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Nova's Bakery Opens its First Rock Hill Location

In 1996, the first location of Nova's Bakery was opened in Charlotte, NC by Sladjana and Vlado Novakovic. Originally from Serbia, they wanted to offer authentic, artisan breads to the local community—breads that were free from preservatives and chemicals, just as one would find in Europe. Their breads and pastries are all baked daily using the finest natural ingredients.

The first Nova's Bakery was so successful that two more locations in Charlotte followed. Now, for the first time, there is also one in Rock Hill. The Novakovic's chose their Old Town location because they wanted to be near Winthrop University and the

active, established part of the community. This location—which has both a drive-thru and a dining room—carries the same freshly-baked breads that are offered in Charlotte. It also has a case filled with European-style pastries and cakes (baklava, croissants, turnovers, rugelach, and more), plus coffee made from locally-roasted coffee beans. Gift cards, as well as custom gift baskets and platters, are also available.

Nova's Bakery is located at 1108 Cherry Road. It is open seven days a week from 6am to 9:30pm. For more information, call 803-366-3343 or visit the website: novasbakery.com

Five & Dine: Now Open in Old Town

Five & Dine opened last month in the former Old Town Bistro location. Owners Tomas and Selena Kelemen were not planning to open another restaurant, as they are already the managing partners of Fish Market in Fort Mill. When Selena first visited the space, though, she saw the stools at the former McCrory's Five and Dime lunch counter, where the Friendship Nine had staged a sit-in during the civil

rights movement, and she felt an immediate emotional connection. She and Tomas decided to open a restaurant there to celebrate history. The walls were painted yellow and black, inspired by the civil rights era; Springmaid ads from the 1940s were hung on the walls; and the restaurant's concept was developed around lunch counters.

Selena describes the meals served at Five & Dine as "American classics, some with a unique twist." The menu includes a wide variety of soups, sandwiches, salads, and desserts. So far, customer favorites include the Asian-influenced sloppy joe; the Nutella and banana sandwich; and the Frito pie with chili, cheese, and Frito chips. Sodas, egg creams, floats, milkshakes, and phosphates are served from its soda fountain.

Five and Dine is located at 135 E. Main Street. Lunch and dinner are served seven days a week, beginning at 11am. Breakfast is served on Saturdays and Sundays from 9am to 12pm. For more information, call 803-328-3463 or visit the website: eatatfiveanddine.com



Five & Dine's historic lunch counter and dining room.



An Evening of Art & Desserts

The Yorkville Artists' Guild presents An Evening of Art & Desserts on **November 7th** from 7pm to 8:30pm. This event will include a silent auction of original framed art, desserts, coffee, door prizes, and a raffle to win one of three original works. Admission is free. Cotton Factory, 300 Chatham Avenue.

Holiday Wine Pairing Dinner and Local Art at Erin's

A special Holiday Wine Pairing Dinner will be held at Erin's Restaurant on **November 14th** at 7pm. It will include five wines and five courses. Guests will learn about perfect holiday pairings for upcoming celebrations. The cost is \$48 per person, with limited seating available. Wines tasted during the meal will be available for purchase at a discounted rate.

Erin's is also open for lunch Monday–Friday, 11am to 2:30pm; for dinner Tuesday–Thursday, 5pm to 9pm and Friday–Saturday, 5pm to 10pm; and for Sunday brunch from 10:30am to 2pm. While at Erin's, enjoy viewing work by local artists. Currently on display: Quilts by Sonja Panov and Joyce Walton; watercolors by Connie McKeown; and pottery by Katherine Petke of Black Crow Pottery. All artwork can be purchased.

Erin's Restaurant is located at 129 Caldwell Street. To make a reservation, call 803-493-9428. For more information, visit the website: erinsrockhill.com

OWL Book Club

One Sunday each month, kids can celebrate the wonder of words and the power of pictures through the Our Wee Literature (OWL) Book Club. This month's featured author is Melinda Long with her book "How I Became a Pirate." On **November 10th** at 3pm, Long's book will be discussed and kids will do a fun activity. The Main Street Children's Museum is located at 133 E. Main Street. For more details, call 803-327-6400 or visit: mainstreetchildrensmuseum.org

Gift & Gab Night

The 2nd annual Gift & Gab Night will be held on **November 12th**. Drop by The White Home, 258 E. White Street, anytime between 5pm and 7:30pm to enjoy holiday shopping, wine, South Carolina food tastings, and more. For more information, call 803-329-1020 or email: lydia.lochocki@historicrockhill.com

Arts Events

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

Community Performance Center
249 E. Main Street
www.yorkcountyarts.org

An Evening with Paul Reed Smith

November 7th, 7:30pm

Woody's Music presents An Evening with Paul Reed Smith. It will include a presentation featuring the different models and pickups of Paul Reed Smith (PRS) guitars. There will also be door prizes, a "petting zoo" for playing the PRS guitars displayed, and special discounts at the event. Pizza and drinks will be sold. Free admission. Community Performance Center.

Winthrop University's Jazz Guitar Ensembles

November 11th, 7:30pm

Led by Dr. L. H. Dickert, Winthrop University's Jazz Guitar Ensembles present an evening of music. Free for Winthrop students. \$5 general admission.

Underexposed Film Festival—York County

November 14th—16th

This year, 39 independent films from around the world were entered into the juried competition, and 17 were selected for the festival. Films will be shown at the Community Performance Center. For complete details, including film synopses, schedule of film showings, and ticket information, visit: yorkcountyarts.org

Korogocho: Photography, Painting, and Mixed Media Work by Jim Stratakos

Exhibition: Now through December 6th

Award-winning photojournalist Jim Stratakos offers an intimate look at Korogocho, a massive slum in Nairobi, Kenya. He traveled to Korogocho twice to document the work of the Kenya Orphanage Project and to help raise money for a children's center. Through his art, he hopes to increase awareness of the plight of poverty and to call for social change. Dalton Gallery, Clinton College, 1029 Crawford Road. Free admission. For more information, call 415-990-6799.

Tribute to Veterans Event

On **November 8th** at 10am, a special event will be held to honor the dedicated men and women of the military. This patriotic Program, coordinated by the Veterans Event Planning Committee and Rock Hill Parks, Recreation, and Tourism., will take place at Glencairn Garden, 825 Edgemont Ave. For more information, call 803-329-5620.

Library Events

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

Once Upon a Lap Story Time

Tuesdays, November 19th-December 10th, 9:15am
Stories, songs, and activities for babies age 23 months and younger, along with their caregivers. Call to register.

The Bee Ladies Beeswax Candle Workshop

November 20th, 1:30pm to 2:30pm
Make a 100% beeswax rolled candle with help from The Bee Ladies of MamaBeehive Honey Farm. All materials provided. Call to register.

Chess Club

November 21st, 5pm to 6:30pm
Learn to play chess or practice your skills. For 6th-12th graders. No registration required.

Upcoming Library Events

Elves in the Shelves

December 5th, 4pm to 6pm
Join the library's merry elves and gnomes for holiday activities, including music by Dale Brook, the Magikal Minstrel, free children's crafts, an appearance by Beamer (the library mascot), and refreshments. For all ages. No registration required.

Teen D.I.Y. Christmas Gift Drop-In

December 7th, 1pm to 2:30pm
Create unique, gift-worthy crafts. For 6th-12th graders. All materials provided. No registration required.

Friends of the Library Holiday Book Sale

December 8th, 3:30pm to 5pm
Choose from gift-quality, gently used books including holiday titles, children's books, cookbooks, and more—all at bargain prices.

Fall Old Town Market

Old Town Market will hold its final fall market on **November 21st, 5pm to 8pm**, inside the Old Town Market Hall at 121 Caldwell Street. This special market will feature seasonal farm products and handmade works by local artisans. There will even be a strolling magician and Pickles Da Clown! For more details, call 803-417-4067 or visit: onlyinoldtown.com/market

Upcoming Market Event

The Holiday Old Town Market will be held as part of ChristmasVille's Holiday Gift Market again this year. During the festival, Old Town Market vendors will be located in the Old Town Market Hall, 121 Caldwell St. Other Holiday Gift Market vendors will be in The Palmetto Room, 150 E. White Street, and in a tent on Caldwell Street. The Holiday Gift Market hours are:

- ◆ **December 6th:** 12pm to 5pm
- ◆ **December 7th:** 10am to 7pm
- ◆ **December 8th:** 12pm to 5pm

Special children's activities will be offered at the Old Town Market Hall during ChristmasVille:

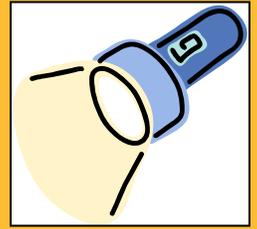
- ◆ **Make a Popcorn Snowman:** Free. Same hours as above. Made possible by Lovern Greenhouse.
- ◆ **Pickles Da Clown:** Balloon animals, face painting, glitter tattoos. Prices vary. Same hours as above.
- ◆ **Decorate a Cookie:** \$1.00 per cookie. Offered on December 7th from 11am to 1pm and 3pm to 5pm; and on December 8th from 1pm to 3pm. Made possible by Pat-A-Cakes Bakery.

For more information about ChristmasVille, call 329-8756 or visit the website: ChristmasVilleRockHill.com



Business Spotlight:

Vinyet Architecture



Vinyet Architecture is a firm with locations in Rock Hill, Charleston, and Asheville, NC. According to the website, Vinyet is “a collaborative studio that specializes in commercial, residential, and municipal architecture throughout the Carolinas...We strive to create architectural design that is both environmentally and fiscally responsible.”

In February of this year, Justin Smith, co-owner and Principal of Vinyet, decided to move the Rock Hill location to the heart of Old Town. “I tend to gravitate toward the historic side of things,” he said. He and business partner, Myles Alexander, also wanted to “to be part of what we believe is going to be a successful [Old Town] revitalization.” They enjoy being able to walk to local restaurants and businesses, and to talk with people who stop by after seeing their sign outside.

Vinyet Architecture’s Old Town office is located at 130 E. Main Street, Suite 200-B. For more information, call 803-324-5531 or visit the website: vin-yet.com

Upcoming Events

ChristmasVille

December 5th—8th

This annual holiday celebration features more than 65 events, all in Old Town Rock Hill. These events include horse-drawn carriage rides, historic tours, strolling Dickens carolers, art, theater, dance, music, a gingerbread house contest, a parade, a carousel, an IGX interactive gaming center, multiple Santa activities, an ice skating rink, and 20 tons of real snow. There is also a holiday gift market and Winthrop University’s annual holiday pottery sale. For more details about ChristmasVille, call 803-326-3886 or visit the website: christmasvillerochhill.com

Open Artist Studios in the Gettys Art Center

December 6th—8th

The artist studios inside the Gettys Art Center, 201 E. Main Street, will be open during ChristmasVille. Visit Aaron Longstreth of New World Media; Becky Ramsey, jeweler; and Katherine Petke, Liz Lee, and Bob Hasselle, all potters in the Rock Hill Pottery Shop. On Saturday, the Pottery Shop will be offering free wine and cheese (while supplies last). While in Old Town for ChristmasVille, shop for unique gift items made by local artisans in the Gettys Art Center.

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