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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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## 2006 ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP BANQUET

The Executive Committee and the Board of Directors of the Granville County Chamber of Commerce invites members to mark their 2006 calendars for an exciting Annual Banquet event on Monday evening, January 23, 2006 at 7:00 p.m. at the Civic Center at Vance-Granville Community College.

Pre-dinner entertainment will greet attendees, followed by a buffet dinner, beginning at 7:00 p.m. Recognitions, entertainment and presentation of the prestigious John Penn Citizen Award will follow.

Guest speaker for the evening will be Patrick Henry, a man who is living his dreams. From a young age, Patrick knew he would one day make his living in front of a crowd. As a professional singer and musician, Patrick has performed from coast to coast and almost every state in between. As a professional speaker, Patrick has spoken to over five hundred thousand people ranging from students to business groups, entertaining and inspiring them to live their "dash" to the utmost. "We all are living the dash," Patrick says. "The dash is that little space between the day we come into the world and the day we leave. We can't choose how long our dash is, but we can certainly choose how well we live it."

Patrick Henry is a motivational entertainer who brings audiences from their seat to their feet and back again. His unique approach to inspiring and entertaining audiences involves working over one hundred dates a year. He uses music and his songs to relay positive messages to the audiences to whom he speaks. When meeting planners hire Pat, they are not hiring a "concert giver," but a speaker who delivers a dynamic message of humor and music interlaced throughout.

Henry's appearance is being sponsored by PROGRESS ENERGY. We appreciate the support of Martha Thompson and her staff and their commitment to our Chamber and community.

A local entertainer, Rodney Preddy, will be providing background music as guests arrive. Other program entertainment will be announced soon.

Chamber members will receive formal invitations to the Banquet in early January. However, members are encouraged to mark their calendars and respond promptly in order to secure seats for the occasion.

## LAKES MEDIA ANNOUNCES NEW APPOINTMENT

Tom Birch, President of Lakes Media Network, announces the appointment of Karen G. "Gwen" Moody to the newly created position of Vice-President, Director of Sales and Marketing. Ms. Moody will be responsible for the sales and marketing of all Lakes Media owned and operated radio stations and will report to the company's president.

Headquartered in Oxford, the Lakes Media Network consists of Country-formatted US 98.3 FM (WLUS), Country-formatted KISS Country 101.9 (WKSK), Nostalgia-formatted Stardust 1370 AM, and Adult Contemporary-formatted 95.3 FM (WHLF).

Together, LMN stations reach more than 20,000 adults in the Greater Triangle and Southside Virginia and are the most listened to radio stations in the region.

## HUMAN RESOURCES COMMITTEE MEETING

The Chamber's Human Resources Committee will reconvene on Thursday, January 19 at 12:00 noon at the Employment Security Commission's office, 518 Lewis Street in Oxford.

Member Al Carraway will host the lunch meeting and coordinate planning program topics for the 2006 year.

Al's lunch is always delicious and impressive! We encourage members to be a part of the program plans for 2006 and attend this first meeting of the new year.

Members should anticipate an e-mail reminder one week prior to the meeting.

## OPTING OUT OF PRE-APPROVED CREDIT MAILINGS

You may have received information that you can stop those pre-approved credit offers that frequently arrive in your mailbox and are used by identity thieves to run up credit charges on your good name.

This one is not a myth. Simply call 1.888.5OPTOUT and enter your information to stop pre-approved offers from arriving in your mailbox. This service was arranged by companies such as Visa, MBNA and MasterCard to stop identity theft.

—The Retailer, November 2005  
NC Retail Merchants Association

## SOUTH COUNCIL MEETING MONDAY, JANUARY 9TH

Charlene Fletcher, Chairperson of the Chamber's South Council group, invites members to attend the first meeting of 2006 on Monday, January 9<sup>th</sup>, at 12:00 noon at Bob's Barbecue, Highway 56, Creedmoor.

Granville County's Economic Development Director, Leon Turner, will be the guest speaker. He will update the group on projects in Granville County.

Persons wishing to attend should RSVP to Glenda Bragg in the Chamber's South Office by January 3<sup>rd</sup>, at 919.528.4994, or glenda@granville-chamber.com.

### LIBRARY REQUESTING ITEMS FOR DISPLAY

Pat Kiesow is looking for people who have interesting objects to display in the cases at the Richard H. Thornton Library's foyer. Please call 693.3106.



## NEW MEMBERS

ASHLEY JORDAN'S FLOWERS AND GIFTS has opened at 133 Hillsboro Street in Oxford, serving as a full-service florist and offering tuxedo rentals. Owners Phillip and Cheryl Hawkins (former Nits, Nats Etcetera owners) and Designer Deborah Gough invite everyone to visit them at their store, Monday through Friday, 9:30 a.m. until 5:30 p.m. and Saturdays 9:30 a.m. until 12:00 noon. They may also be reached by phone at 919.693.8380 and by fax at 919.693.9963.

We welcome them as our new Chamber members.

## MEETINGS COMMITTEE REPORT

The Chamber's Meetings Committee, chaired by Harrison Simons, has been busy planning the 2006 Annual Membership Banquet and discussing hosts and programs for monthly membership meetings.

Members of the committee with Mr. Simons are: William Adcock, Adcock ERA Realty & Auction Co.; Vickie Bailey, Mayo Realty; Johnsie Cunningham, Cooperative Extension Service; Jayme Currin, American Dream Properties; F. O. Finch, F. O. Finch Insurance Agency; Bob Gorham, Coldwell Banker Advantage; Michael Harrison, RBC Centura; LaVonna Harvey, Huckleberry Kids; Pat Kiesow, Associate Member; and Xavier Wortham, Oxford Housing Authority.

We appreciate their input and suggestions for our 2006 year.

### JOHN PENN BALLOT NOMINATIONS DUE

**A REMINDER:** There are many county citizens who are worthy of recognition of the John Penn Award. A nomination form was enclosed in the November and December issues of *The Brightleaf*. Additional copies may be obtained at either of the Chamber's office locations or on the website, granville-chamber.com.

Nominations must be received by the Chamber no later than January 3, 2006.

### GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE FORUM

Friday, January 13, at 8:00 a.m., the Chamber's Government Committee Forum will convene for the first meeting of the 2006 year.

Guest presenter will be Lindsay Mize, Executive Director of the South Granville Water and Sewer Authority. This will be an interesting program.

Please attend and, as always, invite other interested citizens to attend this meeting.



## NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT TO THE CHAMBER

Todd Adcock, past-president and chairman of the Nominating Committee, along with committee members, have submitted the following slate of officers and directors for the 2006 Chamber year:

- PRESIDENT — **Hugh M. Currin, Jr.** Royster, Cross & Currin
- PRESIDENT-ELECT — **Thomas Combs** Union Bank and Trust Company
- VICE-PRESIDENT — **Johnny Balmer** Carolina Sunrock
- TREASURER — **Jason Finch** Capital Bank
- PAST PRESIDENT — **Vickie Bailey** Mayo Realty

### BOARD OF DIRECTORS

- Trinity Delorme** *Oxford Floral, Framing and Cafe*  
(one-year term to fill an unexpired term to expire in 2007)
- Mark Averette** *Bandag*  
(one-year term to fill an unexpired term to expire in 2007)
- Jon Zbonack** *Knight Custom Homes & Jon's Main Street Bar & Grill*  
(three-year term to expire in 2009)
- Linda Taylor** *Coldwell Banker Advantage*  
(three-year term to expire in 2009)

As stated in the Chamber By-Laws, the following will apply:

**C. Nominations by petition.** Additional names of candidates for directors can be nominated by petition bearing the genuine signature of at least ten (10) qualified members of the Chamber. Such petition shall be filed within ten (10) days after the notice has been given of the names of those nominated. The determination of the Nominating Committee as to the legality of the petition shall be final.

**D. Determination.** If no petition is filed within the designated period, the nominations shall be closed and the nominated slate of two (2) candidates shall be declared elected by the Board of Directors. Installation of the Executive Committee and the Board shall take place at the Annual Banquet with responsibilities beginning in February of the new year at the Board of Directors Meeting.

### A NIGHT WITH THE CAROLINA HURRICANES CAROLINA HURRICANES VS. BUFFALO SABRES SUNDAY • FEBRUARY 12, 2006 • 5:00 P.M.

Join other members of the Granville County Chamber of Commerce for an evening of fun and excitement! Glenda Bragg has arranged for Granville County Chamber of Commerce members to see the Carolina Hurricanes take on their Eastern Conference rival, the Buffalo Sabres at the RBC Center.

Granville Chamber members will **SAVE UP to \$10.00 off the Gate Price!** Deadline for orders is **January 20, 2006**. Tickets are subject to availability and are sold on a first-come, first-served basis. This is a by **mail, e-mail or Fax order ONLY**. Orders will not be taken over the phone. Fax to Brian Slais, 919.861.6134; mail to Carolina Hurricanes, Attn: Brian Slais, Granville County Chamber, 1400 Edwards Mill Road, Raleigh, NC 27607; or E-mail [brains@carolinahurricanes.com](mailto:brains@carolinahurricanes.com).

The order form information is available on the Chamber's website, [granville-chamber.com](http://granville-chamber.com).

*Questions? Send an e-mail or phone 919.861.5457.*

# JANUARY 2006 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- 2 New Year's Day Holiday observance
- 3 8:30 am Oxford Downtown Roundtable, Chamber Boardroom
- 9 12:00 noon South Council Meeting (see article for details), Bob's Barbecue
- 9 Books Sandwiched In — Jackie Sergent, "Greenways to Health Update",  
Richard H. Thornton Library
- 11 8:00 am Meetings Committee, Chamber Boardroom
- 13 8:00 am Government Committee Meeting, Chamber Boardroom
- 16 HOLIDAY — Martin Luther King Birthday
- 17 8:00 am Board of Directors Meeting, Chamber Boardroom
- 19 8:00 am Leadership Granville Steering Committee, Chamber Boardroom
- 19 12 noon Human Resources Committee Meeting, Employment Security  
Commission Office, Oxford
- 23 Books Sandwiched In — Steve Powell will review his book,  
Richard H. Thornton Library
- 23 7:00 pm CHAMBER'S ANNUAL BANQUET, VGCC's Civic Center
- 30 Books Sandwiched In — Sandy Litzenberger, "Art as Therapy",  
Richard H. Thornton Library

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