

Calendar

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● **JAN. 21 & 22: "The Avengers: Infinity War,"** an Arts Array Film, is shown each day at 4:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. at the Abingdon Cinemall, Abingdon, Va. Admission is free for all students and staff members of VHCC, Emory & Henry College, King University and Southwest Virginia Higher Education Center, including participants in the College of Older Adults who purchase an Arts Array pass. Community admission is \$7.75. 276-739-2459 (see page 18)

● **JAN. 28 & 29: "Eighth Grade,"** an Arts Array Film, is shown each day at 4:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. at the Abingdon Cinemall, Abingdon, Va. Admission is free for all students and staff members of VHCC, Emory & Henry College, King University and Southwest Virginia Higher Education Center, including participants in the College of Older Adults who purchase an Arts Array pass. Community admission is \$7.75. 276-739-2459 (see page 18)

Fundraiser

● **JAN. 12:** Kingsport Theatre Guild presents **"Two on the Aisle: Three in a Van"** at 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. to raise funds for their upcoming shows. The show is held at the Renaissance Center, Kingsport, Tenn. A reception and silent auction are held at 5 p.m. Welcome to another season at the Neighborhood Actors Summerfun Repertory Theatre. A little playhouse where the company spends their downtime in the parking lot around an aging hippie/now turned techie's van. Those looking for refuge at the asphalt oasis include a stressed-out artistic director grappling for funding, a wanna-be diva who's realizing her ingénue expiration date has just about passed, a board member's nephew vying to direct the musicals with a Tarantino spin and the "I'm no chorus boy" chorus boy who thinks every show should have a kick line – including "Glass Menagerie." These are just some of the egos and obstacles that fall into the lap of Mike, a nice-guy director who ends up with far more than he bargained for. Tickets are \$10 for children, \$12 for seniors, students and military and \$15 for adults. Tickets include reception. Purchase tickets at www.kingsporttheatre.org or call 423-392-8427.

● **JAN. 25:** East Tennessee State University's Appalachian, Scottish and Irish Studies Program hosts a **Burns Night Dinner** to benefit the Thomas G. Burton Scholarship Fund from 7-9 p.m. in the Grand Soldiers Ballroom at the Carnegie Hotel in Johnson City, Tenn. \$75 per person or \$130 for a couple. Seating is limited and guests should **RSVP** by **Jan. 21**. For tickets, contact Kevin Masters at 423-979-6718 or kevin@wellingtonsrestaurant.com. (see page 8)

Literature

● **JAN. 3:** **Lost State Writers Guild** meets at 11:30 a.m., at Shoney's Restaurant (exit 5), Bristol, Va. www.loststatewritersguild.com

Meetings

● **JAN. 7, 14, 21 & 28:** **The New Traditions Quilt Guild** meets at The Henderson, Marion, Va., from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Bring your latest project. 276-706-4010, www.thehenderson.org

● **JAN. 7, 14, 21 & 28:** **The Carvers Club** meets at the Annex behind Holston Mountain Artisans, Abingdon, Va., at 5:30 p.m. www.holstonmtnarts.org, 276-628-7721

● **JAN. 8, 15, 22 & 29:** **Paint-In** is held at the Kingsport Renaissance Center, Kingsport, Tenn., Tuesdays from 9 a.m. to noon. Free and open to the public. Arrive anytime with your art supplies and get started. 423-246-1227, www.kingsportartguild.com

● **JAN. 8, 15, 22 & 29:** **The Wednesday Morning Painters** meet at The Arts Depot, Abingdon, Va., from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Everyone is welcome at these informal "paint-ins." Oils must be no odor. 276-628-9091, www.abingdonartsdepot.org

● **JAN. 8, 15, 22 & 29:** **Wednesday Painters** meet at The Renaissance Center, Kingsport, Tenn., from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. Everyone is welcome. Arrive anytime with your art supplies and get started. 423-246-1227, www.kingsportartguild.com

● **JAN. 13:** **The Watauga Valley Art League** meets at Sycamore Shoals State Historic Area, Elizabethton, Tenn., from 1:30-3:30 p.m. An informal art critique begins at 1 p.m. Free and open



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to the public. 423-946-5607, www.wataugavalleyartleague.com

● **JAN. 14:** **The Second Monday Book Group** meets at the Washington County Public Library, Abingdon, Va., at 1:30 p.m. New members are welcome. 276-676-6298, www.wcpl.net

● **JAN. 18:** **A Knitting Circle** meets from 4-6 p.m., at the Johnson City Public Library, Johnson City, Tenn. Bring your current project and share tips. All skill levels welcome. www.jcpl.net

● **JAN. 26:** **Poetry Society of Tennessee** – Northeast Chapter meets at Perkins Restaurant, Johnson City, Tenn., at 2 p.m. The speaker is **Lanley Shazar** of The Casual Word. For more information, visit www.pstne.weebly.com.

● **JAN. 29:** **The Passawatami Book Club** meets at 6 p.m., at the Glade Spring branch library, Glade Spring, Va. 276-429-5626, www.wcpl.net

Music

● **ONGOING:** Live music can be heard during **The Crooked Road's** Thursday night festivities, from 6-9 p.m., at Heartwood, Abingdon, Va. 276-492-2400, www.heartwoodvirginia.org

● **ONGOING:** **Greasy Bean Café and Guitars** is held each Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. at The Community Center of Abingdon, Va. Dinner is served at 5:45 p.m. A band entertains during dinner.

\$11 for dinner and entertainment. 276-628-3911, info@theccoa.org

● **ONGOING:** **Join the Jam** is held Thursdays at the Jonesborough Senior Center at 6 p.m. All musical levels welcome. www.jonesboroughtn.org

● **ONGOING:** **Watauga Valley Senior Fife & Drum Corps**

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