

It's April so let's go to the Virginia Mountains. If you have heard of the Tail of the Dragon, let's find out about the Claw.

When: April 28-29, 2018

Start: 8:00AM QT, 161 W. Plaza Drive, Mooresville, NC 28117

Destination: Martha Washington Inn, Abingdon, VA via "The Green Eyed Snake"

What to do: Explore the Claw, Claw of the Dragon \*, Barter Theatre

## Reservations:

1. Hotel\*\*: Please make your own hotel reservations. Fifteen rooms have been reserved at The Martha at a special rate of \$205. They must be reserved by March 28, 2018, room guarantee and rate are no longer available after that date. You must call, the number below. State that you are with "Tarheel BMW CCA Charlotte Chapter" to get the special rate.

In 1995, The Martha Washington Inn joined The Camberley Collection of fine historic properties. Sensitive to their role as stewards of a long and enduring legacy, Camberley maintains the Inn's strong ties with the Barter Theatre and the community of Abingdon. Today The Martha Washington Inn & Spa stands as gateway to the past, providing modern amenities amid the genteel elegance of period antiques and furnishings.

Martha Washington Inn 150 West Main Street, Abington, VA 24210 (276)628-3161 themartha.com

## 2. Barter Theater: <u>Make your reservations early for "THE BARTER"</u>, <u>limited seating as of this announcement</u>.

The Barter Theatre is the state theatre of Virginia, the nation's longest running professional theatre. It has received countless awards and accolades over its history. Barter Theatre has been a launching pad for the careers of many iconic actors and actresses. Barter Theatre began in 1933 with one man's idea to have patrons pay with produce and has grown today into a year-round theatre with more than 160,000 visitors each year.

Barter Theater 27 W. Main Street, Abingdon, VA 24210 1(216) 628-3991 bartertheatre.com

## Comments:

\*The Claw of the Dragon website is full of routes, activities, etc. I encourage folks to visit the site and should the notion strike you, just find a very special route, activity that suits you.

\*\*There are many lodging opportunities along I-81 corridor near Wytheville, Marion, and Abingdon.

The General Francis Marion Hotel, once said to be the most elegant lodging establishment in Southwestern Virginia, reopened in February 2006. After almost two years of renovation and restoration, the grand old hotel was reborn with the comfort, convenience and amenities of a modern hotel while retaining the ambiance of the 1920's.

General Francis Marion Hotel

107 E. Main Street, Marion, VA 24354

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