

# around town

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

MAY 2018

## Russell Brinson Photography Grand Opening



Russell Brinson Photography specializes in wedding photography, senior photography and family photography, but we do everything from sports, fashion, commercial, to even celebrity photography. Russell Brinson Photography is a family business. As I developed a passion for photography as a child, my kids did as well.

It's always such a great honor to have my beautiful clients pick me to capture the most important moments in their lives. These moments should not be a snapshot that they trust to just anyone. That's why I approach every shot, every moment with an artist desire to deliver a work of art that they can cherish always.

We specialize in wedding photography, senior pictures and all forms of the family pictures, designing albums and printing large works of art. We create amazing, breathtaking pieces of fine art for you to cherish forever. Our photographers are trained by the best to be the best.

Russell Brinson Photography opened in April in the Ingles shopping center in Pickens. Visit them at the store, online at [www.russellbrinson.com](http://www.russellbrinson.com) or give them a call at 864.608.8246.

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

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222 W. Main Street, Suite A  
Pickens, SC 29671  
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9am - 4pm  
Monday - Friday



# LOCAL NEWS



## **Learn to Shag The Carolina State Dance**

Tuesday Nights

May 1<sup>st</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup>

Basic Shag

6:30pm - 7:30pm

Cost:

\$65.00 per couple for all 4 lessons

\$35.00 per single for all 4 lessons

Call Donna or Tommy Stroud at 864.404.0616 to confirm your spot.

Tell your friends to join us!

We would love to have anyone who wants to learn the state dance!

**Holly Springs Center**

**120 Holly Springs School Road, Pickens**

# FEATURED EVENTS and PROMOTIONS

# 2018 Blue Ridge Fest

Featuring

## THE SPINNERS

*"Rubberband Man"*

*"I'll Be Around"*

*"It's A Shame"*

*"I'll Always Love You"*



*"Working My Way  
Back To You"*

*"Games People Play"*

*"I'm Coming Home"*

Also

## Jim Quick & Coastline

And **MAGIC**

An Upstate Premier Variety Band

## May 4, 2018

5:30 pm-10 pm at Blue Ridge Electric Co-op, 734 W. Main St., Pickens, SC

**ADULTS \$25 • CHILDREN \$15**

Discounted tickets purchased in advanced: Adults \$20 • Children \$12

Come in a classic car (1989 or older) and \$30 admits a carload of up to four! Line-up begins at 2 pm. Gates open at 3 pm for classic cars.

Dash plaques are available for the first 400 cars. Proceeds benefit Upstate charitable organizations.

For more information, call 800-240-3400 or visit online at [blueridgefest.com](http://blueridgefest.com).



*"Largest Cruise-In in the Upstate"*



21st Annual

Great Times!

Great Causes!

**Blue Ridge  
FEST**

# FEATURED EVENTS and PROMOTIONS

## Turtles on the Town

**Turtle 1:** Start on Main Street at the Legacy Square fountain. Begin your search where the water spouts higher. See **Colonel, Amelia, Abraham & Amber**, each a Red-Eared Slider. We live in fresh water all around the state. Basking on logs is our well known trait.

**Turtle 2:** Walk north down Lewis Street by the side of the lot. Continue down the sidewalk to the historical marker spot. Search for the Snapping Turtle, **Joab** is my name. When looking for food all around the south, anything is fair game! The side steps of the Hagood-Mauldin House are my new home. Watch out for your fingers, I bite to the bone!

**Turtle 3:** Go back to the fountain and turn right down the street. I am the Bog Turtle, **Brick**, waiting to greet. I live in the summer wetlands of the upcountry eating bugs. In the winter I hibernate in the cool, squishy mud. The Burning Brick or Michael's are restaurants if you're looking. Both are welcoming places with fresh home cooking.

**Turtle 4:** Continue west to find the smallest turtle in the state. I'm **Swimmy**, the Musk Turtle, and tiny water creatures are my bait. I live in the water and need it to be clean, just like you! I swim in water and drink it, my prey lives there too. So please conserve your water when you brush your teeth or shower. Turn right on Ann Street, I'll see you at the water tower.

**Turtle 5:** Back on Main Street, west you still must go. Come rest at a shady spot and like me, take it slow. I am the Mud Turtle, **Ernest**, who likes his water still and clean. In water throughout the state and the southeast I have been seen. I like to eat crunchy crayfish and other small bait. In the winter I dig in the cool earth to hibernate.

**Turtle 6:** Heading further west, to Florence Street you must go. The Chamber of Commerce welcomes you and gives out free info. There you find me, the Diamondback Terrapin, **Skyagunsta**, it's Cherokee. Also Andrew Pickens name, our hero who helped make our town free. I live in coastal salt marshes eating crabs, mollusks, and stuff like that. I'm protected because of loss of habitat.

**Turtle 7:** Careful now as you run to the church right across the street. Walk past the front to the patio, where the faithful Presbyterians meet. I'm **Hollingsworth**, the Gopher Tortoise, laying only 4 to 7 eggs. I dig long dens with my strong shovel-like legs. I hail from the dry sandy lower part of the state. I'm endangered, please protect me, so I can live to 108.



**Turtle 8:** Now head east into the next block, back towards town. Where I, the Chicken Turtle, **Turbo**, can be found. My home is the seasonal wetlands on the coastal plain. I like to eat crayfish and other invertebrates. Long ago people used to eat me for food, have a heart! So now it's uncommon to find me except at friendly Superior Parts.

**Turtle 9:** Continue one more block and you'll find my historic home. East Main Treasures is where I ended my roam. Come shop here and fine gifts are what you'll see. Best of all, meet me the Painted Turtle, **Pokey**. In clean ponds and grassy marshes I like to swim. The plants and bugs across the land keep me trim.

**Turtle 10:** Turn right down Pendleton Street to the museum, our old jail. Spot me, **Sequoyah**, the Spotted Turtle, far down the nature trail. I will be in my natural habitat, a bog garden along the walk. I would speak in Cherokee if you could hear me talk. I swim to the bottom of the bog when I am sleepy. I am protected too, so please watch out for me.

**Turtle 11:** Go back to Main Street, the front of the Courthouse is where I'll be. Find me, the biggest turtle of them all (over 1000 lbs.), under a tree. I'm **Henry**, the Leatherback Sea Turtle, and I eat Cannonball jelly fish. Remember, I am also on the endangered species list. Females can lay a hundred eggs when they appear on shore. Then return to the ocean to swim some more.

**Turtle 12:** I'm the last turtle, **Sparky**, and I live where people learn. Go back to the fountain, down Jewel Street, and take a left turn. I'm the Eastern Box Turtle and I have a unique trick. Into my shell, my head, feet, and tail, can all stick. I live on land and stay in my shell to keep cool. Find me and finish your Turtle Tour at Pickens Middle School.

### Project Created By:

*Susan Hilyer & Louise Hope  
Pickens Middle School*

### Turtle Statues By:

*Zan Wells*

# FEATURED EVENTS and PROMOTIONS

# TURTLES ON THE TOWN

**historic Pickens**  
Where the Past is Always Here

**Visitor Center**  
222 West Main Street

**City Hall**  
219 Pendleton Street

**Amphitheater**  
114 West Main Street

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**Town Creek Bike Park**  
545 Sangamo Road

**Doodle Trail**  
409 E. Cedar Rock Street

**Pickens County Museum**  
307 Johnson Street

**Legacy Square**  
Corner of Lewis & E. Main Streets

**1** Turtle icon

**2** Parking 'P' icon

**3** Parking 'P' icon

**4** Parking 'P' icon

**5** Wi-Fi icon

**6** Home icon

**7** Home icon

**8** Parking 'P' icon

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**Streets:** FLORENCE STREET, CATHERINE STREET, HWY. 178 N / ANN STREET, GRIFIN STREET, JEWEL STREET, HWY. 8 / HAMPTON AVENUE, E. CEDAR ROCK STREET, COURT STREET, GARVIN STREET, LEWIS STREET, HWY. 178 S / PENDLETON STREET, W. CEDAR ROCK STREET, JEWEL'S NOSHOJ, LEWIS STREET, HWY. 178 S / PENDLETON STREET, RAILROAD STREET, HWY. 178 S / PENDLETON STREET

# FEATURED EVENTS and PROMOTIONS

FREE!

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*Events at the*  
**PICKENS  
AMPHITHEATER**  
**2018**

## april

- 14<sup>th</sup> Shoal Creek
- 21<sup>st</sup> Pickens Azalea Festival
- 28<sup>th</sup> Taylor McCall

## june

- 9<sup>th</sup> Left Lane Bluegrass
- 23<sup>rd</sup> RetroVertigo

## august

- 4<sup>th</sup> Jamie Wright Band
- 18<sup>th</sup> Angela Easterling & the Beguilers

## may

- 12<sup>th</sup> The Hired Help
- 26<sup>th</sup> Carolina Highway Band

## july

- 4<sup>th</sup> 4th of July Celebration  
Jake Bartley Band
- 7<sup>th</sup> Jack Greer
- 20<sup>th</sup> Young Appalachian Musicians  
& Carolina Blue
- 21<sup>st</sup> Itchy & the Chiggers

## september

- 1<sup>st</sup> SplitShot

114 W. Main Street

7pm - 9pm  
LIVE MUSIC



[www.cityofpickens.com/amphitheater](http://www.cityofpickens.com/amphitheater)



## 7<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

### Pickens Presbyterian Church Child Development Center

338 West Cedar Rock Street, Pickens SC, 29671, P. O. Box 834  
(864) 878-9953

**June 8, 2018**

**The Pickens Country Club**

**Registration 9:00 a.m.**

**Shotgun Start 9:30 a.m.**

Breakfast is provided: Bojangles

BBQ lunch is provided by Larry  
Looper BBQ



#### Cash prizes awarded for:

- 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> place teams
- Closest to the pin from  
White tees, Senior tees, and  
Ladies tees
- Longest drive for men and  
women
- Putting Contest. You will  
have a chance to win Cash  
prizes!

#### Captain's Choice Format

\$400.00 per team  
or  
\$100 per player  
Sponsor a hole for \$100.00

Make Checks Payable to:

***PPC Child Development Center***

**The proceeds from this event will help us to better serve  
all children including children with special needs.**

*Enriching the lives of children for 37 years.*

A vertical strip of green grass with a dark background, serving as a background for the slogan text.

**Come Play Fore The Children**

# FEATURED EVENTS

Greater Pickens Chamber - Easley Area Chamber - Clemson Area Chamber - Liberty Chamber

## Business After Hours



The McKissick Center  
FOR SENIOR WELLNESS

• MAY 10, 2018 •

Join all 4 Pickens County Chambers as we network and explore the fabulous McKissick Center and learn about all the amazing things they do for our senior community!

MAY 10, 2018 • 5:30 - 7:30 PM • 349 EDMONT AVE. LIBERTY, SC

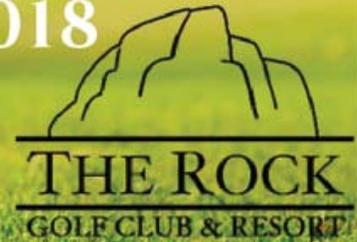
## GREATER PICKENS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

27TH ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

OCTOBER 12TH, 2018

AT THE ROCK

9 AM SHOTGUN START



VISIT: [WWW.PICKENSCHAMBEROFCOMMERCE.COM](http://WWW.PICKENSCHAMBEROFCOMMERCE.COM) TO REGISTER

## THANKS PRA MEMBERS!

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