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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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## AMERICAN FLAG ETIQUETTE

Federal law stipulates many aspects of flag etiquette. The section of law dealing with American flag etiquette is generally referred to as the Flag Code. Some general guidelines from the Flag Code answer many of the most common questions.

- The flag should be lighted at all times, either by sunlight or by an appropriate light source.
- The flag should be flown in fair weather, unless the flag is designed for inclement weather use.
- The flag should never be dipped to any person or thing. It is flown upside down only as a distress signal.
- The flag should not be used for any decoration in general. Bunting of blue, white and red stripes is available for these purposes. The blue stripe of the bunting should be on the top.
- The flag should never be used for any advertising purpose. It should not be embroidered, printed or otherwise impressed on such articles as cushions, handkerchiefs, napkins, boxed or anything intended to be discarded after temporary use. Advertising signs should not be attached to the staff or halyard.
- The flag should not be used as part of a costume or athletic uniform, except that a flag patch may be used on the uniform of military personnel, fireman, policeman and members of patriotic organizations.
- The flag should never have any mark, insignia, letter, word, number, figure or drawing of any kind placed on it, or attached to it.
- The flag should never be used for receiving, holding, carrying, or delivering anything.
- When the flag is lowered, no part of it should touch the ground or any other object; it should be received by waiting hands and arms. To store the flag, it should be folded neatly and ceremoniously.
- The flag should be cleaned and mended when necessary.
- When a flag is so worn it is no longer fit to serve as a symbol of our country, it should be destroyed by burning in a dignified manner.

— [www.usa-flag-site.org](http://www.usa-flag-site.org)

**CLEAN OUT JUST IN TIME FOR...**  
**THE NEW TEACHER YARD SALE**  
**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 29**

The popular, annual **NEW TEACHER YARD SALE** is planned for Wednesday, August 29 at 4:00 p.m. at the Public Works Building in Oxford. You must attend to know how excited these new teachers are to have gift tokens to purchase items that have been donated by our community.

Event sponsor, **Granville Education Foundation**, asks that everyone remember to save discards and clean-up items to donate. Call Shields Blackwell, Executive Director of the GEF, at 919.693.7047. She will be happy to arrange pickup for large items.

## HUMAN RESOURCE COMMITTEE REPORT

June's Human Resource Committee was treated to lunch and a program by sponsors City of Oxford – Don Jenkins, and Clayton Homes – Frances Garrett, at the Oxford City Hall.

The HR Committee does not meet in July. However, Thursday, August 12 at noon, Cam Steele will be the host at Certainteed. Hope to see many HR managers there!

## GOVERNMENT FORUM, CREEDMOOR CITY HALL FRIDAY, JULY 13

The Chamber's monthly Government Forum will be meeting Friday, July 13 at 8:00 am in Creedmoor at City Hall. Committee co-chairpersons Pat Kiesow and Lois Pauluzzi announce that Carmen Hooker Odom, Secretary of the N.C. Department of Health and Human Services will be the guest speaker.

There should be great interest in this program with the construction of the new facility in Butner which will be replacing the John Umstead and Dorothea Dix facilities.

The public is invited to attend.

### July 16 at Bob's Barbecue

## SOUTH COUNCIL MEETING

The July Meeting of the Chamber's South Council will be held Monday, July 16th at 12:00 noon at Bob's Barbecue on Highway 56. This is a dutch-treat lunch, which is followed by a program.

Representatives of Tar River Land Conservancy will be presenting the program. This will be interesting information. Plan to join us at Bob's for South Council!

## KUDOS TO GRANVILLE COUNTY SENIOR CENTER

The Granville County Senior Center celebrated their 20th year of service to the senior adults of Granville County on Thursday, June 7 with an Open House at the Senior Center.

What a wonderful program with incredible services! *Congratulations!!!*

# JULY CALENDAR OF EVENTS

4	HOLIDAY – INDEPENDENCE DAY		
13	8:00 am	Government Forum Committee	Creedmoor City Hall
16	12:00 noon	South Council Meeting	Bob's Barbecue Restaurant
19	8:30 am	Leadership Granville Steering Committee	Chamber Boardroom
19	5:30 pm - 7:00 pm	Business-After-Hours	David Vesel & Associates, 109 Elm Street, Creedmoor
27	EXPO Early-Bird Deadline		

## GRANVILLE INDUSTRIAL & BUSINESS CLUB'S GOLF TOURNAMENT THURSDAY, AUGUST 23

The Granville Industrial and Business Club has planned another spectacular Captain's Choice Tournament for Thursday, August 23 at South Granville Country Club in Creedmoor.

Reservations will be accepted for the first 92 players. Advance payment will confirm your reservation, along with a completed entry form. The ENTRY FORM must be received by August 1 to allow appropriate cart order. Dinner reservations will be accepted until Thursday, August 16.

The shotgun start will be at 1:00 p.m. with a social at 5:30 p.m. and dinner at 6:00 p.m. All proceeds from the tournament benefit Granville County Schools and VGCC Scholarships.

For entry form and additional information, contact GIBC at 919.693.5911 phone, or e-mail [debweary@nc.rr.com](mailto:debweary@nc.rr.com), or 919.693.1952 fax.

## MONTHLY BUSINESS-AFTER-HOURS THURSDAY, JULY 19

July's Monthly Membership Meeting will be a Business-After-Hours on Thursday evening, July 19th, from 5:30 until 7:00 p.m. at **David Vesel & Assocs., PA** office — 109 Elm Street in Creedmoor.

Come and see the renovations made to this historic home which houses Vesel's law office. Attendees will enjoy visiting the office, refreshments and networking. We hope to see many members there! Watch for more details in email correspondence.

## NEW TEACHER BREAKFAST FRIDAY, AUGUST 17

Even though schools just closed for the summer, it is time to think about beginning the 2007-08 year! This year's **New Teacher Breakfast** has been scheduled somewhat later than in past years, due to the school schedule.

Chamber member businesses are encouraged to contribute items for the New Teacher bags — approximately 100. Any combinations of small items — pens, pencils, note pads, make-up samples, rulers, etc. will be appreciated.

The Chamber staff will be happy to pick up the items — Glenda, 528.4994 or Wanda, 693.6125, or you may bring them by our offices at 1598 N.C. Hwy. 56, Creedmoor, or 124 Hillsboro Street, Oxford.

We hope that you will mark your calendar and plan to attend this exciting event for new teachers in our county!

## CONSUMER ALERTS

The Better Business Bureau of Eastern North Carolina's May "Business Line" newsletter offers monthly Consumer Alerts "as potential story or interview ideas. Readers should take into consideration the importance of the practice in question and the total performance of a company."

They may be viewed online at [www.bbbenc.org/consumeralerts.html](http://www.bbbenc.org/consumeralerts.html).

## REMEMBER: SWAT A LITTERBUG

Crack down on litterbugs and help educate them about litter! Report LITTERBUGS online at [www.NCDOT.ORG/~BEAUTIFICATION](http://www.NCDOT.ORG/~BEAUTIFICATION). Needed info: NC license plate number, date, time, county, city, street/highway and type of violation.

Everyone please do your part to combat this unsightly problem.

## **ALIVE AFTER FIVE #2 in CREEDMOOR**

### **THURSDAY, AUGUST 23 • 5:30-8:30 P.M.**

The Chamber's second Alive After Five of 2007 will be held Thursday, August 23 from 5:30 until 8:30 p.m. in the Prudential Select Properties parking lot (former Kayser-Roth location) on Hwy. 56 in Creedmoor. This location is past South Granville High School, on the opposite side of the street.

THE EMBERS were requested to be at our Creedmoor event this year. THE EMBERS remain one of the most popular beach bands, as well as one of the most active performing groups in the country. Their well-known mix of rhythm and blues, heart and soul music continues to entertain all ages who come to see them.

VOLUNTEERS are needed to assist with the event — at check-in tables or serving beverages. A couple of Chamber member businesses have already committed several staff members to be volunteers. We hope others will do the same.

## **WELCOME NEW CHAMBER MEMBERS!**

**JEANNETTE CASH** of **COLDWELL BANKER ADVANTAGE** is joining us as an Associate Member. As a real estate broker, Jeannette will be happy to work with you on your real estate needs. She may be reached at 919.691.5564 phone; 919.528.4411 fax; e-mail [jcash-realtor@nc.rr.com](mailto:jcash-realtor@nc.rr.com) or by visiting her website, [www.jeannettecash.com](http://www.jeannettecash.com). She is also attainable at her office 2555-A Capitol Drive in Creedmoor, off Hwy 56. We welcome Jeannette as a new Associate Member and thank her for her participation and support!

We're delighted to welcome **AIR WORKS HEATING & AIR** as a new heating and air conditioning contractor member. **Michelle Frazier** is the contact person for this business at 316 Cherry Street in Creedmoor. Their business is open Monday – Friday, 8:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m., and "as needed." They maintain, service and repair all manufacturers' systems, as well as replace systems. Contact Michelle at 919.528.4333 and visit their website at [www.airworksheating-andair.com](http://www.airworksheating-andair.com). *Thank-you for joining!*

Volunteers are required to attend ALE training, which takes only 20-30 minutes. This will be held in Creedmoor. Also, volunteers receive a FREE t-shirt, available only by volunteering.

Our Alive After Five events have been successful because of volunteers — please consider helping! Contact Glenda at [glenda@granville-chamber.com](mailto:glenda@granville-chamber.com) – 528.4994, or Wanda at [granvillechamber@earthlink.net](mailto:granvillechamber@earthlink.net) – 693.6125.

The Chamber is also especially grateful for this year's SPONSORS for all three Alive After Five events:

#### *Presenting Stage Sponsors*

Harris, Inc.; Wake Electric Membership Corp.

#### *Boardwalk Sponsors*

Downtown Oxford Economic Development Corp., EMBARQ, Granville Health System, Progress Energy, SunTrust Bank,

Whitco Termite and Pest Control

#### *Shagger Sponsors*

Currin Building Supply, Inc.; Lewis Electric of Oxford, Inc.

#### *Sand Dollar Sponsors*

Altec; Prudential Select Properties; Grey Blackwell; D. B. Williams Construction Company; Carolina Sunrock; School of Graphic Arts; J & M Construction Co.; Duke Energy; City of Creedmoor; Simply Delicious Catering; Nationwide Insurance / Jimmy Williams; Fidelity Bank – Oxford & Creedmoor; Coca-Cola; Solectron; Tatum & Edwards, CPA,PA; Fishing Creek Nursery / Florist; Coley Bunch Nursery; Sunrise Biscuit Co.; Knight Custom Homes; Granville County Sheriff's Department; Creedmoor Fuel Service, Inc.; Verizon; City of Oxford.

*See everyone Thursday, August 23rd in Creedmoor!*

## **Ambassador Spotlight of the Month**

We would like to introduce you to our July Ambassador — Susie Lee. Susie has lived in Granville County since June 1993. She is a real estate broker and has earned the Accredited Buyer's Representative designation awarded by the National Association of Realtors. Susie works with the real estate team of Joe Bryan & Associates, Inc. of Oxford. She also works as a Quality Assurance Officer for Triangle Home Health Care, Inc. where she serves as the main auditor of the record keeping for five offices ensuring compliance with the N.C. Department of Medical Assistance and the N.C. Department of Facility Services licensure rules and regulations. At Triangle, our mission is for our clients to be able to "age in place" in their home and not be placed in a facility. Both businesses are members and strong supporters of the Chamber.

When Susie isn't working two jobs, she enjoys painting with oils and watercolors; dancing shag, swing, country, waltz, contra dancing; quilting and sewing; gardening; and fitness. She also enjoys playing with her grandsons, Blake and Austin, and spending time with family, friends, and her (3) four-legged daughters, Aggie Mae, Maggie Jo, and Lady.

Susie is a member of New Horizons Baptist Church where she is on the Building Committee. She also is a member of The Granville Gardeners.

Susie's favorite quote to live by is "Yesterday is but a dream, and tomorrow is only a vision, but today well lived makes every yesterday a dream of happiness and every tomorrow a vision of hope. Look, therefore to this day."

Susie has always felt that a Chamber of Commerce is a vital part of a business community. She feels it is very important for any business owner and their employees to be a part of their local Chamber. "The GCCC is so very fortunate to have Ginnie, Wanda, and Glenda working for us everyday in promoting our wonderful business community."

She feels honored to be serving as an Ambassador, and we are lucky to have her represent us. Please come meet Susie at our next Business after Hours.

# EXPO 2007!

## REGISTER EARLY AND SAVE ON FEE!

Our Chamber is anticipating continued participation and attendance at the annual **BUSINESS EXPO** this fall. This year's event will be even bigger and better, offering even more opportunities to benefit area businesses.

Hopefully, many Granville County Chamber members will be an EXPO exhibitor at this year's event scheduled for Tuesday, October 9th at Vance-Granville Community College's Civic Center, from 1:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m.

**Early Bird Special Registration** (available only to participating Chamber members) is \$200.00. After July 20 the fee will be \$225.00. Registration includes two boxed lunches for vendors at noon. Registration for non-Chamber members is \$385.00. There is an additional \$10.00 charge for electrical hook-up.

This year's EXPO is being sponsored by the following businesses:

**GOLD SPONSORS:** Progress Energy, Wake Electric Membership Corporation.

**SILVER SPONSORS:** Carolina Sunrock, LLC; Granville Health System; School of Graphic Arts;

Time Warner Cable; Vulcan Construction Materials

**MEDIA SPONSORS:** Country 102, Oxford Public Ledger, The Butner-Creedmoor News, The Daily Dispatch, The Franklin Times, The Warren Record, WARR 1520-AM, WIZS 1450, WLUS FM 98.3.

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## AUGUST 3-5

# NORTH CAROLINA'S SIXTH SALES TAX HOLIDAY

### *Are you and your employees ready?*

While it seems early to be thinking about the August Sales Tax Holiday, it is never too early to plan, according to "The Retailer" newsletter of the N.C. Retail Merchants Association. Hopefully, with advance notice, retailers can make appropriate arrangements to be stocked and have personnel ready to handle the demands of this weekend.

During this weekend, certain items are free from sales tax to help consumers with back-to-school shopping. The North Carolina General Assembly created the first Sales Tax Holiday in 2002. Since that time, minor changes have been made to the legislation which governs the three-day "holiday" from sales tax.

The May 1, 2007 issue of "The Retailer" includes a comprehensive list of taxable and tax-free items. It also gives examples of how the law applies to gift certificates, coupons, layaways and more.

Business owners are encouraged to contact the NCRMA with questions regarding the Sales Tax Holiday at 919.832.0811 or 800.662.7211. They are happy to provide this information in hard copy. Their website is [www.ncrma.org](http://www.ncrma.org).

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