

2011 Historic Edenton & Chowan County Happenings

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January

- 1 – 31 “Family Connections” themed tours of Iredell House & Cupola House
Offered Monday – Saturday – fee – Historic Edenton State Historic Site,
108 North Broad Street – 252-482-2637; www.edenton.nchistoricsites.org
- 17 Martin Luther King Celebration – Swain Auditorium, 200 East Church
Street – noontime
- 21 TRU Contest Exhibit Opening & Reception – Grades 8 – 12 Artwork,
5:30 pm, Chowan Arts Council – 504 South Broad Street, 252-482-8005;
Mysi.chowanarts@gmail.com; www.chowanarts.com; join them on
Facebook

February

- 4 I “HEART” CAC Opening & Exhibit, artwork with Heart Theme,
National Wear Red Day, Chowan Arts Council, 504 South Broad Street,
252-482-8005; mysi.chowanarts@gmail.com; join them on Facebook
- 12 50th Anniversary Celebration Dinner and Antique Auction at Pembroke
Hall – Edenton Historical Commission, 252-482-7800; www.ehcnc.org
- 26 4th Annual Polar Plunge – Colonial Park - \$25 to jump and free to watch
With proceeds going to the Special Olympics – contact 252-482-4436
Linda Hobbs.

March

- Mar 1 – 31 Women’s History Month – student bus tours featuring Slave, Abolitionist,
Author, Harriet Jacobs – fee – Reservations required – Historic Edenton
State Historic Site, 108 North Broad Street – 252-482-2637;
www.edenton.nchistoricsites.org www.harrietjacobs.org
- 18-19 Edenton-Chowan Kiwanis 5K Race and Fun Walk - \$30 Registration Fee,
Barbara Cavanagh – 252-482-5482
- 25-26 Magnolias, Mojitos and Mojo, CAC Fundraiser, 252-482-8005;
mysi.chowanarts@gmail.com; www.chowanarts.com; join them on
Facebook

April

- 3 Pet-a-Palooza – Colonial Park – 3 – 5 pm – parade and fun activities –
10:30 am Destination Downtown Edenton and the Edenton-Chowan
Recreation Department – 252-562-2740; www.mainstreetedenton.com
- 15-16 Rocky Hock Opry Performance, Swain Auditorium, 7:30 pm, Jack Evans
252-340-3438, Tickets - \$10
- 16-25 Cycle Speedway World Champion Racing, Brian White, 252-339-3207
- 29 Boogie on Broad with the Embers, Destination Downtown, Jennifer
Harriss, 252-562-2740; www.mainstreetedenton.com
- 29-30 Historic Edenton Pilgrimage – Tour Historic Homes and Countryside,

- 10 am – 5 pm, 1-800-775-0111; www.visitedenton.com
- 29-30 5th Annual Hog Fest – American Legion Post 40, 1317 West Queen Street – 252-482-4057 – BBQ Cook-off sanctioned by Kansas City BBQ Society; Continuing events such as the Kids Pedal Tractor & Tricycle Drag Races, the Kids Obstacle Course; www.chowanfair.org
- 29-30 CAC Water/Lemonade Stand during the Spring Pilgrimage, 504 South Broad Street, 252-482-8005; mysi.chowanarts@gmail.com; join them on Facebook; www.chowanarts.com

May

- 1 Albemarle Chorale Annual Spring Concert- Edenton United Methodist Church – 4 pm – Free; 252-426-5891
- 5 Edenton-Chowan Golf Tournament – Chowan Golf & Country Club, 252-482-3400, Richard Bunch
- 7 May Play Day – Rocky Hock Community Building, Evans-Bass Road Games, activities and great food enjoyed by all ages; Jack Evans, 252-340-3438
- 10 National Tourism Day – Free Guided Trolley Tours from the Historic Edenton State Historic Site Visitor Center 10, 11, 12, 2, 3 and 4 pm – 252-482-2637; www.edenton.nchistoricsites.org
- 15 Music in the Parks Series, 2 – 5 pm, Colonial Park, 252-482-8595, listen to your favorite performers; www.visitedenton.com Free, bring a lawn chair and Enjoy!
- 21 Civil War Maritime Living History Program, 1767 Chowan County Courthouse Green, Judy Chilcoat – 252-482-2637; www.edenton.historicsites.org

June

- 1- Aug 31 Edenton Steamers takes on Peninsula @ Historic Hicks Field, 7 pm, 252-482-4080; www.edentonsteamers.com – season home opener
- 4 Open Bass Tournament – Bayside Marina & Grill – 6 am until – 252-482-5343
- 11 2nd Saturdays return to Historic Edenton State Historic Site, music, craft and history, 108 North Broad Street, 10 am – 4 pm – Carolyn Owens, 252-482-2637 – www.edenton.nchistoricsites.org
- 17 – 18 Edenton Music and Water Festival – Friday evening – Guided Paddle for nature lovers from Colonial Park; Saturday gets everyone on the water with paddle demonstrations, sailboat races, paddling with the Periauger, games and activities for children, artisans, food vendors and talented musicians of every venue throughout the day into early evening; 800-775-0111 – www.edentonmusicandwaterfestival.com Free

July

- 4 Celebrate in Colonial Park with entertainment, food, crafts and a wonderful fireworks display at dusk – Optimist Club – 252-482-2323
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August

- 1 – 31 Beat the Heat – Colonial Coping Strategies with Guided Tours of the Iredell House with emphasis on these methods – Historic Edenton State Historic Site, Fee, 252-482-2637; www.edenton.nchistoricsites.org
- 6 2nd Annual Northeast Equine & Antique Tractor Expo – American Legion Fairgrounds – 1317 W. Queen Street – 252-482-4057; www.chowanfair.com
- 7 National Lighthouse Day began in 1889 and is celebrating its 200th Anniversary – come and visit the 1886 Roanoke River Lighthouse in Colonial Park, 252-482-2637; www.edenton.nchistoricsites.org
- TBA 10th Annual Shrimp by the Bay at Wharf Landing – 6 – 9 pm – tickets \$30 Edenton-Chowan Chamber of Commerce - 252-482-3400
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- 21 Music in the Park Series, listen to your favorite performers at Colonial Park, 2 - 5 pm, 252-482-8595; www.visitedenton.com Free, bring a lawn chair and Enjoy!

September

- 9 “Taste of Edenton” 6 – 8 pm, on the Barker House Lawn on the waterfront, 252-482-7800, www.edentonhistoricalcommission.org
- 10 Annual Shrimp Feast, American Legion Fairgrounds, 252-482-4057; www.chowanfair.com
- 17-23 Constitution Week. Celebrate the 224th anniversary of the signing of the US Constitution. Exhibit, Tours emphasizing Edenton residents who were a part of this historic event, fee for tours, 252-482-2637; www.edenton.nchistoricsites.org
- 18 Music in the Park Series at Colonial Park, **US Air Force Heritage of America Band**, 2 – 5 pm, 252-482-8595; www.visitedenton.com Free
- 24 **Wings over Edenton** – free airplane rides, vendors, static displays, and flight demonstrations at the Northeast Regional Airport – Soundside Road, Harry Davis, 10 am – 4 pm, 252-482-4664
- 27 – Oct 1 64th Annual Chowan County Regional Fair, Amusement Rides, entertainment, exhibits, and great food, American Legion Fairgrounds, 252-482-4057; www.chowanfair.com

October

- 1 – 31 Historic Edenton State Historic Site offers hands-on experiences for 4th grade students with games, chores and domestic skills of the Colonial Era with an opportunity to make and take home their own handiwork, supply fee, reservations required, 252-482-2637; www.edenton.nchistoricsites.org

- 1 7th Annual Peanut 5k-Run or walk through the beautiful surroundings of Edenton Bay and Hayes Plantation, registration 8 am-Queen Anne Park, Phone 252-482-8595
35th Annual Peanut Festival – parade and festivities throughout the day with band competition in early evening at John A. Holmes High School, Joyce Lassiter - 252-312-4448
- 8 2nd Annual ASSA Match Racing Championship @ Wharf Landing, 9 am sailboat races begin, sponsored by the Edenton Yacht Club and Wharf Landing; 800-783-8289
- 31 Safe Trick or Treating with Destination Downtown Edenton, South Broad Street, 5:30 pm, 252-562-2740

November

- 1-30 Walking Tours featuring Edenton’s diverse architectural styles each Wednesday, fee charged, 252-482-2637; www.edenton.nchistoricsites.org
- 5 Open Bass Fishing Tournament at Bayside Marina and Grill, 6 am until, 252-482-5343
- 18-19 Rocky Hock Opry Christmas Show; Swain Auditorium, 200 E. Church Street; 7:30 pm; 252-340-3438

December

- 1 Men’s Night Out – Christmas shopping for that special someone and refreshments to go along, Chowan Arts Council, 5:30 pm, 252-482-8005; www.chowanarts.org
- 2 Tree Lighting Ceremony, Destination Downtown, Kick off the joyous season with goodies, train rides and of course the lighting of the Town Tree with Santa, South Broad Street at 5:30 pm, 252-562-2740; www.mainstreetedenton.com
- 09-10 **30th Annual Christmas Candlelight Tour** in Historic Edenton, make the holidays extra special by stepping inside some of the most beautifully decorated homes in Historic Edenton from 4 – 8 pm, Headquarters: The Barker House on the waterfront, Edenton Historical Commission, 252-482-7800; www.edentonhistoricalcommission.org
Other Weekend Events:
Civil War 150th - Edenton Bell Battery, Battery B, 3rd Battalion, portraying a Confederate Artillery Unit, 1767 Chowan County Courthouse Green, 1- 5 pm, 252-482-2637; www.edenton.nchistoricsites.org
Holiday Repast at the Barker House, 1- until with special eggnog and refreshments; 252-482-7800
Annual Groaning Board at the Iredell House, 1- 5 pm, so many treats the table ‘groans’ and entertainment; 252-482-2637
Annual Wassail Bowl at the Cupola House, 1 – 5 pm, treats surrounded by period decorations; 252-482-2637
Confection Perfection at the Chowan Arts Council 4 – 9 pm, sweet treats in a holiday setting; 252-482-8005
- 09 **Caroling in the 1767 Chowan County Courthouse**, 6 pm; 252-482-2637

- 10 **Edenton-Chowan Christmas Parade**, Floats, Boats, Horses, Marching
Bands & holiday fun, 11 am, Broad Street; 252-482-3400
- 11 **The Albemarle Chorale Annual Christmas Concert**, Edenton United
Methodist Church, 4 pm, 252-426-5891
- 12 **Period Holiday Decorations Workshop**, Reservations required, Historic
Edenton State Historic Site Visitor Center; 252-482-2637