

SkyLine/SkyBest Supports LMC Summer Theatre

SkyLine is delighted to be among the corporate sponsors of the Lees-McRae Summer Theatre (LMST), which has been providing high quality, professional theatre for more than 30 years to the community and summer visitors of the area. LMST produces a variety of theatre but specializes in musicals – Golden Age classics to the newest Broadway hits and even original works.

This year's line-up features "The Drowsy Chaperone," which opened on June 28 with evening and matinee performances scheduled until July 3, and "Matilda, the Musical," which opens July 21 and closes on July 27.



"The Drowsy Chaperone"

7 p.m. Shows: July 1, 2
2 p.m. Shows: July 3

When a lover of classic musicals puts the vinyl of his favorite 1920s production – *The Drowsy Chaperone* – on his turntable, the record comes to life and the zany characters come busting through his refrigerator door! "The Drowsy Chaperone" won five Tony Awards and was called "the perfect Broadway musical" by *New York Magazine*.



"Matilda, the Musical"

7 p.m. Shows: July 21, 22, 23, 26
2 p.m. Shows: July 23, 24, 27

Based on the award-winning book, *Matilda* tells the story of a bright young girl who decides to right the wrongs in her world by using her wit and cleverness. Full of high-energy dance numbers and catchy songs, this musical has won more than 47 international awards, with critics raving that it is "brilliant" and "not just for kids."

For information and tickets, visit www.lmc.edu/community/summer-theatre or call the box office at 828-898-8709 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Tuesday through Friday, with extended hours on show days.

SkyChange Round-up

We are so grateful for the positive response from our members and customers to SkyChange, our round-up program that seeks to assist area non-profits that help those in need throughout our community. If you've been thinking of signing up to support this charitable program, we welcome your participation!

SkyChange allows customers of SkyLine/SkyBest to round up their monthly bill to the next whole-dollar amount. The money generated from the round-up is, in turn, distributed to programs assisting those in need throughout our community. Customer bills will reflect a line item showing the monthly round-up donation.

To sign up for SkyChange today, call your local SkyLine/SkyBest Customer Center at 118 or 1-800-759-2226 or visit www.skybest.com/skychange.

An Appalachian Summer Festival



SkyBest Communications will be among the Popular Series sponsors at an Appalachian Summer Festival, the month-long summer arts program that features a variety of music, dance, theatre, visual arts and film programming on the campus of Appalachian State University in Boone.

Scheduled from July 1 through 30, the Festival supports the overall university mission, enhances the cultural life of the Appalachian community through affordable access to its programs, serves as an important gateway onto the campus and promotes the economic development of our region.

Among the Popular Series events scheduled include **Marty Stuart and His Fabulous Superlatives** which will be a live, outdoor event at State Farm Road Concert Lot on Sunday evening, July 3, and the Town of Boone's fireworks display will immediately follow the concert.

With legends like George Jones, Johnny Cash and Merle Haggard all passed on, country music purists often echo the question Jones himself asked: "Who's going to fill their shoes?" The answer, in part, is Marty Stuart. The Country Music Hall of Famer and Grammy-winning singer, songwriter and musician is living, breathing country music history.

The Schaefer Center will present five-time Grammy winner and American jazz basist, singer, songwriter and composer **esperanza spalding** in concert on Saturday July 9.

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Scholarship Presentation Highlights

In last month's newsletter, we highlighted SkyLine's Allegheny Scholarship Award winners, who were recognized in late April. Remaining student recognitions were held in May.

We send best wishes to all of our area scholarship program recipients who are pursuing a variety of degree programs, from pre-law, criminal justice/forensic biology, radiological sciences and veterinary technology to sustainable agriculture, dental hygiene, physical therapy, engineering and business/computer science.



Avery Directors Bill Burselson and D.C. Smith with local scholarship recipient Harley Eggers.



Johnson County Director Kenneth McQueen with local scholarship recipients Jacey Eshelman and Dalton Brown. Watauga Scholarship recipient Gavin Allen with SkyLine PR Administrator Karen Powell.



Ashe County Scholarship recipients Chloe Miller and Abigail Carpenter were announced via video presentation at the local scholarship awards program.

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Area Students Named Winners of Frank James-SkyLine Scholarship

SkyLine Membership Corporation has announced its 2022 Frank James-SkyLine Scholarship Program winners, providing a total of \$25,000 in scholarship awards to 10 area high school graduates.

In memory of the cooperative's longtime director and former SkyLine President Frank James, this scholarship is presented each year to benefit the children of SkyLine/SkyBest customers who reside in its five-county service area. This year's scholarships will be awarded over one, two or four years to students pursuing four-year degrees, college/transfer programs or two-year degree programs.

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ABBIE JOINES
Appalachian State University
Parents: Craig and Leann Joines

ABIGAIL SMITH
Western Carolina University
Parents: Amanda and John Smith

SARAH DAVIS
Wytheville Community College
Parent: Ashley Davis

ALEX WOODL
Surry Community College
Grandparents: Jerry and Teresa Woodel

ABIGAIL CARPENTER
Yale University
Parents: Heather and James Carpenter

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CHLOE MILLER
Central Carolina Community College
Parents: Mark Miller and Christina Shatley

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East Tennessee State University
Parent: Alice Eggers

DALTON BROWN
East Tennessee State University
Parents: George and Angela Brown

JACEY ESHELMAN
Northeast State Community College
Parents: Jan and Jack Eshelman

GAVIN ALLEN
N.C. State University
Parents: Regina and Michael Allen

Recipe of the Month

Blue Ribbon Strawberry Cake

Ingredients:

- 1 (3 oz) box strawberry Jello
- 1 box strawberry cake mix
- 3 (3 oz) pkgs. vanilla instant pudding
- 1 cup canola oil
- 1 ½ cups milk
- 4 eggs
- 1 cup crushed strawberries
- 1 (8 oz) sour cream
- 1 (8 oz) can crushed pineapple with juice
- 2 cups sugar
- 12 oz. frozen coconut, thawed
- 1 (8 oz) Cool Whip
- 1 cup crushed strawberries
- 1 cup reserved fruit filling

Cake:

Preheat oven to 350°. Combine cake mix, Jello and instant pudding in large mixing bowl. Add oil, milk and eggs. Beat until thoroughly mixed. Stir in crushed strawberries. Spoon batter into 3 greased and floured 9" round cake pans. Bake for 25 minutes. Cool completely before icing.

Fruit Filling:

While cake is cooling, mix sour cream, crushed pineapple, sugar and coconut thoroughly (reserve 1 cup of this for frosting). Spread fruit filling between layers and on top of cake.

Strawberry Frosting:

Combine Cool Whip, crushed strawberries and reserved fruit filling. Mix thoroughly. Spread on top and sides of cake. Chill for 24 hours.

Recipe submitted by Judith Blythe of Ashe Co.

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Renee Elise Goldsberry is perhaps best known for her role as Angelica Schuyler in the musical phenomenon *Hamilton*, which earned her a Tony Award, Grammy Award, Drama Desk Award and Lucille Lortel Award. Her set on Saturday evening, July 16, will cover music from *Hamilton*, *RENT*, *The Lion King*, *The Color Purple*, other Broadway numbers and a tribute to the great Aretha Franklin.

Postmodern Jukebox: The Grand Reopening Tour makes its return to App Summer for an 8 p.m. concert on Saturday, July 23, and will feature an ensemble of multi-talented singers and musicians, bringing creator Scott Bradlee's generation-spanning arrangements alive night after night.

The Popular Series' finale will be a concert by **Boz Scaggs: Out of the Blues Tour 2022** at 8 p.m. on Wednesday, July 27. For five decades, Boz Scaggs has mined a personalized mix of rock, blues and R&B influences, along with a signature style of ballads on such influential '70s albums as *Moments*, *Boz Scaggs & Band*, *My Time*, *Slow Dancer* and *1976's Silk Degrees*, the latter of which spawned three Top 40 hit singles: "It's Over," "Lido Shuffle" and "Lowdown."

For ticket information and a complete schedule of App Summer events, visit www.appsummer.org; The box office number is 828-262-4046 or (800) 841-ARTS (2787).

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