The past 12 months have been an exciting time for the businesses and shops of Downtown Laurinburg. The Diane Honeycutt Satellite Campus of Richmond County Community College continues to grow and serve the people of the area. The Storytelling and Arts Center continues to expand and add services including the addition of the town’s latest coffee shop: Coffee, Tea, and Thee. The Hospital has opened a thrift shop downtown, and the year has found the emergence of two new restaurants: 215 Main and the Downtown Deli:

Jim Willis, president of the Laurinburg Downtown Revitalization Corporation, said the emergence of these new stores and restaurants are part of the district’s effort to diversify and restructure its economy.

But even as Downtown Laurinburg continues to grow and transform, some things are, and should stay the same. One of those pieces is “Christmas on Main.” Described by Willis as, “the Granddaddy of the Downtown events,” Christmas on Main will be held from 1:00 – 5:00 on Sunday, November 20th. The event is where “sales” meets “celebration.” In addition to the local shops kicking off with sales inside their shops, the street turns into an entertainment stage as the downtown area becomes a single mall to start the Christmas season. The day will conclude at 5:30 with the lighting of the Downtown Christmas Tree – for more information call Kathy Williamson at 910-276-5743.

The Christmas season celebration continues two weeks later on December 4th at 2:30 when the Chamber celebrates the Christmas Season with the largest Christmas parade in the region.

For more information on the parade visit: www.laurinburgchamber.com
St. Andrews University – Moving Forward

St. Andrews University. The name has changed, but the foundation stays much the same.

In September, St. Andrews welcomed more than 180 members of the class of 2015 at the annual Opening Convocation. “This is the 51st time we have held an opening convocation on this campus marking a new chapter in our students’ lives,” said College President Paul Baldasare. “It is also a new chapter in the life of the college through our partnership with Webber International University out of Babson Park, Fla. This partnership will enable the College to develop a host of new opportunities for our students.”

Initiated as a financial partnership, the alliance with Webber (while interdependent, the institutions remain independent of each other) fosters mutual academic growth to the respective student bodies. For example, traditionally an undergraduate institution, the alliance with Webber now provides St. Andrews students access to graduate programs in business – many of which are accessible online.

Changes are also reflected in the institution’s new name: from St. Andrews Presbyterian College to St. Andrews University. “Becoming a university is consistent with our plans to add graduate level programs to the curriculum, expand on-line educational opportunities for adult learners, and recruit and attract more international students,” Baldasare said. He also reassures supporters that changing the name will “not lessen our partnership” with the Presbyterian Church.

“Our focus and priorities remain the same: to deliver a strong liberal arts and sciences education to our students, informed by the values and commitments of the Presbyterian Church,” he said. “St. Andrews University reflects who we will become as we look to the future and develop additional opportunities for all of our students.”

The changes will also be reflected on the athletic field as well, though, as with the academics, the changes are to the benefit of the student-athlete.

After spending 23 years under the NCAA, St. Andrews University will enter the ranks of the NAIA. The Knights join the Appalachian Athletic Conference starting next season. The conference spans
across six states, including North Carolina, Virginia, Kentucky, Tennessee, Georgia and South Carolina and will expose the university to high school students in both traditional feeder markets to St. Andrews and new ones as well.

Additionally, the NAIA provides a focus on the needs and resources of small colleges – think of it as NCAA Lite - Light on the bureaucracy and financing -- heavy on academic achievement and the focus on the student-athlete (not the administrators, boosters and third-party benefactors, e.g., Bowl Sponsors).

For more information about St. Andrews University, visit www.sapc.edu

Laurinburg-Scotland County Events - November

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Calendar Sponsors – November

Downtown Deli - Experience the Southern hospitality and hometown service that is Downtown Laurinburg. Fresh sandwiches and meals with a focus on locally grown products. Come in and taste the difference. 221 South Main Street – Laurinburg (910) 276-9008
downtowndeli221.com
downtowndeli221@gmail.com

215 Main – Southern food meets Bistro at 215 Main. “A local pearl.” “An unexpected experience” is how Trip Advisor reviews this restaurant. For southern with a twist --and even a kick – come to 215 Main.
215 South Main Street – Laurinburg (910) 291-0280
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The City of Laurinburg and Scotland County look forward to welcoming you to our community and showing our Southern hospitality. For more information on where to stay, please visit the Scotland County Tourism Web site at www.visitnc-soul.com

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Hampton Inn -- 910-277-1516
Holiday Inn Express -- 910-291-3300
Jameson Inn -- 910-277-0080
Pine Acres Lodge -- 910-276-1531
Scotland Inn -- 910-276-0632
Thomas Walton B&B -- 910-276-0551

Upscale Dining
215 on Main
Champs Fine Food and Spirits
Mi Casita Restaurante Mexicano
Wooly McDuff's Neighborhood Grille
910-291-0280
910-276-4386
910-276-0032
910-276-6632

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Captain Larry's Seafood House 910-276-1880
Carlie's 910-277-3555
Downtown Deli 910-276-9008
General McArthur's 910-276-1498
The Gill House 910-277-6000
Golden Corral 910-277-1620
Greek Village 910-277-7700
Jerry's Deli and Grill 910-266-9020
Smokey's Ribs & BBQ 910-506-4916
Smithfield's Bar-B-Q 910-266-8700
Subs-n-Cream 910-276-7698
China Garden 910-266-8885
Golden Run 910-277-7734
Great Wall Chinese Food 910-276-9199
Jin Jin Chinese Food 910-277-1616
Little Fuji Grill 910-277-9922
No. 1 Chinese Buffet 910-276-9388
Taki Japanese Restaurant 910-291-9908
Jesse's Pizza & Hot Sub 910-277-8538
Pizza Hut 910-276-1770
Pizza Inn 910-276-6565
Waffle House 910-277-9259