

# July/August Newsletter

- 1.) Friday, July 8, 2:30, FFP/ PFF is sponsoring a Zoom meeting at 3:00p with any of the agencies who were at the ACCE job fair, to discuss ways to make the most of the ACCE program (Access to Community College Education), both for the students and for non-profit agencies in Floyd County.
  
- 2.) Sat., Aug. 27, 2:00, sponsored by FFP, at Floyd's Jesse Peterman Library Community Room, a presentation by Ian Caton re: "Turning Grass into Flowerbeds."
  
- 3.) Thurs., Sept. 1st, 12:00-noon, is our next "Quarterly" Core Team Meeting, at the Hotel Floyd Conference Room. (Lunch Provided... so your RSVP is required.)
  - a.) While at each meeting, check out our table with all the great newspaper articles for you to peruse (with thanks to Velva for her role as keeper of FFP archived articles);
  - b) Velva Groover also agreed to do the follow-up on citizens' inquiries that come up on our website/ FaceBook site, and/or after FFP presentations (e.g. after Barbara Pleasant's & Ian's presentations at the Library). Yay, Velva!
  
- 4.) Sat., Sept. 3, 9:00-1:00—at the Floyd Farmers' Market, another fabulous Floyd Flower Power "Fall Plant & Seed Share:"

Please sign up, as Help-Help-We-Need YOUR HELP at the FFP Table (email Ellie with your preferred time slot):

\_\_\_\_\_ & Jean Woods to help set-up at 8:30a, and stay till 10:30a;  
\_\_\_\_\_ & \_\_\_\_\_ 10:30-12:30 to distribute FREE plants & seeds;  
\_\_\_\_\_ & Ellie Roe 12:30-1:45 (Distribute plants and help with the take-down at 1:00).
  
- 5.) Sat., Sept. 17, 1:00-4:00, a FFP table will be at Lineberry Park, for an event to highlight The Asylum Seekers Program; <<< Citizen's Josh Stokes might be there videotaping the event. <<< Volunteer-helpers are needed, so let Ellie know if you can take a shift to be at the FFP table.  
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\_\_\_\_\_ & Jean Woods: 12:30-2:00 (to help set-up and stay till 2:00);  
\_\_\_\_\_ & \_\_\_\_\_ 2:00-3:30;  
\_\_\_\_\_ & Ellie Roe: 3:30-4:30 (and help with the take-down at 4:00)
  
6. Check it out!:
  - a.) Many Thanks & Kudos to Kathleen Legg, Director of Tourism, and Citizen's Joy Gardner and Paul Harris, you can now peruse our fabulous new website: [Floydflowerpower.com](http://Floydflowerpower.com)
  - b.) Also you can Google to find "Floydflowerpower" on FaceBook. (It's at the top of the Google "search list.") Kudos to Jean Woods, who has kept this going since the very beginning of FFP. It's quite impressive to see just how much has been accomplished in less than a year! Way to Go, Jean!
  - c.) Watch for FFP Mission Statement placards to be distributed around town. They now include info on how to contact us, as all the Links (our Website, on FaceBook etc.) are listed on the newly updated FFP Mission Statement.

d.) Do count just how many L.O.V.E. signs are already in place around Floyd! (e.g. at Buffalo Brewery; behind the Thomas & Wall Real Estate building, which is on the wall of the Blue Ridge Florist; etc.) Go online or contact Kathleen Legg with questions about how to apply for an easy peasy \$\$grant\$\$ which can help pay for a L.O.V.E. sign on your business. <<< Suggestion: Do include on your L.O.V.E. sign the words “Floyd VA” -&/or- “Floyd Flower Power, in Floyd VA”... >>>

7.) Have you noticed just how many FFP Sites are already under way?:

The Mural at 613 E. Main (next to XPress Mart/ Gas ); Wills Ridge Lumber (on Rt. 8); Church of Christ (on Rt. 8 across from Citizens); Floyd Center for the Arts (on Rt. 8 across from Storkers Knob); The County Administration Building, at 120 West Oxford St. (both of these sites had help from ACCE students. Yay, ACCE!); Walls Residences (across from Red Rooster) on the corner of C’burg Pike and 221; = SIX...plus more sites are in the works!

9.) We already took delivery from Andy Finn Graphics... a large FFP banner; magnetic bumper stickers; window decals, and plans are underway re: planter signs for businesses to say (“Floyd Flower Power appreciates these bloomers.”

10.) Look for Floyd (and FFP) at the Tourist Visitor Welcome Center on I- 77.