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February 2014

York County Green Business Conference to be Held in Old Town

This year's York County Green Business Conference will be held on **March 6th** from 7:30am to 2pm in Winthrop's Richardson Ballroom, 701 Oakland Avenue. Anyone interested in learning how to be 'Green in 2014' is invited to participate.

Attendees will hear about innovative and sustainable techniques; emerging and efficient technologies; and practices that can help keep more money in their pockets, whether they are business owners or homeowners. Engineers and architects can also earn CEUs.

Registration is now open. General registration is only \$20 per person and includes the conference, excellent

speakers and topics, expert roundtable sessions, access to an exhibitor area, breakfast, lunch, and optional tours. Offered during the optional last session: A tour of Winthrop University's LEED-Certified West Center; a tour of Winthrop's Composting Digester; or a short workshop to learn about Rock Hill's Technology Incubator at Knowledge Park.

Exhibitor and sponsor packages for businesses and nonprofit organizations are available as well. For more information or to register for the conference, call 803-329-7027 or visit the website: yorkgreenbizconference.com

Winthrop Students Creating Art for Family Trust Headquarters

When Family Trust's new headquarters opens in 2015, art created by Winthrop University students will tell the story of the credit union's history and its impact in the community.

Five students have been commissioned to create six pieces of art for the lobby, a community room, an employee canteen, and the board room. The pieces will be made from a variety of

materials including railroad ties, ceramics, steel, and colored glass. They will reflect Family Trust's core values, service to York County, and ties to textiles.

Tom Stanley, Chair of the Winthrop Fine Arts Department, and Shaun Cassidy, Professor of Fine Arts, are leading the students. "This opportunity provided by Family Trust and their design team gives our students the kind of professional experience required to succeed in their chosen fields," said Stanley. "It allows real community engagement through meaningful collaborative projects."

Students working on this project are Chelsea Arthur, Nicole Davenport, Samantha Oliver, Christopher Smalls, and Kaitlyn Walters. Their artwork will be completed by early May and then stored until the new headquarters opens. For more information about this project, call 803-326-2127.



Rendering of Family Trust's new headquarters by 505 Design.



Lunch-n-Learn: Women and Heart Disease

At this Lunch-n-Learn event on **February 19th** from 12pm to 1:30pm, women can learn about heart disease as it relates specifically to them, as well as how they can live as heart-healthy as possible. This event will feature Dr. Harry E. Hicklin, III of Palmetto Cardiology of York County. Cost is \$20 per person, which includes lunch, beverage, and tax. Each attendee will receive a free Heart2Heart goody bag containing healthy heart educational materials. The City Club of Rock Hill, 140 E. Main Street. Reservations required by February 17th. Call 803-980-2525 to register.

Courtroom at Gettys Events

Take the Stand: An Evening of Live Music and Performance Art

February 6th, Doors: 8:30pm, Show: 9pm

This event will feature performances by Valerie Ifill and Winthrop dancers, the Triptych Collective, Blakeney Bullock, Jonathan Paul Pritchard, and William Jacob Johnson. Live music by Percussionisms and others. Cover charge: \$3.

A Night of Indie Rock Music

February 13th, Doors: 9pm, Show: 9:30pm

This event will feature some of the region's best bands and performers including Junior Astronomers, It Looks Sad..., Small Sanctions, and China Copy. Cover charge: \$5.

Country Rock n' Roll

February 22nd, Doors: 9pm, Show: 9:30pm

This event will feature performances by Fernadina, The Wiggle Wagons, and more. Cover charge: \$5.

The Courtroom at Gettys is located inside the Gettys Art Center at 201 E. Main Street.

For more information about these events, find The Courtroom at Gettys on Facebook.

2nd Annual Heart Gala

On **February 15th** from 6pm to 10pm, a red dress, red tie event will be held to benefit the Heart2Heart Foundation. This event will feature music, dancing, wine tasting, an open martini bar, delicious food, and a complementary photo memento of the evening. Tickets are \$50 per person.

The 2nd Annual Heart Gala will be held at The City Club of Rock Hill, 140 E. Main Street. For more information or to purchase tickets, call 803-524-5671 or visit the website: theheart2heartfoundation.org

Arts Events

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

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

Tony DiGiorgio's *Travels and Flights of Fancy* Exhibition: Now through February 16th

This digital photography exhibition features unique works by Tony DiGiorgio, who served as president of Winthrop University for 24 years. Dalton Gallery, Center for the Arts.

Works by Dana and Bob Shelby

Exhibition: Now through February 16th

The works of Dana and Bob Shelby of Shelby Studios will be on display. They create artwork using a variety of collage materials and acrylic paints. Full of texture and color, these abstract mixed-media pieces are intriguing and charming. Perimeter Gallery, Center for the Arts.

Matt Horick and Jonathan Caleb Sauls

Exhibition: Now through February 16th

The metal sculptures of Matt Horick and the mixed media works of Jonathan Caleb Sauls, both BFA students at Winthrop University, will be on display. Edmund Lewandowski Classroom Gallery, Center for the Arts.

An Evening of Radiance

February 22nd, 7:30pm

The Arts Council of York County's annual fundraising gala will include live jazz music, a deejay, heavy hors d'oeuvres, an auction, photos, and an open bar. Black tie optional. Tickets: \$85 per person, available online or by calling 803-328-2787. Sponsorships available. The City Club of Rock Hill, 140 E. Main Street.

Library Events

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

Bears and Books, Oh My!

- ◆ **February 8th**, 11am to 12pm
- ◆ **February 11th**, 6pm to 7pm

Bring a teddy bear and wear your pajamas for hot chocolate, stories, songs, and crafts about favorite bears such as Winnie the Pooh and Corduroy. For ages 12 and under, with an adult. Call to register.

Chess Club

- ◆ **February 10th**, 4:30pm to 6pm
- ◆ **February 24th**, 4:30pm to 6pm

Learn to play chess or practice your skills. For 6th–12th graders. No registration required.

Teen Advisory Board Meeting

February 18th, 5pm to 6:30pm

Teens in grades 6–12 will help select materials for the young adult collection and plan teen events. Earn volunteer time for participating. No registration required.

Creating Wealth by Investing

February 20th, 6:30pm to 8pm

Learn things to consider before investing, types of investments, and how to choose a financial professional. Led by Marc Morris, a retired financial planner with more than 30 years of experience. Workbooks and handouts available for free. Call to register.

A Visit from Adam: Slavery in the South

February 25th, 5pm to 6:30pm

Dontavius Williams of Historic Brattonsville, one of the few living history sites with African-American interpretation, will share the story of Adam, Dr. Bratton's slave, and other slaves on the plantation. Call to register.

Heart2Heart Girls Night Out

February 20th, 6:30pm to 8pm

Join us during American Heart Month for a Girls Night Out to learn how to take proactive steps in preventing heart disease. Dr. Naresh Mori of Carolina Cardiology Associates will lead the discussion and answer questions during this informal program. Participants will receive a free Heart2Heart goody bag containing healthy heart educational materials. Light refreshments will be served. Reservations required by February 21st.

Wee Wednesdays

On Wee Wednesdays, kids ages three and younger, with their caregivers, can enjoy music, movement, and crafts at the Main Street Children's Museum. Free with paid museum admission. Schedule for February:

- ◆ **February 5th**, 10:30am to 11am
- ◆ **February 12th**, 10:30am to 11am
- ◆ **February 19th**, 10:30am to 11am
- ◆ **February 26th**, 10:30am to 11am

Main Street Children's Museum is located at 133 E. Main Street. For more details, call 803-327-6400 or visit: mainstreetchildrensmuseum.org

Rock Hill Community Theatre Presents "She Loves Me"

Rock Hill Community Theatre presents *She Loves Me*, a romantic comedy set in the 1930s. The play is about two feuding clerks in a European parfumerie who secretly find solace in their anonymous romantic pen pals. Little do they know, their respective correspondents are none other than each other.

Shows will be held at the Community Performance Center, 249 E. Main Street, according to the following schedule:

- ◆ **February 7th**, 8pm
- ◆ **February 8th**, 8pm
- ◆ **February 9th**, 3pm*
- ◆ **February 14th**, 8pm
- ◆ **February 15th**, 8pm
- ◆ **February 16th**, 3pm*

Cost: \$15 adults, \$12 students/seniors.

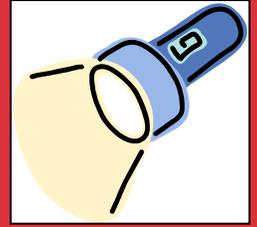
* \$2 off matinee.

To purchase tickets, call 803-326-7428 or visit the website: carolinatix.org. For more information about the show, visit the website: rockhilltheatre.org



Business Spotlight:

Advantage Insurance



Advantage Insurance has been meeting the community's insurance needs since 1998.

Wanting to be part of Old Town's revitalization, owner Derrick Gainey moved his business from another Rock Hill location in 2012. He chose a beautiful historic building that is more than 100 years old. "I love old buildings and felt this was one to preserve," Gainey said. He also wanted to be easily accessible to his customers, and being off of Dave Lyle Boulevard accomplished this goal.

Gainey is an insurance agent licensed in both North and South Carolina. He sells individual life, health, dental, vision, and disability insurance policies from a several different insurance companies. He also helps businesses find group health insurance plans to offer to their employees. In addition, Gainey is knowledgeable about the Affordable Health Care Act and can help clients understand how it affects them.

Gainey is also a Certified Senior Advisor who specializes in Medicare insurance. He helps seniors obtain health insurance, secure assets against increasing medical costs, and find services in the community to meet their needs.

For each individual and business client, Gainey works to provide a variety of options, in hopes that one of the options will meet the client's needs. Advantage Insurance's services are free, and quotes can be provided instantly. Clients benefit from individual attention and personal service for the life of the professional relationship.

Advantage Insurance is located at 422 E. Main Street. Office hours are Monday through Friday from 9am to 5pm. To schedule a free consultation, call 803-980-5118. For more information, visit the website: advantageinsurance.net

Upcoming Events

Big Ray & the Kool Kats

March 14th, 7:30pm

Big Ray & the Kool Kats is comprised of a crisp four-piece rhythm section, four sizzling horn players, and a variety of vocalists. Community Performance Center, 249 E. Main Street. Tickets: \$35 advance; \$40 at the door. For more information, call 803-328-2787 or visit the website: yorkcountyarts.org

St. Patrick's Day on Main

March 17th, 4:30pm to 9:30pm

This annual street festival celebrates St. Patrick's Day and Irish culture. It will feature live Irish music; Irish dancers; a bagpiper; Irish/Celtic and other vendors; an amusement area for children; and plenty of food and beverages. Free admission. E. Main Street. For more details: onlyinoldtown.com