

GRANVILLE COUNTY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

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Watch Me Work by Chamber President Angela Allen

Stovall's Gifts: Watch Me Work's February Business Spotlight

Did you know that one of the most popular events in Granville County began in a downtown retail shop?

Ten years ago Julia Overton, Owner of Stovall's Gifts located at 100 Main Street in historic downtown Oxford, hosted an event in her store to promote North Carolina products, specifically hot sauces. From that event, the NC Hot Sauce Contest was born and has grown to encompass the three main streets in downtown: College, Main, and Hillsboro Streets. With the support and sponsorship of Bailey Farms and other prominent sponsors, The City of Oxford hosts approximately 70 vendors and 12,000 visitors all here to sell, sample and enter their special sauces in the hottest contest around.



Julia (bottom right) enjoying customers and close friends in the infamous "The Cellar On Main"

Dan and Julia Stovall started Stovall's...[read more](#)

2016 ALIVE AFTER FIVE ~ OUR 13TH YEAR!

SAVE-THE-DATES

Thursday, May 12, Oxford
Thursday, August 18, Butner
Thursday, September 15, Oxford

Please support our March Sponsors!



Family Reunions
 Graduation Parties
 Sweet Sixteens
 Weddings
 Anniversaries
 Special Birthdays

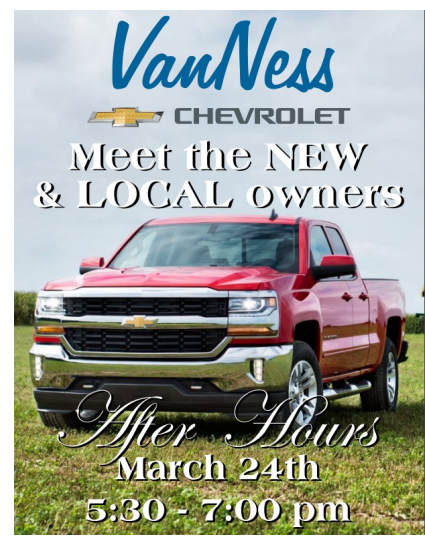
We have availability for all of your special events!

Join us April 29 for our Business After Hours and Ribbon Cutting at 5pm.
 At 8pm Tim Cifers and the Band kick off the evening with a live performance.
 Saturday, April 30 is our Grand Opening and Vino Family Fun Day!

Tours available by appointment seven days a week.
 Check out our new website and calendar of events for the latest and greatest!
 We look forward to seeing you at Vino Oasi



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Granville County Public Schools Launches New Marketing Efforts

Granville County Public Schools is exploring non-traditional methods for marketing our educational services. In an effort to better establish our brand, the district is considering contracting with a company to post at least two billboard displays on local roads in our county. The primary location we are considering is located on Highway 56 in the Butner/Creedmoor area near Bob's Barbecue. We have also considered options on Highway 15 south near Betts & Son Funeral Home in Oxford.

We believe this will help strengthen the brand image of our schools and promote the positive relationship our schools have with the community. Watch for more information about the GCPS' marketing plans.

-Stan Winborne, Granville County Public Schools

INFORMATION REGARDING NC'S SALES TAX LAW

Information provided by the NC Retail Merchants' Association: North Carolina's sales tax law will be changing March 1, 2016, to require sales tax to be charged on certain installations, repairs and maintenance of tangible personal property.

The NC Retail Merchants Association (NCRMA) has been working for weeks to bring more clarity to the new sales tax law on "Repairs, Maintenance and Installations" on tangible personal property. Your Association staff is working on a Q&A document that will attempt to consolidate all of the various Directives from the NC Dept of Revenue. We hope to distribute it soon.

In the meantime, the Sales and Use Tax Division of the NC Dept of Revenue has added an updated Sales and Use Tax Technical Bulletin concerning the March 1, 2016, Tax Changes on Repairs, Maintenance and Repairs. This includes some new items that will be subject to sales tax for "Repairs, Maintenance and Installations" on items such as alterations of clothing or re-upholstering furniture.

The notice can be found at

http://www.dornrc.com/taxes/sales/impronotice0222_march1changes.pdf

Our Monthly Calendar of Events

March 3; 6 pm
Granville Education Foundation's "SPELL-a-bration"
J. F. Webb High's Gymnasium
FMI: GEF/Dori Koinis @ 919.693.7047
edfoundation@earthlink.net

March 4; 5 - 7 pm
Relay for Life - Pancake Supper
Mountain Creek Baptist Church's Fellowship Hall
\$7/plate; under 5 yrs., free

March 4; 6 - 9 pm @ Creedmoor Gymnasium; 108 Wilton Ave.
Family 1st Friday event - MARCH MADNESS ~ Game On!
Presented by Creedmoor Parks & Recreation
Free admission; donations welcome at the door; bring your own refreshments
FMI: cityofcreedmoor.org/FirstFridays

March 5; 8 am - noon
Relay for Life Yard Sale/Mt. Creek team
CCM Hut

March 5
Relay for Life Survivors' Dinner
MUST REGISTER; contact a Relay team member for info

March 7; 12 noon ~ 2 LOCATIONS!
Lunch & Learn ~ Dutch treat
LOCATIONS:

- Old South Restaurant/ Exit 191, off I-85
- George's Oxford Restaurant/104 E. Industry Dr., Oxford

Program: "SHOP SMALL SATURDAY" - Review & planning for Nov. 2016
Attend at the restaurant most convenient to you! The Chamber is anxious to receive comments about last year's SHOP SMALL SATURDAY event and to get YOUR SUGGESTIONS as we plan for this year's event - the Saturday after Thanksgiving.

March 8; 8 am
Chamber's Board of Directors
VGCC/South Campus

March 8; 12 noon
Human Resource Committee Mtg.
Granville County Economic Development Comm.
Belle St., Oxford

March 11; 7:45 am
SUNRISE FORUM

Granville County Expo Center/Hwy 15-South, Oxford
Program: Granville Co. Sheriff Brin Wilkins and staff
Breakfast will be provided. RSVP to a Chamber office

March 13
DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME BEGINS

March 15; 8 am
Chamber's AMBASSADORS MEETING
Chamber Board; 124 Hillsboro St., Oxford

March 17; 8 am
Leadership Granville's Steering Committee
Chamber Boardroom

March 17;
Relay for Life Team Meeting
Granville County Expo Center

March 19; 8 am - 1 pm
Great Landscape Volunteer Event
Masonic Home for Children
Call or visit website to register
MUST BE PRE-REGISTERED to participate

March 19; 10 am - 12 noon
Easter Egg Hunt
Lake Rogers/Hwy 56, Creedmoor
919.528.3332; cityofcreedmoor.org

March 19
Granville Ambulance Chase and Food Truck
Historic Downtown Oxford
Race Start Times:

- 10K Ambulance Chase - 4 p.m.
- 5K Ambulance Chase - 4:20 p.m.
- 5K Fun Run - 4:25 p.m.
- 1-Mile Family Walk - 5 p.m.
- 100-Yard Kids' Dash - 5:30 p.m.
- Food Truck Rodeo - 4 p.m. to 7 p.m.

The Granville Ambulance Chase & Food Truck Rodeo has something for everyone - from serious runners to families looking for a day of healthy fun. Proceeds to benefit the Granville Health System Foundation. FMI: ghs5k.org

Saturday, March 19; 5 pm - preview
Relay for Life Countywide Auction - 6 pm
Masonic Home Gym. Concessions available. Donations accepted.

March 24; 10 am
Butner's Easter Egg Hunt
Gazebo Park, Central Ave., Butner
1 - 5 year olds

March 24; 5:30 - 7 pm

BUSINESS-AFTER-HOURS

VanNess Chevrolet, downtown Creedmoor

RSVP to a Chamber office

Enjoy networking, hors d'oeuvres and beverages while visiting the dealership and meeting the new owners!

March 25 - HOLIDAY - Good Friday

March 26; 2 - 4 pm

VETERANS' APPRECIATION EVENT

Special recognition - "Vietnam Era"

Granville County Expo Center; Hwy 15-S, Oxford

FMI: Jim Blanchard @ 929.690.2757

March 30; 3 pm

Ribbon Cutting

The "Gauntlet" outdoor trail

Near Granville Oaks, Creedmoor

Welcome to our newest members!

Please join us in extending a warm Granville County welcome to the newest members to the Chamber!



Members will soon have an opportunity to visit the **REGENCY INN**

~ 913 Linden Avenue in Oxford ~ to see the renovations and

updates that owner MEENA DAVE is making. The motel is conveniently located just off I-85

where you can notice some of the renovations taking place. This will be a nice addition to the

overnight options in Oxford. Phone Meena @ 919.693.9151 or email her

Meenailesh@hotmail.com.

CHARLES LANE's water purification equipment business is another new joiner. Charles may be reached at **HYDRO SERVICE & SUPPLIES, INC.** This business is housed at 514 C United Drive in Durham and is open 8 am 'til 5 pm daily. For more information or to schedule a visit, contact Charles @ clane@hydroservice.com or phone @ 919.452.6107.

A familiar non-profit has joined the Chamber ~ **HABITAT FOR HUMANITY - GRANVILLE COUNTY**. And, there is a new Executive Director, JULIE BOOTH, everyone will be anxious to meet. Visit Habitat's RE-STORE at 121 Hilltop Village Shopping Center in Oxford. Whether your interest is in purchasing or donating, HABITAT will be delighted to have you visit - Tuesday, Thursday and Saturdays - 10 am 'til 5 pm. Contact info: 919.693.5694; Habitat4Humanity.gc@gmail.com. Thanks Cheryl Hart for referring them as a Chamber member!

Let's welcome an event venue ~ **CEDAR GROVE ACRES, LLC.** as a Chamber member! Contacts Paula and Richard Kolarov are available "every day- 8 am 'til 8 pm". Visit this elegant, rustic event venue at 3123 Brassfield Road in Creedmoor and/or visit Cedar Grove via their website, www.cedargroveacres.com. Calls may be directed to 919.880.7189 or email pkhattie@gmail.com. Make plans now!

The **NATIONAL MARY POTTER CLUB/GEORGE C. SHAW MUSEUM** houses "black history in Granville County", and offers "public service and community outreach." The museum is located on the corner of New College and East McClanahan Streets in Oxford. Hours of operation are Fridays and Saturdays, by appointment. Contact Rosalyn Green FMI by phoning 919.690.0325 or emailing RMARIE7312@gmail.com. Rosalyn is an active member and is an alumnus of Leadership Granville.

Thanks to Jimmy Crawford for recommending **VANCE CONSTRUCTION COMPANY** for Chamber membership! This company is a general contractor with office hours - daily - from 8 am until 5 pm. Richard E. Watkins is their designated member who you may expect to see at Chamber events. Their office is located at 4197 Raleigh Road in Henderson. They may be reached via phone: 252.492.0028; email - rwatkins@vanceconstruction.net

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