



2019 *Summer Resource Guide*

Your comprehensive guide to family-friendly
summer time fun in Mitchell and Yancey
Counties.

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Dear Parents,

Do your kids sit around the house complaining they have nothing to do in the summer? Do you struggle to find affordable and fun summer activities for your children? Do you run out of ways to keep your kids entertained in the summer? Then this guide will make your summer better!

There are many FREE or low-cost family friendly activities throughout our community and the Summer Resource Guide has all the details! In this guide, you will discover summer activities from a variety of local organizations – and there are enough activities to keep your children busy, engaged and having fun all summer long.

The best part about your children being involved in community summer activities is that they not only keep kids from being bored, but they also help them to build stronger family relationships, to learn social skills, to establish positive connections to their community, and to build relationships with other caring adults outside of the family. These relationships and skills gained through community activities help children to be healthier, happier and more successful as they grow.

We hope you will find this Summer Resource Guide to be useful as you make plans for summer! For more community information and resources, check out our website at: www.pathwnc.org. And remember...the Yancey Transportation Authority (682-6144) or Mitchell Transportation Authority (688-4715) are **happy to help with transportation needs during the summer months.**

Best wishes for an amazing summer,

Your Friends At PATH

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COMMUNITY EVENTS

SIZZLIN' SUMMER SERIES

All Saturday activities take place from 10:00am - 12:00pm on the Burnsville Town Square, coinciding with the Farmer's Market, unless otherwise indicated. Updates will be posted on www.pathwnc.org or <https://www.facebook.com/pathwnc/>.



All events are **FREE!**

- * **June 8th - Jam Out!** – Get ready to jam all morning during a jam session with TAPS (Traditional Arts Program for Students) instructors! Learn more about playing an instrument and get ready to feel the beat! Bring your own instrument or there will be extras at the event. Be sure to join us after for a scavenger hunt! (Sponsored by Toe River Arts)
- * **June 15th – Rock Climbing Adventure** - Join us for rock climbing on the town square! Whether it's your first time climbing or you are a seasoned adventurer, experienced staff will be there to help you navigate a mobile climbing wall! Be sure to stop by the Car Seat Safety Check! (Sponsored by the Yancey County Sheriff's Dept. and Yancey Emergency Management)
- * **June 22nd – Reading is Alive** - Family-friendly performance of "The Three Little Pigs." Families will enjoy a short musical, have a chance to sign up for the summer reading program, and receive a free t-shirt and book/per child. Craft and summer reading sign up. (Sponsored by Parkway Playhouse)
- * **June 29th – Inflatable Twister** - Join us for Inflatable Twister on the Square! Sponsored by (Blue Ridge Partnership for Children)
- * **July 6th – Family Yard Games and More**– Come and enjoy a family day of fun! Play games like corn hole and human-sized Jenga with your kids and celebrate summer as a family! Face painting and games are waiting for you! Refreshments will be provided. The location for this event is to be determined and will be announced on PATH's Facebook page. (Sponsored by RHA, location TBD)
- * **July 13th – Dance Lessons and Fun** - Have you ever watched a movie or TV show and thought, "I sure wish I could dance like that?" Then wish no more! Professional teachers will be onsite to teach a few American rhythm dance steps, including salsa and swing. Great family fun! (Sponsored by Blue Ridge Regional Hospital)

- * **July 20th – Life-Size Backyard Games** - Jump into another world with life-size checkers, Yahtzee, and Go Fish! We will also have music and a giveaway! (Sponsored by Mountain Community Health Partnership)
- * **July 27th – *9:00am -11:00am* - Biking/Wheels** - Bring your bike, scooter, roller blades, trike (anything with wheels) to ride around the Square, which will be closed to vehicular traffic. Obstacle courses, races, and more fun awaits. Pedal your own, delicious “fender-blender” smoothie! Helmet fitting with free helmet giveaway. (Sponsored by Partners Aligned Toward Health)
- * **August 3rd – Soccer and Yard Games** - Join us for soccer fun and popsicles at Burnsville Elementary! Play corn hole or human-sized Jenga on the lawn! (Sponsored by Toe Valley Soccer Association)
- * **August 10th – Backyard Zipline** - Whether it’s flying through Fijian rainforests, gliding over Hawaiian waterfalls or floating across the vineyards of Sonoma, few other activities can give you the rush that zip-lining gives you and traveling that far is overrated when this event is right in your backyard. Not only do we have zip lining, we also have slack lining which is a great way for children to test their balance! (Sponsored by Toe River Health District)
- * **August 17th – Inflatable Slip & Slide** - We bring back the crowd favorite. Run, slide, cool off, and enjoy the bubbles! We will also have a separate wading pool for the younger kids who want to splash and play. (Sponsored by the Mitchell-Yancey Substance Abuse Task Force)
- * **August 24th – Hoopin’, Hollerin’, and Dance Fitness** - Time to move and groove as we Hula Hoop and Dance Fitness for Fun on the Square. Whether beginner or old-timer, you’re gonna move your hips to make your hula hoop come to life. Small prizes throughout activity. We will also use chalk to transform the Town Square sidewalks into an epic work of art. (Sponsored by the NAACP)

FREE POOL DAYS!

Yancey County Government and Healthy Yancey are once again sponsoring **FREE** pool days at Yancey Co. public pools! Both the Burnsville Pool at Ray-Cort Park and the Toe River Campground Pool at Patience Park will waive their entrance fees on the following days:

June 13	July 9	August 6
June 25	July 25	

SPRUCE PINE PUBLIC LIBRARY EVENTS

For more information on the events below, call 828-765-7673, email

sppl@amyregionallibrary.org, or visit
www.facebook.com/sprucepinepubliclibrary/

Slime Lab

Come to the Spruce Pine Public Library and make slime, we provide all ingredients necessary and you can take the slime home with you!

- * **The first Wednesday of each month** – 3:30-4:30pm
- * **Cost:** Free!
- * **Suitable for:** ages 7-10

Game On!

Come by the Spruce Pine Public Library for games, food and fun for all!

- * **Mondays** – 5:30-7:30pm
- * **Cost:** Free!
- * **Suitable for:** Middle and High School students

AMY REGIONAL LIBRARY presents A UNIVERSE OF STORIES

Please contact your local library for more information about any of the events listed below.

Avery County Public Library – All events begin at 11:00am, are suitable for ages 5+ and are **FREE!**

- * **June 26** – Parkway Playhouse/Reading is Alive presents The Three Little Pigs, The Musical
- * **July 3** – Make an 8 pointed star sun catcher (folding and gluing skills)
- * **July 10** – Create your own sparkling galaxy slime (measuring skills)
- * **July 17** – Universe in a Jar (must bring clean, empty pint size glass jar)
- * **July 24** – Create a 3 dimensional 8 pointed paper star (folding, cutting and gluing skills)
- * **July 31** – ****Special Presentation**** PROFESSOR WHIZZPOP MAGIC SHOW!

Mitchell County Public Library – All events begin at 11:00am, are suitable for ages 5+ and are **FREE!**

- * **June 24** – ****At Spruce Pine Public Library**** Parkway Playhouse/Reading is Alive presents The Three Little Pigs, The Musical
- * **July 2** – Make an 8 pointed star sun catcher (folding and gluing skills)
- * **July 9** – Create your own sparkling galaxy slime (measuring skills)
- * **July 16** – Universe in a Jar (must bring clean, empty pint size glass jar)

- * **July 23** – Create a 3 dimensional 8 pointed paper star (folding, cutting and gluing skills)
- * **July 29** – ****Special Presentation at Yancey County Public Library****– PROFESSOR WHIZZPOP MAGIC SHOW!

Spruce Pine Public Library – All events begin at 11:00am, are suitable for ages 5+ and are **FREE!**

- * **June 24** – Parkway Playhouse/Reading is Alive presents The Three Little Pigs, The Musical
- * **July 1** – Make an 8 pointed star sun catcher (folding and gluing skills)
- * **July 8** – Create your own sparkling galaxy slime (measuring skills)
- * **July 15** – Universe in a Jar (must bring clean, empty pint size glass jar)
- * **July 22** – Create a 3 dimensional 8 pointed paper star (folding, cutting and gluing skills)
- * **July 29** – ****Special Presentation at Yancey County Public Library****– PROFESSOR WHIZZPOP MAGIC SHOW!

Yancey County Public Library – All events begin at 11:00am, are suitable for ages 5+ and are **FREE!**

- * **June 27** – Parkway Playhouse/Reading is Alive presents The Three Little Pigs, The Musical
- * **July 11** – Create your own sparkling galaxy slime (measuring skills)
- * **July 18** – Universe in a Jar (must bring clean, empty pint size glass jar)
- * **July 25** – Create a 3 dimensional 8 pointed paper star (folding, cutting and gluing skills)
- * **July 29** – ****Special Presentation at Yancey County Public Library****– PROFESSOR WHIZZPOP MAGIC SHOW!

A UNIVERSE OF STORIES SUMMER READING PROGRAM by YANCEY COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY

For event details and registration, please contact Yancey County Public Library at (828) 682-2600 or ycpl@amyregionallibrary.org. All events listed are FREE.

The following activities/events are suitable for **6th-8th graders** and will be held from **3:00 -5:00pm** on the indicated day.

- * **June 25** - Mini-Marshmallow Constellations
- * **July 2** – Tissue Paper Sun Catchers
- * **July 9** - Chalk Art Eclipses
- * **July 16** - Cardboard Tube Rockets

- * **July 23** - Space Trivia Contest & Wrap-up Party

The following activities/events are suitable for **9th-12th graders** and will be held from **3:00 -5:00pm** on the indicated day.

- * **June 27** - Planetary Bath Bombs
- * **July 11** - Galaxy T-shirts
- * **July 18** - Magnetic Slime
- * **July 25** - Space Trivia Contest & Wrap-Up Party

READING IS ALIVE BY PARKWAY PLAYHOUSE

This summer, Parkway Playhouse's Reading is Alive outreach program will present the family friendly musical, **The Three Little Pigs**. Along with this free live musical, children will have a chance to create a one-of-a-kind craft with a Penland teaching artist, sign up for the summer reading program through the library, and receive a free book.

- * **Cost:** Free!
- * **Suitable for:** all ages
- * **For more info:** Contact Hunter Taylor at 828-682-4285 or htaylor@parkwayplayhouse.com or visit www.parkwayplayhouse.com.

June 8 – 11:00am - Downtown Pocket Park, Spruce Pine

June 15 – 11:00am - Rhododendron Festival, Bakersville

June 22 – 10:00am - PATH's Sizzlin Summer Series, Burnsville

June 24 – 11:00am - Spruce Pine Library

June 26 – 11:00am – Yancey County Library

June 27 – 11:00am – Avery County Library

June 29 – 11:00am - The Orchard at Altapass, Spruce Pine

August 4 - Mt Mitchell Crafts Fair, Burnsville - (time TBD)

SPRUCE PINE MAIN STREET EVENTS

For more information on the events listed visit downtownsprucepine.com

- * June 1 - **Troutacular** - Riverside Park
- * June 8 - **Downtown Day** - Downtown Spruce Pine
- * June 8 - **Reading is Alive Play** - Central Park
- * June 14 & 15 - **SPACE Festival** - Downtown Spruce Pine
- * June 14 - **Movies in the Park** - Central Park
- * July 4 - **4th of July Celebration** - Downtown Spruce Pine
- * July 12 - **Movies in the Park** - Central Park
- * July 19 - **Movies in the Park** - Central Park
- * July 19 & 20 - **BBQ & Bluegrass** - Riverside Park

- * July 26 - **Movies in the Park (rain date)** - Central Park
- * Aug 1-4 - **Mineral & Gem Festival** - Cross Street Building
- * Aug 2 - **Summer Concert** - Central Park

DIG IN! WORK TOGETHER DAYS

Children and their parents are welcome to dig with us at Dig In! Join us at the Dig In! gardens and farm to learn, play, work, and explore on Tuesdays from 4-7 PM and Thursdays from 9-1 PM. We're located off Prices Creed Rd. at 744 Blankenship Creek. All ages welcome, though please no pets. Come when you can and leave when you need to leave. We have tools, water, and gardening activities to suit different abilities and interests. Work Together days start April 11th and go through the end of September. Directions to Dig In! can be found on our website under "Connect"

- * **April 11 – end of September** – Tuesdays from 4:00-7:00pm and Thursdays from 9:00am- 1:00pm
- * **Cost:** Free!
- * **Suitable for:** All ages!
- * **For more info:** Contact Kathleen Wood at 828-536-0414 or kwood@diginyancey.org

DIG IN! HARVEST TABLES

Harvest Tables are fresh produce markets where food is shared and received without exchanging money. Harvest Tables come from the age-old tradition of Yancey County neighbors sharing produce with each other. If you have extra produce from your garden or need produce to feed your family, we would love to see you at a Harvest Table. Visit diginyancey.org/about/share/harvest-tables/ for dates, times and locations or pick-up a flier at the Yancey Library. Kids are welcome! If you would like to help us host a Harvest Table, please get in touch. Working together, we can all eat well.

- * **Wednesdays – June 19- September 25**
- * **Cost:** Free!
- * **Suitable for:** All ages!
- * **For more info:** Contact Kathleen Wood at 828-536-0414 or kwood@diginyancey.org

DIG IN! DINNERS IN THE GARDEN

Join us the first Tuesdays of every month from May-August for a potluck dinner at the Dig In! gardens and farm. We set the table at 5:30 PM. Bring a small dish to share, a friend (not the furry kind, please), and an appetite.

All are welcome! Directions to Dig In! can be found on our website under "Connect"

* **May 7, June 2, July 2, August 6** – 5:30-7:30pm

* **Cost:** Free!

* **Suitable for:** All ages!

* **For more info:** Contact Kathleen Wood at 828-536-0414 or kwood@diginyancey.org

HIKING & BIRDING STROLLS by NC HIGH PEAKS ASSOCIATION

Join us for kid friendly hiking and birding strolls!

Hiking strolls are generally two miles (some are shorter) over fairly level terrain. Hiking strolls generally begin at 9:30am at the Burnsville Town Square where we board Yancey County Transit Authority vans or arrange carpools to take us to the destination for the day. Leashed dogs are allowed on hiking strolls but are not allowed on YCTA vans unless they are service dogs. Hiking strolls are suitable for children 10 & up. Contact the stroll leader to let them know you will be joining the stroll.

Birding strolls are less than a mile and proceed at a slow pace to allow seeing and listening for the birds. Our birders can identify the birds for the kids. Birding strolls are suitable for Kindergarten age up as long as the child is accompanied by a responsible adult. Birding strolls begin at 8:30am at the destination for the day (Cane River Park or Mountain Heritage High). Dogs are NOT allowed on birding strolls. Contact the stroll leader to let them know you will be joining the stroll.

Details for each trip will be published on our Facebook page and webpage at least a week in advance, and are generally listed in an article in the Yancey Common Times each week. **Watch our online resources for news of changes or cancellation due to weather:**

Website: <http://nchighpeaks.com>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/ncHighPeaks/>

Strolls and Hikes are FREE, but a voluntary \$5 per family donation is collected when Yancey Transportation Vans are used.

* **June 8** - Birding Stroll at Cane River Park with Russ

* **June 15** – Hiking Stroll at Linville Falls and Chestoa View Overlook with Carolyn (transportation provided by Yancey County Transportation)

* **July 13** - Birding Stroll at Mountain Heritage High School with Russ

* **August 10** – Hiking Stroll on the Nature Trail at Mount Mitchell State Park **with Carolyn** (transportation provided by Yancey County Transportation)

- * **September 14** – Bird Banding Trip. Visit Bird Banding Station on Big Bald and Hawk Watch with Russ (transportation provided by Yancey County Transportation) The Bird Banding trip will start from the town square at 8:30am similar to hiking strolls.
- * **For more info:** Contact the applicable event leader –
 - * Russ - (828) 682-4199 or rmoates54@gmail.com
 - * Carolyn - (407) 619-6136 or carolynraichle@gmail.com
 - * Laura Seelbach is an alternate contact for birding. 828-682-3733 or laseelba@yahoo.com

2019 OUTDOOR SUMMER MOVIE SERIES at MAYLAND'S EARTH TO SKY PARK

Join us all summer long for out of this world movie experiences at the Earth to Sky Park! From June through September, the Mayland Community College Foundation will host a space themed movie night on the lawn at the Earth to Sky Park. Bring your blankets and lawn chairs, purchase some popcorn and a drink and sit back and enjoy these classic space movies. All movies are rated PG. All proceeds and donations support the Earth to Sky Park and Bare Dark Sky Observatory.

- * **June 22nd** - 8:30pm - *Hidden Figures*
- * **July 13th** - 8:30pm - *Space Chimps*
- * **August 17th** - 8:00pm - *Ice Age, Collision Course*
- * **September 21st** - 7:15pm - TBA
- * **Parking Cost:** \$5 per vehicle

MUSIC UNDER THE TREES

Join us for an open mic themed event! Any singer, poet, musician, or music lover is welcomed to attend. Sponsored by the Yancey County Public Library.

- * **Every Tuesday June 4 – July 30** – 5:00-7:00pm
- * **Cost:** Free!
- * **Suitable for:** all ages
- * **For more info:** Contact Cindy Gibson at 828-682-2600 or ycpl@amyregionallibrary.org

HONEYLA FARMERS MARKET

Local, organic and lovingly produced goods including produce, meat, eggs, bread, flowers, herbs, beauty care products, plant starts and crafts. Music, games, demonstrations, and interactive art opportunities.

- * **Thursdays** – 2:30-6:30pm
- * **Cost:** Free entry
- * **Suitable for:** all ages
- * **For more info:** Contact Hadasah Michaels at honeylafarmersmarket@gmail.com or visit <https://www.facebook.com/honeylafarmersmarket/>

SUPER SATURDAYS at THE ORCHARD AT ALTAPASS

For more information on the Super Saturday events listed below, contact Donna Stafford at 828-765-9531 or donnastafford@altapassorchard.org or visit <http://www.altapassorchard.org>.

All events are from 10:30-11:30am, are suitable for ages 6-12, and are **FREE!** (Please note - Learn to Play the Harmonica sessions have a cost of \$15 for the harmonica.)

- * **June 1 - Learn to Play the Harmonica** - During this hour-long session, kids will learn the basics of playing a harmonica of their own.
- * **June 8 - Cherokee Basket Weaving** - Learn how to create a basket with Ramona Lossie
- * **June 15 & 22 - Crafts with Kiesa** - Learn how to play an ancient stringed instrument still popular in Appalachia—the bowed psaltery. Spend an hour with Kiesa Kay playing by ear and practicing on this triangular instrument.
- * **June 29 - Stories & Crafts with Sherry** - You'll listen to Sherry Lovett tell Native American stories while learning all about berry ink drawing.
- * **July 6 & July 20 - National Park Service Ranger Program** - Become a National Park Service Junior Ranger during this activity filled hour of indoor/outdoor fun and learning at the Orchard.
- * **July 13 - Crafts with Kiesa** - Create dolls critters and fairies from clothespins, glue, and fabric. Let your imagination fly as you design your new best buddy.
- * **July 27 - Folk tale + Puppet Making** - Listen to Appalachian folk tales by Sherry Lovett as she guides you through creating your own puppet.
- * **August 3 - Story & Sculpture** - Create your very own sculpture as you listen to Sherry Lovett relate a story all about animals.
- * **August 10 - Plants and Paper Baskets** - Spend an hour creating a beautiful paper flower basket while listening to Sherry Lovett tell a surprising story about the life of plants.

- * **August 17 & August 24 - Crafts with Kiesa** - Create dolls critters and fairies from clothespins, glue, and fabric. Let your imagination fly as you design your new best buddy.
- * **August 31 - Learn to Play the Harmonica** - During this hour long session, kids will learn the basics of playing a harmonica of their own

TROUTACULAR IN SPRUCE PINE

Troutacular is a celebration of Spruce Pine's Mountain Heritage Trout Waters designation. This one-day event is designed for children to learn and enjoy one of Mitchell County's greatest resources. This is a free event for children, ages 14 and under. Kids will compete in a fishing tournament and enjoy other entertaining activities.

- * **June 1** – Sunrise-12:00noon
- * **Cost:** Free!
- * **Suitable for:** children 14 & under
- * **For more info:** <http://downtownsprucepine.com>

TROUTACULAR IN BAKERSVILLE

Troutacular! is a fishing competition for kids under the age of 16 held along the banks of beautiful Cane Creek. Always held on the first Saturday in June, this event celebrates Bakersville's status as a Mountain Heritage Trout City. **COMPETITIONS** - for size of fish in 3 age categories, with cash prizes! **FREE T-SHIRTS** - Register upon arrival & receive a free t-shirt! Fishing begins at 6am. **FREE BAGGED LUNCH** to all registered young fishermen & fisherwomen at 11am with announcement of winners.

- * **June 1** – 6:00am -12:00noon
- * **Cost:** Free!
- * **Suitable for:** children 16 & under
- * **For more info:** <http://www.bakersville.com/troutacular.html>

5TH ANNUAL HARD TIMES, HIGH HOPES, AND HELPING HANDS BENEFIT CONCERT AT PARKWAY PLAYHOUSE

Some 30 local musicians perform songs celebrating the everyday working people of the mountains, all proceeds benefiting Reconciliation House, which provides emergency and ongoing assistance to individuals and families in need in Yancey County.

- * **June 11** – 6:30-9:00pm
- * **Cost:** \$12 in advance, \$15 at the door
- * **Suitable for:** All ages!
- * **For more info:** call 828-206-0128 or email deb@northmountains.org.

EMERALD VILLAGE ROCK FEST 2019

Our best-ever signature event. June 15 and June 16 from 9am to 6pm. Special activities include food vendors, live music performances, a treasure hunt for kids, guided hikes to hidden mines, a Swiss Alphorn performance, geology & history talks, door prizes, special sales, and the Saturday evening Black Light Mine Tour at 9:15 pm. Also, all the popular regular activities, including gem mining, gold panning, mine tours, and the discovery mill free exhibits.

- * **June 15 & 16** – 9:00am-6:00pm
- * **Cost:** See website for event details and costs
- * **Suitable for:** all ages
- * **For more info:** <https://www.emeraldvillage.com/special-events/> or 828-ROK-MINE (828-765-6463)

FAMILY FUN WEEKEND at SHOAL CREEK BAPTIST CHURCH

A family fun weekend including Bible study sessions, crafts, music, community projects, inflatables, games, food, and much more!

- * **June 21-** 6:00-8:15pm & **June-22** – 1:00-7:00pm
- * **Cost:** Free!
- * **Suitable for:** ages 5-16
- * **For more info:** Visit Shoal Creek Baptist Church on Facebook or contact Keli Miller at 828-682-4828 or kelipmiller@gmail.com.

73rd ANNUAL NC RHODODENDRON FESTIVAL in BAKERSVILLE

The NC Rhododendron Festival draws hundreds of visitors from all over the region and features the Rhododendron Festival Pageant, the Craft Fair with food vendors, children's activities, and live music throughout the day, as well as a classic car show, a 10K run, 2 nights of street dancing.

- * **June 21-23**
- * **Cost:** Admission fees vary by event, Craft Fair admission is free
- * **Suitable for:** all ages
- * **For more info:** <http://www.ncrhododendronfestival.org/>

PAWS TO READ ADOPTION DAY - a YANCEY COUNTY LIBRARY and YANCEY HUMANE SOCIETY ADOPTION EVENT

Could one of the dogs attending this event be the right pet for you? Come find out! Some of the dogs who are looking for homes will be waiting to meet you. There will also be a reading from the book Laika: The Astronaut, the first dog in outer space!

- * **June 29** – 10:00am-3:00pm

- * **Suitable for:** all ages
- * **For more info:** Contact the Yancey County Humane Society (828-682-9510 or info@yanceyhumanesociety.org) or Yancey County Public Library (828-682-2600 or ycpl@amyregionallibrary.org).

JULY 4TH FIREWORKS - BAKERSVILLE

Bakersville holds its yearly fireworks extravaganza at Gouge Primary School at dusk.

- * **July 4** – dusk (approximately 8:50pm)
- * **Cost:** Free!
- * **Suitable for:** all ages
- * **For more info:** Visit the <http://www.bakersvillenc.com/> or call 828-688-2113

BAKERSVILLE TOWN-WIDE YARD SALE

Every year, on the Saturday following July 4, Bakersville holds its annual town-wide yard sale.

- * **July 6** – 7:00am until
- * **Suitable for:** all ages
- * **For more info:** Visit the <http://www.bakersvillenc.com/> or call 828-688-2113, 828-688-2740, or 828-688-3456

SPRUCE PINE BBQ CHAMPIONSHIP & BLUEGRASS FESTIVAL

Come chill with the tastiest BBQ in the southeast and the hottest bluegrass, country, folk, and Americana music in the nation! The event features the best in local and regional musicians, storytellers and cloggers, award winning mouth-watering BBQ from multiple vendors, championship clogging teams, artists & crafts vendors, an antique farm equipment and tractor show, kids activities, and much, much more! All festival activities, including entertainment, food vendors, and crafts vendors will be located at the Riverside Park across the river from downtown Spruce Pine. Tickets may be bought at the Festival.

- * **July 19 & 20**
- * **Cost:** \$5 per day, kids 12 & under are free
- * **Suitable for:** All ages!
- * **For more info:** www.sprucepinebbqbluegrass.org

MT. MITCHELL CRAFTS FAIR ON THE BURNSVILLE TOWN SQUARE

This two-day event draws artists, craftspeople, musicians and food vendors from North Carolina, Virginia, Tennessee and beyond. Many beautiful items

for sale as well as craft demonstrations, singing, dancing, and many other events. Sponsored by the Yancey County/ Burnsville Chamber of Commerce.

- * **August 2 & 3** – 9:00am to 5:00pm
- * **Suitable for:** All ages!
- * **For more info:** call 828-682-7413 or visit www.yanceychamber.com

DAY CAMPS

CAMP FUNSHINE at PATIENCE PARK

Camp Funshine is an annual camp held at Toe River Campground located on the beautiful South Toe River in Yancey County. This annual camp is held in June and is open free of charge to physically and mentally challenged individuals -- of all ages!! Campers enjoy the beauty and wonder of nature while having fun and fellowship. The camp begins on Monday and ends on Thursday with a big final day celebration featuring fireworks, bands, fire trucks, campfire, and local motorcyclists come roaring down the lane into camp. This camp survives solely on donations and many hours of time donated by special individuals. Special events are held throughout the year to help raise money so that the camp can continue to grow and provide a wonderful time for these special campers.

- * **June 17-20**
- * **For more info:** Visit <https://toerivercampground.com/upcoming-events> or call (828) 675-5104

SKATE CAMP at RIVERSIDE ROLLER RINK

Enjoy skating or learn to skate. Learn skate dances, play games, exercise dances, win prizes, socialize, have fun. Snacks will be included and a cookout for all campers will be provided on the last day.

- * **June 17-19** – 12:00-3:00pm
- * **Cost:** \$50
- * **Suitable for:** ages 4-14
- * **For more info:** Visit riversiderollerrink.com or contact Rhonda Peterson at 828-678-0724 or rkaypeterson@gmail.com.

SUMMER CAMPS at DANCE AND KARATE EXPRESS

Each of our themed camps will have treasure hunts, snacks provided, arts and crafts, games, and age appropriate activities. Lego engineering, ninja training and princess costumes will be just part of the fun.

- * **June 24-28, July 8-12, July 22-26** - Ninja Turtle Camp & Looney Lego Camp
- * **July 15-19** - Fairy Princess Camp & Looney Lego Camp
- * **Cost:** \$90 per week
- * **Suitable for:** ages 3-10
- * **For more info:** Visit <http://danceandkarateexpress.com>, email danceandkarateburnsville@gmail.com or contact Cindy Gayle at 828-808-2845 or 828-682-1493.

SUMMER DANCE WEEKS by APPALACHIAN PERFORMING ARTS

Little Dancers Summer Dance Week

Join us for snacks, games, surprises and beginner dance instruction including Ballet, Tap, Jazz, Clogging, Square Dance, & Creative Movement. LIMITED SPACE. SIGN UP TODAY!

- * **June 24-28** – 9:00am-12:00pm
- * **Cost:** \$60 per student
- * **Suitable for:** ages 4-8
- * **For more info:** Visit www.appalachianperformingarts.com or email Madison Casteel at madisonclogs@gmail.com

Summer Dance Week

Join us for activities, art and dance instruction including Clogging, Square Dance, Tap, Ballet, & Creative Movement. LIMITED SPACE. SIGN UP TODAY!

- * **July 22-26** – 9:00am-12:00pm
- * **Cost:** \$75 per student
- * **Suitable for:** ages 9-12
- * **For more info:** Visit www.appalachianperformingarts.com or email Madison Casteel at madisonclogs@gmail.com

2019 SUMMER DAY CAMPS by BLUE RIDGE HORSE ADVENTURES

Pony Pals Adventure Camp: Learn about horses! Daily instruction and pony rides. Fun outdoor activities, games, and crafts!

- * **June 24-28** – (M-F) – 10:00am-2:00pm
- * **Cost:** \$240 – Scholarships available!
- * **Suitable for:** ages 5-8
- * **For more info or scholarship details:** Contact Becky at 828-460-2165 or visit Blue Ridge Horse Adventures on Facebook.

Jr. Horsemanship Adventure Camp: Learn about horse care, training, riding, and careers with horses. Daily instruction and arena ride time. Fun outdoor activities, games and crafts.

- * **July 8-12** – (M-F) - 10:00am-4:00pm
- * **Cost:** \$300 – Scholarships available!
- * **Suitable for:** ages 8-12
- * **For more info or scholarship details:** Contact Becky at 828-460-2165 or visit Blue Ridge Horse Adventures on Facebook

Evening Jr. Horsemanship Adventure Camp: For those wanting to enjoy summer evenings outdoors!

- * **July 22-26** – (M-F) – 3:00-9:00pm
- * **Cost:** \$300 – Scholarships available!
- * **Suitable for:** ages 10-14 (younger siblings may apply)
- * **For more info or scholarship details:** Contact Becky at 828-460-2165 or visit Blue Ridge Horse Adventures on Facebook

ALICE IN WONDERLAND JR. SUMMER PRODUCTION CAMP by PARKWAY PLAYHOUSE

Parkway Playhouse will host a day camp for two weeks that will culminate in two performances of Disney's Alice in Wonderland Jr. The younger kids camp (ages 4-10) will be from 9am-12pm, and the older kids camp (ages 10-18) will be from 9am-3pm. Performance dates will be July 19 & 20 at 6:30pm.

- * **July 8-20** - 9:00am-12:00pm (ages 4-10); 9:00am-3:00pm (ages 10-18).
- * **Cost:** \$175 (ages 4-10)/ \$225 (ages 10-18)
- * **Suitable for:** ages 4-18
- * **For more info:** Contact Hunter Taylor at 828-682-4285 or htaylor@parkwayplayhouse.com or visit parkwayplayhouse.com

SUMMER CAMPS by APPALACHIAN THERAPUTIC RIDING CENTER

Summer Camp - Day camp for children with differing abilities. Horseback riding, music, crafts.

- * **Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays beginning Mid to late July** – Specific dates TBA – visit atrcriding.com for updates
- * **Cost:** \$75
- * **Suitable for:** ages 5-11
- * **For more info:** Contact Miika Rolett at 828-675-5814 or atrcriding@gmail.com or visit atrcriding.com

School Readiness Camp - School readiness program that centers on horses for 4 and 5 year olds. This program is especially for children who need a little extra help to be ready for kindergarten.

- * **Tuesday mornings throughout the summer** – Specific dates TBA – visit atrcriding.com for updates
- * **Cost:** \$25
- * **Suitable for:** ages 4 & 5
- * **For more info:** Contact Miika Rolett at 828-675-5814 or atrcriding@gmail.com or visit atrcriding.com

CAMP INVENTION by MITCHELL COUNTY SCHOOLS

Introducing our NEW 2019 program, SUPERCHARGED!

Camp Invention is a high-energy, hands-on STEM camp. Your child will love what's in store this year:

CREATIVE PROBLEM SOLVING: Children team up to rebuild ships and design underwater equipment in Deep Sea Mystery™.

STEM APPLICATION: In DIY Orbot™, participants explore circuit boards, motors and gears as they design a remote-control bot to take on obstacles from sports to dance.

INNOVATION: Children collaborate with inventor superheroes and take on the role of engineers, fabricators and innovators to conquer villains in Innovation Force™.

CONFIDENCE: Kids become successful entrepreneurs in Farm Tech™, as they code bots to turn a polluted wasteland into a money-making machine and create devices to save animals.

Camp will be held at Deyton Elementary School, 308 Harris Street, Spruce Pine, NC 28777. **Parents must call to register their child(ren) and submit payment at 800-968-4332.**

- * **July 22-26** - 9:00am-3:30pm
- * **Cost:** Registration fee is \$125 for the first 70 Mitchell County School students. Mitchell County Schools is paying for a portion of those registration costs. Please call 800-968-4332 to register. Any registrations after will be at the regular base price of \$230. Students that do not attend Mitchell County School District may register at the full program rate of \$230.
- * **Suitable for:** For children entering grades K - 6
- * **For more info:** Dana Hollifield at (828) 766-3358 or dhollifield@mcsnc.org or visit <https://www.invent.org/programs/camp-invention>

KIDS CAMPS AT THE YANCEY COOPERATIVE EXTENSION

Junior Master Gardeners

Applicants should be rising 4th through 6th graders, who are interested in learning about gardening and pursuing the Junior Master Gardener (JMG) certification. \$100 tuition per week includes the program, gardening and craft supplies, lunch, and snacks. Some scholarship assistance may be available; contact theabbey@stthomasonline. Camp begins each morning in the backyard gardens of St. Thomas Episcopal Church at 372 Reservoir Road near CVS in downtown Burnsville. For more information, or to receive complete application materials, contact the Extension Office at 828-682-6186 or send an email to christina_robinson@ncsu.edu. **Space is limited to 10 participants.**

- * **July 22 – 26** - 8:00am-5:00pm
- * **Cost:** \$100 (some scholarship assistance may be available)
- * **Suitable for:** rising 4th through 6th graders
- * **For more info:** Call Yancey Co. Cooperative Extension at 828- 682- 6186 or christina_robinson@ncsu.edu.

Kids as Chefs 4-H Camp 2019

From farm to table, join us as we journey into learning about local foods, balanced meals and culinary skills! Kids as Chefs 4-H Camp is designed for youth ages 10+ who have an interest in cooking (and eating!) as well as learning about local foods and healthy choices. Come explore foods that Yancey County has to offer as we learn about food preparation, etiquette, food safety and more! Campers will prepare their lunch from "scratch" each day. To register, please call Yancey Co. Cooperative Extension at 828-682-6186. **Space is limited to 12 youth.**

- * **July 29 – Aug 1** - 9:00am-4:00pm
- * **Cost:** \$65 (scholarships available)
- * **Suitable for:** youth ages 10 & up
- * **For more info:** Call Yancey Co. Cooperative Extension at 828- 682- 6186

KIDS CAMPS AT PENLAND SCHOOL OF CRAFTS

For more information, or to register for a camp, contact Lisa Rose at (828) 765-2359 x 1218 or communityeducation@penland.org or visit penland.org/local/kids-camp/. Scholarships available.

Dying to Dye with Plants (and Bugs!)

Come learn to use the colors of nature to dye fabric and yarn! We'll use foraged plants, food waste, magical natural indigo, and even tiny bugs to color and print our textiles. Create designs using resist blocks and plants

we find outside our classroom. Through appreciation of the colors nature can provide, this camp will bring us closer to the earth!

- * **June 17-21** – 9:00am-noon
- * **Cost:** \$125 (tuition and materials)
- * **Suitable for:** ages 9-12

Fabulous Felt and Clay Creations! (two-week camp)

Join us for two weeks of fun with felt and clay. We'll dye raw wool and felt small story mats and backdrops; sculpt clay creatures and people; and craft stories from our imaginations. Students will also have the opportunity to create felt place mats and vessels to drink and eat from.

- * **June 17-28** – 1:30-4:30pm
- * **Cost:** \$235 (tuition and materials)
- * **Suitable for:** ages 6-10

Appalachian Folk Arts

Discover the Appalachian arts of folk singing, story telling, and making folk instruments and simple toys. We'll make and play a stump fiddle and a mouth bow, and engage in storytelling and singing based on traditional Appalachian themes. Come enjoy the Jack Tales, Uncle Remus, tall tales, and folk songs!

- * **June 24-28** – 9:00am-noon
- * **Cost:** \$115 (tuition and materials)
- * **Suitable for:** ages 4-7

Everyday Clay!

Each day we'll explore a new technique of building with clay to create tiles, pottery, and small sculpture. Skills we'll learn in class include coiling, slab building, pinching, and free-forming clay. Students will take away a broad understanding of the ceramic process and a diverse body of work.

- * **July 1-5** – 9:00am – noon
- * **Cost:** \$125 (tuition and materials)
- * **Suitable for:** ages 8-12

Fascinating Faces and Far Off Places

Come get creative as we look at cities, farms, rural villages, and the people who inhabit these places all around the world. We'll create miniature environments based on real places out of felt, paper, cardboard, and more. And we'll share ideas about the fundamental needs of humans through storytelling and conversation. Join us as we travel through different habitats and explore our space!

- * **July 8-12** – 9:00am – noon
- * **Cost:** \$115 (tuition and materials)
- * **Suitable for:** ages 4-6

DIY Screenprinting

Ever wanted to make your own T-shirt? Put your designs on a bag? Come join us for DIY screenprinting. Learn how to turn your ideas into prints and put these on fabric or paper. DIY screenprinting will teach you how to put your image on a screen and then print with the screen on your material of choice. Get creative and bring your art home on a shirt, bag—maybe even make a book with your prints!

- * **July 8-12** – 1:30-4:30pm
- * **Cost:** \$125 (tuition and materials)
- * **Suitable for:** ages 12 and up

Insects in Action

We'll combine art, stories, music, and movement to create a fun and educational experience that's all about insects. We'll make wearable wings and playful puppets while learning about beetles, butterflies, and bugs!

- * **July 15-19** – 9:00am-noon
- * **Cost:** \$122 (tuition and materials)
- * **Suitable for:** ages 3-6

Playful Pies

There are so many kinds of pie in the world—sweet, savory, or even pizza pie. What a treat to make, bake and taste a variety. We'll get familiar with the baking ingredients and tools used to make pies as we learn how to measure, mix, chop, roll, and bake. Each participant will leave our class with a cookbook containing the recipes we made and a special tool to use in their home kitchen.

- * **July 15-19** – 1:30-4:30pm
- * **Cost:** \$120 (tuition and materials)
- * **Suitable for:** ages 9-12

Jump for Joy! Create a Legend! Maskmaking

We'll take a look at a collection of masks from around the world to see how they were made and what stories they have to tell. Using them as inspiration, we'll find and collect a variety of materials to fabricate our own one-of-a-kind masks. On our last day together we'll be doing some drumming and strumming, dancing and singing with our masks in a magical show of light and sound. Come join the fun!

- * **July 22-26** – 9:00am-noon
- * **Cost:** \$120 (tuition and materials)
- * **Suitable for:** ages 5-8

Fairy Tale Trail

Once upon a time, there was a magical forest just beyond the front doors of the Ridgeway Building. A group of summer campers knew that if they used their imaginations, the woods would come to life. Here, salamanders spoke. Trees could use their limbs to offer hugs or lift children so they could touch the moon. The possibilities were endless. We'll wander on trails, create fairy creatures from flowers, trees, bugs, etc. We'll sketch the characters we imagine in journals, and then flesh out the stories we envision, and then combine the two to create wonderful illustrated fairy tales or stories.

- * **July 29-August 2** – 9:00am-noon
- * **Cost:** \$120 (tuition and materials)
- * **Suitable for:** ages 8-11

Origami Storytelling

Rescue a princess from a land of the frogs, help Perseus battle Medusa, trick a dragon out of his treasure; it's all in a day's work for the origami storyteller! Kids in this camp will hear stories and create origami characters and props to act them out and create their own stories to share! We'll create stars to go along with a Greek myth, a frog to accompany a Native American story, jewels as part of a dragon story, and much more! Come be an origami storyteller!

- * **July 29-August 2** – 1:30-4:30pm
- * **Cost:** \$115 (tuition and materials)
- * **Suitable for:** ages 7-10

SUMMER CAMPS FOR KIDS AT THE YANCEY LEARNING CENTER

All camps listed take place at the Mayland Community College, Yancey Campus (107 Wheeler Hills Rd., Burnsville) unless otherwise noted. For more information, contact Monica Carpenter at (828) 682-7315 or mscarpenter@mayland.edu.

Hour of Code™

Don't miss the opportunity to participate in the Hour of Code™ this summer. Last year the Hour of Code™ made history. 100 million students have now discovered how accessible and fun coding can be just by doing one Hour of Code. Don't miss the opportunity to experience visual programming while interacting with some of your favorite characters in Star Wars, Minecraft, Angry Birds, and Anna and Elsa from Frozen; to name a few. No experience necessary!

- * **June 19** – 10:00am-12:00pm
- * **Cost:** \$25
- * **Suitable for:** ages 6 to 100+

NEW! Animal Science Career Exploration Camp

This camp will introduce students to career options in animal science and veterinary medicine. Students will learn through hands-on labs, workshops, and team exercises. Activities will include lessons in animal anatomy, food safety, chicken embryology and animal care. (12 hours)

- * **June 24-27** – 9:00am-12:00pm
- * **Cost:** \$70
- * **Suitable for:** rising 5th – 8th graders

Beyond an Hour of Code

After attending an Hour of Code™ session, you will have the opportunity to continue the exciting journey of visual programming to improve your problem solving, creativity, and critical thinking skills while having fun and learning programming. (10 hours)

- * **Mondays, June 24-July 22** – 10:00am-12:00pm
- * **Cost:** \$50
- * **Suitable for:** ages 6 to 100+

Coding Camp

After attending an Hour of Code™ session, you will have the opportunity to continue the exciting journey of programming, both visual and traditional. Every student should have the opportunity to learn coding. It helps nurture problem-solving skills, logic and creativity. By starting early, students will have a foundation for success in any 21st-century career path. Come sample a variety of programming languages such as Blocks, Scratch, JavaScript, Python, HTML & CSS. No experience necessary. (15 hours)

- * **Tuesdays & Thursdays, July 23 – August 6** – 12:00-3:00pm
- * **Cost:** \$70
- * **Suitable for:** ages 11-17

Adobe® Illustrator® Made Easy

Get started with Illustrator and learn the most popular industry standard vector illustration software in the market. You will learn to create beautiful custom logos, icons, drawings, typography, and graphics for Print, Web and Video. You will start with basic Illustrator techniques and progress on to topics such as transforming, gradient, and layering. This course does not assume any prior knowledge of Illustrator and will teach content from scratch. So get started and be the next design superstar. (10 hours)

* **Mondays & Wednesdays, July 29-August 7** – 12:00-2:30pm

* **Cost:** \$50

* **Suitable for:** ages 11 & up

***NEW!* Hero Camp**

Do you want to save lives? Then this camp is for you. Explore the dynamics of various public safety career choices. During this interactive camp, you will learn what firefighter, EMT's, Paramedics and Police officers engage in while one duty. You will also participate in an overview of how all the areas work together during a critical incident. (12 hours)

* **July 8-11** – 1:00-4:00pm

* **Cost:** \$70

* **Suitable for:** rising 5th – 8th graders

***NEW!* Healthcare Career Exploration Camp**

Calling all future NA's, Nurses, Doctors, Surgeons and all aspiring health career professionals. Join us for an exciting fun filled camp to learn more about the allied health career field. Campers will receive a First Aid and CPR certificate upon completion of the camp. (12 hours)

* **August 5-8** – 9:00am-12:00pm

* **Cost:** \$70

* **Suitable for:** rising 5th- 8th graders

SUMMER FUN by MITCHELL COUNTY 4-H

To enroll in 4-H Summer Fun, you must be enrolled in 4-H Online. Please visit <https://mitchell.ces.ncsu.edu/wp-content/uploads/2019/04/Summer-Fun-Events-2019.pdf?fwf=no> or contact the Mitchell Extension Office at (828) 688-4811 for instructions on how to enroll or for more information on registration or the programs listed.

4-H Summer Fun is a special program sponsored by Mitchell County 4-H through the NC Cooperative Extension. Activities are open to all youth ages 5-18. Workshops are designed for specific age groups and there are limited spaces. You do not have to be a current 4-H member to participate.

Registration will be accepted at the Mitchell County Cooperative Extension Center located at 10 South Mitchell Ave., Bakersville. (828-688-4811). Payment is expected at the time of registration. No registration for Summer Fun will be accepted over the telephone. Scholarships are available.

Participants will receive a Mitchell County 4-H t-shirt with registration. Light snack and water will be provided at each workshop. Participants will need to bring a bag lunch to all events requesting such. All events and field trips will continue rain or shine.

- * **Early Registration** for current 4-H members will be on **Thursday, June 6th** from 8am-5pm.
- * **Early Registration** for the public will be open on **Friday, June 7th** from 8am-5pm

Mooving Milk From Farm to Fridge

Where does milk come from? If you have ever pondered this question then we have the workshop for you! Youth will learn how the calf grows, what cows eat, how cows make milk, and finally how milk gets from farm to store. Youth will sample cheese, make a dairy diary, play games, make butter, and finally visit a real working dairy farm. Along with several other activities and hands on learning experiences. Come join us for Mooving Milk from Farm to Fridge. On the 20th youth will need to bring a bag lunch, sunscreen, hat, and wear closed toed shoes as we will be on the farm. On this day, youth will return at 3pm for pick up at the Mitchell County Extension Center.

- * **June 17-20 – 9:00am-12:00pm**
- * **Cost:** \$30
- * **Suitable for:** ages 5-8
- * **Drop-off Location:** Bakersville Fire Dept.

Citizenship Focus...From the County to Raleigh

Being a good citizen means knowing your elected officials! This workshop is designed to explore what town and county elected officials do as well as state officials do. On Tuesday, we'll visit county offices and the courthouse (where court is held). On Wednesday of the workshop, the class will travel to Raleigh to tour the legislative building and meet our elected officials. We'll also go to the Capitol where the Governor's office is and will explore the Art and Natural History Museum. We will have a 1 adult/3 students as chaperones. Plan to pack your lunch each day.

- * **June 18 - 9:00am-3:00pm & June 19 – 6:00am-6:00pm**
- * **Cost:** \$40

- * **Suitable for:** ages 10-14
- * **Drop-off Location:** Mitchell Cooperative Extension

Money Fun for Cloverbuds

Participants will learn the value of money and the value of setting goals and saving for important purchases through fun games and a tour of United Community Bank. They will also get to make their own money bag to take home with them, giving the opportunity to save all year long.

- * **June 24 – 9:00am-12:00pm**
- * **Cost:** \$10
- * **Suitable for:** ages 5-8
- * **Drop-off Location:** Bakersville Fire Dept.

Sumo Bots

Do you like science, technology, engineering, or math? How about Robotics? Sumo Bots are a modern twist on the ancient Japanese sport of Sumo Wrestling. Small robots compete in a sumo ring, attempting to push each other off the ring. Participants will build robots with LEGO components, learn about autonomous program. Bring your own lunch.

- * **June 25 – 9:00am-3:00pm**
- * **Cost:** \$10
- * **Suitable for:** ages 8-13
- * **Drop-off Location:** Bakersville Fire Dept.

Innovation Station for Cloverbuds

The Innovation Station is a 41' mobile STEM lab and makerspace. In the STEM lab participants will get to meet Dot the Robot. They will be introduced to the ideas of robotics and programming. They will learn what a program is and how programs control robots. Throughout the morning, they will rotate through stations where they will learn about robotics, engineering, and have fun with creative science experiments. Additional forms will have to be filled out in order to participate.

- * **June 26 – 9:00am-12:00pm**
- * **Cost:** \$10
- * **Suitable for:** ages 5-9
- * **Drop-off Location:** Bakersville Fire Dept.

Innovation Station for Juniors & Seniors

The Innovation Station is a 41' mobile STEM lab and makerspace. The makerspace is a collaborative workspace where participants can bring ideas to life. Youth will learn the fundamentals of computer programming

and design their own video game. They will rotate off the mobile STEM lab to participate in wacky science experiments. Additional forms will have to be filled out in order to participate.

- * **June 26** – 1:00-4:00pm
- * **Cost:** \$10
- * **Suitable for:** ages 10-18
- * **Drop-off Location:** Bakersville Fire Dept.

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- * **June 26** – 1:00-4:00pm
- * **Cost:** \$10
- * **Suitable for:** ages 10-18
- * **Drop-off Location:** Bakersville Fire Dept.

Totally Electric Thursday

Already know a little bit about electricity but want to learn more? Find out why knowing all about the Magic of Electricity is important in our daily lives and test your skills as you learn how to solder with your very own electric kit. Bring a bag lunch.

- * **June 27** – 9:00am-3:00pm
- * **Cost:** \$15
- * **Suitable for:** ages 9-14
- * **Drop-off Location:** Bakersville Fire Dept.

Cloverbud Puppetmasters

Do you like to make crafts and put on shows for your friends and family? Maybe you like to play pretend and use your imagination? Cloverbud puppetmasters is for you! Youth will make puppets and props they can take home. Then we will work on skits they can practice in front of their peers and take home to family. This is the perfect workshop for youth to start learning public speaking skills and putting them to practice in a fun and interactive environment. We encourage all youth to dress up in their favorite costume or come as they are! We hope to see you there.

- * **June 28** – 9:00am-12:00pm
- * **Cost:** \$10

- * **Suitable for:** ages 5-8
- * **Drop-off Location:** Bakersville Fire Dept.

Christmas in July (Spruce Pine Location)

If you love Christmas and making crafts, this workshop is for you. You'll take home the following crafts you've made: snowman wreath made on a 12-inch ring, penguin, personalized phone cover, pokeball ornament, and Christmas advent calendar. Bring your own lunch.

- * **July 9 & 10 – 9:00am-2:00pm**
- * **Cost:** \$22
- * **Suitable for:** ages 9-13
- * **Drop-off Location:** Deyton Elementary School

Nifty Knitting and Creative Crocheting 101

Have you ever wanted to make your own clothes or just try something crafty? Well this workshop is for you! Youth will learn the basics and essentials of knitting and crocheting. By the end of the workshop, youth will leave with a finished product of a dishcloth, potholder and the finished product of a headband. Come prepared to have a lot of fun and learn a skill that can become a hobby to last a lifetime.

- * **July 11 or 12 – 9:00am-12:00pm** (Both workshop days are the same, please pick which date suites you best.)
- * **Cost:** \$8
- * **Suitable for:** ages 12-18
- * **Drop-off Location:** Spruce Pine Fire Department

Cloverbud Farmer for a Day

Welcome to the farm! You will get to experience life on the farm by seeing, touching, and being around plants and animals that are produced in Mitchell County. We will visit farms that have chickens, cows, goats, and other animals. Participants will learn how important agriculture is to Mitchell County and will get to take home their very own seed necklace. Bring a bag lunch, wear closed toe shoes, and wear a hat and sunscreen.

- * **July 15 – 9:00am-3:00pm**
- * **Cost:** \$10
- * **Suitable for:** ages 5-8
- * **Drop-off Location:** Mitchell Cooperative Extension

Junior Farmer for a Day

Join the 4-H summer program for a day filled with tours of local farms and agriculture businesses. You will get to experience life on the farm by seeing,

touching, and being around plants and animals that are produced in Mitchell County. We will visit farms that have chickens, cows, goats, and other animals. Participants will learn how important agriculture is to Mitchell County and how they can make money with 4-H agriculture projects. Bring a bag lunch, wear closed toe shoes, and wear a hat and sunscreen.

- * **July 16** – 9:00am-3:00pm
- * **Cost:** \$10
- * **Suitable for:** ages 8-18
- * **Drop-off Location:** Mitchell Cooperative Extension

We-B-Grillin

Come learn the thrill of the grill and grilling safety. This camp is designed for 12-18-year-old youth who want to grill and cook. We will learn about different meats, meat cuts, and how to prepare them. We'll also take a trip to the market in search of the perfect cut. Participants will have a chance to learn about 4-H Presentations in Outdoor Cookery Competitions. Lunch will be provided each day. We will grill and taste each day of the camp.

- * **July 17-19** – 9:00am-4:00pm
- * **Cost:** \$65
- * **Suitable for:** ages 12-18
- * **Drop-off Location:** Mitchell Cooperative Extension

4-H Kids as Chefs Camp

From farm to table, join us for this week long journey into learning about local foods, balanced meals, food preservation and culinary skills! Kids as Chefs 4-H Camp is designed for youth 10+ who have an interest in cooking (and eating!) as well as learning about local foods and healthy choices. Come explore foods that Mitchell County has to offer as we talk to farmers, prepare and enjoy lunch together, and strive to incorporate our "buy local" philosophy. Participants will make their lunch as part of the experience!

- * **July 23-26** – 9:00am-4:00pm
- * **Cost:** \$75
- * **Suitable for:** ages 10-18
- * **Drop-off Location:** Bakersville Baptist Church

Christmas in July (Bakersville Location)

If you love Christmas and making crafts, this workshop is for you. You'll take home the following crafts you've made: snowman wreath made on a 12-inch ring, penguin, personalized phone cover, pokeball ornament, and Christmas advent calendar. Bring your own lunch.

- * **July 29-30** – 9:00am-2:00pm

- * **Cost:** \$22
- * **Suitable for:** ages 9-13
- * **Drop-off Location:** Bakersville Fire Dept.

Mitchell 4-H Shooting Sports Workshop

This workshop will teach youth to properly shoot a .22 rifle, 20 or 12-Gauge shotgun, and bow and arrow. All equipment will be provided. This is a beginner class. Please bring a hat, sunscreen, and closed toe shoes. Bring a bag lunch. Youth 12-18 will also receive hunter safety education and certification. Taking home their hunter safety card. We will be visited by the local wildlife officer from the NC Wildlife Resources Commission.

- * **July 29-31 – 9:00am-3:00pm**
- * **Cost:** \$40
- * **Suitable for:** ages 8-18
- * **Drop-off Location:** Mitchell Cooperative Extension

Hands on Museum and Gray Fossil Site Field Day

The Gray Fossil Site and Museum is a place where visitors can view and learn about an active Miocene-era fossil dig site. Hands on Museum has moved to the Gray Fossil Site and is now an all ages Discovery Center dedicated to STEM. We will see many exhibits and learn about science, technology, engineering, and math. All with a hands-on approach. Be sure to dress accordingly and wear closed toe comfortable shoes. Hat and sunscreen are suggested. Bring a bag lunch.

- * **August 2 – 9:00am-5:00pm**
- * **Cost:** \$20
- * **Suitable for:** ages 5-8
- * **Drop-off Location:** Mitchell Cooperative Extension

Linville Caverns Field Day

Caverns, and trails, and waterfalls OH MY! Located at the southern gateway to western NC's High Country region, Linville Caverns is an ideal destination for visitors of all ages. Courteous and experienced guides take you into the subterranean world, giving you the history of the caverns and allowing you to view the grand work of nature. Next we head on to Linville Falls to picnic and hike the trails to see the nature around us and enjoy the views of the waterfalls. Please bring a light jacket, bag lunch, sunscreen, hat, and wear closed toed shoes you are comfortable with hiking in.

- * **August 5 – 9:00am-4:00pm**
- * **Cost:** \$20
- * **Suitable for:** ages 9-18

- * **Drop-off Location:** Mitchell Cooperative Extension

Take me out to the Ballgame

What is summer without baseball? Join 4-H'ers from all across Western NC for 4-H Night at the Asheville Tourists. This is a great family event and we encourage families to attend. 4-H will be prominently featured throughout the night and in the past 4-H'ers have even got to throw the first pitch! Kids 12 and under eat free! All families will meet at McCormick Field located at 30 Buchanan Pl, Asheville, NC 28801. Transportation may be available upon need.

- * **August 5** – 6:30pm-until
- * **Cost:** \$5
- * **Suitable for:** Youth of all ages, parents/guardians and families
- * **Drop-off Location:** McCormick Field, 30 Buchanan Pl, Asheville

Senior Wilderness Hike

Go on a day hike to see the Balds on Roan Mountain. Learn all about Backpacking: how to stuff your pack for a Backpacking trip, "Leave No Trace" rule as you go, and how to cook your own meals on the trail. A dehydrated meal of hamburger and mashed potatoes will be provided. You must bring a day pack with your own water, snack and poncho.

- * **August 7** – 9:00am-5:00pm
- * **Cost:** \$10
- * **Suitable for:** 11-18
- * **Drop-off Location:** Mitchell Cooperative Extension

4-H Summer Fun Hands to Service

Do you enjoy giving back to your community and helping others? Well we would like to invite you to a fun and interactive community service event for the Brian Center Health & Rehabilitation Center of Spruce Pine. Come join us during the morning for music and craft making. We will also be putting together bags with supplies. This will be a team effort and we will have plenty of fun planned for the entire group. Parents and guardians are also welcome to attend if they would like. After lunch, we will travel to the Brian Center where we will sing 4-H camp songs and provide entertainment for the residents. We are asking for a \$5.00 donation to be used towards supplies for the Brian Center. This is a great way to give back to our community and will surely be a wonderful fun filled day. Lunch and snacks will be provided by Mitchell County 4-H so come hungry!!

- * **August 8** – 9:00am-4:00pm

- * **Cost:** \$5 donation (Please feel free to donate any amount you would like)
- * **Suitable for:** 5-18
- * **Drop-off Location:** Mitchell Cooperative Extension
- * **Pick up:** Brian Center Health & Rehabilitation Center, 218 Laurel Creek Ct, Spruce Pine

SPORTS CAMPS/LESSONS

TOE RIVER RACQUETEERS TENNIS CAMP

Racquets will be provided to children who do not have one. Please plan to arrive at the courts 15 minutes prior to the scheduled camp time and bring water, sunscreen already applied, tennis shoes or other appropriate close-toed shoes, and a hat if needed. Register online at <http://pathwnc.org/programs/healthy-lifestyles/tennis-camp/>, or by contacting Brianna Robinson at (828) 682-7899 or brianna@pathwnc.org.

Yancey Camp at Mountain Heritage High

June 10-13

9-10am for ages 5-8

10:15-11:45am for ages 9+

Mitchell Camp at Brad Ragan Park

June 24-26

9-10am for ages 5-8

10:15-11:45 for ages 9+

TENNIS CLASSES

Private, low cost tennis lessons at Mountain Heritage High School tennis courts. Contact Mike Baldwin at 828-208-4428 for details and costs.

For Kids:

- * **Saturdays**, beginning in June (after school is out for the summer)
- * 9:00 – 10:00am (kids 5-8 years old)
- * 10:00 -11:00am (9 years old & up).

For Adults:

- * **Monday** nights – 5:30-7:00pm

LADY COUGAR BASKETBALL CAMP

Camp will focus on basic basketball fundamentals and skills. This will include passing, catching, shooting, and defense. **Register beginning at 8:00am on June 12.** Concessions will be available.

- * **June 12-14** – 8:30am-1:00pm at Mountain Heritage High School
- * **Cost:** \$50 for one, \$75 for 2 siblings
- * **Suitable for:** Rising 1st-8th graders
- * **For more info:** Contact Coach Susie Shelton at shshelton@yanceync.net

MOUNTAIN HERITAGE BOYS BASKETBALL CAMP

Our 8th Annual Heritage Basketball Skill Camp will be held June 17th - 20th from 8-12 @ MHHS. The Camp will be open to all rising 1st-8th graders. We will focus on skill development, leadership, and have several competitions where athletes can showcase their skill and win prizes. Concessions will be available.

- * **June 17-20** – 8:00am-12:00pm at Mountain Heritage High School
- * **Cost:** \$50.00 (includes camp t-shirt)
- * **Suitable for:** Rising 1st-8th graders
- * **For more info:** Contact Coach Hank Newson at 828-208-2755 or hanknewson@yanceync.net

MITCHELL COUNTY YOUTH FOOTBALL CAMP

Football Camp. Learn or improve on football skills such as tackling, blocking, and football concepts. Participants receive a free Mitchell Football T-Shirt.

- * **June 18** – 1:00-3:00pm & **June 19** – 12:00-3:00pm
- * **Cost:** Free!
- * **Suitable for:** Rising 2nd – 8th grade
- * **For more info:** Contact Travis Pitman at 828-766-3413 or tpitman@mhslive.net

MITCHELL HIGH SCHOOL WRESTLING CAMP

Mitchell wrestling camp is open to students in grades K-12 to learn the basic skills of amateur wrestling. K-5th grade participants will run 9am-12noon. 6-12th grade participants will run 9am-3pm each day. FREE T-shirt for each camp participant! Camp is open to boys AND girls!

- * **June 24-26** – 9am-12noon (K-5th grade) & 9am-3pm (6-12th grade)
- * **Cost:** \$20 per child. Siblings are \$10. Max per family is \$50
- * **Suitable for:** K-12th Grade

- * **For more info:** Contact Ed Duncan at 828-467-3859 or eduncan@mhslive.net

MITCHELL HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS SOCCER CAMP

The purpose of the camp is for rising 1st-rising 8th grade girls to learn more about the game of soccer in a fun and safe environment. Camp activities will include skill development, team building, & various game play activities! All participants will receive a camp T-shirt. Camp will be held at Mitchell High School soccer field.

- * **July 9, 10, 11** – 5:00-8:00pm
- * **Cost:** \$30 per person (\$25 each for siblings)
- * **Suitable for:** Rising 1st – 8th grade girls
- * **For more info:** Contact Meredith Hoilman at 828-766-3608 or mhoilman@mhslive.net

COUGAR FOOTBALL CAMP

Fun and instructive football camp for grades 1-8. Sponsored by the Cougar Touchdown Club. **For more info:** Contact Coach Joey Robinson at 828-678-5237 or bjrobinson@yanceync.net.

- * **July 9-12** – 4:00-8:00pm
- * **Cost:** FREE!
- * **Suitable for:** Rising 1st – 8th graders

SUMMER SOCCER CAMP by TOE VALLEY SOCCER ASSOCIATION

Toe Valley Soccer Association will be hosting a free summer soccer camp. Dates, times and location will be announced in the Yancey Common Times Journal, TVSA's web page (<http://www.toevalleysoccer.org/>) and on the TVSA Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/toevalleysoccer/>). Stay tuned!

- * **Dates & Times are To Be Announced**
- * **Cost:** Free!
- * **Suitable for:** ages 4-12
- * **For more info:** Visit <http://www.toevalleysoccer.org/>, <https://www.facebook.com/toevalleysoccer/>, or email toevalleysoccer@gmail.com.

OVERNIGHT CAMPS

NC HIGH PEAKS FAMILY CAMPING WEEKEND at BRIAR BOTTOMS

An overnight camping event open to families in the area. Families are welcome to spend any part of the weekend either Friday night, Saturday night or both. Families need to bring their own tents, etc. although we have a limited amount of gear we can loan. More details for this event are to come...please visit <http://nchighpeaks.com> or <https://www.facebook.com/nchighpeaks/> for more info.

- * **August 19, 20 & 21** - Briar Bottom group camping area at Black Mountain Campground.
- * **For more info:** Visit <http://nchighpeaks.com> or <https://www.facebook.com/nchighpeaks/> or Contact Robert Branch: (828) 682-5737 or rbranch18@aol.com or Katey Schultz: (828) 675-1312 or katey13@hotmail.com

CAMP SPRING CREEK

Camp Spring Creek is a residential summer camp in the North Carolina mountains offering dyslexic children one-on-one reading instruction plus arts, friendship and fun in the outdoors.

774 Spring Creek Road

Bakersville, NC 28705

828-688-1000, <http://campspringcreek.org/> or info@campspringcreek.org

CAMP CELO

For over fifty years, the Barrus family has welcomed campers to join us for the summer on the Camp Celo farm. The farm setting provides the basis for much of the camp activity with the children caring for animals and harvesting in the garden. There is hiking and camping in the surrounding forests and mountains, and swimming and tubing on the South Toe River. Activities include arts & crafts, skits, wood shop, nature appreciation and big group games.

775 Hannah Branch Rd.

Burnsville, NC 28714

(828) 675-4323, <http://campcelo.com> or campcelo@gmail.com

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOLS

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF SPRUCE PINE – ROAR!

Our VBS is a week full of fun and fellowship! This year's theme is ROAR!

- * **June 16-21** – 5:15-8:15pm
- * **Cost:** Free!
- * **Suitable for:** Pre-K – 8th grade
- * **For more info:** Contact Hannah Andrews at 828-765-4036 or sppresoffice@yahoo.com.

COVY ROCK FREE WILL BAPTIST – CHILDREN OF THE BIBLE

We will be leaning about children in the Bible and the important roles they played.

- * **June 17-21** – 5:15-8:45pm, Program on June 23
- * **Cost:** Free!
- * **Suitable for:** Infant - Young Adult
- * **For more info:** Contact Suzy Peterson at 828-284-2070 or speterson@mhslive.net

SHOAL CREEK BAPTIST CHURCH – FAMILY FUN WEEKEND

A family fun weekend including Bible study sessions, crafts, music, community projects, inflatables, games, food, and much more!

- * **June 21-** 6:00-8:15pm & **June-22** – 1:00-7:00pm
- * **Cost:** Free!
- * **Suitable for:** ages 5-16
- * **For more info:** Visit Shoal Creek Baptist Church on Facebook or contact Keli Miller at 828-682-4828 or kelipmiller@gmail.com.

GRASSY CREEK BAPTIST CHURCH - ROAR!

Bible Study, games, music, food and fun!

- * **June 24-28** – 6:00-8:30 pm
- * **Cost:** Free!
- * **Suitable for:** All ages!
- * **For more info:** Contact Pam Snyder at 828-765-4620 or secretary@grassycreekbc.org.

BEAR CREEK BAPTIST CHURCH - "HE IS THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD"

During this fun-filled week, children AND adults can learn about Jesus' love and how we should let his light shine through us. Games, crafts, and food

each night. **Kick-Off Parade, Registration and Lunch: July 13th at 11:00 am Bible School: July 21st - July 26th 6:00 - 8:30 pm. Commencement Program with Kid's Program, Dinner and Outdoor Activities: July 26th starting at 6:00.**

- * **July 13 & 21-26** – See times above.
- * **Cost:** Free!
- * **Suitable for:** Birth - Adult (A nursery provided and an adult class offered)
- * **For more info:** Contact Linda Duncan or Bruce or Wendy Cannon at 828-688-4331 or wcannon75@gmail.com.

HIGGINS MEMORIAL UMC - THE INCREDIBLE RACE

Kids and youth will discover that, no matter where we live, what shade of skin we have, or what language we speak, we are all part of the same race—the human race, and that we are all called to be part of one family - God's Family. We will discover how to join God's Family as we race from continent to continent learning about different cultures. Dinner too!

- * **July 22-26** – 5:30-8:30pm
- * **Cost:** Free!
- * **Suitable for:** Preschool-High School
- * **For more info:** Contact Kim Garland at 828-682-2835 or kgarland@higgins-umc.com.

RECREATION

CAMP GROUNDS

BEAR DEN MOUNTAIN RESORT – SPRUCE PINE

600 Bear Den Mountain Road
Spruce Pine NC 28777

<https://www.bear-den.com/> or (828) 765-2888

BLACK MOUNTAIN CAMPGROUND – BURNSVILLE

50 Black Mountain Campground Road
Burnsville NC 28714

<https://cfaia.org/> or (828) 675-5616

CAROLINA HEMLOCKS RECREATION AREA & CAMPGROUND – BURNSVILLE

6000 Hwy. 80 S
Burnsville, NC 28714

<https://cfaia.org/> or (828) 675-5509

LIVING WATER CAMPGROUND – BAKERSVILLE

218 Trout Pond Lane
Bakersville, NC 28705

www.livingwaterscampground.com, lwcampground@gmail.com or 828-688-2000

MOUNT MITCHELL STATE PARK – BURNSVILLE

2388 State Highway 128
Burnsville, NC 28714

www.ncparks.gov/mount-mitchell-state-park or 828-675-4611

SPRINGMAID MOUNTAIN – SPRUCE PINE

2171 Henredon Rd
Spruce Pine, NC 28777

<https://www.springmaidmountain.com/> or 828-765-2353

THE BLUE RIDGE CAMPGROUND & MARKET – LITTLE SWITZERLAND

65 Blue Ridge Gem Mine Road
Little Switzerland NC 28749

<http://www.BlueRidgeCampgroundAndMarket.com> or (828) 385-0176

TOE RIVER CAMPGROUND & PATIENCE PARK – BURNSVILLE

225 Patience Park Road
Burnsville NC 28714

<http://www.BlueRidgeCampgroundAndMarket.com> or (828) 385-0176

GEM MINING

EMERALD VILLAGE – LITTLE SWITZERLAND

331 McKinney Mine Road
Spruce Pine NC 28777

<https://gemmountain.com/> or (828) 765-6463

GEM MOUNTAIN – SPRUCE PINE

13780 Highway 226 South
Spruce Pine NC 28777

<https://www.emeraldvillage.com/> or (888) 817-5829

RIO DOCE GEM MINE – SPRUCE PINE

14622 Hwy 226 S
Spruce Pine NC 28777

<https://www.riodoce.com/> or 828-765-2099

GOLF

GRASSY CREEK GOLF & COUNTRY CLUB – SPRUCE PINE

2360 Swiss Pine Lake Drive
Spruce Pine, NC 28777

<https://www.grassycreek.com/> or (828) 765-7436

MOUNT MITCHELL GOLF CLUB – BURNSVILLE

11484 State Highway 80 South
Burnsville NC 28714

<http://www.mountmitchellgolf.com/> or (828) 675-5454

GUIDED FISHING

BURNSVILLE ANGLERS – BURNSVILLE

(828) 691-1506

Email: burnsvilleanglers@gmail.com

<https://www.burnsvilleanglers.com/>

SOUTHERN DRIFTERS OUTFITTERS – BURNSVILLE

101 Town Square
Burnsville, NC 28714

<https://southerndriftersoutfitters.com/> or 828-678-1511

HORSEBACK RIDING

BLUE RIDGE HORSE ADVENTURES – SPRUCE PINE

Offering individual riding lessons, group team building events, weekly horsemanship classes during the year, and mother daughter retreats.

Contact Becky at 828-460-2165 or visit Blue Ridge Horse Adventures on Facebook.

WOLF LAUREL STABLES - BURNSVILLE

5860 Bald Mountain road
Burnsville, NC 28714

(828) 678-9370

SPRINGMAID MOUNTAIN – SPRUCE PINE

2171 Henredon Rd
Spruce Pine, NC 28777

<https://www.springmaidmountain.com/> or 828-765-2353

PARKS & POOLS

MITCHELL COUNTY

Riverside Park

305 Tappan St., Spruce Pine

Bakersville Creekwalk

N. Mitchell Ave., Bakersville

Brad Ragan Park

293 Laurel Creek Ct., Spruce Pine

YANCEY COUNTY

Old Burnsville Gym

School Circle, Burnsville

Ray–Cort Recreation Park and Pool

314 Mitchell Branch Road, Burnsville

Kid Mountain Playground

School Circle, Burnsville

Patience Park and Pool

225 Patience Park Road, Burnsville

Cane River Park

258 Whittington Rd, Burnsville

Lincoln Park Field

Lincoln Park Road, Burnsville

RAFTING/TUBING

LOAFERS GLORY RAFTING & TUBING

2637 Highway 226 North

Bakersville, NC 28705

<https://loafersgloryrafting.com/index.php> or (828) 688-9290

THRIFTY ADVENTURES

1173 Whitson Branch Rd.

Bakersville NC 28705

<https://www.thriftyadventuresnc.com/> or (828) 260-4505

OTHER RECREATION

BLUE RIDGE FITNESS AND REHAB CENTER - BURNSVILLE

Fitness and aerobics classes, programs for youth, personal and group training, and an indoor pool for exercise or therapy.

155 Love Fox Rd

Burnsville, North Carolina 28714

(828) 678-3488 or visit Blue Ridge Fitness & Rehab on Facebook

NC HIGH PEAKS HIKES

Various hikes offered throughout 2019. For specific dates and hike information, visit:

nhighpeaks.org or call (828) 284-6878

SNAKEROOT ECO TOURS

<https://www.snakerootecotours.com/> or (828) 675-8218

THRIFTY ADVENTURES

Based out of the Blue Ridge mountains in Western North Carolina, Thrifty Adventures offers over 21 different trips including; tubing, rafting, climbing, rappelling, waterfall rappelling, hiking, camping, youth programs, and wild edible plant walkabouts.

1173 Whitson Branch Rd

Bakersville NC 28705

<https://www.thriftyadventuresnc.com/> or (828) 260-4505

THE ORCHARD AT ALTAPASS

1025 Orchard Road

Spruce Pine, NC 28777

<https://altapassorchard.org/> or (828) 765-9531

ATTRACTIONS/ENTERTAINMENT

COMMUNITY VIEWING NIGHTS at BARE DARK SKY OBSERVATORY

Join us for an evening of stargazing as you've never seen before! Community viewing nights are offered almost every weekend year round at the Bare Dark Sky Observatory. This is a suitable activity for all ages and the cost is \$15 for adults and \$5 for children 12 and under. Community viewing nights include a two-hour viewing session in which visitors are guided through a tour of the night sky and get to look at about 10 objects through the telescopes. Tickets must be purchased ahead of time and can be done online at www.mayland.edu/observatory.

66 Energy Exchange Dr.

Burnsville, NC 28714

www.mayland.edu/observatory or 828-766-1277

MOUNT MITCHELL STATE PARK – BURNSVILLE

One of those places that stand apart from the ordinary, Mount Mitchell's dramatic summit is the highest point east of the Mississippi at 6,684 feet and was inspiration for one of the nation's first state parks. From its easily accessible observation deck, the spruce-fir forest of Mount Mitchell State Park leads the eye to unmatched views. A museum explains the mountain's cultural and natural history, and its trail network allows visitors to explore

up close, offering short hikes near the summit and challenging treks leading to adjacent wilderness areas. A nine-site tent campground is open in warm-weather months, and backpacking opportunities abound, including entry onto the Mountains-to-Sea State Trail. A concession area and a full-service restaurant serve visitors from May to October.

2388 State Highway 128

Burnsville, NC 28714

www.ncparks.gov/mount-mitchell-state-park or 828-675-4611

PARKWAY PLAYHOUSE MAINSTAGE PERFORMANCES

For show times, performance descriptions, ticket prices and other information, visit parkwayplayhouse.com

- * **Dixie Swim Club** - June 1-15
- * **A Gentleman's Guide to Love and Murder** - June 29-July 13
- * **Amélie** - July 27-August 10

RIVERSIDE ROLLER RINK – BURNSVILLE

Saturday Evenings 7-10PM - For more information, or to schedule a party, call Joyce at 682-2651

TOE RIVER MODEL RAILROAD DISPLAY at SPRUCE PINE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Come visit the Toe River Model Railroad display located in the Spruce Pine Public Library. Watch the model trains run, share ideas, learn local history and enjoy model railroading!

- * **Wednesdays – 2:00-5:00pm & the 1st Monday of each month – 7:00-9:00pm**
- * **Cost:** Free!
- * **Suitable for:** all ages
- * **For more info:** Contact the Spruce Pine Public Library at 828-765-4673 or Warren at 828-688-1922

YANCEY THEATRE – BURNSVILLE

119 West Main St.

Burnsville, NC 28714

Movie info. line: (828) 678-3322

<http://www.yancey-theatre.com/> or (828) 678-3311

OTHER SUMMER RESOURCES

AMY BOOKMOBILE SUMMER SCHEDULE 2019

Want the Library to come to you? We provide Bookmobile services to residents of Avery, Mitchell and Yancey counties who reside more than 5 miles from their local branch. Give us a call to schedule a once a month stop at your home or visit us this summer at one of the community stops listed below. Also, keep an eye out for the bookmobile at the "Reading Is Alive" and PATH's Sizzlin' Summer events on Saturdays this summer.

- * **June 4, July 2 and August 6** – 1:30-3:00PM - Pensacola United Methodist Church
- * **June 18, July 16 and August 20** - 11:30am-12:30pm – Buladean Community Center
- * **June 18, July 16 and August 20** – 1:00-2:00pm - Tipton Hill Community Center
- * **June 19, July 24 and August 21** – 12:00-1:30pm - Little Switzerland Post Office
- * **June 19, July 24 and August 21** - 2:00-3:30pm – Emerald Village
- * **June 24, July 8 and August 26** – 1:00-2:30pm - Friends Meeting House in Celso
- * **July 1 and August 5** – 1:00-2:30pm - Cane River Park
- * **July 3 and August 7** – 1:00-2:30pm - Riverside Park

BLUE RIDGE PARTNERSHIP FOR CHILDREN CHILD CARE RESOURCE & LENDING LIBRARY

Free early childhood resources for checkout: books, games, puzzles, learning materials, crafts and art ideas.

392 E. Main Street, Burnsville

Mon-Fri 8am-5pm

For more information, call 682-0717.

MITCHELL COUNTY TRANSPORTATION

Public Transportation for all ages and incomes. Transportation to day camps, human service agencies, group outings in county or out. \$5.00 per person for in county transportation. Call for outside county rates - 828-688-4715. Office hours are Monday - Friday 7:30- 4:30.

YANCEY COUNTY TRANSPORTATION

Public Transportation for all ages and incomes. Transportation to day camps, human service agencies, group outings in county or out. Some

passengers may qualify to ride at a reduced rate through a governmental agency. For more information, call 828-682-6144. Office hours are Monday – Friday, 7:30- 4:30.

YANCEY COUNTY FARMERS MARKET – BURNSVILLE

Saturdays – rain or shine – 8:30am – 12:30pm

8 Town Square

Burnsville NC 28714

<https://yanceycountyfarmersmarket.wordpress.com/> or
cheri.yanceymarket@gmail.com

**Family Practice
Pregnancy Care
Behavioral Health
Extended Hours**



MOUNTAIN COMMUNITY HEALTH PARTNERSHIP

**Bakersville
688-2104**

**Celo
675-4116**

**Spruce Pine
766-7778**