



# 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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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Fall is here and the Chamber is busy with upcoming events! The Red Springs Chamber Annual Dinner is November 7, 2019 at Red Springs Presbyterian Church. This dinner is provided to its membership and the surrounding community as a way of celebrating the accomplishments of the Chamber, its members and the community it serves. This is an evening of food and fellowship with community leaders and businesses vital to the Chamber and our professional community. One of the highlights of the Annual Dinner is the presentation of the Waverly S. Barham Award. Given since 1978, this award will be given to an individual, group or organization that has gone over and beyond in contributions to the community of Red Springs in the past year. We are looking forward to a wonderful evening.

On Saturday, November 9, 2019, the 25th Annual Toy Run will be at the Red Springs Fire Department. This event has always been a success. The entry fee is a new unwrapped toy or a donation of your choice. In the past the Toy Run has helped provide many children with toys at Christmas. The Red Springs Rotary Club is the sponsor of this event.

The Red Springs Chamber Annual Christmas Parade will be Saturday, December 14, 2019 beginning at 3 pm. We are excited about the parade and we believe this one will be one of the best we've done in years! We hope you will come celebrate with us.

There will be more information about the Chamber's upcoming events on the inside of this newsletter. Have a Happy Halloween!

Alvin Ivey, President  
**Red Springs Chamber of Commerce**



# BUSINESS OF THE MONTH

## MOUNTAIRE FARMS



Mountaire is a fast growing agricultural food processing company that specializes in fresh young chickens. Its creed is to provide quality and service consistently; to be honest and fair with everyone, including customers, suppliers, community, neighbors and each other; to provide an environment dedicated to personal and corporate growth and to be good stewards of all assets God has entrusted to us. Mountaire has been a thriving business who employs many people from Red Springs, St. Pauls, Fayetteville and surrounding areas. Mountaire has supported many community initiatives over the years. As a leader in community outreach, they partner with local food banks and organizations to help feed those in need during the holidays and throughout the year. Helping people in need, promoting faith-based initiatives and furthering education are just a few of the areas that they focus on. The Red Springs Chamber of Commerce is proud to select Mountaire Farms as Business of the Month for October 2019!





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# UPCOMING EVENTS

October 25th

Red Springs Town Clean Up Day

November 7th

Red Springs Chamber Annual Dinner

November 9th

Red Springs Rotary Toy Run

November 22nd

Red Springs Garden Club Bazaar

December 14th

Red Springs Annual Christmas Parade

The Red Springs Arts Council will have activities and vendors at the Farmer's Market on December 14th

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## RED SPRINGS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE ANNUAL DINNER

Thursday, November 7, 2019

***Come join us!***

Red Springs Presbyterian Church  
 115 N. Vance St, Red Springs, NC  
 Reception – 6:30 pm Dinner – 7:00 pm

Come on out to celebrate the accomplishments of the Chamber, its members and the community it serves. We are looking forward to a wonderful evening and we would love for you to join us.

Tickets are available as follows:

- Platinum \$1500 Sponsor 12 tickets**
- Gold \$500 Sponsor 8 tickets**
- Silver \$250 Sponsor 4 tickets**
- Bronze \$100 Sponsor 2 tickets**
- Single Ticket \$25**

For more information or to secure a table in advance, you can contact Wanda Douglas at (910)843-5441 or email at redspringschamber225@gmail.com

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# MEET THE CANDIDATES FORUM

On September 26, 2019, Red Springs held a Meet the Candidates Forum for the candidates running for office in our local races. This was a way for our citizens to get to meet the people running for office and to ask questions about concerns they may have. The event was a success. There were about 50 people who attended this event. Six of the eight people invited to participate in this forum were in attendance. Mayor Edward Henderson is up for re-election this year. Largirtha Graham is challenging the Mayor for that seat. The three incumbents for Town Board members who are up for re-election are Duron Burney, Caroline Sumpter and Shirley McBryde. Shirley McBryde was not able to attend. Their challengers are Sandra Wilson, Reverend Chris Edmonds, and Robert McLean. Robert McLean was not in attendance. The

moderators for the event were Fran Ray and Johnny Robertson. Since there are only two (2) people running for mayor, each candidate was asked the same questions. The candidates for Town Council were asked three (3) random questions. They were all given a time limit to answer their question.

The Chamber received positive feedback about this event. Some in the community said they were appreciative of the Chamber's efforts to get the candidates out front and center so the citizens could get to see who they are. Hopefully, this will aid a voter in November to make their decision as to who they want representing Red Springs



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