



# Newsletter August 2017

Welcome Members & Friends of CCCRA.

Comments or Questions?

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## TOTAL SOLAR ECLIPSE JUST DAYS AWAY! CCCRA SEES THE LIGHT!

*In case you've been "in the dark", the Great American Total Solar Eclipse will pass over Hayesville, Monday August 21st from 1-4 pm, with two minutes, thirty-three seconds of eclipse totality at 2:34 pm.*

## **BONUS DAY TO GET SOLAR ECLIPSE SOUVENIRS!**

CC CRA and American Legion Post #532 are teaming up with Clay County Chamber of Commerce for an additional day of souvenir sales on

**Friday, August 11th from 10 am - 5 pm**

*Inside the Chamber Office, 388 Hwy 64 Business, Hayesville.*

*Come get your Hats, T-Shirts, commemorative posters, Moon Pies, and the all-important **USA ISO-certified viewing glasses.***

*Last days to purchase at our regular venues:*

*Nantahala Bank Parking Lot - Saturday, August 12th from 10 am-2 pm*

*Friday Summer Concert on the Square - Friday, August 18th from 6 pm - 9 pm*

Tune in to **EXTREME CAROLINA with MICHAEL LEVI BORKMAN**

Saturday and Sunday, August 12 and 13 at 1:30 pm, 6:00 pm and 7:30 pm as

CC CRA Board Members Barbara Deas and Michael Borkman

discuss the Total Solar Eclipse, Solar Feast and CC CRA.

WJUL-FM is found at 97.7 on your radio or streaming at <http://wjulradio.com/>

## **SOLAR FEAST ON THE SQUARE**

**SATURDAY AUG 19th - 11 am to 4 pm**

In celebration of the once-in-a-lifetime celestial event, CC CRA brings you **Solar Feast On the Square**. Food, Fun, Music, Dancing, Games and Prizes for the entire family, and your Eclipse visitors.

*Parking is available at the Community Center, Ball fields and the High School, with **FREE SHUTTLE**, including wheelchair access!*



## **Valley River Brewery & Eatery donates to Historic Courthouse Restoration**

Mike Marsden, owner of the **Valley River Brewery & Eatery**, recently presented Rob Tiger of CC CRA with a check for \$1200. The money came from contributions



from patrons who visited Valley River's newly-opened Hayesville restaurant, while the business awaited alcohol sales approval. The donation will benefit the courthouse restoration effort and is greatly appreciated. Thanks to Mike and his staff for this generous contribution.

## Summer Concerts Continue!

The CCCRA's Friday Summer Concert Series continues with three more events on the 2017 calendar. Don't miss these great artists!

- August 18th - ***The Caribbean Cowboys***
- September 1st - ***Sarah Mac Band***
- September 8th - ***Gnarly Fingers***

Starting at 6pm, **The Copper Door** dishes up incredible, affordable, mouth-watering treats, and the American Legion roasts your traditional concert favorite hot dogs and popcorn. Visit CCCRA's table to purchase merchandise or to become a member!

Performances start at 7pm on the Historic Courthouse grounds. In case of inclement weather, the "Rain-In" venue is Hayesville First United Methodist Church. Watch for updates on concert dates on our Facebook page:

**<https://www.facebook.com/cccranc/>**





## Historic Courthouse Preservation

Interior space planning is on-going. The ground floor will house retail space and facilities-support, while the upper floor will be a special event venue. General Contractor Robert Penland is lining up sub-contractors, and elevator contractor, Ron Cantrell Construction, is developing shop drawings required for installation.

Craftsman James Cross is doing an excellent job finishing up exterior brick repair and repointing. Weather permitting, work is scheduled for completion by mid-August.

Excitement grows as progress is evident. The entire Hayesville/Clay County community will be very proud of this beauty when her restoration is complete.

## JACKRABBIT MOUNTAIN TRAILS USFS Costing Environmental Studies

The USFS, Tusquittee Ranger District, recently advised our trail partner, **Southern Appalachian Bicycle Association** (SABA), that they are in process of costing environmental studies for the proposed addition to the Jackrabbit Mountain Biking and Hiking Trail. As landowner, this indicates their tentative approval, pending outcome of the studies, the cost of which will be the responsibility of CCCRA and SABA.

The trail design and layout for an additional 4-5 miles of mountain bike trails was done by SABA, and reviewed by our professional trail design contractor. The proposed expansion provides trails of different



challenges and experiences for a wider range of mountain bikers. The longer length will make Jackrabbit attractive to visitors from a farther distance, and is expected to encourage longer stays in the Hayesville area.



## **7th Annual Cherokee Heritage Festival**

### **September 16, 2017**

CCCRA's annual **Cherokee Heritage Festival** is September 16, 2017 at the Cherokee Homestead Exhibit. Internationally recognized Native American **World Champion Hoop Dancer Eddie Swimmer** will perform. Swimmer has performed throughout the world, including at the opening ceremonies for the 1996 Olympic Games in Atlanta GA, the 1994 World Cup Soccer Tournament in Dallas TX, and the 1993 Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade in New York City.

Cherokee artists, crafters, dancers, musicians, storytellers and food vendors will be on-hand. The **Hiwassee River Watershed Coalition** will lead nature walks and talks, and the **Clay County Historical & Arts Council** will sell items from local artisans.

This year's festival is sponsored by **The Conservation Fund's Resourceful Communities** program.

## **Membership**

Interested in becoming a member of CCCRA and/or volunteering to serve your community?

Visit [www.cccra-nc.org](http://www.cccra-nc.org)



## ***Clay County Communities Revitalization Association***

Clay County Communities Revitalization Association (CCCRA) is a non-profit organization devoted to preserving and improving Clay County NC for its residents and visitors. Powered by a 100% volunteer engine, CCCRA is funded through memberships, donations and grants.

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(ADVANTAGE CHATUGE)**

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**MORNING SONG GALLERY**

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CHINQUAPIN'S ICE CREAM and  
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