

HUMANITIES COUNCIL BOARD TO MEET IN ELKINS

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Charleston – The West Virginia Humanities Council announced plans to meet in Elkins on July 24, Friday, for its summer board meeting. Founded in 1974, the Humanities Council is the state affiliate of the National Endowment for the Humanities and serves West Virginia through grants and programs in the humanities. The Humanities Council is governed by its board whose 25 members are drawn from throughout the state.

"The summer board meeting is sort of a mini-retreat, and we try to take the board someplace special," said Executive Director Ken Sullivan. "Since Randolph County is one of our most active programming areas, we wanted to give our leadership a first-hand look at a community with programs funded by the Council," Sullivan adds. The Humanities Council recently supported two programs by *History Alive!* presenter Eleanor Roosevelt at the Tygart Valley Homestead School, as well as the Appalachian Forest Heritage Area's exhibit "Homespun & Handmade" in the Darden Mill building. Council funds will also support the upcoming Vintage on the Lawn Fair at the historic Kump House in Elkins July 31-August 1.

The Friday meeting will be held at the Graceland Inn & Conference Center on the campus of Davis & Elkins College. For more information, visit the Council's website at www.wyhumanities.org or call (304) 346-8500.

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The West Virginia Humanities Council is a nonprofit corporation supported by the National Endowment for the Humanities, the State of West Virginia, and by contributions from the private sector. The purposes of the West Virginia Humanities Council are educational, and its mission is to support a vigorous program in the humanities statewide in West Virginia.