

THE RULES

Free Listings

To qualify for a free listing of up to 50 words, an event must be open to the public, and either: a) offer free or optionally free admission (donations & love offerings count as optional), or b) benefit or be sponsored by a nonprofit organization, with cost of admission \$40 or less. Local nonprofit groups that meet regularly qualify for a free ongoing listing. A free event intended to promote a for-profit business may not qualify for a free listing, and may be required to be submitted as a paid listing. If your event or organization is for-profit, please see "Paid Listings."

The deadline: Free listings must be in our hands by 5 p.m. on the Wednesday 7 days prior to the publication date.

The free calendar is a 12-day guide to events, from the Wednesday of publication through the second Sunday following. Because of space limitations, we usually withhold listings of later events until their dates move into the 12-day window, and we may rotate some ongoing & undated listings out of our print edition for one issue.

To submit a free listing, use one of these methods:

- E-mail: calendar@mountainx.com
- Send as plain text in the body of your e-mail — no attachments (except jpg pictures).
- Fax: (828) 251-1311, Attn: Free Calendar
- Mail: Free Calendar, Mountain Xpress, P.O. Box 144, Asheville, NC 28802

- In person: Steve Rasmussen or Sammy Cox, Mountain Xpress, 2 Wall St. (the Miles Building), Ste. 204, downtown Asheville.

Please limit your submission to 50 words or less. Longer submissions will be edited for length. We reserve the right to edit submissions for style & content, and we may choose not to list an event that is non-local. Publication in the calendar does not imply our endorsement of any person, group or event.

Questions? Call the Calendar Editor, Steve Rasmussen, at (828) 251-1333, ext. 114.

Paid Listings

Paid listings lead the calendar sections in which they are placed, and are marked (pd.).

Rates for paid listings range from \$11.58 to \$8.70 per 30-word listing, depending on how many consecutive weeks they will run. Each additional word over 30 costs \$0.25 per word, per week. Nonprofit rates are available. For first-time customers, pre-payment is required. We accept payments by credit card, check, cash or money order.

The deadline: Paid listings must be in our hands by 5 p.m. on the Wednesday 7 days prior to the publication date.

To submit a paid listing, send it to our Classified Dept. by any of the following methods. Be sure to include your phone number, for billing purposes.

- E-mail: marketplace@mountainx.com
 - Fax: (828) 251-1311, Attn: Paid Calendar
 - Mail: Paid Calendar, Mountain Xpress, P.O. Box 144, Asheville, NC 28802
 - In person: Classified Dept., Mountain Xpress, 2 Wall St. (the Miles Building), Ste. 216, downtown Asheville.
- Questions? Call our Classified Representatives, at (828) 251-1333, Monday through Friday during business hours.

THE CALENDAR'S CATEGORIES

- Town Square
- Lend a Hand
- To Your Health
- Green & Growing
- The Great Outdoors
- Parks & Recreation
- Kidding Around
- Cosmic Buffet

Stepping! Out categories are located in the Arts & Entertainment calendar.

CALENDAR FOR MAY 14 - MAY 25, 2003

Unless otherwise stated, events take place in Asheville, and phone numbers are in the 828 area code.

TOWN SQUARE

COMMUNITY EVENTS, WORKSHOPS & MEETINGS

Big Wheels Round-Up at BRCC in Brevard
SA (5/17), 4pm - Come explore a grand collection of Big Wheels including a tank, cement truck, fire engine, police motorcycle, school bus and more. The festival held at Blue Ridge Community College (Brevard campus) includes live music, track, hoe competitions, skateboard demos and much more! \$5-\$3.

Cardinal Cruise-In
SA (5/17), 4-8pm - Features a huge display of antique cars, hot rods, trucks and muscle cars from throughout the region, also live music, door prizes, 50/50 drawing, and quarter pound hamburger specials. Info: 894-3670

Community Yard Sale
SA (5/17), 9:30am-2:30pm - At the Stephens-Lee Recreation Center. Tables may be reserved to sell items with a \$5 donation. Reservation deadline is May 23. Info: 350-2058.

Hickory Nut Gorge Kiwanis Club's Memorial Days 2003

SA through MO (5/24-28), 10am-5pm - At the Lake Lure Arcade Grounds. Featuring lively music for all tastes with regional and gospel music, a wide range of arts and crafts, rides for the kids, a variety of tasty foods, a Memorial Day Parade and loads of fun and entertainment for all ages.

Thy (5/22), 7pm - The Asheville Jaycees are sponsoring the Asheville Jodels contest at the Asheville Community Theatre. The categories include diction, drama, vocal/musical, poetry/spoken word and more. Info: call 258-8084, \$5.

Media Forum for Nonprofits
FR (5/16), Noon-2:30pm - Fund for Investigative Reporting and Editing (FIRE) hosts the forum for nonprofits at Jubilee located at 46 Wall St. There will be an informal networking luncheon at noon followed by a small group working and forum, all featuring top local journalists. To RSVP, e-mail FIRE at fire@ncpress.net, call 258-9179 or visit www.ncpress.net/mediatorum.html.

Talks & Events at UNCA
These public lectures, readings, events and films are free unless noted.

• SA (5/17), 9:30am - Commencement Ceremony, in the Quad
Info: 251-6670.

The Village of Cheshire's 2nd Annual Spring Fling

SA (5/17), 11am-3pm - An Open House and BBQ family event in Black Mountain. Featuring home tours, games, croquet, Frisbee golf, and tennis, as well as a clown and caricaturist. Admission is free and enjoy a live performance by the Caribbean Cowboys. Info: 669-6857.

Thermal City Miners' Meet & Common Dig

FR through MO (5/23-28) - Vendor displays, gem faceting, painting and equipment demonstrations. Common Dig and Treasure Hunt. Music, campfires, and good tales each night. Fees vary. Thermal City Gold Mine, US 221 South, McDowell/Polk/Furberford County line. Info: 286-2016 or JANANEE@BlueRidge.net

POLITICAL, SOCIAL & SHARED-INTEREST GROUPS

Asheville NOW—National Organization for Women.

Join the largest organization of feminist activists in the nation. We are encouraging men to join our efforts as well. Info: Barbara at 285-0565 or e-mail ashvillenow@ajnow.com.

Lee Edwards High Renaissance Group

The Lee Edwards class of 1989 is hosting a reunion for the years 1987-89 the weekend of Aug 1. Friends from other Lee Edwards classes, St. Genevieve's, Asheville Country Day etc. are also invited to participate, but pre-registration is a must. Info: Robert and Debbie Morrow, 258-8336, debmorrow@charter.net.

Asheville Mayor's Committee for Persons with Disabilities

4TH WEDNESDAYS, 3:30pm - The meetings are held in the conference room of the Vocational Rehabilitation building at 599 Tunnel Rd. Info: Bart Floyd at Western Alliance Center for Independent Living, 274-0444.

Hall Fletcher Democratic Precinct Meeting

WE (5/21), 7:30 - What your goals are for West Asheville and the Democratic Party? Come support the local Democratic efforts at the next meeting which will be held at the Hall Fletcher School. Info: call Shirley Moog at 253-4024.

The New Hendersonville Singles Club

1ST & 3RD MONDAYS, 6:30pm - Meets at Samora's Restaurant on the corner of Church and Berrwell in the Heritage Square Mall. For more information, call Vernette, 697-7546, or Ann, 693-8819.

• SA (5/24), 7:30-11:30pm - Spring Fling Dance at the VFW next to Five Points Restaurant. Social begins at 7pm. Refreshments provided. Info: call 891-7002 or 684-6183, \$10.

Asheville Chess Club

WEDNESDAYS, 6:30-10:30pm - At the North Asheville Recreation Center, 37 E. Lenoir (off Macon). Players of all levels welcome. Call 259-3715 for more information.

Asheville Women In Black

FRIDAYS, 5-6pm - Wild, part of an international movement begun in Israel in 1988, held vigil at Vance Monument to grieve for all victims of violence, including those killed in the Sept. 11 attacks and those being killed and injured in Afghanistan by US military action, and to call for peace. Bring candles and wear black. Info: Arnie Craig, 282-4536.

Central Singles

SATURDAYS, 6pm - For ages 25 and up. For information, call 651-8130.

Freedom Socialist Party

WEDNESDAYS, 7pm - Local branch of FSP meets at 202 Edgewood Rd., Asheville. Info: 258-0731 or ncwsc@charter.net

Support Group for Families of the Incarcerated

SATURDAYS, 1pm - The group, which offers information, encouragement and mutual support, meets at the Encouraging Cup Café in Fletcher. Info and directions, call Nancy at 665-1217.

WNC Singles Club

THURSDAYS, 7pm - Meets at the Calvary Baptist Fellowship Hall, 531 Heywood Rd. in West Asheville, for auctions, dance lessons,

covered dish dinners, fellowship and fun. Attendees must be at least 21 and single. Info: 254-0540.

Adoption Reconnection

2ND TUESDAYS, 7:30-9pm - In support of search and reunion, meets at the Northrup room in All Souls Episcopal Church in Brevard. For more info, call Bonnie at 286-6887.

ALAS

3RD MONDAYS - The Asheville Latin Americans for Advancement Society is a Latino leadership organization that aids and promotes service providers, professional development, political & cultural awareness, diversity on boards & commissions, improved youth programs, & bridging discrimination. For more information, call Edna Campos at 277-1797.

ALPS

1ST WEDNESDAYS, 6:30pm - Association of Lesbian Professionals is a social group for women in Asheville area, meets for dinner and to plan group activities. For info, place and further info, call Diane at 256-9246 or email: slps_wnc@hotmail.com

American Association of University Women

3RD WEDNESDAYS, 11:45am - AAUW is a 150-year-old national organization promoting equity for all women and girls, lifelong education and positive societal change. Asheville's branch is NC's largest. Membership open to men and women with bachelor's degrees. For info call Loretta Hays, 258-9560.

Antique Auto Club, Great Smokey Mountains Region

3RD TUESDAYS, 6pm - Monthly meetings are rotated among restaurants in the Hendersonville, Asheville, Black Mountain, etc. areas. Info: 891-1576.

• TU (5/20) - At Mills River Restaurant, Hwy 191 & 280 in Mills River.

Asheville Jaycees

1st and 3rd MONDAYS - Meetings at the Nationwide Office at 950 Hendersonville Road. For information please contact Kelly Paaz, Membership VP, at 654-8659.

Asheville Stamp Club

3RD SUNDAYS, 2pm - All stamp collectors welcome to meetings at the North Asheville Community Center, 37 East Lenoir Court Rd. (off Merrimon Ave). Info: Sonja Richards 627-3039.

Astronomy Club

1ST THURSDAYS, 6:30pm - The Astronomy Club of Asheville holds monthly meetings, open to the public, at the offices of Strus Engineering at 230 Cox Ave. No prior experience or equipment needed. Call Tim Berrwell at 251-0040 for more information.

Blue Ridge Equality Alliance

2ND & 4TH WEDNESDAYS, 7:30-9pm - BREAA's mission is to advance equality, eliminate discrimination based on sexual orientation, improve the quality of life and help meet the needs of gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgendered people and their allies. At the WYCA, 185 S. French Broad Ave. Info: 252-4097 or www.dreabonline.org.

Blue Ridge Neighbors

2ND SATURDAYS, 11:30am - This organization (which sprang out of the Welcome Wagon) welcomes new (and not so new) residents to the area. Activities enable members to make new friends, learn about the history of Asheville and participate in various interest groups (hiking, games, investment club, crafts, etc.), info and meeting location: Frank Dastill, 252-6197.

Brevard Stamp Club

3RD THURSDAYS, 7pm - Meets at the First United Methodist Church, 14 North French Broad Avenue in Brevard. Info: Richards Stamp Shop, 274-3804.

British Car Club of WNC

1ST TUESDAYS, 7pm - All British-car enthusiasts are welcome to meetings at Shoney's Restaurant, 379 Long Shoals Rd (1-26, exit 6), Arden. Dinner precedes mtg, at 8pm. Info: Neal Weirman, 253-1803, or <http://www.mbrn.nc.us/BRCCWNC>.

Buncombe Co. Republican Club

Both clubs hear guest speakers at their monthly luncheon meetings at the Cornerstone Restaurant on Tunnel Rd. Newcomers welcomed. Info: www.buncombeco.org.

