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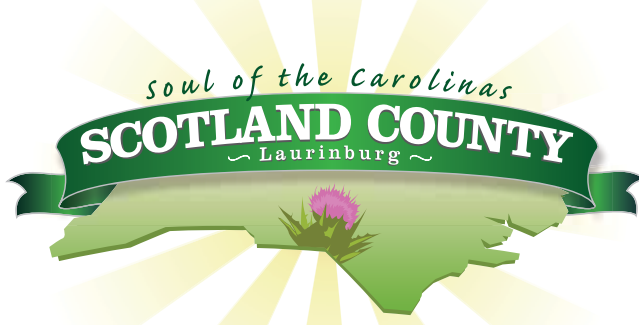
Chalk Banks Equals Great Fun

The series of spring festivals conclude with the Chalk Banks Challenge and Water Festival. The fun will be held on Saturday, May 19th from 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. at the Chalk Banks Access Area - Lumber River State Park in Wagram, NC. Contestants may compete in raft, recreational canoe or kayak races, a 5K trail run, youth run, a men’s high heel sprint sponsored by Jerry’s Deli, and much more. This year, cash prizes will be awarded to the winners in many events including \$150 for first place the group raft race divisions.

A Scotland County tradition, raft races will be divided into three divisions: group (two or more people) youth, group adult, and single person rafts. All rafts must be homemade and may not be motorized in any way. The day provides an opportunity to visit this beautiful state park and enjoy the fun. In addition to the events the festival will also include kid’s games, inflatables, train rides, canoe rides, vendors and more.

According to Whit Gibson, chairman of the Lumber River State Park Citizens Advisory Committee, the homemade raft race is the highlight of the day. “We always have over a dozen rafts compete,” says Gibson. “Now just because they start, doesn’t mean they finish. Therefore, before they start, we give out a number of honors including ‘most creative’ and ‘most embarrassing to your 8th grade science teacher.’”

For more information on the canoe & kayak races, please contact Mickey Turlington of the North Carolina Canoe Racing Association at 910-904-1578 or by email at watersafari@aol.com. For 5K information contact Edward Locklear at elocklear@scotlandcounty.org. For raft or overall event information, contact the Scotland County Tourism Development Authority at 910-277-3149. Or www.chalkbanks.com



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Spring Festival Season Continues

LaurelFest

Few festivals capture the heart and soul of a community the way LaurelFest does. Now in its 17th year, what started out as almost a neighborhood gathering has now turned into a community ritual, while maintaining the neighborhood feel.

This year's festivities will be held on the grounds of the Laurel Hill Community Center on Friday, May 11th and Saturday May 12th with the grounds open from noon to 8 p.m. on Friday and 9 a.m. – 5 p.m. on Saturday.

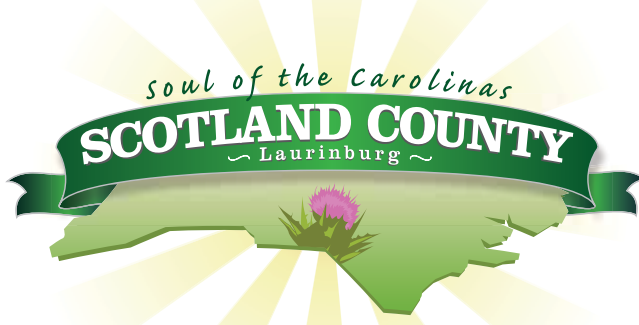
The festival will include a wide array of musical acts, pony and camel rides, a train, a petting zoo, inflatable slides, and other activities all open during the event — all at no cost. Food vendors will offer everything from collards, fish, and barbecue to funnel cakes and ice cream.

Keeping its tradition of honoring a different group each year, the event will nod to the wonderful teachers in our community. The Laurel Hill Community Center is located in the former Laurel Hill school building on Church Street and Parsonage Avenue. For more information visit www.laurelfest.com or call 910-462-2424.

Bike To Build

The weekend continues to roll forward on May 12th when Habitat for Humanity of Scotland County hosts its 15th annual Bike to Build. The event will feature a 64, 32, 21 and 10.5 mile bicycle route as well as a 10k run, and a 5k run/walk.

As always, all the proceeds from the event will be put toward the organization building homes in the county. For more information visit www.biketobuild.org



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Summer Concert Series In Laurinburg

The first Laurinburg After 5 concert of the season was held uptown to great success. The schedule now shifts back to the Morgan Complex for the summer installments. The series returns to Friday nights – creating a great event to kick-off your weekend.

The summer session provides a cross-section of music from beach to blues and everything in between. Blackwater Rhythm and Blues opens the series in May and is followed by the Band of Oz in June.

The July date will be a unique event as Friday, July 13 also is the opening night of the North Carolina Dixie Softball State Championship being hosted by Laurinburg. Over 60 teams, 600 players and 2,500 parents, family and friends will join Laurinburg After Five that evening to make it a true celebration. The August concert closes out the series with Laurinburg’s own Jim Quick and Coastline.

The full schedule is as follows:

5/25 – Blackwater Rhythm & Blues

6/22 – Band of Oz

7/13 – Bantum Rooster

8/10 – Jim Quick & Coastline.

Laurinburg After 5 is held at the James L. Morgan Complex at 1206 State Rd Turnpike Rd, Laurinburg. Gates will open at 5:30 with the concerts beginning at 6:00. Admission for adults will be \$2.00, children under 12 are free when accompanied with adult.

For more information contact the Laurinburg/Scotland County Area Chamber of Commerce at **910-276-7420**.

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Laurinburg Welcomes Our Visitors

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

Hotels

Comfort Inn	910-277-7788	Pine Acres Lodge	910-276-1531
Hampton Inn	910-277-1516	Scotland Inn	910-276-0632
Holiday Inn Express	910-291-3300	Oasis RV Park	910-266-8372
Quality Inn	910-277-0080		

Casual Dining

215 on Main	910-361-4474
Captain Larry's Seafood House	910-276-1880
Champs Steak House	910-276-4386
Mi Casita Restaurante Mexicano	910-276-0032
The Main Table	910-361-4273
Wooly McDuff's Neighborhood Grille	910-276-6632

Quick Serve Dining

Dawg Haus Express	910-277-9303	Great Wall Chinese Food	910-276-9199
General McArthur's	910-276-1498	Jin Jin Chinese Food	910-277-1616
Golden Corral	910-277-1620	Little Fuji Grill	910-277-9922
Greek Village	910-277-7700	Miyako	910-506-4081
Jerry's Deli and Grill	910-266-9020	Taki Japanese Restaurant	910-291-9908
Huddle House	910-610-4100	Jesse's Pizza & Hot Sub	910-277-8538
Smithfield's Bar-B-Q	910-266-8700	Pizza Hut	910-276-1770
Waffle House	910-277-9259	Pizza Inn	910-276-6565
China Garden	910-266-8885	Moe's Chicken	910-506-2325
Golden Run	910-277-7734		