



## Bigfoot presentation brings together Friends of Monday Creek

The sight of nearly a quarter of New Straitsville's population packing into the Rural Action Monday Creek Restoration Project (MCRP) office last Thursday night for a presentation about Sasquatch was almost as surprising as seeing Sasquatch himself. Dr. Scott Moody, from Ohio University, presented his own scientific conclusions about various pieces of Sasquatch evidence on September 26<sup>th</sup> in New Straitsville during a Friends of Monday Creek gathering.

Whether they were believers, skeptics, or just plain curious, the meeting attracted over 100 attendees from as far away as San Diego, California! The diverse crowd included everyone from children to adults, students, doctorates, outdoor enthusiasts, local community members, travelers, and even some representatives from local Bigfoot organizations. During the gathering participants learned about more than Sasquatch. Monday Creek Watershed Coordinator, Nate Schlater, taught them about Rural Action and Monday Creek, a stream that was once considered "dead" and is now home to 29 native species of fish.

Friends of Monday Creek gatherings are hosted by MCRP and held every other month on the fourth Thursday. They provide a place for community members to come together, share a meal, talk about shared interests and learn about Rural Action. To be informed about future events and Friends of Monday Creek Gatherings, "like" Monday Creek Restoration Project on Facebook, or visit [www.ruralaction.org](http://www.ruralaction.org) or [www.mondaycreek.org](http://www.mondaycreek.org). The Monday Creek Restoration Project, a partnership committed to improving watershed health for the benefit of the community, is a program of Rural Action. Rural Action is a membership based non-profit organization working on sustainable, asset-based economic development. Rural Action's mission is to foster social, economic, and environmental justice in Appalachia Ohio, believing every individual can make a difference in their community. Any groups or individuals wishing to get involved with Monday Creek can call their office at 740-394-2047, or e-mail [water@mondaycreek.org](mailto:water@mondaycreek.org).

