

Lake Views and News

October 2023

Save the Dates!

Here are some upcoming Junaluskans events and Junaluskans-supported events for your calendar.

Wednesday, Oct. 4: Junaluskans Meeting – 10:00AM Harrell Center Auditorium

Tuesday, October 10: Vespers, Bishop Charlene Kammerer, speaker – 5:30PM Memorial Chapel at Lake Junaluska (*Note time change*)

Sunday, October 15: Service of choral anthems, end of Choir Weekend – 10:30AM Harrell Auditorium

Tuesday, October 17: Junaluskans Soup Cook off – 12:00 noon in York Dining Room (11:30AM if bringing soup)

Thursday, October 26: Halloween Dance – White tent from 6:30PM-8:30PM

Wednesday, November 1: Junaluskans Meeting – 10:00AM Harrell Center Auditorium

Sunday, December 3: Haywood Choral Society Christmas Concert – 4:00PM First UMC Waynesville

Wednesday, December 6: Junaluskans Meeting – 10:00AM Harrell Center Auditorium

Saturday, December 9: Candlelight Festival of Lessons & Carols w/harp, flute & soloists – 7:00PM Memorial Chapel at Lake Junaluska

Tuesday, December 19: Junaluskans Christmas program-Lauralee Bailey & Hilda Ryan – Lambuth Inn 5:30-8:00 pm



A meeting and events you'll want to attend!

Are you concerned that you or a loved one might get or have early Alzheimer's? Then you won't want to miss the next Junaluskans meeting on **Wednesday, October 4 at 10 am** at the Harrell Center Auditorium. Denise Young, executive director of the local Alzheimer's Association, will be our speaker. She will educate us on the signs of early Alzheimer's, resources available for those who have Alzheimer's and the latest progress to prevent Alzheimer's. Friends and family are welcome to attend.

At the meeting, we will have a sign up for the **Tuesday October 17** soup cook-off (*details on page 2*) which will be at noon that day in York Dining Commons.

There will also be information about our Halloween party and dance on October 26 (costumes encouraged but optional). Our own Bert Howard will be the DJ at the Halloween party so you know there will be great music and exciting games. If you like to have fun, these two events are a must!

Caring and Sharing

Condolences

Family of Charles Middleton
Family of Dr. Read Patten
Sandra Scott – Death of sister

Prayer Concerns

Ilah King – In rehab with broken legs

Hilda Ryan, Caring & Sharing, hryan.777@gmail.com

Junaluskans Vesper Service (Note time change)

The Fall vesper service is scheduled for **Tuesday evening, October 10 at 5:30**. This will be a service of Word and Table. This is a change from the usual Sunday evening service offered in the past. However, in consideration of the many and varied church-related schedules, and the success of the recent hymn singing, it was felt that this was the best day and time to bring us all together for a moment of quiet and worship.

This service will continue the tradition of hearing the stories of faith from our fellow saints. This service we will hear from Bishop Charlene Kammerer. Bishop Kammerer, an ordained United Methodist minister, was elected to the episcopacy in 1996 and assigned to the Western North Carolina Conference. She served there until 2004, when she was assigned to the Virginia Conference. She retired in 2012 to Lake Junaluska where she and her husband, Leigh, live as full-time residents.

Let the community gather for this time of celebration of the good gifts of a Holy God.

Junaluskans Soup Cook Off

Here is a fun and tasty event you won't want to miss! At **noon on Tuesday, October 17** the Junaluskans are having a soup cook off in lieu of our monthly meal. Junaluskans are asked to prepare their favorite soup and bring it in a crock pot to the York Dining Common at 11:30 am on October 17. At noon, Junaluskans and friends will congregate at the York Dining Commons and have the opportunity to taste and vote on the soup they like best. There is no cost for this event. Just the opportunity to enjoy delicious soup, bread and dessert provided by members on a lovely autumn day. A sign-up for soups, breads and desserts will be distributed at the October general meeting or you can contact Jan Lemasters at lemastersjanice@gmail.com.

Fall in the Corneille Bryan Native Garden

October is a lovely time to visit the Corneille Bryan Native Garden at Lake Junaluska. The trees have taken on their autumn hues, many interesting seed pods have formed on shrubs and flowers, and the last of the fall flowers are blooming. The following events will also be hosted:

- **Native Plant Propagation - Oct 18 - 1pm-2:30pm**
Learn how to propagate native plants by seed, division, and cuttings. This interactive session will guide you through proper seed saving techniques, planting, and when and how to divide your plants. Led by Janet Manning, Horticultural Director at the Garden. Meet at the benches at the spring on Stuart Circle, below the garden.
- **Workday in the Garden - Oct 25 - 9am - noon**
Help with maintenance and clean-up in the garden. Meet at the top of the garden at the small parking area off County Road, between JB Ivey Lane and Oxford Road. Bring gloves, water, and a hat. Come for an hour or more!
- **What Mammals Leave Behind - Oct 27 - 4pm**
Join Naturalist Tess Fernandes to explore the world of mammals that are native to the area. You will learn how to identify these amazing animals by the clues they leave behind. Meet at the Stuart Circle entrance to the garden.

For all of the events, registration is not necessary, but if you do sign-up, you can be kept informed of any changes. Contact cbnativegarden@gmail.com.

It's a Party!



Hey Junaluskans, lake staff, lake guests, and friends! You are all welcome to join us at the big white tent for an entertaining evening of music, dancing, singing, and partying on **Thursday, October 26 from 6:30-8:30**. This **FREE** event will be similar to the Golden Oldies music night so many enjoyed in July. Bert Howard will be our host again and provide the awesome music with his DJ sound system. Refreshments of sodas and fresh popcorn will be provided free of charge. Bring your chair, dress warmly and join us for lots of fun and a few surprises. And bring your smart phone to look up the lyrics of the sing along songs.

Halloween party lovers are encouraged to come in their favorite Halloween costume to enhance the atmosphere, but costumes are not required.

Date: October 26, Thursday

Time: 6:30 – 8:30

Location: Big white tent between the Harrell Center and Stuart Auditorium
Restrooms in the Harrell Center will be open.

Christmas is coming!!



The summer rush is over & our beautiful mountains are beginning to exhibit various hues of fall colors. Not too long after the leaves fall, it will be time to begin decorating the Lake for Christmas. The Christmas decorations have always been a special treat for visitors and for those of us who are blessed to call this place home. For those of you who worked in previous years, we hope that you will be helping again. For those who haven't, we would like to invite you to join us one morning in early November to put up a variety of decorations. It will take approximately 1-3 hours with an assigned team to make the Lake look festive. We plan on

putting up the decorations during the week of November 6-10, weather permitting. They will be taken down in early January. For those who haven't done this before, it is a fun time and great opportunity to meet some of your Lake J neighbors. We also are blessed to have Haywood County residents participate. All volunteers are welcome! You will be put on a team with an experienced leader. We will be signing up volunteers at the Junaluska meetings in October. If you have questions or ideas on how to make the decorations even better call, text or email us at 828-400-0020 or rcarlson@georgiasouthern.edu.

Words from Ken

Preservation of Sacred Spaces

This summer, we have seen a renewal of events taking place in Stuart Auditorium. In September, the Church of the Brethren hosted its National Older Adult Conference after a four-year absence due to the COVID pandemic. Seeing the Church of the Brethren back here and worshipping in the sacred space was wonderful.

Stuart Auditorium, one of our oldest and most historic structures, is the centerpiece of all activities during the conference. While the lake, grounds, lodging, and food service are key to the overall experience, what happens in Stuart Auditorium is truly special. Friends reunite after a year apart, retiring leaders are celebrated, and music and hymns flourish.

Stuart Auditorium has served as a gathering place in the heart of Lake Junaluska since its construction in 1913. With its iconic setting along the lakeshore, the auditorium has housed conferences, worship services, events with notable speakers and sold-out concerts.

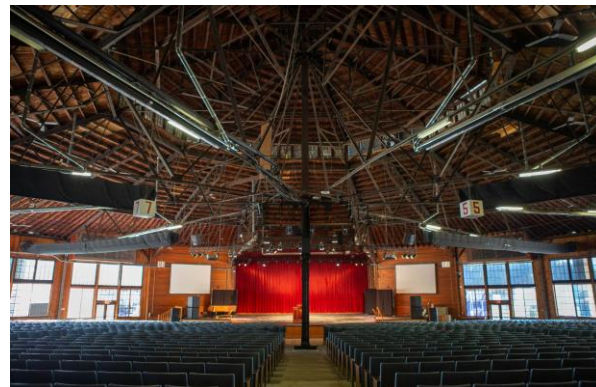
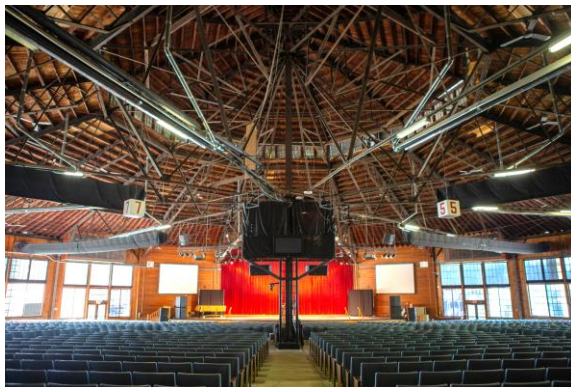
Lake Junaluska's strategic vision includes a goal to "*maintain and preserve existing buildings and property that are needed to fulfill the mission of Lake Junaluska.*" One of the objectives of that goal is "*to improve, preserve and enhance sacred spaces by developing a plan for the preservation of Memorial Chapel, the cross, Inspiration Point and Stuart Auditorium.*"

To live into this vision, in March 2022 the Board of Trustees established that the maintenance and preservation needs for Stuart Auditorium would be one of our top fundraising priorities for the next five years. Through charitable gifts, we are working towards the accomplishment of the following:

- Refurbishing the stage
- Restoring, repairing, and refurbishing the outside deck overlooking the lake
- Addressing critical infrastructure needs, such as replacing broken doors, lights, seats and windows
- Painting and staining the interior
- Relocating the audio/visual equipment from the crow's nest to the floor while addressing site lines
- Updating bathroom facilities
- Preserving the historic nature of the facility while adding modern technology

This work began with the first phase of renovations last winter, which included upgrading the video system to high-definition cameras and projectors, refurbishing the back wall with new fabric and trim, and restoring the deck overlooking the lake.

I am pleased to share with you that a second phase of preservation work has begun in Stuart Auditorium. Over the next two months, we will be relocating the audio/visual equipment from the crow's nest to the floor while addressing sight lines. We are also installing a new sound system that is specifically designed for the auditorium and, this winter, we will also be installing a new air conditioning unit. The total cost of these projects is \$175,000, and 100% of these improvements are made possible by charitable giving.



(Current and future views from the back of the auditorium.)

While the outcomes of our efforts may include many physical improvements, the most significant outcome is the fulfillment of our mission through events like the Church of the Brethren conference. We are blessed to be a part of a place of Christian hospitality where lives are transformed through renewal of soul, mind, and body. Thank you for helping us make these and so many other things possible.

Ken Howle

Out and About

Thank you!



Lake Junaluska's Artists in Residence (AIR) would like to thank all those who participated in September's Art events. We held our first AIR Art Show in the Harrell Center. Over 18 artists participated in the 3-day event with over 200 community members and visitors checking in.

Our first Visiting Artist was musician

John Salaway. He taught two Song Writing workshops, performed at the Junaluskans dinner and in Concert.

Thank you to the Lake Junaluska staff, especially Betsy, Melissa, Marketing and Landscape teams for their help and support.

Events were made possible by a grant from the Intentional Growth Center.



Travel Group



Jim Cooper and Gary Phillips try out the merchandise during the Travel Group's recent trip to the Highlands Mountaintop Art and Crafts Show.

A Little Something Extra ...

- ✓ From the Lawsons - Thanks for the paving repairs on Kammerer Drive!
- ✓ Linda Henley has compiled the three years of devotionals that have been sent out via the Junaluskans email list. The book will be available sometime in October. For further information, contact Linda at henley026@gmail.com or 828-508-1015.

Our Guests in October

- 1-4 Senior Golfers Association
- 1-3 Association for Christian Fundraising
- 2-6 UMMAS
- 3-6 Chavis Ministries Retreat
- 4-6 Boundless Impact ImagineHub Summit
- 4 North Carolina Sheriffs' Association
- 5-7 Global Intercessors Network
- 5 Haywood Hospice Community Memorial Service
- 5-8 Exploring Peace Ministries Yoga and Silence Retreat
- 5-6 Memories in Motion Bus Tours Senior Trip
- 5 East Tennessee State University
- 6-8 Robert and Janice McNair Foundation
- 6-8 Divine Habitation Ministries International Leadership Retreat
- 6-9 Bella Filati, Yummi Yarns and Maggie Valley Yarn Shop Knitting Retreat
- 6-9 St. Joseph Catholic School
- 10-12 First UMC Cary
- 12-15 First Baptist Spartanburg Young Married Couples Retreat
- 13 Palmetto Church of Christ Women's Retreat
- 13-15 Choir Music Weekend
- 13-15 First Reformed Church Couples Retreat
- 13-15 Campus Outreach Fall Retreat
- 13-14 Parkwood High School
- 14-15 Hillgrove High School Band Marching Band Competition
- 14 Atlanta Car Club Dinner
- 16-18 Riverland Hills Baptist Church Adult Plus Retreat
- 16-17 Doctors of Ministry Reunion 2023
- 19-21 Central Church of God Women's Retreat
- 19-21 Fellowship Greenville
- 20-23 Church of the Brethren Pastor and Spouse Retreat
- 20-22 Lyttleton Street UMC Group Retreat
- 20-22 Riverland Hills Baptist Church Singles Retreat
- 20-22 Poplar Springs Baptist Church
- 20 Ionosphere Tours
- 21-25 Haywood Christian Academy Meeting
- 21 Abbey's Cove HOA
- 23-26 Diocese of Knoxville Priests Retreat 2023
- 23-24 Korean Central
- 25-27 Myers Park UMC
- 26-28 New River Community Church Ladies Retreat
- 26-30 Annabella's, Inc. All Things Autumn Retreat
- 26-27 FIG Education Conference
- 26-28 Boulevard Baptist Church
- 27-29 Cornerstone Baptist Church