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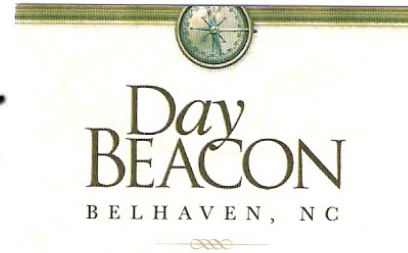
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**Belhaven Community Chamber of Commerce**

**February 2008**

# CHAMBER NEWS

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and all of  
Northeastern Beaufort County  
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### Board Members

- T.W. Allen, President
- Mary Hubers, Vice President
- Marlene Young, Treasurer
- Heather Hubers & Margie Miller  
Executive Directors
- Diane Edwards
- Donna Goins
- Angela Harne
- Pat Holz
- Gail Kenefick
- Sandy Landy
- Nicole O'Neal
- Greg Satterthwaite

### Belhaven Community Chamber of Commerce

**Winter Hours**  
Tuesday through Friday  
9 a.m. - 2 p.m.

**Board Meeting**  
February 19, 2008  
7:00 p.m.

**All Members Welcome**

## Nominations for Distinguished Citizen, Junior Citizen, and Small Business Person of the Year

For more than forty years, the Belhaven Community Chamber of Commerce has recognized individuals for outstanding service to the community. The Chamber is seeking nominations for this year's Distinguished Citizen of the Year, Junior Citizen of the Year and Small Business Person of the Year. The winners will be recognized at the Chamber's Annual Awards Ceremony and Banquet planned for Thursday, April 24, 2008, at the Pungo Christian Academy.

To be eligible, nominees must be current, continuous residents of Northeastern Beaufort County for at least four years.

Additional criteria for consideration for an award are based on participation in church, civic, social, and fraternal organizations; contributions to his or her fellow man; service to the community at large; and, participation in the economic and cultural aspects of the community. Nominees for Distinguished Citizen and Small Business Person must be at least 18 years of age.

Young adults eligible for Junior Citizen of the Year must be of Junior High School or High School age and meet the above criteria.

All nominations must be submitted in writing, identifying the individual's criteria, and signed by nominator. We regret we cannot accept verbal nominations. Please mail all nominations to:

Belhaven Community Chamber of Commerce  
Banquet Awards Committee  
P.O. Box 147  
Belhaven, NC 27810

Or bring nominations to the Chamber between 9 am – 2 pm Tuesday through Friday.

**Deadline for nominations is March 14, 2008.**

For more information, please contact the Chamber office - 252-943-3770.

Everyone is encouraged to submit nominees for these awards.

**PLEASE SUBMIT YOUR NOMINATIONS NOW!!!!!!**

## Goose Creek State Park Calendar of Events February 2008

**Saturday, February 2 10 a.m. Coffee with the Birds**  
Sip delicious gourmet coffee, munch on coffee cake and get some great tips on feeding our feathered friends this winter. The coffee, specially grown to help preserve wild bird habitat, is sold by the Friends of Goose Creek State Park. We'll identify the birds that stop by the park's feeders for a winter treat, and weather permitting, we'll take a short guided walk in hopes of making some additional sightings

**Saturday, February 2 11 a.m. Groundhog Day at Goose Creek (For Ages 6 to Adult)**  
Come celebrate Groundhog Day at Goose Creek. This program will explore the life of a groundhog as well as explain the origins of Groundhog Day. We will dig deep into the reasons why this furry soil-dwelling rodent is really very special. Meet in the Environmental Education and Visitor Center.

**Sunday, February 3 3 p.m. Wintertime at Goose Creek (For Hikers of All Ages)**  
Participate in a ranger-led hike along the beautiful Live Oak Trail. We'll discuss how various plants and animals cope with the cold season. Dress warmly and wear sturdy shoes. Meet in Parking Lot # 2 near the swim beach access for this half-mile hike.

**Saturday, February 9 10 a.m. Grooving with the Groundhog (For Ages 3 to 5)**  
Will we have six more weeks of winter? And how does the groundhog predict the weather? During this hour-long program we'll discover the world of the groundhog and find out if it can really tell the future. As always, stories, crafts and outdoor exploration will take place. Meet in the Environmental Education and Visitor Center.

**Sunday, February 10 4 p.m. Flatty Creek Sunset Hike (For Hikers of All Ages)**  
One of our favorite destinations in the park is the overlook at Flatty Creek. No matter what the time of year, there is always something to catch your eye from this raised perch. This easy one-mile hike will put us on the overlook just about sunset; so don't forget your cameras. Meet in the parking lot at the campground entrance. Note: In the event of bad weather this program will be canceled.

**Saturday, February 16 11 a.m. The Bear Necessities (For Ages 6 to Adult)**  
Come join us at Goose Creek for a black bear program. After the presentation, we will go on the Field to Forest Trail to look for clues of the shy and powerful black bear. Dress for hiking and don't forget to bring an adult. Meet in the Environmental and Education Visitor Center.

**Saturday, February 16 5 p.m. Astronomy in the Park (For Ages 10 to Adult)**  
Come learn about the birth, life, and death of stars. Find out the secrets of novae, supernovae, and black holes; that is – what we know about them so far. Following the program, telescopes will be set up outside for sky watching. Members of the Carolina Skies Astronomy Club will be on hand to answer your questions. Meet in the auditorium of the Environmental Education and Visitor Center. Bring a warm coat!

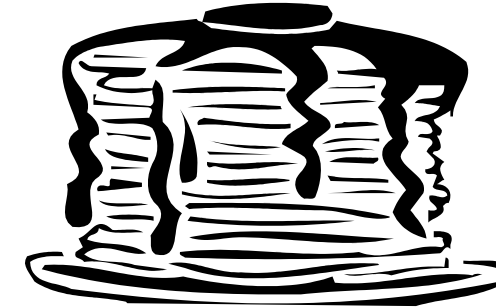
**Sunday, February 17 3 p.m. American Black Bear (For The Entire Family)**  
Come and join us for a presentation on the American Black Bear. We will investigate bears from around the world and discuss the often-confusing differences between the Black Bear and its cousin, the Grizzly Bear. Meet in the Environmental Education and Visitor Center auditorium for this 40-minute presentation

**Sunday, February 24 3 p.m. Wonders of Wetlands (For The Entire Family)**  
Come and find out how wetlands function and why preserving them is important. Join in a fun activity to discover how the things you do every day may affect the water quality of our very own Pamlico River. Meet in the Environmental Education and Visitor Center.

## Pancake & Sausage Supper

Northside District Bands  
Hosting "ALL YOU CAN EAT"

February 9, 2008  
5 – 8 p.m.  
\$5.00 per person



The event will be held at the Ruritan Building in Bath on Hwy 92. If you enjoyed hearing the band at this years Christmas parades in Bath, Belhaven, and Washington, come show your support for our program and the community. Contact: Allen Klaes, Band Director, Northside High School at 252-943-6341.

### NC Estuarium - February 2008

**Art Exhibit: "Exploring Down East"**- Larry Boyd of Washington displays photographic scenes of Eastern North Carolina that focus on the unique character of this area.

**The top 100 NC Jr. Duck Stamp Entries** are on display. Call for more information.

**February 6, 7, & 8- Rosalyn Daisey Songbird Carving Workshop-** 9:00 AM-7:00 PM- \$275 fee- Participants will complete a carving of a black-throated blue warbler during the class led by this nationally known songbird carver. Pre-registration is required with \$50.00 non-refundable deposit. (Deposit included in fee.) Call the Estuarium for reservations and materials list at 252-948-0000. If you have questions about the class, please contact Rosalyn Daisey at [rosalyndaisey@yahoo.com](mailto:rosalyndaisey@yahoo.com).

**February 9- Children's Decoy Painting Workshop-** This activity is free but pre-registration is required. Children will paint a miniature canvasback decoy. There are two classes: 9:00-10:00 and 10:30-11:30. Children must be between 4 and 12 years of age. This annual event is co-sponsored by the East Carolina Waterfowl Guild in conjunction with the Wildlife Arts Festival.

**February 13- The Eastern Oyster in North Carolina-** 1:00-2:00- Patricia McNeese with the NC Aquarium presents a program that covers the basics of oyster biology and the population of oysters in North Carolina. It will highlight some of the research and conservation efforts (including citizen-based efforts) now underway to try to restore this valuable coastal fishery. \$2.00 program fee. Call for pre-registration or more information.

The Estuarium is located at 223 E. Water Street, Washington, NC, and is open Tuesday-Saturday, 10:00-4:00. Admission is \$3.00 adults and \$2.00 students. **Please call ahead for program information as space may be limited.** The Estuarium is a Partnership for the Sounds facility, an organization promoting eco-tourism and sustainable economic development in the Albemarle-Pamlico region. [www.partnershipforthesounds.org](http://www.partnershipforthesounds.org). For more information, contact [estuarium@embarqmail.com](mailto:estuarium@embarqmail.com) or 252-948-0000.



### TriCounty Telecom Provides Belhaven Fire Department High Speed Internet Access

High speed wireless internet access is available at the Belhaven Fire Department through a joint effort between TriCounty Telecom, the Town of Belhaven and the fire department. Several fire and rescue volunteers and town employees approached TriCounty Telecom about the need for an always on broadband connection at the fire department to aid in sending reports to the governing state office.

Tootie Lanier, a fire and EMS volunteer, and Scott Williams, also a volunteer with the Belhaven department, are responsible for filing EMS and fire response reports to the state Office of Emergency Management. Reports are done weekly, and in a busy week the number of reports can range from 10-12 or more. Lanier said, "On dial-up, I spent two hours on one report. Now with wireless, the report goes within a matter of seconds. It has been a God-send to have wireless."

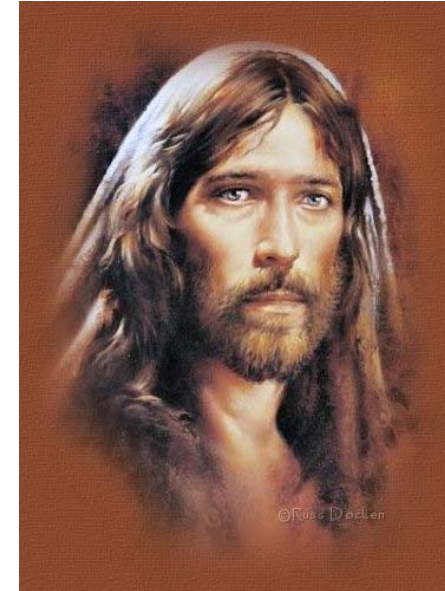
According to Lanier, before wireless broadband was installed at the fire department, she would often have to go to the home of someone who had wireless broadband to transmit her reports. Dial-up was not only slow, but at times would lose its connection and she would have to "start all over again," Lanier said.

Adam O'Neal, Mayor of Belhaven, commented, "It's companies like TriCounty Telecom that donate their service and time to our city that make Belhaven a great place to live." The town's municipal building, garage on Lee Street and the water plant also have wireless broadband provided by TriCounty Telecom.

"We are always happy to give back to a community that supports us," said Dennis Wallace, TriCounty Telecom CEO.

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### TERRA CEIA 'MESSIAH' REHEARSALS BEGIN FEBRUARY 21



The Terra Ceia Community Choir will begin rehearsals for the 19<sup>th</sup> annual performance of Handel's "Messiah" on February 21, 2008, at 7:30 p.m. at the First Baptist Church. The sessions begin at 7:30 p.m. and conclude at 9 p.m. each Thursday until the performance March 22<sup>nd</sup> at the First Baptist Church, Main and Harvey Street, Washington, NC. All practices will be held at First Baptist Church where the performance will take place.

The choir will be directed by Alma Evett, who has filled this position since the beginning of the performances. The choir consists of 40 to 50 voices, and it is accompanied by the Beaufort String Ensemble, with coordinator Doris Hamilton and 23 to 25 members. The organ, piano, trumpet also assist in this oratorio.

The "Messiah" has been called the "greatest story ever sung". Historians say that in 1741, a German-English composer named George Fredrick Handel resigned himself to his little attic study for 24 days and emerged with the most famous and popular oratorio of all time, according to a news release.

Handel's "Messiah" is a compilation of texts from Scripture. Seventy-six verses are used – 46 from the Old Testament and 30 from the New Testament. The Old Testament books quoted are Job, Psalms, Lamentations, Haggai, Zechariah and Malachi; the seven New Testament books quoted are Matthew, Luke, John, Romans, I Corinthians, Hebrews and Revelation.

When Handel completed the "Hallelujah Chorus" (Rev. 19:16), it has been reported that his face was bathed in tears, and he said, "I did think I did see all heaven before me and the Great God Himself," the release notes.

As in the past, all interested singers are encouraged to join in this effort and prepare to perform the "greatest story ever sung" – the story of Christ's birth, death and resurrection. One does not have to be an accomplished musician to perform with the choir.

"We invite all who love the Lord and want to proclaim His word to others through music.

Child care is provided during rehearsals.

## WELCOME!! Three New Chamber Board Members!!!

On December 18, 2007 The Belhaven Community Chamber of Commerce held installation of new Board Members. The following three individuals were elected to serve on the Chamber Board. These elected individuals have expressed a willingness to volunteer their time to serve their community.

**Greg Satterthwaite** will be representing the businesses of Riddick & Windley and DMSC. Greg moved to Belhaven from Houston, TX in December 2005 to be with his family, Ms. Mable Satterthwaite and he has three beautiful daughters. Greg is an Air Force veteran who has traveled all over the globe and is enjoying the small town lifestyle of Belhaven where he was able to spend 13 of his childhood summers. Greg loves people and enjoys working with youth to help them become better adults. Greg is currently on the Board of Belhaven's Boys & Girls Club, is an appointed member of EMS Search Committee and was recently appointed to the Mid-East Commission.

**Nicole O'Neal** will be representing her business of Foxy Flamingo.

**Donna Goins** moved to Belhaven in October 2005 from High Point NC. She is a native of North Carolina and often visited Belhaven in route to Ocracoke. In High Point, she was employed as a CPA with Dixon Hughes PLLC. She managed the Restaurant Services Group of the firm, providing accounting, tax and consulting services. Currently she is Licensed as a Sole Practitioner with the North Carolina Association of CPAs and continues to provide Small Business Services, Individual Tax Services and Consulting to the restaurant industry. In Belhaven she resides at 366 Cedar Street. She has 2 sons that reside in Charlotte NC and High Point NC.

### Thank You to New and Continuing Officers

The Chamber is happy to announce that T.W. Allen will be continuing in the position as President, Mary Hubers is continuing as Vice President and Marlene Young was elected to the Secretary/Treasurer position at the January meeting.

### Goodbye & Thank You to an Outgoing Board Member!

With much sadness and a **big hug goodbye**, we acknowledge Nancy Gooding's service and dedication to the Chamber of Commerce. Nancy served as the Chamber's Secretary/Treasurer for the past two years. She has shared her talent, time and energy to positively impact Belhaven, Bath, Pantego, Pinetown, and Ponzer.

### Community Events Calendar

**"Pantego Academy Historical Museum Association, Inc."** located in Pantego on 46 Academy St. open by appointment and on Saturday and Sunday afternoons 2 pm to 5 pm. FREE!

**Fight it Together** - Every 2nd Tuesday of each month from 12 to 1 p.m. at the Marion L. Shepard Cancer Center. It's a support group designed specially for cancer patients and caregivers. Learn how to work together and strengthen your relationship. A lunch will be provided for all participants. Please call 252-975-4308 ext. 109 for information or to sign-up.

**Story Hour** - Attend story hour every third Thursday from 10:00 am to 10:30 am at the Belhaven Public Library, 333 East Main Street. Story time is for infants and toddlers, 6-23 months.

**Koffee Club** - Are you an early riser? Want something fun to do? Com and knit with the Koffee Club Knitters on Tuesday mornings from 8- 10 am, at the Belhaven Senior Center. Bring your own cup of coffee or try one of ours, but come and knit on your project, or try a new one. Call (252) 943-2992.

**February 9, 2008 Saturday Area Artisan Valentine Jewelry Show** 9:00 – 5:00 p.m. at The Blind Center N. Harvey & Third Sts. Area Jewelry Artisans will display and sell their handcrafted work. The Blind Center Gift Shoppe, selling items made by the blind and visually impaired (assisted by sighted volunteers) will be open. A food court will be open also. For questions please email: [theblindcenter@aol.com](mailto:theblindcenter@aol.com) or call 252-946-6208 and ask for Dottie or Sally. Web page address [www.theblindcenter.org](http://www.theblindcenter.org)

**Do you have a special event you would like to see posted on our website, advertised in the newsletter, or on our Community Bulletin Board? Please send an e-mail to: [info@belhavenchamber.com](mailto:info@belhavenchamber.com)**

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Dear friends,

So quickly the year passed and here we are well into 2008. How many things we want to remember from the year of our life called 2007! Each of you surely had special times and events that we'd like to share so why not let us know about them and we can put them on the website, keeping in touch and sharing our lives.

Your museum made some strides and now is the time to recall them and set more goals for the new year.

January of 2007 saw us begin our new website. The opportunity to share the pictures and events with you whom the miles prevent us day-to-day contact, are worth the small effort and money it takes to keep [www.yeoldeacademy.com](http://www.yeoldeacademy.com) up and running. ( By the way, the website cost about \$150.00 a year, in case you want to assist with it).

Our 1879 bronze bell had to be housed inside the museum while we had the belfry (built in 1902) repaired to the tune of \$940.00, and worth every penny. It has been such a treasure to have our bell where it can be seen daily, we have decided against placing it back into the belfry. So it sits on a velvet draped table under the painting of the museum by Effie Rae Bateman Goff and donated to Pantego High School by the class 1967. It's mellow tones are now rung at the beginning of each meeting. You will love hearing it when you are able to attend.

Our Victorian Lady has been reaping the rewards of you generous supporters. She now has the glass replaced over the front doors and eight windows replaced upstairs. If you had not willing contributed to the "window glass fund" this could not have happened. Thank You to the supporters who participated by purchasing glass. In connection with this, lets mention that 24 deteriorating shutters have been removed. Notice the pictures giving the contrast of the museum when it had no "eyes" and how much improved it looks now with the windows all across the front. Credit goes to Frank Hollowell for the installation and he also has located and brought to the site, 17 antique windows to be installed in the oldest part of the museum. This leaves a need of glass for ten upstairs windows along each side at a cost of about \$40.00 per window. So keep this in mind in your donations.

You might say we have seen the light! O C Jones donated a fixture that has been installed on the dark side of the museum. And add to that, Martha S. Baynor made contact with the town and arranged to get us a street light installed on Academy street!

The early part of the year brought with it our TV advertising. A commercial was shown for 3 months on HGTV, CNN, Lifetime and TNT. We still reap the benefits of this so it is hard to evaluate just how successful the ad was. The exposure to people who were not aware of the museum has helped gain visitors and some members.

The restoration of the old conference room was completed and the new exhibits begun. Many donations were made over the year for the enhancement of our exhibits. A few were Topping lard can, 10 tables,( 4 of these are eight foot long fold up tables purchased by Rudolph, Betty and Lonnie) microwave, membership cards, stock for the county store and so on.

Contact with the NC Archives and History was made and Mr. John Wood visited us. He examined the Latham house during this visit and agreed it will be an outstanding addition to the our museum complex. He also has sent the necessary paper work to the National Park Service to update the Academy building on their website. They still say we are vacant and not in use so we are anxiously waiting for this to be corrected. There seems to be nothing more we can do till their webmaster takes action. The Latham house is on hold until our land issue is resolved. We have been in constant contact with the owner of the land but have not yet been able to arrive at any decision.

We have been notified by the Secretary of State office that our name change is now official; Deborah Waters put together a nice brochure and it has been printed and is being distributed; Mike Ahern put up the hand rail on the side steps and painted it at no charge to the museum.

Gilbert Radcliffe donated car tags to be used as a fund raiser; a fund was begun for outside paint; a new membership chair person was appointed, Deborah Waters; a new window AC unit was purchased to supplement the central AC; three class reunions were held in the museum, David's Trash Service held their Christmas party here, the Beaufort County Genealogy Society visited, we held a special open house on the 4<sup>th</sup> of July, held a Veterans day tribute, were on the PDH Christmas Tour, held our regular Christmas event which included a raffle.

Mr. Thompson, the Beaufort County Economic Planner visited and suggested we get Cecil Smith to hold a PowerPoint presentation for the Committee of 100 when it met in Belhaven. This was done and Dennis Wallace did us the favor of making the presentation. He did a great job.

So these are the highlights of 2007. As the year drew to a close, the museum was dressed to the nines for the Christmas holiday. I hope you all have seen it shining in its glory. Now, we add another year's work with the anticipation of getting the blinds that the class of 1950 has so generously contributed the money for. This is the first big project of this new year.

May the Lord Bless each of you and keep us all in his care.  
Pantego Academy Historical Museum Association Inc.