



STUFF TO DO In Cleveland County

- **Broad River Greenway** programs and events 704-434-2357, www.BroadriverGreenway.com
- **City of Kings Mountain** events 704-734-0333, www.CityofKM.com
- **Cleveland Community College** events 704-484-5316, www.clevelandcommunitycollege.edu
- **Cleveland County Arts Council** events and exhibits 704-484-2787, www.ccartscouncil.org
- **Gardner-Webb University** 704-406-4448, www.Gardner-WebbUniversity.edu; sports schedules can be found at GWUSports.com
- **Greater Shelby Community Theatre** production schedule 704-480-8495, www.gsct.org
- **Joy Performance Center** performance information 704-730-9408, www.kmlt.org
- **Kings Mountain Historical Museum** events and exhibits 704-739-1019, www.KingsMountainMuseum.org
- **Live at Leatherwoods** concert schedule 704-481-1332, www.liveatleatherwoods.com
- **Owl's Eye Winery and Vineyard Wine Down Fridays** information 704-471-9196, www.OwlsEyeVineyard.com
- **Presidential Culinary Museum** exhibit information 704-937-2940, www.TheInnOfThePatriots.com
- **Shelby City Park Events and Carrousel & Train** 704-484-6811, www.CityOfShelby.com/Parks
- **South Mountains State Park** activities 828-433-4772, www.ncparks.gov/Visit/parks/somo
- **The Don Gibson Theatre** schedule and ticket information 704-487-8114, www.DonGibsonTheatre.com
- **Uptown Shelby** events 704-484-3100, www.UptownShelby.org
- **Williams Observatory** open to the public dates and times 704-406-3804, www.gardner-webb.edu/astro
- **YMCA Family Events** schedule can be found at www.CleveCoYMCA.org

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Birds of Prey 11am. Join a Park Ranger at the Visitor Center and learn about some of the birds of prey found in the mountains. You will learn about the distinguishing characteristics of these animals, and find out why they are called birds of prey. South Mountain State Park, 3001 South Mountains Park Avenue, Connelly Springs, NC, 828-433-4772, www.ncparks.gov/Visit/parks/somo

- 1/1** **Skulls & Skins** 2-3pm. Hear about some of the animals that call South Mountain State Park home, 3001 South Mountains Park Avenue, Connelly Springs, 828-433-4772, www.ncparks.gov/Visit/parks/somo
- 1/2** **Black Bears: Majestic Creatures of the Wild** 2pm How dangerous are black bears? Can we co-exist? Why are black bears so unique? What should I do if I see a black bear? South Mountain State Park, 3001 South Mountains Park Avenue, Connelly Springs, NC, 828-433-4772, www.ncparks.gov/Visit/parks/somo
- 1/1** **The Timber Doodle** 4:30pm This is just one nickname for a bird that has eyes to the rear of its head, eats only earthworms, and has a showcase mating ritual. We are lucky to have a few of these cute little birds and there are so many fun things to learn about them. Join a ranger at the visitor center auditorium. Crowders Mountain State Park, 522 Park Office Lane, Kings Mountain, NC, 703-853-5375, www.ncparks.net/crmo.html
- 1/8** **Black Bears: Majestic Creatures of the Wild** 11am. How dangerous are black bears? Can we coexist? Why are black bears so unique? What should I do if I see a black bears. **Also at 2pm. The Roles and Responsibilities of a NC State Park Ranger.** South Mountains State Park, 301 South Mountains Park Avenue, Connelly Springs, NC, 828-433-4772, www.ncparks.gov/Visit/parks.somo
- 1/8** **Outdoor Safety for the Winter** 11am Never take the weather for granted. Join a ranger to learn how to be safe and survive in the cold winter time. Crowders Mountain State Park, Kings Mountain, NC, 704-853-5375, www.ncparks.net/crmo.html
- 1/8** **Boulder's Hike** 2 pm. Learn about the geology of this unique area and enjoy the view from atop the Boulders. A moderate hike is involved so be prepared with weather appropriate footwear and clothes, and drinking water. Meet at the Boulders Access Area: I-85 south to Exit 5 follow the signs. Crowders Mountain State Park, 522 Park Office Lane, Kings Mountain, NC, 704-853-5375, www.ncparks.net/crmo.html
- 1/8-7/9** **The Inn of the Patriots Culinary Museum** 1 pm. \$5/adults, Free for children under 12. Group tours are available upon request. The museum will have on display designer recipe cards especially sent from former First Lady, Barbara Bush. The Presidential Culinary Museum at The Inn of the Patriots Bed & Breakfast, 301 Cleveland Avenue, (located at NC exit 2 or SC exit 106 on I-85) Grover, 704-937-2940, www.TheInnOfThePatriots.com
- 1/9** **The Roles and Responsibilities of a NC Park Ranger** 2 pm. What does a Park Ranger do on a day basis? Meet at the Visitors Center auditorium of South Mountain State Park, 3001 South Mountains Park Avenue, Connelly Springs, NC, 828-433-4772, www.ncparks.gov/Visit/parks/somo

- 1/15 Fireflight at the Don Gibson Theatre** 8 pm, doors open at 6 pm with preview band in lounge. \$17.50 Don Gibson, 318 S. Washington Street, Shelby, 704-487-8114, www.DonGibsonTheatre.com
- 1/15 Empress Chinchilla Breeders Cooperative (ECBC) Southern Unit Show** 10 am. \$5 per family. The ECBC show features chinchilla breeders and their prized animals from throughout the southeast. Participants will undergo judging in numerous categories pertinent to the breeding industry. Breeders as far away as Ohio and Florida will be in attendance, in addition to the Carolinas, Georgia and beyond. Quality Inn, 722 York Road (just off of I-85, Exit 8), Kings Mountain, 704-739-7070, www.QualityInn.com
- 1/15 Tree Cookies** 11am Hold the milk please. Kids join us to learn about tree growth by looking at “tree cookies”. Learn how tree rings show patterns of change in a tree’s life as well as change in the area where it grows. Meet at Visitors Center, South Mountain State Park, 3001 South Mountains Park Avenue, Connelly Springs, NC, 828-433-4772, www.ncparks.gov/Visit/parks/somo. **Also at 2pm. Tracks** Join a Ranger at the Visitor Center to learn about common animal tracks and their makers. Make your own animal track and take it home. This program includes indoor and outdoor activities.
- 1/15 FireFlight at the Don Gibson Theatre** 8 pm, doors open at 6:30 pm with preview band in lounge. \$17.50 Five #1 Christian Radio hit singles, Grammy nominees and six time Dove Award nominees. Don Gibson Theatre, 318 S. Washington Street, Shelby, 704-487-8114, www.DonGibsonTheatre.com
- 1/16 MLK Day** 3pm. Celebrating the life of Martin Luther King, Sr. Guest speaker the Rev. Robert Devoe, Palmer Grove Baptist Church, 1606 Kingstown Road, Kingstown, 704-487-0480.
- 1/16 Tracks** 2pm. Join a Ranger at the Visitors Center to learn about common animal tracks and their makers. Make your own animal track and take it home. This program includes indoor and outdoor activities. South Mountain State Park, 3001 South Mountains Park Avenue, Connelly Springs, NC, 828-433-4772, www.ncparks.gov/Visit/parks/somo
- 1/16 “Winchester ‘73” starring Jimmy Stewart - Classic Film Series at the Don Gibson** 2:30 pm, \$3 admission, \$3 popcorn & drink. Don Gibson Theatre, 318 S. Washington Street, Shelby, 704-487-8114, www.DonGibsonTheatre.com
- 1/17 Program-A-Thon** Different activities all day! 9am Skulls & Skins; 10am Tracks; 11am The 10 Essentials; 12am Owl Pellets; 1pm. The Many Hats of A Ranger; 2pm. Tree Cookies; 3pm. Caddisfly Cases; 4pm. Insects. South Mountain State Park, 3001 South Mountains Park Avenue, Connelly Springs, NC, 828-433-4772, www.ncparks.gov/Visit/parks/somo

- 1/18** **Cleveland County Tennis Association Junior Classic** Level 4, Cleveland Country Club, 1360 East Marion Street, Shelby, 704-482-1711, www.ClevelandCountyTennis.com
- 1/20** **James Gregory live at the Joy Performance Center** 7 pm & 9 pm. \$25 General Admission/\$35 reserved seating/\$50 VIP table seating. Joy Performance Center, 202 S. Railroad Ave, Kings Mountain, 704-730-9408, www.kmlt.org
- 1/22** **“Marmaduke” showing at the Joy Performance Center** 10am. Joy Performance Center, 202 S. Railroad Ave, Kings Mountain, 704-730-9408, www.kmlt.org
- 1/22** **Gary Morris at the Don Gibson Theatre** 8 pm, doors open at 6 pm with preview band in lounge. \$28.50. Whether commanding the stage at the Grand Old Opry, the White House (performing for every living US president as well as Queen Elizabeth,) or on Broadway as the star of Les Miserables, after five #1 hits and decades of standing ovations he's been hailed as one of popular music's most diversely gifted vocalists and actors. Don Gibson, 318 S. Washington Street, Shelby, 704-487-8114, www.DonGibsonTheatre.com
- 1/22** **Tree Cookies** 11am Join a Park Ranger to learn about tree growth by looking at “tree cookies”. Learn how tree rings show patterns of change in a tree’s life as well as changes in the area where it grows. Meet at the Visitors center of South Mountain State Park, 3001 South Mountains Park Avenue, Connelly Springs, NC, 8282-433-4772, www.ncparks.gov/Visit/parks.somo
- 1/22** **Birds of Prey** 10am Birds call our area home. They soar among our cliffs, and hunt for food in our fields and forests. Meet at the visitor center auditorium at Crowders Mountain State Park, 522 Park Office Lane, Kings Mountain, NC, 704-853-5375, www.ncsparks.net/crmo.html
- 1/22** **Where Am I? How to Use a Map and Compass** 2pm Join a Park Ranger to learn the fundamentals of map reading, identification of land features, and compass use. Bring a compass if you have it, and meet at the Jacob Fork Parking Area, South Mountain State Park, 3001 South Mountains Park Avenue, Connelly Springs, NC, 828-433-4772, www.ncparks.gov/Visit/parks/somo
- 1/23** **“The Rare Breed” starring Jimmy Stewart - Classic Film Series at the Don Gibson** 3:30 pm, \$3 admission, \$3 popcorn & drink. Don Gibson Theatre, 318 S. Washington Street, Shelby, 704-487-8114, www.DonGibsonTheatre.com
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- 1/25-4/16 Sleep Tight: Quilts, Coverlets and More Exhibit** Tue-Sat 10 am – 4pm. Kings Mountain Historical Museum, 100 East Mountain Street, Kings Mountain, NC 704-739-1019, www.KingsMountainMuseum.org
- 1/27 Baroque to Broadway** 8 pm. Dr. Susan Ali, mezzo-soprano with Pamela Smithey on piano. Italian Arias, Spanish Canciones, 21st century pieces and spicy musical theatre selections. With special guest instrumentalists; Jeff Richmond, Dennis “Tank” Davis, Tyler Willoughby and Brian “Moe” DeCristofaro. Blanton Auditorium on the Gardner Webb University Campus, 110 South Main Street, Boiling Springs, 704-406-4448, www.Gardner-Webb.edu
- 1/28 Atlanta Rhythm Section at the Don Gibson Theatre** 8 pm, doors open at 6 pm with preview band in lounge. \$28.50. Don Gibson, 318 S. Washington Street, Shelby, 704-487-8114, www.DonGibsonTheatre.com
- 1/29 The Big Chill Casino Night** 6:30pm-11pm. \$30 in advance \$35 at the door It’s Casino Night at the Arts Center. Good food, great music and dancing but now a chance to beat the odds and win exciting prizes in Roulette, Craps, Black Jack and a 50/50 Raffle. Cleveland County Arts Council, 111 S. Washington Street, Shelby, 704-484-2787, www.ccartscouncil.org
- 1/29 Shiny Trail Extended Backcountry Hike** Join ranger Allen Rogers for this 7.5 mile trek, which will focus on the natural history and diverse flora and fauna of the area. The hike will explore the diversity of Shiny Trail and include High Shoals Falls. This strenuous walk will last approximately 4.5 hours. Please bring lunch, water, and appropriate clothing and footwear. Please call the park office for more information and to preregister for this hike. Space is limited. South Mountain State Park, 3001 South Mountains Park Avenue, Connelly Springs, NC, 828-433-4772, www.ncparks.gov/Visit/parks/somo
- 1/29 Creature Feature** 11am This humorous program is sure to be a lot of fun for kids of all ages as we learn about animals that live in the park. We will play dress-up in animal costumes. Meet at the visitor center auditorium and come rain or shine. Crowders Mountain State Park, 522 Park Office Lane, Kings Mountain, NC, 704-853-5375, www.ncsparks.net/crmo.html
- 1/29 Skulls & Skins** 2-3pm Drop in and hear about some of the animals that call South Mountain State Park home. 3001 South Mountains Park Avenue, Connelly Springs, NC, 828-433-4772, www.ncparks.gov/Visiet/parks/somo
- 1/30 Wintergreen Hike** 2pm Enjoy a leisurely walk along the Hemlock Nature Trail, and learn about some of the many plant species that stay green all year long. Meet at the Jacob Fork Parking Area for a one mile walk. South Mountain State Park 3001 South Mountains Park Avenue, Connelly Springs, NC, 828-433-4772, www.ncparks.gov/Visit/parks/somo

- 2/3 & 6 “Rooster Cogburn” starring John Wayne - Classic Film Series at the Don Gibson** Thur 7 pm, Sun 2:30 pm, \$3 admission, \$3 popcorn & drink. Don Gibson Theatre, 318 S. Washington Street, Shelby, 704-487-8114, www.DonGibsonTheatre.com
- 2/3 – 3/10 16 Annual Earth Treasures Pottery Show & Sale** Mon-Fri 9am-5:30pm, 1st Sat of every month 10 am – 2 pm. (Opening reception 2/3, 5:30–7:30pm). Twenty five local and regional artists exhibit sculpture and pottery in a wide variety of styles. Cleveland County Arts Council, 111S.Washington Street, Shelby, NC, phone 704-484-2787, www.ccartscouncil.org
- 2/10& 13 “Hellfighters” starring John Wayne - Classic Film Series at the Don Gibson** Thur 7 pm, Sun 2:30 pm, \$3 admission, \$3 popcorn & drink. Don Gibson Theatre, 318 S. Washington Street, Shelby, 704-487-8114, www.DonGibsonTheatre.com
- 2/12 Cleveland County Country Club Shelby NTRP Spring Fling** Cleveland Country Club, 1360 East Marion Street, Shelby, 704-482-1711, www.ClevelandCountyTennis.com
- 2/14 Valentines Day Lunch at the Carrousel** 11:30-1:30pm \$11/Reservations required. Catered by Dressing on the Side, Music by Ray Ledford. 704-484-6476, www.cityofshelby.com/parks
- 2/17 & 20 “The War Wagon” starring John Wayne - Classic Film Series at the Don Gibson** Thur 7 pm, Sun 2:30 pm, \$3 admission, \$3 popcorn & drink. Don Gibson Theatre, 318 S. Washington Street, Shelby, 704-487-8114, www.DonGibsonTheatre.com
- 2/17 Gardner-Webb University Distinguished Artist Series** 8 pm. Patrick Connolly, the Golandsky Institute-Taubman Approach. Blanton Auditorium on the Gardner Webb University Campus, 110 South Main Street, Boiling Springs, 704-406-4448, www.Gardner-Webb.edu
- 2/19 Maurice Williams & the Zodiac at the Don Gibson Theatre** 8 pm, doors open at 6:30 pm with preview band in lounge. \$28.50 Along with Billy Scott and the Prophets and Clifford Curry. Don Gibson Theatre, 318 S. Washington Street, Shelby, 704-487-8114, www.DonGibsonTheatre.com
- 2/24 & 27 “Jet Pilot” starring John Wayne - Classic Film Series at the Don Gibson** Thur 7 pm, Sun 2:30 pm, \$3 admission, \$3 popcorn & drink. Don Gibson Theatre, 318 S. Washington Street, Shelby, 704-487-8114, www.DonGibsonTheatre.com
- 2/24 The 10th Annual Bowling for Dollars** 11am.-1:30pm. \$15 Tickets must be purchased in advance. Join others for a delicious homemade soup in a beautiful handmade pottery bowl donated by local potters. Cleveland Arts Council, 111 S. Washington Street, Shelby, 704-484-2787, www.ccartscouncil.org

- 2/25 Josh Thompson at the Don Gibson Theatre** 8 pm, doors open at 6:30 pm with preview band in lounge. \$29.50. Hits like *Beer on the Table*, *Blame it on Waylon*, *Won't be Lonely Long*, and *Way Out Here* Josh is one of the true young guns in country music. Don Gibson Theatre, 318 S. Washington Street, Shelby, 704-487-8114, www.DonGibsonTheatre.com
- 2/25-27 "Swingtime Canteen" Performance** 7:30pm & Sun. 3pm. Performance held at the Joy Performance Center, 202 S. Railroad Avenue, Kings Mountain, 704-730-9408, www.kmlt.org
- 2/25 Gardner-Webb University Brass Festival Featuring The World Famous Carolina Brass** 7 pm. \$5/adults, \$3 children & students, FREE with GWU ID. Summit recording artists and world touring ensemble. Boiling Springs Baptist Church Sanctuary, 307 South Main Street, Boiling Springs, 704-406-4448, www.CarolinaBrass.com
- 3/1 Gardner-Webb University Distinguished Artist Series** 8 pm. Michael Kris, Bass Trombone or UNC Chapel Hill NC Symphony. Blanton Auditorium on the Gardner Webb University Campus, 110 South Main Street, Boiling Springs, 704-406-4448, www.Gardner-Webb.edu
- 3/4 Gene Watson at the Don Gibson Theatre** 8 pm, doors open at 6:30 pm with preview band in lounge. \$29.50 Don Gibson Theatre, 318 S. Washington Street, Shelby, 704-487-8114, www.DonGibsonTheatre.com
- 3/4-6 "Swingtime Canteen" Performance** 7:30pm. & Sun. 3pm. Joy Performance Center, 202 S. Railroad Avenue, Kings Mountain, 704-730-9408, www.kmlt.org.
- 3/5 Foothills Feline Cat Show** 9-5pm. \$5 Cats will be judged, pet supply vendors and information to help you get to know your animal. Shelby City Park, 850 W. Sumter Street, Shelby, 828-787-1955, www.CityofShelby.com/parks
- 3/8 Gardner-Webb University Concert Choir, Chorale and Handbells** 8 pm. Directed by Paul J. Etter. Boiling Springs Baptist Church Sanctuary, 307 South Main Street, Boiling Springs, 704-406-4448, www.CarolinaBrass.com
- 3/11-13,18-20 Hats: The Musical** Fri. & Sat. 7:30pm.& Sun. 2:30pm Presented by Greater Shelby Community Theatre, Cleveland Community College, 137 S. Post Road, Shelby, 704-480-8495, www.gsct.org
- 3/12 Carolina Spring Adult Championships NTRP** Cleveland County Tennis Association, Cleveland Country Club, 1360 East Marion Street, Shelby, 704-482-1711, www.ClevelandCountyTennis.com
- 3/12 Woods Tea Company Concert** 7:30pm Performance held at the Kings Mountain Little Theatre, 202 S. Railroad Avenue, Kings Mountain, 704-730-9408, www.kmlt.org

- 3/20 Pottery Show** 1-4 pm. Southern Arts Society, 301 N. Piedmont Ave (NC 216), Kings Mountain, 704-739-5585, www.SouthernArtsSociety.org
- 3/24-4/20 Cleveland County Student Art Competition** Mon-Fri 9 am-5:30 pm; Sat. 4/2 10am-2pm. (Opening reception 3/24 6:30-7:30 pm). Students in grades 3 – 12 will be on exhibit during this annual competition with cash award prizes. Cleveland County Arts Council, 111 S. Washington Street, Shelby, 704-484-2787, www.ccartscouncil.org
- 3/26 Cleveland County Tennis Association Fall Classic** NTRP Cleveland Country Club, 1360 East Marion Street, Shelby, 704-482-1711, www.ClevelandCountyTennis.com
- 4/1-3 Spring Into the Fair Home & Garden Show** Fri-Sat 10 am – 8 pm, Sun 12 – 6 pm. \$3 adults/under 12 free. Cleveland County Fairgrounds, 1751 East Marion Street, Shelby, NC 28152, 704-487-0651, www.clevelandcountyfair.com
- 4/6-9 Dirty Rotten Scoundrels** 7:30pm. \$10 at the door, \$8/advance. Gardner Webb University theatre production accompanied by the orchestra. A Broadway musical by Yazbek and Lane. Directed by Scot Lahaie, Musical Direction by Susan Ali and Patricia Sparti, set design by Chris Keene, sets by Matthew Marlowe. Dover Theatre on the Gardner Webb University Campus, 110 South Main Street, Boiling Springs, 704-406-4656, www.Gardner-Webb.edu
- 4/9 Cleveland County Club Junior Open** Level 4, Cleveland Country Club, 1360 East Marion Street, Shelby, 704-482-1711, www.ClevelandCountyTennis.com
- 4/12 Gardner-Webb University Distinguished Artist Series** 8 pm. Susan Rider, Trumpet. “The President’s Own” United States Marine Band. Blanton Auditorium on the Gardner Webb University Campus, 110 South Main Street, Boiling Springs, 704-406-4448, www.Gardner-Webb.edu
- 4/14 Gardner-Webb University Jazz Band “A Jazz Collective”** 8 pm. Jeff Richmond, Conductor. Dover Theatre on the Gardner Webb University Campus, 110 South Main Street, Boiling Springs, 704-406-4448, www.Gardner-Webb.edu
- 4/15-16 Kings Mountain Firehouse BBQ Cook-off** Fri. 5pm, Sat. 2pm. The cook-off is for the North Carolina State Championship and sanctioned by the Kansas City Barbeque Society (KCBS) with the overall winner invited to the KCBS National Championship. The event will also help raise funds for the Kings Mountain Fire Museum, one of a few in the state, and its’ ongoing restoration of antique fire trucks. Kings Mountain YMCA, Walking Track on Highway 161 (Cleveland Ave.), Kings Mountain, NC, 704-734-0333; www.cityofkm.org
- 4/16 Shelby City Park Easter Egg Hunt** Shelby City Park, 850 W. Sumter Street, Shelby, 828-787-1955, www.CityofShelby.com/parks
- 4/16 Wild Food Fest** 10 am-2pm. Free event to the public. Crowders Mountain State Park, 522 Park Office Lane, Kings Mountain, www.ncsparks.net, 704-853-5375

- 4/16 Spring Fling at Kings Mountain Historical Museum** 10am-5pm. Civil War period re-enactors. Kings Mountain Historical Museum, 100 East Mountain Street, Kings Mountain, NC 704-739-1019, www.KingsMountainMuseum.org
- 4/17 Gardner-Webb University Choral Union Presents Handel's *Messiah*** 3 pm. Dover Theatre on the Gardner Webb University Campus, 110 South Main Street, Boiling Springs, 704-406-4448, www.Gardner-Webb.edu
- 4/19 Gardner-Webb University Symphonic Band** 8 pm. Dover Theatre on the Gardner Webb University Campus, 110 South Main Street, Boiling Springs, 704-406-4448, www.Gardner-Webb.edu
- 4/23 Family Fun Nights at the Fair** Cleveland County Fairgrounds, 1751 East Marion Street, Shelby, 704-487-0651, www.ClevelandCountyFair.com
- 4/23 City of Kings Mountain Easter Egg Hunt** 10 am. Children's Playground. Battleground Avenue, Kings Mountain, NC 704-734-0333, www.CityofKM.com
- 4/28-30 Mystery Art Exhibit and Sale** Mon-Fri 9am-5:30pm, 1st Sat of every month 10 am – 2 pm. This is your chance to purchase “mini-masterpieces” by local artists. The catch is, you won't know who created the work until after you purchase it. Join us for one of our annual favorite events, a who-done-it of miniature proportions. Cleveland County Arts Council, 111 S. Washington Street, Shelby, 704-484-2787, www.ccartscouncil.org
- 4/29-30 & 5/1,6-8 Welcome to Mitford** Fri. & Sat.7:30pm. & Sun. 2:30pm. Presented by Greater Shelby Community Theatre, on the campus of Cleveland Community College, 137 S. Post Road, Shelby, 704-480-8495, www.GSCT.org
- 4/30-5/1 13th Annual Foothills Merry Go Round Festival** Sat. 10am.-9 pm, Sun 1-6pm. \$5 per day. Enjoy carnival rides, games, and food for the entire family. Free concert stage features regional artists and live entertainers, finishing up the evening with fireworks on Saturday night. Shelby City Park, 850 W. Sumter Street, Shelby; 704-484-6476; www.CityofShelby.com/Park **Shuttle service is available for all Shelby events on April 30**
- 4/30 Arts on the Square & European Auto Show** 9am.-4 pm. Juried art show of regional artists. It is sure to be a great day of fun for artists and art connoisseurs alike from the residents of western NC, Charlotte and beyond. It is our mission to promote artists and the growth of the arts in our portion of the state. Uptown Shelby historic court square area. 704-487-0256, www.BuffaloCreekGallery.com - **Shuttle service is available for all Shelby events on April 30**
- 5/2 Gardner-Webb University Cleveland County Orchestra** 8 pm. Dover Theatre on the Gardner Webb University Campus, 110 South Main Street, Boiling Springs, 704-406-4448, www.Gardner-Webb.edu
- 5/5-6/9 Annual Cleveland County Artist Competition** Mon-Fri 9am-5:30pm, 1st Sat

of every month 10 am – 2 pm. (Opening reception 5:30 – 7:30pm.) A rich and varied showcase of the talent that lies in Cleveland County is seen in this exhibit. Local artists not only have the opportunity to display their work but also compete for awards. Cleveland County Arts Council, 111 S. Washington Street, Shelby, 704-484-2787, www.ccartscouncil.org

- 5/7-8/20 Take Me Out To The Ballgame; Baseball in Cleveland County** Tue-Sat 10 am – 4pm. Kings Mountain Historical Museum, 100 East Mountain Street, Kings Mountain, NC 704-739-1019, www.KingsMountainMuseum.org
- 5/7 Kings Mountain Gateway Trails 5 K Run Walk & Fun Run** 8am. 5 K Run, Walk, & Fun Run starting at the Kings Mountain Gateway Trails, 807 S. Battleground Avenue, King Mountain. 705-739-7455, 704-739-3611, www.kmgatewaytrails.org.
- 5/7 Art of Being a Woman** 10 am-4 pm. Southern Arts Society, 301 N. Piedmont Ave (NC 216), Kings Mountain, 704-739-5585, www.SouthernArtsSociety.org
- 5/13-15, 20 & 21 “The Dining Room” Performance** 7:30pm. & Sun. 3pm. Kings Mountain Little Theatre, 202 S. Railroad Avenue, Kings Mountain, NC, 704-730-9408, www.kmlt.org
- 5/15 I am Woman Show** 1-4 pm. Southern Arts Society, 301 N. Piedmont Ave (NC 216), Kings Mountain, 704-739-5585, www.SouthernArtsSociety.org
- 5/21 Over the Mountain Triathlon** 8 am-1 pm. The swim takes place at Moss Lake - west of Kings Mountain. The bike course starts at Moss Lake and finishes in downtown Kings Mountain. The run course takes place in downtown Kings Mountain. Patriots Park Gazebo, Battleground Avenue, Downtown Kings Mountain, NC, 704-734-0333, www.CityofKM.com
- 5/21 Family Fun Nights at the Fair** Cleveland County Fairgrounds, 1751 East Marion Street, Shelby, 704-487-0651, www.ClevelandCountyFair.com
- 5/31 City of Kings Mountain Memorial Day Observance** Downtown Kings Mountain, NC, 704-734-0333, www.CityofKM.com
- 5/28-29 Military Through The Ages** Kings Mountain National Military Park, South Carolina Highway 216. From Greenville, SC travel on I-85 North to NC Exit #2. From Charlotte, NC travel on I- 85 South to NC Exit #2. 864-936-7921
- 6/16-7/21 Graffiti, Tattoo & Comic Book Art Exhibit** Mon-Fri 9am-5:30pm, 1st Sat of every month 10 am – 2 pm. Cleveland County Arts Council, 111 S. Washington Street, Shelby, 704-484-2787, www.ccartscouncil.org
- 6/18 Family Fun Nights at the Fair** Cleveland County Fairgrounds, 1751 East Marion Street, Shelby, 704-487-0651, www.ClevelandCountyFair.com

- 6/28 Carolina Junior North Carolina Tennis Classic** Level 4, Cleveland Country Club, 1360 East Marion Street, Shelby, 704-482-1711, www.ClevelandCountyTennis.com
- 7/4 Kings Mountain Fabulous 4th Event** begins 6:00 pm. Patriotic Opening – 9:00 pm. Fireworks Show – 9:30 pm. A reenactment demonstration of local militia and the Over the Mountain Men against Major Patrick Ferguson and his English trained locals. YMCA Walking Track, Highway 161 (Cleveland Ave.) Kings Mountain, NC 704-734-0333. www.CityofKM.com
- 7/4 Shelby City Park "Fun At The Park"** horseshoe tournament-8:30 am practice, 9 am tournament; free swim at the pool-10 am- 12 pm; 12 & under must be accompanied by an adult; carnival & DJ in the air conditioned city park **gym**- 11am-4 pm; carrousel & rotary train rides, everyone must purchase a \$2.00 arm band, good for all rides! Does not include the pool. Regular rates apply for pool. Concessions will be available. Shelby City Park, 850 W. Sumter St., Shelby, 704-484-6476, www.CityOfShelby.com/Parks
- 7/4 Moss Lake July 4th Boat Parade** 2 pm. This is easily the best holiday on the lake. So decorate your boat, meet at Snake Island (the island farthest west) or just watch and enjoy the parade! The illuminated parade will be at 8:30 pm on July 5. Moss Lake Office, 2916 Elizabeth Ave, Shelby, 704-482-7926, www.mosslake-nc.com
- 7/15-17, 22-24 Rounding Third Play** Fri. & Sat.7:30pm, Sun. 2:30pm. Play presented by Greater Shelby Community Theatre, on the campus of Cleveland Community College, 137 S. Post Road, Shelby, 704-480-8495, www.GSCT.com
- 7/16 Family Fun Nights at the Fair** Cleveland County Fairgrounds, 1751 East Marion Street, Shelby, 704-487-0651, www.ClevelandCountyFair.com
- 7/20-23 12th Annual Real to Reel Film Festival** 7pm. Presented by the Cleveland County Arts Council. These are shown at the Kings Mountain Little Theatre, 202 S. Battleground Avenue, Kings Mountain, 704-484-2787. www.ccartscouncil.org
- 7/23 Kings Mountain Beach Blast** 10 am- 10 pm. Free live concerts; Enjoy the Rotary Splash Pad, a swimming pool and free rounds of Water Wars. Teenie Weenie Bikini Contest along with a watermelon eatin' contest and the Big Beach Ball Drop. Grab a ride on the Little Blue Choo Choo or enjoy the amusement rides. The County's largest sand pile (with hidden pirate booty). For the adults, a beer garden sponsored by The Mountaineer Partnership Inc. and the Kings Mountain Downtown Merchants with beverages provided by Fox distributing will be located on the corner of Gold Street and Railroad Avenue. Downtown retail shops and restaurants which will be open throughout the day; food vendors, from French fried sweet potato sticks to barbeque to Cajun chicken is available for every palate; Craft vendors. Patriots Park Gazebo, Downtown Kings Mountain. 704-734-0333. www.CityofKM.com
- 7/28-8/25 Recycled & Repurposed Art Exhibit** Mon-Fri 9am-5:30pm, 1st Sat of every month 10 am – 2 pm. Cleveland County Arts Council, 111 S. Washington Street, Shelby, 704-484-2787, www.ccartscouncil.org

- 8/2 Kings Mountain National Night Out** 6-10 pm. Patriots Park Gazebo. 704-734-0333. www.CityofKM.com
- 8/5-7, 12-13 “Harvey” Performance** 7:30pm & Sun. 3pm. Kings Mountain Little Theatre, 202 S. Railroad Avenue, Kings Mountain, NC; 704-730-9408; www.kmlt.org
- 8/14 Photography Show** 1-4 pm. Southern Arts Society, 301 N. Piedmont Ave (NC 216), Kings Mountain, 704-739-5585, www.SouthernArtsSociety.org
- 8/20 Family Fun Nights at the Fair** Cleveland County Fairgrounds, 1751 East Marion Street, Shelby, 704-487-0651, www.ClevelandCountyFair.com
- 9/1-29 Lauren Bryant & Nathan Rose Art Exhibit** Mon-Fri 9am-5:30pm, 1st Sat of every month 10 am – 2 pm. Cleveland County Arts Council, 111 S. Washington Street, Shelby, 704-484-2787, www.ccartscouncil.org
- 9/3-4 Backcountry Militia Labor Day Encampment** Kings Mountain National Military Park is located on South Carolina Highway 216. From Greenville, SC travel on I-85 North to NC Exit #2. From Charlotte, NC travel on I- 85 South to NC Exit #2. 864-936-7921
- 9/6-11/12 Honor Our Veterans, Remembering WWI** Tue-Sat 10 am – 4pm. Kings Mountain Historical Museum, 100 East Mountain Street, Kings Mountain, NC 704-739-1019, www.KingsMountainMuseum.org
- 9/9 Kings Mountain Patriot Day Observance** 12 noon. City Hall Plaza, Kings Mountain, NC. 704-734-0333. www.CityofKM.com
- 9/17 Town of Boiling Springs Centennial Celebration** Boiling Springs, NC 28017, 704-434-2357, www.boilingspringsnc.net
- 9/17 Kings Mountain Historical Museum Annual Fundrasier** 6 pm. \$100/couple. 8th Annual Reverse Raffle plus silent and live auctions. Includes dinner and drinks for two. American Legion Hall, York Road, Kings Mountain, 704-739-1019, www.KingsMountainMuseum.org
- 9/26 The Legendary Glenn Miller Orchestra** 7:30 pm. \$10. Paul Porter Arena on the Gardner Webb University Campus, 110 South Main Street, Boiling Springs, 704-406-4448, www.Gardner-Webb.edu
- 9/29-10/8 Cleveland County Fair** Times vary per day. Since 1924, the Cleveland County Fair has been home to what has become North Carolina’s largest agricultural fair and a highlight of traditional activities. Cleveland County Fairgrounds, 1751 East Marion Street, Shelby, 704-487-0651, www.clevelandcountyfair.com
- 10/1-2 Polkville Heritage Days** 10am. Cost \$5 Featuring our annual tractor pull, demonstrations throughout the day, delicious cooked BBQ, chicken and other appetizing foods available. 704-538-8661, London Road (Elliott Family Farms), Polkville, NC

- 10/1-31 Shelby Corn Maze** Friday 4-10pm, Saturday 10-10pm, Sunday 2-8pm Cost varies. Many special events available to participate at the Haunted Corn Maze, (Corny Ducky Pond, Corn Hole, Ladder Golf, Kiddie Korral and more). Shelby Corn Maze, 120 Broadway Drive, Shelby, phone 704-434-8187, shelbycornmaize@yahoo.com
- 10/1-31 The Haunted Pyramids** Weekends only, check website for specific times and prices. The Haunted Pyramids, Monster Manor in 3D, Clown Town in 3D, The Asylum. 2745 Toney Road, Lawndale, 704-538-0766, thehauntedpyramids@msn.com
- 10/1-31 Haunted Hay Rides** Weekends only. Check website for specific times and prices. Starts at dark and goes until with fun activities for the whole family, Bar H Ranch, Hwy. 150. S. Boiling Springs, 704-434-2866, www.Barhevents@yahoo.com
- 10/1 Ron Rash Festival** 12-5pm. Gardner-Webb University, 110 South Main Street, Boiling Springs, 704-406-4360 www.Gardner-WebbUniversity.edu
- 10/2 Gateway to the South Show** 1-4 pm. Southern Arts Society, 301 N. Piedmont Ave (NC 216), Kings Mountain, 704-739-5585, www.SouthernArtsSociety.org
- 10/3 Williams Observatory Open House** Opens at sunset. Astronomy presentations and special telescope viewings. 704-406-3804, Gardner-Webb University campus in Boiling Springs, www.gardner-webb.edu/astro
- 10/3-4 Kings Mountain National Military Park Encampment** Kings Mountain National Military Park is located on South Carolina Highway 216. From Greenville, SC travel on I-85 North to NC Exit #2. From Charlotte, NC travel on I- 85 South to NC Exit #2. 864-936-7921
- 10/7-9 Foothills Quilters Guild Quilt Show** Fri. & Sat. 10 am -5 pm, Sun.1-4 pm. Admission \$3. This show only happens once every two years with over 100 quilts displayed, this year promises to be the best yet. Shop in the boutique and enjoy the craft of some of our state's best quilters. Cleveland County Arts Council, 111 S. Washington Street, Shelby, 704-484-2787, www.FoothillsQuiltersGuild.org
- 10/8 Kings Mountain Gateway Festival** 10 am – 5 pm. The City of Kings Mountain is the gateway to three area parks: Crowder's Mtn., Kings Mountain Battleground Park and Kings Mountain State Park. This Festival includes antiques, art, crafts, amusements, food, music, Revolutionary Re-enactors, storytelling, art show, and an antique car show. Entertainment for the whole family. 202 S. Railroad Avenue, Kings Mountain, NC, 704-734-0333, www.CityOfKM.com
- 10/8 Revolutionary Period Re-enactors at Kings Mountain Historical Museum** 10am-5 pm. Kings Mountain Historical Museum, 100 East Mountain Street, Kings Mountain, NC 704-739-1019, www.KingsMountainMuseum.org
- 10/15 Kings Mountain State Park Fall Fest** 10 am – 5 pm.
- 10/20-22 Art of Sound Music Festival** Thurs. 6:30-11pm, Fri 6:30-11 pm/Sat. 11am-

11pm. A variety of musicians and groups will perform in several different venues with music and fun for everyone. Cleveland County Arts Council, 704-484-2787, 111 S. Washington Street, Shelby, www.ccartscouncil.org

10/22 Livermush Expo 10 am -5 pm. Taste Shelby's famed Liver Mush and learn new recipes. Mack's Liver Mush will be selling their famous liver mush sandwiches. Cooking demonstrations and taste testing. Join the Art of Sound Music Festival and party all night! Uptown Shelby Court Square, Washington Street, Shelby, 704-482-7882, www.TourClevelandCounty.com

10/22 Shelby Fall Festival 10 am – 12 pm. Dress up the kids and your pet and join us in Uptown Shelby for our annual Fall Festival. The festival will start at 10 am with lots of great activities for kids and pets. Children can paint a pumpkin, play on the inflatable obstacle course, or participate in one of the other free fun crafts or activities. While the kids are having fun, one of our newest uptown businesses, Roll Over, has expanded the pet portion of the festival to include amazing activities for pets. This year our Pet Parade around the court square will begin at 10:30 so the children can watch and prepare for the grand finale Kid's Parade at 11:30. You won't want to miss these events so don't forget your camera. Uptown Shelby Historic Court Square, Washington Street. 704-484-3100, www.UptownShelby.org

10/27-11/24 Shawn Ireland Figurative Ceramic Exhibit Mon-Fri 9am-5:30pm, 1st Sat of every month 10 am – 2 pm. Cleveland County Arts Council, 111 S. Washington Street, Shelby, 704-484-2787, www.ccartscouncil.org

10/28 Chitty Family Memorial Futures NC Level 5, Cleveland Country Club, 1360 East Marion Street, Shelby, 704-482-1711, www.ClevelandCountyTennis.com

10/29-30 Holiday Gift Galleria Fri 9-5 pm, Sat 9 am-4 pm, Sun 11 am-4 pm. Admission \$3. Features Christmas decorations, clothing, jewelry, cookware, makeup, pottery and much more for sale. The Junior Charity League sponsor. Shelby City Park, 850 W. Sumter Street, Shelby, 704- 480-8924, www.holidaygiftgalleria.com

11/2-4, 6 Gardner-Webb University Opera Theatre Tue-Fri 8 pm, Sun 3 pm. Dover Theatre on the Gardner Webb University Campus, 110 South Main Street, Boiling Springs, 704-406-4448, www.Gardner-Webb.edu

11/4 Hog Happnin' \$1 gate entry. Friday 5:30, **Taster's Choice-** (\$10) for 5 tasting tickets. You can sample BBQ from participating teams as they show off their BBQ skills. Get a sample from 5 different teams or all 5 from one team then cast your vote for your favorite. Saturday, Music on the entertainment stage from noon-1:30pm. BBQ serving lines are open from 11am-3:pm. Get a plate, pull up a chair and feast on the best BBQ in the country! Teams from all over the Southeast compete. Enjoy the car and cycle show and arts & crafts. EVERYONE WELCOME! Cleveland County Fairgrounds, 1751 E Marion Street, Shelby, 704-476-2747, www.HogHappnin.com

11/4-5 Enchanted Forest 7-9 pm. The Greenway hosts the Gardner-Webb University freshman for a wonderful enchanted forest with students in a variety of native animal

costumes! Information perfect for children ages 4 to 12. Broad River Greenway, 126 Broad River Drive, Boiling Springs, NC, 704-434-2357, www.BroadriverGreenway.com

- 11/5 Kings Mountain Gateway Trails 2nd Anniversary Celebration** 10 am-3 pm. Kings Mountain Gateway Trails, 807 S. Battleground Avenue, Kings Mountain, 704-739-4755, www.kmgatewaytrails.org
- 11/11 Kings Mountain Veteran's Day Observance** 10:30am, War Memorial to the Veterans Memorial. 704-734-0333. www.CityofKM.com
- 11/12 Carolina Pottery Festival** 10am.-4pm. \$3 adults (age 14 & younger are free). Over 100 local and regional potters, showing & selling their works. Expect to see traditional, contemporary, functional, decorative & sculptural work. Free parking. Cleveland County Fairgrounds, 1751 East Marion Street, Shelby, 704-487-0651, www.CarolinaPotteryFestival.org
- 11/13 Crowders Mountain State Park, Fur, Fangs & Feathers** 10 am-2pm. Free event to the public. Come see live raptors, Smokey the Bear, attend a free educational program, build-a-bird-house, and lots more! Food, fun, games and live music will be available. An event for the whole family. Rent a canoe, go fishing, or even take a hike. Crowders Mountain State Park, 522 Park Office Lane, Kings Mountain; www.ncsparks.net, 704-853-5375
- 11/20 Annual Open House of Southern Arts Society** 1-5 pm. Southern Arts Society, 301 N. Piedmont Ave (NC 216), Kings Mountain, 704-739-5585, www.SouthernArtsSociety.org
- 11/22 City of Kings Mountain Christmas Tree Lighting**
- 11/25 Proffitt Farms Tour** 10 am – 5 pm.
- 11/25-27 Christmas at the Fair** Cleveland County Fairgrounds, 1751 East Marion Street, Shelby, 704-487-0651, www.ClevelandCountyFair.com
- 11/29 Gardner-Webb University Symphonic Band** 8 pm. Dover Theatre on the Gardner Webb University Campus, 110 South Main Street, Boiling Springs, 704-406-4448, www.Gardner-Webb.edu
- 11/29-1/7 Trains, Train, Trains; The Piedmont 'S' Gaugers** Sun 1-4 pm., Tue-Sat 10 am – 4 pm. Kings Mountain Historical Museum, 100 East Mountain Street, Kings Mountain, NC 704-739-1019, www.KingsMountainMuseum.org
- 12/1 Gardner-Webb University Festival of Lights** 7 pm. Dover Theatre on the Gardner Webb University Campus, 110 South Main Street, Boiling Springs, 704-406-4448, www.Gardner-Webb.edu
- 12/2-4 Christmas at the Fair**

12/5 **Gardner-Webb University Orchestra** 8 pm. Dover Theatre on the Gardner Webb University Campus, 110 South Main Street, Boiling Springs, 704-406-4448, www.Gardner-Webb.edu

12/9 **Christmas in Kings Mountain** 5:30-8:30 pm. Train exhibit will be running and Barber House is open for candlelight tours. Kings Mountain Historical Museum, 100 East Mountain Street, Kings Mountain, NC 704-739-1019, www.KingsMountainMuseum.org

2011 Christmas Parades

11/27 **Grover** 1 pm, 980-721-6343

11/27 **Boiling Springs** 3 pm, 704-434-9419, www.BoilingSpringsNC.net

12/2 **Polkville** 2 pm,

12/3 **Kings Mountain** 3 pm, 704-734-0333, www.CityOfKM.com

12/4 **Earl** 3 pm, 704-709-9627, www.TownOfEarl.org

12/10 **Fallston** 2 pm, 704-538-3111

12/10 **Kingstown** 2 pm, 704-480-1042

12/11 **Casar** 3 pm, 704-538-3366

12/18 **Shelby** 3 pm, 704-484-3100, www.UptownShelby.org