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Criminal News

Today's Criminal News is brought to you by McDowell County FACES, the Sheriff's Office, the concerned Citizens of McDowell County and the Mayors of the local Towns and Cities.

WV vs. Alvie Shaw Felony No. 08-F-83-M

On July 27, 2009 came the State of WV by the Assistant Prosecuting Attorney of McDowell County, and the defendant Alvie Shaw and his Attorney. It appears to the Court that the defendant was convicted on February 11, 2009 of the felony offenses of Possession With Intent to Deliver a Schedule II Controlled Substance and a Narcotic as charged in Counts 22, 29, and 33, and Felony Conspiracy as charged in Count 31 of the indictment, and after making application for probation is now before the Court for sentencing. All parties acknowledged receipt and review of the presentence investigation report and were given an oppor-



tunity to be heard. After due consideration of said report, the facts of the case, the remarks of the defendant and his attorney, the Court finds that the defendant's application for probation should be denied, and it is so ordered. It is ordered that the defendant, upon his conviction for Possession With Intent to Deliver a Schedule II Controlled Substance and a Narcotic as charged in Count 29, is hereby sentenced to the custody of the Commissioner of the WV Division of Corrections for an indeterminate period of not less than 1 year nor more than 15 years at an appropriate correctional facility designated by said Commissioner, with credit for all time previously served on the herein charge, and no fine. It is further ordered that the sentence imposed herein run consecutively with the sentence imposed in count 22. It is ordered that Alvie Shaw, upon his conviction for Felony

Conspiracy as charged in Count 31, is hereby sentenced to the Custody of the Commissioner of the WV Division of Corrections for an indeterminate period of not less than 1 year nor more than 5 years at an appropriate correctional facility designated by said Commissioner, with credit for all time previously served on the herein charge, and no fine. It is further ordered that the sentence imposed herein run concurrently with the sentences imposed in Count 22. It is ordered that Alvie Shaw, upon his conviction for Possession With Intent to Deliver a Schedule II Controlled Substance and a Narcotic as charged in County 33, is hereby sentenced to the custody of the Commissioner of the WV Division of Correction for an indeterminate period of not less than 1 year nor more than 15 years at an appropriate correctional facility designated by said Commissioner, with credit for all time previously served on the herein charge, and no fine. It is further ordered that the

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Special points of interest:

- FACES Community Meetings every month on the 2nd Thursday at 12:00 noon at the McDowell County Public Library.
- HOPE Coalition Meeting every month on the 4th Monday at 10:30 a.m. at the McDowell County Public Library.

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Sentence imposed herein run consecutively with the sentences imposed in Count 22, Count 29, and Count 31. It is further ordered that the defendant be assessed court costs and all costs involved in the prosecution herein, and the State of WV is hereby given a decretal judgment for said costs. The Court advised the defendant of his rights to appeal the Court's sentencing in this matter, including the necessity of filing notice of intent to appeal within 30 days

of entry of this order. It is further ordered that the surety on the defendant's bond be discharged and that the defendant be forthwith placed in the custody of the Sheriff of McDowell County to be transported to the Administrator of the Southwestern Regional Jail, as a state prisoner, to be held for the Commissioner of Corrections, who is directed to



forthwith come forward and take custody of this defendant and house him in a state correctional facility where he shall serve his sentence. The Clerk of this Court is directed to forward attested copies of the herein Order to counsel of record, McDowell County Adult Probation Office, Southwestern Regional Jail and Commissioner of the WV Division of Corrections.

Are You Being Targeted????

Tobacco:

1. Teens: The tobacco companies cannot legally market directly to kids, so what's the next best age group to target their promotional pitches? Young adults, of course. To the tobacco industry, this demographic is a perfect target. A large proportion of young adults (18 to 25 years olds) are away from home for the first time, seeking independence and autonomy, and most importantly, they are legal adults, acknowledged by society as being able to make their own decisions. To the tobacco companies, this means that there is no reason why young adults cannot smoke cigarettes. Young adults are the prime targets for recruitment. And in recent years, the tobacco industry's special attention has worked: young adults have the highest smok-

ing rate at 40%.

2. African Americans: After conducting marketing tests on African Americans' tobacco preference, the tobacco companies began targeting its mentholated cigarette brands, such as Newport, Kool, and Salem, toward African Americans. The outcome: 75% of African American smokers prefer menthol cigarettes. Studies have shown that menthol may facilitate absorption of harmful cigarette smoke constituents at greater rates, partly due to deeper inhalations.
3. Women: RJ Reynolds (RJR) is at it again. This time, the cigarette giant has created a flashy, trendy Camel No. 9 cigarette, hoping to attract young female smokers, by playing off designer Channel 9 and the slogan, "Dressing to the 9s." According to Indian-



apolis Star columnist Marie Cocco, RJR's latest marketing campaign is designed to "hook young women on cigarettes by dressing up death in fuchsia and teal."

4. Youth: RJ Reynolds Tobacco Company (RJR), a big tobacco company, is using the National Association of Miss America State Pageant title holders to get its foot in the door of your school! RJR has created a so-called "anti-smoking" program called Right Decisions, Right Now. Why? Because RJR knows that school districts might think twice about letting a tobacco industry representative talk to their students about smoking. So, it buys the credibility of state Miss America State Pageant titleholders at \$250 per school to do its dirty work. To the tobacco companies, every titleholder is a waling advertisement for Big Tobacco.

The West Virginia Children's Trust Fund

The WV Children's Trust Fund (WVCTF) supports programs that help communities strengthen families and work to make sure that children grow up free from abuse and neglect. It is made possible by contributions from WV citizens, businesses and other funders. The WVCTF combines and maximizes funding to help local programs accomplish their goals. There are many ways that you can help support the important work of the WVCTF:

- ♥ A popular way is to support the WVCTF was developed in 2007, with the creation of the "Heritage Birth Certificates." These beautifully designed certificates show pride in WV "roots," and is a gift any West Virginian will treasure.
- ♥ You can support the community work of the WVCTF through purchasing "Tribute Gift Cards." These specially designed cards celebrate holi-

days such as Father's and Mother's day, and can be sent to the person of your choice with a personalized message.

- ♥ Check the box for Children! Every year the WVCTF has a check-off campaign on WV's state tax forms. You can donate any amount-even if you are not receiving a refund. Your donation is tax deductible for federal tax purposes.

For more information visit www.wvctf.org

The HOPE Coalition Elects New Officers

On November 23, 2009 the Health Opportunities for Positive Education (HOPE) Coalition held an election for new officers.

The vote was taken using an online based survey tool at www.surveymonkey.com that gave all members a chance for a confidential vote.

The results were:

Chairperson: Donald Reed



Donald has been a long-standing member of the HOPE Coalition. In his position with

the WV Division of Tobacco Prevention he helped McDowell County move forward with the

passage of Clean Indoor Air Regulations. Donald has helped many people quit cigarettes and spit tobacco by providing free classes and cessation aids.

Vice-Chairperson: Sheila Muncy



Sheila has worked with WVU Extension services as a Family Nutrition Specialist. Recently Sheila retired from her position at WVU Extension.

Well known by county residents, Sheila also coordinates Circle of Hope meetings (funded by the Susan G. Komen Foundation) that educates men, women and teens about the signs and risks of breast cancer.

Treasurer/Secretary:

Dana Lester

Dana is one of the longest standing members of the HOPE Coalition and assisted with the Coalition formation in 2001 when she worked

for the McDowell Rural Health Advisory Council. Currently Dana is a Family Specialist with WVU Extension in McDowell and Mercer Counties, teaching diabetic self-care and Dining with Diabetes courses along with proper fitness and nutrition.

The HOPE Coalition meets every 4th Monday at 10:30am at the Welch Public Library.

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If you think education is expensive --- try ignorance.
- Derek C. Bok

NEW YEAR'S FUN FACTS

Resolutions are popular pastimes to make for each New Year. Friends often sit around and discuss or share these resolutions with each other on New Year's eve. In ancient Babylonia, one common resolution was to return any farm equipment borrowed from friends or neighbors. Most New Year's fun facts include:

1. It is often thought that the first visitors you see after ringing in the New Year would bring you good or bad luck, depending on who you keep as friends and enemies. That's why most people celebrating on New Year's Eve often do so with friends and family.
2. If the first person to visit you was a tall and dark-skinned man, this was especially lucky.
3. Items or food that is ring-shaped is also good luck. This symbolizes "coming full circle", which is what one year does.
4. Black-eyed peas (usually with ham) are often consumed in certain parts of the US. These are thought to bring good fortune in cultures around the world, not just the US.
5. Other foods that are eaten on New Year's Eve are cabbage because the leaves represent prosperity. Ham (or a hog) also symbolizes prosperity. In Asian cultures, rice is a hearty and lucky staple that is eaten around midnight to signify the coming year of fortune.
6. Auld Lang Syne is sung at midnight to toast in the New Year. The song was composed by Robert Burns sometime in the 1700's. The term means "old long ago" or "the good old days."
7. December 31, 1907 saw the very first ball lowering in Times Square.
8. Stats of the first New York ball: 700 pounds; 5 feet in diameter. The ball was made from wood and iron.
9. The modern ball that is dropped is made for Waterford Crystal and weighs over 1,000 pounds. There are over 9,000 LED lights.
10. The ball was not lowered in 1942 and 1943 due to wartime restrictions.

