

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 began on June 30 at 7 p.m. with the "Red, White, and Blue Ridge Variety Show." A matinee performance is scheduled for July 2, kicking off Independence Day celebrations with a bang! Beginning on July 6, you can catch "Bright Star," which will continue playing with evening and matinee performances through July 12. Following that, on July 23 "The [W]right Sister" will begin playing with both evening and matinee performances continuing through July 29.



"Red, White, and Blue Ridge Variety Show"

7 p.m. Show: June 30
2 p.m. Show2: July 2

The 2023 Summer Theatre season is paying homage to this great state we call home – North Carolina! LMC begins their 37th season with a variety show that will be fun for the entire family and just in time for the Fourth of July! Presenting the talented 2023 company, who come from around the nation and even right here in the High Country region, this variety show features some of the best music, dancing, comedy and patriotic songs, all presented with North Carolina flair!

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Highlighting Scholarship Presentations

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

We are proud of all of our area scholarship program recipients, and we wish them the best in beginning their next chapters. These bright students plan to pursue a variety of degree programs including business administration, welding, banking and finance, agriculture, exercise science, engineering, political science and communication sciences and disorders.

*See scholarship winners on page 2

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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 June 24 through July 29, 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 stellar performers featured throughout the summer is three-time grammy winner, Darius Rucker. His music career took off during his time as the lead singer and rhythm guitarist for Hootie & the Blowfish, selling over 25 million albums. In 2008 he released his first solo country album and his fan base only grew. Rucker will close out the Festival with a concert on July 29 at 7:30 p.m. in the Kidd Brewer Stadium.



An Evening with Leslie Odom, Jr.
June 24 | 8:00 pm



Lea Salonga
July 8 | 8:00 pm



John Oates
July 14 | 8:00 pm



Keb' Mo' with special guest Allison Russell
July 22 | 8:00 pm



Darius Rucker
July 29 | 7:30 pm



Pictured L to R: Allyson Hart, Zara Worley, Hallie Grubb, Haleigh Hogg

Attending Vision NWNC

We were excited to be among the many businesses that attended the fourth annual Northwest North Carolina Regional Summit. Since its onset, SkyLine/SkyBest continues to be a leading sponsor of the event. The various speakers and panelists focused on current economic development trends and their effects on businesses at the local level.

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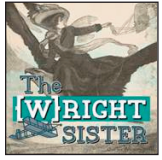


"Bright Star"

7 p.m. Shows: July 6, 7, 8, 11
2 p.m. Shows: July 9, 12

Inspired by a true story featuring the Tony-nominated score by Steve Martin and Edie Brickell, Bright Star

tells a sweeping tale of love and redemption set against the rich backdrop of the mountains of North Carolina in the 1920s and 1940s. Billy Cane, a young soldier just home from World War II, meets Alice Murphy, the brilliant editor of a southern literary journal. Together they discover a powerful secret that alters their lives forever. With beautiful bluegrass melodies and powerfully moving characters, the story unfolds as a rich tapestry of deep emotion, heart and plenty of warm southern humor. An uplifting theatrical journey that holds you tightly in its grasp, Bright Star is being called "a fresh breeze," "downright wonderful" and "gentle-spirited" by critics!



"The [W]right Sister"

7 p.m. Shows: July 25, 26, 27, 28
2 p.m. Shows: July 23, 29

If you hear "Wright Brothers," your mind travels easily to Wilbur and Orville, who in 1903 went from simple

bicycle shop owners to the famous inventors of heavier-than-air flight. But while the Wright Brothers had their heads in the clouds, there was one person on the ground working to help them soar – their sister, Katherine. The [W]right Sister brings Katherine's forgotten story to life in a beautiful new musical that spans decades – from their childhood and work in the Dayton, Ohio bicycle shop, to her nursing skills that saved Orville's life more than once, to her ability to charm heads of state, kings and presidents while her brothers struggled to even greet them.

Recipe of the Month

Three Cheese Vegetable Lasagna

Ingredients:

- 6 lasagna noodles, cooked according to package directions
- 3 medium zucchini, halved lengthwise and sliced
- 2 cups sliced fresh mushrooms
- 1/3 cup chopped onion
- 2 teaspoons olive oil
- 1 cup ricotta cheese
- 1/2 cup grated Parmesan cheese
- 1/2 teaspoon black pepper
- 2 cups tomato and basil spaghetti sauce
- 1 cup shredded mozzarella cheese (divided)
- 1 medium tomato, seeded and chopped

Instructions:

- Spray rectangular Pyrex dish with Pam.
- Cook zucchini, mushrooms, and onion in hot olive oil just until tender. Remove from heat and drain well on paper towels. In a small bowl, stir together ricotta, Parmesan, and black pepper. To assemble, place 3 cooked lasagna noodles in Pyrex dish. Top with ricotta mixture. Then top with half of vegetable mixture, half of spaghetti sauce, and half of mozzarella cheese. Layer with the remaining lasagna noodles, vegetable mixture, and sauce. Bake 375 degrees for 30 minutes. Sprinkle with remaining mozzarella cheese and the tomato.
- Bake 5 minutes until cheese is melted. Remove from oven and let stand 10 minutes before serving.

Recipe submitted by Marsha Walters

Area Students Named Winners of Frank James-SkyLine Scholarship

SkyLine Membership Corporation announced its 2023 Frank James-SkyLine Scholarship program winners, providing a total of \$20,000 in scholarship awards to 8 area high school graduates.

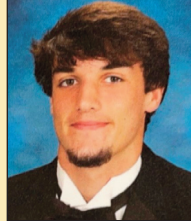
In memory of the cooperative's longtime director and former SkyLine President Frank James, this scholarship is presented each year to benefit the children of SkyLine/SkyBest customers who reside in its five-county service area. This year's scholarships will be awarded over two or four years to students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

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Wilkes Community College
Parents: William and Kristie Hudson

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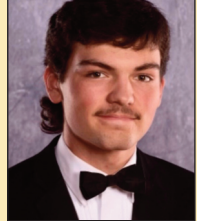
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