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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. In fact, many of our local families have ties and traditions that extend back to the time before the Civil War.

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 festival will move from Market Park to downtown this year. The festival will run from 10:00 am to 6:00 pm on Saturday, Sept. 28th. As usual, Laurinburg will be filled with music, food and the arts of Africa. And special this



year will be a Gospel Celebration, a Spoken Word and Poetry event, and a Talent Showcase. The event will also recognize past committee and Royal Court members, Kuumba is truly an event for the community and the whole family.

- **Artist and craftsmen showing and selling their work**
- **Educational and African artifacts exhibit**
- **Chefs cooking on the grill, many with an African air**
- **Live music, drumming and dancing**
- **Storytelling**
- **Kid's activities**
- **Socializing**
- **Family Fun**

Visit kuumbafestnc.org for more information

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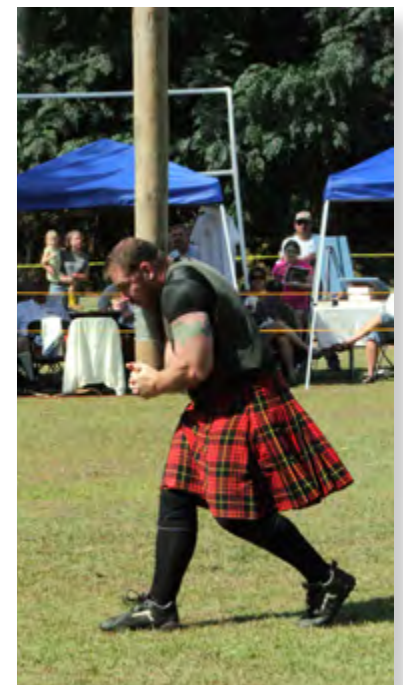
Ever think about trying to flip a telephone pole in the air? It's called the caber, and Highland Scots have been tossing it around for over 500 years. If you've never experienced a Highland Games, you owe it to yourself to join us Saturday, October 5th at the North Carolina Rural Heritage Center in Laurinburg (Take 401 to Laurinburg and turn at the Wal-Mart - The grounds are one 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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What Riverdance is to traditional Irish music and culture, Highland Echoes brings to the Scottish Highland heritage. Founded by Jennifer Licko as a means to celebrate, but also preserver and progress the Highland culture, this musical and dance show has now taken on its own life. With over 200 performances under their belt, this specially recruited ensemble provides an incredible evening of entertainment. A favorite of dance students and studios across the nation, this performance will not only awe, but inspire audiences of all ages.

This special performance of Highland Echoes will be held Saturday evening, October 5th at 8:00 at the Scotland High School Auditorium. Advanced tickets may be purchased at www.highlandechoes.com/scotland. Ticket prices range from \$15 to \$35. Day of event ticket sales will be available at the Scotland County Highland Games and at the door of the event. Same day tickets will be general admission only.

For detailed ticket information about the show and tickets visit www.hifghlandechoes.com/scotland or call 910-338-0787.

The John Blue Festival – A Glimpse of the Past

Join us October 12th 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. 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. 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 Saturday destination for the family--a one-of-a-kind event.

Visit www.johnblue-cottonfestival.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

Hotels

Comfort Inn	910-277-7788	Pine Acres Lodge	910-276-1531
Hampton Inn	910-277-1516	Scotland Inn	910-276-0632
Holiday Inn Express	910-291-3300	Oasis RV Park	910-266-8372
Quality Inn	910-277-0080		

Casual Dining

Captain Larry's Seafood House	910-276-1880
Mi Casita Restaurante Mexicano	910-276-0032
O'Shea's On Main with G.Gs.	910-361-4752
The Main Table	910-361-4273
Wooly McDuff's Neighborhood Grille	910-276-6632

Quick Serve Dining

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