



Union UPDATE

March 12, 2013

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View Video Tour of Union County

A video tour of Union County is now available on the county's website at www.co.union.nc.us.

In October 2012, Union County entered into a three-year agreement with CGI Communications to produce a series of streaming online videos highlighting all our community has to offer its residents, visitors and businesses.

CGI is a leader in online marketing solutions, working with thousands of communities and businesses nationwide. With an easily viewable interface on the county's website, the video showcase engages viewers in learning more about Union County. Along with a welcome video, other videos feature quality of life, education, real estate and relocation, economic development, recreation, higher education, the Union County Public Library, Union County Sheriff's Department and Union County government.

"CGI offered the county a way to promote area attractions, quality of life, education and much more at no cost to us," said Union County Public Information Officer Brett Vines. "The videos were funded by local companies who participate as sponsors. Links to these company's videos or websites are located in the tour book."

Indian Trail Turns 106

Indian Trail turned 106 last week and the Town is celebrating!

On March 6, 1907 the North Carolina General Assembly approved Indian Trail to function as a municipality in North Carolina, and 106 years later we are celebrating the Town's past and working to preserve its history while welcoming new businesses and growth opportunities to help better serve Indian Trail's ever-growing residential population. The Town strives to provide the best of both worlds: big city amenities with a small-town feel. To celebrate Indian Trail's birthday the Town is hosting several events:



- March 11-15, Celebrate IT! Indian Trail Town Trivia Contest: Residents can participate in the Indian Trail Town Trivia Contest by visiting the Town's Facebook page March 11-15. Participants will have the opportunity to

County Public Library's monthly program guide via your email by contacting Shelley Fearn, Reader's Services Librarian, at sfearn@union.lib.nc.us.



What's Happening at the Library?

Monroe
Black History Walk
Saturday, March 16
3 p.m.
Monroe Library

Learn about forgotten businesses, civil rights events and more during this one-hour, one-mile walk. Participants under 16 must be accompanied by an adult. Bad weather will cancel this event. Registration is required. Call Patricia Poland at 704-283-8184 ext. 224.

Tutors Needed

We seek
compassionate
volunteers!

Would you consider
tutoring an adult learner?

Take the first step by
attending Literacy
Council 101 on one of
these dates:

Tuesday, March 12
6 p.m. - 8 p.m.
Tuesday, April 9
6 p.m. - 8 p.m.
Wednesday, May 15
6 p.m. - 8 p.m.

For more information,
contact the Literacy

answer questions about Indian Trail history and current events to win prizes from the Town and local businesses. To participate residents are invited to "like" the Indian Trail Facebook page by visiting www.facebook.com/IndianTrail.

- March 16, The History of Indian Trail as told by Steve Houser: Residents are invited to the Cultural Arts Center Saturday, March 16 from 2 p.m. - 3:15 p.m. to learn about IT history! Sponsored by the Indian Trail Arts and Historical Society, this event will feature Indian Trail resident Steve Houser, Jr. Steve is a native, born and raised in Indian Trail, and he will share stories of the Town that go back over 110 years! Come discover some of the buildings, places, and historical achievements that have made Indian Trail what it is today. Birthday cake will be served! All ages welcome. Limited seating available. Registration required. Contact Susan Didier at sdidier@admin.indiantrail.org or 704-821-2541 to register.

A Brief Summary of Indian Trail's History and Growth

Indian Trail, incorporated in 1907, can trace its beginnings to the 1750's and the establishment of a trade route between Virginia and the Waxhaw Indian settlement. The economy evolved from a trading and gold mining community to an agriculture and transportation hub with the development of the railroad in the 1870's. Since the suburban trend emerged, Indian Trail has experienced huge residential growth. According to the 2010 Census reports, the population has grown from less than 1,800 in 1990 to approximately 35,000 residents today, making Indian Trail the ninth fastest-growing municipality in the nation.

Much like 50 years ago, Indian Trail is at an exciting crossroads of development. Town of Indian Trail staff and elected officials work in partnership with local civic organizations and community businesses to foster orderly growth and instill community pride by offering a variety of quality of life activities and amenities. The Town works diligently to engage local businesses and Town and community leaders to define a clear path for community and economic development.

For more information please visit www.indiantrail.org or contact Rebecca Carter, public information officer, Town of Indian Trail, at 704-821-5401 or rcarter@admin.indiantrail.org.

Commissioners to Hold Meeting on School Funding

The Union County Board of Commissioners will hold a public information session on the school funding formula on Monday, March 18 at 6 p.m. in the Board Room of the Union County Government Center in Monroe.



Andrew Jackson's Birthday Celebration

Come celebrate the birthday
of our seventh
President with cake and kids
crafts at The Museum of
the Waxhaws.

March 16, 2013

10 am– 4 pm

**"The Last Years" Performance
at 11:00 and 1:00 by**

Arthur Lightbody

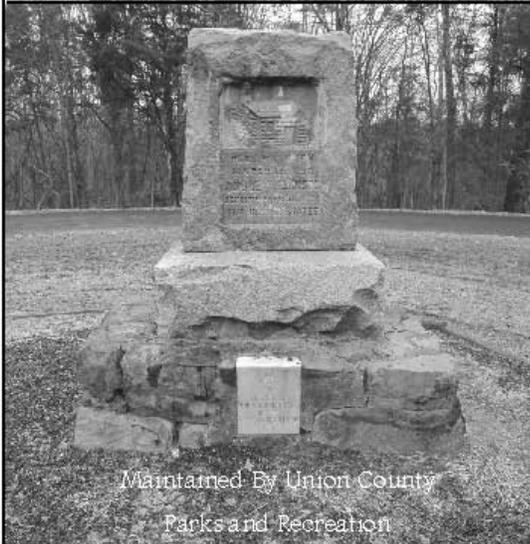
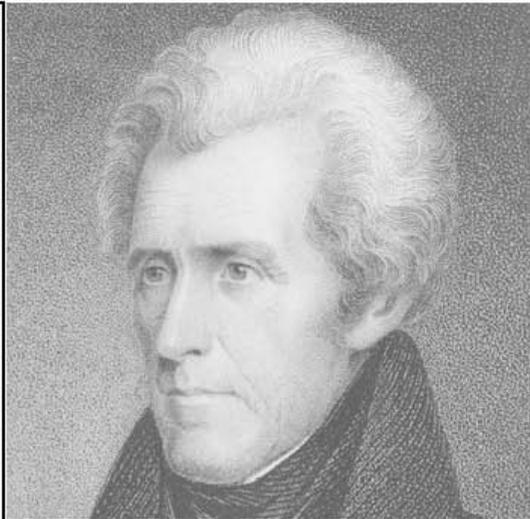
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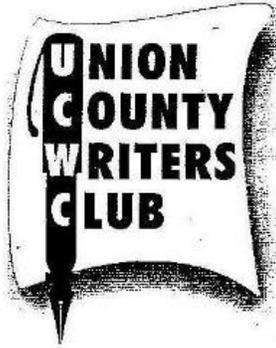
**To visit the Jackson Memorial Monu-
ment Located in Union County**

Directions from Waxhaw:

Turn from Main Street onto Rehobeth
Road. Stay on Rehobeth Road until you
cross the North Carolina/South Carolina
state line. Continue for 1/2 mile to the
first crossroads. Turn left and continue
to the end of the road



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The Union County Writers Club is hosting its

2012 Literary Contest Awards Ceremony

Tuesday March 19 at 7:00 PM

in the Union County Community Arts Building.

Each year the club sponsors a writing contest in three categories -- Fiction, Creative Non-fiction and Poetry. This year not only did our club have two winners, we also received winning entries from Murrells Inlet & Aiken, SC and Huntersville NC. Winthrop University Creative Writing Department judged the contest. The out-of-town authors will be attending.

Members of the public are invited to join us to recognize these writers and show support for the literary arts in Union County. Light refreshments will be served.

SAVE THE DATE!

5th Annual "Down to Earth Day" Event Saturday, April 20th 2013

Main Street, Downtown Monroe

5K Trail Run from 8:00 AM to 9:30 AM at the Union County Agricultural Center

Household Hazardous Waste collection

10:00 AM to 2:00 PM at the Church Street Parking Lot



Union County and the City of Monroe are hosting "Down to Earth Day" which will include a 5K Trail Run. All proceeds from the 5K Trail Run will benefit Union County Extension Master Gardener Volunteer Association. The focus of Earth Day will be on environmental stewardship, healthy living, and recycling opportunities (see website listed below for a complete list).

If you are interested in volunteering or would like more information, please contact Tina Sagartz at (704) 882-0604 or email cgsagartz@carolina.rr.com.



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More information available at <http://www.co.union.nc.us/Departments/PublicWorks/EarthDay.aspx>

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