

West Virginia State Folk Festival Belle

Who

Each County may select one "Belle" who:

- Is past her 70th Birthday
- Possesses qualities consistent with the spirit of the pioneer woman
- Will enjoy the festival and make new friends
- Participates in Saturday's Parade (walking three level blocks) in her own period costumes

What

The West Virginia State Folk Festival is the oldest celebration of our Appalachian roots. The music is the primary focus; visitors also enjoy crafts and demonstrations, square dancing downtown, an old fashion spelling bee, gospel singing and much more.

Why

Belles represent their county and are honored guests at Friday's Banquet and all other meals and receptions. These "Good Will Ambassadors" are a unique feature of the festival. New friendships are formed and old acquaintances renewed. Don't miss out!

Where

Glenville, in the heart of central West Virginia. The festival is held at various downtown locations and on the campus of Glenville State College. Accommodation for Belles in the residence halls is included in the sponsoring agency's fee, as are all meals (except for Saturday night).

When

Noon, Friday, June 19th – Sunday, June 22nd, 2025.