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**MISSION STATEMENT:** The Community Coalition for Social Justice is a coalition of organizations and individuals dedicated to promoting the principles of social, environmental, and economic justice and respect for all persons. We oppose discrimination and hate-motivated violence in Morgantown and surrounding communities.

**OUR NEXT MEETING IS TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 17TH AT 7:30 P.M. VIA ZOOM.** All are welcome.

**Here is the Zoom information.** Please note that Zoom now requires either a password or a waiting room. This is set up for a waiting room.

Topic: Community Coalition for Social Justice November Meeting  
Time: Nov 17, 2020 07:30 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)  
Join Zoom Meeting, <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83727886155>,  
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The Zoom information will be mailed out again the weekend before the meeting and then again that morning. It will also be posted on our website at [www.ccsjwv.org](http://www.ccsjwv.org) and on our Facebook page.

The recording of our September 15th annual meeting with Rev. Ronald English is available at [www.youtube.com/watch?v=HYEK9tl\\_vVY&feature=youtu.be](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HYEK9tl_vVY&feature=youtu.be)

**CCSJ Website Resources:** Please check our website at [ccsjwv.org/local-news.html](http://ccsjwv.org/local-news.html) for information and links to the following resources for **anyone who has not yet voted:**

- Morgantown/Kingwood Branch of the NAACP Voter Guide

- West Virginia ACLU Voter Guide
- West Virginia ACLU Election Protection Hotline
- Bryan Stevenson’s ‘True Justice’ Documentary Panel Discussion. Stevenson is the founder of the Equal Justice Institute
- Information on voting under “Your Vote Matters”

**CONTACT US:** Please send your web site suggestions to Mike Attfield at attfield@comcast.net. Please contact any of the steering committee members to volunteer to help and to share your suggestions for our work or e-mail us at ccsjwv@hotmail.com. Please send items to share with our membership to Barb Howe at barbara.howe@mail.wvu.edu.

**PLEASE ALSO REMEMBER TO SEND YOUR DUES** - \$10 for individuals and \$25 for organizations – to CCSJ, PO Box 160, Morgantown, WV 26507-0160. You can join or donate by credit card via PayPal on our web site.

**CCSJ ANNUAL REPORT AVAILABLE:** Our annual report for October 1, 2019, -September 30, 2020, is available at <http://ccsjwv.org/documents/about-us/2019-20%20annual%20report.pdf>.

**CCSJ JOINS OTHER GROUPS ON LETTER TO WV SECRETARY OF STATE:** The Morgantown/Kingwood Branch of the NAACP, Morgantown NOW, West Virginia NOW, and Mountaineers for Progress sent a letter to Mac Warner, West Virginia Secretary of State, in early October expressing concerns about election security and asking him to speak out to assure voters that the election will be secure. It also asked him to remind people that West Virginia law does not allow poll watchers. CCSJ added our voice to that letter on October 27th. As of this writing, we have not had a response from Secretary Warner.



**CHECK OUT OUR SCARECROW!** Thanks to Sheila and Jim Rye for designing our Lady Justice scarecrow at the West Virginia Botanic Garden. She is COVID-19 safe with her mask and note her lace collar! She is prominently displayed at the entrance to the Reservoir Loop Trail close to the lower parking lot and will be **on display through November 2.**



The West Virginia Botanic Garden has a map of the scarecrows designed by area non-profit groups and instructions on how to vote for your favorite one at

[www.wvbg.org/fall-activities-2020/](http://www.wvbg.org/fall-activities-2020/). The Botanic Garden, at 1061 Tyrone Road, Morgantown, is open daily from dawn to dusk with free admission. The lower parking lot closes at 4:00 p.m., but you can park in the upper lot and walk down to find Lady Justice.

**UPDATED LIBRARY BOOK LISTS ONLINE** – For several years, the City of Morgantown provided funds for us to purchase library books focused on social justice issues for the Morgantown Public Library on Spruce Street. With funds from the Appalachian Community Foundation, we also purchased books for the Clinton District and Clay-Battelle Branch Libraries. Most of these are books for children. The library has added some of these at the Arnettsville branch.

**The lists have been updated and are available now at [ccsjwv.org/resources.html](https://ccsjwv.org/resources.html).** There are two lists. One is exclusively books focused on African Americans. The other list includes our former environmental justice and economic justice lists. There is an index on page 3 of the “catalog” that includes links to the various topics so that you can easily find something that might interest you.

For more information on the library’s current procedures and hours, please go to [www.mympls.org/](http://www.mympls.org/).

**MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. DAY 2021 WILL BE JANUARY 18:** The City of Morgantown has granted our request for \$1850 to support this event, but it is subject to potential reduction depending on the City’s financial situation because of the COVID-19 pandemic. We are pleased that The Morgantown/Kingwood Branch of the NAACP has invited DeMarcus Bandy to participate in our program as their representative.

Ilene Evans will provide a virtual portrayal of West Virginian Memphis Tennessee Garrison as our featured event for the day. According to e-WV: The West Virginia Encyclopedia, “Teacher and civic activist Memphis Tennessee Carter (March 3, 1890-July 25, 1988) was born in Hollins, Virginia. . . she grew up in the southern West Virginia coalfields. . . .



Garrison graduated from Bluefield State College in 1939. She taught school in McDowell County and also served as a welfare worker for the U.S. Steel Company in Gary, its company town. In this latter capacity, she helped to settle racial disputes, provided counseling to black miners and their families, and developed cultural and recreational opportunities for residents of the area.

Garrison was active with the Republican Party and with the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People. She helped to develop and sustain chapters of the NAACP in southern West Virginia, and served as a national vice president and as a field secretary who undertook special organizing and membership activities. One of her most important achievements was the creation of the Christmas Seal Project, which became an important fund-raising effort for the NAACP.” The photo is from e-WV at [www.wvencyclopedia.org/articles/2083](http://www.wvencyclopedia.org/articles/2083).

Please mark your calendars for Monday, January 18th at 2:00 p.m. for our fifteenth annual celebration and let us know if you have ideas.



**FIND US ON FACEBOOK!** Just look for “Community Coalition for Social Justice” under “Groups” and become our friend. Thanks to Mike Sharley for being our group “leader.”

### LOCAL NEWS

**City of MORGANTOWN APPROVED “A RESOLUTION AFFIRMING AND STRENGTHENING COMMUNITY POLICING” AT ITS SEPTEMBER 1ST MEETING:** The committee working on this issue meets every Monday at 3:00 p.m. via Zoom, and all are welcome to participate. Agendas and call-in information are posted at

[www.morgantownwv.gov/AgendaCenter/Search/?term=&CIDs=35,&startDate=&endDate=&dateRange=&dateSelector=](http://www.morgantownwv.gov/AgendaCenter/Search/?term=&CIDs=35,&startDate=&endDate=&dateRange=&dateSelector=).



**YOUR VOTE MATTERS:** It is time to vote. If you have an absentee ballot and now want to vote in person, take your absentee ballot to the polling place where it will be spoiled so you can vote in person.

**You can hand deliver your ballot to the courthouse through November 2<sup>nd</sup> at 5:00 p.m.**

**Update From the Mon County Clerk**

About 2000 absentee ballots have not been returned. Be sure your vote counts.

**Last chance for mail**  
Sunday, Nov 1, noon-4 p.m., Drive-Thru Drop-Off  
Morgantown Carrier Annex, 300 Postal Plaza, Morgantown, just off Grafton Road. Signs in parking lot will direct customers to location at front of building.

**If you miss the drive-thru event**  
Hand deliver your ballot to the clerk's office, Monday, Nov 2, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Free parking in front of Courthouse.

If you have questions, the phone number for the Monongalia County County Clerk's office is 304-291-7230.

**November 1** – Take your Ballot to the Morgantown Carrier Annex from noon to 4:00 p.m. to be postmarked.

**November 3- General Election Day.** Polls are open from 6:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. Go to [GoVoteWV.com](http://GoVoteWV.com) to find your polling place.

**November 4-** Absentee Ballots mailed, but without a postmark accepted.

**November 9-** (Canvass) - Absentee Ballot postmarked by Election Day accepted if received by start of Canvass.



**MORGANTOWN HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION:** The next regular meeting should be Thursday, **November 19th** at 6:30 p.m. You can get contact information for the commission, including information on filing complaint forms at [www.morgantownwv.gov/272/Human-Rights-Commission](http://www.morgantownwv.gov/272/Human-Rights-Commission).

You can get copies of the agendas and minutes for the commission meetings at [www.morgantownwv.gov/government/commissions/human-rights-commission/human-rights-commission-agenda-minutes/](http://www.morgantownwv.gov/government/commissions/human-rights-commission/human-rights-commission-agenda-minutes/).

You can find a calendar of annual human rights observances at [www.morgantownwv.gov/wp-content/uploads/Annual-HR-Observances.pdf](http://www.morgantownwv.gov/wp-content/uploads/Annual-HR-Observances.pdf).

**Here are the events for November:**

Native American Heritage Month – Celebrates and honors the history and culture of Native Americans in the United States.

**November 2: International Day to End Impunity for Crimes against Journalists** – A day to emphasize that information is essential for decision making, whether it be economic, social or political. Information is the cornerstone for democracy, good government and effective institutions. During the past decade, 700 journalists have been killed worldwide.

**November 3: Election Day** – A day set by United States law for citizens to exercise the right to vote in the election of public officials.

**November 9: Day against Racism** – A call for global action against intolerance and its attendant violence, as well as enhancement of communal and national tolerance, fairness, and mutual respect.

**November 13: World Kindness Day** – Calls for deliberate efforts to treat others with kindness and even to exceed the rights which people can expect or hope to be honored in their relationships with others.

**November 16: International Day for Tolerance** – Emphasizes the dangers of intolerance and is a call for action for the advancement of human welfare, freedom and progress everywhere, as well as a day to encourage tolerance, respectful dialogue and cooperation among different cultures and peoples.

**November 20: Universal Children’s Day** – The world-wide day for promoting mutual exchange and understanding among children and for initiating action to benefit and promote the welfare of the world’s children.

**November 25: International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women** –A day for emphasizing awareness that violence against women is a preventable human rights violation based on discrimination against women and a perception of inequalities between men and women.

**November 26: Thanksgiving Day** – Following a 19th Century tradition, this day commemorates the Pilgrim’s harvest feast in the autumn of 1621 and their successful interdependence with Native Americans that made the feast possible.



**LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS SAYS VOTE, VOTE, VOTE VOTE!**

The first interview, with Jeff Arnett and Ed Hawkins as candidates for the Monongalia County Commission is available at [drive.google.com/file/d/1znoVi1dkR6aptDJbVvVEIZu\\_MHHyB7E/view?fbclid=IwAR1-370tjYjiEI137qVxkJGS2RaUne2iwhE4eZGcht2zhz42Nclf40BDslw](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1znoVi1dkR6aptDJbVvVEIZu_MHHyB7E/view?fbclid=IwAR1-370tjYjiEI137qVxkJGS2RaUne2iwhE4eZGcht2zhz42Nclf40BDslw).

The interview with candidates for the House of Delegates in the 51st District is available at [https://drive.google.com/file/d/169uZBfwIFGTKSOuWPjNcjEY\\_sY3EXJCD/view?fbclid=IwAR123hMHVCyVr0hU9m4ZoQivl1yFIA\\_YZSzsfv2-6YbRNLB1Gt9ctk1qvqw](https://drive.google.com/file/d/169uZBfwIFGTKSOuWPjNcjEY_sY3EXJCD/view?fbclid=IwAR123hMHVCyVr0hU9m4ZoQivl1yFIA_YZSzsfv2-6YbRNLB1Gt9ctk1qvqw)





**MORGANTOWN NOW CHAPTER:** Follow this group on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/MorgantownNow/](http://www.facebook.com/MorgantownNow/).

The November meeting will be **November 10th at 7:00 p.m.** via Zoom. Details and agenda available through weekly newsletter or email [morgantownnow@gmail.com](mailto:morgantownnow@gmail.com).



Morgantown NOW has a new fundraiser: We have a new fundraiser in honor of the Suffrage Centennial! "Lynda Goldberg has donated this beautiful accept pillow! The slogan is "Women Bring All Voters into the World! Let Women Vote" It's 20 by 30 inches, and design, lining and backing fabrics are all 100% cotton.

The cover can be removed easily for washing. Bidding starts at \$100 and closes on November 9th. Winner will be announced at our next chapter meeting on November 10!" Please contact Morgantown NOW at [morgantownnow@gmail.com](mailto:morgantownnow@gmail.com) with your bid.



**MORGANTOWN-KINGWOOD BRANCH OF THE NAACP MEETS NOVEMBER 17TH:** This meeting will be at 5:30 p.m. via Zoom. Contact the NAACP at [3241naacp@gmail.com](mailto:3241naacp@gmail.com) for more information and to learn how to participate.

The branch is now focused on getting out the vote.

The branch has established several committees, including Education; Communications, Press and Publicity; Criminal Justice; Political Action; Legal Redress; Health; Community Coordination; and Environmental and Climate Justice. Barb Howe represents CCSJ on the Community Coordination Committee.

Follow this group on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/groups/morgantown.naacp](http://www.facebook.com/groups/morgantown.naacp).



The national NAACP will present a special election day coverage event on Tuesday, November 3, 2020, starting at 7 pm ET to bring forward timely, relevant, and authentic stories of the Black experience in critical cities and swing states from around the country. The NAACP will also host a Virtual National Town Hall on Wednesday, November 4, 2020 8 pm ET to review the outcome and impact of this pivotal election.

Go to [NAACP.org](http://NAACP.org) to register for this event.



**MORGANTOWN CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN-MENNONITE SPONSORS ELECTION NIGHT CAMPFIRE FROM 6:00 TO 9:00 P.M.:** If you would like to gather with friends and neighbors on election night, come join us at the church parking lot across from 464 Virginia Avenue. Wear a mask. Bring a chair. If you want to bring a stick and some marshmallows, feel free. No party affiliation is required. Rain cancels."

Follow them on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/Morgantown-Church-of-the-Brethren-Mennonite-93776113634](http://www.facebook.com/Morgantown-Church-of-the-Brethren-Mennonite-93776113634).



**UNITARIAN-UNIVERSALIST FELLOWSHIP OF MORGANTOWN STAYS VIRTUAL WITH THESE PROGRAMS IN NOVEMBER:**

- Sunday, November 1 - Meeting of the Board of Trustees
- Sunday, November 8 - mourn or celebrate with UU's of Greater Pittsburgh
- Sunday, November 15 - watch Tad Kato's incredible dance performance, filmed at the Botanical Gardens, -part of our Sunday Service.
- Sunday, November 22 - unprogrammed - participate
- Sunday, November 29 - Duane Nichols about Linus Pauling

Check the web site at [www.uufmwv.org](http://www.uufmwv.org) or the Facebook page at [www.facebook.com/The-Unitarian-Universalist-Fellowship-of-Morgantown-WV-367256688732](http://www.facebook.com/The-Unitarian-Universalist-Fellowship-of-Morgantown-WV-367256688732) for updates and Zoom links.



**PFLAG MORGANTOWN RAISING TRANS KIDS MEETING NOVEMBER 14TH AT 2:00 P.M.:** "This meeting is for parents, guardians, and families who are raising transgender kids (of any age), or have kids who might be transgender. For call-in information, please email

[raisingtranskids@pflagmorgantown.org](mailto:raisingtranskids@pflagmorgantown.org)."

Follow this group on Facebook at [facebook.com/pflagmorgantown/?ref=page\\_internal](https://facebook.com/pflagmorgantown/?ref=page_internal).



**DISMANTLING RACISM TOGETHER IS NEW GROUP IN TOWN:** The first meeting was held on September 15th, and consisted of some educational pieces about systemic racism, what it is and how it is embedded in our society.

On October 21st, the second meeting featured a presentation by the Morgantown/Kingwood NAACP about its efforts at getting a Citizens/Police review board established in Morgantown.

Plans are underway for a mid-November meeting with a program to be determined.

According to John Bolt, spokesperson for the group, “ We are just in the formative stages and are in the process of educating ourselves about the area’s needs as well as programs are already under way to ascertain where we can best be of help. Two important points, I think, while the group was birthed out of First Presbyterian Church’s adult education class as a response to what our faith calls us to do, it is NOT, technically, a faith-based group. We welcome all, individuals of any faith or no faith, to the cause. Secondly, while at this point we are in education and study mode, our goal is to reach a point where action follows.”

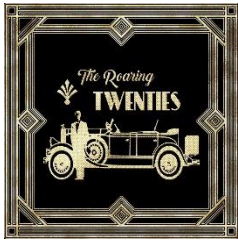
To contact this group, please email John Bolt at [jboltwv@johnbolt.com](mailto:jboltwv@johnbolt.com).



**MORGANTOWN PRIDE NOVEMBER EVENTS:** The Community Board Meeting is Sunday, November 1<sup>st</sup>, at 10:00 a.m. Join via Zoom at [us02web.zoom.us/j/89449898564](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89449898564)... Meeting ID: 894 4989 8564 Passcode: mockpwd

**“HOMECOMING OUT: ROARING 20s!!! ON NOVEMBER 20TH: \*\*\*Calling all Middle and High School students -- - this event is for you!!!\*\*\***

This year's Homecoming Out is sure to be the bees knees! Theme is set to be the Roaring Twenties (1920s), the era famous for jazz, mobsters, flappers, automobiles, and the Great Gatsby!



As an added BONUS we will be providing FREE gift boxes to students who register before Wednesday, November 4 for mail or pickup at a local Morgantown shop! This will be a virtual event that we plan to have on YouTube and Twitch with interactive events through Zoom and Discord - complete with chaperones 😊 details will be posted closer to the event.

FREE gift box signup: <https://forms.gle/SE391JaFMJh5pkZa7>

Performance signup: <https://forms.gle/u7Gztv6hvYt7g1HMA>

Chaperone signup: <https://forms.gle/uWgRiDnza2A4FQD9>

Sponsorship information/signup:

[forms.gle/3qHGu7c3gLbD1ksg7](https://forms.gle/3qHGu7c3gLbD1ksg7)

**CCSJ will be a sponsor of this event.**

Follow this group on Facebook page at [www.facebook.com/MorgantownWVPride/](https://www.facebook.com/MorgantownWVPride/) as events are sometimes posted on short notice.



**WVU LGBTQ+ Center 2020 FRIENDSGIVING & TRANSGENDER DAY OF REMEMBRANCE IS NOVEMBER 16<sup>TH</sup>:**

“Join the LGBTQ+ Center for these two events on Monday, November 16th:

In-person: 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

“Stop by our pop-up site across the street from the Mountainlair to receive a mini-pie and a rainbow mask! You will also have the opportunity to sign a holiday card for incarcerated LGBTQ+ folks.

“Via Zoom; 4:00 - 5:30 p.m.

“Join us for a social get-together. We will take a moment to honor the memory of our transgender friends. This will also be an opportunity to express gratitude for friendship and the many things that



makes us smile. Feel free to show off your new rainbow mask and the pie you picked up earlier (if there is any left)!

“All are welcome: members, allies, students, faculty, staff, alumni and community.”

RSVP by Friday, November 13th at 4:00 PM from the Center’s website at [lgbtq.wvu.edu/home](http://lgbtq.wvu.edu/home).

For more information on any of these activities, please go to [lgbtq.wvu.edu/home](http://lgbtq.wvu.edu/home).



**WVU Program for Native American Studies Events:**

**2020 Peace Tree:** (event details will be shared as they are finalized)

WVU programming involving guest of honor MERV TANO, J.D. has been postponed to 2021 due to the covid-19 pandemic. Merv Tano is president of the International Institute for Indigenous Resource Management and adjunct faculty at Haskell Indian Nations University. The Peace Tree is located between Martin Hall & E. Moore Hall.

The annual Peace Tree events are free and open to the public.

**March 8-10, 2021:** Join us in welcoming U.S. Poet Laureate JOY HARJO (Muscogee Creek Nation) ...details forthcoming, pending campus social distancing guidelines for Spring Semester.

**2021 American Indian Archives Workshop:** Native American Studies will host a workshop for West Virginia Educators and Librarians, in collaboration with Dickinson College-Carlisle Indian School Digital Resource Center, the Carlisle Indian School Project, and WVU Libraries. DETAILS to be Announced in Spring 2021. (Grant Funding Assistance from the West Virginia Humanities Council).



**STATE-WIDE AND AREA EVENTS**

**WEST VIRGINIA NOW STATE MEETING NOVEMBER 14-15TH:** West Virginia NOW is online at [www.facebook.com/WestVirginiaNow](http://www.facebook.com/WestVirginiaNow) and [wvnow.org](http://wvnow.org).



For more information and to register, go to [www.wvnow.org/2020-state-meeting?fbclid=IwAR0SsSVdqni3F9QS0Z1092iMKjIOf0Y0in4FYb7uJJEWIEKye8tLmx-yyC8](http://www.wvnow.org/2020-state-meeting?fbclid=IwAR0SsSVdqni3F9QS0Z1092iMKjIOf0Y0in4FYb7uJJEWIEKye8tLmx-yyC8).



**ACLU WEST VIRGINIA:** The ACLU has a comprehensive voter guide available at [www.acluww.org/en/let-west-virginia-vote-guide-2020-election](http://www.acluww.org/en/let-west-virginia-vote-guide-2020-election). It is called “Let West Virginia Vote” and covers the following topics: Quick Tips For Voters, Election Q & A, Problems at the Polls, Issues that Matter, Know Your Candidates, and Other Offices on the Ballot.

The ACLU also has its Police Misconduct Report 2020 available at [www.acluww.org/en/misconduct-report-finds-need-transparency](http://www.acluww.org/en/misconduct-report-finds-need-transparency). A quick search found a reference to one incident in Westover, but none in Monongalia County, Morgantown, Star City, or Granville.



**FAIRNESS WEST VIRGINIA** is starting its effort to pass the Fairness Act in the 2021 Legislative session. This would amend the state Human Rights Law to include banning discrimination in employment and housing based on sexual orientation or gender identity. Sign up to be part of this campaign at [fairnesswv.org/2020/10/04/tell-house-speaker-hanshaw-its-time-to-pass-the-fairness-act/](http://fairnesswv.org/2020/10/04/tell-house-speaker-hanshaw-its-time-to-pass-the-fairness-act/).

The organization also is hiring an administrative assistant. More information is available at [fairnesswv.org/2020/10/20/were-hiring-an-administrative-assistant/](http://fairnesswv.org/2020/10/20/were-hiring-an-administrative-assistant/).

Follow Fairness West Virginia on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/fairnesswv](http://www.facebook.com/fairnesswv) or at [fairnesswv.org](http://fairnesswv.org).

**2020 SUMMIT ON RACE MATTERS IN WEST VIRGINIA:** The purpose of this summit is to discuss race in a comprehensive, collaborative, and compassionate manner designed to build the Beloved Community in West Virginia. Presented by the Greater Kanawha Valley Foundation, more information and registration available here. The next session is Thursday, November 5th session of the Summit on Race Matters in West Virginia. Beginning at 4:00 pm, this fifth session of the series will focus on race matters in education and employment. The speaker line-up is as follows:

Keynote Speaker: Dr. Michael Eric Dyson

Panelists: Michael E. Flowers Jule Hall Drew McClanahan Sean O’Leary

The summit website, [www.racematterswv.tv](http://www.racematterswv.tv), contains information about the series and the registration link.

### RELIGIOUS HOLY DAYS IN NOVEMBER 2020

From: [www.diversityresources.com/interfaith-calendar-2020/](http://www.diversityresources.com/interfaith-calendar-2020/)



11/01 – Christian: All Saints Day – Day of the Dead (Día de los Muertos) celebrates the memory of the Christian saints and martyrs, and deceased family members

11/02 – Rastafarian: Anniversary of the Crowning of Haile Selassie – commemorates the coronation of Ras (Prince) Tafari Makonnen as Emperor Haile Selassie I of Ethiopia

11/12 – Baha'i: Birthday of Baha'u'llah – marks the birthday of Baha'u'llah (1817-1892), prophet-founder of the Baha'i faith

11/14 – Hindu: Diwali – one of the most important Hindu festivals, combines a number of festivals to honor different gods and goddesses

11/15 – Jain: New Year – also known as Veer Samvat, a joyful celebration the day following the Diwali festival

11/30 – Roman Catholic: St Andrew's Day – feast honoring the patron saint of Scotland, Greece, Russia, Ukraine, Barbados, and Romania

11/30 – Sikh: Guru Nanak Ji's Birthday – celebrates the birth of the founder of Sikhism