



# BUSINESS *Update*

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## Accepting nominations

Lenoir-County Chamber of Commerce is now accepting nomination for Citizen of the Year

Deadline for submission is Thursday. Nomination forms can be found on the Chamber website at [www.kinstonchamber.com](http://www.kinstonchamber.com) or picked up at the Chamber office at 301 N. Queen St.

## Welcome new MEMBERS

### North Carolina Distribution LLC

3766 Old Pink Hill Hwy  
Pink Hill, NC 28527  
[www.farmersgoldtobacco.com](http://www.farmersgoldtobacco.com)  
252-568-2418  
Dean Rouse, President

### Veterans Challenge

327 North Queen St., Suite 306  
Kinston, NC 28501  
[www.veteranschallenge.org](http://www.veteranschallenge.org)  
252-522-4676 Ext 2019  
Debby Guthrie, Director

## Save the DATE!

**5:30 p.m. today**  
**Business After Hours**  
**The Arts Council**

**10 a.m. Wednesday,**  
**Ribbon Cutting**  
**Self Help Credit Union**

**Friday, Nov. 30**  
**Young Professionals**  
**Gala**  
**Kinston Country Club.**  
**Open to the public.**  
**To register go to [www.kinstonchamber.com](http://www.kinstonchamber.com)**  
**for details.**

## Celebrating the CHAMBER

# Wrapping up 100 years

Dedication of time capsule today at Centennial Corner the culmination of Kinston-Lenoir County Chamber's first century of service

The Kinston-Lenoir County Chamber of Commerce has planned a 100 Year Anniversary Time Capsule dedication for the Chamber Centennial Corner.

After a yearlong celebration we are ready to place all the collected memorabilia and place the time capsule in the park. This event is scheduled to be held at 4:30 p.m. today, at Centennial Corner, at the corner of Herritage and King Streets directly beside the Veteran's Walk of Honor.

The event is open to the public.

In honor of the Chamber's 100th Anniversary, the Chamber Centennial Time Capsule will be placed and dedicated to celebrate all who worked so hard to make this community great. The Time Capsule will be filled with various items representing Kinston-Lenoir County and the Chamber. The Centennial Corner park itself honors individuals, businesses and organizations with dedicated corners, benches and engraved bricks.

### If you go ....

**What:** Time capsule dedication

**When:** 4:30 p.m. today

**Where:** Centennial Corner Park, Herritage and King streets

If you are interested in purchasing an engraved brick, please contact the Chamber of Commerce at 252-527-1131.

J&H Studio artists of Grimesland, Jodi Hollnagel-Jubran and Hanna Jubran have designed and fabricated the centerpiece sculpture for the Centennial Corner. This piece will provide the shelter for the time capsule commemorating 100 years of the Chamber's service to the Kinston/Lenoir County community.

The Community Council for the Arts worked with the artists and sculpture funders — Stephen and Holly Hill, to imagine the design so that it complimented the elements already placed in the park and used ma-

terials consistent with them.

Let's make history together!

Chamber members are invited to bring your children and grandchildren. When we dedicate the Centennial Time Capsule we would like your family to be a part of the celebration. All children in attendance will take part in a group photo. Their names along with the photo will be kept on record at the Chamber office. In 50 years, when the future generation of Chamber members opens the Time Capsule, your children and grandchildren can say that they were there when it was originally placed.

Help us make this a special event and become a part of our community's future.

Immediately following the dedication all are invited to attend a Business After Hours event hosted by The Arts Council at 400 N. Queen St. This Chamber networking event will include the opportunity for you to see a copy of the items placed in the Time Capsule and meet the artists.

## Did you KNOW

# Events calendar on Chamber website for public use

There were 38,323 Event Calendar Searches, over 3,000 per month. You don't have to be a chamber member to post an event on the community calendar. go to [www.kinstonchamber.com](http://www.kinstonchamber.com). Be sure to check this

widely used calendar to see what is "happening" in our community.



Within the last year, there were 73,429 Business Directory searches on the Chamber's

website. That's over 6,000 per month! Want to be a part of this marketing strategy? To become a chamber member and to be listed on the chamber's business directory, contact Kay Johnson at 252-527-1131.

## Chamber CHAMPIONS

### Champions go the extra mile

Chamber Champions is a volunteer program for those Chamber members who want to go above and beyond the current membership investment schedule.

The program gives members the opportunity to contribute an additional 20 percent to support Chamber member driven programs and projects. Individually the amount is small but collectively our Chamber Champions contributed nearly \$6,000 last year.

As a Chamber Champion they receive recognition throughout the year

The learn more call 252-527-1131.

## President's Club

### Gold

Harvey Fertilizer & Gas  
Lenoir Memorial Hospital

### Silver

BB&T  
Century Link  
Cherry Energy  
Coastal Connections Marketing  
Corporate Resources  
Down East Protection Systems  
Kinston Public Services/ElectriCities  
Minges Bottling Group, Inc.  
Perry Management, Inc.  
Progress Energy  
Spirit AeroSystems  
Spring Arbor of Kinston  
Wachovia Bank/Well Fargo  
West Pharmaceutical Services, Inc.