

PUBLIC IS INVITED: SUNDAY, OCTOBER 8, 2017
10TH ANNUAL WEST VIRGINIA CHESTNUT FESTIVAL !
ROWLESBURG, WV

***Enjoy an Appalachian Chestnut Festival
in Rowlesburg, WV, "The little town on the scenic Cheat River!"
Honoring the heritage of our Great American Chestnut Tree & the research
scientists dedicated to restoring them back to their natural forest habitat.***

***Start your day with a Full Breakfast – 10:30 to noon – In the River City Café. Meet friends and
Distinguished Guests, including Sara Fitzsimmons, Director of Restoration, The American Chestnut Foundation***

So many things to see and do at the . . .

Scenic Rowlesburg Park (by the Cheat River)

12:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Sampling /purchasing "chestnuts roasted on an open fire"

"Chestnut Vendors" selling crafts and wares.

"Purchasing Chestnut saplings" for planting

Meeting Chestnut Researchers

Activities in Szilagyi Creative Arts Center (nearby) 10:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Noon - 2:00 p.m. WEST VIRGINIA CHAPTER Meeting, TACF

Pres., Robert Sypolt and V Pres. Mark Double -- The PUBLIC IS INVITED.

4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m., CHESTNUT SCIENTIFIC PROGRAM, hosted by

WVU research associate, Mark Double, with Dr. William MacDonald, and Dr. Joseph Nassif.

Featuring prominent chestnut research speakers: Sara Fitzsimmons and Amy Metheny.

10:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. PERMANENT EXHIBITS: The acclaimed

World War II Museum; Centenary B & O Railroad Bridges Exhibit; Emporium; Sports Museum.

Gala Chestnut Dinner Banquet with chestnut-flavored dishes !

5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

The 10th Annual Crowning of our Chestnut Royalty, "Mr. and Ms. Chestnut:"

Sam Muncy, research scientist, and Ms. Sharon Reeves Cottrill

Distinguished guests include, Keynote Speaker, Sara Fitzsimmons, Director, Chestnut Restoration, TACF

Welcome: Dr. Joseph Nassif, Festival Director, and Shirley Cook Hartley, Festival Co-Chair,

Mark Double, Scientific Sessions Coordinator

Vendors Welcome: Contact Nassifgs@hotmail.com

To reserve **banquet dinner tickets:** Contact Shirley at, shirley.hartley@yahoo.com, or

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Visit: www.rowlesburg.info; www.wvchestnutfestival.com; www.rowlesburg.org;

www.rowlesburgguide.com; www.acf.org. **Hosts:** Rowlesburg Revitalization Cmte;

Rowlesburg Tourism Cmte; Town of Rowlesburg; WV Chapter, TACF.