

City Calendar

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Friday, 9/9, Sat., 9/10
Morganton Festival 2022
 Live music Friday and Saturday, Craft Vendors all day Saturday! More info at www.morgantonfest.org

Monday, 9/12
City Council Meeting
 6pm @ City Hall

Thursday, 9/22
Masters of Soul
 CoMMA

Sunday, 9/25
Sunday Pops with Sami and Dave
 Courthouse Square

Monday, 10/3
City Council Meeting
 6pm @ City Hall



Farmers Market

Open for the season!

Wednesdays • 12-4 pm
 111 N. Green St.
 Saturdays • 8am-Noon
 300 Beach St.

New Season for CoMMA Performing Arts Center Starts Soon

The 2022-2023 season of incredible shows will be getting underway soon. This season will have it all! CoMMA is bringing to Morganton everything from nationally recognized bands to comedy and Broadway Shows.

The season gets started with a celebration of Motown and Soul music as the Masters of Soul take the stage Sept. 22nd. This show will offer stylish costumes with a fully choreographed performance backed by a live band. For many this may be a stroll down memory lane and for others it could be an opportunity to experience an era in our country's history that produced many of the greatest music acts ever recorded.

In October, the Academy of Country Music Award winners for New Vocal Group in 1996 and Single and Song of the Year winners in 2000 will take the stage. Lonestar is celebrating 30 years in country music and the release of a new album with this national tour. Lonestar established themselves as one of the preeminent pop-country bands in the 2000's with songs like "No-News", "Come Crying to Me", and their global smash "Amazed".

The CoMMA staff didn't forget the kids.

Winnie the Pooh, Christopher Robin and all of their friends will come to life on the CoMMA stage. With Grammy Award winning music, this new musical stage adaptation will be told with life-sized puppets. Join us to enjoy a new story from the Hundred Acre Wood.

In the past CoMMA has brought Broadway to Morganton with Jersey Boys, The Color Purple and Hairspray as well as many others. This year the Broadway musical Chicago will be celebrating its 25th year. The tour will make a stop in Morganton for one night only on May 2nd. Chicago is a musical that has it all; fame, fortune, and all that jazz! With one show stopping song after another and the most astonishing dancing that you've ever seen.

New for this season, CoMMA will be offering a Girls Night Out Package. This package includes tickets to four events and will save the individual 68% over individual ticket prices. To buy tickets for all shows and to receive more information, visit commonline.org or call the Box Office between 12pm - 5pm weekdays at (828) 433-7469.

COMMA
 PERFORMING ARTS CENTER

2022 - 2023 Tickets on Sale Now!

09.22.22	Masters of Soul	02.09.23	ZUZU African Acrobats
10.06.22	Luca Stricagnoli: Italy's Guitar Prodigy	02.23.23	"Who Hijacked My Fairytale" <i>Featuring Comedic Storyteller Kelly Swanson</i>
10.27.22	Lonestar	03.10.23	Fairytales on Ice
11.05.22	The Second City: She The People <i>Girlfriends' Guide to Doing It for Themselves</i>	03.25.23	Hiplet Ballerinas
11.17.22	Sons of Serendip	03.31.23	Yesterday & Today <i>The Interactive Beatles Experience</i>
12.05.22	Nochebuena: A Christmas Spectacular	04.03.23	On Your Feet! <i>The Story of Emilio & Gloria Estefan: National Broadway Tour</i>
12.16.22	Shimmer: A Winter Cirque Reverie <i>Featuring the Acrobats of Cirque du Soleil</i>	04.18.23	Killer? A Photographic Exploration <i>Amos Nachoum's</i>
01.26.23	Winnie The Pooh <i>The New Musical Stage Adaptation</i>	05.02.23	CHICAGO <i>National Broadway Tour</i>
01.30.23	STOMP <i>National Tour</i>		

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City Receives Award for Finance

The City of Morganton Finance Department is being recognized by the Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada (GFOA) for its excellence in financial reporting.

The City recently received the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting from the association for its most recent Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR). It is the highest form of recognition for governmental accounting and financial reporting, and its attainment represents a significant

accomplishment by a government and its management, according to GFOA. The City has received the award for the last four decades.

"We are incredibly pleased that we are again being recognized for our excellent financial reporting practices," said Finance Director Jessie Parris. "Our Finance Department works very hard to hold itself to the highest standards, and this award reflects our employees' commitment to ensuring accuracy and transparency in all of the City's financial reporting."



City of Morganton Finance Department

The CAFR was judged by an impartial panel to meet stringent criteria, including demonstrating a spirit of full disclosure in order to clearly communicate the city's financial story.

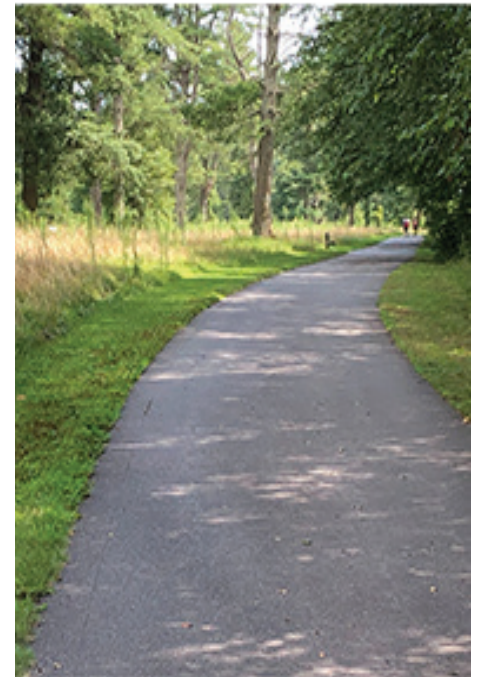
The Government Finance Officers Association is headquartered in Chicago, Illinois, and is a major professional association servicing the needs of more than 20,000 appointed and elected government officials and other finance practitioners.

Catawba Meadows Greenway Riparian Buffer

The City of Morganton has received questions regarding the lack of maintenance along the greenway and other spaces in Catawba Meadows Park. North Carolina Land and Water Fund (NCLWF) and Morganton have a conservation easement that covers Catawba Meadows Park and runs along the Catawba River, which was entered into in 1998. For many years, the city has maintained all areas around the greenway and disc golf area. After a site visit from NCLWF, the city was informed that the maintenance was not being properly handled in those areas. A riparian buffer zone, which is a part of the easement, covers the area from the top of the Catawba River bank and goes 250 feet back into

the park. The agreement does not allow anything to be placed in this area other than the paved greenway path. The agreement does not allow any other maintenance to take place in that area other than one mowed strip on each side of the paved greenway path. There are several disc golf holes within the buffer zone that will need to be relocated and redesigned in the next several months.

Morganton still has a wonderful greenway system and a great disc golf course. Morganton strives to make the facilities look as beautiful and clean as possible. Please continue to enjoy these great amenities and create happy and relaxing memories with your family.



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