



Chetola DISPATCH

FALL/WINTER 2015

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THE PROPERTY REVIEW BY KENT TARBUTTON

Greetings on another early fall afternoon – I do love this time of year when I hear the call of my stored away sweaters and warm boots ready to rejoin the world of cooler nights. I have begun to pile up all those slabs of hardwood into cords like another layer of winter insulation rowed up high enclosing the once open porch decks. Cutting up and stacking all that wood gives me a warm feeling of security as the change in weather heralds the winter weather just ahead, and heaven knows I need all the exercise I can get.

After a day of laying in my winter's supply I am pretty worn out and the chainsaw is easily replaced by that steaming hot tub out on the back deck. There is nothing like a hot stream of pounding waves and a good book to ease those muscles and my mind at the same time. So last night as I was sitting out watching the sunset, I noted the winds picking up through our valley and the splendor of colorful leaves began to fall like a rain shower from the heavens.

So when did you last make your way up to your beautiful mountain home and enjoy the splendor of fall in the Blue Ridge? It is a great time to be up here, and our Chef Hunter will delight you with his great fall specials each night. Don't forget that Wednesday night is Steak on the Lake with live music, Thursday night features fresh oysters, and Friday is Bonfire Night with s'mores and hot toddies by the crackling open fire. Beginning in November days and times will change a bit; see page 12 for a complete schedule.

On your next visit you will find that we have four entertaining new residents at Chetola Lake, and NO they are not more geese! My daughter Morgan hatched some handsome Indian Runner ducks this summer to join our white swans to frolic about on the lake, pose for photos and make you laugh. They walk upright and jog about like penguins without arms. They are extremely communal, always staying in a pack, and at times look like their movements are being done with one linked brain. They

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Our Indian ducks are as friendly as they are adorable.

constantly talk to each other and wander about the grounds seeking out people and new adventures. So be sure to greet them when you come by the lake this year.

While we are on the topic of Chetola Lake, I am happy to say that the majority of the lake was dredged this past summer and my only disappointment was that we had to stop October 15 when trout spawning season began. We will only see the dredge for about two months next year to complete the work, but our trout are already celebrating their much deeper swimming pool. All you fishermen and fisherwomen should know that we have continued to stock the lake and will continue to do so next year since the dredging doesn't bother them; they just get out of the way.

As Thanksgiving, then Christmas and New Years quickly approach, please make your dinner reservations early. Our holiday buffets sell out every year (in fact, our Thanksgiving buffet sold out in a record two days!), and though I hate telling our owners we cannot accommodate them, once the tables are all sold I simply cannot create any more. I personally have spent four of the last 18 Thanksgiving dinners with self-service plates for my family in the Kid's Camp room since a few of my own family members gave short notice that they were coming and we were sold out already.

Lastly, great new software is invading the resort after all these years. I am not real excited about the crazy expense (none of which you pay), but I am delighted that we will be more connected, more efficient and more responsive. That said, please do give all of us time to get through the big learning curve as we go through all the training, load all the information onto your accounts (and ours), and then practice on each other and then you as we become proficient with the new ways of processing your needs and requests.

About the time you get this newsletter I expect that the last of those lovely red and golden leaves will be called back down from the high limbs to Mother Earth where they will rest as God planned over the season ahead. We will soon start to drive the Parkway and look at the dazzling array of color cascading down to the flatlands below where many of you will start to see them change. It will be a great time to be back up at Chetola, and I hope to see you and the ducks down at the bonfires soon.

Best Regards,
Kent Tarbuton

SEASON'S GREETINGS CELEBRATE THANKSGIVING AT CHETOLA



This time of year always arrives with great anticipation, as we welcome out-of-town guests and locals alike for our annual festivities that have come to signify the kick-off to the holiday season. After a day spent indulging in turkey and football with friends and family, join us on Friday, Nov. 27 and Saturday, Nov. 28, for our holiday activities that appeal to both kids and adults. The ever enjoyable carriage rides depart approximately every 15 minutes from in front of Timberlake's Restaurant, looping around to the gate house entrance (sign-up for carriage rides begins at 5pm in Timbers) and back. During the ride, enjoy the brightly lit characters illuminating the Chetola grounds — from our family of snow-people to ice hockey-playing penguins. Santa will be nestled in his leather chair in front of the fireplace in Timbers ready to hear the wishes of our littlest guests, all of whom can enjoy some fanstastic cookie decorating in Kid's Camp. *See entire schedule on page 4.*

Timberlake's Restaurant will be offering its regular dinner menu from 5-10pm. Reservations are sure to go quickly so please call 828-295-5505 to reserve your spot early. ■

THANKSGIVING WEEKEND SCHEDULE

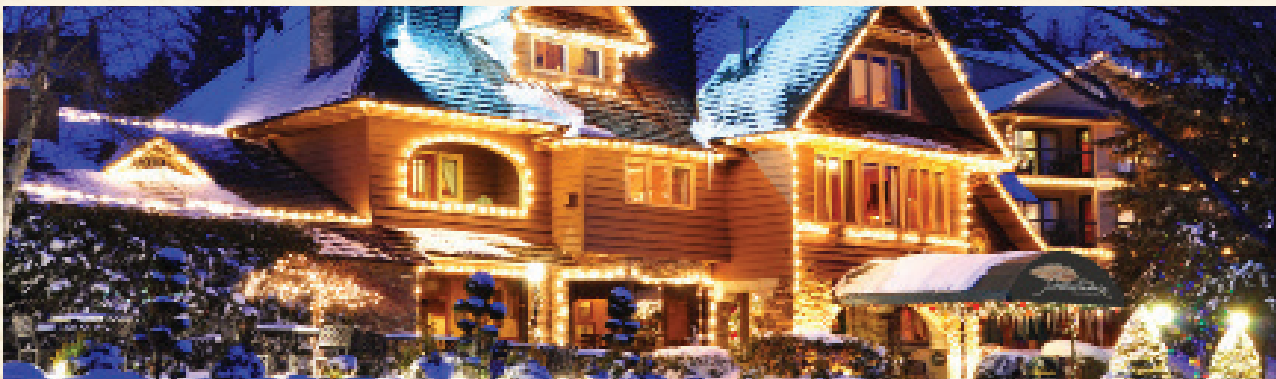
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 27, 2015

5:00 - 10:00pm	Dinner in Timberlake's Restaurant
5:30 - 7:30pm	Cookie Decorating in Kid's Camp (<i>free</i>)
5:30 - 9:30pm	Horse and Carriage Rides around Chetola Lake
5:30 - 9:30pm	Visits with Santa in Timbers Room (<i>free</i>)
Sundown	Festival of Lights (<i>free</i>)

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 28, 2015

11:00am	Blowing Rock Christmas Parade (<i>All kids are welcome to walk with the Chetola Recreation Center staff; meet at the Rec Center at 10am</i>)
5:00 - 10:00pm	Dinner in Timberlake's Restaurant
5:30 - 7:30pm	Cookie Decorating in Kid's Camp (<i>free</i>)
5:30 - 9:30pm	Horse and Carriage Rides around Chetola Lake
5:30 - 9:30pm	Visits with Santa in Timber's Room (<i>free</i>)

Professional photos will once again be offered both nights: One for \$12 or two for \$20



WINTERFEST 2016

CHILL OUT

Join us for Blowing Rock's signature celebration of winter: the **18th Annual Blowing Rock Winterfest, January 28-31, 2016**. This four-day festival offers a host of family-friendly activities both indoor and out. The festival's highlight event, the Polar Plunge into a frozen Chetola Lake (which this year benefits Western Youth Network and Hospitality House) welcomes the return of WBTV's John Carter as its energetic emcee. Once again, for those spectators who don't want to brave the chilly air much less an icy lake, we are offering the Polar Plunge Brunch in Timberlake's from 10am-1pm. Dine on shrimp and grits, enjoy a cocktail and view a live feed of the queue of crazy jumpers within the cozy confines of the restaurant.

Winterfest kicks off Thursday, Jan. 28 with WinterFeast, featuring an array of mouth-watering delights prepared by Blowing Rock's finest chefs, held at our own Timberlake's Restaurant (this event sells out quickly, so make your reservations early). Friday offers the chance to spend time in local shops, outlets and galleries, attend the Little Miss Winterfest pageant, sip on free hot chocolate and warm up by the bonfire at dusk in the park. Friday night events include a chance to hit the slopes at Appalachian Ski Mountain for a bit of skiing under the stars. Saturday morning arrives with an icy jump into Chetola Lake for the Polar Plunge, followed by the Chilly Chili Cook-off in the school gymnasium, wine tasting and wine auction, ice carving competition, hayrides and the new Winterfest Firewalk by Firewalk Productions. *Call the Chamber at 877-295-7851 for more information or visit www.blowingrockwinterfest.com for the most current schedule.* ■



WINTERFEST 2016

Thursday, January 28

SHOP TIL YOU DROP, various retailers, 10am-5pm
HIGH COUNTRY SMALL PLATE CRAWL, 7am-9pm, Various Restaurants
WINTERFEAST, 5:30-8pm, TIMBERLAKE'S RESTAURANT, \$27 in advance, \$32 at door
Seatings at 5:30pm, 6:45pm and 8pm

Friday, January 29

SHOP TIL YOU DROP, various retailers, 10am-5pm
WINTERFASHION SHOW, 11am, MEADOWBROOK INN
CORK AND CANVAS, 5:30-7:30pm, BRAHM
HIGH COUNTRY SMALL PLATE CRAWL, 7am-9pm, Various Restaurants

Saturday, January 30

SHOP TIL YOU DROP, various retailers, 10am-5pm
POLAR PLUNGE, 10am, CHETOLA LAKE with Emcee John Carter
POLAR PLUNGE BRUNCH WITH LIVE FEED, 10am-1pm, TIMBERLAKE'S, \$15
RAFFLE AND SILENT AUCTION, 10am-3pm, BLOWING ROCK SCHOOL CAFETERIA
CHILLY CHILI COOKOFF, 11am-2pm, BLOWING ROCK SCHOOL GYM
KIDS ACTIVITIES, 11am-3pm, BLOWING ROCK PARKS & REC
HIGH COUNTRY SMALL PLATE CRAWL, 7am-9pm, Various Restaurants
SE REGIONAL COLLEGIATE ICE CARVING COMPETITION, Noon-4pm, MEMORIAL PARK
LITTLE MISS WINTERFEST, 1pm, MEADOWBROOK INN
WINE TASTING AND AUCTION, 2pm Tasting; 4pm Auction, GREEN PARK INN
ARCTIC ART AT BrrrAHM!, 3pm, BRAHM
BONFIRE, 5-10pm, MEMORIAL PARK
FAMILY NIGHT AT APPALACHIAN SKI MOUNTAIN, 6-9pm
WINTERFEST FIREWALK BY FIREWALK PRODUCTIONS, 6-7:30pm, MEMORIAL PARK

Sunday, January 31

SHOP TIL YOU DROP, various retailers, 10am-5pm
HIGH COUNTRY SMALL PLATE CRAWL, 7am-9pm, Various Restaurants

*Times, events and prices subject to change. Visit www.blowingrockwinterfest.com
for the most current schedule of events.*

FESTIVAL OF TREES BUY A TREE, HELP A CHILD



The **Festival of Trees, Dec. 3-6**, showcases uniquely decorated holiday trees, wreaths and gift baskets displayed in a festive indoor holiday setting. Join us in the Appalachian/Blue Ridge Room located on the main level of Chetola Lodge. Over 75 themed trees and wreaths will be up for bid during this four-day event to support Western Youth Network, a local nonprofit whose mission is to provide quality programming for children in the High Country from grades 5-10. Admission is by donation; free hot chocolate and cider will be available. Some possible themes include Holiday Movies, Pets, Photography, Winter Sports and many more.

FESTIVAL OF TREES DATES AND TIMES

Appalachian / Blue Ridge Room Event is free; donations are appreciated

DECEMBER 3 from 5-10PM **DECEMBER 4** from 2-10PM
DECEMBER 5 from 10AM-10PM **DECEMBER 6** from 10AM-2PM



FESTIVAL OF TREES BRUNCH Timberlake's Restaurant Dec. 5 / 11am-2pm

On Saturday, Dec. 5, in conjunction with the Festival of Trees, Timberlake's Restaurant will feature a special brunch served in the restaurant from 11am-2pm. Stop by for a delicious selection of breakfast and lunch items. Be sure to check the Chetola website for a complete menu. *\$18 per person. Drop in or make reservations: 828-295-5505.*

CURING THE WINTER BLUES WINTER SPECIALS FOR BODY AND MIND

As the air dries, the wind whips and bodies are hidden beneath heavy coats, the Spa and Rec Center have the perfect antidote to ensure you maintain healthy skin and a strong body throughout the winter season. From all-natural moisturizing products to an array of cardio, yoga and wellness classes, we have everything you need to prevent chapped skin and toneless physiques giving you the winter blues. Please present the coupons below to receive your discounts on our limited winter specials. ■

20 FITNESS CLASS CARD

Get in shape for winter
Regularly \$160
With coupon only \$120
(Expires February 28, 2016)

OSMOSIS MOISTURIZING DUO

"Quench" / "Immerse"
Regularly \$108
With coupon only \$80
(Expires February 28, 2016)

SCHOOL'S OUT HOLIDAY CAMP

HALF DAY ONLY - 12:30-5:30PM

DECEMBER 18

\$20

HALF OR FULL DAY - 8AM-5:30PM

NOVEMBER 25 & 27 • DECEMBER 21 - 23

DECEMBER 28 - JANUARY 1 • JANUARY 18

MARCH 28 - APRIL 1

\$35/DAY → \$30 EA. ADDT'L SIBLING / CHETOLA MEMBERS

RESERVATIONS: 828-295-5535

BOARD COMMUNICATIONS

BY DAVE ROEVER, BOARD PRESIDENT

I hope all who have visited Chetola thus far this year have had an enjoyable stay and those getting ready to visit (such as my wife and I) will have a great time also. Safe travels to all. Our board met in September, and after a long meeting was able to pass a budget for 2016 that requires no increase in maintenance fees. Items we are looking into are: Accelerating our schedule to replace a certain brand of sofas and love seats in several units that are not meeting their lifespan as expected from us; and RSK, our management group, is testing several exterior stair replacement products that will hopefully be affordable and help in accelerating the exterior stair project. The board also voted additional monies for professional fees to reclaim more units by means of foreclosure.



With regret, longtime board member Maggie Gamble has asked to be removed from the board due to personal reasons. We all want to thank her for her many years of devoted service to the Lake POA, serving as a director and chairperson of our real estate sales and resales. We wish her well and will miss her expertise.

We will be making updates to our Lake POA website. Please take note of changes that have been made and if you have any suggestions for changes or additions, please address them to me at roevered@gmail.com.

Remember that you as an owner can rent any Lake POA owned condo unit for \$130 per night with a two-night minimum. This could make a great extra getaway. Booking is only available within four weeks of the planned stay. ■

2015-2016 POA BOARD CONTACT INFO

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TIMESHARE TRADES/SALES

Please forward your timeshare trades and sales to be included in the next CHETOLA DISPATCH by February 5. Email them to Allison West at awest@chetola.com. Please limit listings to 30 words. For discount rental rates in Chetola Lake POA units, please contact Shannon Logan, Timeshare Coordinator, at 828-295-5508, or Michael Brown, Property Manager, at 828-295-5518.

Week #1 / For Trade, Laurel 2, 2-bedroom, 2 bath deluxe unit. Perfect week for ski season! Would like to trade for a week June through August. Contact louisanders@hotmail.com.

Week #1 / For Sale, Spruce 4, 2-bedroom, 2 bath deluxe upper unit. Sleeps 6, beautiful views, perfect week for ski season! Contact: perry_barwick@yahoo.com or 910-512-4084.

Week #5 / For Sale, Dahlia 6. 2 BR, 2BA condo. Perfect for winter sports and/or enjoying the nearby Rec Center and Spa. 2015 maintenance fees paid. Asking \$1,000 OBO. karenhumphrey@carolina.rr.com or 704-365-1284 and leave a message.

Week #6 / For Sale, Dahlia 5. Upper level 1 bedroom, 1 bath, fireplace, sleeps 4, ski season! Near Recreation Center. Asking \$1,000. Available Feb. 2016. Email or call Pat at pbdempsey@hargray.com or 843-686-6270.

Week #7 / For Sale, Dahlia 6, 2-bedroom, 2 bath standard. Near Recreation Center. \$950. Available for 2016. Contact linnywulff@gmail.com or 919-368-4030.

Week #12 / For Trade or Sale, Laurel 3. Deluxe unit with additional whirlpool/hot tub, nice view of lake and mountain scenery. Pleasant spring weather; ideal for golf or skiing. Will trade for a comparable timeshare on NC or SC coast. \$3,500. Contact marggdunn@icloud.com or 910-392-3111.

Week #20 / For Sale, Laurel 3 2 bedroom, 2 bath deluxe condo, beautiful view, excellent location, red week. Great time of year for weddings, resting and fishing. Must sell due to old age and illness. \$6,750, willing to negotiate. Lorie and Herbert Sisk, 864-520-1756.

Week #22 / For Sale, Spruce 1, 2-bedroom, 2 bath deluxe unit. Excellent location. \$4,900, willing to negotiate. Contact JT Lanning at 919-787-6989.

Week #24 / For Sale or Rent, Iris 2, 2 bedroom deluxe unit right on the lake. Ground level, next to clubhouse and restaurant. Whirlpool/hot tub. \$6000 sale, \$1000 rent. Contact Alice Ekblaw at alice_ekblaw@juno.com

Week #28 / For Sale or Rent, Azalea 3, upper level two bedroom, two bath with

nice view. Close to Recreation Center, sleeps 6. Prime week in mid-July. Rent \$850, Sell \$6,300. Contact Joe Accardi at 954-366-4294 or accardija@gmail.com.

Week #28 / For Sale, Azalea 4, peak July week (Fri. check-in), sleeps 6, 2 bedroom, 2 bath, near Rec Center. Contact Rachel Campbell at 704-542-2064, 704-488-4646 or achcamrjc@yahoo.com.

Week #32 / For Sale or For Rent, Dogwood 1, 2 bedroom, 2 bath deluxe, sauna, hot tub, great view and location, renovated. \$6,500/negotiable. Contact Hal Fleischer at 561-279-0960.

Week #35 / For Sale, Birch 3 Deluxe upper unit, 2 bedroom, 2 bath with an additional hot tub/whirlpool. King bed in master; washer/dryer in unit. Beautiful area and well maintained by Association. \$7,500. Red week. Call 561-368-5669.

Week #36, For Sale, Azalea 4. Excellent location, beautiful views, upstairs unit. Friday to Friday, 2 bedroom unit. Asking \$3,000. Email altreefarm@gmail.com for details.

Week #36 / For Sale, Maple 1, 2 bedroom, 2 bath deluxe, sauna, hot tub, near clubhouse and restaurant, renovated with new mattresses, TV and den furniture. \$7,500. Contact Sally Austin at 704-483-9701.

Week #37 / For Sale, Dahlia 4. Excellent location close to rec center and

lodge, upstairs unit. Friday to Friday, 2 bedroom unit. Asking \$2,000. Email altreefarm@gmail.com.

Week #39 / For Sale, Dogwood 1, 2 bedroom deluxe condo. Sleeps 6, lower level, flat screen TV, granite countertops, king bed in master bedroom, WiFi connection. \$6,000. Contact Joe Swann at 704-841-3825 or jp1979@windstream.net.

Week #40 / (10/3-10/10/15) For Trade, Laurel 3 Deluxe 2 bedroom trade for week 51. Saturday or Sunday cycle. (Christmas week). If interested, please email RobL.Newman@comcast.net.

Week #42 / For Rent, Dahlia 2, during autumn leaf season, Oct. 18-25. One bedroom near Rec Center and restaurant. Fully equipped kitchen, washer/dryer, linens/toiletries. \$750 discounted. Contact Mike 407-233-9276 or mhavekotte@cfl.rr.com.

Week #44 / For Rent, Dahlia 2. 1 BR, 1 BA condo. Asking \$500 OBO. Contact 919-876-8691.

Weeks #49 & 50 / For Sale or Rent, Ivy 3. Dec. 4-10 & Dec. 11-17. 2 bedroom, 2 bath, whirlpool, fireplace, sofa sleeper, fully equipped kitchen, washer/dryer; close to lake, Recreation Center, Timberlake's Restaurant, hiking, Cone Estate trails, skiing. Sale: \$2,000 each; Rent: \$700 each. Contact: BarbFloweree@gmail.com, 813-949-5786 or 813-760-7748. ■

HOURS, EVENTS & HOLIDAYS

NEW SEASON BRINGS NEW HOURS & EVENTS

With fall in full swing and winter fast approaching, we have adjusted our hours and special events slightly. Please take note of new hours and nights currently in effect.



BREAKFAST 7:30am-10:30am Daily

LUNCH Noon-3pm Fri, Sat & Sun; Pre-order to-go lunches available Mon-Thurs if ordered by 10am

DINNER 5-10pm Nightly mid May-mid January; 5-10pm Wed.-Sat. mid January-mid May

HEADWATERS PUB Noon-11pm Fri, Sat & Sun; 4-11pm Mon-Thur

STEAK ON THE LAKE Wednesdays 5-10pm, live music from 6-9pm, \$28/person

MUSIC & OYSTERS Thursdays 5-10pm, live music from 6-9pm, \$26/person

BONFIRE NIGHT Fridays 7-10pm, live music, cash bar | Nightly bonfires will be held Dec. 26-Jan. 2 | Bonfires switch to Saturday nights starting January 9 throughout winter

LIVE JAZZ WITH MAUREEN Saturdays 6-9pm, through December (moves to Fridays beginning in January), live jazz with Maureen Renihan and Friends ■

NOTABLE HOLIDAYS & EVENTS

NOV. 27 AND 28: Regular dinner menu 5-10pm || **CHRISTMAS EVE:** Regular dinner

menu 4-8pm || **CHRISTMAS DAY BUFFET:** Two seatings: 1pm & 3:30pm

NEW YEAR'S EVE: Prix Fixe dinner with Champagne, 5pm-10pm

WINTERFEAST: January 28, 3 seatings (reservations: 828-295-7851)

POLAR PLUNGE BRUNCH WITH LIVE FEED: January 30, 10am-1pm, \$22/person

EASTER DAY BUFFET: March 27, 1:30am & 1:30pm

LIVE MUSIC Visit www.chetola.com for schedule

Reservations: 828.295.5505

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

For a complete listing of area events, visit
www.blowingrock.com or www.exploreboonearea.com



"The Sculptor's Voice" at BRAHM, Nov. 21-Feb. 20

NOVEMBER

Through Nov. 25 "The Picture Man: Photographs by Paul Buchanan", Blowing Rock Art & History Museum. Hours: Tues-Wed: 10am-5pm, Thurs: 10am-7pm, Fri-Sat: 10am-5pm. Closed Sun. and Mon. Admission: \$8 adults, \$5 children 5+/students/military, \$6 groups (10+). 828-295-9099. www.blowingrockmuseum.org

Nov. 21-Feb. 20 "The Sculptor's Voice", Blowing Rock Art & History Museum. Hours: Tues-Wed: 10am-5pm, Thurs: 10am-7pm, Fri-Sat: 10am-5pm. Closed Sun. and Mon. Admission: \$8 adults, \$5 children 5+/students/military, \$6 groups (10+). 828-295-9099. www.blowingrockmuseum.org

17 Step Afrika!, Appalachian State University, Valborg Theatre. The first professional company dedicated to the tradi-

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Chetola's Festival of Lights, Nov. 27-Jan. 31

tion of stepping blends percussive dance styles with technique, agility and pure energy. 8pm. Tickets: \$5. 828-262-4046. www.pas.appstate.edu

27 Chetola's Festival of Lights, Festive holiday lights turned on at dusk and remain lit through Jan. 31, 2016. www.chetola.com

27-28 Horse & Carriage Rides, Visits with Santa and Cookie Decorating, Chetola. 5:30-9:30pm. www.chetola.com

28 ASU vs UL Lafayette (Black Saturday), Kidd Brewer Stadium, Boone. Time TBA. www.appstatesports.com

28 Christmas Parade, Main Street, downtown Blowing Rock. 11am. 828-



Blowing Rock Christmas Parade, Nov. 28

295-5222. www.blowingrock.com

28 Annual Thanksgiving Kiln Opening, Traditions Pottery Studio, Blowing Rock. Watch the potters unload the wood kiln and then make your selection. 10am. 828.295.3862. www.blowingrock.com

DECEMBER

Through Feb. 20 "The Sculptor's Voice", Blowing Rock Art & History Museum. Hours: Tues-Wed: 10am-5pm, Thurs: 10am-7pm, Fri-Sat: 10am-5pm. Closed Sun. and Mon. Admission: \$8 adults, \$5 children 5+/students/military, \$6 groups (10+). 828-295-9099. www.blowingrockmuseum.org

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"Henry V," Nov. 30

3-6 Festival of Trees, Appalachian/Blue Ridge Room, Chetola. Purchase themed trees and wreaths; proceeds benefit Western Youth Network. Dec. 3 5-10pm, Dec. 4 2-10pm, Dec. 5 10am-10pm, Dec. 6 10am-2pm. www.chetola.com

25 Christmas Day Buffet at Timberlake's, Chetola. 3-7pm. \$52 adults (ages 13 and older), \$23 ages 3-12, \$11 children 2 and under free. Reservations: 828-295-5505. www.chetola.com

31 New Year's Eve Extravaganza, Appalachian Ski Mountain. Ring in 2015 with fireworks, torchlight skiing and more. Moonlight ice skating 10pm-midnight. Restaurant specials available 9pm-midnight. 828-295-7828. www.appskimtn.com

JANUARY

Nov. 21-Feb. 20 "The Sculptor's Voice", Blowing Rock Art & History Museum. Hours: Tues-Wed: 10am-5pm, Thurs: 10am-7pm, Fri-Sat: 10am-5pm. Closed Sun. and Mon. Admission: \$8 adults, \$5 children 5+/students/military, \$6 groups (10+). 828-295-9099. www.blowingrockmuseum.org

28 WinterFeast, Timberlake's Restaurant at Chetola Resort. Three seatings: 5-6:15pm, 6:15-7:45pm & 7:45-9pm. Tickets: \$25 in advance, \$30 at the door. Cash bar. 828-295-5505. www.blowingrock.com

28-31 Blowing Rock Winterfest, downtown Blowing Rock. The festival's 17th year features WinterFeast at Timber-

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WinterFeast at Chetola, Jan. 28



Dr. John & The Nite Trippers, Feb. 13

lake's Restaurant, Polar Plunge, Chilly Chili Cookoff, Wine Auction and Tasting, Hayrides, Bonfire, Ice Carving Demonstration, Silent Auction and more. 877-295-7801. www.blowingrock.com

29 Julius Caesar, Appalachian State University, Valborg Theatre. American Shakespeare Center performs this thrill ride of betrayal, violence, and surprisingly, love. 7pm. Tickets: \$20 adults, \$10 students. 828-262-4046. www.pas.appstate.edu

30 Henry V, Appalachian State University, Valborg Theatre. American Shakespeare Center production of England's hero-king and the greatest upset in European military history. 7pm. Tick-

ets: \$20 adults, \$10 students. 828-262-4046. www.pas.appstate.edu

30 Polar Plunge Brunch with Live Feed, Timberlake's at Chetola. Special brunch and live feed of the Polar Plunge just outside into Chetola Lake. 10am-1pm. \$15 per person. 877-295-5505. www.chetola.com

FEBRUARY

13 Dr. John & The Nite Trippers, ASU, Schaefer Center for the Performing Arts. Delivering unique and authentic New Orleans, boogie-woogie jazz performances, Dr. John is praised for his funky, bluesy influence on rock. 7pm. Tickets: \$30 adults, \$15 students. 828-262-3063. www.theatre.appstate.edu