



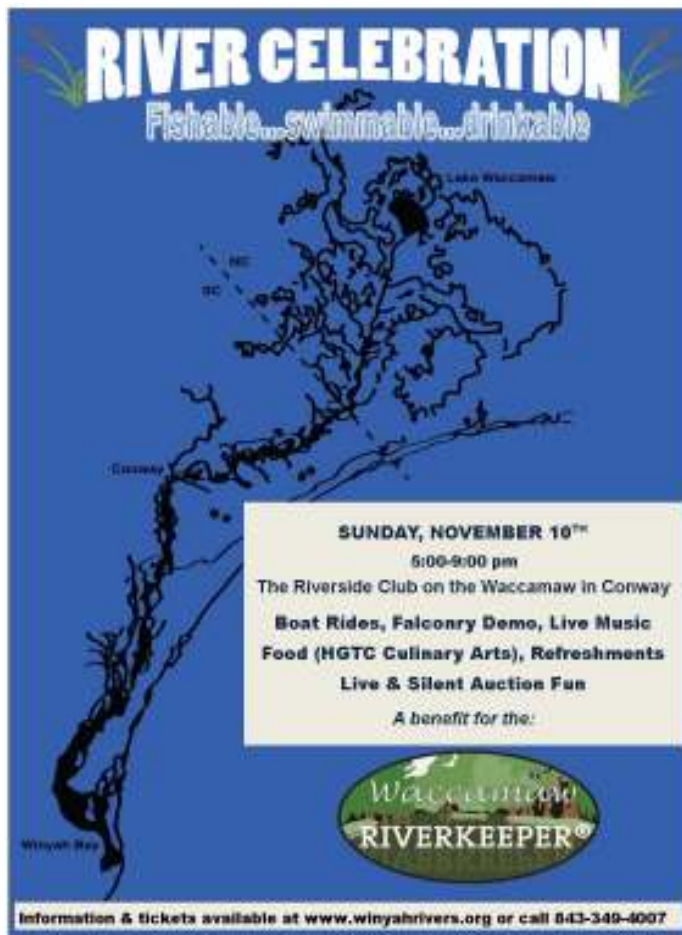
Echoed Beauty

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Did you know?

Volunteers sample water quality in the Waccamaw River 2x a month. RIVERKEEPER® Adopt-a-Landing groups keep boat landings clean. RIVERKEEPER® Challenge educates youth on water quality. The Waccamaw River is a National Water Trail. Come paddle with us. Polluted runoff affects our river but we can prevent it.



Upcoming Events—more details at www.winyahivers.org

November 10 - River Celebration—a benefit for the Waccamaw RIVERKEEPER®
5:00 pm—9:00 pm, The Riverside Club, Conway, SC

See announcement above. Come join us for a celebration on the banks of the Waccamaw River, all in support of our goal of fishable, swimmable, drinkable water for our families and our future. Call ahead for tickets or go online. We hope to see you there! Tickets:\$35 (members receive a \$5 discount so why not consider becoming a member too).

November 12 - Cape Fear Arch Conservation Collaboration Meeting
8:30 am—1:00 pm, C.B. Berry Community & Historical Center, Little River, SC

Conservationists from the Carolinas will gather to discuss sustainable natural resource management, providing for human needs while retaining the natural heritage of the region. Speakers include Dennis Allen from USC's Baruch Marine Field Lab, Amanda Brennan from USC's Carolinas Integrated Sciences and Assessments, Craig Watson from US Fish & Wildlife Service's Atlantic Coast Joint Venture, and Ken McDermond from South Atlantic Landscape Conservation Cooperative.

November 16 - RIVERKEEPER® Adopt-a-Landing Cleanup, Old Reaves Ferry

Join the Graduate Organization of Coastal Carolina University's Center for Marine and Wetland Studies, our Adopt-a-Landing group, for a landing and river sweep.

December 7 - RIVERKEEPER® Paddle on the Waccamaw River Blue Trail

Join the Riverkeeper and friends for a late fall paddle on the Waccamaw River Blue Trail.

Check our calendar or call for details.

A Message from the Waccamaw Riverkeeper

Thanks to our dedicated supporters, Winyah Rivers Foundation has had a successful year working for clean water and healthy ecosystems.

Because of your support in 2013, we were able to:

Celebrate the designation of the Waccamaw River as a National Water Trail.
Increase the number of community volunteers actively watching over our rivers.
Respond to numerous citizen complaints about pollution impacting our rivers.
Partner with other groups for positive changes within our community.
Comment on proposals that have the potential to impact our rivers.
Educate our community, young and old, about the need to protect our rivers.
Meet our mission of protection of our local rivers.

Thank you for your support of all our accomplishments and our goal of fishable, swimmable, drinkable water for our families and our future!

What does 2014 hold?

We will work tirelessly to **investigate pollution**, seek a solution to **eliminate pollution sources and threats to our local rivers** and take legal action only when necessary **to enforce clean water laws**. We look forward to continuing to work for you as we grow our current programs and strengthen our influence at the grassroots level and with local decision makers.

My role will be changing in 2014. This isn't goodbye just a new role. I'll be stepping down as Riverkeeper but will remain an employee of Winyah Rivers Foundation in a part-time capacity. So, nothing will change through the end of 2013. After that, while my role will change, I'll still be around to provide support for important issues, including support to the next Waccamaw RIVERKEEPER® for whom the search has begun. If you know of anyone who would like to be considered as the next leader of the organization, please direct them to www.winyahrivers.org.

Because of you we will continue to make a difference!

We **appreciate any donation you can afford** to grow our programs and help ensure you continue to have an advocate championing your right to clean water. Give the gift of clean water this holiday season. Go online at winyahrivers.org or mail your contribution to: Winyah Rivers Foundation, Inc.
PO Box 261954
Conway, SC 29528-6054

On behalf of our Board of Directors and staff, I want to express my deepest gratitude and thanks for donating your money, time and energy to ensuring our success. **Thank you for your support!**

Best wishes for a Happy Thanksgiving and Holiday Season!

Christine