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**GRANVILLE COUNTY  
 CHAMBER OF COMMERCE'S  
 MISSION STATEMENT**

"The Granville County Chamber of Commerce seeks to promote a healthy economy with good business conditions, support good government, improve community relations and market services and programs for Chamber members."

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## 2007 BANQUET REPORT

The Executive Committee and the Board of Directors of the Granville County Chamber of Commerce held the 65th Annual Banquet on Monday evening, January 22, at the Vance-Granville Community College's Civic Center.

Approximately 418 Chamber members, friends, guests and community leaders attended this celebratory event — a record-breaking attendance. Pre-dinner clarinet music was provided by Carl Cantaluppi for attendees to enjoy as they arrived. During dinner, Cindy S. Joy provided background piano music.

Local vocalists Vickie Yates Allen and Elaine Yates Woodlief performed wonderful selections to the delight of the audience.

Bob Wainwright received an Outstanding Community Service Award for his mission work, locally and globally, as well as his involvement in Habitat for Humanity, ACIM, Oxford Housing Authority, Handyman Ministry, Oxford Lions Club, and Oxford Baptist Church. Danny Currin and Xavier Wortham made this presentation.

Don Jenkins and Bill Johnston presented the prestigious John Penn Citizen of the Year Award to Paul Kiesow for his involvement with the Granville Medical Center Foundation, Vance-Granville Community College Foundation, Granville County Chamber of Commerce, Granville Business and Industrial Club, Oxford Rotary Club, United Way, Boy Scouts, The Committee of 100 and Oxford United Methodist Church.

Jeanne Robertson, guest speaker, gave practical advice in a humorous way while encouraging attendees to get the most out of life by keeping a sense of humor when working with others and finding humor in stressful situations. Her popularity at Chamber banquets five and nine years ago, encouraged the Chamber's Meetings Committee to have her return for this special 65th Anniversary Banquet.

Jeanne had copies of the 7-UP Pound Cake Recipe, which she alluded to in her presentation, available as guests departed the event. Anyone who did not receive a copy and wishes one, may obtain it from either of the Chamber's offices.

We express appreciation to **PRESENTING PROGRAM SPONSOR, PROGRESS ENERGY** and **SPONSORS BB&T** and **EMBARQ** for Jeanne's appearance.

2008's Chamber Banquet will be held Monday, January 28 at VGCC. Please mark you calendar and plan to attend.

**US 98.3 FM To Host February Monthly Membership Meeting**

**BUSINESS-AFTER-HOURS**

US 98.3 FM's Management and Staff  
cordially invites

Granville County Chamber of Commerce Members  
to attend Business-After-Hours  
Thursday Evening, February 22  
5:00 until 6:30 p.m.  
109 Hillsboro Street, Oxford

*Tour their facility, see their operation and enjoy refreshments.*

To reply, please contact 919.693.6125/Wanda, granvillechamber@earthlink.net  
or, 919.528.4994/Glenda, glenda@granville-county.com, **by February 15th.**

# GOVERNMENT FORUM

## Notice of February Meeting and 2007 Programs

The Chamber's Government Forum Group heard an excellent presentation at January's meeting from Granville County's New Manager, Brian Alligood. Alligood gave an update on the county's growth, lot availability and projects.

February's program will be held on Friday, February 9 in the Chamber's Boardroom at 8:00 a.m. Representatives from the Kerr-Tar Council of Government, Tim Baynes and Rick Seekins will be program presenters, discussing the HUB Project.

This is an important project to Granville and other participating counties. We hope to have a large attendance. Come join this informal group. Bring a friend and/or neighbor with you!

Program dates and topics for 2007 are as follows:

### March 9

Economic Development, Leon Turner at Economic Development Office with Linda Sigmon, Oxford EDC

### April 13

Cherie Berry, N.C. Department of Labor; location TBA

### May 11

Water & Sewer, Paul Kiesow at Oxford City Hall

### June 8

Granville County Senior Center, Kathy May at Senior Center

### July 13

Carmen Hooker Odom, N.C. Secretary of Health & Human Services at Creedmoor City Hall

### August 10

N.C. SBI Special Agent Kelly Page, Methamphetamine, County Commissioners Meeting Room

### September 14

Granville County Schools, at new high school

### October 12

Candidate Forum, County Commissioners Meeting Room

### November 9

Law Enforcement, Sheriff David Smith and Police Chiefs, at Police Department

### December 14

Planning for 2008

# FEBRUARY CALENDAR OF EVENTS

2	11 am-7 pm	Shrine Club's Spaghetti Lunch & Dinner (\$6.00)	Oxford Masonic Lodge
5	12:00 noon	Granville Education Foundation Meeting	TBA
6	8:30 a.m.	Oxford Downtown Roundtable	Chamber Boardroom
9	8:00 a.m.	Government Forum Committee Meeting	Chamber Boardroom
13	8:00 a.m.	Board of Directors Meeting	Chamber Boardroom
14	8:00 a.m.	Chamber Ambassadors Meeting	Chamber Boardroom
15	8:00 a.m.	Leadership Granville Steering Committee	Chamber Boardroom
15	12 noon	Human Resource Committee Meeting, Hosted by Lois Pauluzzi, Manpower	Chamber Boardroom
15	6:30 - 9:00 p.m.	Granville Education Foundations' SPELLabration	J. F. Webb High School
22	5:00 - 6:30 p.m.	Chamber's Monthly Membership Meeting Business-After-Hours	WLUS 98.3 FM, Hillsboro St., Oxford
27	10:00 a.m.	JCPC Meeting	TBA

## 2007-2008 Chamber Officers

The following slate of officers and directors will be serving the Chamber this year:

### Executive Committee

President	Thomas Combs	Union Bank
President-Elect	Johnny Balmer	Carolina Sunrock
Vice-President	Mark Averette	Bandag
Treasurer	Jason Finch	Capital Bank
Past President	Hugh Currin, Jr.	Royster, Cross & Currin

### Board of Directors

<i>Terms expire 2008</i>	Julia Overton	Stovall's Gifts
	Dorwin Howard	Granville County Schools
<i>Terms expire 2009</i>	Jon Zbonack	Knight Custom Homes/ Jon's Main Street Bar and Grill
	Linda Taylor	Coldwell Banker Advantage
<i>Terms expire 2010</i>	Melinda Pritchett	Merle Norman Cosmetic Studio
	Lillian Gray	Dutchville Builders
<i>Appointed</i>	Brian Alligood	Granville County Manager
	Jack Day	Mayor of Stem
	Bob Schaumleffel	Manager, City of Creedmoor
	Tommy Marrow	Manager, City of Oxford
	Tom McGee	Manager, Town of Butner
	Janet Parrott	Mayor of Stovall

The Executive Committee and Board of Directors began their duties following the Annual Banquet on January 22, with responsibilities beginning at the Board of Directors Meeting in February.

## ROTARIANS WORKING TOGETHER TO END WORLD HUNGER

On Saturday, April 28, the Oxford, South Granville and Henderson Rotary Clubs need individuals and groups to help package more than 80,000 rice-based meals in two-hour shifts. This initiative is part of a district-wide Rotary goal to fund and produce one million meals for distribution to children in Haiti, Bolivia and other developing countries through Rotary International's network of clubs.

To learn more about volunteering as an individual or with a group, contact Jim Nutt at 252.492.7133 or Gus Gustafson at 919.528.4443.

## HUMAN RESOURCE COMMITTEE REPORT

January's Human Resource Committee Meeting was an inclement weather day, so the planned program by students in the Career and Technical Education program was postponed. However, the group enjoyed a delicious lunch, prepared by member Al Carraway, Employment Security Commission.

Thursday, February 15, the HR Committee will assemble at 12:00 noon in the Chamber's Boardroom to hear a presentation by North Carolina SBI Special Agent Kelly Page on the methamphetamine situation. This is an excellent program. Please plan to attend.

Wanda will send out an e-mail reminder; however, please put this on your calendar and plan to be present. You won't want to miss this!

## WIICA, Oak Hill Heritage House and Library Offering Diabetes Awareness Education Seminars

Mrs. Alma Peace-Bullock, Director/Instructor at the Oak Hill Heritage House and Library (7686 Goshen Road, Oxford) announces that a mini-grant community project for diabetes awareness education, "Project REACT: Prevention & Control of Diabetes" will be offered during February and March.

Feb. 1 — Registration/Introduction to Diabetes Workshops

Feb. 8 — Diabetics & Depression, Calorific Information, Weight Control

Feb. 15 — Fitness: Exercise, Walking, Food Pyramid, Labels

Feb. 22 — Care: Feet, Teeth, Eyes, Diabetic Related Conditions

March 1 — Maintenance: Self-Management, Care-Taker Management, Medications

March 8 — Participant Summation, Evaluation, Certification

For additional information, call 693-4014; 693-2557; 693-1621; 919-849-1116.

## 8TH ANNUAL NC LITTER PREVENTION AWARDS

There are three eligible categories for this year's Litter Prevention Awards: School/Youth Group, Government Agency and Nonprofit Organization.

Applications may be downloaded from the Internet at [www.ncdot.org/~beautification](http://www.ncdot.org/~beautification). You may also reach the Office of Beautification Programs by phone, (919) 715-3188, or fax, (919) 715-2554. All entries must be postmarked by March 30, 2007. Prizes are: first place, \$1000; second place, \$500 prize for each category.

## Ambassadors Club 2007

The Chamber is proud to announce our growing list of Ambassadors Club participants.

The Chamber Ambassadors are a group of dedicated Chamber members who have chosen to spend time as the goodwill arm of the Granville County Chamber of Commerce.

They volunteer at Chamber events, educate other members about the GCCC and its programs and benefits, attend ribbon cuttings ceremonies for member businesses, and seek feedback from members on ways to improve Chamber services and benefits.

Please watch for our "Ambassador of the Month" in upcoming newsletters.

For more information on the Club, please contact Ambassador Chairperson Hal Muetzel of Express Personnel at 693.1730.

Hal Muetzel, *Chairperson*  
Express Personnel Services

Gina DeMent  
Five County Mental Health

Chris Emory  
South Granville Exchange Club,  
Butner Advisory Council

Lillian Gray  
Dutchville Builders

Elliot Grout  
The Road to Fitness LLC

Twanna Jones  
American Red Cross

Susie Lee  
Century 21 Country Knolls

Donna Parham  
Bailey-Wright Realty

Paul Williford  
Coldwell Banker

## Granville Education Foundation's SPELLabration

Thursday, February 15 • 6:30-9:00 p.m. • J. F. Webb High School

Your business may be interested in participating in the upcoming SPELLabration, which is sponsored by the Granville Education Foundation. Your tax deductible contribution will help the Foundation administer grants for teachers and other programs for Granville County's public school students and staff.

Contact GEF's Executive Director, Shields Blackwell, at 919.693.7047, [edfoundation@earthlink.net](mailto:edfoundation@earthlink.net), or visit the [www.GranvilleEdFoundation.org](http://www.GranvilleEdFoundation.org) website.

# WELCOME! SIX NEW CHAMBER MEMBERS

**Attorney Roderick G. Allison** has recently joined our Chamber. **THE ALLISON OFFICE**, located at 2586 W. Lyon Station Road in Creedmoor offers legal services, including personal injury, traffic matters, non-profit/church law, wills, powers of attorney and other general practice areas of law. Allison's office is open Monday – Friday, 9:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. He may be contacted by phone, 919.575.9500; fax, 919.575.9555, or [THEALLISONOFFICE@VERIZON.NET](mailto:THEALLISONOFFICE@VERIZON.NET). We look forward to having you as a part of the Chamber!

**Dr. Cheryl Hanly** is available for all your Chiropractic and Acupuncture needs at **CREEDMOOR WELLNESS CENTER**. Dr. Hanly's office will soon be opening at 106 W. Church Street in Creedmoor. Please watch for their ribbon cutting ceremony date. Call 919.633.4450 or e-mail [sshotwell5@hotmail.com](mailto:sshotwell5@hotmail.com) for appointment and patient information. Thank-you for joining our Chamber!

**OUR CHILDREN'S PLACE** is a nonprofit organization designed to allow children, at 4 years of age and younger, to live with their mothers in a community-based facility while the women serve their sentences for nonviolent offenses. Further information may be obtained by phoning 919.971.3182, or e-mailing [ourchildrensplace@google.com](mailto:ourchildrensplace@google.com). They are open 8:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. Deerfield Cottage, at the back of the Murdoch Campus, will be the location for this organization. They will be hosting an open house for our membership in April.

Chamber Ambassador Susie Lee has referred new member **LEE HUMPHRIES REALTY/CAROLINA LANDMARK PROPERTIES**. Owned by **James L. (Lee) Humphries**, the office is located at 2173 Hwy. 96, Creedmoor, where he is available 24/7. This realtor, horse property, and land consultant may be reached at 919.528.9640 phone; 919.528.3471 fax; or [Leestack@verizon.net](mailto:Leestack@verizon.net). Thanks for joining our Chamber — and congratulations to Susie for recruiting a new member!

**Dr. Diana Dudley**, owner of **SOUTH GRANVILLE ANIMAL HOSPITAL**, has joined the Chamber after being referred by Chamber Ambassador Chris Emory. Dr. Dudley specializes in small animal medicine and surgery; boarding, grooming, and retail products. Her office hours are Monday – Friday, 7:00 a.m. until 6:00 p.m., and Saturdays, 8:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. Additional contact information is: 919.528.3591 phone; 919.528.4774 fax; [doggievet@aol.com](mailto:doggievet@aol.com); or [www.south-granvilleanimalhospital.com](http://www.south-granvilleanimalhospital.com). Dr. Dudley has already attended several Chamber events. We look forward to her participation.

**RE/MAX IN THE COUNTRY's** office is at 702-B North Main Street in Creedmoor. As a real estate broker, Tim Richardson is available Monday – Friday, 8:30 a.m. until 5:30 p.m. to assist with your real estate needs. Feel free to visit his office or contact him at 919.528.2617 phone; 919.528.9235 fax; [timr@remax.net](mailto:timr@remax.net); or visit his website at [kerrlakerealestate.com](http://kerrlakerealestate.com). Again, thanks to Chamber Ambassador Susie Lee for referring this new member!

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