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Think of it as ESPN Meets Braveheart

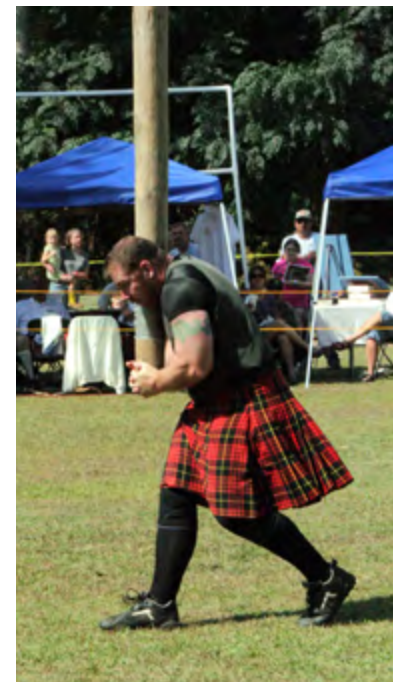
Ever think about trying to flip a telephone pole in the air? It's called the caber, and Highland Scots have been tossing it around for over 500 years. If you've never experienced a Highland Games, you owe it to yourself to join us Saturday, October 6th at the North Carolina Rural Heritage Center in Laurinburg (Take 401 to Laurinburg and turn at the Wal-Mart - The grounds are 1 mile up on the left).

Watch our athletes compete in traditional events, such as tossing the Scottish hammer and stone throws. Ever heard of the sheaf toss? That's throwing a 20-pound bail of straw straight up over a high bar using a pitchfork. For the little pros out there, we have events that kids love to try – NOTE: there is no need to preregister for the kids game – just show up!

A full spectrum of events will be offered at the Games: Clan and Society tents, food and merchandise vendors, athletic competitions, Scottish musical and dance entertainment, sheep dog demonstrations, and EUSPBA sanctioned solo piping and drumming competitions. Again this year will be pipe and drum band competition which will bring bands in from all over the southeast and provide spectators a first-hand look at the pageantry and precision of pipe bands.

Advanced ticket sales are \$12 for adults, \$3 for children (\$15 and \$5 at the gate). Advanced tickets may be purchased online at www.games-tickets.com or by visiting the Laurinburg/Scotland County Area Chamber of Commerce, or Bob's Jewel Shop in Laurinburg. For more information, visit:

www.carolina-highlandgames.com



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Storytelling Festival of Carolina



If you have never experienced the on-stage performance of storytelling, you owe it to yourself and your family to join us for the annual Storytelling Festival of Carolina, to be held October 20th in Laurinburg.

Held at the Storytelling and Arts Center, the festival features a small, accessible stage to assure you'll hear the best storytelling this side of Garrison Keillor. Get ready to be utterly spellbound as internationally renowned and honored performers spin their magic and touch every emotion from laughter to horror to tears. (Yes, they're that good.) The festival runs from 9:30 to 5:00 each day.

Military and family packages are also available. For more information visit www.storyartscenter.org or call (910) 277-3599.

The John Blue Festival – A Glimpse of the Past

Join us October 13th and 14th for the Annual John Blue Cotton Festival held at the John Blue House and the North Carolina Rural Heritage Center in Laurinburg.

See a team of mules hitched to an authentic cotton gin used before the Civil War. Check out the goods in the old-time General Store. Thrill to the Cotton Blossom Railroad, powered by a miniature steam locomotive. See how a 19th century mill cut shingles for a house, or how a country grist mill turned out sacks of corn meal. You can also visit an original tobacco barn – one of only five in the state.

The kids can play old-time farm games or go on a hayride. Enjoy live music, storytellers, and dancers on our outdoor stage. It's a great weekend destination for the family-- a one-of-a-kind event.

Visit www.johnblue-cottonfestival.com

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Kuumba celebrates our African American Heritage

Scotland County has a rich African American cultural heritage which goes all the way back to the earliest years of the republic. The annual celebration of this rich fabric of art and culture is known as Kuumba. Kuumba means “creativity” and the festival lives up to that promise. Kuumba features dancing, drumming, storytelling and socializing, as well as a musical menu that runs from gospel to jazz.

Presented by the African American Heritage Committee, the festivities begin Friday, Sept. 21st with a pageant and the crowning of Miss Kuumba. The celebration then shifts Saturday, Sept. 22nd to Market Park in Laurinburg, where music, food and the arts of Africa come alive. For more information visit kuumbafestnc.org



Time To Get Scared!

The event know as “Insanitarium – Nightmare on Main Street” will be held in downtown Laurinburg at 116 Roper Street on Oct. 19, 20, 26, and 27 from 8:00 until midnight each night. The cost is \$10 per person.

County Parks and Rec. Director Brian Graham says the organizers still need volunteers to help set up the event and play the undead. To volunteer or purchase tickets, call Scotland County Parks and Recreation at **910-277-2585** or visit **www.insanitarium18.com**

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Laurinburg Welcomes Our Visitors

The City of Laurinburg and Scotland County look forward to welcoming you to our community and showing our Southern hospitality. For more information on where to stay, please visit the [Scotland County Tourism Web site at www.visitnc-soul.com](http://www.visitnc-soul.com)

Hotels

Hampton Inn	910-277-1516	Pine Acres Lodge	910-276-1531
Holiday Inn Express	910-291-3300	Scotland Inn	910-276-0632
Quality Inn	910-277-0080	Oasis RV Park	910-266-8372

Casual Dining

215 on Main	910-361-4474
Captain Larry's Seafood House	910-276-1880
Mi Casita Restaurante Mexicano	910-276-0032
The Main Table	910-361-4273
Wooly McDuff's Neighborhood Grille	910-276-6632

Quick Serve Dining

Dawg Haus Express	910-277-9303	Great Wall Chinese Food	910-276-9199
General McArthur's	910-276-1498	Jin Jin Chinese Food	910-277-1616
Golden Corral	910-277-1620	Little Fuji Grill	910-277-9922
Greek Village	910-277-7700	Miyako	910-506-4081
Jerry's Deli and Grill	910-266-9020	Taki Japanese Restaurant	910-291-9908
Huddle House	910-610-4100	Jesse's Pizza & Hot Sub	910-277-8538
Smithfield's Bar-B-Q	910-266-8700	Pizza Hut	910-276-1770
Waffle House	910-277-9259	Pizza Inn	910-276-6565
China Garden	910-266-8885	Moe's Chicken	910-506-2325
Golden Run	910-277-7734		