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Chatham Mills is located 480 Hillsboro Street, Pittsboro. Tickets: \$30 in advance from www.chathamarts.org (January 22 - Feb 27), \$35 at the door.

Proceeds go to the Chatham County Arts Council and the Abundance Foundation (www.theabundancefoundation.org). Mardi Gras is one of the primary fundraising outlets for each of these non-profit organizations.

Workshop to discuss writers' lifestyle

A workshop that offers lifestyle support for writers will take place at the home of Judy Hogan in Moncure on Saturday, Feb 7 from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Time-management, economics, diet, exercise, brain storming, loosening blocks to enhance writing, in-class exercises.

This is especially useful if you have trouble getting your writing done or getting started when you sit down to write. Cost is \$60 including lunch. For more information contact Judy Hogan at 919.545.9932 or judyhogan@mindspring.com.

Fashion brunch for Northwood arts

The Northwood High School Arts Education Foundation will host a Valentine's Fashion Show & Brunch, from 1:30 to 4 p.m. on Sunday, February 8 at Pittsboro's General Store Café, co-sponsor of the event. In addition to seeing a wide variety of spring fashions and enjoying a wonderful brunch, there will be door prizes, raffles, and a silent auction. Check out Prom fashions or find the perfect Valentine's gift for that special someone.

Tickets are \$20 for adults (\$17 in advance) and \$15 for students (\$12 in advance). Proceeds will fund five \$1000 college scholarships (one each for achievements in Choral Music, Dance, Instrumental Music, Theatre Arts, and Visual Arts). More information about the show is available online at the NHSAEF website: www.NHSAEF.org

Valentine's dance in Pittsboro

The Pittsboro Merchants Association and Virlie's Grill will host the "Pittsboro Prance" featuring the band Blues World Order on Saturday February 14 starting at 8 p.m. Go to pittsboroshops.com for ticket information or call 919.960.5892

Free Income Tax Service

It is time to file Federal and North Carolina Income tax. Beginning February 4, a free income tax preparation service will be available in Chatham. Designed to assist low to middle income people of all ages, this IRS sponsored Volunteer Income Tax Assistance program will provide computerized preparation of returns. This service is free for non-complex returns. The Chatham Council on Aging will host the service at both Senior Center locations. Appointments are necessary so call Evelyn White at 919.542.4512. Spanish speaking clients are welcome and may make an appointment by calling Vinculo Hispano at 919.742.1448.

Folk art show at Fearrington

The 7th annual Fearrington Folk Art Show will take place February 21-22, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. It provides a rare opportunity to meet and purchase artwork from over 30 of the Southeast's most noted Folk Artists. Admission is \$5 per person, which includes a raffle entry. Proceeds benefit Chatham OutReach Alliance. Call 919.542.2121 for more details.

Burrito Bash to benefit Rocky River

To continue the work of restoring the Rocky River, the General Store Cafe will hold a benefit Burrito Bash Tuesday February, 3 from 6 to 9 p.m. Live music, local art for auction, cool,

committed people and delicious burritos for all. Tickets are \$12.00 in advance, \$15 at the door.



Roy Lindholm's "Myrtle Beach II" will be featured in the Chatham Arts Guild Show at the Carolina Brewery.

Photography in guild's show

At the Opening Show for the 2008 Chatham Studio Tour, renowned painter Jane Filer presented the first prize to Roy Lindholm for his photograph "Myrtle Beach II". "You can just imagine so many stories when you look at this wonderful photo, she said. Many of Lindholm's photographic stories will be on display at the February/March Chatham Artists Guild Show at the Carolina Brewery Show on Hwy 15/501. Meet Roy Lindholm at an artists reception on March 1.

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24, 29, and 31, as well as February 6, and 8. (Curtain rises on Thursday-Saturday performances at 7:30 p.m. and Sunday performances at 2 p.m.) Tickets cost \$20 for general seating, \$15 for students, seniors, and active military. The theatre offers a discount on Thursday (\$10 for general admission; \$5 for all others).

"Way to Heaven" is the story of a fictitious model town, constructed by the Germans in 1941 and populated by Jewish prisoners. With the town, German authorities sought to convince visiting Red Cross investigators of the humaneness of the concentration camps. In the play, we follow one of these young investigators as he confronts the town's citizens, the Nazi commandant, and, finally, himself.

An Invitation to Poetry

Are you interested in joining a public poetry reading? Luis is organizing public poetry readings in Siler City. He is anxious to hear from anyone writing in Spanish or English. All ages are welcome. Please send your contact information and a sample of your writing to: wordxchange@yahoo.com

Luis and Nora are Chatham residents. Luis is a translator with interests in theater and writing. Nora teaches the anthropology of Mexico at NCSU. Email: wordxchange@yahoo.com



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