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DISPATCH

WINTER/SPRING
2014

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THE PROPERTY REVIEW

BY KENT TARBUTTON

Winter has certainly descended into the Blue Ridge Mountains in 2014, simultaneously producing bone-chilling nights and dazzlingly white landscapes. This season has painted numerous picturesque scenes: deer wandering by Chetola Lake under a full moon; swirling snow caught in the bright lights on the slopes of Appalachian Ski Mountain; giggling children sledding down a Chetola hill. Yes, I do love winter, though I honestly would be happy to skip the -7 degree nights when my wellhead occasionally freezes!

Accompanying winter was our annual celebration of all things cold and white, Winterfest. I thought the frigid weather might keep the numbers down but, happily, I was wrong. Both Chetola and Blowing Rock were flooded with folks looking to experience snow, winter sports and festival festivities, from ice carving competitions and wine auctions (gotta stay warm somehow) to the renowned chili cook-off and,

of course, the wild and crazy Polar Plunge.

There are surely few experiences for the body and soul like dancing your way through a crowd of several hundred people and waiting, barefoot, in a 100-deep line in 25-degree temperature only to intentionally throw your body into a 36-degree lake. That is a forever memory! The plungers jump in quickly and jump out even faster. With the bitter cold leading up to the event, I didn't expect a large turnout; however, a new Chetola Polar Plunge record was set with an astounding 109 plungers. Its success was certainly in part attributed to our good friend and Master of Ceremonies John Carter, news anchor with WBTV in Charlotte. As you'd expect, John was jovial and entertaining as he interviewed all 109 plungers before they hit the freezing water. And, best of all, he has promised to join us again next year.

Spring means change, but ours came in early winter, when our co-worker and

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friend, Clarence Stroud, moved on just before Christmas. Clarence came to Chetola as part of our maintenance team and worked his way to the manager's job and eventually to Property Manager. He did a good job here and often kept us laughing with his endless antics. While change is scary and sometimes sad, it also carries new possibility. I have seen where someone good improves things at the resort and leaves their mark by setting a better standard before moving on. Then someone new comes along to carry the torch and make it even better, with new vision and insights. That is happily what I am expecting from Michael Brown, who I have hired to look after the Property Owners Associations for both the Woods and the Lakes groups and serve on the board of the Master Association. Michael has a good background in the accounting field and an even more extensive background in property management, ranging from managing real estate investment portfolios to overseeing multiple rental real estate properties.

Michael and his wife Michelle have three young sons and have been residents of Watauga County for the past 10 years. He earned his degree from Appalachian State after serving in the Marine Corps for four years. Below you will find Michael's contact information, as well as new email addresses and general information numbers. We have devised a new system so that Woods and Lakes owners can quickly be routed to the correct place, allowing for faster responses to your needs. I believe you will find Michael to be a hardworking, intelligent and trustworthy new member of the Chetola family.

I look forward to seeing you here soon. As always, if you have an idea, suggestion or comment you want to share, I would love to know. ■

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**All general questions and requests can be directed to the Property Owners Association email addresses:*

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Chetola Masters Association:	masterassoc@chetola.com

POLAR PLUNGE BREAKS RECORD

EMCEE JOHN CARTER WAS COOL AS ICE



First time Polar Plunge Emcee John Carter brought the energy, the charm and the crowd. A record 109 scantily clad and/or crazily costumed jumpers hit the 36-degree Chetola Lake. And the WBTV news anchor from Charlotte didn't miss a beat, acting like a seasoned pro, as he traded barbs and quips with plungers and the crowd in what marked the most successful Plunge in Winterfest history.

John even brought along his trusty sidekick (and one heckuva good sport), meteorologist Ashley Beaty, who held her nose and braved the frigid waters (bottom right). And congrats to our favorite couple, annual jumpers Dick and Joan Hearn, who took home the coveted golden plunger for Best Dressed (top left). Even better? John's coming back next year! ■



GONE FISHIN'

THE TROUT DERBY RETURNS APRIL 5



// **Trout Derby** day means that spring has arrived in Blowing Rock," says Tracy Brown, Executive Director of the Blowing Rock Tourism Development Authority. Granted, spring has occasionally arrived toting a weekend's worth of snow and frigid temperatures. But inclement weather has never been known to deter true fishermen. Especially for this family friendly annual event, which will be held this year on Saturday, April

5. The event is free and will begin at sunrise; no pre-registration is required. Trophies will be awarded for first place in five divisions: Men, Women, Girls (ages 12-14), Boys (ages 12-14) and Small Fries (ages 11 and younger).

Broyhill Lake will be stocked with hundreds of fish in the days leading up to the derby, and trout caught in any Watauga County public waters on derby day are eligible. Catches should be taken to the official derby headquarters at the Blowing Rock American Legion Building on Wallingford Street, where cash and prizes will be awarded at 4:30pm. Kids and anglers with disabilities can fish at Broyhill Lake, where licenses are not required. All others must have a license and obey all posted fishing regulations. There is a limit of three fish per day at Broyhill Lake. Other nearby fishing spots include Price Lake, Bass Lake, Trout Lake and the Middle Fork River along Hwy. 321. Licenses and bait can be purchased at Village Hardware on Green Street.

The North Carolina Wildlife Commission supports the Blowing Rock Trout Derby with free "Fish for Fun" bags complete with a tackle box, regulation book, bumper sticker, stringer and bobber. ■

SPA TREATMENT RAFFLE

NOW THROUGH MARCH 31

Stop by the Spa at Chetola for a chance to win at least an hour of indulgence. From now through March 31, every \$25 you spend on any of our spa products earns you one raffle ticket toward your chance to win one treatment of your choice. Purchase anything from our extensive line of hair care, facial or nail products — from Aveda and Jane Iredale to Sin Jin Bao and Osmosis — and come one step closer to a complimentary luxurious treatment. The drawing will be held on Tuesday, April 1 and the winner will be notified by phone or email. ■

KIDS EGG-STRAVAGANZA

EASTER WEEK ACTIVITIES AT THE REC CENTER

FRIDAY, APRIL 18

KIDS NIGHT OUT
5-9pm

\$30 per child/\$25 each additional child
Dinner, Easter Crafts, Games, Cookie Decorating and more!

SATURDAY, APRIL 19

EASTER EGG DECORATING - FREE
11am-2pm

EASTER EGG HUNT - FREE
2:30pm

MONDAY-FRIDAY, APRIL 21-25

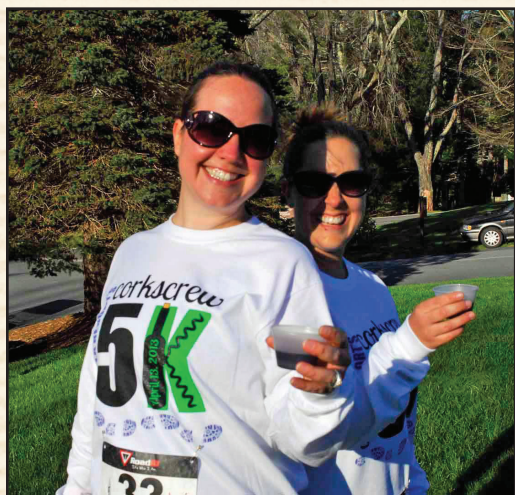
KIDS EASTER CAMP (AGES 4-12)
8:30am-5:30pm

Full Day: \$35/child; \$30 each additional child || Half Day: \$20/child

For registration or more information, call the Recreation Center at 828-295-5535.

WINE & FOOD FESTIVAL

WINING, DINING AND RUNNING



Oenophiles and foodies alike will converge on the village of Blowing Rock for the annual Blue Ridge Wine & Food Festival, April 10-13. There are some exciting changes to this year's festival, including the opening event, **Taste!**, which showcases signature dishes from area restaurants, for one spectacular kick-off on Thursday, April 10 under the Main Tent. The Grand Wine Tasting on Saturday, April 12, features two tasting times in order to reduce the number of people in the tent at one time. And festival organizers have added a special Reserve Wine Tasting tent on The Inn at Ragged Gardens lawn with two seating times (seating is limited, so get your tickets early), as well as small tents dotted around town

that will feature wines and craft beers paired with local nibbles. (See *schedule at right.*)

On April 11 and 12, join us at Timberlake's for **Wine Flights & Specials** from 5-9:30pm. Along with the regular dinner menu, Chef Jason Phipps is featuring the following specials: Crab-Stuffed Lobster Tail with a Lemon and Parsley Gremolata and Beurre Blanc prepared with Raymond Napa Reserve Sauvignon Blanc; Angus Beef Filet with Roasted Grape Tomatoes and Bleu Cheese Crumbles finished with Childress Starbound Blueberry Port Wine Reduction; and Herb-Roasted Leg of Lamb atop Wilted Spinach and Caramelized Shiitake Mushrooms finished with Amalaya Malbec Wine Reduction and Housemade Mint Oil. Servers will be happy to pair wines with the specials and entrees at your request.

After last year's successful inaugural launch, the **Corkscrew 5K** returns for its sophomore season on Saturday, April 12 and will once again benefit the Blue Ridge Parkway Foundation. Participants will wind their way through Chetola's property, and the adventurous can join the Wine Lovers Division (\$30 in advance, \$40 day of), which adds 4 stations of wine shots to the route. Those who prefer their grapes after exercising can join the Wine-Free Division (\$25 in advance, \$35 day of). Morning sign-in and registration begins at 7:30am, and the race starts promptly at 8:30am. Early packet pick-up will also be held on Friday from 4-6pm in the Recreation Center. Prizes, including wine and retail items, will be given to the top two winners in various age groups, as well as grand prizes for overall male and female. *To register, call 828-295-5533.* ■

For more information on all Blue Ridge Wine & Food Festival events, call the Blowing Rock Chamber at 828-295-7801 or visit www.blueridgewinefestival.com.

WINE & FOOD FESTIVAL HIGHLIGHTS

Thursday, April 10

TASTE!

6:30pm

The Grand Tasting Tent at Maple Street Parking Lot

\$35 in advance, \$45 at the door (No Refunds)

Friday, April 11

WINE FLIGHTS & SPECIALS AT TIMBERLAKE'S

5:00-9:30pm

\$10 for flight of 3

Saturday, April 12

GRAND WINE TASTING

The Grand Tasting Tent at Maple Street Parking Lot

CHOOSE FROM: 1:30-3:30PM OR 4-6PM

\$45 in advance, \$55 at the door (No Refunds)

RESERVE WINE TASTING

Tent at The Inn at Ragged Gardens

CHOOSE FROM one of two seatings: 12:30-2:30PM OR 3-5PM

\$80 in advance, \$100 at the door (No Refunds). Includes entry to Grand Wine Tasting at either or both times.

SMALL VENUE TASTINGS (WINES, CRAFT BEERS AND LOCAL FOODS)

Various locations in downtown Blowing Rock

11am-6pm

\$10 per person per tent; entry included with purchase of Grand Tasting and/or Reserve Tasting tickets.

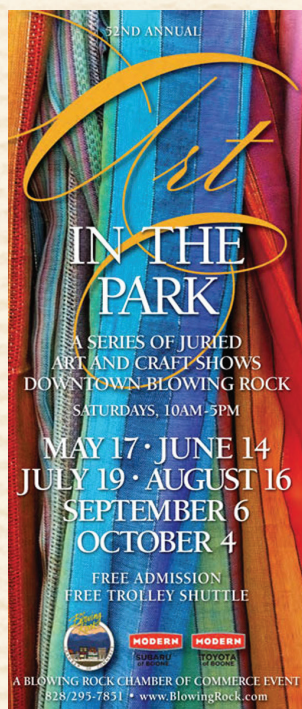
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5:00-9:30pm, \$10 for flight of 3

For a complete schedule, visit www.blueridgewinefestival.com

ARTIST'S ALLEY

ART IN THE PARK STILL GOING STRONG



Created in 1962 by a handful of area artists and craftspeople to showcase local talent, **Art in the Park** now hosts, 46 years later, approximately 90 artisans who gather once a month in Memorial Park between May and October to showcase their unique designs and creations — handcrafted jewelry, pottery, glass, fiber, photography, paintings and more.

Art in the Park's high standards and professional jury attract artisans from around the Southeast to exhibit in a series of six shows in downtown Blowing Rock. This year's dates are May 17, June 14, July 19, August 16, September 6 and October 4. The quality of work exhibited draws crowds to the mountains each month. Admission is free and complimentary trolley service to and from Tanger Shoppes on the Parkway is provided by the Blowing Rock Chamber of Commerce. ■

THRILL RIDE

NEW PACKAGE WITH SKY VALLEY ZIP TOURS



140 acres of pristine environment. ■

Chetola is excited to announce a partnership with Sky Valley Zip Tours. Stay tuned for our newest adventure package set to launch in April, when the company opens its doors (or cables) for the season. The package will include lodging and/or discounted tickets to the outdoor "park." Now in its third season, Sky Valley is gaining popularity for its sweeping panoramic views and thrilling rides through the High Country's diverse flora and fauna over

WELLNESS DINNER GETS A MAKEOVER

FITNESS-FOCUSED DINNER WITH PETE REA



Zap Fitness' Pete Rea is the featured speaker at our upcoming wellness dinner, **Fitness Frame of Mind** on Feb. 25 at 6:30pm. For the first time since the dinner's inception, both meat and dairy components will be offered due to the nature of Rea's talk and the theme of the evening's dinner. Timberlake's Chef Jason Phipps' multi-course buffet will feature a menu that promotes fitness, i.e. foods that aid in post-workout muscle recovery or boost metabolism. And Rea will discuss an issue with which we could all use a little help: how to stay motivated during cold and snowy winter months, when it's much more enticing to stay huddled under a blanket scarfing down a bag of chips.

Here's a look at the palate-tempting menu: Burgundy and Tomato Bisque; Mixed Berries and Honey Salad; Grilled Scottish Salmon topped with Asparagus Spears and Lemon-Dill Greek Yogurt Sauce; Tempeh and Portabella Mushroom Marsala; White Bean and Arugula Parmesan; Spa-

ghetti Squash with Pine Nuts, Basil and a Chardonnay-Avocado Sauce; and, for dessert, Lemon Berry Cheesecake. For more information, visit www.chetola.com. ■

'FITNESS FRAME OF MIND' WELLNESS DINNER TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 25

Through Feb. 21: \$29.95/person

Beginning Feb. 22: \$39.95/person

Dinner includes tax and gratuity

Doors open at 6:30pm for cash bar and appetizers

Dinner at 7pm; Speaker at 7:45pm

Seating is limited; call 828-295-5535 for reservations.

BOARD COMMUNICATIONS

BY ED DIAZ

In the last newsletter I reported that we had once again received a Gold Crown rating from RCI. The press release was sent out in late January to newspapers and magazines in six Southeastern states. Hopefully your local publications carried it; unfortunately we do not have any control as to who runs it. Those that do increase the value of our unit(s) and help with their "trading power".

Shortly you will receive information explaining how to apply to run for the board if you so desire. This will be followed by a separate packet of information regarding the annual meeting, which will be held on Saturday, June 21. On Friday evening, June 20, board members will be available for informal discussions from 6-7pm. Details will be provided in your packet. We hope that many of you will be able to attend this meeting, but if you are unable to attend, please return your proxy along with your ballot. You will be voting to fill three slots for two-year terms.

We are continuing certain exterior maintenance programs. In addition to routine interior maintenance, we will continue to improve the units as funding is available. The board will discuss all of these issues at the February meeting, the results of which I will report to you in the next newsletter article and at the annual meeting. In the meantime, you can help us with the maintenance of the units by filling out the information forms provided to you when you stay in your units. If you prefer, contact a board member (see contacts below).

A few fixed and floating weeks remain in our inventory of foreclosure units, which are being offered at very low prices plus closing fees. For information, visit the "owners" section of www.chetolalakepoa.org. To purchase any of these units, contact Maggie Gamble. These units can also be rented to you, your family or friends for a three-night minimum of \$100 per night. For more information on rentals, call Chris Edwards, Timeshare Coordinator, at 828-295-5510.

Please feel free to contact me or any other board member if you have any questions or comments about your units or other matters of interest to you. ■

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WINTERFEAST RECAP

RESTAURANTS AND PATRONS ENJOYED THE FEAST



Timberlake's Restaurant table

It was a feast fit for kings as 17 restaurants came together for Winterfest 2014's always anticipated (and increasingly sold out!) kick-off event, WinterFeast. Timberlake's Restaurant was dressed up in its holiday finery to welcome more than 350 patrons who came to sample the mouth-watering delights prepared by Blowing Rock's best chefs.

This year culinary event hosted more establishments than ever before. Participating restaurants were Timberlake's, Canyons, Blowing Rock Ale House, The Best Cellar, The Chestnut Grille, Meadowbrook Inn, Restaurant G, The

New Public House, Bistro Roca, The Table at Crestwood, Bald Guy Brew, Stick Boy Bread Company, Rowland's at Westglow, Six Pence Pub, Twigs and Woodlands.

Timberlake's Chef Jason Phipps tickled the palate of guests with some delicious vegetarian items: Eggplant Fritters with Green Tomato and Mango Chutney; and Black Bean and Artichoke Bites with a Coconut, Tomato, Chickpea and Marsala Tapenade. ■



The Fire and Ice sculpture on Timberlake's patio



Don't forget to check out our new Timberlake's wines, Chardonnay and Meritage. The wines, bottled exclusively for Timberlake's Restaurant, are available for purchase in the Chetola Gift Shop or the restaurant at \$28 per bottle.

TIMESHARE TRADES/SALES

Please forward your timeshare trades and sales to be included in the next CHETOLA DISPATCH by May. 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 Chris Edwards, Timeshare Coordinator, at 828-295-5510 or Michael Brown, Property Manager, at 828-295-5518.

Week #1 / For Sale, Laurel 2, 2 bedroom deluxe condo. Sleeps 6, ground level, near clubhouse and restaurant. Fees paid and 3 weeks banked (including 1/14). \$750/obo. Contact 919-846-4735 or 919-324-5631.

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 #14 / For Rent, Dahlia 4. Steps from the Recreation Center. 2 bedrooms (1 queen, 2 twins), sleeper sofa, 2 baths, full kitchen with granite countertops, wireless Internet, fireplace, whirlpool tub. \$650. Contact Susan at elenvelope@yadtel.net or call/text 336-782-4135.

Week #25 / For Rent, Birch 2, 2 bedroom deluxe condo. 6/21/14 - 6/28/14. \$1,000 for the week. Call Tracy Bennett at 336-671-0129.

Week #27 / For Rent, Ivy 3, available July 5-12, 2013. Best week of the year in Blowing Rock. Wonderful 2 bedroom, 2 bath condo with views and convenience to recreation center and

lake. \$900. Contact L. Finklea Tomlinson at 803-513-1322 or finklea@bellsouth.net.

Week #32 / For Sale or For Rent, Dogwood 1, 2 bedroom, 2 bath deluxe, sauna, hot tub, great view and location, renovated. \$6,731/negotiable. Contact Hal Fleischer at 561-279-0960.

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 #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 / For Trade, Laurel 3, in exchange for any week from mid-May thru August, 2 bedroom deluxe, upper floor with lake view, sleeps 6. Prime Autumn week for leaves. Contact Rob Newman at 770-789-4554.

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 #51 / For Rent or For Sale, Dogwood 1, 2 bedroom deluxe, available Dec. 21-28. Recently upgraded with new bed, TV and wireless Internet. Rent: \$1,000. Sale: \$7,000. Contact Jan at 434-806-6141 or email jmhl@aol.com. ■

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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



The Painted Song

Art of Wiili Armstrong

Nov. 8, 2013 - May 3, 2014

Art of Wiili Armstrong, through May 3

FEBRUARY

Thru May 3 “The Painted Song: Art of Wiili Armstrong”, Blowing Rock Art & History Museum, 159 Chestnut St. 828-295-9099. www.blowingrockmuseum.org

22 Mardi Gras in the Mountains, Blowing Rock Art & History Museum, 159 Chestnut St. njoy Dixieland jazz provided by the Southern Fried Jazz Band, a Cajun dinner, and lots of fun! Wear your best mask! Tickets: \$50/person; proceeds benefit the museum. 828-295-9099. www.blowingrockmuseum.org

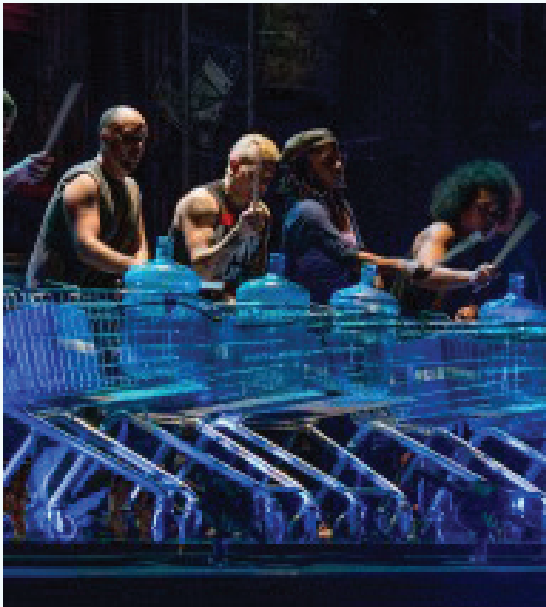
25 ‘Fitness Frame of Mind’ Wellness Dinner, Wellness-minded multi-

course buffet. 6:30pm appetizers and cash bar, 7pm dinner and presentation by Pete Rea of Zap Fitness. Registration (includes tax and gratuity): \$29.95/person through Feb. 21; \$39.95/person beginning Feb. 22. 828-295-5535. www.chetola.com/fitness.html

25 Orpheus Chamber Orchestra, Appalachian State University, Schaefer Center for the Performing Arts. The ensemble has celebrated 40 years of making internationally renowned music while reinventing the way the world thinks about musical collaboration, education and outreach. 8pm. Tickets: \$20 adults, \$16 seniors, \$10 students. 828-262-4046. www.pas.appstate.edu

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STOMP, March 4

MARCH

Thru May 3 "The Painted Song: Art of Wiili Armstrong", Blowing Rock Art & History Museum, 159 Chestnut St. 828-295-9099. www.blowingrockmuseum.org

4 STOMP, Appalachian State University, Schaefer Center for the Performing Arts, Boone. Matchboxes, brooms, garbage cans and more create energizing beats in this invigorating stage show that's dance, music and theatrical performance blended together into one



"The Miracle Worker", April 3

electrifying rhythm. 8pm. Tickets: \$38 adults, \$18 students. 828-262-4046. www.pas.appstate.edu

APRIL

Thru May 3 "The Painted Song: Art of Wiili Armstrong", Blowing Rock Art & History Museum, 159 Chestnut St. 828-295-9099. www.blowingrockmuseum.org

3 Montana Repertory Theatre: The Miracle Worker, Schaefer Center for the Performing Arts, Boone. The stirring dramatization of the story of Helen Keller and her tutor Anne Sullivan has been mesmerizing audiences for decades. 8pm. Tickets: \$20 adults, \$10 students. 800-841-2787. www.pas.appstate.edu

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Corkscrew 5K, April 12

5 34th Annual Trout Derby, various locations, Blowing Rock. April 5 beginning at sunrise. Prizes awarded at 4:30pm. No entry fees required or pre-registration required. Take your catch to the American Legion Building on Wallingford Street. 828-295-4636. www.blowingrock.com

10-13 9th Annual Blue Ridge Wine & Food Festival, Blowing Rock. Taste!, Cooking Demos, Wine Tastings, Wine Dinners, The Grand Tasting, Grand Reserve Tent, Small Satellite Tents, live music and more. 828-295-7851. www.blueridgewinefestival.com

11 Tweetsie Railroad Opens for 2014 Season, 9am-6pm. Admission: \$37 adults, \$23 children ages 3-12, Free for children 2 and younger. 877-893-3874. www.tweetsie.com



Tweetsie Railroad, opening April 11

11-13 Kiss Me, Kate, Schaefer Center for the Performing Arts, Boone. Combine Shakespeare's *Taming of the Shrew* with the music of Cole Porter and you get *Kiss Me, Kate*. A play-within-a-play, each cast member's on-stage life is complicated by what is happening offstage. April 11 & 12 at 8pm; April 13 at 2pm. Tickets: \$15 adults, \$8 students. 800-841-2787. www.pas.appstate.edu

12 Chetola Resort's Corkscrew 5K, Chetola Resort property. Benefits the Blue Ridge Parkway Foundation. Registration and packet pick-up: 7:30-8:20am. Race at 8:30am. 828-295-5535. www.chetola.com

12 Easter Egg Festival & Hunt, Memorial Park, Blowing Rock. Free family event. 828-295-5222. www.blowingrock.com