

HAGOOD MILL

The Drovers Old Time Medicine Show bluegrass band will appear Jan. 21 at Hagood Mill, supported by Three Creeks Over.

Bluegrass bands will join Hagood Mill celebration

Traditional arts also part of the Jan. 21 event

STAFF REPORT

Hagood Mill Historic Site will celebrate the New Year Jan. 21 with The Drovers Old Time Medicine Show.

The Drovers mix bluegrass with country humor, evoking memories of Bill Monroe, The Stanley Brothers and Grand Old Opry favorites like Uncle Dave Macon.

Three Creeks Over, a local bluegrass/gospel band consisting of three young musicians, will get the music started at 11:30 a.m., and both bands will play throughout the day until 4 p.m. or so.

Hagood Mill will also offer different slices of folk life and traditional arts, like blacksmithing, bowl-digging, flint knapping, chair-caning, moonshining, broom-making, basket-making, pottery, quilting, spinning, knitting, weaving, bob and lace, woodcarving, metal-smithing, bee keeping, leather-working and more.

In addition, Hagood Creek Petroglyph Site will be open and the water-powered mid-19th century grist mill will be running and have corn meal, grits, flour and cookbooks for sale, too. There will also be food for sale on site from Pickens' Gatehouse Restaurant.

Ghost tours also continue at the mill through January. Resident storyteller and folk historian Dean Watson shares stories about Olde Hagood Mill, which he says is one of the most haunted sites in the Upstate. The tours run Fridays (Jan. 13, 20 and 27) from 6-7:30 p.m. Attendees should wear warm clothes and comfortable shoes and bring flashlights.

For more information, call 864-898-2936 or visit www.visitpickenscounty.com/vendor/61/hagood-mill.