

around town

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DECEMBER 2015

CELEBRATE "A PICKENS CHRISTMAS"

Pickens, SC. Pickens Revitalization Association, the City of Pickens and numerous local businesses and organizations have come together to help celebrate Christmas throughout the month of December. "Borrowing from the Dickens Christmas tradition, A Pickens Christmas simply identifies and publicizes the many family fun seasonal events and activities that will occur throughout the city," said Allison Fowler, PRA Executive Director. "This year we have a great line up of events for everyone to enjoy from now through the end of December."

The 2015 City of Pickens Christmas Parade will be held Friday, December 11th at 7pm. This year's theme is "The Doodle Express," playing off the popular classic "The Polar Express." Parade rules and entry forms are available online at www.cityofpickens.com and www.historicpickens.com as well as at City Hall (219 Pendleton Street) and Pickens Revitalization Association (222 W. Main Street).

Everyone is encouraged to come early to get a good viewing place, view merchant decorations and sing Christmas carols together. An awards ceremony will follow the parade at the Pickens Amphitheater. Awards will be given for the Parade as well as the Merchant Decorating Contest. Closing out the night will be a **fireworks** display from Bruce Field!

Other events throughout the month include numerous Christmas concerts and cantatas, children's programs, holiday plays, Breakfast With Santa, Illumination and "Hanging of the Greens" ceremonies, Christmas Eve services and other special events.

We are also very excited about the Merchant Decorating Contest," said Fowler. "We encourage everyone to get out and shop at our local merchants and experience the holiday spirit here in Pickens," said Fowler. Prizes will be awarded for the best holiday decorations and displays.

A Pickens Christmas posters and flyers, listing all the activities, are available at City Hall, Pickens Revitalization Association, Pickens Chamber of Commerce and at merchants throughout the city. All the events, activities, parade rules and contest details are available at www.historicpickens.com.

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

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Monday - Friday



LOCAL NEWS

SOUTHERN APPALACHIAN OUTDOORS NOW OPEN

Southern Appalachian Outdoors held their Ribbon Cutting on Monday, November 23rd at 506 West Main Street. Below, owner Marty Fields shares his story of how Southern Appalachian Outdoors came to be!

My adventures began with several memorable camping trips with my family to Table Rock State Park and Keowee Toxaway State Park. We enjoyed the gorgeous lakes and variety of hiking trails. My family and I moved from Florida to the upstate in 2000. Being within a few miles of streams, trails, and paths furthered my passion for the outdoors. I found while spending time in nature, my eyes were open to more of God's beautiful creations.

In 2003 I began to try fly fishing for trout in the mountains. I also began doing some hiking in our beautiful area. Later took up biking and kayaking. Being outdoors provided a wonderful opportunity to spend time with my family and share my love for nature. I was overwhelmed with this desire to provide others with this same experience. After living here a little while I saw the need for a store like this in our community.

Southern Appalachian Outdoors offers families and individuals the equipment and information to create their own outdoor adventure. We offer supplies for fly fishing, conventional fishing, hiking, camping, biking, and kayaking. We are planning to offer fly casting classes as well as fly tying classes in the future. Hiking and backpacking clinics are also something we would like to offer in the future. My hope is to encourage people to pursue a life long passion for an active lifestyle outdoors. Store hours are Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday 10am-6pm, Friday and Saturday 9am-6pm, Tuesday closed. Come join us for fresh coffee and cold beverages to get geared up for your next adventure.

Join us for our Grand Opening on Saturday, December 5th from 12pm - 3pm with live bluegrass, hot dogs, and a K2 cooler giveaway worth \$159!



FISHING ♦ HIKING ♦ PADDLING ♦ BIKING

LOCAL NEWS

Bridge to the Community

Friendship Through Education



Residents, Business Owners, and anyone interested in our Community are invited to attend and socialize with each other and the Police Chief. The purpose is to have the community come together and discuss improving relations, community safety, and its overall wellbeing. We will have an open forum to discuss any needs and what types of classes the community would like the Police Department to provide. There will be light refreshments. Coffee, drinks and pastries.

309 S. Lewis ST. Grace United Methodist Church Dec. 08 2015 at 9:00am

Enter through back door

*Chief of Police
Travis Riggs*



LOCAL NEWS

MARTHA'S MARVELOUS MUNCHIES OPENS IN NEW LOCATION

Hello, Sweet Stuff!

We are Now Open!
Come See Us At Our New Location!
109 West Main Street



*Same homemade baked goods
you've come to love & enjoy!*
*Make taste buds merry this season with
our freshly baked holiday treats.*



MARTHA'S
— MARVELOUS MUNCHIES —

864.906.4089

Tuesday - Friday - 8 am - 6 pm
Saturday - 8 am - 1 pm
(Until after Christmas)
Monday - By Appointment
Closed Sunday

FUNDRAISING BREAKFAST FOR SENIOR CENTER ON DECEMBER 5TH



PICKENS SENIOR CENTER

*at the
Hagood Center*

The Pickens Senior Center is holding a Fund-Raising Breakfast on Saturday, December 5th to raise money to complete the auditorium renovation.

The breakfast runs from 7:30 a.m. until 11:00 a.m. and includes eggs, pancakes, grits, sausage, bacon, biscuits, jellies, juice, and coffee.

The price is only \$6.00!

A variety of jams, jellies, chow-chow, and apple butter will be available for sale as well as knit goods made by the Granger Fiber Arts Center.

Join us at 129 School House Street, Pickens, SC 29671 and call 864.878.6000 for more information.

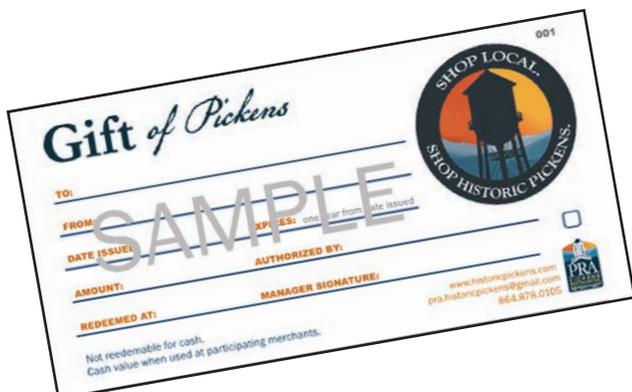
**SHOP LOCAL
THIS HOLIDAY SEASON**

★ **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 with cash or check at Pickens Revitalization Association (222 W. Main Street) and Pickens City Hall (219 Pendleton Street).

GET YOURS TODAY!



FEATURED PROMOTIONS and EVENTS



A Very Merry

ENRAPT

Christmas



THE POLAR EXPRESS

DECEMBER 18TH, 2015 | 6 PM

ENRAPT | 118 W. Main St. Pickens

Hot Chocolate, Apple Cider and Cookies will be served.

Bring a chair and we invite you to wear your pajamas along with us!

Come and **BELIEVE** in the magic of Christmas with us!

Directed by:
Breann Griffin-Nicholson

Performance by:
Enrapt's Acting I Class

Save the Date

Christmas At The Barn

Sunday, December 13th at Eden Farms 2pm-5pm

- Visit with Santa
- Reindeer Horse Rides
- Live Nativity Scene
- Horse Patty Bingo
- Gift Shop
- Baked Goods and Lunch for Sale
- Christmas Arts and Crafts
- Fun for the Family

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\$7
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Therapeutic
Equestrian Center**



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Happy Hooves
Therapeutic Equestrian Center



Lessons and trail rides are offered year round for all ages and abilities.

FEATURED PROMOTIONS and EVENTS

Fifth Annual

When - Saturday, January 23, 2016

Where - Pickens High Auditorium Pickens South Carolina

For Tickets & More Info – www.yamupstate.com

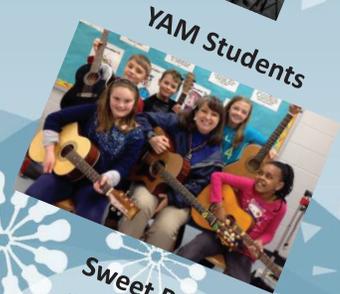
Find us on  – Winter Bluegrass Jubilee

Winter Bluegrass Jubilee

Performances, Workshops, Jamming, Vendors, Concessions
A Full Indoor Festival! Entertainment for Everyone!

Headline Performance and Workshops Led by:

Lonesome River
Band



All Proceeds Support the Young
Appalachian Musicians Program and
the Pickens High Bluegrass Program



FEATURED PROMOTIONS and EVENTS



Special Events

Festival of Trees
November 28th - December 31st
World of Energy

Tree Lighting
5:30pm • December 3rd
World of Energy

Photos with Santa & Mrs. Claus
1pm - 3pm • December 12th
World of Energy

Children's Programs

Children's Christmas Pageant
5:30pm • December 24th
Pickens Presbyterian Church

A Star Struck Christmas
6pm • December 6th
Secona Baptist Church

CELEBRATE CHRISTMAS in Historic Pickens

Services

Beginning of Christmas Worship
6pm • November 29th
Secona Baptist Church

A Service of Remembrance
4:30pm • December 12th
Dillard Funeral Home

Hanging of the Greens
10:30am • December 29th
Grace United Methodist Church

Cantatas

A Noel Celebration
Sounds & Stories of Christmas
8:30am & 10:30am • December 13th
Grace United Methodist Church

Service of Christmas Music
5pm • December 6th
Pickens Presbyterian Church

One Quiet Night
10:30am • December 13th
Secona Baptist Church

Services

Christmas Eve Service
5pm • December 24th
Secona Baptist Church

Candlelight Christmas Eve Communion
6pm • December 24th
Grace United Methodist Church

Christmas Eve Candlelight & Communion Service
11pm • December 24th
Pickens Presbyterian Church

Special Events

Festival of Wreaths
December 1st - 14th
Cannon Memorial Hospital

Winterfest Holiday Bazaar
8am - 4pm • December 10th - 11th
Cannon Memorial Hospital

City of Pickens Christmas Tree Lighting
6pm • December 1st
Legacy Square

City of Pickens Christmas Parade
7pm • December 11th
Main Street

all times and events subject to change without notice

Special Events

Winter Warmth Clothing Drive
8am - 11am • December 5th
Pickens Recreation Center

Bells of Grace
7pm • December 10th
Pickens Library

Breakfast with Santa
9am - 11am • December 12th
Pickens Presbyterian Church
\$6 (4 & Under Free)

Illumination of Luminaries
6pm • December 12th
Hillcrest Memorial Park



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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

DECEMBER

1st

City of Pickens Christmas Tree Lighting
** cancelled due to weather **
 6pm; Legacy Square

5th

Pickens Senior Center Fundraising Breakfast
 7:30am - 11am; 129 Schoolhouse Street
 see page 4 for more information

8th

Bridge to the Community Meeting
 9am; Grace United Methodist Church
 see page 3 for more information

11th

City of Pickens Christmas Parade
 7pm; Downtown Pickens

13th

Christmas at the Barn
 2pm - 5pm; Eden Farms
 see page 5 for more information

18th

A Very Merry Enrapt Christmas
 6pm; 118 W. Main Street, Pickens
 see page 5 for more information

JANUARY

23rd

5th Annual Winter Bluegrass Jubilee
 Pickens High School Auditorium
 visit www.yamupstate.com for more information



for even more holiday events, check out the
A Pickens Christmas calendar on page 7

THANKS MEMBERS!

Alexander Law Firm	Brock's	Corner Drug Store	Pizza Inn
Cannon Memorial Hospital	City of Pickens	Great Oaks Dental	Pace & Reeves
Pickens Senior Center	Edward Jones	Lindsay Oil Company	State Farm
Pickens Dental Associates	Stockade Antiques	American Legion	TD Bank
Town & Country Florist	Pickens Savings & Loan	Nestfeathers	Shabby & Chic
Behavioral Health Services	Flowers By Virginia	GateHouse Restaurant	Mark Kaiser
East Main Treasures	Foothills Gun and Pawn	Roper Law Firm	9 Round
Pruitt Health	Blue Ridge Electric Coop	TTI/OWT, Inc.	Durham Greene
Oh Joy!	Pickens Federal Credit Union	Pickens Rotary Club	Domino's
South State Bank	Cornell-Dubilier	Buddy & Cisco's Bistro	Enrapt, LLC
Pickens Azalea Festival	Southern App. Outdoors	Appalachian Ale House	Morris on Main