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FIRST LIGHT WAKE FOREST TO KICK OFF 2009 CENTENNIAL

WAKE FOREST, NC – December 23, 2008 – Wake Forest will ring in the New Year with the inaugural First Light Wake Forest on December 31, 2008. The event gets underway at 6 pm and will take place along South White Street in historic downtown Wake Forest. Admission is free.

Sponsored by Wake Electric and Wake Forest Power, First Light Wake Forest is an alcohol-free event that invites children, families and revelers of all ages to welcome the New Year and kick-off Wake Forest's 2009 Centennial Celebration. A complete schedule of all the town's centennial celebration events is available at http://www.wakeforestnc.gov/2009centennial_events.aspx.

The Voltage Brothers out of Atlanta, GA, will headline First Light Wake Forest. Scheduled to take the main stage at 9:30 pm, the group has been creating heart-stopping, high voltage music since 1969. From Classic Rock to Swing, and everything in between, The Voltage Brothers can cover virtually any sound, plus add a few exciting extras with their own original music.

First Light will also feature The Will McBride Group at 6:15 pm, a countdown for the kids at 8:30 pm, the opening ceremony at 9 pm, and an exciting fireworks display at midnight. For a complete schedule of events, visit http://www.wakeforestnc.gov/2009centennial_firstlight.aspx.

Activities for the children include several inflatable play areas and a six-foot climbing wall. In addition, Paul Miller of Flow Circus will roam South White Street performing amazing, close-up, in-your-hands magic.

First Light will also offer karaoke, contests, caricature artists, and great cuisine. Several downtown businesses will also be open during the event. For more information, visit http://www.wakeforestnc.gov/2009centennial_firstlight.aspx.

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