

## COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Submit calendar items to Editor Nicole Bowman-Layton at [nlayton@ncweeklies.com](mailto:nlayton@ncweeklies.com). The deadline for submissions is noon Friday.

### WEDNESDAY, JULY 3

#### Blood drive

Girl Scout Troop 970 is sponsoring a blood drive from 3-7 p.m. at the Chowan County Agriculture Building, Conference Room 105. The building is at 730 N. Granville St., Edenton. To schedule an appointment, visit [redcross-blood.org](http://redcross-blood.org) and enter: Troop970.

### THURSDAY, JULY 4

#### July 4th celebration

The Edenton Tea Party Chapter, National Society Daughters of the American Revolution, invites the public to attend a July 4th celebration at 10 a.m. at the Joseph Hewes monument on the Courthouse Green, Edenton. Hood Ellis will give a biography of Hewes. Edenton Mayor Roland H. Vaughan will read the Declaration of Independence. All are welcome.

#### Fabulous Fourth of July

The Chowan-Edenton Optimist Club will host the 40th annual Fabulous Fourth of July in downtown Edenton. Activities begin at 4 p.m. in the park with food, kid-friendly activities and music. Fireworks will go off around dusk, about 9 p.m. A rain date for the fireworks has been set for July 5.

### MONDAY, JULY 8

#### Neighborhood prayer

The Edenton-Chowan Community Against Violence invites the public to a monthly neighborhood prayer at 5:30 p.m. at the Edenton Farmers Market, 200 N. Broad St., Edenton. The group rotates the gatherings by police zones and invites all residents to join them as they pray for unity, peace and restoration throughout Edenton.

#### Support group meeting

The Alzheimer/Dementia Support Group for caregivers and family members meets at 1 p.m. at Hertford United Methodist Church, 200 Dobbs St., Hertford. All are welcome. For information, call 426-7167 or 333-7774.

### TUESDAY, JULY 9

#### Democratic Women

The Democratic Women of Chowan County General Meeting will be held at 6:30 p.m. upstairs at Shepard-Pruden Memorial Library, 106 W. Water St., Edenton. For information, email [women4chow@gmail.com](mailto:women4chow@gmail.com).

### THURSDAY, JULY 11

#### CAC exhibit opens

The Chowan Arts Council and NAMI (National Alliance on Mental Illness) will host a reception for the exhibit, "Piecing for Peace of Mind: Quilts to fight mental illness," at 5:30 p.m. in the CAC facility on West Water Street. The exhibit is funded through a grant from the North Carolina Arts Council.

### TUESDAY, JULY 23

#### Blood drive

Ballard's Bridge Baptist Church in Tyner will host an American Red Cross Blood Drive from 2-7 p.m.

### TUESDAY, JULY 30

#### Blood drive

Rocky Hock Baptist Church will host an American Red Cross blood drive from 2-7 p.m. in the church multipurpose room. Visit [redcross-blood.org](http://redcross-blood.org) and enter: RNBC to schedule an appointment. All blood types are needed.

### SATURDAY, SEPT. 28

#### Jollification

Jollification, a historic home tour of downtown Hertford, will be held from 12:30-5 p.m. The tour is sponsored by the Perquimans County Restoration Association to benefit the Newbold-White House. Tickets for the tour only are \$25, while the tour with dinner (at the Newbold-White House) will cost \$35. Dinner will be from 5:30-8 p.m. and will feature a concert by Adam Nixon and the Uphill Band. For tickets and information, call 252-426-7567.

### ONGOING PROGRAMS WEDNESDAYS

#### Farmers Market

The Edenton Farmers Market is open from 3-6 p.m., rain or shine. Its vendors go out of their way to bring the community locally produced products twice a week. Stop by and purchase offerings

such as vegetables, local eggs, dairy products, seafood, local meats, baked goods, fresh bread, soap and more.

#### StoryTime for Toddlers

The Shepard-Pruden Memorial Library in downtown Edenton has StoryTime for Toddlers ages 3-5 at 11 a.m. every Wednesday. We read books, do fingerplays, sing songs and do an easy craft. All parents, grandparents, and companions are welcome. Question? Call the library 252-482-4112.

### THURSDAYS

#### Nar-Anon meeting

Nar-Anon, a 12-step program for friends and family members of those who are affected by someone else's addiction, meets from 5:30-6:30 p.m. every Thursday at the Edenton Coffee House, 302 S. Broad St.

### FIRST SATURDAYS

#### Submarine Veterans group

The U.S. Submarine Veterans Association Albemarle Sound Base meets at 10 a.m. at the Downtown Cafe and Soda Shoppe in Edenton.

### SATURDAYS

#### Overeaters Anonymous

Overeaters Anonymous meets every Saturday at 10 a.m. at Vidant Chowan Hospital, 211 Virginia Road, West Hicks Street entrance, in the Chowan Room. Call Vonnie at 252-377-7704 for details.

#### Farmers Market

The Edenton Farmers Market will be open from 8 a.m. to noon every Saturday through the winter, at its facility at 200 N. Broad St. We are also open rain or shine thanks to our building design. The vendors are both inside and outside. The products we will have for sale each Saturday are as follows: local brown eggs, Ashe County Cheese, Bertie County peanuts, sunflower oil, fish, hot pepper powders, handmade pens and original artwork.

### MONDAYS

#### Legion Bingo

Come enjoy playing Bingo every Monday night at American Legion Post 40 in Edenton. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. Early Bird Games begin at 7 p.m.; Regular games start at 7:30 p.m. Concessions served. No smoking.

#### Al-Anon

Al-Anon is a fellowship for relatives and friends who feel their lives have been affected by someone else's drinking. Each person should be able to leave an Al-Anon meeting secure in the knowledge that what she or he said will not be repeated. Al-Anon meets every Monday evening at 8 p.m. in Room 226 at the Edenton United Methodist Church, 225 Virginia Road North.

### TUESDAYS

#### Depressed Anonymous

Depressed Anonymous meetings are being held in Edenton from 6-7 p.m. Tuesdays in the Perquimans Room at Vidant Chowan Hospital and in Elizabeth City from 6-7 p.m. Thursdays at 300 Pearl St. For information, visit [www.Depressed.anon.com](http://www.Depressed.anon.com)/edentonnc or call Debra at 252-333-8855.

### TUESDAYS, THURSDAYS

#### Seniors Now

Seniors requiring respite care meet in one-on-one sessions for interesting activities designed for their capabilities. Space is available Tuesdays and Thursdays at the First Presbyterian Church (corner of West Queen and South Moseley streets) from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Cost is \$20 (what a deal for \$5 an hour) and includes a careered lunch. For information, contact coordinator Cindy Thomas at 506-1020 — or drop by at any session.

### THIRD TUESDAYS

#### Stroke Support Group

Vidant Chowan Hospital hosts a stroke support group the third Tuesday of each month at 3 p.m. in the Chowan Ag Building/Co-op Extension. Open to all survivors and their caregivers, the free group is an opportunity to offer encouragement and give people a chance to meet others who are experiencing similar challenges. Participants are not required to share and can simply listen. No need to RSVP. For information, call Jacki or Jordan in the Rehabilitation Department at 482-6767.

# Choir raises roof at Edenton church

BY MARIDALE JACKSON  
For Chowan Herald

The Tidewater Virginia Chapter of The James Cleveland Gospel Music Workshop of America sang a selection of gospel music in a concert benefiting the Boys and Girls Club, Edenton Unit. The Saturday, June 22, event, sponsored by the Edenton Reconciliation Group and its own Sounds of Harmony choir, took place at the Edenton United Methodist Church. The powerful, rafter-raising music brought members of the audience to its feet to clap and sing along.

After the concert, the Reconciliation Group hosted a potluck supper for the guest choir before it boarded vans for the trip back to Virginia Beach.

The Gospel Music Workshop of America was created in 1967 by Rev. James Cleveland, known as the "King of Gospel Music." It



SUBMITTED PHOTO

Chowan County's Racial Reconciliation group recently hosted a concert that featured the Gospel Music Workshop of America Choir.

is an inclusive, interdenominational grouping of musicians, songwriters, educators, pastors and others from across the United States and around the world.

The Edenton Reconciliation Group was formed nearly six years ago to build

interracial friendships and understanding in the Edenton-Chowan community. Its weekly meetings range from conversations both serious and funny, to films and speakers on a wide range of topics. The group's Sounds of Harmony Choir is nearing its first birthday.

Its goal is to bring the group's message to the larger Edenton community with songs of joy, peace, love and fellowship.

Both the Reconciliation Group and the Sounds of Harmony Choir are open to all. Newcomers are always welcome.

## CHURCH BRIEFS

Submit church items to Staff Writer Miles Layton at [mlayton@ncweeklies.com](mailto:mlayton@ncweeklies.com).

### Edenton Baptist Church

Edenton Baptist Church is a Cooperative Baptist Fellowship congregation, located at 200 S. Granville Street. We invite you to join us Sundays at 9:45 a.m. for Sunday School, and Worship at 11 a.m. The historic church has a special program, The Bridge, for 2nd-6th graders during the worship hour, as well as Children's Church for K-1st graders, and nursery care. More information may be found on our website ([www.edentonbaptist.org](http://www.edentonbaptist.org)).

### Edenton United Methodist Church

Edenton United Methodist Church, 225 Virginia Road, has Sunday services at 8:45-10 a.m. in the Family Life Center and 11 a.m. in the sanctuary. Sunday School for all ages is at 10 a.m. each week. Nursery is available for all services. For information, call 482-3269.

### Faith Pentecostal Holiness Church

Join us for services at 10:45 a.m. Sundays and 7 p.m. Wednesdays. Faith Pentecostal Holiness Church is at 1614 Virginia Road.

### Happy Home Church

Pastor Walter Byrum and the congregation of Happy Home Church invite you to join us in worship and fellowship on Sunday and Wednesday at 534 Happy Home Road in Tyner. For information, visit our website, [www.hhchurch.me](http://www.hhchurch.me).

### Liberty in Yahweh Worship Center

Liberty in Yahweh Worship Center, 2862 Virginia Road, Tyner, invites you to join us for Saturday services, starting at 10 a.m. Call 214-629-9540 for information.

### Macedonia Baptist Church

Join us at Macedonia Baptist Church, 1004 Macedonia Road, Edenton. Services are scheduled as follows: Sunday — Sunday School, 10 a.m., Worship Service, 11 a.m., Evening Bible Study, 6:30

p.m., Youth, 5:45 p.m., and Children in Action, 6 p.m.; Wednesday — Prayer Meeting, 7:30 p.m., Youth, 7 p.m.

### Matthew 25:35-36 Ministries

Meal, box food, clothing, diapers, formula, new children's coats are offered the second Saturday of each month starting at 2 p.m. at 1211 Beech Spring Road, Tyner. Bring picture ID and WIC card (for diapers and formula).

### St. Anne Catholic Church

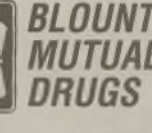
Weekend Mass Schedule — Saturday Vigil: 5 p.m. (Church Hall) — Sunday: 8:30 a.m. (Church Hall); 10 a.m. (Church); 12:30 p.m., Spanish (Church). Weekday Mass Schedule — Monday: 8:30 a.m., Communion Service (Church); Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday: 5:30 p.m. Mass (Church); Wednesday: 5 p.m., Rosary (Church); Friday: 8:30 a.m., Mass (Church). All Souls

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