



Historic Downtown North Wilkesboro Newsletter

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To see a list of all our
downtown businesses visit our
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www.DowntownNorthWilkesboro.com/businesses

If you have a business in the
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2010 Shine To Wine Festival

Extended Shine to Wine Festival Huge Success

Double the space, double the attendance, approximately 3,000 people came to downtown North Wilkesboro on Saturday for the sixth annual 'Shine to Wine festival. "The weather held off most of the day making it very comfortable for enjoying the festival. It was a good crowd and a good event bring lots of people into our downtown," said North Wilkesboro Mayor Robert Johnson. "Everyone is pleased with the extended length of the festival from Main to D Street this year. It gave more room for more wineries and more vendors. We worked hard year to promote the festival as something for everyone. We had more arts and cra



And the new kid's tent was very successful. We saw more families come out this year. goal is to introduce visitors to our downtown while raising funds for beautification economic revitalization of our town, " said Laura Blackburn, Historic Downtown N Wilkesboro Executive director.

The annual wine-tasting celebration allows attendees who buy a "tasting ticket" to sample the products of local vintners. The attendees may also buy a sealed bottle wine they like to take home after the tasting. This year, 21 wineries had tents at 'Shine to Wine, which is sponsored by the Historic Downtown North Wilkesboro organization. "We had a steady line at the ticket tent throughout the day. We think people came sporadically during the day because of the threat of rain," Mrs. Blackburn said. "By doubling the festival space, offering more wineries and more attractions, we doubled our usual attendance. It was so wonderful to see people both from our community from across the state enjoying and learning about this industry, which holds such promise for the area's economic future," Blackburn said. Ken Baker of Sweet Vine Winery was new to the festival. "I was surprised at the number standing in line for tasting. This was a very organized and well attended festival." The festival also highlights the immense culinary talents that exist within downtown and Wilkes County by featuring a chef's competition for the third year in a row, a "secret ingredient" culinary contest among local restaurants. All food was donated by local farms. The produce was donated by Seth Church of Apple Brandy Beef Farm in North Wilkesboro, the goat cheese was donated by Liza Plaster of Ripshin Goat Dairy in Lenoir. "The chefs were thrilled with the selection of food and each provided their spin on each dish", said Katina Washington, volunteer chef assistant for the festival. Each chef creates an appetizer and entrée for a panel of three judges in 90 minute Professional Chef Judges were Shannon Saylor of Hickory and Don Dutow of Blowin Rock. As an exclusive to those who purchased hotel packages at Addison Inn and Holiday Inn, a name was drawn and Heather Rickles from Charlotte won the space as the final judge.

The winner of the contest was Chef Myleia Slagle of 6th & Main Restaurant. Awarded the prize as "most creative" was Wilkes Community College student chef James Miraglia.

Historic Downtown North Wilkesboro is a non-profit organization dedicated to promoting the historic preservation, protection, culture, and use of North Wilkesboro traditional downtown area. If interested in participating in next year's festival contact HDTNW

at 336-667-4875 or info@hdtnw.org.

Wilkes Art Gallery - Mollycoddle Raffle Party

The Mollycoddle Raffle Party offers you the chance to buy raffle tickets for 18 different packages designed to pamper you, an opportunity for self-indulgence and luxury. Only 20 tickets for each package will be sold and they are moving fast. For every \$100 of tickets purchased, we'll throw your name in the hat for a chance to win \$1000. Packages range from items like "Posh at the Palms" which includes a weekend at the Isle of Palms to "Plantin' Thyme" which offer you the opportunity to win a package worth over \$500 of plants, garden items, etc. There is a package for everyone in the family. Raffle is Tonight, May 7th at 7pm. All proceeds will benefit the educational and programming expansion of the Gallery.

Second Cruise In for 2010

Join the Wilkes County Cruisers downtown from Main Street to Ninth Street on Saturday, May 8, 2010 for the *Second Cruise In* for 2010 from 4 until 8pm. *Cruise In's* will be held the second Saturday every month from April through October.

Classic cars will be on display before they take a cruise down Main Street at 8pm. There will be a 5 minute drawing along with door prizes plus a DJ & special entertainment. Come join the fun in this "Blast from the Past"!

For more info, contact Dale Burr 973-5550 or Dean Farmer 667-2339.



Architectural Scavenger Hunt

On May 22nd celebrate National Historic Preservation Month with an Architectural Scavenger Hunt both Downtown North Wilkesboro and Wilkesboro. Start in either town and pick up your entry form. Search high and low to match the pictures with historic places, return your completed form to either town for a chance to win various prizes.

list, please reply with your information so you can be added.

Community Events

Black Cat Station Railroad Club Sat, May 8

Open House 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM

Everyone is invited! We are a large "HO" Scale Model railroad, operating many trains at the same time. Located at: 800 Elizabeth Street, North Wilkesboro, NC 28659 (The Old Wilkes Art Gallery) www.blackcatstation.com Ph. # 973-4887

Friday, May 7th 9am-7pm, Saturday, May 8th- 9am-3pm, The Friends of the Library Mother's Day Book Sale located at 503 C Street -Old Key City Furniture Offices. Proceeds benefit the Friends of the Wilkes County Public Library!

Tuesday, May 11 9-11am The Creative Writing Club will meet in the Genealogy Room. Bring any current projects, ideas, and an open mind. Be prepared to be inspired!

Saturday, 15th 2-4pm, The Friends of the Library Antique Appraisal Afternoon in the Friends of the Library Meeting Room. Only 40 tickets for appraisal of an item are available. Spectators Welcome! No large items please! Proceeds benefit the Friends of the Wilkes County Public Library!

North Wilkesboro Fire Dept 100th Anniversary - May 15th Our 100th Anniversary celebration will be at the North Wilkesboro Rotary Park on Saturday, May 15th from 10 AM - 2 PM. Free food, games and activities for all ages! North Wilkesboro Rotary Park

Baker Race School Saturday 5/15/2010 - Sunday 5/16/2010

Historic North Wilkesboro Speedway
www.HistoricNWS.com
www.BuckBaker.com

RED DIRT RISING Film Premier Saturday, May 15, 2010

Historic North Wilkesboro Speedway featuring Matt Dillon in concert & night race afterwards

www.historicnws.com

Youth Art Celebration - February 2, 2010 - May 15, 2010

On display from February 2 until May 15 at the Wilkes Art Gallery. The Wilkes Art Gallery will host four months of youth art exhibits beginning on February 2 with the Central district. Each exhibit will feature artwork from the elementary schools, middle schools, and high schools in their respective districts. The schedule is as follows:
Central Wilkes District - February 2-27; Opening Reception: Tuesday, February 2 from 5-7pm.
West Wilkes District - March 2-20; Opening Reception: Tuesday, March 2 from 5-7pm.
East Wilkes District - March 22-April 17; Opening Reception: Tuesday, March 22 from 5-7pm.
North Wilkes District - April 20-May 15; Opening Reception: Tuesday, April 20 from 5-7pm.
Wilkes Art Gallery

Tom Dooley: A Wilkes County Legend Sixth Season!

Opens June 23rd outdoors at Fort Hamby Park Amphitheatre with a special pre-show Grand Opening concert by The Kingston Trio. Remaining outdoor performances are: June 24, 25, 27, 28, 29, 30 at 8:30 p.m. The show will then open for indoor performances at Benton Hall,

For more information, visit DowntownNorthWilkesboro.com OR WilkesboroNorthCarolina.com or 336-667-4875 or 336-838-3591.

Wilkes Playmakers Production

Wilkes Playmakers production of "Same Time Next Year" will be opening in the Black Box Theatre Benton Hall in May. Directed by Paula Joines, the two person cast of George and Doris are played by William Davidson and Melissa Caudill respectively. Melissa is from Allegheny county and William Wilkes.

Show dates are May 6, 7, 8, 20, 21, 22 at 8:00 p.m. and tickets are \$10 for adults and \$8 for students and seniors. "Same Time Next Year" deals with an adult situation and has occasional strong language. The show is for mature audiences only.

The story line is as follows: In 1951, Doris and George meet at an inn on the Northern California coast. Although they are each married, they have an affair and then decide to continue meeting once a week at the inn. As the decades pass, what began as casual infidelity develops into a deep emotional bond. Many audience members will remember the popular and touching movie based on the play with Al Pacino and Ellen Barkin.

Tickets may be purchased by ordering online at www.wilkesplaymakers.com or by calling 336-838-3591 or tickets may be purchased at the door. Tickets will be sold on a first come first serve basis. It is important to note that this show will be performed in the Black Box Theatre on the main floor at Benton Hall and seating is limited.

Available Buildings in Downtown North Wilkesboro

- Commercial Office Space, 910 C Street, 3 office spaces available for rent. Contact Clara Hickman at (336) 651-7803 to discuss options.
- Former Beauty Shop for Rent. 2 room Retail space. \$500/month plus utilities. Call Carolyn McDowell for more info at 336-667-5739.
- Former Chiropractic Office is for Sale. 6th Street. Great office location and has lots of parking. Carolina Realty, Inc. 336-667-1966.
- "Own a Piece of History". Former Thrift Supermarket on corner lot with paved parking lot adjacent. 211 4th Street. Carolina Realty & Auction LLC 336-667-4949
- Various office spaces available on 1st floor and 5 room office space available on 2nd floor. Rent for \$100/mo and utilities included. 9th street. Contact Amanda at 336-838-8602.
- Solid brick 2 story office building with full unfinished basement. Possible residence on second floor. Previously used as attorney's office/insurance/health care, etc. 9th Street. Contact Linda Zinger at Carolina Realty 336-902-8735
- Updated office space for rent. Approx 1700 sq ft, 5 offices. 1000.00 per month. 205 6th Street, Contact Stephanie Cooke @ Carolina Realty, Inc. 336-667-1966 ext 606
- Multiple office spaces for lease. Sizes vary from 150 sq ft up to 2,000 sq ft. Price Varies. 201 Tenth Street N. Wilkesboro. Contact Ike Forester 838-7322.
- Main Street Storefront at 831 Main Street. Approx 1800 sq ft, new wood flooring, Ready to Move in for \$995/mo. Contact Cohn Enterprises at 667-6066
- Key City Condo: A Truly, Unique and Historical Condo 1450 sq ft with 2 bedrooms and 2 baths. All new appliances, washer/dryer. Front door parking. Convenient. Secure to Downtown. Faces east and gets morning sun! Beautiful! Available on May 1st! \$795/mo + \$100/mo homeowners association fee. Contact Sonny Church at 984-7450.

More information and pictures are available for these properties on our website at <http://www.downtownnorthwilkesboro.com/properties/> If anyone has available buildings for rent or sale, please call (336) 667-4875 to be listed for free in the newsletter and online.

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300 D Street, North Wilkesboro on July 20, 21, 22, 27, 28, 29 at 7:30 p.m. and July 23 & 30 at 2:00 p.m. Tickets for both outdoor and indoor performances may be purchased online at www.wilkesplaymakers.com, or by calling 336-838-7529 or by coming by our box office at Benton Hall, 300 D Street, North Wilkesboro on April 3rd. All tickets are \$15 each with the exception of the Grand Opening night with The Kingston Trio. Ticket prices for Kingston Trio/Tom Dooley: A Wilkes County Legend - on June 23rd - are \$25.00 each. The Kingston Trio performance will begin at 7:00 p.m. with a ribbon cutting for the new Amphitheatre and the show will start at 8:30 p.m.

The 2010 Summer Reading Program, Make A Splash @ The Wilkes County Public Library starts May 27th. Kids of all ages can sign up beginning May 27-July 2. The Summer Reading Program officially ends on Saturday, July 31, 2010 with the 2nd Annual Wilkes Library Con.

Tuesday, May 18th, 4pm The Library Book Club will meet on in the Friends of the Library meeting room. They will be discussing *Snow Falling on Cedars* by David Guterson. For more information call Mary at 336-838-2818

Saturday, May 22rd The Friends of the Library and Wilkes County Schools poetry workshop.

Every Thursday night from 5:00-7:30pm The Chess Club meets in the Genealogy Room. Come to the upper level of the library for a game of chess.

Library Displays: Shana Thomas, art student at Wilkes Central High School, will display her drawings and paintings in the Friends of the Library Meeting Room during the month of May. Historic Downtown North Wilkesboro will display historic photos of downtown courtesy of Lib Forester.

8th annual Turtle Regatta
Starts - 5/22/2010 Ends - 5/22/2010 Time - 10 am @ Rivers Edge & 2 pm @ D St. Bridge
Location - Rivers Edge in AM & D Street Bridge in PM
Turtle Regatta begins at D Street Bridge and goes down the Reddies River to the Greenway pedestrian bridge at mouth of Reddies.

ChickenFest Memorial Day Weekend

Live Entertainment and Family Fun
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Friday 5:30 - 9pm; Saturday 11am - 9pm; Sunday 11am worship service with music at 12noon

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