



Chamber Connections

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A Weekly Resource For Warren County Business

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Isn't It Great to Wake up Here in Warren County?

The Roster of Warren County's Rosenwald Schools Keeps Growing...



Old Well Rosenwald School -- Just Located!

We had a great turnout at our initial Warren County Rosenwald School Celebration Assembly last week at the Memorial Library. Not only did I get the chance to meet a ton of very passionate and knowledgeable neighbors, but thanks to this meeting we found two more Rosenwald Schools still standing...Old Well and Oakville Schools.

With these two new schools we can claim 14 standing buildings...definitely more than

any other county in NC and likely more than any other county in the South! As of today there are still 9 unaccounted for schools...If you know their whereabouts or status (were they destroyed or lost?) then please call me at 252-257-2657 or [send me an email](mailto:info@warrencountychamber.com).

Here are the unaccounted for schools:

Axtell School	1920
Burchett's Chapel	1922
Elam's School	1921
Inez School	1924
Johnson School	1922
Snow Hill School	1921
Vaughan School	1923
Warrenton School	1924
Young School	1921

Enjoy the rest of your week!---Craig

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Shop Local: Warren Wednesdays

Check Out These Great Deals...**NEW!**

Warren Wednesday Specials



I'd like to introduce our **NEWEST** Warren Wednesday special from our **NEWEST** Chamber Member, Five Oaks Beef. Check out this great deal...

Five Oaks Beef: Stew Beef from Five Oaks Beef is 100% natural, healthy and delicious. Aside from Beef Stew, it is great sliced into strips for tacos, fajitas, stir-frys as well as chili and Philly Cheesesteak sandwiches. \$5.29 / pound with a 5 pound purchase. Call Five Oaks Beef at **(252) 257-5994** to order!

Warren County Historical Tidbits: The Warrenton Baptist Church

The Church That's Grown Up With The Town...

I remember exploring Warrenton shortly after we first moved here. I knew the town was founded in 1779...and I found plenty of houses from the late 1700's and early 1800's among those in the historic district. But one thing puzzled me – the Episcopal Church dated from 1821...and the Presbyterian Church was the 1850's, but the Methodist Church and the Baptist Church seemed to be more of the 20th century. What did people do for Churches for the first 40-50 years of the town's existence? Where were the really old Churches? Then I remembered a lesson I learned in researching my genealogy some years back...

Ten years ago, my youngest brother and I took off one summer for Massachusetts to research one branch of our family tree that came to America in 1649. Most of our time was spent in 350 year old cemeteries trying to decipher the epitaphs on the headstones.

Our first challenge came in finding ways to read the carvings weathered by almost 4 centuries of wind and rain and snow and heat. We uncovered some solutions to make the letters stand out after a few hints from online, but found that what we were reading and trying to transcribe just didn't make sense. After several hours of frustration we finally realized that our problems stemmed from our modern expectations of "the way things should read." You see, we were trying to read the stone writing as if it were written today...not in the 1670s. When we finally took into account the different spellings, words and even that way sentences were structured in the 17th Century, what we were reading began to make sense.

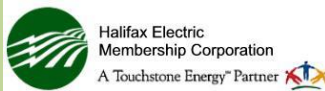
I applied that lesson learned to my question about early Warrenton Churches. After talking with local historians and doing a little reading the answer became immediately clear: at the founding of Warrenton and Warren County, towns were not the where most people in the county lived. Towns were for the courthouse and the craftsmen and storekeepers...in fact in 1800 Warrenton only counted 238 people as residents. Combine the

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Upcoming Member Events

Lakeland Theatre Karaoke
Saturday 25 February
7:00pm
Lakeland Theatre Cabaret

2nd Chance Basketball
Foundation Basketball
Game
Saturday 25 February
3:00pm
John Graham Parks & Rec
Gym, Warrenton

NC Cooperative Extension
Economic Vitality Meeting
Monday 27 February
9:30am
Vance County Regional
Farmers Market

Lake Gaston Association
Meeting
Wednesday 1 March
9:30am
Lake Gaston Baptist Church
Mandolin Orange Concert

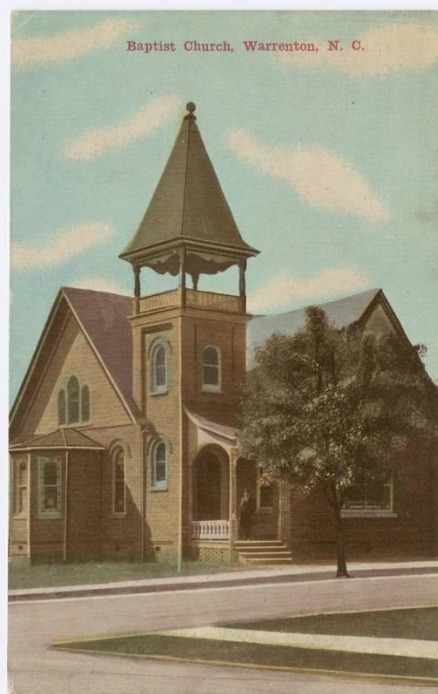
country-living with an antebellum tradition of “heading for the country” to celebrate holidays and Sundays and you realize that for nearly the first century of Warrenton’s life worship was based in the country...where most people were on Sundays.

That bit of information learned and refocus of my mind suddenly answered the question of where the “really old” Churches of Warrenton were...the country! With that in mind, let’s settle in and learn about another of our heritage Churches in Warrenton and how its founding 70 years after the town makes perfect sense in the growth of Warren County – The Warrenton Baptist Church.

For the first part of Warrenton’s existence, a Baptist Church was satisfied for Town residents by Reedy Creek Baptist Church (near Grove Hill) and Meetinghouses at Brown’s, Tanner’s and Gardener’s. In 1848, with the boom of building in Warrenton in full-gear and the associated new residents from Virginia who happened to be Baptist, there was a need for an “in-town” Church. With the leadership of Mr. J. R. Johnson, a local cobbler from Ireland, and other citizens, a lot was purchased on North Main Street to build a Baptist Church. April 14, 1849 saw the building completed and the congregation begin worship and service to the community that has continued to this day.

While it took me a few days to locate that first Church, I’ve found that it stood where the house at 332 North Main Street now stands...that lot chosen because it was right across the street from a new center of activity, the Warrenton Female Collegiate Institute. The study body became one of the mainstays of the new Church’s Sunday School with the entire group marching across the street each Sunday for classes. We don’t have much information about the actual Church building that served as home for

Warrenton Baptists, but we do know that during this time the congregation grew by hundreds. It was also during this period of growth that one member, a local dentist named Dr. Fleming, the Warrenton Baptist Church led the drive for and establishment of the entire system of Baptist Orphanages in the State of North Carolina. Warren County, leading the way once again!



*2nd Warrenton Baptist Church Building
1901. Corner of Main & Ridgeway*

With the dawn of a new century, and the growing congregation, the need arose for a new, larger sanctuary. Mrs. Victoria L. Pendleton, lifelong member, whose house sits at the corner of Ridgeway and Front Streets donated the part of her lot fronting Main Street for a new building. She decided that the location would be of better use for a Church as opposed to the garden she had been maintaining on that plot of land. This Church was dedicated on October 6, 1901.

With a new sanctuary in place, history is fairly quiet for the next 34 years until a bitterly cold New Year’s Eve. On December 31, 1935 a fire maintained in the heating equipment overheated and spread to the rest of the Church. By

Friday 3 March
7:00pm
Warren County Armory

Roanoke Wildwood VFD
Yard Sale

Saturday 4 March
9:00 am – 1:00pm
Corner of Lizard Creek &
Quail Ridge Roads in
Littleton

"Harrigan's Pub & Irish
Night"

March 17 & 18
8:00pm
Lakeland Theatre Cabaret

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the time it was discovered, the damage was too great to save any of the building and the congregation began to work on what would become the Church that today occupies an important location on Main Street at the end of Ridgeway. Local lore says that what remained of the burned out Church was pushed into the former basement and covered with dirt...where it awaits a future "dig" to see what treasures may have been left behind.

Thanks to the generosity of members, the money was raised in short time and construction of the fully-paid-for building completed in just 13 months. 80 years ago this week...February 21, 1937...saw the members gather to worship and open their new Church. Happy 80th Anniversary, Warrenton Baptist Church!

Now, before we leave our story today, there are two nuggets of information that should be noted for future historians. First, while the current Church opened in 1937, the Dedicatory Service was not held until April 15, 1945. Why that date, you ask? Well thanks to Claude Burrows, I found that it was because the building was not "completely" finished until the next decade...the Memorial Windows, the pews, the pipe organ and the carpeting coming in the 40's as part of separate projects. And second, the Baptist Apartments next door? Well, if you asked anyone in Warrenton prior to 1962 they would have had no idea what you were talking about. That year, the Warrenton Baptist Church purchased the "Annie Lee Apartments" to serve members and to add much needed space. In fact, at the time of the sale, what is now the Fellowship Room in the basement of those apartments was an underground parking garage for residents.

My thanks across years passed to Mr. J. Edward Allen, Historian of the Warrenton Baptist Church and compiler of a Church history in 1974. Thanks to his work...and the fact that he personally worshipped in all three sanctuaries from today's story, leaves us a priceless account (14 pages, single-spaced type) of not only the Warrenton Baptist Church, but also the town that it grew up with.

Wherever you turn in Warren County we have a jewel..."Warren County Historical Tidbits" is a project of The Chamber of Commerce of Warren County.

Shop Local: Warren Wednesdays

Check Out These Great Deals...

Warren Wednesday Specials



When you live in Warren County, your hometown businesses have specials for just you each Wednesday, like...

Lloyd's Bakery, Main Street Warrenton: Just for being a Warren County resident you get 10% off delicious items from the pastry case with any beverage purchase.

Quilt Lizzy, Macon Street Warrenton: Stop by Quilt Lizzy on Macon Street in Warrenton for Warren Wednesday savings! Thread is buy one/get one free just because you live in Warren County.

Lloyd's Bakery Announces New Hours

Lots of Yummy Goodness Wednesday Thru Saturday



I just heard from Susan Long at Lloyd's Bakery with an announcement about their new hours of operation. Effective immediately they are now open Wednesday - Friday, 7 am - 5 pm & Saturday, 8 am - 4 pm.

What wonderful weather to invite a friend to meet for coffee and a sweet! And as always, we anticipate your orders for loaves and rolls! Bread pick-up days remain Wednesday and Friday. We look forward to seeing you soon!

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When you live in Warren County, your hometown businesses have specials for just you each Wednesday, like...

Awesome God Christian Bookstore, Main Street

Warrenton: 50% off the limited supply of light blue girls and boys school uniform tops.

Warrenton Furniture Exchange, Franklin Street

Warrenton: Save 10% off any Troutman Rocker (that's a big \$ savings!). These are the rockers you see on the porches of all the historic hotels.

2nd Chance Basketball Foundation Pro Basketball Team Show

25 February, Saturday, 3:00pm



The 2nd Chance Basketball Foundation is proud to present a game featuring Professional Basketball Teams here in Warrenton to give back to the community. Bring your friends and family to the John Graham Parks & Rec Gym at 113 Wilcox Street in Warrenton on 25 February to see the NC Coyotes Basketball take on the High Point Heat.

Doors open at 3:00pm and the game starts at 4:00pm. There will be concessions on site. Bring your cameras!

Middle School & Elementary students, as well as Teachers (with ID) are admitted free. The rest of us can see this exciting game for just \$7 for adults and \$5 for High School Students.

Look for the opening soon of the 2nd Chance Basketball Foundation in downtown Warrenton at 115 North Main Street!

For more information, visit their website at 2ndchancebasketball.wixsite.com/2ndchanceball.

Preservation Warrenton Richmond-Petersburg Bus Trip

March 31 and April 1



It's time once again for a fantastic Bus Trip with Preservation Warrenton. This year's destination is the Richmond-Petersburg area. You'll leave Warrenton at 8:30 am and spend the day touring both Berkeley and Shirley Plantations. Admission fees & lunch are **included** for the tours. Also

included is spending Friday night at the historic Jefferson Hotel in downtown Richmond.

Then Saturday morning begins with a visit to the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts, including a private tour of the Rockefeller Room, lunch **included** in the Marble Hall. The afternoon takes you down the road to Petersburg with a tour of Centre Hill Mansion and exploring Old Town. Return trip to Warrenton in the early evening.

\$350.00, and SPACE IS LIMITED TO 40 PEOPLE. FULL PAYMENT IS REQUIRED and THE DEADLINE IS SUNDAY, MARCH 5TH, 2017. The \$350 cost of the trip includes bus, hotel room, all tours and admissions, and two lunches. Friday night dinner and Saturday breakfast are not included.

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321 Graham Street Warrenton, NC 27589

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When you live in Warren County, your hometown businesses have specials for just you each Wednesday, like...

Norlina Auto Parts, US 1 Norlina: A great fuel injection cleaner, Sea Foam, is only \$7.99! Boyd recommends this highly!

Futrell Pharmacy, Main Street Warrenton: Buy one QC brand vitamins, get the second of equal or lesser

value, half price. Stop by and see Woody, Kim Sherry and Susan AND save \$\$\$.

NC Cooperative Extension: Economic Vitality

How Can We Improve Our Communities?



On Monday, February 27 from 6:00 – 8:00pm, The Warren County Office of the NC Cooperative Extension is hosting a meeting to discuss our local communities. This

meeting will be held at the Vance County Regional Farmers Market at 210 Southpark Drive in Henderson.

This meeting will explore a number of questions, including: What should our community do to improve its economic vitality? What would make it more attractive to good and stable employers? How do we prepare ourselves and our workers to become more self-reliant? How can we provide everyone in our community with opportunities for success?

Please join your neighbors in a deliberation of the pros and cons of these three economic development options for Vance and Warren Counties. The purpose of this deliberation is not to advocate a specific solution or point of view, but rather, it is intended to inspire thoughtful examination of differing points of views and a movement towards common ground around which our community can plan for its future.

To register, please RSVP by Wednesday, February 22 to Tonia Williams at 252-257-3640 or via email at tonia_williams@ncsu.edu. For more information, please contact Crystal Smith, Warren County Extension Director at cmsmith2@ncsu.edu or Morris White, Vance County Extension Director at morris_white@ncsu.edu.

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When you live in Warren County, your hometown businesses have specials for just you each Wednesday, like...

Pete Smith Quick Lube & Tire, Main Street

Warrenton: Get 10% off your oil change on Wednesdays!

The Warren Record: Each Wednesday, for Warren County Residents, get \$5 off **NEW** subscriptions to the

Warren Record.

Lake Gaston Association Monthly Meeting

Focus On Fire Prevention & Emergency Response

The March 1st Lake Gaston Association's monthly meeting at 9:30 a.m. will feature Fire Prevention & Emergency Response.

The Chief of the Roanoke-Wildwood VFD, Lorenzo Wilkins, will be the featured Speaker. He will be accompanied by the Keith King, Chief of the Ebony VFD. Q&A will follow. We also expect representatives of local law enforcement to provide comments about recent break-ins.

The meeting will be held at the Lake Gaston Baptist Church located on Hwy. 903, 1 mile north of Eaton Ferry Bridge, across from the Subway Restaurant.

The meeting will also provide an opportunity to get caught up on the various activities that the LGA Committees – Public Safety, Lake Environment, Government Relations, Education, Marketing and Membership and Lake Clean-Up – are working on.

Got a lake-related issue or concern that the LGA should be working on? There will be time allotted on the agenda to present those concerns to the LGA Board.

The meeting is open to the public, members and non-members alike, so gather up your neighbors and come join the LGA.

For more information contact (252) 586-6577 or 1-888-586-6577 or info@lakegastonassoc.com.

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When you live in Warren County, your hometown businesses have specials for just you each Wednesday, like...

Lickskillet Dog Grooming & Kennels: 15% off retail products...chew toys, leashes, collars, harnesses and more.

Second Hand Rose Antiques, Main Street

Warrenton: 20% off select furniture. We've bought a number of pieces from Rose...you'll love the selection and the authentic antique furniture.

Warrenton Animal Clinic Discounted Rabies Shots

11 March 9am - 12noon



Warrenton Animal Clinic is offering \$6.00 Rabies Vaccines for Dogs and Cats will be offered at Warrenton Animal Clinic on March 11th 2017 from 9AM to 12PM.

1-year and 3-year vaccines available! In order for them to receive a 3-year vaccine, you must provide proof of your pet's previous vaccination. Your pet will not be eligible for a 3-year vaccine if they have never been vaccinated for rabies before, or if the previous vaccine is long expired.

Please call us to sign up if you plan to attend! 252-257-0737

This event is happening in conjunction with our Coggins Clinic for horses, where we offer discounted vaccines and Coggins test. See Coggins Clinic details here:

<https://www.facebook.com/events/1880408212242543/>

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When you live in Warren County, your hometown businesses have specials for just you each Wednesday, like...

Roost Crossroads Antiques: 30% off any OO or DP items in the store.

Tar Heel Tire, Ridgeway Street Warrenton: Here's another HUGE Warren Wednesday Special from Tar Heel Tire...bring your car or light truck (pickup) in and get

your tires rotated for FREE. Great way to extend the life of your tires.

Warren Record Special Advertising Opportunity

Business Card Directory

The Warren Record

Always the innovators, The Warren Record has developed a new advertising vehicle for Warren County businesses that will get the word out about your business...without breaking your bank account! I just heard from Sonya Sikes, who told me that it is their mission to help the businesses get their name out there and provide

information in one location for the consumer. This directory will be distributed in several counties through several different means.

For just \$75 your business will be featured in a Business Card Ad (3.25" x 2") in a special publication to be distributed in Warren, Vance, Nash & surrounding counties. They will be going to print at the end of February.

Interesting in more information? You can call Sonya on cell at 252-213-5090, at the office at 252-257-3341 or via email at ads@warrenrecord.com.

Five Oaks Beef - Call for Packages and Pricing

"From Our Pasture to Your Plate"



Online last night I topped by the **Five Oaks Beef** website and saw this: "Inventory for immediate delivery is low. Call 252-257-5994 for deals on remaining inventory." Sounds like a great opportunity to get some delicious Warren County raised beef at big savings!

Whether you [visit their website](#) or stop by [Five Oaks Beef's Facebook Page](#), this Warren County business makes choosing them simple: **100% Good Stuff** (100% natural beef, healthy, delicious, Grass Fed-Grain

Finished and humanely raised in a stress-free environment) and **0% Bad Stuff** (No steroids, no feed-based antibiotics, no artificial growth hormones and no feed-based animal byproducts).

"Our beef is not just for your table... but for ours as well..." A promise from owners Doug & Linda Knudson.

Don't forget to [sign up for their newsletter](#) to see ongoing specials.

Hardware Café Weekly Specials

Lots of Goodness Featured This Week



Just got word via email with this week's specials at Hardware Café. Thought you'd like them to plan your lunch this week!

Here's the latest from Rachel...

Wishing you all a wonderful week!

Wednesday: Crustless Quiche. Your choice of Turkey & Cheddar or Kale, Mushroom and Swiss quiche served with soup or salad.

Soup: Vegetable

Thursday: Ham on Raisin Bread. Honey ham topped with Granny Smith apples, provolone cheese and mayo served hot on toasted cinnamon raisin bread.

Soup: Chili

**** National Chili Day and National Toast Day! ****

Friday: Beef Brisket Sandwich. Tender brisket topped with smoky BBQ sauce and pepper jack cheese served on a toasted Kaiser roll served with chips and a pickle.

Soup: Lobster Bisque

Friday Night Dinner Specials:

Pork Chops in Apple Curry Sauce

or

Smothered Chicken

Both entrees are served with your choice of salad or soup, baked potato, and honey basil bread.

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When you live in Warren County, your hometown businesses have specials for just you each Wednesday, like...

King's Fitness & Nutrition Center, next to Just Save in Warrenton: Fruit & veggie smoothies just \$4.

Oakley Hall Antiques, Main Street Warrenton: Save 20% on any items, except "firm" priced and consignment items.

Lakeland Theatre Company 2017 Schedule

Lots of Great Entertainment in Store For the New Year!

2017 is here, see what we have coming up! **Don't forget to renew your Lakeland membership to take advantage of these great shows in 2017.**

Lakeland Theatre & Cultural Arts Center 2017 Schedule

- February 25 – Larry Williams Karaoke in the cabaret. \$7.00 pay at the door. Bar opens 7:00pm, Karaoke starts at 8:00pm.
- March 17 & 18 – Cabaret. "Irish Night"– Music
- March 31, April 1, 7, 8, & 9 Main Stage. "Sylvia"– Comedy Play
- April 22 Joker & Jesture Comedy Tour
- May 12, 13, 19, 20, & 21 – Main Stage "The Best of American Pop Through The Decades"– Musical

- June 10 – Main Stage "Lakeland Singers"- Music Concert
- July 14, 15, & 16 – Main Stage "Peter Pan Jr."- Musical
- August 12 – Main Stage -Home Grown Blue Grass or Steve Owens & Summertime – Music– Main Stage
- September 15, 16, 22, 23, & 24 – Main Stage "Church Basement Ladies"-Musical Comedy
- October 27, 28, & 29 – Cabaret "You Have the Right to Remain Dead"- Dinner Murder Mystery
- December 1, 2, 8, 9, & 10 – Main Stage " Yo Ho Ho It's a Pirate's Christmas" Musical Comedy
- December 16 – Main Stage "Lakeland Singers"- Music Concert

For a Lakeland Membership form, please email boxoffice@lakelandtheatrenc.org or call 252-586-3124 ext.3

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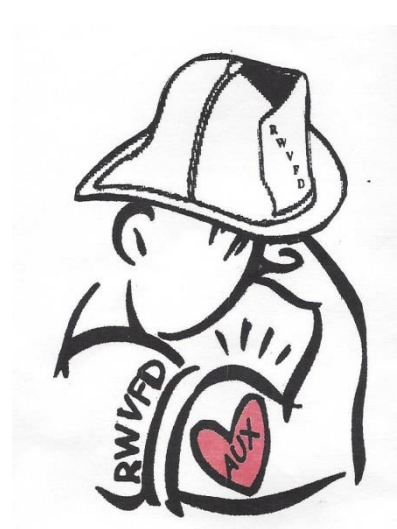
When you live in Warren County, your hometown businesses have specials for just you each Wednesday, like...

Hardware Café: Buy any meal and get a free drink every Wednesday!

Friends Two, Main Street Warrenton: 10% off any RED item...wow! With everything they have at Friends Two this can be some great savings.

Roanoke Wildwood Volunteer Fire Department Yard Sale

4 March Saturday 9am - 1pm Rain or Shine!



Once again, it's time for the Roanoke Wildwood Volunteer Fire Department Yard Sale. It'll be held at the corner of Lizard Creek & Quail Ridge Roads in Littleton.

This year's sale will be Saturday, March 4, 2017 from 9AM -1PM and goes on RAIN or SHINE!!

Come on out for Furniture - Tools - Lawn Equipment - Dishes – Cookware - Children Toys/Books - Puzzles – Games - Lamps - TVs - Collectibles - Linens - Books - Gadgets - Appliances & MUCH, MUCH More!!

Here are the Treasures you've been looking for!!

ALL PROCEEDS go to RWVFD!! Thank you for YOUR SUPPORT!

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Lin's Everything Business, Main Street Warrenton: Every Wednesday is "Copy Day"...10 cents off each copy means B&W are just 15 cents and just 20 cents for Color. This is a great day to get those Church bulletins or club flyers printed.

Brain Freeze, Main Street Warrenton: Now this is a great lunch time deal! Get 2 hotdogs, drink & chips for \$5.00 and they'll add in a small cup of ice cream for FREE.

One step at a time we can all keep our local businesses healthy by picking them first for our shopping.

VGCC Announces the Cast & Crew for "The Glass Menagerie"

Performances April 27 & 28



Cast, crew announced for VGCC Dinner Theater production of "The Glass Menagerie"

Vance-Granville Community College has announced an upcoming production of "The Glass Menagerie," the Tennessee Williams classic, for the college's fifth annual

Dinner Theater.

The cast and crew have also been named for the dinner theater, which is scheduled for the evenings of Thursday, April 27, and Friday, April 28, in the Civic Center on VGCC's Main Campus in Vance County. Dinner begins at 6 p.m. each evening.

The cast is set to feature Brittney Patterson of Henderson as Amanda Wingfield; Ben Taylor of Franklinton as Tom Wingfield, her son; Samantha Hines of Henderson as Laura Wingfield, her daughter; and Jordan Bunting of Rocky Mount as Jim O'Conner, the "gentleman caller."

Members of the crew include Chadstity Copeland of Henderson (Assistant to the Director/Stage Manager), Allison Hines of Henderson (Assistant Stage Manager/Props), Jamie McGinn of Wake Forest (Costumes/Assistant for Props), Camden Jones of Henderson (Lighting/Sound operator), Lauren Elliott of Oxford (Head of Props) and Mya Hargrove and Evan O'Geary, both of Henderson (Hair and Make-up).

All are current students at the college, except for Elliott, an alumna and VGCC staff member.

Betsy Henderson, VGCC's Department Chair/Instructor of Humanities and Fine Arts, is the director of the play.

First staged in 1944, *"The Glass Menagerie"* is a "memory play" (narrated by one of the characters, recalling his experiences) and is based in part on Tennessee Williams's own memories of his family. In 1945, the play premiered on Broadway, won the prestigious New York Drama Critics' Circle Award for the best American play of the year, and launched Williams to fame. *"The Glass Menagerie"* has been adapted for television twice and as a Hollywood feature film twice. It has been revived for the Broadway stage numerous times, including a new production starring Sally Field that is currently in previews. A drama of great tenderness, charm and beauty, *"The Glass Menagerie"* has become one of the most famous plays of the modern theatre.

The story focuses on Amanda, a "faded Southern belle" who lives in poverty in a dingy St. Louis apartment with her son, Tom, and her daughter, Laura. The crux of the action comes when Tom invites a young man of his acquaintance to eat dinner with the family. Jim, the caller, is at once pounced upon by Amanda as a possible husband for Laura.

Tickets are \$30 and are scheduled to go on sale on March 22. For more information, visit www.vgcc.edu/dinnertheater.

There's Still Time for Someone to Make a Local Institution Yours...

Warrenton Supply Company Needs New Owners



I've watched the steady stream of people stopping by Warrenton Supply across the street, which is unfortunately closed for now...but, thanks to one of you (or someone looking for a wonderful, new hometown), we can remedy that situation with new owners for the new year for Warrenton Supply.

I stopped by Warrenton Supply in December and asked Eddy Serls what would happen with the store beginning in the New Year and got some hopeful news...for at least the next month or two they'll continue to take offers from interested buyers for the store as it stands...great inventory matched to what the customers need and ready to re-open.

This is someone's chance to own not only a vibrant and viable business, but to also carry on a central part of our local community. From my short time here in Warren County and my past year and a half across the street from them, I can tell you that this store sees a steady stream of customers 6 days a week. The new owners won't need to "establish" a business...the customer base is already here.

Here are the basics for you to know (and to pass along to a friend who may be looking to take advantage of the wonderful quality of life we have here in

Warren County): From **Sandra Shearin & South Shore Realty Company...**

TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE GREAT OPPORTUNITY!! Established hardware store w/ roots going back to the 1950's. Convenient central downtown location in historical Warrenton, NC just a few miles from 2 well-known lakes - Lake Gaston and Kerr Lake. This beautiful area boasts much in art, historical sites, festivals, lake recreation, boating, fishing and more- attracting retirees, full and part-time residents. Established customer base that extends well beyond the city limits into 4 NC counties. Approx. 2200 sf. retail floor space, 3080 sf. warehouse, 810 sf. shop & 5544 outside storage. Purchase price includes building, land, equipment, fixtures and inventory. Excellent growth potential by expanding paint center, adding lumber, gardening supplies, equipment repair & rental & much more. YOUR OPPORTUNITY TO PURCHASE EXISTING BUSINESS & BECOME YOUR OWN BOSS & LANDLORD AT LOW COST!

For complete information and to schedule an appointment to see this treasure, see the [online listing](#) or contact Sandra Shearin at (252) 308-2015 or via email at sandrashearin@gmail.com.

Please join me in helping keep this Warren County treasure as a part of Main Street Warrenton.

Warren County Government Community Calendar

Lots To Do Here In Warren County!

For the latest information, Click on [Community News under County Commissioners](#) on the County website.

#1 - [County Activities](#)

Warren County Board of Commissioners - (252) 257-3115

February 20th – 6:00 pm Joint Meeting with Economic Development Commission, Armory

21st – 7:00 pm Joint meeting w/Board of Education, Theatre WC High School

Feb 26-Mar 1 - Board of Commissioners in DC for Legislative Goals Conference

Cooperative Extension Service

February 27th
communities?

6pm Economic Vitality: How can we improve our

March 16th

Beginning Farmer School

Senior Center – (252) 257-3111

Bowling 2nd & 4th Wednesdays

Feb. 24th Senior Games Entry Deadline
 March 23rd to May 9th - Senior Games Athletic Events
 May 18th Senior Games Silver Showcase & Awards
 June RAPIID Picnic
 June 12th Beach Day
 June 30th Farmers Market
 July 27 – Aug 4 – Alaska Trip

2017 Warren County Festivals

Date(s) (Times)	Name	Location
April 14-16, 2017 Grand Entry Schedule: Friday 7PM; Saturday 11AM; Sunday 1PM	52nd Haliwa-Saponi Pow-Wow	130 Haliwa-Saponi Trail, Hollister, NC 27844
4/15/2017 8am - Noon	Warren County Farmers' Market opens and continues thru October	BB&T Parking Lot on Macon St. in Warrenton
4/22/2017 Registration: 8AM	Run Warrenton! 5k Race, Run, Walk, Scoot	Downtown Warrenton
4/22/2017 10AM to 4PM	SpringFest	Historic Courthouse Square 109 S Main St, Warrenton
4/22/2017 10AM to 2PM	Archaeology Day	Warren County Memorial Library, 119 S Front St, Warrenton
5/13/2017 8AM to 5PM	Junior Firefighter Competition	Warren County Recreation Complex 840 Hwy 158 Bypass, Warrenton
May 27, 2017 Cooking begins Friday night, judging and sales on Saturday	Battle of the Barbecue	Lake Gaston Lions Club, 139 Stanley Rd, Henrico, NC
June 2 & 3, 2017	Kerr Lake Backwoods Bash	6665 Drewry Virginia Line Rd. Manson, NC
Date/Parade not decided 10/16 7/2/2016 Parade at 10AM; festival following	Wise Independence Day Parade & Festival	1846 US 1, Wise; Festival at intersection of US 1 and Wise Five Forks Rd
7/1/2017 Dusk	Fireworks Display	Lake Gaston
7/15/2017 Festival 10AM to 4PM	Ridgeway Cantaloupe Festival	660 US 1/158, Ridgeway, located 2 miles south of Norlina, 8 miles north of Henderson on US1

8/12/2017 Start	9am	The Crossing	Eaton Ferry Bridge & surrounds. Starts at Morningstar Marina and ends at Watersview Restaurant
Saturday, September 30, 2017 10AM to 4PM		Warren County Firemen's Day & Parade	Parade: Main Street (US 401) Warrenton
Saturday, October 07, 2017		Harvest Market Festival	Historic Courthouse Square 109 S Main St, Warrenton
October 19-20, 2018		Fall for the Arts	Lake Gaston
Saturday October 28, 2017		Fright Night	Historic Courthouse Square 109 S. Main St. Warrenton
Saturday October 28, 2017		TEDx Lizard Creek	Lake Gaston
Saturday, October 28, 2017		Fall Corn Days	130 Haliwa-Saponi Trail, Hollister, NC

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Free Over the Counter Medicine Giveaway

Sponsored by NC MedAssist, Triangle North Healthcare Foundation & The Warren County Health Department



On Tuesday, February 28 from 9:00am – 2:00pm NC Med Assist, The Triangle North Healthcare Foundation & The Warren County Health Department will be joining to host a free over the counter medicine giveaway here in Warren County. The event is at the Warren County Armory (501 US 158 Business East, Warrenton) and is open to all. No ID is required.



more while supplies last.

Items to be given away include: cold, cough & flu medicine; Band-Aids, pain and allergy relief; vitamins & children's medicine; and much

If you're interested in volunteering you can sign up at the [NC MedAssist website](#) or email Tonia Harris at tharris@medassist.org.

Lakeland Theatre Present “Harrigan’s Pub & Irish Night”

March 17 & 18 8:00pm



Come celebrate St. Patty’s day with the Irish clan with song & dance at Harrigan’s Pub at Lakeland’s Cabaret. There will be Irish pub grub available for purchase. This show is directed

by Jim Hogan.

For reservations, call 2520586-3124 ext. 3 or visit their website at lakelandtc.org. Seating is limited so call ahead to reserve your seat now. This show is part of Lakeland’s Member Package.

Tickets are just \$16 for Adults and \$9 for students.

Warrenton T-shirts & Hats

Get Yours at Town Hall



Here’s a great way to show off your Hometown Pride...T-Shirts, printed with the Town of Warrenton emblem, are now available for sale at Town Hall. These Warrenton T-Shirts are high-quality 100% cotton and Hanes Beefy T brand.

Sizes available include Small, Medium, Large, Xtra Large and Xtra Xtra Large. Pricing for the Small through XL is \$12 and just\$13 for XXL. Other sizes can be available through special order. Stop by Town Hall and help us promote the Town.




And, now from **Carolina Images**, Warrenton hats are here to show off your local pride and keep the sun off. Just \$15 and the hat is yours.

What’s Going On

News from your fellow Chamber Members...

Here’s a brief rundown of special offers or events from Chamber member businesses. If you’d like your business or event featured just send me an email with all the relevant information to info@warren-chamber.org. I’ll add it to next week’s newsletter.

- **Lakeland Theatre.** Come enjoy a night of karaoke with Larry Williams and the gang at Lakeland's Cabaret February 25. Doors open at 7pm. Karaoke starts at 8pm. Tickets are \$7.00 at the door. Bar food will be available for purchase along with the normal concessions! Can't wait to see you there!

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- **Lloyd's Bakery.** A friendly reminder from Lloyd's Bakery about our ordering system: orders received by noon Saturday are ready for pick up on Wednesday, and orders received by noon Wednesday are ready for pick up on Friday. We have added a whole wheat loaf (\$6) made with molasses and a caraway seed rye bread (\$6) to our regular list of multi-grain (with or without seeds), cinnamon raisin, and rustic loaf or boule, as well as our gluten free "French" bread. Let us bake fresh for you!
Don't forget Lloyd's is open Tue – Sat from 7am to 5pm with fresh-baked goodness. Connect with them online at Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/LloydsBakeryandCoffee/> or on their website: <http://www.lloydsbakery.net/> and by phone at: 252-257-1239
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