

# Cradle News

## Summer 2005

### Songcatchers Music Series



The Songcatchers Music Series celebrates songs from traditional Appalachian ballads to vintage melodies. Enjoy each concert as the musicians take you on a journey from the past to the present, sharing songs and stories that have been handed down from generation to generation. Warm-up music will start at 1:45 p.m. followed by the main concert at 2:00 p.m. Each Sunday after the concert, enjoy informal music around the Cradle of Forestry site. Bring chairs or blankets to sit on for these outdoor concerts. Picnics are welcome. If raining, the concerts will move indoors.

The bands performing this year include:

**July 3—The Antique Roadshow:** The group consists of Hilary Dirlam and Mary Gordon. They perform songs and tunes on guitars, banjo and fiddle, which range from old time fiddle tunes, Carter family and other early radio songs, to traditional and folk revival songs.

**July 10—Sheila Kay Adams:** She has been performing Appalachian ballads and telling stories for more than 20 years. Sheila is a well-known storyteller, musician, author and folksinger, also known for her clawhammer-style of banjo playing.

**July 17—Shape Note Singing with the Christian Harmony Singers:** Shape note singing is an oral tradition that has been passed down through generations in the Southern Appalachians. It was a system used in the 1800's to teach rural and mountain dwelling Americans how to sing hymns and psalms.

**July 24—John Herrmann with Jamie Herrmann and Meredith McIntosh:** John has been traveling the world playing old-time music for over thirty years. He plays fiddle with the New Southern Ramblers and also plays the banjo.

**July 31—Laura Boosinger:** She is an award winning performer whose primary focus is the interpretation of traditional music from the Southern Appalachian region. Laura plays old-time banjo, guitar, Appalachian dulcimer and fingerstyle autoharp.

Admission for the concerts is \$5.00 for adults 16 years old and older, \$2.50 for youth 15 and younger and \$2.50 for Golden Age, Golden Eagle and Golden Access Passports. This concert series is sponsored by the USDA Forest Service, the Cradle of Forestry historic site, the Cradle of Forestry Interpretive Association, Celestial Mountain Music and WSQL.

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For more information call 828-877-3130 or go to [www.cradleofforestry.org](http://www.cradleofforestry.org).

**The new Cradle website has launched! Check it out.**  
**[www.cradleofforestry.org](http://www.cradleofforestry.org)**

## **NEW FEE THIS YEAR**

\$5.00—Adults 16 years old and up

\*Free for 15 years old and younger

\*Free for Golden Age, Eagle and Access Passports

**Tuesdays everyone gets in for FREE**

\*Certain special events listed below have a 1/2 price charge for 15 and under and Golden Age, Eagle and Access Passports:

SAWA Pro Lumberjack Meet

Songcatchers Music Series

Smokey Bear's Birthday Party

Forest Festival Day

## **July is Cultural Heritage Month**

Come celebrate our mountain heritage at the Cradle of Forestry on weekends in July. Activities will include: mountain music, quilting, train history, weaving, toy making and outdoor nature activities.

On Saturdays in July from 10:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m. the Cradle will host a quilting bee. Visitors will be able to see quilting being done in the Forest Discovery Center, the Black Forest Lodge and the King House. Also visit with a weaver and a toy maker. For more information about the quilting bee, call Barb Merrell at 828-877-3130.

Then join ranger Gaye Owen as she presents *Summer Fun in the Forest* with nature activities on Saturdays in July at 2:00 p.m. Owen will offer interpretive games and activities from the Joseph Cornell book *Sharing Nature with Children* every Saturday during July. For more information call Gaye Owen at 828-877-3130.

Every Sunday in July enjoy the Songcatcher Music Series with concerts at 2:00 p.m. Enjoy each concert as the musicians take you on a journey from the past to the present, sharing songs and stories that have been handed down from generation to generation. Bands include: July 3—The Antique Roadshow; July 10—Sheila Kay Adams; July 17—Christian Harmony Singers; July 24—John Herrmann; and July 31—Laura Boosinger.

On July 16 join train enthusiasts as we learn about the old logging trains of our region. Enjoy a slide show at 1:00 p.m. and again at 3:00 p.m. presented by train historian Jerry Ledford. After each program walk out to see the Cradle's 1915 Climax logging locomotive.

# You're Invited to Smokey Bear's Birthday Party



**Saturday, August 6  
11:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m.**

**Games, singing, puppets, fire fighting equipment, gift bags,  
birthday cake and Smokey Bear.**

**At 1:15 p.m. enjoy an animal program  
presented by the Flat Rock Nature Center.**

**Admission:**

**\$5.00 for adults 16 years old and up**

**\$2.50 for youth 15 and younger**

**\$2.50 for Golden Age, Eagle and Access Passports**

## Woodland Owners Short Course

Landowners interested in learning more about managing their land in Western North Carolina are invited to participate in a unique educational event scheduled for Summer 2005. A team of specialists from federal and state agencies, universities, and the private sector are coordinating efforts to offer the Woodland Owner Short Course from the Biltmore Forest School. The course is based out of the Cradle of Forestry in America, the summer campus of the original Biltmore Forest School. Sessions include both hands-on opportunities in the field and instruction in the classroom. The last session (August 25) is graduation day for those attending at least 3 of the first 5 sessions. Graduates will receive a certificate of completion from the Biltmore Forest School.

### Session topics include:

**June 9—"Discover Your Land"**

**June 23—"Wildlife and Fire in Your Backyard"**

**July 7—"Woodscaping"**

**July 28—"Native Landscaping and Homes in the Forest"**

**August 11—"Playing on Your Land"**

**August 25—"Stewardship of Your Land and Graduation"**

These workshops are designed for small to medium landowners. Cost is \$25.00 a person, per workshop, with spouse or other family member at \$15.00 per workshop. To register for the Woodland Owners Short Course call Alice Goldstein at 828-877-3350 ext. 203 or email at [agoldstein@fs.fed.us](mailto:agoldstein@fs.fed.us).



## Cindy Carpenter Selected to Perform at the Smithsonian Folklife Festival

The Cradle of Forestry's Cindy Carpenter was selected from 500 applicants to perform at this year's Smithsonian Folklife Festival in Washington DC. Last year some 500 interviews were done across the country for Forest Service participants in the exhibition celebrating the US Forest Service Centennial, and about 80 people were selected. Cindy will perform daily on the "Sounds of the Forest" stage, featuring storytelling sessions, along with music performed by current Forest Service employees. She will also perform at the Kennedy Center.

Cindy works for the USDA Forest Service at the Cradle of Forestry site as the Education and Interpretation Program Manager. When asked what she would be performing at the festival, Cindy said "My part will be daily presentations of my music program, *Songs of the Big Outdoors*, a collection of traditional songs and those of various artists that reflect the beauty of the forest, the amazing interactions within, and how we are connected to it. From what I'm told I'll be presenting a program most days at the main stage, and one or two a day oriented to children at the Family Activities area."

The Folklife Festival will take place on the National Mall in Washington DC from June 23—June 27 and June 30—July 4. Admission is free. To learn more about the festival go to their website at [www.folklife.si.edu](http://www.folklife.si.edu).

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## Meet Our Cradle Intern



*Bonjour,*

My name is Cécile DELMAS. I'm 21 years old, French, raised in the Pyrenees mountains right by the French/ Andorran/ Spanish border. I'm in my 4<sup>th</sup> year of tourism studies in a French Alps University, and I am required to fulfill a 4 month internship to graduate. My goal is to work on managing, promoting and improving places of tourism interest in the mountains. And since I had the opportunity to cross the Atlantic (Ocean) and have a different perspective on tourism in the Mountains, I bought a plane ticket, found a friend to live with and came to the Cradle of Forestry. So I'm learning about the programs and events organized by the Cradle with Cindy Carpenter and helping Tammy Hopkins with marketing (especially since she had leg surgery and has to work from her sofa). I'm also writing a paper (required for my graduation) about: Managing tourism in National Forest: America vs. France (the title is not settled yet). As for those worried about my opinion of the life here, don't worry. I love it! I enjoy walking on WNC trails, testing local food, discovering Asheville (where I'm staying), with its huge vegetarian/vegan community (never seen as much in my life), the local arts and crafts. Oh, and if you want me to visit your tourism places, don't hesitate to send me free passes, so I can give you my French student opinion if you're interested.

Pick up your French/English dictionary now because : *Les "French fries" ne sont pas françaises mais Belges; et j'aime beaucoup mon stage et mon séjour dans les Appalaches. Merci à toute l'équipe de "The Cradle of Forestry" ».*

*Je reviendrais (I'll be back).*

Translation: French fries are not French, but from Belgium and I very much like my internship and my stay in the Appalachians.

## Upcoming Educator Workshops

**Project Learning Tree** Friday, July 8 from 1:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m. thru Saturday, July 9, 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. Participants will be introduced to PLT, an award-winning environmental education curriculum, and learn more about forest ecology. During the workshop, participants will also find out how PLT's interdisciplinary activities will help teach students in grades preK-8 about the world they live in. The PLT activity guide is free of charge, but there is a small registration fee (\$8) that includes snacks and lunch. Earn CEU and/or NC Environmental Education Certification credit qualifying for Criteria I. For more information and to register for this fun-filled workshop, contact Keith Bamberger at 828-296-4553 or keith.bamberger@ncmail.net or register online at [www.srs.fs.usda.gov/cofa/summer/form.php](http://www.srs.fs.usda.gov/cofa/summer/form.php).

**Green Invaders, Exotic Invasive Plants** Wednesday, July 13, from 9:00 a.m.—4:30 p.m. Join us to learn about exotic invasive plant species and the threat they present to the health of our forests and landscapes. This workshop is offered through a partnership between the USDA Forest Service, Cradle of Forestry in America and the NC Museum of Natural Sciences, Raleigh. The workshop qualifies for NC environmental education certification criteria III credit and a 0.6 continuing education unit. Registration is \$12 and includes lunch, snacks and education materials.

**Ground-Level Ozone: Advanced Air Quality** August 2—3, 9:00 a.m. Tuesday— 4:30 p.m. Wednesday. This workshop is targeted for high school teachers and other interested educators and focuses on ground-level ozone science and issues. Participants look at ozone symptoms on vegetation and explore related interactive software and web resources. The workshop qualifies for North Carolina Environmental Education criteria II or III credit and 0.6 continuing education units. This workshop is held at the NC Arboretum and the Cradle of Forestry in America. Registration is \$22 and includes lunch, snacks and materials.

To register call Alice Goldstein at 828-877-3350 ext 203  
or email her at: [agoldstein@fs.fed.us](mailto:agoldstein@fs.fed.us)

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## Upcoming Cradle Events

### Summer:

June 25 SAWA Pro Lumberjack Meet  
June 25 Twilight Tour—looking for fireflies

July 03 Songcatchers Music Series  
July 10 Songcatchers Music Series  
July 16 Train History Day  
July 17 Songcatchers Music Series  
July 24 Songcatchers Music Series  
July 31 Songcatchers Music Series

Aug. 06 Smokey Bear's Birthday Party  
Aug. 13 Air Awareness Day  
Aug. 20 Pond Exploring  
Aug. 27 Fire In the Forest

### Fall:

Sept. 03 Terrific Tree Day  
Sept. 10 Afternoon Tea with Llamas  
Sept. 17 Public Lands Day

Oct. 01 Forest Festival Day  
Oct. 01 Woodsmen's Meet  
Oct. 15 Guided Fall Walk-Soapstone Ridge  
Oct. 28 "The Legend of Tommy Hodges"  
Oct. 29 "The Legend of Tommy Hodges"

## **Camping with the Cradle of Forestry Interpretive Association in North Carolina**

The Cradle of Forestry Interpretive Association (CFIA), in partnership with the US Forest Service, will have the following campgrounds open in North Carolina this season:

**Cascade Lake Recreation Area**—has more than 160 camping sites on two lakes adjacent to the Dupont State Forest. Most sites have water & electric hook-ups. The beach and lake area are exclusively for the use of the campers. Boat motors are limited to 12 hp on the lake. Campers can fish, swim, canoe or kayak on the lake. No jet skis are allowed. Pedal boats are available to rent. There is a small convenience store and laundry available on site. The campground and recreation area are near Pisgah Forest and Brevard, NC. Directions from I-26: Take exit #40 (old exit 9) onto Hwy. 280 towards Brevard. Go to Hwy. 64 (east). Go 2.2 miles to Crab Creek Road and turn right (south). Go 2.2 miles to Cascade Lake Road and go right (west) 1.0 miles to Little River Campground Road. Go left to the end of the road. Open April – November. Telephone (828) 877-4475. Reservations available at (828) 877-6625.

**Davidson River Campground**—Primitive campground with 161 Sites. Limited hook-ups, picnic table, tent pad, lantern hook, fire ring/grill, hot and cold showers, and flush toilets. Education programs offered in the Summer and Fall. Located on Hwy. 276 in the Pisgah National Forest near Brevard, NC. Regular sites are \$15.00 and \$18.00. Limited full hook-ups available at \$22.00 per night. Open year round. Telephone (828) 877-4910.

**Lake Powhatan Campground**—Primitive campground with 98 Sites. Picnic table, tent pad, lantern hook, fire ring/grill, hot and cold showers, and flush toilets. Education programs are offered in the Summer. Directions: I-26, exit #33 (old exit #2) follow signs to Lake Powhatan. Accessible off Blue Ridge Parkway. Open: April 1—October 31. Telephone (828) 670-5627.

**North Mills River Campground**—Primitive campground with 30 Sites. Picnic table, tent pad, lantern hook, fire ring/grill, no showers, but flush and vault toilets. Education Programs offered in the Summer. Facilities limited in winter (reduced pricing). Follow signs off of Hwy. 280 in the Mills River area. Open year-round. Telephone (828) 890-3284.

**Sunburst Campground**—Primitive campground with 9 Sites. Picnic table, tent pad, lantern hook, fire ring/grill, flush toilets, but no showers. Directions: State Highway 215 in Haywood County approx. 15 miles SW of Canton, NC. 215 is part of the Forest Heritage National Scenic Byway. Open: April 1—October 31. Walk-in sites only. Telephone (828) 648-7841.

**Black Mountain Campground & Carolina Hemlocks**—Primitive campground with 47 Sites and 6 group sites at Black Mountain. Primitive campground with 36 sites and Day Use Area at Carolina Hemlocks. Picnic table, tent pad, lantern hook, fire ring/grill, flush toilets, but no showers. Education programs offered in the Summer. Location: near Burnsville, NC in the shadow of Mount Mitchell (tallest peak in Eastern US). From East: I/40 to Hwy. 226 exit in Marion. Follow 226 to Hwy. 70 West to Hwy. 80 North to Burnsville. Go under Blue Ridge Parkway about 2 miles to South Toe River. Signs will direct to Campground (3 miles of gravel road). From I/26 take exit 9 to Hwy 19 east to Hwy 80 South. Open: April 1—October 31. Walk-in sites only.

**Van Hook Glade Campground & Cliffside Lake Recreation Area**—21 Primitive sites each with a picnic table, fire ring with grill, flush toilets, and cold showers at Cliffside. No showers at Van Hook. Directions: Near Highlands, NC off I-26, exit # 40 (old exit #9) take 280 towards Brevard, to 64W to Highlands—about 1 hour from Brevard. These campgrounds offer camping, picnic shelters, swimming, fishing and hiking. Open: April 1—October 31.

**Reservations available at (877) 444-6777 or [www.ReserveUSA.com](http://www.ReserveUSA.com)**

**Winners-Judges' Picks**  
**2005 Appalachian Spring Photography Contest**  
**Sponsored by Ball Photo**  
143 Entries

<b>1<sup>st</sup> Place</b> – <i>Squirrel Corn</i>	Les Saucier	Weaverville, NC
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Place</b> – <i>Yellow Coral Fungus</i>	Robert Glesener	Brevard, NC
<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Place</b> – <i>April Storm</i>	Charles Meador	Asheville, NC
<b>4<sup>th</sup> Place</b> – <i>Purple Trillium</i>	Kevin Crary	Candler, NC
<b>5<sup>th</sup> Place</b> – <i>Moth</i>	Steven Faucette	Williamston, SC
<b>6<sup>th</sup> Place</b> – <i>Magnolia at Sunset</i>	Brian Davis	Raleigh, NC
<b>7<sup>th</sup> Place</b> – <i>April Snow</i>	Paul Teleki	Hendersonville, NC
<b>8<sup>th</sup> Place</b> – <i>Trinity</i>	Doug Rostick	Landrum, SC
<b>Honorable Mentions</b>		
<i>Springs Open Arms</i>	Tom Davis	Raleigh, NC
<i>Maple Fairy Wings</i>	Jay Hahn	Swannanoa, NC
<i>NC Arboretum</i>	Kevin Crary	Candler, NC
<i>Oconee Bells</i>	C. Clark Boyd	Greenville, SC
<i>Waiting on the Buds</i>	Janis Osborne	Brevard, NC
<i>Renewal &amp; Hope</i>	Olaf Snyder	Brevard, NC
<i>Woodland Fern</i>	Christina A. Ramsey	Lake Toxaway, NC
<i>Springtime Pursuits on the Davidson River</i>	Luck Shepherd	Brevard, NC
<i>Spring Light on Davidson</i>	Jennifer Drew Rowe	Brevard, NC
<i>Trillium Tears</i>	Jonathan Mays	Waynesville, NC
<i>Praying Mantis</i>	Richard Hazzard	Hendersonville, NC
<i>Orchards</i>	Bruce Siulinski	Brevard, NC
<i>Blue Ridge Spring . . . Salamander</i>	Jonathan Mays	Waynesville, NC
<i>Jack Gone Wild</i>	Jim Manning	Fletcher, NC
<i>Barnyard Secrets</i>	Vicki Lynn Passmore	Candler, NC
<i>Spring Trillium</i>	Ken Weitzen	Hendersonville, NC
<i>Weeping Cherry on a Foggy Day</i>	Patricia Roshaven	Columbus, NC
<i>Spring Cleaning</i>	Vicki Lynn Passmore	Candler, NC
<i>Morning Star</i>	Matthew Creech	Raleigh, NC

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**Winners-Audience Picks**

<b>1<sup>st</sup> Place</b> – <i>Praying Mantis</i>	Richard Hazzard	Hendersonville, NC
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Place</b> – <i>Spring Light on the Davidson</i>	Jennifer D.Rowe	Brevard, NC
<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Place</b> – <i>Duck on the Move</i>	Joyce Barker	Lake Junaluska, NC
<b>4<sup>th</sup> Place</b> – <i>April Snow</i>	Paul Teleki	Hendersonville, NC
<b>5<sup>th</sup> Place</b> – <i>April Storm</i>	Charles Meador	Asheville, NC
<b>6<sup>th</sup> Place</b> – <i>Barnyard Secrets</i>	Vicki Lynn Passmore	Candler, NC
<b>7<sup>th</sup> Place</b> – <i>Springtime Pursuits on the Davidson</i>	Luck Shepherd	Brevard, NC
<b>Tie for 8<sup>th</sup> Place</b> – <i>Opening Twist</i>	Tom Davis	Raleigh, NC
<b>Tie for 8<sup>th</sup> Place</b> – <i>A Mountain Oasis</i>	Jud Merrell	Brevard, NC

**Honorable Mention**

<i>Appalachian Love</i>	Dave Robinson	Hendersonville, NC
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