



20 E. Mills St., Columbus, NC 28722

This Week at the First Peak

December 17-23, 2025 (Wed-Tue)

Here's a quick look at what's happening in the area over the next week. You'll find additional events, info & attractions at www.firstpeaknc.com. Message us on Facebook or give us a call during the day at 828-894-2324.

Welcome! Our small-town main streets of Historic Saluda, Tryon & Columbus are open! Relax and have fun! Check our online events calendar for upcoming events. www.firstpeaknc.com/events/

Reoccurring events (More events listed below for each day)

Historic Tryon Movie Theatre • Tryon • 45 S. Trade St., Tryon, NC. 828-859-6811. www.tryontheatre.com

- **"The Holdovers"** shows on Wed 7pm; Thu 2:30pm; and Sat 7pm. Purchase tickets online or at the box office.
- **"Elf"** shows on Thu & Fri at 7pm and Sun at 2:30pm. Purchase tickets online or at the box office.
- **"It's a Wonderful Life"** shows on Mon at 7pm. Tickets are free and reservations are highly suggested.

Tryon International Equestrian Ctr • Mill Spring • 25 International Blvd., Mill Spring, NC. www.tryon.com

- **Double Dan Horsemanship** • Free. Fri 5pm. Watch a blend of horsemanship & entertainment.
- **Hunter/Jumper Schooling** • Free. Sat 2-8pm. Watch horse & rider display style & movement.
- **The Cavvieta Cowgirls** • Free. Sun 5, 7 and 9pm. Watch mounted drill team maneuvers.
- **Double K Tricks** • Free. Mon 6 & 8pm. Watch horse and rider perform trick riding & high energy stunts.



Holiday Events at Tryon Resort • Mill Spring • 25 International Blvd., Mill Spring, NC. www.tryon.com

Restaurants and shops are open and accessible – no tickets required.

- **Shadrack's Christmas Light Show** • Nightly through Jan 4, 5-10pm. Enjoy this enormous drive-thru light show animated to music. Purchase tickets online or at the gate, starting at \$40 a car load, can upgrade. The event entrance is 3580 Pea Ridge Rd., Mill Spring, NC.
- **Shadrack's Christmas Light Show Carriage Rides** • Fri-Sun through Jan 4, 6-9pm. Enjoy this carriage ride thru the Shadrack Christmas light show animated to music. Purchase tickets online or at the gate, \$45 adult/\$35 children. The carriage rides start at The General Store.
- **Winterfest Village** • Wed-Sun through Dec 23, 5-9pm. Everyone can enjoy photo ops, live music, & strolling characters. Plus, purchase Holiday Village tickets to: **meet and greet Santa, the Whos from Whoville, bounce houses, and walk-through light show.** Tickets for Village activities are \$25/adult and \$20/children. Purchase online or at gate.
- **Breakfast with Santa** • Sat-Tue 8am-12pm. Kid-friendly breakfast buffet with Santa! Advance tickets required, \$20/child, \$35/adult, children under 5/free.

Charles Dickens' Dinners at The Orchard Inn • Saluda • Thu-Sun, 6:30pm. 4-course dinner with readings from "A Christmas Carol." Reservations required, \$110. 100 Orchard Inn Lane, Saluda, NC. www.orchardinn.com

Live Music at Green River Eddy's Tap Room • Saluda • Free 7pm. Fri, Borderline Therapy; Sat, The JackTown Ramblers; Sun 2pm, Casey Ray Greene. 435 Main St., Saluda, NC. 828-848-4060. www.saludaoutfitters.com

Live Music at Parker-Binns Vineyard • Mill Spring • **Free Music:** 2-5pm. Sat, Phil Ruff; Sun, Raphael Graves with Drayton Aldridge on fiddle. **Tastings:** Wed-Thu 12-5pm, Fri-Sun 12-6pm. **Relish Grill** open Thu-Sun - closes 30 minutes earlier. 2275 Whiteside Rd., Mill Spring, NC. 828-894-0154. www.parkerbinnsvineyard.com

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Wednesday, December 17 (more Wednesday events in reoccurring list – top of page 1)

Sip & Shop Handcrafted Holiday Market at Tryon Arts & Crafts School • Tryon • 5-7pm. Purchase one-of-a-kind items from local artists. 373 Harmon Field Rd., Tryon, NC. 828-859-8323. www.tryonartsandcrafts.org 

Free Live Music at Iron Key Brewing Co. • Columbus • Flight Night, free music at 6pm by Myron Hyman. 135 Locust St., Columbus, NC. 828-802-1045. www.ironkeybrewing.com 

Thursday, December 18 (more Thursday events in reoccurring list – top of page 1)

Cookie Decorating Class at Green River BBQ • Saluda • 6pm. Decorate Christmas cookies with assistance from 3 Eggs Cakery. Advance tickets required \$35. Purchase online at www.eventbrite.com. 131 US 176, Saluda, NC. 

Live Music at The Purple Onion • Saluda • 7:30pm. Music by The Wilder Flower. Advance tickets required – purchase online, \$15. 16 East Main St., Saluda, NC. 828-749-1179. www.purpleonionsaluda.com 

Friday, December 19 (more Friday events in reoccurring list – top of page 1)

2nd Annual Ugly Sweater Party at Mirrorball Gallery • Tryon • 8pm. Dance party, tacky festive food & worst Christmas sweater contest. Tickets are \$20 per person purchase online. 55 Depot St., Tryon, NC. mirrorballgallery.com 

Free Live Music at The Fitz Lounge • Tryon • 6:30pm. Cowboy Christmas with the Masci Band. Creative small plates and beverages available for purchase. 69 Pacolet St., Tryon, NC. 828-513-9241. www.thefitzgeraldtryon.com 

Saturday, December 20 (more Saturday events in reoccurring list – top of page 1)

2nd Annual Breakfast with Santa at Trade Street Diner • Tryon • 8-9am. Kids only pancake breakfast, hot cocoa, & a wrapped gift from Santa! Advance tickets required, \$10 per child, call 828-440-1522. 10 N. Trade St., Tryon, NC. 

Columbus Indoor Market at Iron Key Brewing • Columbus • 10am-1pm. Buy local produce, homemade goods, local foods, artisan crafts and more. 135 Locust St., Columbus, NC. 828-894-2281. www.polkcountyfarms.org 



Customer Appreciation Christmas Party at Parker-Binns Vineyard • Mill Spring • Free. 12-5pm. Live music with Phil 2-5pm, ugly sweater contest, large grazing table & warm appetizers. See venue info on page 1.

Wine Education at Overmountain Vineyards • Green Creek • 2 or 4pm. Winemaker Sofia gives a guided tasting, history & barrel sample. Advance tickets \$55, call 828-713-6366. 2012 Sandy Plains Rd., Tryon, NC. 

Paint & Sip at Mountain Brook Vineyards • Green Creek • 3pm. Paint a wine glass with the assistance of a local artist. Advance tickets are \$35 purchase online. 731 Phillips Dairy Rd., Tryon, NC. www.mountainbrookvineyards.com 

“Hope in a Manger” at Midway Baptist Church • Mill Spring • Free 6pm. Celebrate the night love was born with a Christmas cantata. 2101 NC 108, Columbus, NC. 828-894-5633. www.mwbaptist.org 



Dinner and a Movie at Tryon Resort • Mill Spring • 6pm. Watch the locally made movie “Christmas in Mistletoe” \$5. Italian buffet dinner at Legends Grill plus movie \$30. Advance reservations required. See info on Pg. 1.

Paired Dinner at Tryon Resort • Mill Spring • 6:30pm. Enjoy a 5-course experience paired with wines at Gertie Mae’s. Advance reservations required, \$100 per person, at www.tryon.com. See venue info on Pg. 1.

Live Music at The Purple Onion • Saluda • 8pm. Music by Eric Congdon & Friends. Advance tickets required – purchase online, \$10. 16 East Main St., Saluda, NC. 828-749-1179. www.purpleonionsaluda.com 

Live Music at Tryon Resort • Mill Spring • Free, 8pm. Music by The Right Fit and a Holiday Sweater Contest at the Silver Spoon Saloon. See venue information on page 1.

Sunday, December 21 (more Sunday events in reoccurring list – top of page 1)

Wine Education at Overmountain Vineyards • Green Creek • 2pm. Winemaker Sofia gives a guided tasting, history & barrel sample. Advance tickets \$55, call 828-713-6366. See venue information above.

Sippin Sunday at The Saluda Inn • Saluda • 4pm. Michael Flynn performs. Advance reservations required, \$15. Beverages & small bites available for purchase. 229 Greenville St., Saluda, NC. 828-388-9027. www.thesaludainn.com 

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