



# Red Springs Chamber of Commerce

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## ~Vision Statement~

*The Mission of the Red Springs Chamber of Commerce is to serve its members and the general public by demonstrating effective leadership for the betterment of the business community, as well as, the total community of Red Springs. The Chamber strives to be a valuable force in the promotion of the business community and the recruitment of new business and industry to the Red Springs area. The Chamber desires to be a working organization that will be progressive in nature and will work for the promotion of new business for the betterment of the community at large. It is the desire of the Chamber to strengthen the business environment and enhance the quality of life for all citizens in the Red Springs area. By working together as a total community, this vision can be attained.*

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## Upcoming Events

### APRIL

#### 21 ANNUAL RED SPRINGS STREET FAIR & CAR SHOW

This year's Fair will be held on April 21, 2018 from 11 am until 4 PM. Booth setup will be from 8 am - 10 am the morning of the fair. Contact Maggy Morley for more information.

### MAY

#### HIRING EVENT IN RED SPRINGS - MAY 9TH

#### All Job Seekers Welcome!

**Sponsored by:** Two Hawk Employment Services & The Red Springs Chamber

**Where:** Red Springs Community Center - May 9th, 2018 9am - 2pm

## President's Message

We are now into March and the Chamber board is working hard on membership and planning for the months ahead.

The student of excellence has been selected and will be recognized at the next public schools board meeting. At our Chamber board meeting in April, we will honor these students and their parents with a lunch and have pictures in our next newsletter. We will be recognizing students from Red Springs High School and Highlanders Academy.

Easter is soon coming up and we hope to see the Easter Bunny out and around town so stay on the lookout, he may pop up anywhere.

The month of April, we will be working with the town and the

Appearance Committee with the Spring clean up for our community. All businesses, churches, and citizens will need to get involved with this project.

May, we will be getting ready for the Educators Appreciation Breakfast for all who work with our school systems in our area. We have businesses that sponsor this each year, and they will be at our schools early that Friday morning serving breakfast to all school employees as they come to work. Also in May, the Chamber will be serving lunch to all our Town employees as appreciation for all their hard work in keeping our town up and running and safe for all of us.

Looking ahead to June, we would like to have a fund raiser to support

the Chamber. We have some needs at the office and will be asking for support with the fund raiser.

We have our New Membership Plaques and are getting them out to 2018 members, so be on the lookout for these in businesses. If you have already joined and do not have your membership plaque, please give us a call. The board of directors would like to thank each of you for the support you give to your Chamber. Working together we can make a difference in Red Springs, our town.

Until the next time,

*Fran Ray*



## PROVIDENCE PLACE

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## Getting to Know the Mayor

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God and to touch someone's heart with his saxophone playing.

Mayor Henderson is also a United States Air Force veteran who proudly served his country for six years.

The son of the late Leroy and Ernestine King Henderson, Mayor Henderson is married to his wife of 34 years, Frances Henderson and they have three children and four grandchildren. He and his wife are members of Rhyne Memorial United Methodist Church and together they manage a Personal Care Agency in Lumberton, North Carolina.

He believes that through Christ Jesus, all things are possible and that you can accomplish or achieve anything that you prepare yourself to do. Trust in the Lord and be willing to work in his fields.

Mayor Edward Henderson is the first African-American elected to serve as Mayor in the town of Red Springs. Born and raised in Red Springs/Robeson County, he is proud to serve the citizens of his town.

Mayor Henderson graduated from Red Springs High School, holds two Associate Degrees from Robeson Community College, studied Music Education and Business Administration at Fayetteville State University and Fundamentals of Municipal Government through the UNC School of Government in Chapel Hill.

He enjoys playing the saxophone (40 plus years) and singing locally at church. His musical goal is to glorify



Wanda Douglas is our new Executive Director for the Red Springs Chamber of Commerce. She is a life long resident of Red Springs. She retired from Campbell

Soup Supply Company in Maxton, NC in July of 2015 working there for 26 years.. We welcome her to this position and look forward to working with her.



Heather Hunt, the new Finance Director, was born and raised in Lumberton, NC. She graduated from Lumberton Sr. High before attending

UNCP, where she received her Bachelors in Finance. She then went on to Webster University in Myrtle Beach to receive her MBA.

She is married to Carl Oxendine, with whom she has three children (Brandon, Ashley, and Makayla) as well as four step-children (Jeremiah, Sierra, Alannah, and Aiden), giving her a total of seven wonderful kids.

She enjoys spending all of her extra time with her family, especially her grandkids (Landon 3, Cayson 2, and Greison 1 month).



Barbara McColl was born in Scotland County and graduated from Scotland High School in 1975. Later she attended

St. Andrews College and transferred to Richmond Community College. She received an Associate's Degree in Healthcare Administration from Phoenix University and a Bachelors in Healthcare Management at Capella University. She is a mother of three children and one grandchild. She has been a resident of the Town of Red Springs for nine years and she loves every minute of her journey.



New town manager, David Ashburn, was born in Nashville, Tennessee, and in his 36 years of living there, was a firefighter, paramedic, and faculty member of a local college, teaching Medical and Emergency Services classes.

He then took a job in Walker County, Georgia in 1992, where he established the county 911 and Dispatch Center. He built the county Fire Department and served as the Emergency Management Director and Fire Chief. He became a Police Officer, then Chief of the Walker County police department, and served as the interim County Sheriff. He became the County Manager where he oversaw Economic Development, Planning, Zoning, Storm-water, Code Enforcement, along with all of the Emergency Services. In 2005, he became the General Manager of the Water and Sewer Authority, along with the County responsibilities. He retired at the end of December 2016 from Walker County and was hired with the Town of Red Springs as Town Manager on January 29th, 2018. He has a wife, Barbara, four sons, and five grandchildren.

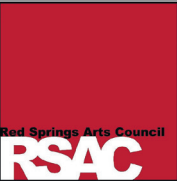
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**VENDOR APPLICATION**  
**RED SPRINGS STREET FAIR 2018**  
**FESTIVAL DATE:** Saturday, April 21, 2018 11 AM - 4 PM  
**REGISTRATION AND PAYMENT DEADLINE:** March 23, 2018  
**Vendors must supply their own table and shade canopy if needed.**

NAME \_\_\_\_\_  
ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_  
PHONE # AND EMAIL \_\_\_\_\_

Category	Amount	Subtotal
<b>FOR-PROFIT FOOD VENDOR**</b>	\$75	
ARTS/CRAFTS (All items must be made by vendor.)	\$30	
OTHER ITEMS FOR SALE (Please list examples of what you are selling below)	\$40	
NON-PROFIT COMMUNITY ORGANIZATION BOOTH	\$25	
INFORMATION BOOTH (no sale items)	\$25	
ARTIST DEMONSTRATION ONLY (FREE)	\$0	
ELECTRICITY HOOK-UP	\$10	
	<b>TOTAL AMOUNT: \$</b>	

DESCRIPTION OF ITEM(S) FOR SALE

Checks and/or money orders payable to the  
"Red Springs Arts Council" Mail to:  
Red Springs Arts Council, PO Box 84, Red Springs, NC 28377

**\*\*All Food Vendors, must file additional information and permit fees as applicable.**  
**Contact:** Maggy Morley, Red Springs Arts Council/email [theredspringsartscouncil2014@yahoo.com](mailto:theredspringsartscouncil2014@yahoo.com)

Vendor understands and agrees that the Red Springs Arts Council (RSAC) and the Town of Red Springs will not be responsible or liable for damage or loss to works or persons participating in this fair. Exhibitor further understands and acknowledges that he/she assumes the risk that the Fair may be canceled due to inclement weather or any other reason at the discretion of RSAC. In the event of cancellation all fees are non-refundable to the exhibitor. I hereby agree to release the RSAC, the Town of Red Springs and other groups or individuals from all liability arising out of any occurrence during this fair, and to hold them harmless from all accidents.

EXHIBITOR SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_  
DATE \_\_\_\_\_



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**AND THE RED SPRINGS ARTS COUNCIL**  
**PRESENT**  
**RED SPRINGS STREET FAIR 2018**  
**AND CAR SHOW**  
**SATURDAY APRIL 21, 2018**  
**11 AM - 4 PM**  
**BETWEEN MAIN STREET AND FOURTH AVENUE**

ARTISTS  
DANCERS  
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Maggy Morley, President - (910) 988-1315  
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Beverly Locklear, Vice President - (910) 843-3039



#### ALLOWAY CEMETERY COLUMBARIUM



As times change more people are being cremated. This process is cheaper than the traditional type of funeral, which consists of using a casket and vault. The Town of Red Springs has installed columbarium, which holds 312 niches, for those who wish to be cremated. Each niche can hold two standard urns. When you purchase a niche, it comes with a granite face plate. You can then have it engraved with your loved ones

#### MILL VILLAGE SEWER UPGRADE

The majority of the citizens do not know the inner workings of the collection (sewer) system. The only thing they care about is if the water is running and commodes are flushing. The Town of Red Springs has contracted with ELJ general contractor. In the Mill Village area of Red Springs, we are upgrading the sewer system. This consists of a new lift station, new manholes, and sewer mains. In 2014, Red Springs upgraded the hydrants and water mains in this area. The Town of Red Springs chose this area for the upgrade because the infrastructure was deteriorating. The majority of all the lines in this area were installed in the 1940's. The majority of the sewer mains are being replaced with PVC. For the sewer mains that are no in that bad of shape, those lines will be slipped lined with Cured in Place Pipe (CIPP). After the contractor has completed the upgrade, the streets that were damaged will be repaved. We are sorry for any inconvenience this upgrade has caused to the citizens. The Town of Red Springs has the citizen's best interest in mind. We are striving to enhance the lives of our Residents. In doing so, it can cause delays and congestion while traveling in this area. We appreciate your patience. Any complaints or compliments may be directed to Timothy Mauldin, Town Hall, 1-910-843-5241.



information. The columbarium was a vision of the previous Public Works Director, George Hall. Mr. Hall and the previous Town Manager, James Bennett, did the majority of the foot work on this project. Red Springs has been working on the new section of Alloway cemetery for over seven years. In December 2017, the former Town Manager, James Bennett contracted with Green Scape to do the landscaping around the columbarium. The Town of Red Springs still has some work to be done in the new section of Alloway Cemetery. The next project is to install and repair the entrance roads. If you are interested in purchasing a niche the cost is \$500.00 ea. for town citizens.

For those who live out of town its \$550.00 per niche. Please contact Town of Red Springs at 1-910-843-5241.



**Steven Graham**  
Manager

**802 E. 4Th Ave. Red Springs, NC**  
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This is the main fundraiser for the RS Rotary Club and this year, thanks to our sponsors and supporters, we netted over \$6,000.00 to spend in our community on local projects such as: maintaining our Rotary Garden on North Main St., sponsoring a Little League Baseball team, a scholarship for RS High graduates, sending high school Jr's to a leadership conference and others as they arise.

Our entertainment was Black Velvet featuring KasCie Page and Robbie Lee VanHoy.

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CORRECTION: The photos that ran in last month's newsletter were from 2017 and we would like to apologize for any confusion this may have caused. Thank you.  
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# 2018 RED SPRINGS ROTARY Valentine's Day DINNER



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