

## LIFESTYLES

## Summit Place celebrates Assisted Living Week

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Summit Place of Kings Mountain kicked off National Assisted Living Week on Monday afternoon with an art show.

The premier showing was open to residents and guests at 3 p.m., complete with hors' d'oeuvres. Summit Place's front drawing room was filled with paintings by resident Elaine Rockey and Pat Childers, mother-in-law of Summit Place Executive Director Teresa Childers. This week was planned with fun activities for residents, staff and the community to promote assisted living.

On Tuesday, Mayor Rick Murphrey visited Summit Place to help kick-off the rest of the week with a proclamation. A musical evening with Anthony Cirillo, an entertainer, ombudsman, author and keynote speaker, began at 6:30. In addition to marketing healthcare to senior citizens, he devotes his free time to performing for older adults in long-term care facilities. Summit Place Marketing Director Myra Faulkner said that she anticipated the residents would love the musical

evening, especially since Cirillo sings many songs from their era.

On Wednesday at 2:30 p.m. residents joined for Generations of Recipes, an opportunity for them to share some of the recipes that have been handed down to them through generations. Faulkner said that they are going to try to put the recipes in a book for the residents. The recipe books may be on sale in the future.

Recounts of Kings Mountain history is scheduled for 11 a.m. today at Summit Place. A lot of the older residents, who have lived here all of their life, have a lot of stories to tell, Faulkner said, and this gives them a chance to share some of their historical accounts.

The residents will enjoy a Picnic in the Park on Friday at 11:30 a.m. National Assisted Living Week will wind down on Saturday with a Sing-a-Long Devotion at 6:30 p.m. The national theme for this 13th annual Assisted Living Week is "Legacies of Love."

Summit Place of Kings Mountain has about 65 beds, including its memory care department. About 60 seniors currently reside in the facility.



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Elaine Rockey, of Kings Mountain and a resident of Summit Place, painted and contributed this first place winning masterpiece to Monday's art show at Summit Place. The painting won 1st place in an art contest in Charlotte. Pat Childer's paintings were also on display at the Art Show.

## Earl Scruggs coming home for Shelby concert

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The legendary banjo player Earl Scruggs is coming home to Cleveland County for a benefit concert on October 11 at 8 p.m. at Shelby High School's Malcolm Brown Auditorium.

The concert will benefit Destination Cleveland County, Inc., which is currently working to establish The Earl Scruggs Center, a museum dedicated to the legend himself in the historic Cleveland County Courthouse on Uptown Shelby's court square, and The Gibson Theatre, in honor of world famous singer/songwriter Don Gibson.

Tickets (\$25 for balcony seating, \$35 - second tier, and \$40 - main level) will go on sale Friday, September 14, online at DestinationClevelandCounty.org or at First National Bank, 1338 E. Dixon Boulevard, in Shelby.

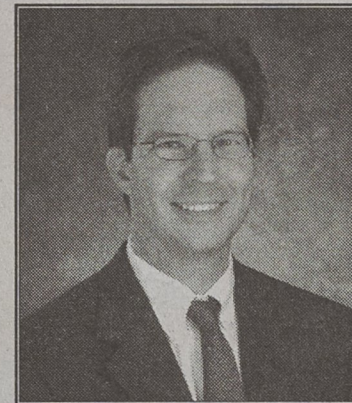
According to information released by Marta Holden with Destination Cleveland County (DCC), The Earl Scruggs Center-Songs and Stories of the Carolina Foothills "will be a destination for travelers who want to experience the unique connection between the music and history of this region. The Center's theme, 'Songs and Stories of the Carolina Foothills,' will be com-

municated via interactive exhibits that will enable the visitors to appreciate and experience not only Earl Scruggs' innovative contribution to the music world as a banjo master, but will highlight all genres of music from the region and understand how they reflect local traditions.

"The history, heritage and values of the county will be communicated to future generations by engaging and inclusive programming and displays. Within the Scruggs Center, the old courtroom will be redeveloped as a small venue for dance, music, authors, storytelling and theatrical productions. It will become a community gathering place." DCC further stated that "national award winning museum designer" Darcie Fohrman and Associates are crafted the plans for the Center.

The Gibson Theatre, that DCC hopes to locate at Shelby's Flick Theatre/State Theatre on Washington Street, will be a performing arts venue erected in Gibson's memory and designed to attract "nationally-recognized performers, classic movies and other world class entertainment." Gibson wrote hit songs, such as "Sweet Dreams," "Oh Lonesome Me" and "I Can't Stop Loving You."

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