

Hot Springs Tourism Association Winter Newsletter 2020

Wishing you Peace & Joy During this Holiday Season

Winter in Hot Springs, NC

Every season has its own beauty and winter is no exception. Here in the mountains, after the leaves fall and blanket the forest floor, the views broaden and we gain a glimpse of the tree's silhouettes and the mountain's curves as they meet the peaceful sky.

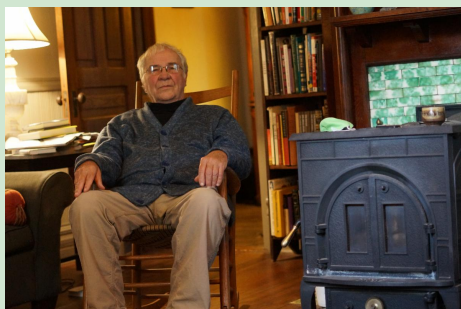


There are many cozy cabins and accommodations in town and surrounding mountains for you to enjoy even in the coldest months. Shopping and Dining are a pleasure at our unique, locally-owned and loved stores and restaurants:

*Artisun Gallery - Big Pillow Brewing (opening soon) - Bluff Mountain
Outfitters - Gentry Hardware - Hazelwood House Gift Shop
Iron Horse Station - Sara Jo's Station
Spring Creek Tavern - Trailside Bakery & Cafe - Tobacco Road
Trust General Store - Vaste Riviere Provisions*

The natural hot mineral waters at the [Hot Springs Resort & Spa](#) are available to book your own private soak during the winter season.

Find places to stay and things to do on our website [HotSpringsNC.org](#)
[Learn more about Winter Activities in Hot Springs.](#)

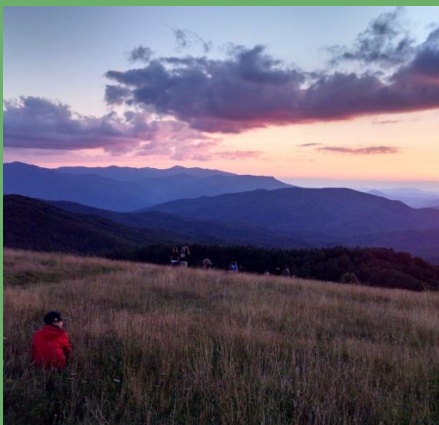


**Elmer Hall of the
Historic Sunnybank Inn
Talks Life in the Time of COVID and
How the Trail Led Him to Hot Springs**

[Read this excellent article](#) - it'll make you laugh and maybe even tear up a little.

Elmer shares his sweet recollections of years gone by and falling in love with a tiny trail town with local writer Tiffany Narron.

[Read the Article on HSTA's Blog Page.](#)



Caring For Max Patch Mountain

With its stunning views, Max Patch is a popular attraction in Madison County. This bald mountain is crossed by the Appalachian Trail and is part of the Pisgah National Forest.

We must all care for and protect our public lands by packing out our own trash and staying on designated trails. Even better, let's carry an extra trash bag and gloves to

clean up other's messes!

Thank you to the volunteer efforts of the [Carolina Mountain Club](#) which maintains this section of the Appalachian Trail. Consider joining this group as a trail laborer or ambassador to help advise hikers of [Leave No Trace Ethics](#).

Other Hiking Trails surrounding Hot Springs are maintained by the energetic [Hot Springs Mountain Club](#), a community based non-profit that hosts monthly volunteer trail crew days. Get out and make new friends while preserving our forest access. [Learn more on their Facebook Page](#).

Visit The Hot Springs Library!

Yes, our library is Open and still offering fun, educational programs and helpful services.

Located right on the Appalachian Trail and in Downtown Hot Springs.

Learn more about current events and more on our website's [New Library Page](#).



BBQ for Books Livestream Recap from Event Held During October 2020

[Read about this amazing event from the perspective of organizers Mary and Pete Dixon.](#)

[Hot Springs Welcome Center](#) is open daily from 10-5.

We are located at 106 Bridge Street. Call



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