Race City Wiener Dog Race Scheduled for Sept Anyone or any company wishing

working out those "Wiener Dogs." The second Annual Race City Wiener Dog Race will be held in downtown Mooresville Saturday Sept. 8, from 10 a.m. till 2 p.m.

Mooresville-It's time to start The Wiener races are 50-yard The races starts at 11 a.m. sharp Rescue in Mooresville. Last year little racers from 10 -11 a.m. for a registration fee of \$10. All dogs need to be current on their shots.

advancing to the final race in his or her age category. Winners from the final race get a Grand Wiener Trophy donated by Custom Trophy and Engraving in Charlotte. All profits will benefit the Lake Norman

Dachshund "sprints" to the checker and will be divided into four ages over 200 Dachshunds raced and flag. Owners can register their divisions. The race consists of raised over \$4000 that aided in several heats in each age division finding homes for pets in shelters with the finalist from each heat nearing their last days.

Blood Drive

Chestnut Grove Community Center and the Statesville Branch NAACP have scheduled their semiannual blood drive Saturday, Aug. 11. The drive begins at 11 a.m. and ends at 3:30 p.m. The public is invited to donate at this time. Chestnut Grove Community Center is located at 233 Chestnut Grove Road, Statesville.

Planned

Anumber of chronic diseases require repeated blood transfusions. Sickle cell anemia, an inherited disease, primarily affects African Americans and strikes approximately 1 in 400

Charles Drew, an African American physician, revolutionized medicine in 1940 when he pioneered the system now used for separating and preserving blood. Now, most people 17 - 75 can donate blood up to six times a year.

For more information about donating blood, call Dorothy Woodard at 704-876-3131 or visit www.americasblood.org.

Orchestra Performs

MOORESVILLE- The Lake Norman Orchestra has scheduled these performances for the fall.

On Saturday, Aug. 25, the orchestra performs at 7 p.m. at St. Therese Catholic Church, 217 Brawley School Road, Mooresville. Tickets are \$10 each; children 12 and under get in free. Call 704-799-9995 for information.

The orchestra performs next on Saturday, Sept. 22 at 7 p.m. in Shearer Hall at Mitchell Community College, Statesville. The concert is free

The Fall schedule is completed with a concert Saturday, Dec. 8 at Mooresville High School Auditorium. Tickets for this Fifth Annual Holiday Concert are \$10 each and \$5 for children 12 and under. Visit www.lknorchestra.org or call 704-799-9995 for information.

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IREDELL SENIOR CENTER OFFERS a variety of classes, services, and activities Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., as well as evening activities. For information or to register, call 704-873-8568. The Center is located at 344 E. Front St., Statesville.

Water Color Classes for Beginners- Senior citizens will learn to paint easy landscapes, still life, or a beautiful flower on Tuesdays, from 1-3 p.m. with instructor Ron Walters. Each participant must furnish his or her own art supplies, for about \$20. A supply list is available at the Iredell Senior Center. There is no fee but registration is required. Call 704-873-

Annual Ladies' Tea- is offered for the senior women of the community. A tea hat is required and other finery is appreciated. The program is about the health benefits of tea drinking and features a hat contest, tea table setting and decorating contest, prizes, and refreshments. No fees, but donations and refreshment contributions are appreciated. Register by Monday, Aug. 21, at 704-873-8568 and let staff know if you are contributing refreshments or setting and decorating a tea table.

Tai Chi- the next session begins Sept. 10 with instructor Mike Gentile. Exercises improve strength, balance, and blood pressure and promotes tissue oxygenation. Classes meet Mondays at 9 a.m. cost is \$36 for six classes. Call 704-873-8568 to register.

Line Dance- next session starts Sept. 12 with instructor JoAnn Payne. Classes meet Wednesdays at 1 p.m. Wear comfortable leather soled shoes. Fee is \$10 for six classes. Call to 704-873-8568 to register.

BINGO Birthday Bash!- all senior citizens are invited to play BINGO, win prizes, have refreshments, and socialize Friday, Aug. 17, at 1:30 p.m., in the Iredell Senior Center. There will be special recognition of birthday ladies and gents and cake for all. No fees or registration involved.

Senior Center Singles- seniors who are single and 60 years or better, are invited to the Iredell Senior Center on Thursday, August 9 and 23, at 2 p.m. for a social time and fellowship.

Make Your Own Greeting Cards- join in the making of rubber stamped greeting cards on Tuesday, Aug. 21, at 10 a.m. This month's theme is textures. For a \$5 materials fee, instructor Nancy McKay provides everything needed to create three greeting cards and envelopes. Register by Friday, Aug. 17, by calling the center.

Free Blood Pressure and Blood Sugar Checks- are available for senior citizens on Friday, Aug. 3, from 9 - 11 a.m. Courtesy of Iredell Memorial

Lipid Profile for Senior Citizens- measuring total cholesterol, HDL, LDL, and triglycerides is offered Tuesday, Aug. 14, from 9 a.m. to noon, at the center for a fee of \$10. An appointment is required. Davis Regional Medical Center provides the service for senior citizens 60 years old and better. Call the Center for an appointment.

Free Blood Pressure Check- is offered Thursday, Aug. 9, 10 a.m. to noon at the Center. Service is provided by Iredell Home Health. Just drop-in.