



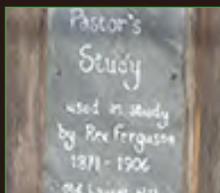
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The North Carolina Rural Heritage Center

The North Carolina Rural Heritage Center is a presentation and celebration of the cultures and heritages that have shaped Scotland County and the Piedmont of North Carolina.



The centerpiece of the Center is the John Blue House. The century-old house provides a glimpse into an important part of Scotland County's past – the culture of the rural Carolinas – as well as insight into the heart and soul of Mr. John Blue.

Constructed after the Civil War in 1891, John Blue, Sr. designed the home after visiting family in Mississippi where he became intrigued by the riverboats. Upon his return, he designed the home to reflect this look – including the “bridge” of the home that served as his favorite sitting area. Also contributing to the riverboat design are the rare double circular porches, as well as the ornaments that decorate the porch and railings — all hand carved by Mr. Blue himself. The house is built entirely of heart of pine lumber from trees on the grounds.

Inside there are 12 rooms and 12 exterior doors. The doors display decorative stained glass, a feature of which Mr. Blue was especially proud. Today over 90% of the original stained glass windows remain intact. One window that Mr. Blue especially enjoyed was the red stained glass window in the front door. This window allowed him to look through it, across the road to his cotton fields. The red tint illuminated the fields and allowed Mr. Blue to see his “rose garden.”



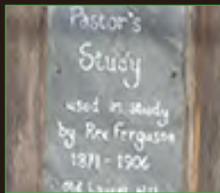
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Celebrating Our History

Located behind the John Blue House is the Heritage Village. Nestled in a grove of pecan trees is a collection of homesteads that tell the story of a different time in the region. Each of these structures were first built elsewhere by settlers and farmers in the areas and moved to the grounds for presentation. From the structures to the homesteads that occupy the land, the grounds provide a glimpse of the culture of the rural Carolinas of the late 1800s.

Across the street you will find two museums. The first is The Museum of Agriculture and History – which presents an array of inventions and products that often married the industrial revolution and the agricultural commerce of rural North Carolina.



The museum is comprised of four primary sections: Inventions of John Blue and other agricultural trend-setters, an exhibit of hit-and-miss engines and other farming vehicles, a look at household appliances from yesteryear, and one of the most fascinating collection of antique cars you will find in the Southeast. Additionally, the museum boasts a retired locomotive engine, an exhibit on textiles, and an honorary exhibit to the armed forces.

The Museum of Agricultural and History provided a look at life on the farm in rural America and inventions that made that life simpler as time progressed. We welcome you to join us in viewing this journey.



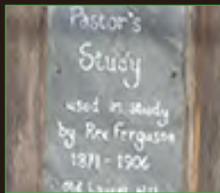
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The second museum on the site celebrates our Native-American heritage. Through the millennia, the region now known as North and South Carolina was home to over 45 different Native American Indian cultures. Among the descendants today are the Lumbee, Cheraw, Cherokee, Tuscarora, Waccamaw, and Catawba. The primary emphasis of the Indian Museum of the Carolinas is to display Carolina Indian life, but you will also find exhibits on groups of other parts of North America and Mesoamerica.

The 40 exhibits offer glimpses of Native American life as it was in the past. From the time of earliest permanent settlement until modern times there have been three primary village types that served the Native Americans our region of the Carolinas: Carolina Bays, Indian Mounds, and Fishing Villages. Additionally, exhibits include unique items such as an original canoe, projectile points (arrowheads), pottery, and ancient stone tools.



In addition to the facilities, which offer guided tours, the Center has created a "cell phone" tour. Simply dial the phone number **(910-518-5240)** and take a self-guided tour throughout the property. "Stations" are set up at key stops on the tour so that visitors can simply dial the prompt and hear specifics about that area.

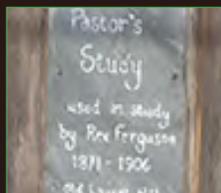
All of the areas of the North Carolina Rural Heritage Center are managed and operated by the Scotland County Historic Properties Commission. For more information on the Center and its hours of operation, or to find out how you can help the Scotland County Historic Properties Commission make Laurinburg/Scotland County a better place to live, work and play, contact the commission at **910-277-2456**.



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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

Captain Larry's Seafood House	910-276-1880
Mi Casita Restaurante Mexicano	910-276-0032
O'Shea's On Main with G.Gs.	910-361-4752
The Main Table	910-361-4273
Wooly McDuff's Neighborhood Grille	910-276-6632

Quick Serve Dining

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