

# The Shed

The Piney Creek Watershed is located in Raleigh County, WV and encompasses Piney, Batoff, Cranberry, Little Whitestick, Whitestick, Beaver, Little Beaver, Crab Orchard, and Soak Creeks with their tributaries. The watershed includes the cities of Beckley, Mabscott, and Sophia as well as the surrounding communities including Crab Orchard, Beaver, Daniels, and Shady Spring.

### From The Director

While the winter may not have packed its usual punch, spring and summer are shaping up to be great his year – not just the weather but with the association as well!

We kicked off the spring in style with our Raleigh County Earth Day cleanup and celebration and we will continue on through summer. We have A LOT going on in the community and we have plenty of opportunities for volunteers. Come join us as we work to make our watershed a place people want to visit and stay!

It is a great time to be a member of the association.

- David

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## THANK YOU TO OUR EARTH DAY SPONSORS AND VOLUNTEERS!

Earth Day was April 22 and what a day (and week) it was! Despite significant rain, over 300 people participated in Earth Day activities completing over 30 projects to help improve the community. Combined we collected over TWO TONS of garbage from the county! Thanks to Dominos Pizza of Nell Jean Square for providing free pizza for the volunteers!

- Appalachian Bible College
- St. Francis De Sales School
- The City of Beckley
- The Raleigh County Solid Waste Authority
- Mountain State Centers for Independent Living
- Raleigh County Make-it-Shine Committee
- Beckley-Stratton Middle School
- WWHS Earth Club
- Concord University Beckley Student Services
- Crab Orchard-MacArthur Lions Club
- Ken and Marcia Dunlap
- Active SWV
- Boy Scouts
- United Bank of Sophia
- Shady Spring Woman's Club



Kiwanis Club



Perry Memorial United Methodist Church

- The city of Sophia
- Downtown Beckley Business Association
- Kiwanis Club of Beckley
- National Coal Heritage Area
- Kate Sopher Group
- Perry Memorial United Methodist Church
- WVU Tech
- Rotary Club of Beckley
- Crossfit Coal
- We Grow
- WVCCC
- Coal River Litter Getters
- Beckley Area Foundation
- Grandview Christian Church Youth



Shady Spring Woman's Club

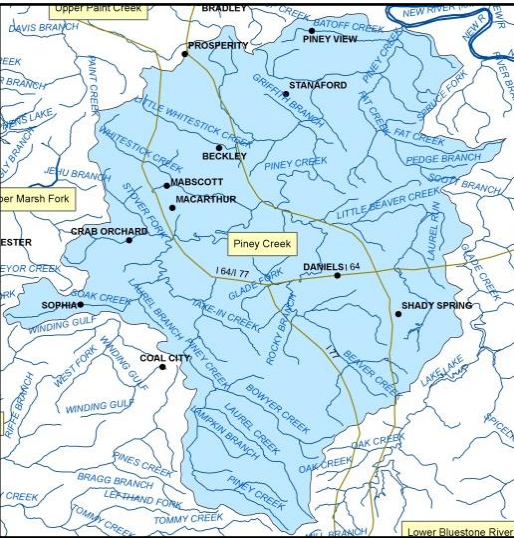


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**Earth Day wasn't the only day for cleanups!**  
**To date PCWA has held four cleanups (two each along Beaver Creek and Piney Creek) and have collected over 100 bags of trash and 20 tires. We will continue these cleanups throughout the remainder of the year and hopefully put a dent in the trash problem in our watershed.**



## Project Update

**PCWA is leading several projects in the community to improve our watershed; which when combined with matching funds is having an economic impact of over \$150,000 for our watershed:**

- **Our project at the Paul Cline Memorial Youth Sports Complex in Beckley is ongoing. Weather has delayed the project but the contractor is working as they can to finish it off. Once complete this project will revegetate the barren hillside to reduce sediment flowing into Piney Creek.**
- **The Beckley-Raleigh County Convention Center green infrastructure project is in the design phase and progressing rapidly. We hope to start construction in mid-June and plan to have the boy scouts attending the jamboree this summer to help us with the plantings.**
- **We are approved to begin another land reclamation project along New River Drive. This project will reduce sediment flowing into Little Whitestick Creek. This was the number one priority project in our watershed plan. We will not begin this project until after July 1, 2017.**
- **Our efforts to address pet waste is ongoing. We received a grant to purchase 17 additional pet waste stations and 1000 individual pet waste dispensers. We plan to distribute the stations at various locations in the community over the next few months.**

## Upcoming Events

Jun 23	Monthly Stream Cleanup	Aug 7	Board of Directors Meeting
Jun 30	Watershed Celebration	Aug 12	Beckley Summer Art Festival
Jul 8	Beckley Summer Art Festival	Aug 26	Monthly Stream Cleanup
Jul 10	Board of Directors Meeting	Aug 26	Taste of Beckley
Jul 22	Monthly Stream Cleanup	Sep 9	Beckley Kids Classic Parade
Jul 14&15	Friends of Coal Auto Fair	Sep 11	Board of Directors Meeting
Aug 3	Project WET training	Sep 23	Monthly Stream Cleanup
Aug 4	Project WET training		

**If you live, travel, or work in the blue area of the map, you are in the Piney Creek Watershed. We hope you will consider joining, renewing, or volunteering with our association as we seek to protect and improve the Piney Creek Watershed.**

**Membership is as low as \$20 for an individual and \$30 for a family. Business memberships start a \$100. Other membership levels are available. Please support our watershed**