professional Ice Sculptor Ernie DiMartino and staff carve over 30 unique master pieces for the walking exhibit. The demonstration site is open to the public to allow visitors to encircle the sculptors as they saw, chisel and torch blocks of ice into beautiful works of art. The festival is a WVU Hospitals sponsored event.



# BOPARC

## Mountaineer Balloon Festival

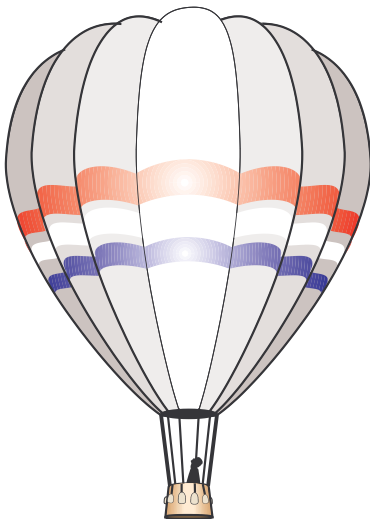
### Mylan Park at Chaplin Hill

The University Motors/Mountaineer Balloon Festival annually attracts over 30,000 people to the four-day pageantry of sight and sound.

The highly anticipated festival has been a fixture in Morgantown every autumn for 19 years and continues to grow and flourish. The color and beauty of the nearly 40 hot air balloons which fill the Morgantown skies is matched only by the background of vibrant fall foliage.

The Balloon Festival began under the leadership of then BOPARC director Van Anderson, an enthusiastic hot air balloonist himself who when visiting Glen Falls, N.Y., nearly two decades ago was introduced to a similar event. The BOPARC Balloon Festival began in 1983 with a dozen balloons and less than a thousand people. It is now the largest festival in the county, as it spans four days, hundreds of air miles and over 200 balloon ascensions.

The festivities begin with Nite Glow at Morgantown Mall. The remainder of the weekend's activities takes place at Mylan Park weather permitting. There are five mass ascensions on Saturday and Sunday, all surrounded by carnival rides and games, an arts craft show, the biggest car show in the tri-county area, a Baja race of vehicles constructed by the WVU College of Engineering and six other universities and numerous entertainment activities.



# BOPARC Programs

## January

Noah's Animal Adventures  
 Fun Factory (Four One Week Sessions)  
 Yoga  
 Aerobics  
 Dog Tags Program  
 Line Dancing  
 The BOPARC Pickers  
 Friends of Old Time Music  
 Western Stars  
 Sled Riding Jack Roberts Park  
 Totsickles

### *BOPARC Special Events*

Ski Trip

### *BOPARC Senior Center*

Low Impact Aerobics  
 Wednesday Luncheons  
 Water Colors  
 Acrylics  
 Bowling at Sycamore Lanes  
 Adopt a Road Once a Month  
 Bridge Club  
 BOPARC Choir  
 Walking for a Healthier You (weather permitting)  
 Supervised Walking on the Trail

## February

Noah's Animal Adventures  
 Fun Factory  
 Yoga  
 Aerobics  
 Dog Tags Program  
 Line Dancing  
 The BOPARC Pickers  
 Friends of Old Time Music  
 Western Stars  
 Sled Riding Jack Roberts Park  
 Totsickles



### *BOPARC Special Events*

Ice Festival  
 24th Annual Worley Gardener Winter music Festival  
 Teen Ski Trip

### *BOPARC Senior Center*

Low Impact Aerobics  
 Wednesday Luncheons  
 Water Colors  
 Acrylics  
 Bowling at Sycamore Lanes  
 Adopt a Road Once a Month  
 Adopt a Trail Once a Month  
 Bridge Club  
 BOPARC Choir  
 Kitchenaire  
 Walking for a Healthier You (weather permitting)  
 Supervised Walking on the Trail

## March

Noah's Animal Adventures  
 Fun Factory  
 Yoga  
 Aerobics  
 Dog Tags Program  
 Line Dancing  
 The BOPARC Pickers  
 Friends of Old Time Music  
 Western Stars  
 Carnegie Museum  
 Totsickles

### *BOPARC Special Events*

Carnegie Science Center Trip

### *BOPARC Senior Center*

Low Impact Aerobics  
 Wednesday Luncheons  
 Water Colors  
 Acrylics  
 Bowling at Sycamore Lanes  
 Adopt a Road Once a Month  
 Adopt a Trail Once a Month





# BOPARC

## Programs



Bridge Club  
 BOPARC Choir  
 Kitchenaire  
 Walking for a Healthier You (weather permitting)  
 Supervised Walking on the Trail  
 Western Caribbean Cruise

The BOPARC Pickers  
 Friends of Old Time Music  
 Western Stars

### *BOPARC Special Events*

BOPARC Drive-In Movie Hazel Ruby McQuain Park  
 Early Bird Softball Tournament  
 Memorial Weekend Concert  
 Try Scuba Exhibition  
 Pittsburgh 200 and PPG Aquarium Trip

## April

Fun Factory  
 Yoga  
 Aerobics  
 Dog Tags Program  
 Line Dancing  
 The BOPARC Pickers  
 Friends of Old Time Music  
 Western Stars

### *BOPARC Senior Center*

Low Impact Aerobics  
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 Adopt a Trail Once a Month  
 Bridge Club  
 BOPARC Choir  
 Kitchenaire

### *BOPARC Special Events*

Wassick Easter Egg Hunt  
 Make it Shine/Project Pride  
 Community Cleanup  
 Early Bird Softball Open and AAA Men's

Walking for a Healthier You (weather permitting)  
 Supervised Walking on the Trail

### *BOPARC Senior Center*

Low Impact Aerobics  
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 Bridge Club  
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## June

Fun Factory Outdoor Yoga  
 Water Aerobics  
 Dog Tags Program  
 Line Dancing  
 The BOPARC Pickers  
 Friends of Old Time Music  
 Western Stars  
 Carnegie Science Caravan  
 Tennis Lessons  
 Cards of Hope  
 Tennis Leagues Pre School through Adult  
 Swim Lessons  
 Softball  
 Morgantown United Aquatic Club  
 Morgantown Aquatic Club  
 Masters Adult Swim  
 Science Rocks Discovery Camp  
 Music at Marilla with Jenny Menna  
 Appalachian, Asian and African Festival of Fun  
 BOPARC Summer Break (Kaleidoscope) BOPARC

## May

Fun Factory  
 Yoga  
 Aerobics  
 Dog Tags Program  
 Line Dancing

# BOPARC Programs

## June *(continued)*

Recreational Activities with Kaleidoscope (Krepps, White and Marilla Parks)  
Krepps Kritters every other Thursday  
Chamber Music camp (Jenna Menna)  
Evening Chess in the Park

### *BOPARC Special Events*

WVAQ Pool Parties  
Battle of the Bands  
Concerts in the Park Hazel Ruby McQuain Amphitheatre  
Riverfront Park  
BOPARC Drive-In Movie Hazel Ruby McQuain  
Amphitheatre Riverfront Park  
Campfire Nights at Jack Roberts Park

### *BOPARC Senior Center*

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Bridge Club  
BOPARC Choir  
Kitchenaire  
Walking for a Healthier You (weather permitting)  
Supervised Walking on the Trail  
Rocking Horse Ranch Trip

## July

Fun Factory  
Outdoor Yoga  
Outdoor Aerobics  
Dog Tags Program  
Line Dancing  
The BOPARC Pickers  
Friends of Old Time Music  
Western Stars  
Carnegie Science Caravan  
Tennis Lessons  
Tennis Leagues Pre School through Adult  
Swim Lessons  
Softball



Morgantown United Aquatic Club  
Morgantown Aquatic Club  
Masters Adult Swim  
Kaleidoscope (Krepps, White and Marilla Parks)  
Krepps Kritters every other Thursday Morgantown  
Library  
Water Play on a Summer Day Krepps Pavilion Krepps  
Pool  
Arts in the Park

### *BOPARC Special Events*

Spirit and Breath Challenge 10k run, 5k walk and run, one  
mile fun run  
Community Band Concert Hazel Ruby McQuain  
Amphitheatre at Riverfront Park  
Fireworks at Riverfront Park  
WVAQ Pool Parties  
Battle of the Bands  
Concerts in the Park Hazel Ruby McQuain Amphitheatre  
Riverfront Park  
BOPARC Drive in Movie Hazel Ruby McQuain  
Amphitheatre Riverfront Park  
Campfire Nights at Jack Roberts  
Baltimore Inner Harbor and Aquarium Trip

### *BOPARC Senior Center*

Low Impact Aerobics  
Wednesday Luncheons  
Water Colors  
Acrylics  
Bowling at Sycamore Lanes  
Adopt a Road Once a Month  
Adopt a Trail Once a Month  
Bridge Club  
BOPARC Choir  
Kitchenaire  
Walking for a Healthier You (weather permitting)  
Supervised Walking on the Trail

## August

Fun Factory (Four One week Sessions)  
Outdoor Yoga  
Water Aerobics  
Dog Tags Program  
Line Dancing  
The BOPARC Pickers  
Friends of Old Time Music





# BOPARC Programs

Western Stars  
Carnegie Museum  
Tennis Lessons  
Tennis Leagues Pre School through Adult  
Softball  
MUAC  
MAC  
Masters

## *BOPARC Special Events*

WVAQ Pool Parties  
Concerts in the Park Hazel Ruby McQuain Amphitheatre  
Riverfront Park  
(Wheeling Symphony)  
BOPARC Drive in Movie Hazel Ruby McQuain  
Amphitheatre Riverfront Park  
Campfire Nights at Jack Roberts Park  
New York City Trip

## *BOPARC Senior Center*

Low Impact Aerobics  
Wednesday Luncheons  
Water Colors  
Acrylics  
Bowling at Sycamore Lanes  
Adopt a Road Once a Month  
Adopt a Trail Once a Month  
Bridge Club  
BOPARC Choir  
Kitchenaire  
Walking for a Healthier You (weather permitting)  
Supervised Walking on the Trail

## September

Fun Factory (Four One Week Sessions)  
Fall Yoga  
Fall Aerobics  
Dog Tags Program  
Line Dancing  
The BOPARC Pickers  
Friends of Old Time Music  
Western Stars

## *BOPARC Special Events*

Carnegie Science Center Trip  
Dorsey's Knob Rock Walk  
Dog Splash at Marilla Pool



## *BOPARC Senior Center*

Low Impact Aerobics  
Wednesdays Luncheons  
Water Colors  
Acrylics  
Bowling at Sycamore Lanes  
Adopt a Road Once a Month  
Adopt a Trail Once a Month  
Bridge Club  
BOPARC Choir  
Kitchenaire  
Walking for a Healthier You (weather permitting)  
Supervised Walking on the Trail

## October

Fun Factory  
Fall Yoga  
Fall Aerobics  
Dog Tags Program  
Line Dancing  
The BOPARC Pickers  
Friends of Old Time Music  
Western Stars  
Atoms  
Adult Hockey  
Mason Dixon Skating Club



## *BOPARC Special Events*

Dorsey's Knob Rock Walk  
University Motors Mountaineer Balloon Festival (Mylan Park)  
31st Annual John Henry Blues Festival (Riverfront Park)

## *BOPARC Senior Center*

Low Impact Aerobics  
Wednesday Luncheons  
Water Colors  
Acrylics  
Bowling at Sycamore Lanes  
Adopt a Road Once a Month  
Adopt a Trail Once a Month  
Bridge Club  
BOPARC Choir  
Kitchenaire  
Walking for a Healthier You (weather permitting)  
Supervised Walking on the Trail

# BOPARC Programs

## November

Totsickles  
 Fun Factory  
 Yoga  
 Aerobics  
 Dog Tags  
 Line Dancing  
 BOPARC Pickers  
 Friends of Old Time Music  
 Western Stars  
 Atoms  
 Skate with Us  
 Adult Hockey

### *BOPARC Senior Center*

Low Impact Aerobics  
 Wednesday Luncheons  
 Water Colors  
 Acrylics  
 Bowling at Sycamore Lanes  
 Adopt a Road Once a Month  
 Adopt a Trail Once a Month  
 Bridge Club  
 BOPARC Choir  
 Kitchenaire  
 Walking for a Healthier You (weather permitting)  
 Supervised Walking on the Trail  
 Senior Center Citizen Holiday Bazaar



## December

Totsickles  
 Atoms  
 Skate with Us  
 Adult Hockey  
 Yoga  
 Aerobics  
 Line Dancing  
 Friends of Old Time Music  
 Western Stars

### *BOPARC Special Events*

Holiday Traditions From Around the World (Hazel Ruby  
 McQuain Riverfront Park)  
 Breakfast with Santa December 20 (Marilla Center)

### *BOPARC Senior Center*

Low Impact Aerobics  
 Wednesdays Luncheons  
 Water Colors  
 Acrylics  
 Bowling at Sycamore Lanes  
 Adopt a Road Once a Month  
 Adopt a Trail Once a Month  
 Bridge Club  
 BOPARC Choir  
 Kitchenaire  
 Walking for a Healthier You (weather permitting)  
 Supervised Walking on the Trail  
 Senior Citizen Holiday Bazaar





# BOPARC

## Recreational Programs &

### Sports - Participation Statistics

Program Title	# of Participants
BOPARC Summer Break (BOPARC Recr. Ed. Activities with Kaleidoscope).....	327
Junior Tennis .....	184
Competitive Tennis .....	420
Basketball.....	95
Coed Softball (II Teams) Spring .....	220
Women's Softball (20 Teams) .....	400
Men's Softball (60 Teams) Summer .....	1200
Total Softball Teams (91).....	1820
Fall Softball 12/Coed and 12/Men = 24 Teams	
Grand Total 115 Teams (20 per team) .....	2300
Marilla Swim Lessons (3 Sessions) .....	91
Krepps Swim Lessons (3 Sessions) .....	281
Water Play on a Summer Day .....	130
Aqua Fit .....	6
Power Splash.....	40
Aerobics Fall/Spring.....	32
Scuba Interstate Class .....	30
Try Scuba .....	90
Swim Clubs Masters Adult AM Krepps .....	15
MAC AM Krepps .....	100
MUAC PM Krepps.....	100
Yoga .....	62
Mon County Sr. Fun Dancers ( Marilla Center).....	15
Western Stars Square Dancers Marilla .....	34
Dog Tags (Obedience School Weekday, Evenings, Saturdays).....	75
Noah's Animal Adventures .....	152
Krepps Kritters with Morgantown Library.....	78
Arts in the Park Day Camp (2 Sessions) Marilla.....	93
Science Discovery Day Camp (2 Sessions) Krepps .....	35
Musica Marilla Day Camp (2 Sessions) Marilla .....	32
Chess Day Camp (2 Sessions) Marilla.....	28
Jamie's Juggling Day Camp (2 Sessions) Marilla .....	24



# **BOPARC**

## *Recreational Programs &*

### **Sports - Participation Statistics**

#### **Morgantown Ice Arena Attendance 2002**

	<b># of Participants</b>
Adults-Public Session.....	4258
Teens-Public Session.....	2166
Children-Public Session.....	5498
Skate Rentals.....	12,516
Adult Hockey Participants.....	100
Party rental skaters.....	3790
Group lessons.....	300
WVU PE skaters.....	36
Morning skaters.....	270
Atoms hockey-Players 4, 5, 6 yr olds.....	75
Ajax hockey.....	100
Puck pass and shoot skaters.....	100
Youth Hockey (MHA).....	250
WVU Game Attendance.....	5000
WVU Teams.....	60

### **Special Events**

	<b>Attendance</b>
Mountaineer Balloon Festival.....	10,915
July 4th Race.....	240
Big Surf Drive In Family Night Movies Under the Star.....	3000
Wild Video Dance Party.....	1200
Ice Festival Fantasy.....	2500
WVAQ Pool Jams.....	2500
Concerts in the Park.....	2260
Wheeling Symphony Orchestra.....	3500
Camp Fire Night at Jack Roberts.....	200
Dog Splash.....	1500



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## Recreational Programs &

### Sports - Participation Statistics

#### Pools Attendance 2002

	June	July	August	September	Total
<b>MARILLA</b>					
Senior	0	0	5	Closed	5
Adults	1838	1635	855	Closed	4328
Teen	1016	1261	803	Closed	3080
Children	2150	2123	1165	Closed	5438
Special	0	56	201	Closed	257
Slide	2722	2798	1040	Closed	6560
After 4 PM	51	338	138	Closed	527
<b>TOTAL</b> .....					<b>20,190</b>

<b>KREPPS</b>					
Senior	39	120	52	4	215
Adults	2374	2362	1204	125	6065
Teens	663	567	271	14	1515
Children	2193	2067	1178	133	5571
Special	180	82	71	1	334
After 4 PM	331	771	519	36	1326
<b>TOTAL</b> .....					<b>15,026</b>

Grand total pools attendance.....35,216



# **BOPARC**

## **Operating Budget – 2001-2002**

### **Expenses**

Salaries, Permanent	\$376,212.00
Salaries & Wages, Seasonal & Part-Time	\$295,960.00
Commodities & Supplies	\$164,524.00
Services Contracted	\$367,905.00
Repairs and Maintenance	\$64,200.00
Personnel Services	\$207,976.00
Minor Construction & Capital Equipment	\$67,300.00
Contingency	\$152,874.00
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$1,696,951.00</b>

### **Income**

Self-Generated Income, Fees & Charges	\$773,350.00
Allocation, City of Morgantown	\$556,727.00
Allocation, Monongalia County Commission	\$40,000.00
Special City Allocation	\$100,000.00
Kaleidoscope	\$30,000.00
State/Federal Funding, Balloon Festival	\$4,000.00
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$1,696,951.00</b>





# **BOPARC . . . *The Future* . . .**

## *Dorsey's Knob Park*

*O*n June 25, 2002, a dream became a reality when it was announced that the Greater Morgantown Community Trust agreed to borrow the necessary \$1.32 million loan to purchase Dorsey's Knob providing the Board of Parks and Recreation Commissioners with one of the largest additions to the BOPARC system.

The 71-acre site, which includes Sky Rock, provides perhaps the most picturesque view of the Monongahela River and Monongalia County. With the addition of Dorsey's Knob, recreation in Morgantown will be greatly enhanced, giving residents of the county and surrounding cities an opportunity usually reserved for major metropolitan areas.

Located adjacent to U.S. 119, the area referred to by local American Indians as Sky Rock will offer a 360-degree view of the area. Once the entire project is completed, the economic impact will be immeasurable, considering the site's close proximity to both Interstate 79 and 68.

### **WELCOME CENTER**

Plans for an extensive Welcome Information Center which will serve as the official entrance into the Morgantown are underway.



Inside, the center will be the home of a plethora of information and exhibits. Plans call for a Regional Information Center including geographical information and information on Morgantown.

Exhibits on Native American Culture, Appalachian Culture, industrial history and local history will be housed in the extensive Exhibition Center.

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## *Dorsey's Knob Park*

As a public park several potential uses can be projected. Some of the uses in its present condition, with little change to the natural setting, would include the following:

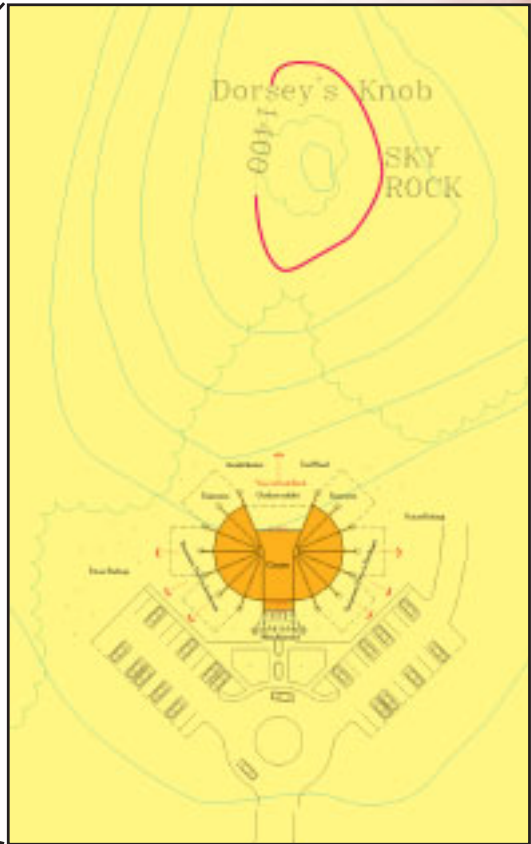
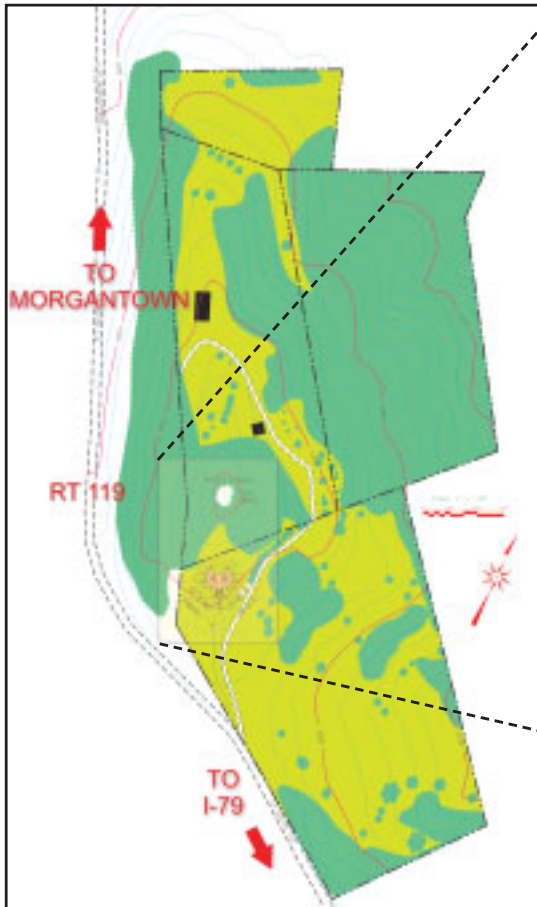
- ◆ A scenic overlook
- ◆ Site for a network of diverse walking or biking trails
- ◆ Destination for a connection with the rail trails and existing paths at White Park near the Cobun Reservoir
- ◆ Historical markers
- ◆ Picnic area(s)
- ◆ Bird watching
- ◆ Sled Riding
- ◆ Cross-country skiing
- ◆ Open space reservation
- ◆ Dog Park



With the modest enhancement of entrance road beds and potential parking areas, the park could become more useful for a larger segment of the general public:

- ◆ Scenic overlook, handicap accessible, with directional, natural history, historical and geological markers
- ◆ Roadside rest stop with large map of the Greater Morgantown Area and other information to connect visitors with appropriate visitor centers and other facilities
- ◆ Outlook orientation site for introducing new visitors to the area
- ◆ Destination for supplement learning of local history
- ◆ Training for youth groups and outdoor activity groups
- ◆ Site picnic shelters for use by family reunions, organizations, weddings, etc.





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## Master Plan – Concept maps

### *A Vision for Recreation in Morgantown*

Through the foresight and commitment of Morgantown City Council's funding of the BOPARC Master Plan, Environmental Design Group presented their vision for recreation in Morgantown to the Board at their regularly scheduled meeting in September. As a result of that presentation, Board President Allen addressed City Council at their November Committee of the Whole meeting on the results of this plan. The Board prioritized the projects and selected 5 of them to commence in the year 2003. Approval was granted for a Skate Park, Miniature Golf Course and Paddleboat facility, as well as a Tennis Center, Playground renovations, and Marilla Pool renovations.



### **KREPPS PARK (SOUTH SECTION)**

### *Concept Improvement Plan*



Parks and Recreation Master Plan  
City of Morgantown, WV





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## *Master Plan – Concept maps*

*A Vision for Recreation in Morgantown*



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## Master Plan – Concept maps

### *A Vision for Recreation in Morgantown*



### WHITE PARK

### Concept Improvement Plan



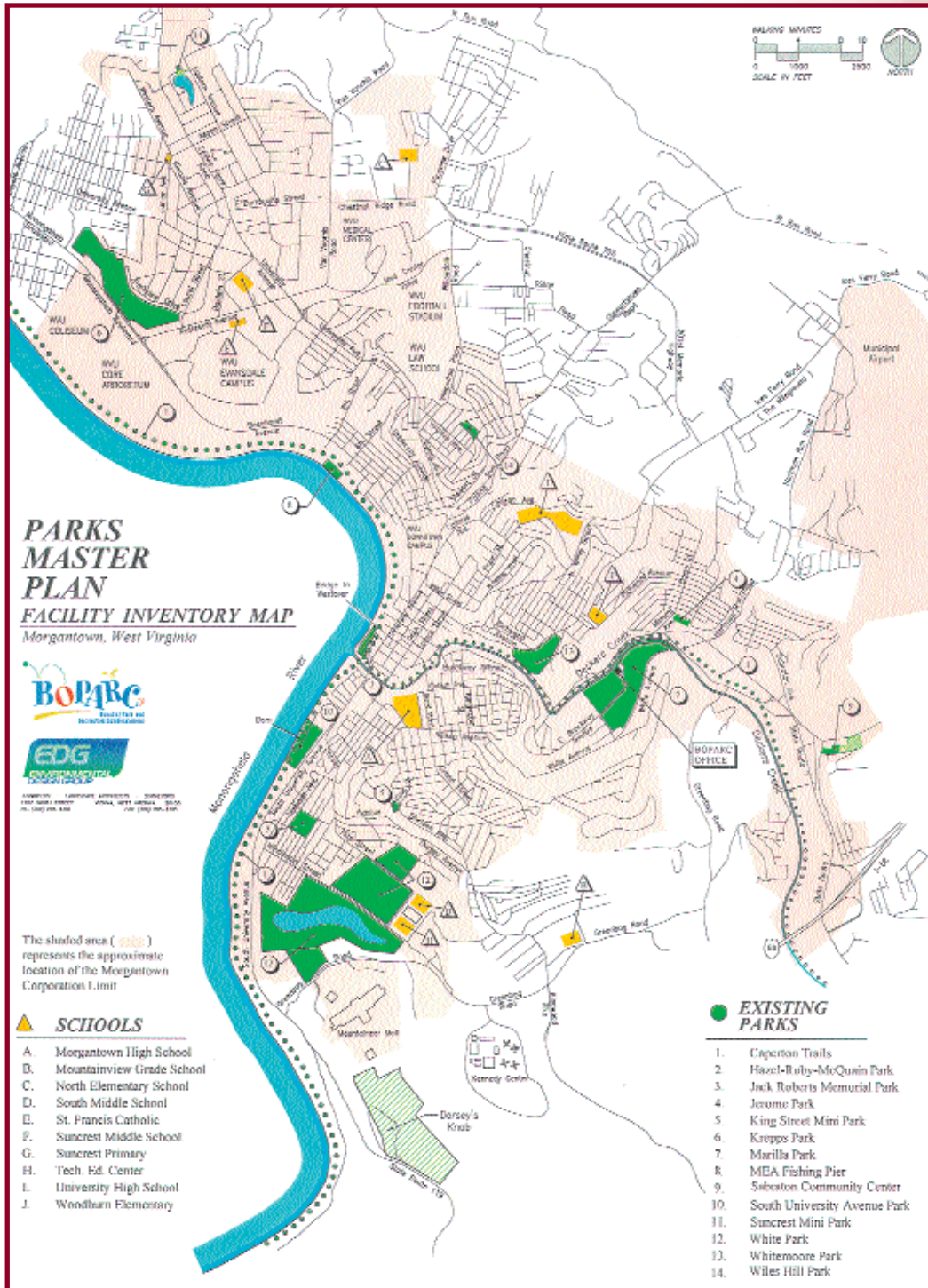
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## Inventory of Parks & Recreation Facilities









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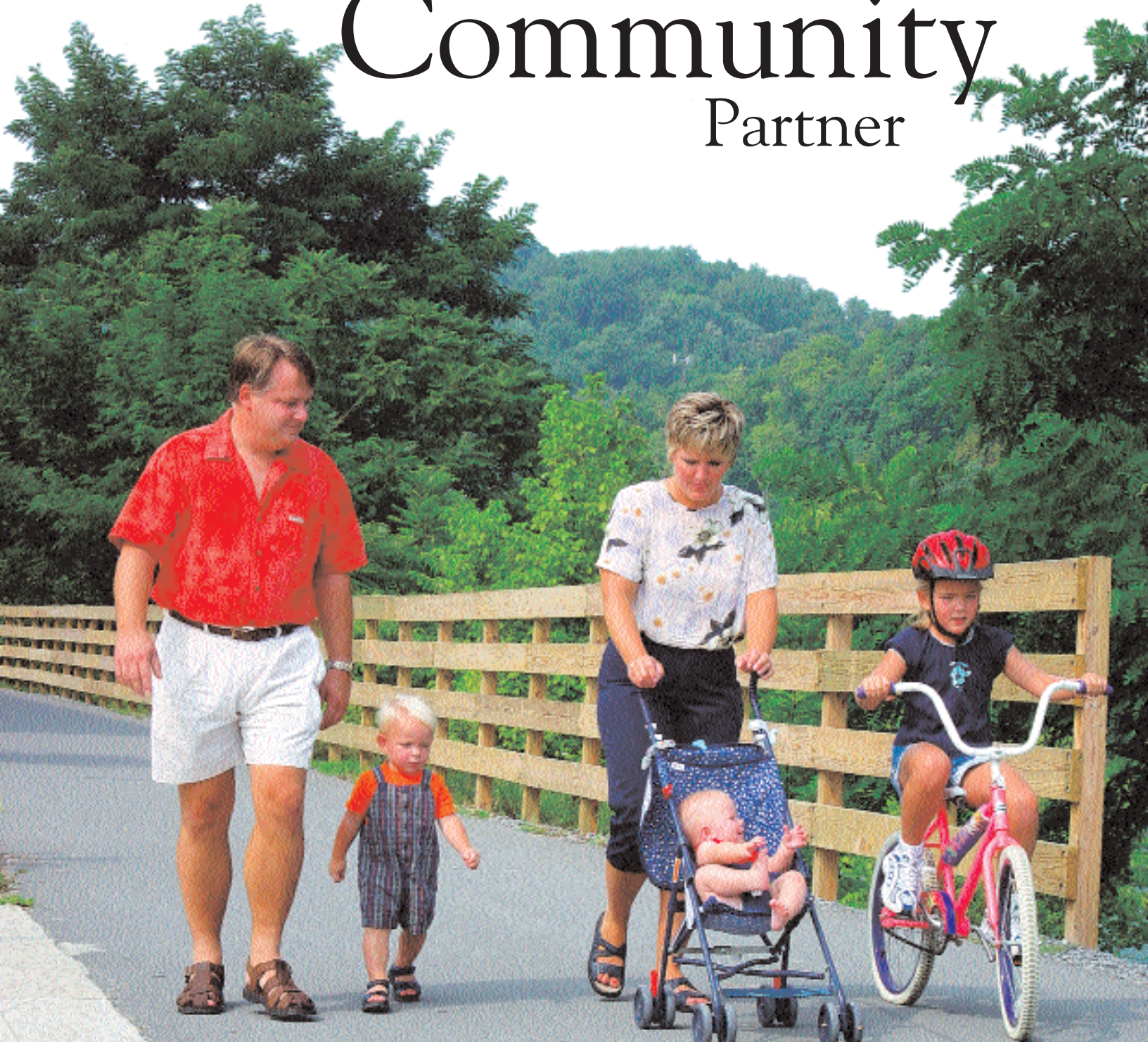
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