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Lumberton Christmas Parade

The Holiday Season begins with the Lumberton Christmas Parade which is Saturday beginning at 10am. The Grand Marshal for the 2017 parade is Richard Monroe of Lumberton..

The parade will usher in the holiday season with marching bands, beautiful commercial floats, original and inventive homemade floats, queens and kings, carolers, antique vehicles and tractors, choirs, fire trucks, rescue vehicles, Sudan Tomcats and Sudan Pirates as well as our dignitaries. So join us and let us put you in the holiday spirit. We will have it all including Santa Claus!

The parade will begin in historic downtown Lumberton, going up Elm Street to Biggs Park Mall. The parade commentators are Joe Butler, and Rebekah Lowry. The parade is filmed by WNCP-TV Channel 6 and will be aired Thanksgiving morning and many times throughout the holidays.

"We are very excited about the parade. I am sure it will be as enjoyable and festive as always" said Cindy S. Kern, the Chamber's Executive Director. "Our sponsors, entries, and volunteers are invaluable in assisting the Chamber prepare and organize the Lumberton Christmas parade.

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Robeson Community College

If you have been thinking about starting a small business, your first stop should be the Small Business Center at Robeson Community College. The Small Business Center provides the training needs of existing small business owners as well as entrepreneurial training for those wishing to "become their own boss." Training sessions include seminars, workshops, and short-term courses.

Typically, there are 65-75 FREE training events each year presented by business owners and professional speakers. Many of these speakers appear before Fortune 500 companies receiving thousands of dollars for their keynote presentations. Confidential business counseling is available at no charge to individuals wishing to start a new business or expand an existing business. Counseling is also available to assist existing businesses in finding solutions to their problems. Appointments are available at times convenient to the client. To schedule a counseling session, call Bob Moore at 910-272-3631 or email bmoore@robeson.edu The Small Business Center looks forward to assisting you in achieving your goal of business ownership and success.

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M 6:30 pm – 8:30 pm 12/04/17 WDC Sam Gore

Williamson Accounting and Tax Service opens in Lumberton

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Annual "A Robeson County Christmas" Show

7pm Thur – Sat, Dec 7-9 • 2pm Sat Dec 9 • 3pm Sun Dec 10

The Carolina Civic Center Historic Theater's annual heart-warming holiday musical revue is an ideal holiday event for the entire family. The show features the best regional performers singing and dancing and this year's show also features Lumberton's own Miss North Carolina 2013-14, Johna Edmonds, X-Factor Top 40 selection Tyler Cole, as well as Jef the Mime and other featured singers. The theater will be beautifully decorated for Christmas and there will be appearances by Rudolph the Red Nosed Reindeer, Frosty the Snowman, and Santa Claus.

The Carolina Civic Center Historic Theater is a beautifully-restored treasure listed on the National Register of Historic Places that offers visitors a unique and visually stunning experience. The theater is located at 315 North Chestnut Street in the heart of downtown Lumberton. First opened in 1928 as a vaudeville and silent film house, the theater offers a wide array of programming including live touring performances, original productions, art exhibits, films, special events and rentals. For more information visit www.carolinaciviccenter.com

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at Biggs Park Mall • 2800 N Elm St.
STARTS AT 8:00am

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For details call

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Welcome New Members

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Break out your favorite Holiday Cookie recipe and join our

1ST HOLIDAY COOKIE CONTEST!

Enter your Holiday Cookie recipe by **November 19th** for a chance to win a KitchenAid Mixer and Cookie Sheets. Email your name, phone number and recipe to arevels@robesonian.com

On Tuesday, December 5, 2017 from 9:30 am - 12:00 pm, please bring your printed copy of the recipe and 2 dozen of one type of cookie to The Robesonian at 2175 N Roberts Avenue, Lumberton, NC 28359. A panel of judges will choose the best Holiday Cookie. Grand Prize Winner will be announced along with their recipe published in The Robesonian and www.robesonian.com on Sunday, December 10, 2017.

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THE RIBBON IS CUT AT THE
Innovative Insurance Group

Pictured above from left:
first row: Cecil Locklear (owner), Harvey "Trey" Lowry III (owner), Ellen Lowry, Natalie Scott, Thomas Scott (owner), Sam Locklear
Back Row: Ashley Hunt, Tamara Jacobs , Chase Locklear, Ciresa Davis

INNOVATIVE INSURANCE GROUP MERGES WITH BEST WAY INSURANCE

Grand Opening of New Office took place on October 27, 2017

Lumberton, NC (November 9, 2017) -- Following a recent merge with Best Way Insurance, Innovative Insurance Group hosted the grand opening of its new office location at 1985 N. Roberts Avenue Suite D in Lumberton on October 27, 2017 from 11:00 AM-1:00 PM.

To celebrate, the public was invited to come out for the festivities including a ribbon cutting ceremony, refreshments, and giveaways.

"We have loved being part of the Lumberton community for the past 4 years and look forward to expanding our services here with the merger with Best Way. We consider it a privilege to offer our customers a variety of insurance products, competitive rates, and first–rate customer service" said Harvey Lowery, Innovative Insurance Group owner.

Innovative Insurance is open Monday through Friday from 8:30 AM until 5:00 PM and offers a complete line of insurance products for individual and business needs including Home, Auto, Commercial, Life, Health and Medicare.

About Innovative Insurance Group
Innovative Insurance Group was established in 2014 with a mission to help customers and provide the best rates on insurance plans in Robeson County. To learn more about Innovative Insurance Group, visit www.myinnovativeinsurance.com or call 910-802-4304.

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The Robesonian

THE ROBESONIAN REDEDICATED

Mayor Bruce Davis, far right, helps Denise Ward, publisher of The Robesonian, with scissors, cut the ribbon on the dedication of the newspaper's refurbished facilities after it was damaged by Hurricane Matthew. An open house followed. Among those also in the photograph were county Commissioners Jerry Stephens and Tom Taylor, County Manager Ricky Harris, Al Locklear, chairman of the Lumberton Area Chamber of Commerce, Donnie Douglas, editor of the newspaper, Brittney Woodell, head of advertising, RCC President Kimberly Gold, Sheriff Ken Sealey and Scott Champion, CEO of Champion Media, which owns the newspaper.

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