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APRIL 2015

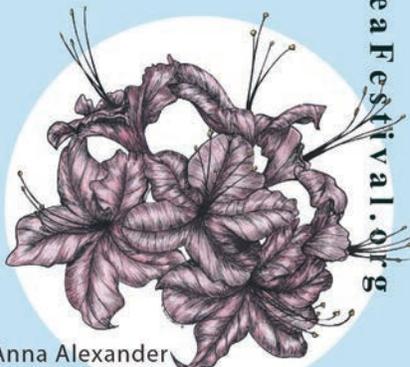
## Pickens Azalea Festival Scheduled for April 17 - 18

Pickens Revitalization Association is dedicated to the enhancement, preservation and sustainable growth of Pickens' historic downtown area.



*"WHEN THE AZALEAS ARE BLOOMING IN PICKENS, SOUTH CAROLINA, THE LITTLE TOWN CELEBRATES!"*

[www.PickensAzaleaFestival.org](http://www.PickensAzaleaFestival.org)



artist: Anna Alexander  
10th grade Pickens High School

**CLASSIC CAR CRUISE-IN**  
Friday night, it's a look back to the 50's, 60's 70's.

**MUSICAL ENTERTAINMENT**  
Enjoy free musical entertainment all weekend

**9TH ANNUAL 5K WALK/RUN**  
Sponsored by the Pickens Womens' Association

**ARTS & CRAFTS**  
Handmade items for sale at the award winning Azalea Festival Arts & Craft Show on Saturday.

**2ND ANNUAL BAKING COMPETITION**  
Hosted by Francine Bryson

**CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES**  
Amusements, rides (fee) and games for all the kids all weekend (ride fee required).  
Free Children's Creation Area on Saturday.

**HISTORIC TOURS**  
Free admission to Hagood Mill, and Pickens Museum of Arts & History.  
Tour the Hagood-Mauldin House \$3-adults, \$1-students

**OFFICIAL SOUVENIRS**  
Purchase an official Azalea Festival t-shirt from the Pickens Rotary Club featuring award winning art from Anna Alexander, 10th grader at Pickens High School.

**NO ADMISSION CHARGE TO THE FRIDAY NIGHT CRUISE-IN & ARTS/CRAFT SHOW**  
**FREE PARKING \*SHUTTLES AVAILABLE SATURDAY**

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:  
PICKENS AZALEA FESTIVAL COMMITTEE  
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PICKENSAZALEAFESTIVAL.ORG  
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# GIFT OF PICKENS



**Give the gift that stays in Pickens!**

Pickens Revitalization Association is committed to continuing our very own Shop Local Initiative, Gift of Pickens! We want our local businesses in Pickens to thrive and hope you will join us!

Gift of Pickens certificates are on sale now at Pickens Revitalization Association and City Hall

**Get yours today!**

## LOCAL NEWS

### Leadership Pickens County Class of 2015 Landscaping Hagood Community Center

The purpose of Leadership Pickens County, sponsored by the Chambers of Commerce and the Leadership Pickens Board of Regents, is to organize and implement a framework of experiences for emerging community leaders to become better informed and more actively involved in the decision-making processes of their communities. Through participant involvement in the community endeavors of Leadership Pickens, members will be equipped with the skills and information to contribute to the betterment of their communities in Pickens County.

Each Leadership Pickens County Class is required to initiate a class project. The project can be anything that the class decides on that will assist in the community. This year, the 2015 Leadership Pickens County Class has chosen to beautify and landscape the Hagood Community Center in Pickens, home to the Senior Centers of Pickens, Young Appalachian Musicians, Fiber Arts, Cannon Memorial Hospital Fitness classes, and many more community programs.

The project includes removal of the existing landscaping, installation of new landscaping (per landscaping plan), moving and lighting the existing sign, moving and lighting the flagpole, installing a bike rack, painting the existing swings, and pressure washing the walkways.

The 2015 Class of Leadership Pickens County is seeking community partners to make this project a reality for the Hagood Community Center this spring. The first work day was held on Tuesday, March 17th and included plant removal, conduit installation, as well as staining and painting of the existing swings. Thanks to all who were able to help!



# FEATURED PROMOTIONS and EVENTS

[www.PickensAzaleaFestival.org](http://www.PickensAzaleaFestival.org)



FRIDAY, APRIL 17TH

**TWANNA**

## MAIN STAGE

7:00 CLASSIC CAR CRUISE-IN (FREE)  
STILL CRUZIN BAND

SATURDAY, APRIL 18TH

8:00 5K WALK/RUN RACE-PWA  
10:00 OPENING CEREMONIES

## MAIN STAGE

10:30 FIRE CRACKER JAZZ BAND  
12:00 PET PAGEANT  
1:00 HONEY & THE HOT RODS  
3:00 MICHAEL RENO HARRELL  
4:00 BAYO DIESEL  
5:00 BAKING COMPETITION RESULTS  
7:00 THE DEADFIELDS  
8:15 CO-HEADLINERS  
W/ SPECIAL GUEST DEPARTURE  
"THE JOURNEY TRIBUTE BAND"

## AMPITHEATER STAGE

12:30 MICHAEL RENO HARRELL  
2:00 YAM'S PROGRAM-SPPK  
3:30 LAST ROAD BLUEGRASS BAND  
4:30 THE DEADFIELDS  
5:15 NEW DIXIE STORM

"All entertainment times subject to change"

**Broadcasting LIVE!**  
from the  
**Pickens Azalea Festival**

*Your*  
**Carolina**  
with Jack and Megan

10am

studio  
**62**  
11am

**SCENE on SEVEN**  
7:30pm

## sponsors



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**APRIL 15-25, 2015**

[CLEMSONBLUESFEST.ORG](http://CLEMSONBLUESFEST.ORG)

**Help Sponsor the Event**

864-650-0585

[clemsonbluesfest@mindspring.com](mailto:clemsonbluesfest@mindspring.com)

LIVE MUSIC · HISTORY TOURS

EDUCATIONAL SESSIONS · WANDA JOHNSON

MAC ARNOLD · THE VOLTAGE BROTHERS



Check out their music at

[www.thejamiewrightband.com](http://www.thejamiewrightband.com)

and be sure to come out on April 16<sup>th</sup>  
for this free event!

## Greater Clemson Blues Festival in Pickens on April 16<sup>th</sup> featuring the Jamie Wright Band



### 2015 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

[clemsonbluesfest.org](http://clemsonbluesfest.org)  
[www.facebook.com/ClemsonBluesFestival](http://www.facebook.com/ClemsonBluesFestival)  
Find us on Instagram and Twitter using #Clemsonblues

#### **Saturday, April 11**

Hagood Mills "Music in the Mountains" with Andy Cohen and Steve McGaha - Noon-3 pm

#### **Wednesday, April 15**

"Kiss the Tax Man Goodbye" featuring Wanda Johnson at Cox Hall in Pendleton - 7 pm (\$10)

#### **Thursday, April 16**

Jamie Wright Experience at Pickens Amphitheater - 7-9 pm (Free)

#### **Friday, April 17**

Mac Arnold & Plate Full O' Blues and The Snopes Family Band at the Six Mile Farmer's Market with Special Guest TV Personality, Kimberly Kelly - 6:30-9 pm (Free)

#### *also...*

Sarah Mac Band at The Esso Club 9 pm until closing

#### **Saturday, April 18**

Patrick Square Event featuring Blues Bands - Noon-5 pm (\$10)

#### *that evening...*

Calvin Edwards Trio & The Wobblers at Walhalla Civic Auditorium - 8 pm (\$12)

#### **Sunday, April 19**

Gospel Sunday at Southern Wesleyan University Newton-Hobson Fine Arts Center - 3-5 pm (Free)

#### **Monday, April 20**

CATBUS Heritage Tour 9:45 am-Noon (\$5)

#### **Tuesday, April 21**

CATBUS Heritage Tour with Storytelling - 9:45 am-Noon (\$5)

#### **Wednesday, April 22**

CATBUS Heritage Tour for OLLI Members & the Public 9:45 am-Noon (\$5)

#### *plus...*

Cheap Blonde Blues Band at Palmetto's Smokehouse Event Center 8 pm (\$5 cover)

#### **Thursday, April 23**

Blues Festival at Jazz on the Alley in Seneca with the Tony Tidwell Band 6:30-9 pm (Free)

#### *also...*

Jazz Event with C.C. Booker III featuring Will Scruggs at the Osher Lifelong Learning Center - 6 pm (\$10)

#### **Friday, April 24**

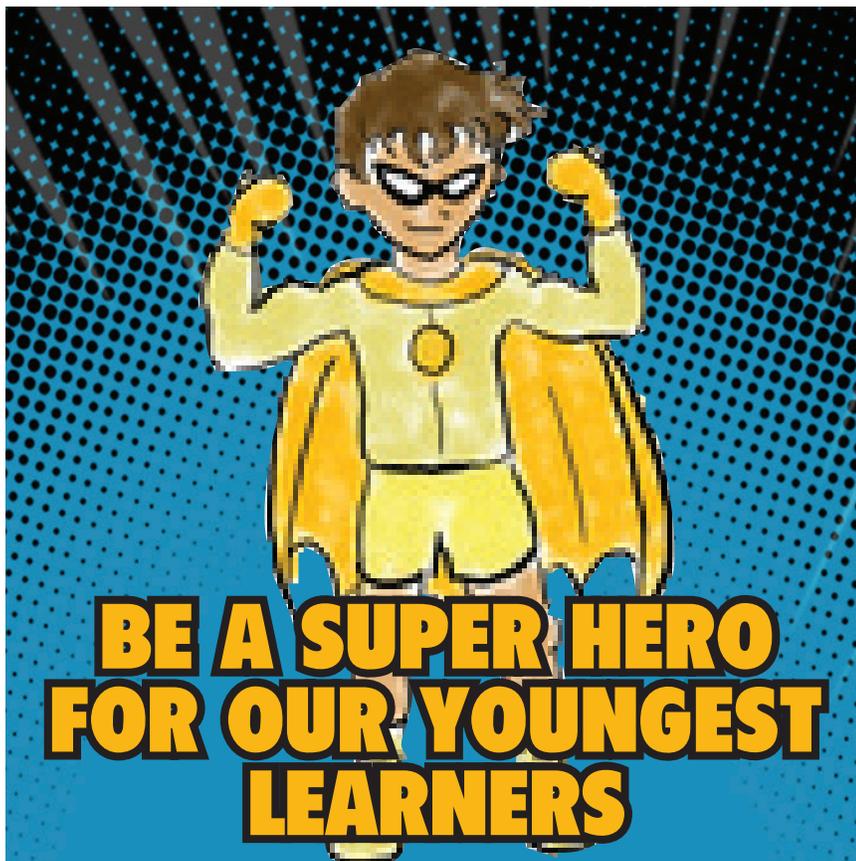
The Voltage Brothers at Clemson Area African-American Museum - 7-9 pm (\$20; Beer and Wine Available)

#### **Saturday, April 25**

"Get Down on Main" in Central featuring Ceasar - 6 pm following the Railroad Festival (Free)

The Jamie Wright Experience band literally surrounds an event with music, creating an entertaining atmosphere that compliments the occasion. The Jamie Wright Experience is a band with talented musicians and a diversified repertoire of musical styles. We strive to provide all sorts of entertainment. The variety of events at which the band can be seen at, are as diverse as their repertoire. The Jamie Wright Experience Band brings members from several walks of life, that have combined their musical gifts to be heard and seen by all who are true music lovers.

# FEATURED PROMOTIONS and EVENTS



## BE A SUPER HERO FOR OUR YOUNGEST LEARNERS

**WEEK OF THE YOUNG CHILD  
APRIL 12-18, 2015**

**Monday, April 13 • 9 AM**  
**Grand Opening of the**  
**Born Learning Trail**

Freedom Park  
101 Blue Ridge Drive, Liberty

**Wed, April 15 • 8-10 AM**  
**Super Hero Day**

**Pickens County Flea Market**  
Come be a super hero with us!  
1427 Walhalla Highway, Pickens

**Wed, April 15 • 11:30AM-1PM**  
**Picnic in the Park**

Games, books and superhero fun!  
Jaycee Park  
98 Edgewood Avenue, Clemson

**Thur, April 16 • 9-11AM**  
**Born Learning Fun**

Games, books and superhero fun!  
JB Red Owens  
111 Walkers Way, Easley

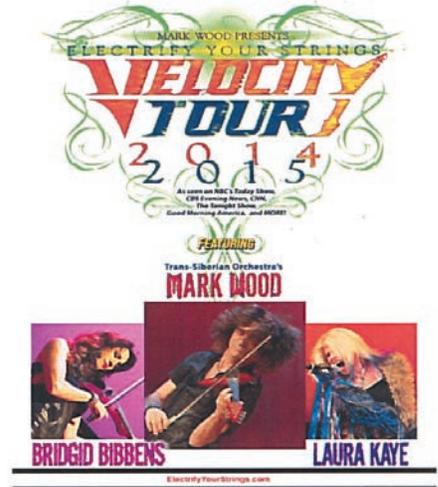
**Saturday, April 18 • 10AM-12PM**  
**Day of Reading at the Library**

**Central-Clemson Branch**  
105 Commons Way, Central

**Kimberly Hampton Branch**  
304 Biltmore Road, Easley

**Sarlin Branch**  
15 S. Palmetto Street, Liberty

**Village Branch**  
124 Catherine Street, Pickens



IN CONCERT

April 10, 7:00 PM Pickens High School  
Center for the Performing Arts  
with the PICKENS COUNTY SCHOOL ROCK ORCHESTRA  
featuring string and vocal music students of Pickens County.

## Main Street Challenge Semi-Finalists

Pickens Revitalization Association is excited to announce the semi-finalists for the Main Street Challenge, an entrepreneurial start up competition:

- Blue Ridge Business Center & Foot-hills Tap Room (*business center, event space, tap room*)
- Sugar High Bakery (*bakery*)
- Smorg (*coffee shop, bookstore, retail*)
- Enrapt (*live theater & supporting arts*)

For up to two winning entries, the Main Street Challenge program will offer \$5,000 in incentives for start-up businesses, which must then open a new location in downtown Pickens by November 1, 2015. The Challenge is made possible by grants from Wells Fargo, Duke Energy, Elevate Upstate and an anonymous donor. Formore information on the 2015 Main Street Challenge Guidelines, please visit [www.historicpickens.com](http://www.historicpickens.com) **The semi-finalists must submit a business plan for the next round of the Challenge, due April 20, 2015.**

# FEATURED PROMOTIONS and EVENTS

**FREE!**

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## Attractions at the **AMPHITHEATER** HISTORIC PICKENS

SUMMER 2015

april

may

june

july

august

16<sup>th</sup> Jamie Wright  
Review

2<sup>nd</sup> Katlin Owen Band★

6<sup>th</sup> Folsom Prison  
Gang★

4<sup>th</sup> 4th of July  
Celebration

1<sup>st</sup> The Flying  
Saucers★

18<sup>th</sup> Azalea Festival

9<sup>th</sup> IS That So

13<sup>th</sup> Jamie Wright  
Review

11<sup>th</sup> Marvin King &  
Blues Revival

8<sup>th</sup> Jamie Wright  
Review

25<sup>th</sup> Pickens' Got  
Talent

16<sup>th</sup> Itchy and the  
Chiggers

20<sup>th</sup> New Dixie  
Storm

18<sup>th</sup> Derrick Dorsey  
Band

15<sup>th</sup> Splitshot

★ Cruise-In & Music  
on Main Event

23<sup>rd</sup> The Hired Help

27<sup>th</sup> YAMS

25<sup>th</sup> YAMS

22<sup>nd</sup> YAMS



7pm - 10pm  
114 W. Main Street  
**FREE**



For more information, contact the City of Pickens at 864.878.6421 or [www.cityofpickens.com](http://www.cityofpickens.com)  
or Pickens Revitalization Association at 864.878.0105 or [www.historicpickens.com](http://www.historicpickens.com)

# FEATURED PROMOTIONS and EVENTS



 **MAY 2<sup>nd</sup>**  
**JEEPS** with the  
Katlin Owen Band

 **JUNE 6<sup>th</sup>**  
**MOTORCYCLES** with the  
Folsom Prison Gang

 **AUGUST 1<sup>st</sup>**  
**CUSTOM & CLASSIC CARS**  
with the Flying Saucers

West Main Street, Historic Pickens  
Vehicle Registration starting at 5:30pm

(enter from Garvin Street)

Entertainment starting at 7pm  
Special Awards plus other Surprises



Please visit [www.historicpickens.com](http://www.historicpickens.com) for more info!



# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

## APRIL

**10th**

***Electrify Your Strings Velocity Tour***

7pm; Pickens High School

**16th**

***Jamie Wright at the Greater Clemson Blues Festival***

7pm; Pickens Amphitheater

**17th - 18th**

***Pickens Azalea Festival***

[www.pickensazaleafestival.org](http://www.pickensazaleafestival.org)

**17th - 18th**

***Show Us Your Talent***

4pm; Pickens Amphitheater

contact Powerhouse Dance for information (864.915.5869)

## MAY

**2nd**

***Cruise-In and Music on Main (Jeeps)***

***Attractions at the Amphitheater***

7pm - 10pm; Pickens Amphitheater

**8th**

***Blue Ridge Fest***

Blue Ridge Electric Coop

[www.blueridgefest.com](http://www.blueridgefest.com)

**9th**

***Attractions at the Amphitheater***

7pm - 10pm; Pickens Amphitheater

## MAY

**16th**

***Attractions at the Amphitheater***

7pm - 10pm; Pickens Amphitheater

**23rd**

***Attractions at the Amphitheater***

7pm - 10pm; Pickens Amphitheater

**30th**

***Attractions at the Amphitheater***

7pm - 10pm; Pickens Amphitheater

## JUNE

**6th**

***Cruise-In and Music on Main (Motorcycles)***

***Attractions at the Amphitheater***

7pm - 10pm; Pickens Amphitheater

**13th**

***Attractions at the Amphitheater***

7pm - 10pm; Pickens Amphitheater

**20th**

***Attractions at the Amphitheater***

7pm - 10pm; Pickens Amphitheater

**27th**

***Attractions at the Amphitheater***

7pm - 10pm; Pickens Amphitheater

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