



**NEW YEAR CELEBRATION** — In celebration of the Lunar New Year, Presbyterian College and the Confucius Institute will hold a Peking Opera performance next Saturday at Belk Auditorium, and the event is free for the public. It is scheduled for Feb. 9 from 6 to 7 p.m. at Edmunds Hall on the Presbyterian College campus.

## Presbyterian College hosts Peking Opera

Featuring musical and vocal performances with mime, dance and acrobatics, a traditional Peking Opera performance will be presented free for the community next Saturday, Feb. 9, from 6 to 7 p.m. at Belk Auditorium.

Presbyterian College is sponsoring the performance through the Presbyterian College Confucius Institute as part of the PCCI's celebration of Chinese New Year.


Scheduled for one performance at Belk Auditorium, the Peking Opera will celebrate this week's Chinese New Year, both for the Presbyterian College community and the Laurens County public.

"I'm excited to be able to enjoy an event like this in Clinton," PC student Jerius Duncan said. "When I went to China this past summer, I was looking forward to seeing a show that was in a Beijing opera, but I was unable to so I feel blessed to have this type of opportunity to see the Peking Opera at PC."

Also called Beijing operas, Peking operas originated in the late 18th century.

The National Academy of Chinese Theater Arts and Binghamton University Confucius Institute of Chinese Opera (CICO) from Binghamton, N.Y., will be the stars of the show. The singers,

dancers, mimes, and acrobats include talent from both organizations. The opera group has performed in more than 30 states over the past 12 years.



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Grandchildren: Gabrielle & Ryan Jr., sister, brothers, and the entire Floyd Family.

## LCSO warns against phone scams

By John Clayton  
Editor

The Laurens County Sheriff's Office is warning residents of potential phone scams being perpetrated in the area.

According to a release from the LCSCO, the agency has received several reports of scammers portraying themselves as representatives from the IRS or Social Security Administration.

LCSCO Capt. Robert Wilkie said most calls originate well outside of Laurens County and often come from overseas and out of reach of local law enforcement. In many cases, scammers attempt to target the elderly.

"The best thing to do is to hang up on them and block their number," Wilkie said.

Many of the scammers used cloned numbers to make it appear the calls are coming

from U.S. or South Carolina words, etc.) over the phone or via the internet.

It is even more important not to give out any information such as social security numbers, birth dates, internet passwords, etc.) over the phone or via the internet.

Wilkie said the IRS and Social Security Administration do not attempt to contact people by phone.

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