

Saluda Lifestyles

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Happy New Year!

Where Time Stands Still

January 2018

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Saluda Business Association regular monthly meeting will meet at 5:30 at the Saluda Library, January 9, 2018.

Saluda Community Land Trust meets the first Wednesday of each month at 3pm at Saluda Presbyterian Church, January 3.

The Historic Saluda Committee will meet in Saluda Library on January 12 at 2pm.

The **Saluda Center Holiday Gala** will be Sun., Jan. 7 from 6:30-9:00 pm.

Sing! With The Saluda Community Singers, Tuesdays, 7-8:30pm at Old St. Matthews Church, 396 Irvin Street. Community Choir will perform January 19, 7pm at Saluda Presbyterian Church.

Women's Club will meet January 9 at 10am at Saluda Presbyterian Church..

The **Social Singles** of Saluda Potluck Dinner will be Thurs., January 11, 5pm at Saluda Center.

Brown Bags Available, January 19, 3pm to 4pm at Transfiguration Church and the Saluda Fire Department.

Saluda Garden Club, will not meet December and January.

Saluda Center Potluck January 29 at 6pm.

Saluda Welcome Table resumes regular Tuesday schedule January 9 at the Saluda Methodist Church, 5:30 to 6:45pm.

Al-Anon Family Group meets every Tuesday, 6:30pm at the Saluda Center, 64 Greenville St.

Polk County Extension Club Polk County Extension Club meets at 2:00pm the fourth Tuesday of the month.

Winter Peace & Quiet



Caw, caw, caw shriek the blackbirds, echoing through the forest left barren by fallen leaves. Ricocheting through the trees is the drumming of a woodpecker hammering on a dead tree. The rustling of leaves reveals playful squirrels hunting and gathering nuts for winter storage. In the distance, the muted hum of a heating system joins in nature's winter symphony. These are the sounds you can hear in the dead silence of winter in the mountains.

Saluda is deep into winter, and stillness replaces the hustle and bustle of the holiday season--a quiet time to enjoy the silence after an active time of the year. Without distractions of hectic times, Saludians have a chance to rest, reflect, and make new resolutions for the new year.

The outdoors is beautiful this time of the year. Trails are cleared and you can see through the woods, and mountain vistas usually hidden by tree canopies are visible. Creeks sparkle like diamonds from cold frosty nights. Scented evergreens refresh the air and lush green rhododendrons and mountain laurel blanket the ground. Taking a deep breath of this fresh mountain air revives the heart and soul.

Locals take back downtown in the winter. With fewer visitors, it's time to take advantage of winter sales and get your favorite table at Saluda's restaurants to enjoy hearty and comforting recipes that warm you up. Most of the faces are familiar and friendly and camaraderie among the locals is renewed.

When making your resolutions for the New Year, be sure to include more hiking and outdoor adventures to kick-start your health for the new year and make time to do a little bench sitting on Main Street to regain your inner peace.

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E-Blasts Sign Up

From time to time, activities and events happen in Saluda spontaneously or need a reminder so you don't miss it. When this occurs, Saluda Lifestyles would like to let you know about it. If you want to receive E-Blasts from Saluda Lifestyles, please send an email to info@saludalifestyles.com and ask to be added.

Time didn't pass Saluda by; we asked it to go around." Author unknown

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What's Happening in Music and Art



What's Happening at the Purple Onion

Winter Hours

The Purple Onion is now on Winter Hours and is closed Sunday and Wednesday. Additionally, our kitchen will close at 8 PM on Monday and Tuesday nights. We will reopen for Sunday brunch and on Wednesdays the first week of May.

Closed Jan 1 – 4

We are taking a couple of days off to address some deep cleaning, inventory and facility needs before we begin our 20th year in business.



The Stray Birds January 14 At 7 Pm

It's been six years, but we are so pleased to welcome The Stray Birds back to The Purple Onion stage on January 14 as part of our Sunday Concert Series. Admission is \$15 per person in advance, \$18 at the door and seating will be limited. The performance begins at 7 PM, but the doors open at 5 PM so guests have an opportunity to enjoy pizza, salads or some of our small plates, available until 6:45. Beverages and desserts are available during the show.

Reservations can be made [online](#) or by calling the restaurant at 828-749- 1179.

All originally from Lancaster, Pennsylvania, The Stray Birds started as a duo of acoustic buskers in early 2010 when Maya de Vitry and Oliver Craven met with their instruments, their voices, and their songs. It didn't take much convincing to get bassist Charlie Muench on board, and with the addition of a third unique and powerful voice, the group began to define its captivating sound. Seven years, three original records, and some six hundred performances later, the band is best known today for its songwriting, its tight and forthcoming vocal harmony blend and its commitment to an impassioned delivery of original material, both on stage and in the studio. They've been seen from LA to London, sung songs from Dallas to Denmark, and played tunes from New York to New Orleans. Their 2016 Yep Roc Records release ***Magic Fire*** was produced by Grammy-winner Larry Campbell and earned much praise, including being named by NPR as one of ***Folk Alley's Top Ten Records of 2016***. With time, their sound has evolved to a palate broader than what it first was on the street corners and in the markets, but this much remains true: The Stray Birds is a band of musicians as subtle and nuanced as they are energetic, a band of writers as blatant and bold as they are coy, and perhaps most importantly, a band of people as friendly and compassionate as they are talented. It's safe to imagine that most who hear their music come back for another listen, time and again.

Celebrating 20 Years of Live Music

Next year marks our 20th year as a restaurant and music venue and the music calendar for 2018 is coming together nicely. In addition to our outstanding lineup of musicians on Thursdays and Saturdays, we will offer monthly Sunday night concerts.

The very definition of a special event, Sunday Evening Concerts at The Purple Onion are all about live music and the people who support it.

These Sunday concerts don't follow any set schedule—except being on a Sunday, of course. They happen when we find a great band passing through or a regional favorite back in the area or an up-and-coming band we think our audience needs to hear. We move the tables to the patio, set up the chairs for listening, (leaving some room for dancing when the music inspires it) and fill The Purple Onion with music. Fans get the opportunity to hear great musicians in an intimate setting—125-seat capacity. Musicians get to play to folks who truly appreciate what they do. To celebrate 20 years of live music we are offering a limited number of VIP season passes for the Sunday Evening music series. The performers for the first eight months are listed below.

Spring/Summer Season Pass \$135

January 14 - Stray Birds - 15
Adv/18 VIP or DOS
February 18 - Steel Wheels - 30
Adv/35 VIP or DOS
March 25 - Sol Driven Train - 20
Adv/25 VIP or DOS
April 15 - Dangermuffin - 15
Adv/18 VIP or DOS
May 20 - Amanda Anne Platt & the Honeycutters - 25 Adv /30
VIP or DOS
June 10 - Mac Arnold and Plate
Full O' Blues - 15 ADV/18 VIP or
DOS
July 29 - Seth Walker - 15
ADV/18 VIP or DOS
Aug 19 - The Love Right Band -
15 ADV/18 VIP or DOS

January Live Music Calendar

January 6 – [Aaron Burdett](#)

What could be better than starting with a Saluda favorite who also makes great music.

January 11 – [ScOOt Pittman](#)

We love it when Scoot is in the house with his huge energy and musicianship.

January 13 – [Fayssoux McLean & The Bluegrass Messengers](#)

This lovely singer is back this time with some bluegrass players.

January 14 – The Stray Birds (Sunday Concert)

January 18 – [The Paper Crowns](#)

A gumbo of Appalachian folk and bluegrass, Delta blues and southern gospel.

January 20 – Bad Popes – www.reverbnation.com/thebadpopes

This Greenville group's music wanders the entire Americana landscape and beyond.

January 25 – [Mare Wakefield and Nomad](#)

This duo returns with their folk tunes and sweet piano melodies.

January 27 – [Ellen Trnka & Dan Keller Trio](#)

Fabulous local singer with an incredible jazz band.

Music at the Purple Onion is scheduled by Robert Seiler.

The [Purple Onion](#) is located at 16 Main Street, Saluda, NC 28774.



Jim Carson AIS Workshop: Painting the Interior

January 18-20, 2018

Thursday-Saturday - Medium: Oil and/or Acrylic

Painting interiors has always been a fundamental part of Impressionist painting, and particularly contemporary Impressionist painting. It is about capturing the light, whether natural light through a window or door or artificial light from a lamp or other inside lighting

The walls, furniture, floors, and flowers are simply a vehicle for the light to "show off". Painting these scenes can be both fun and result in very cozy paintings. As always, in this workshop, we will learn to simplify the shapes and design of an interior scene in order to paint it in a fresh and spontaneous manner.

The workshop will be held in Jim's studio, above the Saluda Grade Café, 40 E. Main St., in Saluda, N.C.

There will be lots of one on one easel time, a demonstration by Jim on Thursday, and a general critique of the day's work at the end of each day. The workshop is open to all levels, from beginners to advanced. A list of brushes, etc. will be furnished after registration.

Jim is a member of Plein Air Painters of the Southeast (PAPSE), an associate member of Oil Painters of America, and a Signature Member of The American Impressionist Society.

Jim has also announced the remaining part of his 2018 workshop schedule:
March 8-10 "Painting the Town/Mastering the Cityscape"-
May 10-12 "Painting Loose with Intention"- June 21-23 "Painting with Expression" - Sept. 20-22 "Painting the Town/Mastering the Cityscape" - Oct. 25-27 "Plein Air/ Painting Fall from Life"

For more information, visit the "news/ workshop" link at jimcarson.net, email jimcarson151@gmail.com or call 828-749-3702.



Bill Jameson Workshops "Saluda Winter Weekend" January 16-18, 2018

Come enjoy the crisp and clean air in the mountains! Winter in Saluda is the perfect season for painting sculpture-like trees, bright sunshine and maybe even some snow. We will paint a variety of area landscapes from the warmth of our studio and painters can work in their choices of media. Our workshop will include a "welcome party", daily demonstrations and critiques. This workshop is open from beginners to advanced and is limited to 8 participants so please come enjoy our newest Saluda workshop! You will receive a materials list upon registration

"Working Large without Fear" February 15-17, 2018

This 3 day Saluda workshop will be an intensive exploration of handling a large canvas. Leave your comfort zone and enjoy working a little or a lot larger than your usual sizes. Become adept at making larger as well as


better paintings and discover why some compositions are meant to be small works and others translate beautifully into a larger format. Participants may work in any or all media,

You will receive a materials list upon registration and for questions please contact Bill Jameson at 828/749-3101 or BillJameson0593@gmail.com. Please visit Bill at www.williamjameson.com



Dancer's Extension
We enjoyed our rescheduled performance for Hometown

Christmas, and entertaining the residents of Autumn Care. Now, we take a little winter break. The Dancer's Extension will be closed for the holidays through January 3. Classes will resume on a regular schedule on Thursday, January 4. In January, we will concentrate on our resolution to practice more outside of our class time together.

Our studio is located in Saluda, at I-26, in the Don Mintz center. Please contact the studio at 828-749-9398, email smonts@charter.net or visit our website thedancersextension.com for more information and updated schedule. Keep up-to-date with class changes on .

Saluda Train Tales is a free monthly event to educate the community in the importance of Saluda's railroad history and the Saluda Grade. These events are at the Saluda Historic Depot, 32 W Main Street, Saluda, NC 28773. The events are free and voluntary donations are appreciated. Memberships and Donations to the Saluda Historic Depot in 2017 will enable us to receive matching grant funds from the Polk County Community Foundation.

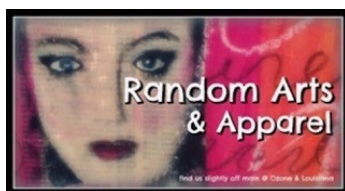
For more information, please contact Judy Ward at 828-674-5958 or judyward@charter.net or Cathy Jackson at 828-817-2876 or cathy@saludalifestyles.com for schedule updates.

Saluda Community News



City of Saluda Christmas Express

The City of Saluda Police Department and City Hall would like to thank all Saludians for their contributions and support of this year's "Christmas Express." Through your generous donations, we were able to help out many Saluda families in need.



In January, Random Arts and its artists go all out to support **Big Brothers Big Sisters Fundraiser "Have a Heart"**. The Upstairs Gallery in Tryon hosts the event from Jan. 27th to Feb. 10th when all of the donated, 12' x 12' "heart themed" art work goes up for bidding.

This unique project, in its 7th year, offers area artists a creative way to support local children who face adversity in our community.



Anyone interested in supporting this cause with your talent is welcome to participate. Your

contribution will bring more grace and love into the lives of little ones as well as your own. We do this every year and we make it easy for you to pick up a pre-made ceramic heart here at Random Arts or offer suggestions on using other mediums such as fiber, quilting, jewelry, wood, sculpture and more. All pieces donated will be used to raise funds for Big Brothers Big Sisters.

For more information, a complete PDF with all the details will be sent to you upon request. Contact us at: randomarts22@gmail.com



Saluda Center News

(All events and activities

take place at the Saluda Center on Greenville Street.) For information about renting the facility, please call 828-749-9245.

The **Saluda Center Holiday Gala** will be Sun., Jan. 7 from 6:30-9:00 pm.

****New class White Crane Karate**, with instructor Jeff Brooks, each Saturday beginning Sat., Jan. 6 from 11:00am-12:00pm. There will be a fee for the class.

The Saluda Center **Book Club** will meet on Thurs., Jan. 4 at 2pm. All are welcome to attend.

The **Social Singles** of Saluda Potluck Dinner will be Thurs., Jan. 11 at 5pm. Just bring a dish of your choice for all of us to share. Call Anita Ogden Moore at 828-749-3335 for more information.

Community potluck and bingo will be Mon., Jan. 29 at 6:00pm. Bring a dish to share with others.

Medicare assistance is available with a trained Medicare volunteer. Call 828-749-9245 to schedule an appointment.

****If you are interested in being a permanent Meals on Wheels driver** on Tuesday each week beginning in December, please call Donna at 828-749-9245.

Medicare assistance is available with a trained Medicare volunteer. Call 828-749-9245 to schedule an appointment.

Please contact Donna at 828-749-9245 or stop by if you are interested in **renting the Center** for your event or if you need **medical loan equipment**.

A Thrifty Barn is open Wed. through Sat. from 10:00 am-4:00 pm. Call **(828) 393-7891** to volunteer or for more information. **A Thrifty barn basement sales** is open on Sat. from 10:00 am-1:00 pm and on Wed. from 10:00 am-4:00 pm. **Donations are accepted.**

Please contact Donna at saludacenter@hotmail.com to be added to our email list. The Saluda Center is located at 64 Greenville St. Phone is 828-749-9245.

Carolina Preppers Network

The Carolina Preppers Network meets monthly at the Saluda Senior Center, usually on the 1st Monday of each month. In January we will meet on the 8th at 7pm since the center is closed for the New Years Day holiday.

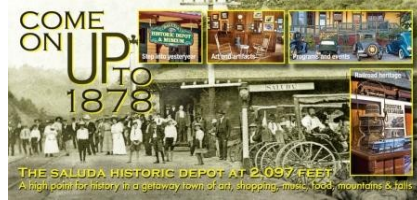
The topic for January is Small Town Survival. We will be discussing how our small town can prepare to deal with emergencies and to not have to wait for FEMA to come to assist us. This is an important topic in these times of ever increasing national risk. All are welcome to attend. More info can be found on meetup.com, Carolina Preppers Network Saluda.

Saluda Community Singers

The Saluda Community Singers will perform their Winter Concert on Friday, January 19 at 7:00 in the Saluda Presbyterian Church Sanctuary. Songs included in the program are Africa, Heal the

World, Dona Nobis Pacem, Sakura, Mary Did You Know?, Nothin Gonna Stumble My Feet, Oh Shenandoah, and I Believe. A reception for the audience will follow all the beautiful singing. Everyone in the community is cordially invited! *Patricia Roskens, Director*

What's Happening at Saluda Historic Depot



Winter Museum Hours

Jan: Friday & Saturday each week and 14th & 15th Holiday Weekend.
Feb: Friday & Saturday each week and 18th & 19th Holiday weekend
Hours 10:30 to 5:00, Sunday 12 to 4.

Check out current exhibits and events at saludahistoricdepot.com.

Admission is always free and voluntary donations are appreciated. Donations can be made by mailing to Saluda Historic Depot, PO Box 990, Saluda, NC 28773 or through Paypal at SaludaHistoricDepot.com website.

New Year Wishes

This is a beginning of a new year and the end of 2017 for the Saluda Historic Depot. We want to thank everyone for your support for a wonderful year at the Depot. We especially want to thank: the Polk County Community Foundation, our Depot members, our visitors from so many places, Marc & Marianne Blazer at the Orchard Inn, all the volunteers at the Depot, Bob Keeton and everyone that has supported our journey this past year. We are looking forward to the New Year and hope to see you, too.

We also want to thank everyone who came to Hometown

Christmas and we congratulate our winners of the Model Train Raffle and the children who won the raffles during the Polar Express. Linda Hoyle, whom we are trying to contact to receive her prize, was the winner of the train set. Congratulations to the "Bear" winner (attached picture.) She was so sweet and said she would love the bear till she was "old."

We wish everyone a great 2018, and we invite you to visit the Depot and learn its history or share a story with us. We are here to serve the people and the visitors of Saluda.

Judy Ward, Chairperson

On Sale Now Saluda Train Tales Collection DVD

The "Saluda Train Tales" DVD is now on sale. Produced by Bob Keeton, this is a collection of best of the Friday night train tales about the railroad heritage in Saluda and western NC. The video includes tales by Bob Loehne, "Saluda Mountain," Lucas R Safrit, "NC Transportation Museum," Rodger Stroup, "Carolinas Railroad Heritage," Southern Railroad Dining Experience," and Robert "Bo" Brown. A special feature is the "Flight Down the Saluda Grade," created by Bob Keeton with music by "The Carburetors," which is an aerial view of the actual railroad track from Saluda to Tryon.

There is a limited quantity available for \$23 including tax and it can be purchased at the Saluda Historic Depot.



Stay warm with new sweatshirts! white and black, all sizes available!

Interested in History? Be a Volunteer

If you would like to learn about Saluda's history and greet visitors to the Saluda Historic Depot,

please call Anita Moore 404-626-2090.

For more information, please contact Judy Ward at 828-674-5958 or judyward@charter.net or Cathy Jackson at 828-817-2876 or cathy@saludalifestyles.com.

Donations and memberships to the Saluda Historic Depot in 2017 will enable us to receive incentive grant funds from the Polk County Community Foundation.

Saluda Historic Depot is a 501(c)3 non profit and all donations are tax deductible.

Online Shopping!

When online shopping, we invite



you to shop at [SmileAmazon.com](https://www.smile.amazon.com) and select Saluda Historic Depot as your favorite charity. A small percentage of all your purchases will go toward our fundraising.

Saluda Community Land Trust



Call the SCLT office at 828-749-1560 for questions.

Join us on the first Wednesday of each month, this month January 3 at 3:00 pm, at our office in the Saluda Presbyterian Church fellowship building and find out more about our on-going projects and how you can get involved.

Please keep SCLT in mind when planning events in the coming year. SCLT has Twin Lakes and Judd's Peak which are both amazing venues to reserve for birthdays, weddings, and other special events.

Please feel free to contact us about any of our projects by calling our office at 828-749-1560 and leaving a message. We will return your call promptly. Or send an email to info@saludaclt.org. We look forward to your comments and

suggestions.

Visit our website at www.saludaclt.org.

Saluda Garden Club

The Saluda Garden Club will not meet in January. Details for our February meeting will be announced later. We wish our members and our Saluda friends and families a very Happy New Year.



Please note some events may be cancelled or rescheduled due to weather or at the request of the presenter. To confirm a meeting, please call Karen McGee at 828-749-2530. We always welcome new members; so if you would like to become part of this friendly, spirited and interesting group, please contact Karen. Dues are only \$25 per year and meetings are held once a month.



Women's Club of Saluda

The first meeting for 2018 is Tuesday, January 9 at the Presbyterian Church on Carolina Street. The meeting will begin at 10:00 a.m. Refreshments will be served. All are welcome, and ladies interested in learning more about this organization are cordially invited to attend.

For more information, please call Marlin Beckham at 828-808-2439.

The Women's Club of Saluda strives to serve our community and support one another in friendship and to wisely use our resources to advance the dreams of our future leaders.

Thursday Golf

Golfers of all abilities are invited to join the regular Saluda Golfers' group. We leave from the Presbyterian Church Parking lot on Thursday's. Time varies depending on the weather. For more information, please contact Bruce Hunt at 828-708-7380.



Notes from City Hall



Pavers for Pace Park


Remember a loved one by purchasing a brick paver in their name!

Bricks are only \$40, payable to City of Saluda, three lines of copy with a maximum of 14 letters per line. Forms can be obtained from City Hall or by requested from [Catherine Ross](#). [Click here](#) to download a form.

Drop off applications and payment to City Hall or mail to City of Saluda, 6 Main Street, Saluda, NC 28773. Proceeds will go toward building public restrooms.

Be recognized as a contributor to this new Pace Park. This park is in the alley by M.A. Pace General Store and is the location of a Blue Ridge National Heritage Area Interpretation Sign and future public restrooms.

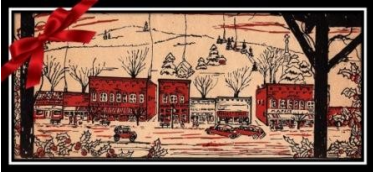
For any additional information, please contact Catherine Ross at 828-749-3534 or carnc@charter.net.

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Stay Informed - Get on a List!

Stay informed by visiting the city website, cityofsaludanc.com. Minutes from previous month's town council meetings are posted on this site. To receive monthly notices about town meetings, please email at admin@cityofsaludanc.com and ask to be placed on the email list.

Saluda Hometown Christmas



Thanks to the Saluda Business Association for sponsoring yet another outstanding hometown event.



Call for Artists
SALUDA ARTS FESTIVAL
Historic Downtown
Saluda, NC
May 19, 2018
10am - 4pm

Cultivating and promoting its heritage in the arts, the Saluda Business Association invites you to enter your work in the 15th annual Saluda Arts Festival scheduled for May 19, 2018. Showcasing fine arts and crafts from local and regional artists, the Saluda Arts Festival draws thousands of spring tourists visiting Western North Carolina.

Exhibit Fee: \$100
Entry Deadline: March 16, 2018

Download application by visiting saluda.com and linking to the arts festival page.

For questions, please contact Alexia Boyd at alexia.timberlake@gmail.com or Mary Meyland-Mason at marymeyland@gmail.com or 817-946-1284.

Saluda Community Library



Children's Programs

for those in grades PreK-5th are at the Saluda Library on Mondays at 4pm. Enjoy fun, free activities every week!

Jan 8 - Shrinky Dinks

Try out this easy craft! Trace or draw an image onto special plastic, color it in, cut it out, and then watch it shrink as it bakes in the oven!

Jan 22 - BINGO

Play a few rounds of BINGO with us... You'll have fun and go home with cool prizes!

Jan 29 - LEGOs

Build and create with the library's 10,000 LEGOs. This is a relaxed "free play" session with no rules!

Note: The library is closed on Monday, January 1 for New Year's Day and Monday, January 15 for Martin Luther King Jr. Day.

The **Saluda Teen Advisory Group (STAG)** meets on first Wednesdays at 4pm. Have a say in what the library offers for teens! Members will be able to offer suggestions for future teen programs, materials, and spaces. Applications are available at the front desk for middle and high school students.

An **Adult Craft Class** is held at the Saluda Library on the second Monday of the month at 2pm. On January 8, we will make wine bottle dish soap dispensers! Etching supplies and dispensers

will be provided but please bring your own empty bottle.

Registration is STRONGLY encouraged. Sign up with Amelia at ahill@polklibrary.org or by calling (828) 894-8721 ext 226.

Special event:

Chili Cookoff

Monday, January 22, 12pm

Bring a pot of chili or something to go with it, such as cornbread. Drinks will be provided. Prizes will be awarded for the best traditional, best vegetarian, and most unique chili!

EVENTS AT THE LIBRARY ARE ALWAYS FREE!

Saluda Library

44 W. Main Street
Saluda, NC 28773
Tel. (828) 749-2117

Hours:

Mon.-Fri. 9am - 6pm
Sat. 9am - 1pm



Information Update for Saluda Elementary January 2018



Jan. 2 Students return to school
Jan. 3-Jan. 24 Class Reading 3D MOY Benchmark

Assessments

Jan. 15 NO SCHOOL --Optional Teacher Workday

Jan. 16 Hobe Ford to visit 4th grade class

Jan. 22 NO SCHOOL --Required Teacher Workday

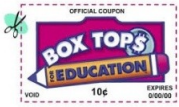
Jan. 23 Report Cards go home

Jan. 30 5th Grade Muddy Sneakers "Terrestrial Ecosystems" at Holmes State Forest

Visit <http://www.polkschools.org/> for state score summaries and regional comparisons.

Visit our school website at: sal.polkschools.org

Sincerely,
Cari Maneen, Principal
cmaneen@polkschools.org
Located at 214 East Main St.,
Saluda, NC 28773



Please keep an eye out for the hot pink **Box Tops** that are on many food

products and send them to our school. Our school receives \$0.10 for each Box Top that is collected and submitted. This money is used to purchase books for the Books Are Really Fun program, which allows every student in the school to choose and keep 3-5 free books each year!

Because student safety is of utmost importance, please do not enter school premises or grounds while school is in session.

Saluda Church Services & Events

Episcopal Church of the Transfiguration
8:00 a.m. - Holy Eucharist - Rite I
9:15 a.m. - Adult Forum
10:30 a.m. - Holy Eucharist - Rite II with music.

Check their website for more programs and schedule changes.
Church of the Transfiguration - A bible study class is held each Tuesday morning, 11:00-12:00 and is open to the Saluda community - 72 Charles Street (behind the school). Come and join us!

Saluda Presbyterian
Adult SS 10:00 am
Worship Service 11:00 am

Saluda First Baptist Church
Reverend Tony Reese
Worship Service 11:00am
Sunday School 9:45am
Wednesday Fellowship Meal 5:15
Wednesday Bible Study and Youth Group 6:30pm
828-749-3231

Email: fbcsaluda@tds.net

Saluda Methodist Church
Reverend Laurie Knoespel

SS 10:00 am
Worship Service 11:00 am



Preserving Saluda's Past for its Future

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**Happy New Year from the
Historic Saluda Committee.
Thank you for making history
with us in 2017!**

**Start the New Year by
Stepping Back in History!**



Dilapidated cabin of William "Billy" Morris, Century Old Fire Photo courtesy of Rob Morse.
Circa 1960's

BRING AN ITEM TO SHOW AND TELL! The Historic Saluda Committee is pleased to announce a new program series called Saturday Step Back in History, which will feature programs pertaining to Saluda's rich history or historic preservation. The first program will be held on Saturday, January 13, 2018 at 10:00 a.m. in the upstairs meeting room at the Saluda Public Library. This program will be a time to show and tell. Ever wondered what is in our archive room? Well, we're going to show you! There's a catch though because we are asking you to join in by bringing

an interesting item that you possess representing Saluda's history and then tell us what you know about it. Ideas of things to bring are documents, pictures, family heirlooms or any artifact you want to share with the group. Be sure to join us for this free and interactive program. No item to share? No worries! Just come and have fun while learning about Saluda's history. All ages are welcome and refreshments will be served. Additional programs will be offered throughout 2018. Stay tuned!

Pat Bares Appointed as New Committee Member

The Historic Saluda Committee (HSC) would like to welcome its newest member, Pat Bares, who was approved to serve at the December meeting of the Saluda Board of Commissioners. Welcome Pat!

Sharing Encouraged

We frequently receive donations of old photographs, historical documents or other artifacts relating to Saluda. Often folks loan them to us to scan and digitalize. This is a great way to preserve your family history or the history of the town. The Historic Saluda Committee uses archival quality materials to store donated items. Collections are often shared on Facebook and on the website. Contact us at historicsaluda@gmail.com to contribute to history!

Use Social Media to Get Your Saluda History Fix Every Day!

The Historic Saluda Committee uses social media. Like our Facebook page and enjoy tidbits of Saluda history every day. We will take you all the way back to the days of Pace's Gap on up to present day. [Click here to go to our page.](#) We are also on YouTube. Oral histories or other videos are uploaded often. [Go here to find us.](#) Or you may simply search for Historic Saluda NC on either social media platform. Our website is always a source of enjoyment, so visit www.historicsaluda.org.

**Didn't Get What You Wanted
for Christmas? Find It Here:**

- *Going Home: Saluda's Music Traditions*, oral history film documentary, DVD, \$20
- *Images of America: Saluda*, book published by Arcadia Publishing Company, \$23.50 (includes tax)
- *Home, Hearth and History: Stories of Old Saluda*, oral history film documentary, DVD, \$20
- *Saluda, NC: Voices from the First 100 Years*, re-mastered audio oral history recordings, CD, \$10
- Historic Saluda Stickers, \$3

Merchandise available through local Saluda merchants, including Heartwood Gallery, Historic Thompson's Store, Saluda City Hall, the Orchard Inn, The Dressing Room, the Saluda Historic Depot and more. All proceeds go toward future projects.

Meetings

The next meeting is scheduled for Friday, January 12, 2018 at 2:00 p.m. at the Saluda Public Library in the upstairs meeting room. The public is invited and encouraged to attend.

The Historic Saluda Committee (HSC) is an official committee under the jurisdiction of the City of Saluda. A seven member panel is appointed by the Saluda Board of Commissioners and the HSC Chair may appoint up to five additional members. For more information about the Historic Saluda Committee go to www.historicsaluda.org or contact us at historicsaluda@gmail.com. Check us out on [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/historicsaluda).

Submitted by Cindy Stephenson Tuttle, Chair, Historic Saluda Committee

Saluda Classified Ads

Office Position Available

The Church of the Transfiguration in Saluda has a position opening for a part-time Parish Administrator. Basic office, computer and financial skills are required, as well as an engaging, welcoming and team-oriented personality. This will be a person who enjoys people and finds meaning in the mission of the Church. Transfiguration Saluda is a welcoming and diverse community. Please send a hand-written letter of introduction with resume to: COTT, PO Box 595, Saluda, NC 28773.

One-Bedroom Apartment for Rent at Lake Sheila. Fully furnished. Weekend \$500 or Week \$750. Call for longer term rates. Call 843-442-2029.

Saluda Cemetery Lot for Sale Four cemetery plots in Saluda Cemetery. Please contact Bill or Barbara Valentine 843-476-6870.

Dan the Computer Tamer

What Is Your Biggest Technology Frustration? Let Dan the Computer Tamer help! Coaching on computers and smart devices. Home networking. Repairs, upgrades and customizations. Affordable service in your home in Saluda and surrounding areas. Daniel Schmitt, 336-565-6336

Therapeutic Massage & Bodywork

Relaxing, healing massages are available in the comfort of your own home, rental cabin or at your favorite B&B. My portable table can go almost anywhere! Advanced scheduling is recommended. 14 years of experience. Cassandra Nelson, Lic#7386, (864)326-8923.

House Sitting & Animal Care

Take your vacations without the guilt and worry. I am familiar with a variety of animals and houses. References are available upon

request. Contact Cassandra at (864)326-8923.

Saluda Post Office Hours

Mon-Fri 9:00am-1:00pm 3:00pm-4:30pm
Sat 9:30am-11:00am
Sun closed
(828) 749-5921.

Health/Wellness

**Saluda
Family
Medicine -
Lisa
Broyles,
MD
Family**



**Medicine with professional
interests in
Holistic/Integrative Medicine.**

Lisa J. Broyles, MD grew up in Asheville, NC and is thrilled to call Saluda home. She attended medical school at Brody School of Medicine at East Carolina University and specializes in family medicine. A wife and mother of two children, Dr. Broyles loves running, yoga and homesteading. She believes in the body's ability to heal itself with proper nutrition and lifestyle choices. Now a certified functional medicine practitioner, Dr. Broyles believes true health encompasses emotional, spiritual, and physical well-being. She looks forward to caring for her friends and neighbors of all ages in Saluda and surrounding areas.

Board Certification

American Academy of family Physicians, Tennessee Medical Association

Education

UNC Chapel Hill Medical School
Brody School of Medicine at East Carolina University

Residency

University of Tennessee, Knoxville Family Practice

For more information, please call 828-894-5627. 1347 Ozone Drive, Suite 2, Saluda, NC 28773

**Note: While Saluda Family
Medicine is under**

**construction, Dr. Broyles is seeing patients
Wednesdays and Fridays from 8 a.m.-noon at Foothills Medical Associates, 801 W. Mills St., Columbus! Call 828-894-5627 for an appointment.**

At Saluda Center

Soulshine Yoga

Dear Yoga Students,
Yoga classes will be suspended until January 2018.

Enjoy your holidays and may they be filled with JOY! Much Love,
Dori

Abundant Grace Massage

Dori Ray, LMBT NC 8190

Please contact Dori to schedule your next massage!

828.808.8334 (text)

828.749.3395 (call)

**Cassandra Nelson, LMBT
Gentle Yin Yoga**

Wednesday 12:30pm

Friday 9:30am

Classes are held in the studio downstairs at the Saluda Center. Mats and props are available. Please come at least 5 minutes early. Questions are always welcome! Please call Cassandra at (864) 326-8923.

AIKIDO 合気道

Aikido (the art of peace or the way of harmony) is a Japanese martial art that does not rely on physical size or strength, kicking or punching. Instead, we use flowing circular movements which enable the defender to off-balance and neutralize an attack with minimal effort or bodily harm to the defender or the attacker. Mondays and Wednesday 6:00 PM downstairs at the Saluda Center.

Saluda Center is located at 64 Greenville, St.



White Crane Karate

Cultivate fitness, focus and peace of mind and build practical self defense skill. Classes every Saturday, from 11am to Noon, in traditional White Crane Karate at the Saluda Center, 24 Greenville, St., Saluda, NC. Jeff Brooks, 7th degree black belt, with many years of teaching and law enforcement experience, presents this uniquely powerful and beautiful martial art in a friendly, focused atmosphere. Classes are \$25 a month. For more info visit mountain-dojo.com or call 828 699-0909. Starting in January!

Awareness through Movement® Classes at Feldenkrais Saluda



- ✦ One free introductory ATM class Thursday Jan 4, 11:00
- ✦ Six ATM classes. Each Thursday, Jan..11 - Feb. 15.

Both at 27 Pearson Falls Road (Nostalgia Court) in Saluda

The introductory ATM is free. The 6 classes are \$15 per class or \$75 for all six.

You can learn what ATM and FI (Functional Integration) are and how they benefit people of any age and ability level:

Visit my website at FeldenkraisSaluda.com and the Guild website at feldenkrais.com.

Call or email Jane Ella for specific questions.

Attend the free intro ATM. Space is limited - Please RSVP

Feldenkrais Saluda is located in Nostalgia Court, 27 Pearson Falls Road. Hours are by appointment. Call or email me to arrange an

individualized lesson or a consultation to find out how you could benefit from Feldenkrais. Gift certificates are available.

Jane Ella Matthews, M.Ed., GCFP
jemtt1@icloud.com
(864) 918-9281

Outdoor Adventures Tryon Garden Club



News at Pearson's Falls

We are closed the month of January.

There is a \$5 adult/\$1 children ages 6-12 admission fee to Pearson's Falls & Glen. Group tickets are available. For information, please call the Gate at 828-749-3031 or go to our web site at www.pearsonfalls.org.

Pearson's Falls is located at 2748 Pearson Falls Rd, Saluda, NC, 28773. From Saluda follow 176 S down the mountain about 3 miles. Watch for signs on the right for the turn to Pearson's Falls. Take Highway 176 N from Tryon about 4 miles. Watch for signs for the turn to Pearson's Falls on your left.

Or drive down Pearson's Falls Road which begins near the bakery and garden center across from Saluda Elementary School. Follow the road down to 2748 Pearson's Falls Road.

Submitted by Lucy Brannon



Conserving Carolina activities for January:

Kudzu Warrior Workday **Every Monday @ 9:00 am - 11:00 am**

Join the Conserving Carolina "Kudzu Warriors" and help restore native habitat by helping to continue the fight against Kudzu, a non-native and invasive vine, at the Conserving Carolina owned Norman Wilder Forest off of Hwy 176.

Town of Tryon Lot Workday **Every Thursday @ 9:30 am - 11:30 am**

Join the Conserving Carolina's AmeriCorps Project Conserve Habitat Restoration and Volunteer Coordinator, Max Howes, and help restore native habitat by helping to continue the fight against Kudzu, a non-native and invasive vine, at the Town of Tryon Lot near IGA.

Trails Crew Workday **Every Wednesday @ 9 am - 4 pm**

Join the Rock Crushers on Conserving Carolina trails in the Hickory Nut Gorge in trail building and maintenance including digging trail tread/surface, removing vegetation, moving rocks, swinging sharp tools, having fun while working hard. Seeking consistent weekly volunteers.

Volunteer Information Session **January 11 @ 5:30 pm - 6:30 pm, January 16 @ 5:30pm-6:30pm**

Want to know more about Conserving Carolina and how you can help? Join us for a Volunteer Information Session at our Polk County Office, 2060 Lynn Road, Suite 1, Columbus. Learn more about our work and how you can make a difference.

Lewis Creek Workday **January 12 @ 10:00 am - 3:00 pm**

Help maintain this rare Southern Appalachian bog habitat by removing non-native, invasive plant species!

Humphrey Farm Workday **January 19 @ 9:30 am - 2:30 pm**

Help battle non-native invasive plant species on this protected property off North Mills River Road.

Walnut Creek Preserve **Education Series "Kudzu & Other Out of Control Invasive Plants"** **January 20 @ 10:30 am - 12:00 pm**

John Vining will present an overview of the worst invasive plants that plague the foothills of both Carolinas. In addition to showing the different plants, the presentation will share control methods of the various exotic plants.

Florence Nature Preserve **Workday** **January 26 @ 10:00 am - 3:00 pm**

Help restore natural habitat and protect rare plants and wildlife by removing non-native, invasive plants and maintaining an important meadow habitat.

To learn more visit Conserving Carolina's website, conservingcarolina.org, or contact Olivia at volunteer@conservingcarolina.org.

Saluda Scoop

The latest news and the unusual offerings provided by Saluda shops, restaurants, accommodations, artists, craftspeople, and service providers.

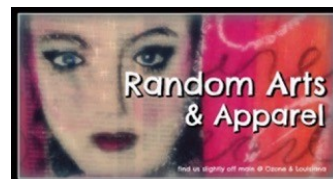
To check business open hours or updates to schedules, please visit saluda.com and click on business website or Saluda, NC [Facebook](#) page.



The Gorge Zipline

The Gorge will be open Fridays and Saturdays throughout the winter months, with extended availability between New Years (champagne zips!) and on Valentine's Day.

To make your reservation, call (828.749.2500). You can also reserve online at TheGorgeZipline.com



Random Arts & Apparel is a one-of-a-kind shopping experience, uniquely designed & merchandised with the latest Fashion Apparel, Jewelry, Handbags, Accessories & Gifts in the styles and trends you are looking for.

Beginning in March, new spring clothes begin arriving just in time for the warmer weather. Unique items created for those of you who want to set yourself apart from others or step out of the box.... just a little. Sometimes all you need is a few baby steps to make a subtle change and that's why we are here. Just a little nudge!

Why not try an oversized vest with some parachute fabric pants? Loose, comfortable and

easy to pack and yes...easy to wear. Comfy all day long.

With new items arriving, the choices will be many. However with our trusted staff of 4, you will feel safe and secure in making the right decision on new wardrobe pieces.

In the meantime, hurry in as we are offering 50% off all clothing in the store until we close for January 6th.



Located at the corner of Ozone and Louisiana
481 Louisiana Ave.
Saluda, NC 28773
828-749-1165
Find us on [Facebook](#) for more up to the minute news.

Irmy's
THE DRESSING ROOM ETC
A Ladies Fashion Boutique

I hope everyone had a joyful Christmas. Thanks to all of you for shopping local in beautiful Saluda, and I wish you all a happy and healthy New Year. THE DRESSING ROOM ETC will reopen the second week in March 2018.



Looking forward, Irmy

137 East Main Street,
Saluda, NC 28773. 828-749-9555. Visit us on [Facebook](#).



**Historic Thompson's Store,
Ward's Grill & Lola's
Celebration Venue
Oldest Grocery Store in NC**

***New Hours for January,
February, and March.***

Grill will be 8:00am to 3:00pm
Store will be 10:00am to 6:00pm

Come in the store and enjoy the homemade dinners, soups, pimento cheese, chicken salad and Charlie's Sage Sausage. You can always pick up fresh ground beef, market sliced bacon, deli meats and a variety of cheese.

Check out our wines and beer, and receive 5% off 6 bottles or 10% off a case of wine. Remember Thrifty Tuesday 10% off \$25.00 and more.

Ward's Grill is serving daily specials including your beverage. Stop by, call or check out website for the specials.

We now have Fried Apple Pies, Breakfast wraps, Chicken salad wraps and the best burgers or CJ burger in town. Hope to see you soon.



Veteran's Breakfast, 3rd
Thursday of each month.

Planning a party and event next year, call now to reserve Lola's Celebration Venue, right in the heart of Saluda.

Check out our new updated [website](#) and tell your friends about Thompson Store, the oldest grocery in NC and Ward's Grill.

The store and grill are located at 24 Main Street, Saluda, NC.
Phone is 828-749-2321.



Sassafras will be open in January, Wednesday through Saturday, Noon until 4pm, through 1/28/18. Weather permitting!!

Our Winter Clearance Sale continues this month, with mark downs now ranging from 30% - 50% off on Clothing and some Accessories. Shop early for many great selections and deals!

We especially want to thank you for your patronage in 2017 and for supporting our little boutique and making it a great year for Sassafras!!! We look forward to seeing you very soon!

Check out our Facebook page "[SassafrasSaluda](#)" for pictures of our current stock and new arrivals!

Sassafras is located at 46 E. Main Street, which is in the center of town, in between the Saluda Grade Café and The Pottery. Store phone number is 828-749-2379.

Connie and Catherine



**The Orchard Inn &
Newman's Restaurant**

Marianne and I, in addition to our entire staff, would like to take this opportunity to Thank You all for helping to make 2017 our best year ever. We appreciate your patronage and continued support and look forward to seeing you in 2018!

The Inn will be closed the month of January for routine maintenance and deep cleaning, re-opening on February 1st.

Please email us at: innkeeper@orchardinn.com to make your reservation for Valentines Day. We're offering a Romance Package and will be open to the public for a fabulous romantic dinner on February 14th.

We are also about to break ground on two new luxury suites, both with amazing mountain views, and a Spa with 2 treatment rooms which will be open to the public. Estimated time of completion - August of 2018.

We wish you all a Happy and Healthy New Year!

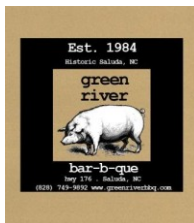
Marc & Marianne Blazar

For more information and reservations, please call 828.749.5471. Visit orchardinn.com and like Newman's Restaurant on Facebook. Like us on [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com)

We are located on Highway 176, Saluda, NC.

Green River BBQ

Happy Savor our daily specials every week day! On Thursday's we are now serving Ana Garcias' Tamales. Come in and try a couple or take some home. Homemade soups and stews change daily.



Enjoy our seasonal beer on tap and daily beer specials. Also all appetizers and small bites are \$2.00 off weekdays.

We will be closed Christmas and New Year's Day.

Happy New Year from all of us at Green River BBQ! Join us on the Patio for delicious treats, beer and corn hole!

Our Winter Hours:

Sunday & Monday, 11am-8PM
Tuesday-Saturday, 11am-9pm

Contact Green River BBQ at 828-749-9892 for takeout orders or visit them at greenriverbbq.com. Visit their [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com) page to get extra daily coupons!

Green River BBQ is located at 131 Highway 176 West.

Wildflour Bakery We'll Be

Here...no January closings for Wildflour! We will maintain our usual winter hours Wed - Sun all month! (closed Mon and Tues)
Hot soup...bean bowls...Chili...and more. Come on in out of the cold and warm up with a hot cup of coffee or tea. Please do call and confirm if the roads are snowy or icy. Best wishes for a very Happy 2018 from Wildflour.



Monday: Closed

Tuesday: Closed

Wednesday: 8:00 am - 3:00 pm & 5:00 pm - 8:00 pm for pizza

Thursday: 8:00 am - 3:00 pm

Friday: 8:00 am - 3:00 pm for breakfast and lunch & 5:00 pm - 8:00 pm for pizza

Saturday: 8:00 am - 3:00 pm

Sunday: 10:00 am - 3:00 pm

While you are checking out our [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com) page or [website](http://wildflourbakerync.com), you can sign up for our newsletter. It's a great way to make sure you don't miss any of the specials and happenings at Wildflour.

Wildflour Bakery 828-749-9224

Check us out online at wildflourbakerync.com Search for us on .



Meanwhile, Back in Saluda's Local Market

January Hours:

Monday, Thursday, & Saturday: 10:00 A.M.-6:00 P.M.

Wednesday & Friday: 10:00 A.M.-8:00 P.M. Wildflour's Pizza Night!

Sunday: 10:00 A.M.-4:00 P.M.

Wildflour's Brunch Time!

Tuesday: CLOSED

Phone: 828-749-9463 (The Wine Shop and Local Market)

Phone: 828-749-2480

(Meanwhile, Back in Saluda)

171 East Main Street, Saluda, NC

Wine Shop Phone: 828-749-9463, email:

meanwhilewineshop@gmail.com

See us on .

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Why Not Saluda?

Saluda is the logical place to spend the summer months. Its vigorous high altitude; it's health giving ozone; it's brisk mountain breezes, combined with the unsurpassed scenic splendors of the Blue Ridge all contribute to make this charming little city a place of rest and recreation unlike any other town of its size?

In friendly competition Saluda challenges the other nearby towns and cities for comparison. Our business section caters to the needs of our visitors. Our banks extend every courtesy. Our stores supply every want. Our churches welcome you. Our Inns and Hotels are very reasonable in their charges.

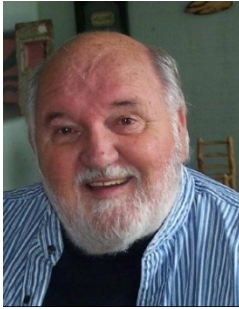
Saluda is a hospitable town.

Stories & Such

No Wonder I'm Fat!

By author, Joe Adams

I truly appreciate all the kind gifts I receive at Christmas. It's wonderful to be remembered, and we really got to know the UPS man as he brought one box after another to the house. But it seems like everything I got was edible. Deliciously, so.



From a friend in Baltimore I received a tin of cookies from a famous old bakery up there...they tasted more like candy ... chocolate covered morsels that melt into your mouth and send ten pounds to your belly. And from a woman who used to work for me, I got three different kinds of cookies from another Baltimore bakery. (Baking is big in Baltimore; all those German immigrants brought their best recipes when they came.)

One of my granddaughters got me some fancy blackberry jam and a jar of Carmel sauce. I love blackberries...and fight with the birds to get the ones that grow by the road near my house. Last season I decided to share with the birds. Actually they get up earlier than I do and you know the saying, "The early bird gets the blackberries."

I got a coconut pound cake from an old friend in Maryland whom I have known since 8th grade. Her husband died two years ago so last Christmas she didn't feel in the mood to cook and send gifts. But thank goodness she's back in the kitchen rattling those pots and pans.

I also got three pound cakes from one of my grandsons...one is chocolate, another is key lime, and the other one is cappuccino. They each feel like they weigh ten pounds. These are real pound

cakes.

We also had a Yule Log cake for Christmas Eve...a cake made in a jelly roll pan...filled with thick whipped cream...covered in thick chocolate and made to resemble a log. It even had little mushrooms (made from meringue) on it. Beautiful and tasty.

A friend of mine who is a blacksmith gave me a loaf of bread and a jar of peanut butter and jelly..."to remember all those times when we were on the road together and ate nothing but peanut butter and jelly sandwiches." I say it's the thought that counts because we also ate a lot of bar-b-que.

I got a box of Bissinger's chocolates...they are apricots covered part way with chocolate. They are almost too beautiful to eat. But I'll try.

My friend Charlie who has been my friend for sixty years always sends me a fruitcake which he makes using his mother's recipe. Even though he has a big family, one by one they have told him to hold off on the fruitcakes. Of course it broke his heart because he was hoping they would ask for the recipe before he dies. I'm the only person that thanks him and eats the cake. This year he was back in business in a big way because he had remarried after sixteen years of living alone. His new wife has a big family so he was able to make fruitcakes for a whole new group.

I got some venison from one of my granddaughters...it's not fattening unless you make country fried steaks out of it, which I do. My sweet granddaughter shot this one. She's quite a hunter and a good shot.

My children used to give me a box of chocolate covered cherries every year at Christmas. The oldest one will soon be fifty and I was thinking that they had grown out of the chocolate covered

cherry habit. But, alas, there was a box of them. From my wife.

I feel blessed with all these goodies and hopeful I'll get some visitors who will help me eat some of this stuff. Otherwise I'll have to spend a bunch of money on new and bigger clothes.

BUTTER BEANS FOR THE SOUL, a funny book by Joe Adams about growing up in the South is available at the Saluda Historic Depot in Saluda. Joe passed away a number of years ago and his family continue to keep their summer home in Saluda.

Crash on Judd's Peak by Clark Thompson

Saturday, February 7, 1948 began as a child's winter delight in Saluda. By mid-morning the low overhanging clouds had begun to release a gentle but steady snowfall just as the forecasters had called for. Then by noon, a couple of inches had accumulated and the beauty of the fresh snow created the excitement of knowing that my friends and I would have at least a couple days of sledding with no school. My earlier bout with rheumatic fever now behind me, I was once again able to enjoy a normal healthy lifestyle. The thoughts of launching sled rides in the parking lot of the old Baptist Church and flying down Church Street on new-fallen snow almost made me giddy with excitement.



That euphoria was about to change. Early in the afternoon, the roar of a low flying multi-engine aircraft hidden in the even-lower hanging clouds was the first indication that something bad was about to occur. Shortly afterwards, a loud explosion could be heard for miles. A four-engine C-47 cargo plane, having flown earlier in the day from Donaldson Air Force Base in Greenville, South Carolina to Washington, D.

C.'s Bolling Field on a ferry trip, was attempting to return to Donaldson with ten souls on board. On his glide path, the pilot had mistakenly misjudged local elevations and crashed into cloud-covered Judd's Peak, shearing through an estimated 300 feet of trees before plowing into the ground and bursting into flames.

One of my older teenage brothers, Perry, was visiting his friend Evan Arledge at Evan's home on Substation Road and, while throwing snowballs, had heard the plane as it passed overhead and then the subsequent impact. Both raced downtown where they hitched a ride to the site. By that time, the subsequent fire had quickly consumed much of the front of plane and several military personnel were burned beyond recognition. Saluda's only fire truck had no real water capacity and apparently was useless in any rescue efforts. However, folks living in the vicinity of the crash, along with other volunteers, raced to the wooded site and helped drag several of the wounded away from the raging inferno.

Due to the anticipated snow accumulation, Mama had already planned to stock up on groceries from Thompson's Store, however; the sound of the crash added a sense of urgency to get downtown and to learn as much as possible about the accident. We had no car, but by walking, it took us only about fifteen minutes to reach City Hall, which by now was in a total state of chaos with rampant rumors flying through the still-swelling crowd.

Eventually, the sounds of sirens could be heard in the distance as ambulances from Hendersonville cautiously negotiated the snow-slick Highway 176. Upon arriving in Saluda, each driver stopped to pick up a local person who could show the way to the crash area. Finally, a couple of emergency vehicles returned from the crash site carrying the most severely injured. Again, each one stopped at City Hall to phone Patton

Memorial Hospital in Hendersonville with casualty reports. At this point, I might need to remind some of my younger readers that, by today's standards, communications in 1949 were fairly primitive. Ambulances were small in size with barely enough room for a patient on a litter and one attendant crouched alongside. At the time, it was much easier to communicate with a receiving hospital by land lines, relaying such pertinent information as the number and condition of the injured and the expected time of arrival.

Like many others crowded around City Hall, I was eager to witness as much of this ongoing tragedy as possible. For some reason, one of the ambulance attendants opened the back door to one of the ambulances and revealed a severely burned victim totally covered by a white sheet. The outline of the shivering body under the sheet and the deep agonizing moans are still etched in my memory. Lacking enough emergency vehicles, several other survivors soon arrived at City Hall in pickup trucks and, after the obligatory phone report to the hospital, were subsequently carried on to Hendersonville.

Early reports indicated that it was impossible to tell whether three or four men were cremated. Due to this confusion, a rumor began circulating that one of the more severely burned victims may have somehow wandered away from the site and could not be located. By that time, darkness was rapidly approaching and most of the excitement had dissipated, so Mama decided that we needed to get our groceries and walk on home, even though Lola wasn't about to close the store early.

As soon as we reached our house, Lola called and told Mama that we had forgotten one small bag of groceries and assured her that she would wait for me to walk back down and pick them up. Of course, by that time my mind was filled with great anxiety from

what I had witnessed and heard. I became convinced that this missing half-crazed burn victim would be wandering somewhere near my path of travel. I was terrified and walked in the middle of the street, listening for the slightest sounds but hearing only the quiet hissing of the now heavy snow fall. I lingered for some time at the store, hoping someone would come along and offer a ride back to my house. Finally, Lola decided to close the store, thus forcing me back out into the now-deep snow accumulation. While walking as briskly as possible in the soft snow, I searched every shadow for that crazed victim who was waiting to attack me.

By the time I reached the intersection of Laurel Drive and Old Macedonia Road near my home, the street light revealed the face and partial outline of a man peeking from behind a large maple tree. Holy terror struck as I desperately tried to run, but my legs just wouldn't cooperate. It seemingly took at least an hour to walk the final 300 or so feet to my front porch. All the agonizing while, I watched over my shoulder to see if a horribly burned man was following me. To make matters worse, it took Mama about another 30 minutes to unlock the front door. By then I was hyperventilating, and my legs were shaking so badly that I immediately collapsed in a chair.

Years later, I realized that there never was a man behind the tree. Rather, I was looking for a monster that existed only in my youthful mind, the same kind of monster I referred to in one of my earlier articles as a "whangdoodle."

Thompson's Store is located at 24 Main Street, in the heart of downtown Saluda. Contact the store at 828-749-2321 or visit [Thompson's Store](#) online.



All Saluda properties are 20 to 30 minutes from the new [Tryon International Equestrian Center](#) in Mill Spring, NC. Live at the top of the grade for cooler temperatures and long-range mountain views!

NEW on the Market!



Delight in your home, renovated, top to bottom, in 2016 by respected builder. The security of a new roof, HVAC, electric, plumbing. The pleasure of modern kitchen & baths, new appliances, beautiful floors, & craftsmanship throughout. Workshop & shed bonus. 3BR 2.5 BA, MLS#3336783, \$247,000 **UNDER CONTRACT!**



Enjoy historic Saluda while living just off of Main Street in this charming cottage. Main level living for you with two bedrooms and a bath upstairs. Nice level back yard for play and for pets. There's plenty of room on the deck to enjoy outdoor dining, watching sunsets and the fun atmosphere of Saluda with small town charm. 3BR, 2BA, MLS#3334826, \$250,000.



Make this your mountain get away or permanent home in coveted Saluda where cool mountain breezes prevail

& enjoy mountain views from multi-decks. 3BR, 2BA, MLS#3336342, \$255,000 **UNDER CONTRACT!**



Enjoy this mountain contemporary home with lots of windows to let in the light and views. Open floor plan is great for entertaining. 4BRm 4.5BA, 3.13ac, MLS#3331917, \$398,000 **UNDER CONTRACT!**



Luxurious private mountain getaway! High ceilings, abundant windows, large outdoor decks, stone fireplace, gourmet kitchen w/ wine fridge & bar. HUGE master suite w/ fireplace, private deck, illuminated jet tub, heated tile. Land backs up to thousands of preserved acres of NC Game Lands 3. Horse paddock w/ water supply. MLS#3327954, \$350,000



This spacious 3 BR 2.5 BA home sits in the heart of Tryon on 4 beautiful wooded lots w/ a mile of hiking trails. The views from all windows & doors are spectacular (especially in the spring & fall). MLS#3323984, \$410,000



Contemporary mountain home w/ board & batten wood & stonework. Floor to ceiling stone fireplaces in spacious LR open to dining & kitchen. Full length deck on back

maximizes long range viewss. MLS#3326823, \$375,000 **UNDER CONTRACT!**



Totally renovated bungalow. It looks like a Plantation House inside and like a charming bungalow on the outside with an open porch on the front and a screened porch overlooking the mountains and valley on the side. There are paths for hiking through out the property and views galore. Separate guest house and workshop. MLS#3328005, \$315,000



Cozy ranch-style lake home at pristine and coveted Lake Sheila is great for main level living. Complete finished and walkout basement can be separate accommodations or rented to lake vacationers. 3BR/2BA, MLS #3308952, \$225,000



All the comforts of home will greet you when you enter this traditional style home. Floor to ceiling stone fireplace with gas logs on great room side and wood stove on kitchen side. Feel warmth and comfort from wood ceilings and beams and sunlight pouring in from south side of home. Master and laundry on main. Enjoy year-long mountain panoramas from back deck and watch the sunset and sunrise. 5 acres of private land. 4BR, 2.5BA, MLS# 3303260, \$379,000



Original farm house on 19+ acres with charm and character waiting for your special touches. Original brick fireplaces, heart Koi pond. House sits in middle of 19 acres and could be cleared for pastured. Mountain views from top of ridge. MLS# 3306077, \$268,000 **UNDER CONTRACT!**



Your next energy efficient, high-quality, arts & crafts style mountain dream home is waiting for you in the established, naturally developed subdivision of Rixhaven. Enjoy simplistic qualities like all hardwood floors, high ceilings with crown moldings and tray ceilings, open floor plan with room-sized screen porch to enjoy the views and watch wildlife. House is a Duke Energy Star Rated home for energy efficiency. 600 gal cistern to catch rain water connected to outside faucets. 3BR, 2.5BA, MLS# 3313478, \$390,000



Beautiful log home near Lake Hosea and just minutes (2 miles) from Saluda. This home features a screened in back porch overlooking a fantastic manicured back yard with lots of beautiful trees, bushes and plants. Springtime is glorious. Home comes completely furnished and ready to move in. This is a great starter home. 2BR, 2BA, MLS#3320033, \$220,000



Enjoy views of long range vistas in A-frame built to take advantage of views. Finished basement has bedroom area, family room and full bath. Master and laundry on main for easy access. Preserved watershed across Rd so very private. Full privileges to enjoy coveted Lake Sheila for swimming, fishing, and boating (non-motorized). 3BR/3BA MLS#3308255, \$385,000



Private mountain cabin with year round views that extend for 60 miles. Perfectly situated on 1.78 acres Open floor plan for the main living area is ideal for family and entertaining, leaving the second half of the home open for sleeping quarters. MLS#3312002, \$188,000



"South View"...wake up to the sunrise over the mountains; take in the beauty of the view morning, noon, & night! Hard to find such a spectacular view so close to downtown Saluda. MLS# 3286240, \$315,000



Charming Saluda cottage plus potential investment property. MLS#3293039, \$365,000.



Porches galore and views from every room. This spacious 2 large bedrooms, open floor plan with loft is a great mountain retreat and a super place to relax and rest. MLS#3289244 \$395,000 **UNDER CONTRACT!**



Lakefront traditional home with many windows for viewing the lake just steps from the house. Special features include high ceilings, hardwood floors, office, sunroom, large master suite. 3BR, 2.5BA, 2-Car Garage, MLS# 3280597, \$359,900



Privately situated on an acre with fruit trees, mature plantings, brick home with lots of work space and storage in basement and over-sized garage.. 3BR, 2BA, 2-Car Garage, MLS#3269234, \$240,000

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NEW! 6.40 ac. Lake Sheila, Water tap, septic, MLS#3296972, \$183,500
 1.01 ac on Lake Adger, MLS#3246170, \$85,000
 .89 ac view lot at Lake Sheila, MLS#3254020, \$82,000
 Dun Roamin', Lot 1, .77 ac, lakefront, \$39,000 MLS# 3284251
 1.05 ac, Macedonia Lake, MLS# 3175119, \$75,000

Saluda City Lots

NEW! .59 ac, MLS#3326462, \$40,000
NEW! 3 ac, MLS#3305104, \$79,900
 .87 ac historic Columbia Heights area, MLS# 3273411, \$109,000
 .96 ac, Ozone Commercial, MLS#3213577, \$125,000
 .46 ac, MLS#3151228, \$68,500

Piney Mountain

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 2.48 ac, MLS#3237409, \$28,000
 15.66 ac, MLS#3237521, 199,900
 2.23 ac on corner lot, \$32,000, MLS#3256215
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View Lots

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NEW! 3.01 ac Miller Mountain, MLS#3326660 \$40,000,
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NEW! 2.68ac Ocean View, MLS#3311355, \$45,000
 5 ac, View, MLS#3123117 \$59,500
 2.07 ac on Laurel Mountain Trail, MLS#3133490, \$65,000
 1.07 ac Mountain Vista, MLS# 3283946 \$39,000

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More...

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NEW! 6.85 ac Rixhaven, MLS#3305979, \$65,000
NEW! 2.30 ac Rixhaven, MLS#3306477, \$29,000
NEW! 2.97 ac, MLS#3310586, septic & well installed, \$45,000
 1.12 ac, Glen Echo, MLS#3308001, \$25,000
 1.33 ac Morgan Creek, MLS# 3284644, \$49,900
 2.08 ac in Whites Lake, creek, MLS# 3273455, \$55,000
 1.03 acres, just outside city limits, MLS#3244790, \$55,000

4 ac, MLS#3168763, \$38,000
 1.76 ac, MLS#3199724, \$36,500
 1.66 ac, Whites Lake, MLS#3231014, \$32,000
 5.77 ac, bold stream, natural development, MLS#556067 \$114,000
 13+ ac Bear Creek, \$126,000, MLS# 3219620
 6.87 ac 1/2 mile from Ozone off Howard Gap w/ well and septic, along with a 5th wheel travel trailer. MLS#3294633, \$120,000

Large Unrestricted Acreage

NEW! 25+ ac, Fork Creek, \$148,000, MLS# 3276992
 41.74 ac Red Horse Lane off Mtn. Page Rd. \$329,900, MLS#3260512
 37+ AC, MLS#3225752, \$278,100
 30+ ac, MLS#3225718, 226,500
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 13.63 ac, MLS#3219620, 126,000
 10.50 ac, MLS#3228565, 109,000
 10 Acres, MLS#3148496, \$125,000
 21.4 ac, MLS#3148326m \$122,000

A Quick Saluda Market Update (comparing all 2016 sales to date with all 2017 sales as of December 31, 2017)

Sales	Closed	Pending
Homes 2017	73	8
Homes 2016	68	0

Land 2017	26	6
Land 2016	17	0

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MARCH-DECEMBER

Saluda Train Tales – 3rd Friday of month at Saluda Historic Depot

APRIL

Jerry's Baddle Green River Multi-Sports – first Saturday in April.

MAY

Green River Adventures Green Spring Bash – 1st Saturday in May
Saluda Arts Festival – 3rd Saturday in May

MAY-OCTOBER

Saluda Tailgate Market-Every Friday at 4:30

JUNE

Top of the Grade Concerts – 2nd Friday of month June-September

JULY

Coon Dog Day - A homecoming and celebration for dogs and their people! Great food, live music, parade, crafts, and more! 1st Saturday after July 4

SEPTEMBER

Charlie Ward's Memorial BBQ - 2nd Saturday in September

NOVEMBER

Green Race - A world Class V kayaking race. 1st Saturday in November.

Saluda Methodist Church Turkey Dinner - 2nd Saturday in November

Small Business Saturday – Saturday after Thanksgiving
Saluda Tailgate Holiday Market – Saturday after Thanksgiving

DECEMBER

Hometown Christmas - Open House and Music, 2nd Friday in December



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