

RELAY FOR LIFE: will be all day Saturday

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Perfect Image Salon will be offering pink hair extensions and face paintings. Team Love will be selling chicken salad sandwiches and offering cornhole games. Team Kimmy will be selling hot dogs and drinks.

Prayers for Pam will have an array of "sweet treats" for sale. WTF (Win the Fight) will be vending homemade cherry-lemon Sun Drops and spaghetti tacos. The WTF team also has a bounce house and a snow-cone station lined up.

Firestone Fibers team will be selling cotton candy and providing face paintings. Telerx will be selling ice cream floats, and Quite Frankly - the team organized by Kings Mountain Fire Chief and cancer survivor Frank Burns - will serve up frozen Sun Drops. Teams and organizers will be set-

ting up Saturday morning.

The fight against cancer is personal for Mindy Reynolds, who first cousin Taylor Haraszkiwicz received a bone marrow transplant in April. Family members say she is recovering well, and ahead of schedule. The young Kings Mountain woman - who was diagnosed with acute myeloid leukemia in December - plans to walk in the Survivors Lap Saturday evening.

Colby Brown's Endless Streams Entertainment is providing DJ and emcee services for the night's events.

Four million people in more than 20 countries participate in the Relay for Life movement.

To learn more about cancer research and fundraising opportunities, visit <http://www.relayforlife.org> or www.cancer.org.

Market Minutes

with Margot

Margot Plonk
Foothills Farmers Market



Folks, summer is here!

From here on out, you can expect a wide variety of fresh produce from a variety of different vendors. We were happy to see Quail Hollow Farms and farmer Busie Willis back with us this past Saturday. Most market shoppers know him as "little red truck man." I snapped up some small pots of herbs and lavender from him this week. Busie is usually the first vendor to arrive on Saturdays. He is a kind soul and always donates to the Farmer Foodshare table before he leaves.

Speaking of Farmer Foodshare, we will have a special Farmer Foodshare day at the Kings Mountain Market this coming Saturday. Come by their table, learn about what this organization is all



about, and what you can do to help. This week they are seeking extra donations to cover buying through the season. We'll even throw in free fresh-popped popcorn for you to enjoy as you shop the market!

Another favorite, Linebergers Maple Springs Farm, was also back this week with gorgeous blackberries and strawberries. In fact, the strawberries didn't last long! Get there early this Saturday to get yours! Foothills Farmers' Mar-

ket is seeking musicians who are interested in playing at the market. Please see us at the Market Central tent if you are interested in getting on the schedule.

One of our best market supporters, Dr. Bob McRae, was at the market this past Saturday and had white cucumbers from Burton Farms in his bag when he left. He waxed nostalgic, saying they made him think of his father, who used to grow them.

You see, the Foothills Farmers' Market- Kings Mountain, is a place to reconnect with our agricultural past, enjoy the fruits of the present, and look forward to a bright, prosperous future as this gem of a Kings Mountain institution continues to grow and thrive.

KM RELAY FOR LIFE SCHEDULE

- 10:00am OPENING CEREMONY
- 11:00am TEAM BANNER THEME LAP (Get as many of your team members together as you can to kick off this relay. Bring a Banner with the name of your team to carry.)
- 11:30am Team Challenge - We're In This Together- grab a friend and a huge t-shirt and race around the track, (like a three-legged race) *2 Participants per team
- 12:00pm CAMO LAP THEME LAP - WE'RE NOT GOING TO TAKE IT! FIGHT CANCER!!! Dress in Camo.
- 12:30pm Team Challenge- Sack Race- *1 Participant per team
- 1:00pm PROUD TO BE AN AMERICAN THEME LAP - Red, White, and Blue... head to toe.
- 1:30pm Team Challenge- Scavenger Hunt- *1 person per team will come to the stage.
- 2:00pm STREET PARADE THEME LAP - Mardi Gras Theme Lap (Keep it Clean)
- 2:30pm Team Challenge-Trivia with DJ Skye *1 person per team
- 3:00pm ALOHA!!! THEME LAP- Have fun with grass skirts, etc.
- 3:30pm Team Challenge- Limbo Time "How low can you go" - *1-2 Adults or Teens over 5' tall per team
- 4:00pm ALL YOU NEED IS LOVE THEME LAP- Bring out 70's attire (Tie Dyed, Bell Bottoms, Moccasins, etc.)
- 4:30pm Team Challenge- Name That Tune (TV Shows and Movies) *1 participant per team
- 5:00pm COLOR MY WORLD THEME LAP- Dress from head to toe in purple the official Relay for Life color.
- 5:00pm DANCE MAGIC PERFORMANCE
- 5:30pm Team Challenge-Frozen T-Shirt contest *1 person per team
- 6:00pm SURVIVOR LAP
- 6:30pm Team Challenge - WOMANLESS BEAUTY PAGEANT - *Recruit Contestants from your Team
- 7:00pm COWBOYS AND COWGIRLS THEME LAP - It's Round Up Time! Grab your boots, hats, lassos, etc.
- 7:30pm THE SOUTHERN EXPERIENCE BAND (The Band will have their New CD available for purchase)
- 7:30pm Team Challenge - It's a Hippity Hop Relay Race - *2 adult or teen contestants per team (Weight Restriction 200lbs)
- 9:00pm REMEMBER - LUMINARY CEREMONY
- 10:00pm GLOWING FOR A CURE THEME LAP! - Bring your glow necklaces or purchase from one of our teams and let's light the way around the track.
- 10:00pm CELEBRATION DANCE PARTY WITH DJ SKYE
- 10:45pm FIGHT BACK! (Closing Ceremony)

To participate in team challenges or womanless beauty pageant please sign up at ENDLESS DREAMS TENT prior to event. You can earn team spirit points by participating in theme laps and team challenges, by decorating your tent site, and for each survivor you have on your team! To get credit for theme laps stop by tent just before the theme lap starts. Don't forget to purchase your lap bead lanyard at beginning of walk to keep track of number of laps/miles you walk! Most spirited team and the individual who walks most laps will be recognized at the closing ceremony.

We are still looking for a dance team or band to perform around noon. If you know of anyone who would like to perform please let us know as soon as possible.

*EARN YOUR SPIRIT POINTS! Teams earn points for participation in Theme Laps, Team Challenges, and Campsites

The most spirited team will be recognized at the closing ceremony and at the follow-up banquet. Certificates will be awarded to winning participants for each event.

Tessener retires

Vickie Tessener, who has been the backbone behind the Cleveland Chamber membership program for over nine years, announced her retirement to staff on her recent birthday

"Vickie has had a very positive impact on the Cleveland Chamber and many of the Chamber programs are successful due to Vickie's dedication and hard work. We wish a long and happy retirement for Vickie," commented Doug Sharp, Interim Chamber President.

During her tenure, Vickie grew many of the Chamber's programs into successful and profitable ventures including: Leadership Cleveland County, Ambassadors, Membership Drives, and much more. She was also instrumental in the start and success of the Taste of Cleveland County event, as well as Chamber New Member visits, Call-A-Thons, Membership Appreciation Visits, and the Chamber MOB discount program.

"Vickie's creativity, passion, vision, and love for her job and county went above and beyond to reach out to current and prospective members to serve their needs and encourage them to get the most they could from their chamber membership," said Adrian Hamrick, Director of Marketing and Communications.



Traveling exhibit opens at Earl Scruggs Center

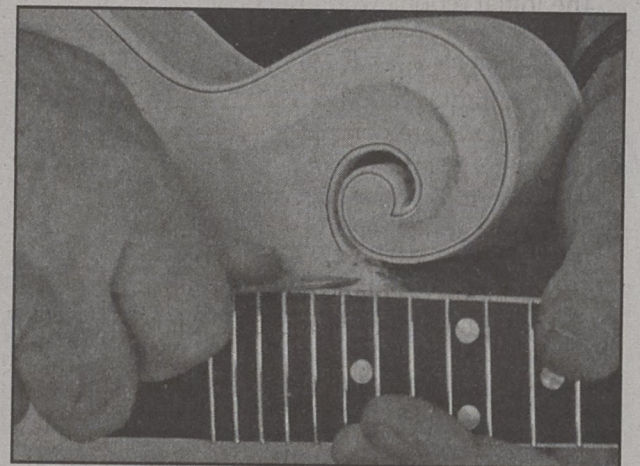
"The Luthier's Craft: Instrument Making Traditions of the Blue Ridge and Piedmont", a traveling exhibit from the Mount Airy Regional History museum in Mount Airy, NC will open to the public Saturday, June 28, in the rotating gallery on the second floor of the Earl Scruggs Center. The Luthier's Craft offers guests an experiential exploration of the traditional art of stringed instrument making as it still exists in Southern Appalachia and the Blue Ridge Mountains with a focus on guitar and banjo.

The Earl Scruggs Center is pleased to present this exhibit to its visitors and is honored to have its first traveling exhibit from another museum.

The exhibit will also include stories of local and regional Luthier's and will be complemented by related programming including demonstrations by instrument makers as well as classes where participants can build their own instruments.

Tommy Forney, member of the Earl Scruggs Center's collection committee, said, "We have so much talent locally producing quality products. It's going to be fascinating to hear the stories of these craftsmen." The exhibit will be on display until the end of the year.

Opening day will be a celebration with Luthier Chris Testerman on hand from 10:30 a.m. until 3:30 p.m. doing demonstrations in the Great Hall and talking with guests about his craft. That evening, from 4:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. will be the first of three Earl Scruggs Center Pickin' on the Square



events. This is a summer series of informal pickin'/jam sessions on the lawn at the Center. The pickin' series is co-presented by the Scruggs Center and Shelby Music Center.

The Center is free to Cleveland County residents on Wednesdays. Regular hours of operation are

Wednesday 10 a.m.-6 p.m., Thursday - Saturday 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. and Sunday 1 p.m. - 5 p.m. Learn more about the Earl Scruggs Center: Music & Stories from the American South and upcoming events and programs by calling 704-487-6233 or visiting www.earlscruggscenter.org

Contract awarded for work on U.S. 74 Bypass in CC

SHELBY -- N.C. Department of Transportation has awarded a contract for two sections of the U.S. 74 Bypass in Cleveland County from east of Pleasant Ridge Road to east of N.C. 226. The \$33,122,504 contract was awarded to E.S. Wagner Company, LLC, of Piedmont, S.C.

Construction on the five-mile stretch of the U.S. 74 Bypass can begin as soon as June 30, with completion scheduled for January 2018. Once completed, the U.S. 74 Bypass will be a four-lane, divided highway built to interstate standards. The new highway is designed to reduce congestion, improve safety and increase connectivity be-

tween Interstate 26 and Interstate 85. Construction on the first section of the U.S. 74 Bypass started last year.

This is one of the 14 road and bridge contracts worth \$82.5 million recently awarded by NCDOT for projects across North Carolina. The contracts were awarded to the lowest bidders, as required by state law. The low bids received on the projects were 5.5 percent, or \$4.5 million, below NCDOT estimates.

'Say Aah!' exhibit open

Kings Mountain Historical Museum has just unveiled a new exhibit, "Say Aah!" The Incredible Medical History of Kings Mountain. The exhibit will be on display until October 25, 2014, open Tuesday through Saturday 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

The exhibit is proudly sponsored by Cleveland County HealthCare System and Ragan and Reba Harper.

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