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## The Early Learning Partnership of York County: Now Located in the Heart of Old Town



To better serve our families and community, we are proud to launch our new web site [elpofyorkcounty.org](http://elpofyorkcounty.org)

Several years ago, community assessments revealed the need for increased literacy and health care for children in York County.

The Early Learning Partnership (ELP) of York County helps to meet those needs. Begun by the Junior Welfare League, ELP

first operated as part of United Way's "Success by Six" initiative. In 2005, it became its own nonprofit.

ELP is "a comprehensive, results-oriented initiative to help prepare children to reach school healthy and ready to succeed. Public and private support are combined through partnerships to address the unmet needs of young children and their families."

Reading with a child is the single most important activity to prepare a child for school. Therefore, ELP has three literacy programs for children in York County: Born to Read, Reach out and Read, and Dolly Parton Imagination Library. The latter seeks to ensure that all preschool-aged children have books to read in their homes. Books are available for every child in York County who is between the ages of birth and five years. This program is a community-driven initiative that costs ELP \$30 per child per year. Tax-deductible donations are always gratefully accepted to assist with the cost of these books. ELP also welcomes donations of new or gently used children's books, which are

given to families who need them.

To help meet children's medical needs, ELP supports four Family Resource Centers in York County. One of them, Rock Hill Resource Center, is located in Old Town at 410 E. Black Street. Each center has a medical clinic for uninsured children, staffed by volunteers from Rock Hill Pediatrics and the four school districts.

ELP appreciates its staff and partners for making its work possible. Partners include the school districts; volunteer pediatricians and dentists; the Richard W. Riley College of Education at Winthrop University; Coca-Cola of Rock Hill; Duke Endowment; Sisters of Mercy; Rock Hill Pediatrics; First Steps; York County Library; Dolly Parton Imagination Library Foundation; the Junior Welfare League; and David Knoble, CPA.

The ELP office, once located on Winthrop's campus, recently moved to the heart of Old Town at 114 E. Main Street. For more information, call ELP at 803-323-2180 or visit the new web-site or facebook page.



A mother reading with her child during a literacy activity at the Rock Hill Resource Center. Photo courtesy of Parent Smart.

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## Emmett Scott Center Events

801 Crawford Road \* 803-329-5661

### POWER 98—Teen Summit

**February 10th**, 5:30pm to 7:15pm

*Leading to Change*, Morning Madd House and spoken word by Lawrence Brown. Free.

### Virtuous Women Monologues

**February 18th**, 7pm

Women and young ladies are invited to a night of wisdom, empowerment, and integrity. Ages 10 and up. Free. Emmett Scott's community room.

### Youth Fit Mix

**February 19th**, 10am to noon

Exercise, healthy snacks, and tips for youth in K5–5th grade and their families. Cost is only \$1. Youth Fit Mix happens on the third Saturday of every month.

### Legacy: New Support Group for Single Parents

**February 19th**, 11:30am to 1pm

Opportunity for single parents to be encouraged, to learn about community resources, and to establish relationships with those in similar situations. Free.

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Some adult content

## Mentoring Program: Sisters and Brothers with Purpose

Sisters with Purpose and Brothers with Purpose are mentoring programs that are supported by two non-profit organizations: CRAVE Inc. and BROTHERS.

The mission of Sisters and Brothers with Purpose is “to empower middle school and high school students to realize their potential in achieving success through creating goals. The idea is to encourage our youth to not only be responsible for themselves but accountable for each other through a bond of sisterhood and brotherhood.”

The students discuss topics they encounter in everyday life, such as peer pressure, racism, education, and teen pregnancy. The group meets on the **1st and 3rd Thursdays of each month** at 6:30pm at Emmett Scott Center, 801 Crawford Road. For more information, call 803-329-5661.

## Arts Events

Center for the Arts  
121 E. Main Street  
803-328-2787

[www.yorkcountyarts.org](http://www.yorkcountyarts.org)

Gallery Up & Gettys Center  
201 E. Main Street  
803-322-7873

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

### Portrait Drawing Sessions

**Every Monday**, 7pm to 9pm

Drawing session with a clothed model. \$5 suggested contribution. Space 157, 157 E. Main Street, 2nd floor. For more information, visit the website: [fridayartsproject.blogspot.com](http://fridayartsproject.blogspot.com)

### Lawery and Deas Photography Exhibition

**Exhibition: Now through February 18th**

**Reception: February 10th**, 6pm

Exhibition of photography by Chris Lawery and John Deas. Free. Dalton Gallery, Center for the Arts.

### New Work by Alfred and Stephanie McCloud

**Exhibition: February 2nd through February 25th**

**Reception: February 28th**, 6pm to 8pm

Exhibition features recent work that further explores and, in some cases, renounces each of these artists' existing themes of repetition and texture in painting and drawing. Free. Gallery Up.

## Earth Fare Events

725 Cherry Road \* 803-327-1030  
www.earthfare.com (Our Stores, Rock Hill, Events)

### Family Dinner Night—Kids Eat Free Every Thursday Night, 4pm to 8pm

Earth Fare's Itty Bitty Bites program is geared toward fighting childhood obesity, one healthy meal at a time. Kids eat free every Thursday night with the purchase of an adult meal priced at \$5 or more.

### Uncorked!

#### February 9th, 5:30pm to 7:30pm

Earth Fare is pulling out the corks and pouring their best wine and beer. Taste your way through a great selection. Free.

## Library Events

138 E. Black Street \* 803-981-5830  
www.yclibrary.org \* 803-981-5888

### Homeschool Helper Workshop: Just What are Lapbooks?

#### February 10th, 7pm to 8pm

Workshop designed to help homeschooling parents with organization, networking, and curriculum. Conducted by Lois Stimax, a homeschool mom for more than 11 years. This session will include examples of lapbooks and how to integrate them into any subject area. Free. Call to register.

### Free Practice SAT Exam

#### February 12th, 9am to 2pm

The Princeton Review will hold a free, full-length, proctored SAT exam for 9th–12th grade Enjors. An analysis of test results and discussion of test-taking strategies will be held in a follow-up session on **February 24th**, 6:30pm to 8pm. To register, call 1-800-2Review (1-800-273-8439) or visit [www.princetonreview.com](http://www.princetonreview.com). Call 803-981-5830 for details.

### Follow the Path to Fairyland

#### February 22nd and 23rd, 4pm to 5pm

Magical games and fairy crafts for children ages 6 to 9. Call to register for either date.

### Prom Blow-Out

#### February 28th, 6:30pm to 8pm

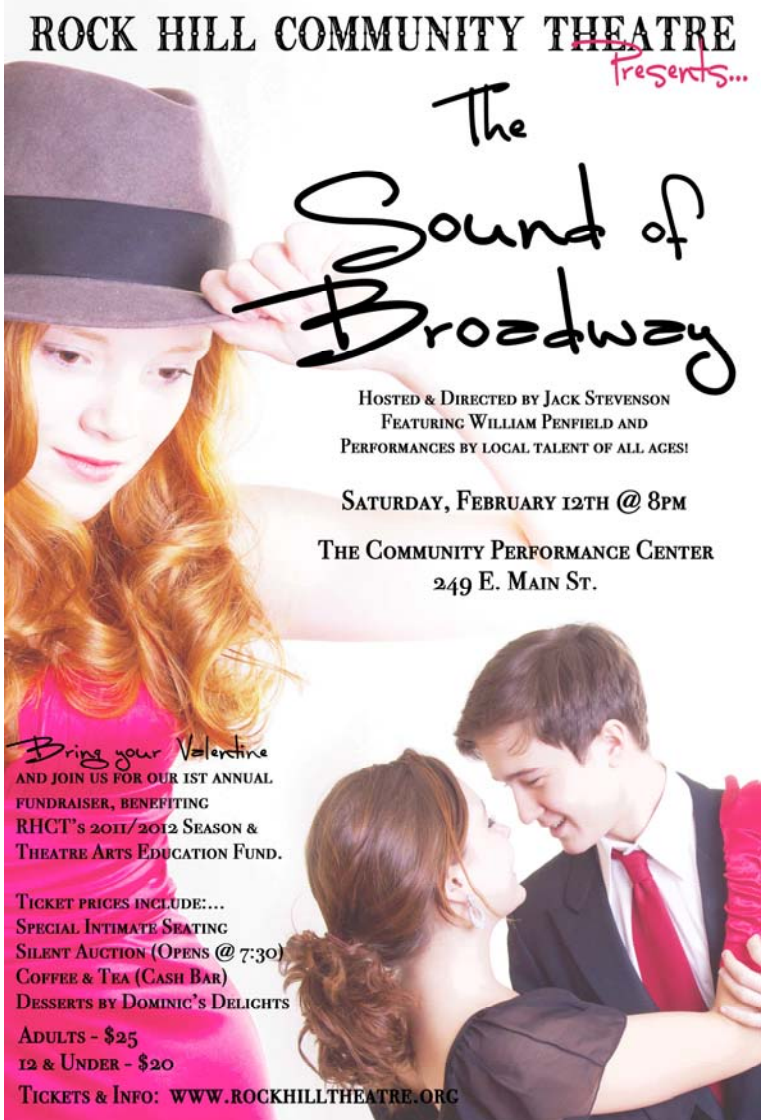
Just in time for prom, the professional staff of Salon Naman will demonstrate hairstyles, makeup tips, and accessory ideas. All participants will receive a goody

## Greek Night, Hosted by Old Town Bistro

On **February 12th**, from 6pm until, enjoy Greek Night in Old Town with live Greek music and a delicious all-you-can-eat meal:

- ◆ Pastitsio (Greek lasagna)
- ◆ Mousaka (eggplant pie)
- ◆ Souvlaki (pork on a stick)
- ◆ Domades (stuffed grape leaves)
- ◆ Roasted chicken with roasted potatoes
- ◆ Greek salad
- ◆ Homemade baklava

Cost is only \$20 per person for dinner and a drink (wine or Greek beer). After 10pm, admission is \$10. Old Town Bistro will offer its full menu as well. Call Stacy or Lukas for reservations: 803-327-9222 or 704-425-6088/9. The Palmetto Room, enter at Old Town Bistro, 135 E. Main Street. [www.rholdtownbistro.com](http://www.rholdtownbistro.com)



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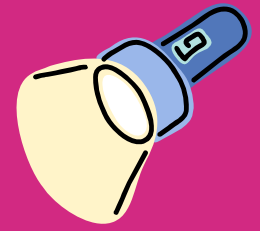
ADULTS - \$25  
12 & UNDER - \$20

TICKETS & INFO: [WWW.ROCKHILLTHEATRE.ORG](http://WWW.ROCKHILLTHEATRE.ORG)



## Business Spotlight:

### Ichiro



Ichiro, a family-run Japanese restaurant, opened in Old Town in December 2010 across from Winthrop University. Ichiro offers fresh sushi, teriyaki, and hibachi food. Meals can be enjoyed in the spacious, vibrant dining area or quickly prepared for take out. Call-ahead orders are welcome.

Ichiro is open every Monday through Thursday from 11am to 10pm, every Friday and Saturday from 11am to 11pm, and every Sunday from noon to 10pm. It is located at 203 Cherry Road. For more information, call Ichiro at 803-980-5972 or visit the website: [www.ichirorockhill.com](http://www.ichirorockhill.com)

## Upcoming Events

### Chapter One Book Club

**March 3rd, 7pm**

Chapter One Book Club meets at the main branch of the York County Library, 138 E. Black Street. The book to be discussed in March is "Night / Dawn" by Elie Wiesel (2 books). Free. Call 803-981-5825 to register and reserve a copy.

**First Fridays in the Garden, 11am to noon**

**March 4th: Weeds of Winter**

**April 1st: Constructing a Rain Garden**

The City of Rock Hill's Parks and Recreation Dept. has partnered with the Clemson Extension Service to offer free classes which are conducted by the York County Master Gardener Association. Topics are different each month. Classes are held at the Glencairn Garden Learning Center, 825 Edgemont Avenue. Free. For more information, call 803-684-9919 ext. 112.

### Tour of Historic Old Town

**March 27th, 2pm to 4pm**

Join local historian, Wade B. Fairey, at the White Home to begin this guided walking tour and to learn more about Rock Hill's history. The White Home is located at 258 E. White Street. For tour reservations, call 803-329-1020. Cost is \$6 for adults (18-59), \$5 for seniors (60+), \$3 for youth (5-17), and free for children 4 and younger.

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