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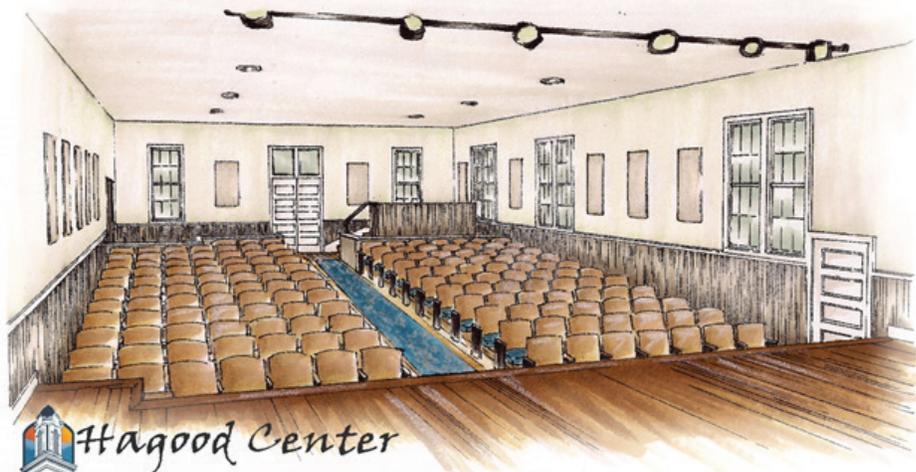
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NOVEMBER 2015

Appalachian Regional Commission (ARC) Awards Grant of \$165,000 for Renovation of the Hagood Community Center Auditorium

The City of Pickens and Senior Citizens of Pickens (SCOP) have been awarded a grant of \$165,000 for the renovation of the Auditorium at the Hagood Community Center, the old Pickens Mill School. The Center is also home to the Pickens Senior Center, Young Appalachian Musicians, the Granger Fiber Arts Center, Cannon Hospital Fitness Programs, and other community activities. This award when combined with a grant from the SC Lt. Governor's Office on Aging, a donation from the City of Pickens, and funds raised by the SCOP combine to provide over 90% of the estimated cost of the renovation. SCOP will continue fund raising offering the opportunity for seats to donate, inscribed pavers for an improved entrance from the parking lot, and direct donations.

Construction will be put out to bid in December with construction anticipated to begin in January. When complete the Auditorium will have 165 seats and state of the art sound and AV systems, providing a venue for music events, plays, YAM concerts and other community events. If you would like to make a donation, donate a seat or a paver, please call the Pickens Senior Center - 864.878.6000 - or John Howard, treasurer of SCOP - 864.643.9782.



 Hagood Center

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

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LOCAL NEWS

CELEBRATE THE HOLIDAYS AT CAFE CONNECTIONS

Cafe Connections is available during the Christmas season for Christmas gatherings for church groups, businesses etc. They ask for a \$50 donation for up to 4 hours of use. The Cafe will provide the coffee and the groups provide the food and paper products. Hours for use are available after 5pm or anytime on Saturday.

For more information or to reserve a date, please call Ann Corbin at 864.201.1772. The building will be fully decorated for Christmas by November 2nd.



PICKENS COUNTY HEALTH SURVEY



Please help Cannon Memorial Hospital develop their three year plan by filling out the Pickens County Health Survey. The Pickens County Health Coalition has developed a health survey to get opinions about health problems in the community. The results will be used to identify issues Cannon Memorial Hospital can address through community action.

Cannon is asking Pickens County Residents to please use the link below to take the survey. It will only take less than 5 minutes and your input is very valuable! The survey will be available until November 10th, but please don't wait, do it now!

Type this into your browser to go directly to the survey: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/P7L398S>

NEW & COMING SOON BUSINESSES

Q&Co Salon opened their doors on E. Main Street in the old Pace Jewelers store. Stop by to see Quent and check out what they've done with the space!

Southern Appalachian Outdoors will be opening the week of Thanksgiving on W. Main Street, featuring outdoor apparel and gear. Check out their great selection just in time for the holiday season!

The Burgess General Store is opening soon on W. Main Street and will feature all types of handmade and homemade goods, kitchen and canning supplies, candy, and so much more! Stay tuned for more updates soon!

Martha's Marvelous Munchies is moving to a new location downtown on W. Main Street. Be sure to stop in and place all your holiday event orders, and try a few tasty items while you're there!

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Pickens

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LOCAL NEWS

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Pickens Fire Department
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Pickens, South Carolina 29671

We here at Pickens Fire Department are gearing up for the 2nd Annual CPR in Schools at Pickens High School. Last year we were able to train all Pickens High School ninth graders in one week. Our goal this year is to expand the program to enable us to teach all four grades at Pickens High School. With this goal, approximately 1400 students will be trained in hands-only CPR.

The program we have outlined will allow for this training to take place with minimal interruptions in the normal school day. We will be training the entire student body at one time by utilizing closed circuit television technology. With this undertaking comes a financial burden. We need to purchase 70 reusable kits to be able to train students. Each kit comes with 10 mannequins and is \$500. Once we build our inventory of mannequins we will be able to reuse them at schools, churches, and other gatherings teaching countless people the life-saving skill of hands-only CPR with this one-time purchase.

We have established sponsorship levels to better understand what your donation level will sponsor;

- Classroom Sponsorship- \$1,000. This will provide 2 cases (20 mannequins) training 40 students in hands-only CPR
- Group Sponsorship- \$500. This will provide 1 case (10 mannequins) training 20 students in hands-only CPR
- Student Sponsorship- \$50. This will provide 1 mannequin, training 2 students in hands-only CPR

I thank you in advance for supporting the Pickens Fire Department and our goal in ensuring that our community members are safer and more prepared for sudden cardiac emergencies. We are creating the next generation of lifesavers. Please feel free to contact me directly with any questions (864)506-2623 or chriselrod@pickenscity.com

I encourage you to learn more about CPR in Schools by visiting <http://www.heart.org/cprinschools>. If you would be interested in bringing the program to your place of employment please use the above contact information to schedule.

Proudly Serving,

Chris Elrod
Fire Chief

"Dedicated to excellence, delivered with pride"

FEATURED PROMOTIONS and EVENTS

PICKENS AZALEA FESTIVAL PRESENTS ROCK THE FALL BALL



Pickens Azalea Festival With **CONFEDERATE RAILROAD & BENTON BLOUNT** **NOVEMBER 13 7PM Gates open @ 6** to benefit Upstate Warrior Solution [WWW.PICKENS AZALEA FESTIVAL.COM](http://www.pickensazaleafestival.com)

The poster features a large, colorful graphic of a maple leaf in shades of orange, yellow, and red. The text 'Rock the Fall Ball' is written in a stylized, blocky font, with '2015' in green above 'Rock'. The names of the performing bands, 'CONFEDERATE RAILROAD' and '& BENTON BLOUNT', are in a bold, serif font. The date and time, 'NOVEMBER 13 7PM Gates open @ 6', are in a yellow, sans-serif font. The website URL is at the bottom in a purple, sans-serif font.

The Pickens Azalea Festival presents the first ever Rock the Fall Ball!!! Join us Friday, November 13 2015 at Historic Bruce Field in Downtown Pickens as we celebrate Fall in Pickens County style!

Bruce Field will come alive with Upstate artists, Matt Tucker and J. Adam Broome and headliners, Benton Blount and Confederate Railroad. Matt Tucker and J. Adam Broome are both from right here in our backyard. America's Got Talent has made Benton Blount a household word but have you seen him live?? Confederate Railroad will have everyone on their feet with their rockin' country sound.

Tickets are on sale now through the website - www.pickensazaleafestival.com. \$14 Adults/\$10 Children under 12. Day of show tickets are \$19 Adults/\$15 Children.

We are proud to announce that \$2 from every advance ticket sold will go to benefit Upstate Warrior Solution. These tickets provide local, affordable entertainment for friends and families and support those who have put their lives on the line for our freedom. The Upstate Warrior Solution provides community-based solutions for warriors and their families right here in our neighborhood. Their programs help restore our warriors with a sense of purpose by offering Outreach, Healthcare, Education, Housing and Family Support.

The Pickens Azalea Festival planning committee is working overtime to provide quality and fun events to our town as well as make our 32nd annual festival in April 2016 the best ever! Hard work along with community support make our events special. We are thankful for each contribution of time, sponsorship and participation.

Make plans now to join us as we welcome fall to our little corner of South Carolina with a little bit of country, a little bit of rock & roll and a whole lot of fun!



Pickens Azalea FESTIVAL

The logo features the word 'Pickens' in a blue, sans-serif font. Below it, 'Azalea' is written in a large, red, serif font. To the right of 'Azalea' is a graphic of a red azalea flower with green leaves. Below 'Azalea', the word 'FESTIVAL' is written in a blue, sans-serif font, with each letter on a separate line.

Holiday Fair

Pickens County Board of Disabilities
and Special Needs & Better Skills

All proceeds go to PCBDSN consumer activity fund.

November 14, 2015

10:00 am - 4:00 pm

Free admission & parking / Open to the public

Indoor & Outdoor Vendors

(Jewelry, Crafts, Health Care & Beauty Products, Books, etc.)

Raffles

Kid Zone

Hot Dog Plates

Photographer

Bounce House ~ Face Painting ~ Smoke House ~ and much more!

Fun for the entire family! Drop the children off at the Kids Zone
while you shop!

FEATURED PROMOTIONS and EVENTS



MERCHANT CHRISTMAS DECORATING CONTEST

Pickens Merchants! This is your opportunity to showcase your business this holiday season. Decorate your storefront, store window or interior in the spirit of the season. *The Doodle Express* is this year's theme!



THE DOODLE EXPRESS

Pickens Revitalization Association will present a first, second and third place award. Judging will take place on **December 3rd**

Winners will be announced and awards presented after the City of Pickens Christmas Parade at the Pickens Amphitheater on **December 11th**

Publicity will include newspaper articles announcing the contest and winners. The winners will each receive an award and a free ad in the Pickens County Courier, encouraging residents to *Shop Historic Pickens* this holiday season.

If you wish to enter the contest, call 864.878.0105 or email pra.historicpickens@gmail.com by **November 20th**

Judges' decisions are final.



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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

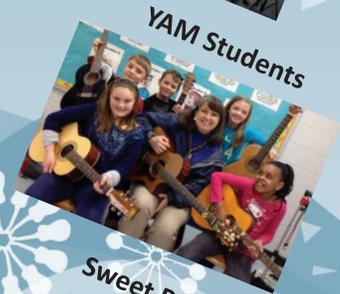
Find us on  – Winter Bluegrass Jubilee

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



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

NOVEMBER

13th

Rock the Fall Ball

presented by the Pickens Azalea Festival Committee

7pm; Historic Bruce Field, Pickens

visit www.pickensazaleafestival.com for more information

14th

Holiday Fair

presented by the Pickens County Board of Disabilities, Special Needs & Better Skills

10am - 4pm; 1308 Griffin Mill Road, Easley

28th

Small Business Saturday

All Day; Support Pickens Merchants

DECEMBER

1st

City of Pickens Christmas Tree Lighting

6pm; Legacy Square

11th

City of Pickens Christmas Parade

7pm; Downtown Pickens

JANUARY

23rd

5th Annual Winter Bluegrass Jubilee

Pickens High School Auditorium

visit www.yamupstate.com for more information



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	Appalachian Ale House	Morris on Main	