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## The West at a glance

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State awards \$30,000 for waterfront park in Moon

Moon has received a \$30,000 community conservation grant from the state Department of Conservation and Natural Resources toward the planning process for a waterfront park along the Ohio River.

An approximately 17-acre park along University Boulevard adjacent to the Sewickley Bridge would open river access and offer amenities such as a boat launch, parking, picnic areas and a walking trail.

The Moon Township Municipal Authority, which owns the property, approached the township about developing a park.

"We have some very scenic waterfront in Moon, and this grant will help craft a plan to make it more accessible to the community," said Dana Kasler, director of Moon Parks and Recreation in a news release. "The goal is to help residents take advantage of their proximity to the river, whether by boating or just enjoying the view from the shore."

The waterfront park plan also fits in with a regional effort to develop a bike and pedestrian trail along the Ohio River to link Beaver with Pittsburgh.

The proposed Ohio River Trail would travel through nine municipalities, including Moon, where the trail would link up to the waterfront park.

The program provides financial and technical assistance to local governments, river and trail organizations, land trusts and other nonprofit organizations for planning, acquiring and developing park, recreation, conservation and greenways projects.

### West Allegheny powder puff football game

The West Allegheny High School junior class girls will play the senior class girls in the 26th powder puff football game at 7 this evening in the Joe P. DeMichela Stadium at the high school, West Allegheny Road, North Fayette.

Admission is \$3 for students and \$5 for adults.

Sponsored by the National Honor Society, the event is held as a fundraiser to benefit the organization's Christmas Families Charity.

Once families in need of help are identified, the students use the profits from the game to assemble food baskets and purchase gifts for children in these families.

Contributions may also be sent to Suzanne Lambert, faculty adviser for the National Honor Society, West Allegheny High School, 205 West Allegheny Road, Imperial, PA 15126.

### Penn State Beaver landscape program

The Penn State Beaver Office of Continuing Education is offering a sustainable landscape technology certificate, a six-course program that will begin in January.

The first two courses will be held from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m., Jan. 11 through March 31. A class in horticultural science will be held on Tuesdays and a course in herbaceous perennial and annual identification will be held on Thursdays.

The remaining courses will be offered from October to December 2011 and January through March 2012.

The curriculum will emphasize principles of sustainability along with sustainable techniques such as integrated pest management and environmental weed management, with a focus on native plants.

This certificate program is for beginning landscapers, established landscape contractors and those who work or wish to work in the green industry.

Information: Marian Vendemia, Beaver campus director of continuing education, mev7@psu.edu or 724-773-3700.

Colloquia series event at Geneva College

Author Dr. Jean Twenge will speak at 7:30 p.m. today and at 10:10 a.m. Friday in Skye Lounge in the Student Center as part of the Colloquia Series hosted by Geneva College in Beaver Falls.

Dr. Twenge, whose work focuses on the differences among generations, will discuss trends among high school and college students.

Today's presentation will be "The Narcissism Epidemic: What's Happening to American Culture?" The topic Friday will be "Generation Me: Understanding Today's Young People."

The Colloquia Series is offered each semester to encourage students and the public to evaluate problems and challenges with wisdom and Christian principles.

The speakers discuss sociocultural, scientific, religious, literary, educational, political and economic ideas and practices that shape the world.

The Colloquia Series is open to the campus community and the public. There is no charge for admission.

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