



# BUSINESS Update

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► YPLC NEWS

## YPLC has two events on tap

Young Professionals of Lenoir County have two fun events planned for coming weeks.

YPLC will host a Trivia Night on Wednesday at House of Wang. Come test your knowledge while enjoying some fantastic food. Social starts at 5:30 p.m. and round robin trivia will begin at 6 p.m.

For more information contact Becky Hines at ncsugrad2002@hotmail.com.

On Thursday, Aug. 4, YPLC will host a social to celebrate National Beer Day.

The event is from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. at the Mother Earth Brewery Tap Room on North Street

Each member of the Young Professionals will be given a half-off coupon for a full flight of beer.

This YP event is open to community members of all ages.

For more information and directions to the event, please call the Kinston-Lenoir County Chamber of Commerce at (252) 527-1131. To register for this event, call the Chamber or go to www.kinstonchamber.com community calendar.

Young Professionals of Lenoir County, an extension of the Kinston-Lenoir County Chamber of Commerce is a professional society open to men and women ages 21-39.

► Chamber HAPPENINGS



## Business Before Hours: Coastal Connections

Coastal Connections Marketing of Kinston hosted a Business Before Hours and a Business Showcase at the Hampton Inn. Coastal Connections had vendors from around the country displaying their products and services. Many people stopped by throughout the day. You can contact Coastal Connections by phoning 526-9862.

► Chamber CHAMPIONS

Thank you, Chamber Champions!

Chamber Champions is a volunteer program for those Chamber members who want to go above and beyond the current membership investment schedule.

The program gives members the opportunity to contribute an additional 20 percent to support Chamber member driven programs and projects.

Some of our newest Chamber Champions are:

- Salon Stevens
- King's Restaurant & Catering
- Auto Generator & Starter Service, Inc.
- Pink Hill Elementary School

► Chamber at WORK

## Dedication set Aug. 8

The Leadership Lenoir Class of 2011 is holding a ribbon cutting and dedication ceremony of its "Hands on Lenoir" project at 4 p.m. Monday, Aug. 8

This project, a restoration of the river deck overlooking the river near the Farmer's Market, is dedicated to the memory of former Kinston First Lady, Mary Mac Ritch. A plaque is mounted to commemorate the project and her memory. A presentation will be made to Mary Mac's husband and former mayor of Kinston, Buddy Ritch by members of the Leadership Lenoir Class. The public is invited to attend.

► Education Foundation NEWS

## Help county's children get ready for school

The Kinston Community Health Center, Lenoir-Greene United Way, Lenoir County Education Foundation, and Lenoir County Schools are joining forces to collect and distribute filled book bags to our local students who are in need of school supplies.

Here are two opportunities for the public and community organizations to help:

**Annual Community Health Fair**

**Saturday, Aug. 13  
9 a.m.-1 p.m.**

**Kinston Community Health Center**

At this event, filled book bags will be given to parents whose children are in need of school

supplies.

Donations of school supplies should be taken to dKinston Community Health Center before Aug. 5.

For more information, please contact Anna Kinsey, Community Outreach Director at 522-9800, Ext. 252.

**4th Annual Stuff the Bus Campaign**

**Saturday, Aug. 6  
10 a.m.-2 p.m.**

**Walmart**

Make your purchase of school supplies and help us "stuff the bus" with school supplies on "tax-free weekend" with supplies from the list below.

Donations will also be accepted Monday-Friday at the Board

of Education office on Vernon Ave.

Book bags filled with supplies will be given to Lenoir County Schools students during the 2011-2012 school year.

For more information, please contact Lidia Guzman, Public Information Officer, at 527-1109.

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**Supplies needed:**

- Ink pens
- No. 2 Pencils
- 2-pocket folders
- 3 ring binders
- Marble composition books
- Notebook paper
- Spiral notebooks
- Backpacks (girl)
- Backpacks (boy)

## President's Club

**Gold**

Harvey Fertilizer & Gas  
Lenoir County Committee of 100  
Lenoir Memorial Hospital

**Silver**

BB&T  
Century Link  
Cherry Energy  
Coastal Connections Marketing  
Corporate Resources  
Down East Protection Systems  
Kinston Public Services/Electricities  
Minges Bottling Group, Inc.  
Perry Management, Inc.  
Progress Energy  
Spirit AeroSystems  
Spring Arbor of Kinston  
US Cellular  
Wachovia Bank/Well Fargo  
West Pharmaceutical Services, Inc.