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tion, call 336-372-4005 or visit laconiaaleworks.com.

• **July 17-18:** Oakland Ruritan Club Rodeo, Felts Park, Galax, Va., 6-10 p.m. Sponsored by the Southern Rodeo Association, with bareback riding, saddle bronc riding, bull riding, cowgirl barrel racing and roping, team roping and calf roping; along with rodeo clowns, merchandise and food vendors.

• **July 17:** Skyline Highway will perform at 7 p.m. at Muddy Creek Music Hall, 60 S. Main St. in Sparta. Admission is free. For more information, visit muddycreekcafeandmusichall.com.

• **July 17:** The Justins will perform at 7 p.m. at Muddy Creek Music Hall, 60 S. Main St. in Sparta. Admission is free. For more information, visit muddycreekcafeandmusichall.com.

• **July 18:** XcentriX will perform from 5-7 p.m. at "Saturdays in Sparta" in Crouse Park, 314 Cherry St. in Sparta. Admission is free. Sponsored by the Alleghany Arts Council. For more information, visit alleghanyartscouncil.org.

• **July 18:** TopHouse and PigPen The-

atre Co. will perform at the Blue Ridge Music Center, milepost 213 on the Blue Ridge Parkway near Galax, Va., at 7 p.m. Tickets at BlueRidgeMusicCenter.org or 866-308-2773, ext. 212.

• **July 18:** Christmas in July will be held from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. at Matthews Living History Farm Museum, 476 White Pine Road in Galax, Va. 276-773-3080, matthewsfarmmuseum.org.

• **July 19:** The Araniska Winds will perform at 1 p.m. at Muddy Creek Music Hall, 60 S. Main St. in Sparta. Admission is free. For more information, visit muddycreekcafeandmusichall.com.

• **July 19:** The Alleghany Arts Council will offer a "Taste of the Arts" workshop on making a botanical lampshade, from 1-3 p.m. at the Blue Ridge Business Development Center atrium, 115 Atwood St. in Sparta. For more information, visit alleghanyartscouncil.org.

• **July 24:** The Sparta Stampede Rodeo will be held July 24-25 from 7-11 p.m. each night at the Alleghany County Fairgrounds, 1375 U.S. Hwy. 21 in Sparta. Gates open at 5 p.m. Food concessions

and vendors, cash only. Sponsored by the Southern Rodeo Association and International Pro Rodeo Association.

• **July 24:** Nolan Biggins will perform at 6 p.m. at Laconia Ale Works, 433 N. Main St. in Sparta. For more information, call 336-372-4005 or visit laconiaaleworks.com.

• **July 24-26:** Take a Break from the Interstate: U.S. 21 Road Market, along the historic U.S. 21 Scenic Route from Wytheville to Harmony, N.C. A 100-mile roadside yard sale and flea market.

• **July 25:** American Tune: Songs of Croce, Taylor and Simon, performed by Tom Glynn, will take the stage at Muddy Creek Music Hall, 60 S. Main St. in Sparta, at 8 p.m. For more information, visit muddycreekcafeandmusichall.com.

• **July 25:** Scythian will perform at the Blue Ridge Music Center's outdoor amphitheater, milepost 213 on the Blue Ridge Parkway near Galax, Va. 7 p.m. Tickets at BlueRidgeMusicCenter.org or 866-308-2773, ext. 212.

• **July 31:** Doug Davis & Radio Silence will perform at 7 p.m. at Muddy Creek

Music Hall, 60 S. Main St. in Sparta. Admission is free. For more information, visit muddycreekcafeandmusichall.com.

• **July 31:** Red River Dawn will perform at 6 p.m. at Laconia Ale Works, 433 N. Main St. in Sparta. For more information, call 336-372-4005 or visit laconiaaleworks.com.

AUGUST

• **Aug. 1:** Empire Strikes Brass will perform at Music on Main from 5-9 p.m., on Main Street in downtown Sparta. Sponsored by Alleghany Arts Council. For more information, visit alleghanyartscouncil.org.

• **Aug. 1:** Leftover Biscuits will perform at the Alleghany Jubilee, 562 N. Sparta Parkway in Sparta, from 7-9:30 p.m. Cost is \$10, or free for children ages 12 and younger. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. Refreshments available (no alcohol). For more information, visit AlleghanyJubilee.com or follow "Alleghany Jubilee" on

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