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~Vision Statement~

The Mission of the Red Springs Chamber of Commerce is to serve it's 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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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

We have had a very unusual year for 2018 with the Chamber.

The golf tournament had to be cancelled due to Hurricane Florence, which left our county with a lot of damage. We have had a lot of people without homes and some are still in bad shape. We will be having the golf tournament in the early spring and will be letting everyone know date and time the first of the new year.

The annual dinner went off well, but attendance was low. We did our awards for the year 2018 and the winners for appearance awards were: Home of the Year went to the Scott Duncan Family and Business of the Year went to the new Subway. The Waverly Barham Award went to Johnny Robertson which was very much deserved for all his hard work in our community throughout the year.

The Christmas parade was on Saturday, December 8th, and we had a rainy day. We thank everyone that supported us with the parade We did not have a good turnout due to the rain. The floats were great and we thank each business that supported us with sponsoring a float. We did not have a lot of people that could ride the floats, due to the weather, and we understand that small children and senior citizens just could not be in the rain. We had a good parade and we thank everyone that battled the weather and came out.

We will be closing out 2018 year and looking forward to the new year 2019 coming. The Chamber board of directors would like to say a special thank you for all the support that has been given to the Chamber this year.

I want to say a special thank you to each board member for all the hard work and your supporting your Chamber this year. It has been great working with each of you. God's blessing to each of you.

Happy Holidays to all from
Fran Ray, President Red Springs Chamber.



WE WOULD LIKE TO WELCOME ALVIN IVEY AS THE NEW CHAMBER PRESIDENT FOR 2019!

RED SPRINGS CHRISTMAS PARADE

The Red Springs Christmas Parade was Saturday, December 8th. The weather was cold and rainy but the parade went on as scheduled. We had a nice crowd of people to come out and enjoy the parade.

On behalf of the Red Springs Chamber of Commerce, I would like to thank all of our participants who braved the weather to come out and be a part of the parade. We had several floats, bands and queens to participate. A special thank you goes to the sponsors of our floats this year. They are: Grantham Realty, Mountaire

Farms, Town of Red Springs, Bleecker Buick GMC, Baker Chevrolet, Robeson County Commissioners Raymond Cummings and Faline Dial, Dr. Cheryl R. Locklear and Dr. Nanci L. Harp and the Red Springs Rotary Club. We appreciate your continued support of the Red Springs Chamber of Commerce.

I also want to say a special thank you to the high school bands who participated: Lumberton Senior High School, South Robeson High School, Purnell Swett High School and our own, Red Springs High School. Thank you for your participation.

January 1, 2019 will be a start of the new year. With that being said, we will also have new officers. Alvin Ivey will be our new Chamber President, George Hall will be Vice President, Wilson Ray, Treasurer, Wanda Douglas, Executive Director and Fran Ray, Past President.

On behalf of the Red Springs Chamber of Commerce, we wish you a very Merry Christmas and a blessed New Year!

Yours truly,

Wanda Douglas
Executive Director
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RED SPRINGS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE ANNUAL DINNER

The Red Springs Chamber of Commerce had their annual dinner, November 8, 2018 at the Red Springs Presbyterian Church.

The night started with Fran Ray, President of the Chamber doing the welcome. Mayor Edward Henderson did the greeting to all in attendance. Invocation was done by Reverend Chris Edmonds, pastor at Jones Chapel Missionary Baptist Church in Red Springs.

Dinner was served. We feasted on a wonderful meal.

The introduction of our keynote speaker was done by Johnny Robertson, Red Springs Chamber of Commerce. The keynote speaker was Patrick Woodie, Director of NC Rural Center.

Two Appearance Commission Awards were given out by Fran Ray. One went to the Scott Duncan family. This award was presented to a person or business who has done extensive work to their home and yard to improve it's appearance. The second award was given to the new Subway in Red Springs.

Presentation of the Waverly S. Barham Award was presented by Patsy Conoley. This year's award recipient was Johnny Robertson. This award, given since 1978, is awarded to someone who exhibits extraordinary leadership and service to their community during the year. It was with great pleasure to give Johnny this award. He deserved it for all the hard work he exemplified during the year.

Closing remarks were done by George Hall, the Vice-President of the Chamber.



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