



## From the desk of Craig Hill

To the Kinston and Lenoir County business community,  
Please use your Kinston/Lenoir County Chamber of Commerce to assist you if you have changes in your business hours or changes in the way that you are delivering services. We are here to serve as a conduit for you.

During the next couple of weeks, if you have changes in your business model that we can help share with our membership, please email these changes to Linda Whittington at [lindaw@kinstonchamber.com](mailto:lindaw@kinstonchamber.com).

com by 1 p.m. each day. Our plans are to send an e-blast daily to all members of the chamber and to our local media to communicate these collective changes so we can all work together to protect the health and well-being of our community while supporting our important local economy.

Stay safe and please support our local business community during this critical period of time.

We appreciate you allowing us to assist you. Please call if you have questions or need our services here at the Chamber.



Thank you,  
**Craig Hill**  
Kinston/Lenoir County Chamber of Commerce Executive Director

### Local business and event updates

**Advanced Office Solutions** is shipping supply orders directly and attempting to resolve service-related issues over the phone to the greatest extent possible. Call 888-553-4208 or email [support@advosi.com](mailto:support@advosi.com) for more information

**American Tool Rentals and Penske** is operating business as normal

**Belk** is closed until March 30

**DataGroup Technologies** is working very hard to ensure business continuity in the ease of access to and the quality of service delivery while taking great care of our families and communities

**Down East Protection Systems (DEPS)** is staying open as much as possible to help customers with security system issues as well as new sales opportunities

Effective immediately, **Duke Energy** is suspending disconnect services for nonpayment and is remaining committed to working with all customers who need assistance with their energy bills to avoid creating additional hardships for customers

**GOECO Inc.** is offering to all clients continued service on all of their office equipment products. GOECO is attempting to handle any service-related issues over the phone that we can, to help limit interactions with the public to do our part in social distancing. Any supply orders will be shipped directly to the client. For more information, call 252-286-5354

**Kinston Community Health Center Behavioral Health:** All appointments will be telephonic. There will be telephonic services available at the Behavioral Health Center for patients that are scheduled to come in the office to speak with their provider. Patients will be contacted by the Behavioral Health Patient Relations Specialist regarding the time to come in the office to speak with their provider. Medication Assisted Treatment services will continue to be provided to patients. All patients are encouraged to have at least a 30-day supply of medications. If one needs refills on medications, please call 252-522-9800 or send a message through your patient portal

**Kinston Community Health Center Dental Division** is only accepting emergencies, which will be evaluated at the time of the visit. The dental staff is working diligently to contact all patients with non-emergent appointments to reschedule at a later date. The dental department is closed on Fridays

**Kinston Community Health Center Family Medicine:** If you are sick with flu-like symptoms, such as fever or cough, please stay home and self-quarantine. This means

avoiding direct contact with everyone, including family members, close friends, and the general public. If you would like to speak with a nurse or feel that you are in need of medical evaluation, please call KCHC at 252-522-9800 before coming to the center. Certain visits may be eligible for a telephone consultation or a telemedicine visit with your provider versus coming into the clinic

**Kinston Community Health Center OB/GYN:** No changes in service delivery

All sites of **Lenoir County Council on Aging** in Kinston, Pink Hill and LaGrange are closed for activities. Staff will be working and can be reached by phone. All home-delivered meals this week will be frozen

**Lenoir Tire and Appliance** is open Monday-Friday, 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m. and Saturday, 8:30 a.m.-noon. For sales and service. Call 252-523-2135. Visit the website at [lenoirtireandappliance.com](http://lenoirtireandappliance.com)

**Lenox** has suspended all non-critical production operations at the Kinston plant, at least through March 29. The retail outlet store is currently operating 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Monday through Saturday; it is closed on Sunday

**M&D Gifts** will stay open with normal hours. Please call 252-523-2800 for information and to place orders. Delivery is available. M&D Gifts is now located at 125 West Blount St., Kinston, at the corner of Herritage and Blount

**The Mother Earth Tap Room** is closed and all brewery

events are cancelled until further notice. However, you can still get Mother Earth beer with curbside pickup. Simply place an online order through at [shop.motherearthbrewing.com](http://shop.motherearthbrewing.com), pull up to the curb in front of the tap room, show your confirmation and your order will be ready. MEB is implementing contactless delivery to protect its employees and to protect customers and also offering 15 percent discount on all full-case purchases. The curbside pickup is available from 12p.m.-8 p.m., seven days a week, as long as it's feasible to do so. Local retail outlets will also be stocked with Mother Earth products as long as those outlets remain open and operational

All public libraries in the **Neuse Regional Library System** are closed until further notice. Library staff will continue to work while libraries are closed; reference staff will be available from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. each weekday by phone (252-527-7066, Ext. 134) and email ([nrl@neuselibrary.org](mailto:nrl@neuselibrary.org)). During the closure, library patrons are asked to keep items currently checked out until Neuse Regional Libraries reopen or until further notice. All late fees during this time will be waived

**RADD – Raising Awareness for the Developmentally Disabled** – will continue to work and serve the community. The office will be open a limited amount of hours until school starts back. If you need to reach someone, call 252-522-2814 or email [radd.lenoir@gmail.com](mailto:radd.lenoir@gmail.com). Email is the best and

quickest option at this time

Effective immediately and for an indefinite period of time, **Self Help Credit Union** is closing its lobby. SHCU will continue to provide teller services via its drive-thru and members can use the ATM. Members interested in applying for loans and who have pending applications will be served by phone and electronically through emails and faxes

**ServiceMaster Emergency Services** is currently pre-planning and conducting small/large facility disinfecting procedures for the community. For any emergency services that arise (water restoration, fire restoration, proactive facility disinfecting), call 252-939-1259

**Servpro** of Lenoir, Duplin and Jones counties are open for the foreseeable future. For all your water, fire, reconstruction and bioremediation needs, Servpro of Lenoir, Duplin and Jones Counties – as well as Servpro of Wayne County – are here to help. Call 24 hours a day, seven days a week at 252-208-7888 or 919-751-5353

**Spring Arbor's** BBQ plate sale scheduled for Friday has been cancelled for the time being; it will be rescheduled at a later date

**State Employees Credit Union (SECU)** branches have temporarily transitioned to drive-through only service for the majority of our services. Members who need to access safe deposit boxes, drop off tax return information, or inquire about a loan should call the branch to schedule

### Local restaurant updates

**FatBabys** has breakfast biscuits and sandwiches made to order. Place call-in and to-go orders from 6 a.m.-1:30 p.m. at 252-527-9779. The address is 1215 Greene Haynes Rd., Kinston

**Hawk's Nest** is open 7 a.m.-3 p.m., and is offering curbside service and delivery to select areas. You can find their complete menu with daily specials on their Facebook page

**Laughing Owl** is open 11 a.m.-2:30 p.m. and 4:30-9 p.m. and is offering a free appetizer with any order over \$25. Call 919-734-3233

**Lovick's Café** is operating under normal hours, 6 a.m.-2 p.m., Monday through Friday and 6-11 a.m. on Saturday. Customers are encouraged to call ahead to place their orders at 252-523-6854 or go online at [lovickscafe.com](http://lovickscafe.com)

**Ma's Hotdog House** is open Monday-Friday, 6 a.m.-8 p.m. and Saturday 6 a.m.-2 p.m. Call 252-527-0511 for more information

**Olympian Restaurant's** hours are 10:30 a.m.-8:30 p.m., call-in and driver-through; menu is the same. Call 252-523-0333

**Peach House Restaurant** is offering call-in, carry-out, delivery to your car, delivery to your home and delivery to your business with no minimum

and no fees. Delivery times based on availability

**Pizza Villa** – Take-out only is available. Salad bar is open, reduced spaghetti special and \$2 off large pizzas. Hours are 11 a.m. – 9 p.m.

**Queen Street Deli** is open during this time

**Smith's Café** is open 5:30 a.m.-2 p.m., Monday-Friday; Thursday, 5- 8 p.m.; Saturday, 6-11:00; and Sunday, 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m. for walk-in with curb service available. Online orders, call 252-522-4040 or email [smithscafe@gmail.com](mailto:smithscafe@gmail.com). The menu is posted on the Facebook page

**Whiskey Pig** – lunch is from 11 a.m.-3 p.m., Thursday – Saturday; the butcher shop is open Tuesday-Saturday, 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Curbside service is available or pick-up inside. Delivery in Kinston of \$30 orders or more. Call 919-922-3596

**Ziggy Dogs** is open from 11 a.m. – 6 p.m.; menu is at [zmenu.com](http://zmenu.com). Call 252-643-6401

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### PRESIDENT'S CLUB

These members choose to make a higher-level financial investment in the Chamber. The support of these businesses helps the Chamber realize its vision.

**PLATINUM LEVEL MEMBER:**  
Crown

**GOLD LEVEL MEMBERS:**  
Duke Energy  
Electrolux  
UNC Lenoir Health Care

**SILVER LEVEL MEMBERS:**  
City of Kinston  
Harvey Fertilizer & Gas  
Herritage Elite Estates  
Lenoir Community College  
Lions Industries for the Blind  
Minges Bottling Group, Inc.  
Perry Management  
Spirit AeroSystems  
State Employees Credit Union  
State Farm Insurance Judy Jones  
Union Bank  
Wells Fargo

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an appointment. While SECU is closing branch lobby access for branches with a drive-through to help protect the community, SECU remains open for business to make loans, take deposits and provide other financial services to its members during this time of uncertainty. From applying for a loan to depositing a check, members can conduct most SECU business via other service channels that do not require a visit to the branch. Members are asked to utilize these channels, which include online Member Access through the SECU website, [ncsecu.org](http://ncsecu.org); the SECU mobile app (available for download from the Apple App and Google Play stores); 24-7 member services support via phone at 1-888-732-8562; ASK-SECU voice response services at 1-800-275-7328; and over 1,100 CashPoints ATMs located across North Carolina

**The Kinston-Lenoir County Chamber of Commerce** Wake-Up Lenoir breakfast that was scheduled for today has been postponed. We plan to reschedule this event at a later date

**The Walk to De-Feet Dementia** has been rescheduled for Saturday, Sept. 12

**Wheeler Exterminating** is continuing to service this community's food production facilities, grocery stores, medical institutions, multifamily housing units, warehouses, homes and businesses

**White & Allen, P.A.** remains prepared and dedicated to servicing all your legal needs while also acting as a prudent community partner in limiting the potential spread of any illness during the performance of our services. However, for clients with ongoing needs that require in-person contact (i.e., real estate closings), White & Allen is and will continue to accommodate those needs from its physical office locations but with certain precautions to limit any potential exposure to or the unintended spread of infection. For those clients with current or future court dates and other scheduled proceedings, White & Allen will directly update on all closings, continuances and postponements. Clients are welcome to communicate through various social media accounts and to use the website at [whiteandallen.com](http://whiteandallen.com) to pay invoices as they are received