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Christmas In Waxhaw

Saturday December 8th, 2007

Another year and all of our planning has worked out wonderfully. Other than the obligatory train or two, the parade came off without a hitch and with a new record of participants!

This year's parade winners are:

- Most Parade Spirit: Parkwood FFA
- Best Overall: JAARS
- Best Sounds: Parkwood High Marching Band
- Best of Show Equine: Country Haze Farm

And this year's Merchant Awards go to:

- Manhattan's
- The Antique Mart

To finalize the events and kick off the holiday season, Mayor Gary Underwood performed the official tree lighting ceremony and National Recording Artist, Laura Pettler served as Master of Ceremonies. She did a beautiful rendition of "Oh Holy Night" and was followed up with music from area carolers and the Carolina Dance Company. Laura has become a fixture at Waxhaw events and we hope she will continue to grace us in the future. Her contributions are always well received!

Union County Chamber of Commerce Businessman of the Year Larry Hook



Steven Helms

Congratulations are in order for Larry Hook as he was named the Union County Chamber of Commerce Businessman of the Year. . . As everyone in our club knows, he could just as easily win the award for Volunteer of the Year. I know you'll all join me in congratulating Larry on this well-deserved honor.

After Waxhaw, Laura moves on to perform a charity appearance for "Stock for Tots"



Photo by Alexis Pettler

WAXHAW RESIDENT, LAMON RECORDS NATIONAL RECORDING ARTIST LAURA PETTLER PERFORMED TUESDAY, DECEMBER 11, 2007 FOR NASCAR'S PENSKE RACING'S STOCKS FOR TOTS STOP CHILD ABUSE BENEFIT.

Laura Pettler of Waxhaw, North Carolina, Lamon Record National Recording Artist performed for NASCAR's Penske Racing's Stocks for Tots Stop-Child-Abuse-Benefit on Tuesday, December 11, 2007 in Mooresville, North Carolina at the Charles Mack Citizens Center. Laura was among eight musical acts slated to perform along side of numerous NASCAR, Media, and other top Celebrity Personalities.

Stocks For Tots was created as a way to bring stock car racing into the Mooresville community on a hands on basis. The first fund raiser was held at the Mooresville Armory in December 1989. As of today's date the annual Stocks For Tots event has raised over \$400,000 and distributed almost 40,000 Christmas toys to children in a five county area. Now the event is held in the Lakeside Industrial Park and is attended by over 5,000 people.

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From The Editor: John Tiley

Welcome once again to the Waxhaw Gazette. Time is really flying here. New items are coming in all the time for the publication. As of yesterday we have added our very own advice column featuring Amber with advice for everything from the lovelorn to proper holiday etiquette at the family gathering. We have also added a "Humor" page as we receive almost daily jokes and videos from all over the world, And at least some of which are "publishable".

Many additional sections and topics are coming into focus as well. You will notice that our links (above) are growing in number. So keep an eye on us!

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