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Liberty Hall Restoration

VISITOR CENTER

409 SOUTH MAIN STREET, KENANSVILLE NC

As one walks under the old beech tree leading to Liberty Hall, they can almost hear the laughter of the four Kenan children playing in the yard and hear voices echoing from the many meetings Owen Kenan held there. The ancestral home of the Kenan family is located in the heart of Kenansville and was built by Thomas Kenan in the early 1800s. Many of the period pieces of furniture are original to the house. One can easily get lost in time as the guide takes you through the 11 rooms while talking about days gone by and the activities that went on there.

Mary Lilly Kenan's wedding dress shows what a tiny lady she was with the 18-inch waistline in 1901 when she and Henry Flagger were married in the parlor. The lattice porch reminds guests of how late in the afternoon the family would sit outside trying to feel a cool breeze and waving to their neighbors as they passed in their horse-drawn buggies. The four bedrooms upstairs still have the canopy beds the family slept in almost 200 years ago. In the quietness of the house, one's imagination can almost hear them snoring. The kitchen has the original fireplace where most of the cooking was done. How hot the kitchen got in the summertime can only be imagined! The wash shed can still be seen with the washboard and wooden tubs, helping one understand why washing was an all-day job. The site also has several out-buildings that helped carry on everyday activities. The necessary house with its corncobs brings back memories to the older guests who remember when every house did not have bathrooms. But often, no matter how dark or cold it got, it was a necessary place to go! The only source of water was drawn from the well, which still sets close to the kitchen.

This Greek revival home has not been occupied for over 100 years, but when one enters it, they can feel the warmth and love the family had for each other and for their fellow man. While living there, Sarah Kenan had a needlepoint piece over the door that read, "Guests never come too early and never stay too late." The site still welcomes guests from all over the United States and none leave disappointed. Stroll through the yard and listen to the birds as this 90-minute guided tour causes you to forget the hustle and bustle of everyday life and helps you catch a glimpse of what life was like for our ancestors.

The cover features the Liberty Hall sign and building.

HOURS

Open Tuesday-Saturday

10:00AM-4:00PM

Closed major holidays

TOURS

Starting at

10:30AM, 12:30PM, 2:30PM

ADMISSION

Adults: \$5.00

Children under 12: \$2.50

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A young girl with brown hair in pigtails and bangs, wearing a white shirt, is smiling and holding a large woven basket filled with fresh, ripe strawberries. The background is a lush green field, likely a strawberry farm.

Celebrate *the Harvest*

The rich agricultural heritage of Duplin County makes every season a reason to celebrate! *By: Marlane Carcopo*

Blessed with a great climate and rich soil, Duplin County has always been home to the hard work that it takes to bring the crop to market. Families and communities came together to harvest the crops and celebrated the harvest with parties at the homestead or meetings at train depots to transport crops to markets in the north.

It was a time to show off your prized pig or crop, your best recipes, the quilts you handmade and the growing methods you improved. These gatherings grew into the modern events that include craft vendors, parades, festival queens, carnivals and, of course, recipe contests and the foods that showcase each harvest.

Hog farming has always been a staple in Duplin County, but the industry exploded when Wendell Murphy revolutionized the production of feed grain and streamlined hog farming to be more profitable.

When it's spring in Duplin County, the Faison Farmer's Parade will celebrate it! Bring out the tractors and equipment, the horse-drawn carriages, tractor-trailers, fire trucks, scouts, church groups and more to celebrate this lovely farming community. The area is the hub for sweet potato production for the Southeast, with the harvest filling local warehouses!

Festival season in Duplin County begins the first week in May with the Carolina Strawberry Festival.

The festival began as the North Carolina Strawberry Festival when Wallace was the world's largest strawberry exchange in the

1930s. It was visited by then First Lady Eleanor Roosevelt. The festival was abandoned during World War II, and the name was adopted by another North Carolina town. The Carolina Strawberry Festival in Wallace was revived in 2011 and has become the premier event of spring.



▶ Carolina Strawberry Festival

The Carolina Strawberry Festival has everything from a BBQ contest to a midway, enormous dinosaurs, over 100 vendors of all types and every type of food you could want. From the Little Miss Strawberry Pageant to local dance groups, the hometown flavor is preserved.

When the sun goes down, be prepared for the best mix of music from some of the best performers around! Look for everything from R&B to beach music, enjoy the Beer & Wine Garden or treat yourself to a VIP seat with a great view of the stage! This is a must-do event to celebrate spring,

see folks you haven't seen all winter and get some awesome Carolina strawberries from local growers!

Summertime brings another festival to Wallace—the Back Street Music Festival. This festival benefits the Tri-County Youth Service for at-risk children, which organizer Felix Herring has been a part of since 2002.

The festival name comes from the past when Main Street was known as “Front Street” to locals and Boney Street was “Back Street.” The flavor of the festival reflects the businesses that were on Back Street, with groups playing jazz, gospel, R&B and Southern soul. Look for dancers and dance teams performing throughout the event, which is planned for August. There will be rides for the kids, lots of food and both craft vendors and community groups on hand!

Fast-forward to fall, and come back to the Duplin County Event Center for the Duplin Agribusiness Fair, which is everything you want a traditional county fair to be. Follow that with the absolute daddy of modern Duplin County events, the NC Muscadine Festival. Enjoy an evening and a day full of great music and shagging, wine from all the premier wineries in Southeastern North Carolina and the best food and craft vendors in the area!

This event and the wine industry in North Carolina owe their existence to the Fussell family. When tobacco fell out of favor as a cash crop, the entire county economy could have been ruined. Dan Fussell and his son David started cultivating Muscadine grapes, and learned the art of winemaking. The Duplin Winery in Rose Hill has grown to include a location in Myrtle Beach, South Carolina, and now a Panama City Beach, Florida, location. With the success Duplin Winery has had, a number of other vineyards have grown in Southeast North Carolina, and you can taste them all at the Muscadine Harvest Festival!

If you love Southern BBQ, you need to be at Hog Wild in Beulaville in early October. Some of the best teams in the area will cook up some of the best pork BBQ you have ever had! Get a sandwich or plate of this piece of heaven with or without slaw, enjoy the music and shop a great collection of vendors!

Another local family, the Bob Johnson family, has also invested in their community and has been the driving force behind the North Carolina Poultry Jubilee in Rose Hill.

It's home to the World's Largest Frying Pan, and the Rose Hill Fire Department fills it with 200 gallons of cooking oil and can fry 365 chickens per batch, which are donated by House of Raeford.

There is something about the Poultry Jubilee that is totally small-town USA perfect. The chicken, the cake auction and the local flavor tug at the heart, and the NC Poultry Jubilee Pageant winner vies for the title of Miss North Carolina.

The Town of Warsaw is home to the longest-running Veterans Day Parade in the country! The parade is held the Saturday before Veterans Day and includes paratroopers and equipment from local military bases, as well as school, business and civic organizations. The parade has grown to include both food and craft vendors along Front Street as well!

Celebrate the holiday season in Duplin County with hometown touches. Luminarias lighting the streets of downtown Wallace at Christmas at Twilight, the trolley rides at Warsaw's Christmas Town, caroling at Rose Hill's Tree Lighting Ceremony and experiencing Liberty Hall Restoration's Candlelight tours in Kenansville will give you reasons to celebrate the holiday season.

There will be craft vendors and hot chocolate, s'mores and Santa...and a sense that you are in one of the most special places in the country right here in Duplin County!

For more information on events, please visit the Visit Duplin website: uncorkduplin.com



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Wine With A Ghost

Enjoy menu favorites paired with wines from the vineyard in a unique setting that is home to more than bottled spirits.

By: Marlane Carcopo

When Joe West dreamed of having a restaurant, he had no idea of what it would become. The Country Squire is more than a preferred dinner destination with an inn. It is a winery, a wedding destination...and, they say, it is haunted.

Built in 1961 on Highway 50, the Country Squire sits between Kenansville and Warsaw and is easily accessed from Highway 117, Highway 11 or I-40.

The building's logs and mortar are visible, and there are trees that grow through the roof and brick paths that wind through the restaurant. The raised and lowered dining spaces each have their own feel, and they all have candlelit tables.

Whether you choose Joe's signature dish of Korean Style Barbecue Beef or Steak Oscar or salad with the Country Squire's Special Dressing, whatever follows your celery or crackers with the Squire's famous cheese spread will be amazing!

Over the years many have tried to conquer the 72-ounce "Kilt Buster" steak challenge, trying to devour the meal in the allotted hour. Though some have met the challenge, many more have paid for the \$140 meal, I am sure!

The Country Squire Inn was built out from a hundred-year-old house and served as a destination for honeymoons and anniversary getaway weekends. It was the place to stay, but folks started to report that they felt they were not alone in their rooms.

The inn and the restaurant are haunted. That is the opinion of several groups who investigate the paranormal and of staff and visitors who have been spooked by sounds, voices and strange occurrences on the property.

Iris Lennon is the current owner of the property. She worked at the Squire for several years before purchasing it and has grown the business to include a winery and wedding

venue. The Jester's Lounge houses wedding receptions, community meetings and two signature events.

The "Call of the Drums" is an evening of belly dancing presented by Heartsong Tribal. The ticketed event is a fundraiser for Sarah's Refuge, a local women's shelter.

The most anticipated annual event is the Burns Supper celebrated in January in honor of Scottish poet Bobby Burns. Spend an evening with bagpipes and drums playing traditional Scottish music, Highland dancers and a schedule steeped in Scottish tradition.

Traditional Scottish haggis will be presented and served. Don't ask what it is, and I won't tell—but I will tell you that it was quite tasty! There will be readings of Burns's works, a great dinner and a fun evening to be enjoyed and remembered!

The Country Squire Winery was an addition to the business in 2006. With intriguing names like Knickerdropper and Lost in Plockton, this winery offers a full complement of wines, from Pinot Grigio and Chardonnay to Pinot Noir and Malbec. They also have unique flavored wines like pomegranate and strawberry.

The winery offers complimentary wine tastings in the Tartan Wine Tasting Room & Gift Shop, which is housed in a 1780s farmhouse. The space is also available for private tastings and for special events.

The vineyard is on site and is a setting that is the perfect outdoor wedding space! Follow the ceremony with the reception in the Jester's Court, and spend the honeymoon night in the inn that is a honeymoon tradition.

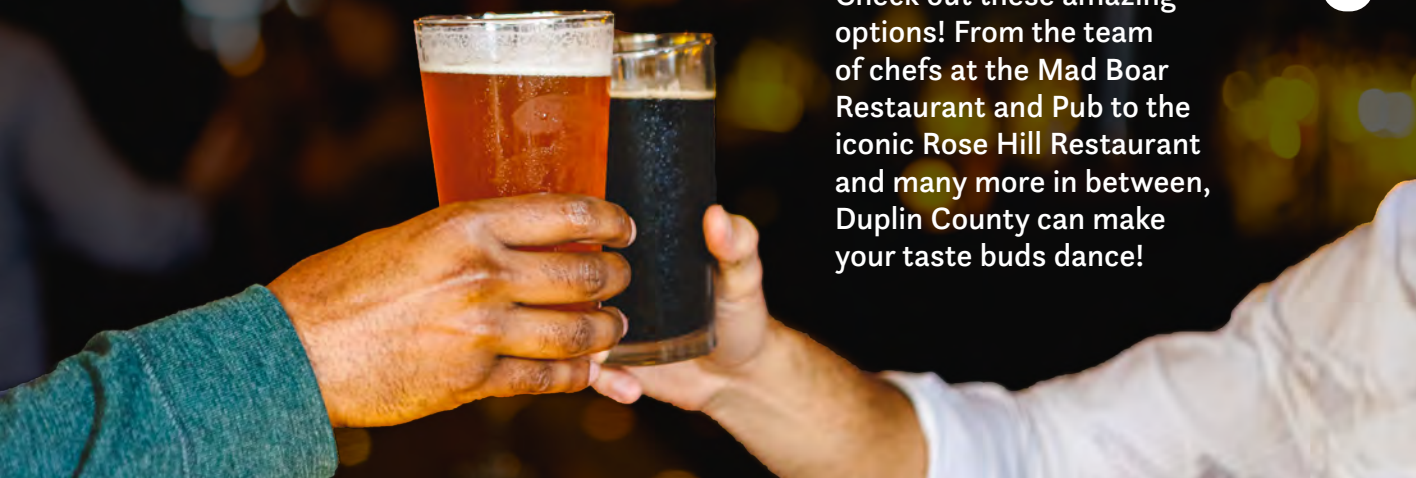
Whether you want to experience a wine tasting, celebrate a birthday, anniversary or graduation with a family dinner, or host a special event, the Country Squire will not disappoint. There will be no extra charge for any of the ghosts who join you!

A young girl with brown hair tied back, wearing a light blue hoodie, is smiling and holding a large glass mug filled with a grey Oreo milkshake. The milkshake is topped with a generous amount of whipped cream and several Oreo cookies. Two straws, one white and one pink, are inserted into the drink. The background is a simple indoor setting with a white door and a light-colored wall.

Let's Eat & Drink!

By: Marlane Carcopo

One thing Duplin can do better than anyone is food and drink!



Check out these amazing options! From the team of chefs at the Mad Boar Restaurant and Pub to the iconic Rose Hill Restaurant and many more in between, Duplin County can make your taste buds dance!

BEULAVILLE

Anne's Thai Kitchen has some of the most authentic Thai foods you will ever eat. The menu is extensive, with traditional dishes and lunch specials that include soup, salad, egg roll and rice with a choice from their most popular entrees.

Hwy 55 Shakes and Fries Hwy 55 is a retro-themed diner that features fresh, never-frozen hand-pattied burgers, house-made frozen custard and other classic favorites in a unique open-kitchen setting.

Breakfast, lunch or dinner and a special treat are on the menu at **The Farmhouse** in Beulaville. Best known for their Mason Mug Shakes with names like “You’re Bacon Me Crazy” and special concoctions for holidays and seasons, this restaurant has menu items for all day and evening too. The lunch and dinner menus have sandwiches, paninis, pasta and flatbread pizza along with salads and, in season, soups.

FAISON

In Faison, **Nhut's Cafe** is a longtime favorite. Nhut Reeves cooks up fried chicken, collards and fish stew for a hungry lunch crowd on weekdays, and adds in a Vietnamese special some days. One trip and you’ll know why this is a favorite Duplin County destination.

KENANSVILLE

West End Grill in Kenansville is one of the few places where you’ll find pork skins, ham chips and chitterlings on the menu. Catering is available for whole pigs and other menu items.

Looking for Japanese? Head over to **Tokyo Sunrise** in Kenansville for a fantastic menu of hibachi and a salad bar. Donna Broach has been a staple in this location for years, with fabulous weekday food and desserts!

The Filling Station strives to provide you with a delicious meal in a friendly atmosphere. Called the “best burgers in town,” their hamburgers are made with daily ground fresh chuck. The Filling Station also offers soups, sandwiches, hot dogs, daily specials and homemade desserts. Eat in or take out.

MAGNOLIA

Taqueria Mi Lupita in Magnolia has been a favorite since 2005. Gloria and Tomas Leon serve real meats and handmade tortillas at the restaurant and in their food truck. Don’t miss an opportunity to enjoy some of the best food tucked away in Magnolia. The couple recently added a second location, a snack shop called **Botanas Mi Lupita**. Snacks include elote and mangonadas.



► Burneys
Alyssa Morgan Malone

ROSE HILL

One of the cornerstone restaurants in Duplin County is the **Rose Hill Restaurant**. A younger generation of the Buckner family is carrying on a proud tradition of good home-cooked food and their famous Lemon Blueberry Pie in season. Let this local favorite show you how food should be served! For an amazing lunch experience, choose Rose Hill Restaurant.

At **The Bistro** at the Duplin Winery, Chef Bert Fussell will present you with an amazing menu to pair with their equally amazing Duplin wines. Their 8-oz. burger is a show stopper, and the softshell crab fried and topped with blue cheese slaw is sure to become a favorite. Don't bring your calorie counter with you... you will want a slice of one of Pastry Chef Tabatha's amazing cheesecakes!

WALLACE

At the **Mad Boar Restaurant and Pub**, forget everything else on the main menu and order the Murphy's Law. This take on grilled pork tenderloin will be the best thing you ever ate! Enjoy special menu options like Prime Rib on Friday and a special menu for Sunday afternoon.

Holidays at the Mad Boar offer a large buffet geared to the holiday. Want something more casual? Get a seat in the spectacular Mad Boar Pub and get your favorite menu items and their amazing drink specials! Enjoy live music in the pub every Friday and Saturday night.

At **Sensations Restaurant** in Wallace, North Carolina Weekend loved the fried chicken that they have every day at their hot bar. Awesome Southern food and desserts will tempt you off that diet for sure!

Looking for a great place to eat and watch the game? Look no further than **Mik's Restaurant and Sports Bar** in Wallace. Enjoy their famous Mik's Chips with beer cheese, wings and nachos, or their amazing She Crab Soup for starters, then go on to one of their signature burgers or a brisket sandwich for lunch. Choose from the amazing entree menu for dinner. Steaks and seafood are on the menu, along with chicken and pork chops. Add a side of Macaroni and Beer Cheese or a side salad. Mik's on-tap beer and ale selection has all your favorites, and the bar is stocked for your favorite drinks.

WARSAW

The **Country Squire Restaurant** has been the go-to spot to celebrate everything from anniversaries to birthdays, graduations and Tuesdays in Duplin County since Joe West opened it in 1961. With dishes like Steak or Chicken Oscar, Korean Beef and Marinated Turkey, there is no wonder it is a first choice for dining. Add a glass of one of the Country Squire's own wines to make the meal perfect.

Peggy's Kitchen Table in Warsaw, right past the Highway 50/24 junction, has daily specials that are amazing and a hot bar with pizza favorites. The menu has everything from Tomahawk Pork Chops to Hamburger Steak and all your favorites in between. This restaurant is not far off the main roads and is definitely worth the visit!

Mobile Meal MADNESS

Order up! What started out as a big-city thing has made its way to every corner of Duplin County. Food trucks are changing the eating-out options in regular locations and at local events.

By: *Marlane Carcopo*



▶ **Mi Lupita**
Alyssa Morgan Malone

This is a new breed of chefs. They can cook... in a metal trailer that is more efficient than any kitchen. They work tirelessly to perfect recipes and menus to bring you unique dishes that will rival those at any brick and mortar restaurant.

The food truck industry has brought a variety of food options to the area on a scale never before seen. From gourmet rib-eye sandwiches and shrimp and grits on a stick to authentic street tacos that put fast food to shame, these entrepreneurs have changed the landscape of eating out!

Somethin' Good has the Ezzell family "Bringing the South to your Mouth" with Shrimp & Grits and Loaded BBQ Chicken Tots, Chicken Salad and Cream Cheese Pound Cake with Butter Cream Icing. Find them at local community colleges, street fairs and catered events across the state!

Master Blend Farms is a staple at BBQ cook-offs with award-winning BBQ and more! You can find their newly revamped food truck in Kenansville on Highway 11 on the green across from Wise Jewelers as their busy schedule permits. They are across the state and beyond as they grow their brand, but Duplin County will always be home!

Also in Kenansville, find the orange **Taqueria Las Chicanitas** food truck at the gas station on the corner of Highway 11 and Highway 50. This truck hails from the Beulaville restaurant with the same name and is serving up food for lunch and dinner. Find tacos and burritos, quesadillas, gorditas and tortas Cubanas Monday-Saturday.

Find **Mama Kea's Soul Food** truck at local schools and community colleges and set up in Warsaw beside the butcher shop on Highway 117. Wings, cheesesteak and pork chop sandwiches are on the menu, with special portions and pricing during holidays.

The Last Taino serves up Puerto Rican and Mexican fare and a burger that is to die for. This amazing burger has lettuce, tomato, cheese, pickle, onion, avocado, bacon and a fried egg! No, there is no song about it, but your taste buds will sing! They are set up in Wallace on Friday and Saturday on the corner of South College Street and East Main Street.

Sabor Salvadoreno sets up on Highway 117 across from the Stockyard in Wallace from Monday-Saturday for lunch. The menu hails from El Salvador and Honduras and includes pupusas, a thin griddle cake stuffed with cheese and meat or bean fillings, and baleadas, an Honduran tortilla dish with beans, cheeses and meats. **Rico Taco** has authentic street tacos, quesadillas and more just down the road near Stone Tuck Parts or at New Era Barber Shop for lunch and dinner.

Locals in Beulaville will tell you that **Brewed Process LLC** has amazing coffee from Tuesday-Friday, along with teas and baked goods. Find them on Highway 24 at Hershey's Automotive near Home Connections Homes.

Find new food trucks for dinner the first Monday of the month at Rich's Heating & Air on Highway 11 in Wallace. From lobster dogs to cheese steak and pizza, there's a new taste every month!

There are lots of other festivals and events around Duplin County that your favorite food truck will be at. Look for them at the Carolina Strawberry Festival, the Poultry Jubilee, the Veterans Day Parade, Hog Wild and fun runs around the county. Look for these favorites at the Duplin Events Center!

The Cheesesteak Hustle features cheesesteak fries, and **Coney Island NC** offers hot dogs with all the toppings you could want! **Golden Kernels kettle corn** and **Dough Daddy's Donuts** serves up, well, donuts and more! The **32 Below Ice Cream Truck** is a favorite on a hot summer day.

Duplin County's favorite Mexican food truck, **Taqueria Mi Lupita**, is on the schedule for many local events along with the gourmet kettle corn creations of **It's Watz Poppin**.

If you see **Philly Invasion LLC** at an event, be sure and order the chicken bacon ranch sub, or order a sausage or veggie dog at **Defense Dogs**. Make sure to get the pineapple lemonade at **The Taco Shack** with the tacos there!

Try a shrimp and steak quesadilla from **Tacos Costa Grande** and cool down with a **Sunshine Slush**. Hope you saved room for dessert from **Simply Delicious Funnel Cakes**.

Wherever you see one of these colorful trucks parked, you can be sure to find some great fresh-cooked food to suit any taste you have!

DINING

Beulaville

Ann's Thai Kitchen

169 North NC Highway 111
Beulaville 28518
910-298-8425
Thai dining, freshly cooked to order

Bojangles

426 North Jackson Street
Beulaville 28518
910-298-3175

Duff's Café

114 East Main Street
Beulaville 28518
910-298-9121
Country cooking

Eastern Chinese

118 Crossover Road
Beulaville 28518
910-298-2387
Takeout only

Botanas Mi Lupita



Hardee's

120 West Main Street
Beulaville 28518
910-298-5494

Hwy 55 Burgers, Shakes, and Fries

604 West Main Street
Beulaville 28518
910-298-3010

La Veracruzana Tienda y Taqueria

109 West Broad Street
Beulaville 28518
910-298-8200

McDonald's

207 West Main Street
Beulaville 28518
910-298-4455

Pizza Hut

104 East Main Street
Beulaville 28518
910-298-2333

Pizza Village

811 West Main Street
Beulaville 28518
910-298-3346

Subway

105 East Park Drive
Beulaville 28518
910-298-6033

Taqueria Las Chicanitas

711 East Main Street
Beulaville 28518
919-298-4569

The Country Smoke House

812 East Main Street
Beulaville 28518
910-298-4448
Sit-down restaurant

The Farm House

132 East Park Drive
Beulaville 28518
910-375-8122
Ice cream shop, sandwiches

Zoyate Grill and Taqueria
608 West Main Street
Beulaville 28518
910-375-8058

Chinquapin
**Wendy's Chinquapin
Restaurant**
2643 South N.C. 41 Highway
Chinquapin 28521
910-285-0260

Faison
El Sol Mexican
109 West Main Street
Faison 28341
910-267-1040

Nhut's Café
206 Northeast Center Street
Faison 28341
910-267-1699
Home cooking and daily specials

Kenansville
**Agave Azul Mexican Bar
and Grill**
306 North Main Street
Kenansville 28349
910-372-9073

China King
166 Liberty Square Shopping Center
Kenansville 28349
910-296-1760
Chinese buffet

Hardee's
110 Limestone Road
Kenansville 28349
910-296-0015

**Hwy 55 Burgers, Shakes,
and Fries**
134 Liberty Square Shopping Center
Kenansville 28349
910-296-0010

McDonald's
600 South Main Street
Kenansville 28349
910-275-0046

Papa John's
150 G Liberty Square Shopping Center
Kenansville 28349
910-335-3096
papajohns.com

Pearsall Family Restaurant
1115 Paul Ed Dail Road
Kenansville 28349
910-296-6222

Pizza Corner
209 North Main Street
Kenansville 28349
910-296-0051

Subway
142 Liberty Square Shopping Center
Kenansville 28349
910-296-6136

The Filling Station
312 North N.C. 11 & 903 Highway
Kenansville 28349
910-296-1100

Tokyo Sunrise
110 Front Street
Kenansville 28349
910-296-9990
Japanese food

West End Grill
156 Mallard Street
Kenansville 28349
910-296-0148

Magnolia
Casa Guerro Mexican Food
109 North Railroad Street
Magnolia 28453
910-284-7087

Botanas Mi Lupita
115 East Main Street
Magnolia 28453
Snack bar

Taqueria Mi Lupita
307 West Main Street
Magnolia 28453
919-282-0955
Taco stand

Rose Hill
The Bistro Restaurant
505 North Sycamore Street
Rose Hill 28458
910-289-4046
Winery tasting room and gift shop

China Moon
592 South Sycamore Street
Rose Hill 28458
910-289-2347

Restaurante Sabor Latino
323 North Sycamore Street
Rose Hill 28458
910-282-0015





Rose Hill Restaurant

312 North Sycamore Street
Rose Hill 28458
910-289-2151
Home-cooked meals, famous Lemon
Blueberry Pie

Subway

337 South Sycamore Street
Rose Hill 28458
910-282-0291

Taqueria Rico Taco

102 East Church Street
Rose Hill 28458
919-935-1097

Wallace

A Boba Restaurant

114 West Boney Street
Wallace 28466
910-665-1397

Billy's Pork & Beef Center

5716 South N.C. 41 Highway
Wallace 28466
910-285-6047

Bojangles

110 Vines Landing
Wallace 28466
910-285-0401

Burger King

5609 South N.C. 41 Highway
Wallace 28466

Camino Real

607 North Norwood Street
Wallace 28466
910-665-1324

Dixon's Grill

6467 South NC 41 Highway
Wallace 28466
910-285-5355

Domino's Pizza

910-285-9996
5680 #1 South N.C. 41 Highway
Wallace 28466

Eat Like Me

617 East Southerland Street
Wallace 28466
910-284-4579

El Mariachi

5680 N.C. Hwy 41
Wallace 28466
910-665-1790

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Ask about our
Tailgate Special

Golden City

1341 North Norwood Street
Wallace 28466
910-285-3789

Hardee's

807 North Norwood Street
Wallace 28466
910-285-6136

**Hwy 55 Burgers, Shakes,
and Fries**

611 East Southerland Street
Wallace 28466
910-285-1920

KFC

705 North Norwood Street
Wallace 28466
910-285-4992

Mad Boar Restaurant

111 River Village Place
Wallace 28466
910-285-8888

McDonald's

5709 South N.C. 41 Highway
Wallace 28466
910-285-5064

MIK's

105 South Norwood Street
Wallace 28466
910-285-5600

Pizza Corner

223 South Norwood Street
Wallace 28466
910-522-0045
Homemade desserts

Pizza Hut

1375 North Norwood Street
Wallace 28466
910-285-4703

**Sensation Farmhouse
Restaurant**

5631 NC 41
Wallace 28466
910-285-1471
Country buffet



Subway

5680 N.C. Highway 41, Suite 5
Wallace 28466
910-285-9911
subway.com

Taco Bell

5710 South N.C. 41 Highway
Wallace 28466
910-285-8677
tacobell.com

Village Subs

5194 South N.C. 41 Highway
Wallace 28466
910-285-1111

Zaxby's

107 Tobacco Road
Wallace 28466
910-552-0151
zaxbys.com

Warsaw

Arby's

2574 West N.C. 24 Highway at I-40
Warsaw 28398
910-293-2222

Bland's Barbecue

175 Kenansville Highway
Warsaw 28398
910-293-4233

Bojangles

2714 West N.C. 24 Highway I-40
Warsaw 28398
910-293-3414
bojangles.com

Cookout

2683 N.C. 24 Highway at I-40
Warsaw 28398
cookout.com

McDonalds

2670 West N.C. 24 Highway at I-40
Warsaw 28398
910-293-7305

New Golden City

119 North Pine Street
Warsaw 28398
910-293-6688
Cantonese and Szechwan selections
served for lunch and nightly buffet

Peggy's Kitchen Table

138 Kenansville Highway
Warsaw 28398
910-293-3000

Smithfield's Chicken 'n Bar-B-Q

2669 West N.C. 24 Highway at I-40
Warsaw 28398
910-293-2218

Taco Bell

2694 West N.C. 24 Highway at I-40
Warsaw 28398
910-293-2137
tacobell.com

The Country Squire Restaurant and Winery

748 N.C. 50 Highway
Warsaw 28398
910-296-1727

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Pieces of the Past *Preserved*

The history of Duplin County goes back to the Revolutionary period of American history.

By: Marlane Carcopo

There are plaques throughout the county that recall the Battle of Rockfish in Wallace, the Confederate Sword Factory in Kenansville and names that shaped the county in many towns.

There are also pieces of the past that are preserved and available to the public to learn from.

The (circa 1848) Kelly-Farrior House in Kenansville was once surrounded by woods and marshland. It now houses the **Cowan Museum of History and Science and Joann Cowan Brown Botanical Garden**. A collection of buildings on the property preserves a picture of what life was like in that era.

The museum and historical park house over 4,000 items donated by the Cowan family. The items range from 18th and 19th century home, farming and medical artifacts and tools to a collection of geological specimens from the area.

Step back in time in the historical village where a log cabin, general store, blacksmith shop and more have been preserved.

A schoolhouse and smokehouse are included in the mix of furnished buildings that you can enter. These are buildings that were in nearby towns and donated to be moved to the museum.

The Joann Cowan Brown Botanical Garden is a free, public botanical landscape garden that is home to over 90 species of native plants. The garden includes a wetlands and a wet meadow garden along with pollinators and longleaf pines. The garden is open 24 hours a day year round.

Museum Director Robin Grotke has published "A Museum's Garden: Secrets, Wonders, and Delights." This coffee table book chronicles the history of the garden and displays the plants and wildlife inhabiting it in stories and beautiful pictures.

The suggested donation for the book, which is available in the gift shop, is \$20. The museum's STEM Educator, Anne Skinner, has also published two children's books available in the gift shop.



▶ Liberty Hall
Alyssa Morgan Malone



Anne works with local schools to bring STEM programs and fossils to the classroom, after-school programs and camps. A dinosaur exhibit is being planned at the museum in the next year.

The museum is open Tuesday-Saturday. Learn more about the Cowan Museum and all it has to offer at cowanmuseum.org

Adjacent to the Cowan Museum is the visitor's center for **Liberty Hall**.

Learn about the history of the Kenan family, who were founders in the area and the state. Liberty Hall was their home and was visited

by influential society members of the period. One of the most documented events is the 1901 wedding of Mary Lilly Kenan to Henry M. Flagler, one of the richest men in America at the time.

The wedding gown Mary Lilly Kenan wore is among the home's display of period furniture and decor, which bring life to a past long gone. Guided tours are available Tuesday-Thursday, and several special tours are on the calendar.

The second weekend in October allows the "spirits" of those who lived in the home to tell their stories during the Ghost Tour. Costumed guides will take you through the home with tales

from the past. In December, mark your calendar for the first Friday and Saturday for the Christmas Candlelight Tour.

Guides dressed in period fashion tell the story of each decorated room. The home is decorated in period holiday decor and live greenery. This is a magical visual look at a period we only know from books or film.

For more information and times and availability of tours, visit libertyhallnc.org

In Warsaw, NC, the (circa 1894) L. P. Best house is now home to the **Duplin County Veterans Museum**. The museum houses uniforms and memorabilia from the Revolutionary War, the War between the States, WWI, WWII and the Korean Conflict.

There is a special wall honoring those who were lost in the Vietnam War. One of the most interesting items is the listing of every Duplin County veteran. Many visitors have traced their family's heritage from these pages. Medals and photographs that families have donated for display fill the museum, along with everyday items from different eras. The museum has hours Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, and is open the Saturday before Veterans Day each year when the town of Warsaw hosts the longest-running for consecutive years Veterans Day Parade in America.

Find history being preserved every day when you walk into **The County Barn** in Beulaville. The bulk store has been operated by a local Mennonite family for years. They are known for their daily baked bread and the sandwiches they make with it. They also make their doughnuts daily, along with their homemade ice cream and kettle corn.

The shelves are filled with bagged mixes, flour, honey and spices. If you are lucky, you will be there on a day when you can get their sourdough starter. They have a wide variety of deli cheeses and meats, which they will cut all day for sandwiches or for you to take home.

In addition to wonderful pies and farm-fresh milk and chocolate milk, find outdoor rockers, gliders and furniture and a barn of your very own.

Destined for the history books, the **World's Largest Frying Pan** is housed in a gazebo in Rose Hill. This two-ton fryer was built in 1963 and is the centerpiece for the fried chicken for the North Carolina Poultry Jubilee.

Thousands of pieces of House of Raeford fried chicken will be served while crowds enjoy vendors, rides, local entertainers and bands in the evening. Typically scheduled the first weekend in November, this festival has become a local icon and a must-do event for visitors.



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- Faison

Buckner Hill Plantation

522 Taylor Town Road
Faison 28341
910-305-9606

One of the largest antebellum plantation houses in North Carolina. The mostly undisturbed Greek revival plantation building has Italianate features and an unusual cruciform floor plan with wide halls on both floors. Appointments are required.

Faison Museum

106 Park Circle
Faison 28341
910-267-2721
Housed inside the library, this unique museum holds the secrets of Faison's history: its people, churches, businesses, schools, family histories and civic clubs.
faisondepot.com

- Kenansville

Cowan Museum of History and Science

411 South Main Street
Kenansville 28349
910-296-2149

The Cowan Museum is located in the fully restored Kelly-Farrior House (circa 1848). You'll find over 4,000 artifacts that reflect the heritage of rural North Carolina.
cowanmuseum.org

Duplin County Events Center

195 Fairgrounds Drive
Kenansville 28349
910-275-0008
The Duplin County Events Center is a multiuse entertainment venue that can seat up to 4,000 people. The center hosts a wide variety of events ranging from concerts to conventions, trade shows and exhibitions. It is the home of the NC Muscadine Festival.
duplinevents.com

Grove Presbyterian Church

611 Main Street
Kenansville 28349
910-296-0550
Established in 1736, it is the oldest continuous Presbyterian congregation in North Carolina.

Historic Kenansville Spring

Duplin Street,
Kenansville 28349
Legend states that Barbara Gastor Beverett discovered the spring in the early 1700s while searching for gold.

Liberty Hall Restoration

409 South Main Street
Kenansville 28349
910-296-2175
Fully restored 19th-century house and 12 outbuildings of the Kenan family's ancestral home. The house, grounds, much of the furniture and personal belongings have been preserved to give visitors a realistic view of what living in the early 1800s and 1900s was like.
libertyhallnc.org

- Rose Hill

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316 Murray Street
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- Warsaw

The Country Squire

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countrysquireinn.com

Historic L.P. Best House Duplin County Veterans Museum

119 East Hill Street
Warsaw 28398
910-293-2190
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Explore & Enjoy

By: Marlane Carcopo



▶ **Duplin Country Club**
Alyssa Morgan Malone

Cabin Lake County Park is the premier outdoor resort area in Duplin County! Camping and RV spaces have been thoughtfully carved into the natural surroundings, with amenities nearby. This well-maintained property has a hiking trail that extends around the lake, and it is a fisherman's favorite.

The lake has two fishing piers and a swim area as well as boat docks. Rent a pedal boat or canoe to enjoy the water, or launch your own vessel.

There are picnic shelters available for gatherings or birthday parties, with playgrounds nearby. Enjoy spending a day on the lake and grill dinner at one of several picnic areas. In addition to the RV spaces that have access to power, there are three tent sites with power available.

Cabin Lake is the preferred site for many local scout troops, with several camping areas that have shower facilities and picnic areas close by. It also hosts a youth fishing tournament annually.

The facility also has a calendar of community events for all seasons. In June, they host a Spring Craft Vendor Fair, and in July, hot dogs are on the menu for Customer Appreciation Day.

September brings a Fall Craft Vendor Fair, and the chill in the October air means Trunk or Treat is near.

In November, a Thanksgiving meal is served. Donations of food and monetary donations are accepted for this event.

The calendar year closes out with a Christmas movie being shown in the park to welcome in the holiday season.

At the property that was once the Lee Baysden Pond in Chinquapin, Tyler and Contessa Jones are developing a natural wonderland. They

purchased the property in 2020 and have created a life and business full of recreation and events.

Juniper Creek Outfitters & Guides, or JCO, as it is lovingly known as by those in the know, has taken what was once a small mill pond that had been dug out into a 26-acre lake and transformed the property to house tent sites, RV sites and "glamping" cabins.

JCO holds an annual Spring Fishing Tournament and offers day passes for catch and release fishing. The lake has bass, catfish, bowfin, bluegill, crappie, bream and more. Guided tours are available for fishing and waterfowl hunting trips during hunting season.

The property is perfect for parties, with several campsites large enough for group camping. Scouts and youth groups will find the sites perfect. Kayak and boat rentals are available.



▶ **Cabin Lake**
Alyssa Morgan Malone

There are locations on the property perfect for a microwedding, and there are local vendors who offer honeymoon packages in a "glamping" suite.

JCO is listed on HipCamp and is conveniently located to Beulaville, Richlands, Wallace and the Albert J. Ellis Airport. There are plans in the works for additional family cabins and fire pits in all campground areas.

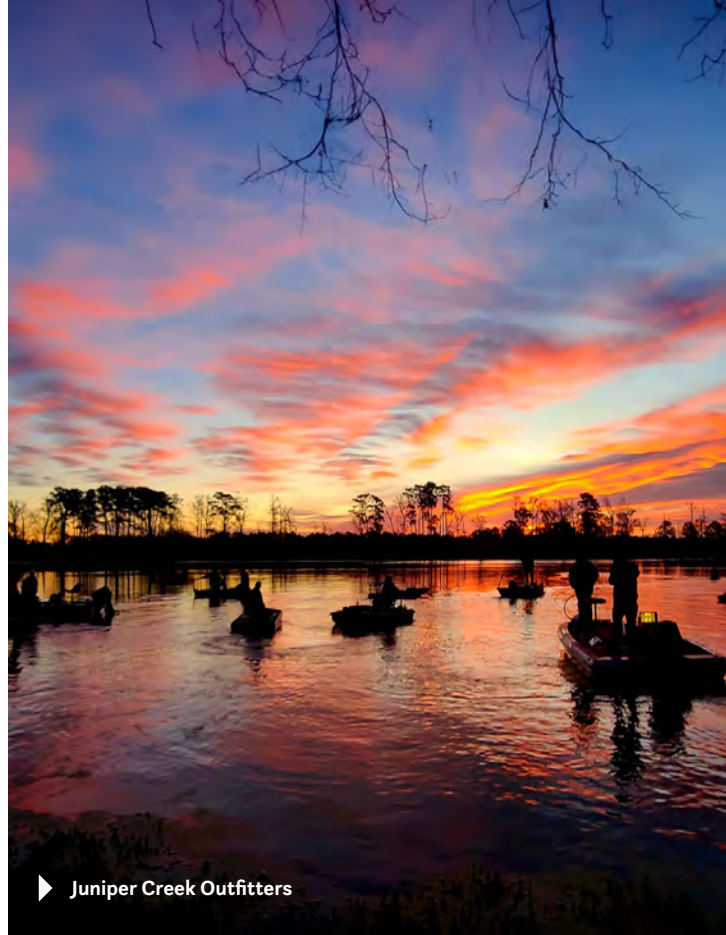
North Carolina is known for its amazing golf courses, and Duplin County is home to two of them. **Duplin Country Club** in Kenansville is home to a par-72 18-hole championship golf course. It boasts championship Bermuda grass on a challenging course. The manicured course is nestled in woodlands and is a relaxing venue to play.

The pro shop carries all the most-requested brands and needed items, and the clubhouse bar is always stocked. The club holds a broad range of special events throughout the year and has become a prime venue for weddings and social events.

The course is host to local tournaments that give nonmembers the opportunity to play.

The multi-award-winning golf course at **River Landing** is a prime reason to be a community member. **The River Course** and **The Landing Course** were designed by Clyde Johnston and have won numerous awards over the years. They are perfectly manicured and maintained and offer water challenges that some have blessed! The courses have hosted US Open Qualifying matches and Carolina's PGA Pro-Assistant Championship.

Nonmembers have multiple opportunities to experience the course, as it is host to many local tournaments, including the Wallace Rotary Pro-Am, Got 2 B NC Tournament, Hope for the Warriors Celebrity Invitational and the NC Pork Council's Pork Chop Open. In addition, many local school, scouts and scholarship tournaments and more are held throughout the year.



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By: *Marlane Carcopo*



▶ Duplin Events Center
Kyle Tyndall

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e all need more play to balance work, and Duplin County has as many ways to play as hard as people work!

Enjoy your favorite events and discover new things to love with a full schedule of shows, festivals and concerts at the **Duplin Events Center** in Kenansville.

The venue hosts several annual events, including festivals, concerts, rodeos and more.

This flexible indoor space has been transformed from events such as a monster truck show to a concert venue.

Enjoy a night of county music with artists like Travis Tritt and Justin Moore. Gasp at the Royal Hannaford Family Circus acts. In September, the **Duplin County Agribusiness Fair** is a perfectly Americana event to celebrate the fruits of the labors of farmers here. Find locals competing for blue ribbons for their jams and

jellies, wines or livestock. Enjoy all the displays, ride all the rides and fill up on funnel cakes. The venue also hosts an indoor rodeo. This 75,000-square-foot facility brings affordable entertainment options to the area.

Cheer on the horses, bulls and barrel racing experts at Pro Rodeo, and thrill at the monster trucks that horseless carriages have become at Monster Truck Wars.

The North Carolina Muscadine Festival brings the best wineries from Eastern Carolina together in one place. Enjoy your favorite wines and discover new blends while shagging to your favorite beach music.

Find arts and crafts vendors and a variety of food vendors to choose from, and carry home cases of the new favorite wines you find.

In addition to the events held in Kenansville, there are festivals year-round in surrounding towns.



▶ Duplin Events Center
Wildheart Photography

The largest street fair in Duplin County is the **Carolina Strawberry Festival** in Wallace. Scheduled for the first Friday and Saturday in May, the festival brings food, vendors, music, entertainment and of course strawberries to historic downtown Wallace.

Come out to celebrate the end of winter and the bountiful crop of sweet, juicy Carolina strawberries. Enjoy some of the best musical talent around while you visit the downtown shops and visit with folks you haven't seen in months—or years.

Rose Hill is home to the **North Carolina Poultry Jubilee** in autumn. Find thousands of pieces of chicken being fried to perfection in the World's Largest Frying Pan and enjoy vendors, rides and music from favorite artists. Meet Miss NC Poultry Jubilee and her court as she prepares to compete for the title of Miss North Carolina.

There are groups that enter the chicken wing cook-off year after year hoping to wear the crown and of course, everyone hopes to get some House of Raeford fried chicken cooked in the World's Largest Frying Pan! With thousands of pieces of chicken being dropped in the pan, many will enjoy a bucket of chicken for lunch—and take one home for supper.

America's longest consecutive Veterans Day Parade happens the Saturday before Veterans Day in Warsaw. The parade opens with skydivers carrying the American flag over the town and brings convoys of military units from local bases.

Local groups build floats, local school bands and ROTC groups march and the fire department cooks up some amazing BBQ. Along Front Street, you'll find food vendors serving breakfast and lunch, craft vendors and Front Street merchants.

Be sure to take the opportunity to visit the Veterans Museum in Warsaw while you are there! It is only a couple of blocks off the parade route, and seeing the history of our veterans displayed with uniforms, memorabilia and a book of names is a humbling experience.



The holiday season is full of special events to celebrate. Wallace hosts a Christmas Open House for its downtown stores and Christmas at Twilight with a small-town feel. Luminarias line Main Street, local children perform and “The Night Before Christmas” is read by the mayor.

Rose Hill holds a Tree Lighting and craft fair, and Warsaw's CHRISTmastown Celebration brings a trolley to Front Street, along with music, caroling and vendors for shopping.

Find Christmas parades in Wallace, Kenansville and Beulaville to bring Santa to town, and visit Old St. Nick throughout the holiday season in the Santa House in Downtown Wallace.

Ring in the New Year in Wallace with the Strawberry Drop! This family-friendly event has food vendors and more at a time when everyone can enjoy before the evening's festivities. Raise a toast that the whole family can share in a commemorative glass with best wishes for a most happy new year!

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ncwildlife.org/boating/wheretoboat.aspx

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A decorative chandelier with lit bulbs and overlaid text. The chandelier features ornate, dark metal scrollwork and floral motifs. It has several lit incandescent bulbs that cast a warm glow. The background is a light-colored wall with vertical paneling. The text is overlaid in a clean, white, sans-serif font.

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Rest Easy & Sweet Dreams

By: *Marlane Carcopo*



There was a time in the late 1800s when the town of Magnolia was known for its tulips. There were farms that exported these bulbs across the country, and on one of these, Major Mayard Taylor built a Neoclassical revival style home in 1902.

The house was sold to the Pope family in 1950, and the Taylor-Pope House was purchased in 2021 by former English teacher Jess Melton. Jess has restored and repurposed this lovely home into the **Magnolia Dreams Bed & Breakfast**, with four suites.

The view as the home comes into sight is impressive! Towering two-story paired columns create the entryway, with others supporting the second-floor balcony. Inside the home, the large hallway opens to a grand living room and dining area for breakfast, and a library nook with comfortable reading chairs. Wood floors with antique rugs are found throughout the house.

Each of the suites has a unique feel, with comfortable beds and antiques. Each has a unique en suite bath with claw-foot tub and a shower built into the room.

Conveniently located to the Duplin Events Center, Duplin Winery and Country Squire Winery, the Magnolia Dreams Bed & Breakfast is a premier option for your stay in Duplin County.



One of the most requested options in Duplin County is the **Duplin Inn** in Wallace. Each room has a kitchenette with a refrigerator and microwave. Free Wi-Fi is included, and each room has a large-screen TV. The rooms are clean and comfortable and are a choice for family visits and for folks in the area for extended business stays.

The Duplin Inn is conveniently located to restaurants and downtown Wallace shopping.

With all the amenities of the best lodgings, **The Inn at River Landing** has well-appointed rooms and suites, a full continental breakfast and convenient I-40 access. This three-story property has 55 guest rooms and 15 suites. Electric vehicle charging stations are adjacent to the property. The Mad Boar restaurant is next door, with meeting spaces and Duplin County dining in a most elegant setting. **River Landing Clubhouse Suites & Guest Cottages** is popular with golfers and wedding parties. The suites and guest cottages are available for overnight and long-term stays. River Landing offers special seasonal stay-and-play golf packages.

For a unique experience, book your Duplin County stay at the **Vintage Inn at the Country Squire**. With 12 rooms, the cozy inn will delight you with views of the winding paths and vineyards on the property. If you are fortunate, you may be able to stay in the **Squires Guest House**, which has four guest rooms all decorated in tartan themes. Enjoy lunch or dinner at the Country Squire Restaurant, and take in a wine tasting of some amazing Duplin County wines.

The **Quality Inn** is conveniently located just off the I-40 exit in Warsaw. Find multiple choices for all meals within 1/4 mile of the property. Electric vehicle charging stations are on the property. Confirm availability of amenities when booking, as some may be seasonal.

Duplin County accommodations are all convenient to I-40 and are 30-40 miles away from Wilmington and its beaches. We look forward to seeing you when you come for family reunions, business or to enjoy events here!



LODGING

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- Wallace
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 506 North Norwood Street
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Inn at River Landing
 131 River Village Place
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riverlanding.com/the-inn/

- Warsaw
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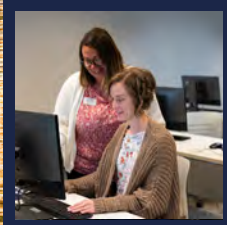
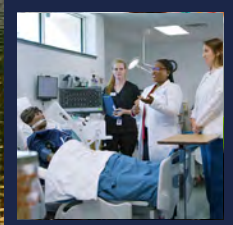
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And the Bride Wore...

Duplin County offers the perfect venues to celebrate your love! Sophisticated or rustic...heels or boots...whatever the bride wore fits here!

By: *Marlane Carcopo*

In August of 1901, the bride, Mary Lily Kenan, wore a lace gown, handmade to fit her tiny frame. She was marrying one of the richest men in America, Henry M. Flagler, at the family home in Kenansville.

There were 27 people in attendance for the parlor wedding at Liberty Hall when the 34-year-old bride wed her 71-year-old husband. Locals knew the couple loved each other dearly, and after the wedding, the couple traveled in Flagler's private train to the reception, which was held in New York and attended by the society of the day. The gown is still displayed at Liberty Hall along with other memorabilia of the event.

In a more recent era, weddings were church ceremonies, followed by a reception in a church hall or one of the few public spaces available. Today, modern brides have multiple choices in venue and style for their wedding and reception.

For reception spaces after a church ceremony, there are multiple options. The Historic Wallace Woman's Club can house 100 guests. Smaller groups can be housed in the Wallace American Legion, Linzee's Event Center, Rose Hill Restaurant and Wallace Train Depot.

The **Celtic Court** at the Mad Boar Restaurant can hold a larger party and can offer sit-down dinners, buffet service and bar service.

The trend for many of today's brides is to hold the ceremony and reception all in one facility, and Duplin County has multiple options.

The River Landing Clubhouse in Wallace offers an elegant option, with ceremony space on the veranda and a grand ballroom that can become the bride's dream. There is room for a band and dance floor and a huge guest list at tables. Add lights, smoke and anything else you can imagine to turn this space into a wonderland. The third floor of the River Landing Clubhouse has spaces for the bridal party to dress in and to honeymoon in before heading to the airport the next day.

For a more rustic feel, River Landing also offers the **River Lodge**. There is still plenty of room for music and dancing, but in an outdoor, relaxed, natural setting.

Set on over 300 acres in Magnolia, the **English Country Barn of the Carolinas** offers a unique property with wooded trails and pastures surrounding the country chic barn and other amenities. There are several outdoor ceremony settings as well as an indoor ceremony space.

There are two dressing areas that are beautifully appointed for preparation, relaxing and dressing. The property also has a three-bedroom cottage that can be rented for out-of-town guests or the wedding party.

The main hall can house 200 guests, and the site is turnkey with tables, linens, sound system and more included in packages. They have an approved list of vendors that can bring the day of your dreams to life.

David Fussell's plan for the Duplin Winery property adjacent to Interstate 40 in Rose Hill was anchored with a wedding chapel. The **Chapel in Duplin's Vineyards** offers options for the ceremony inside and outside in the vineyard, with many beautiful photo settings on the property.

Your reception can be arranged on the outdoor covered patio overlooking the vineyard and ponds or inside the large banquet hall, which seats 150 guests. The decor is rustic casual with grapevine-wrapped beams covered in twinkling lights. There is a bridal suite and a full prep kitchen.

Staff and trusted vendors will work to transform the space into the vision you have for your day and suggest additional touches to make your event perfect. You can put your menu in the trusted hands of Duplin Winery's Chef Bert Fussell and his team of chefs and bakers—and the Duplin wine is always sweet.

The **Country Squire Winery, Restaurant and Country Inn** outside Kenansville offers a space for everything you will want for your special day. The bridal party can rent the Squire's guest house for dressing, and the inn has 12 rooms for out-of-town guests. The property is beautiful, with paths and tall oaks all within view of the vineyard. The ceremony space in the vineyard is enchanting and close to the Jester's Court. If you prefer an inside ceremony, the venue has a raised ceremony space and can seat over 150 guests for dinner.

If the bride and groom want to wear their boots, **Tara Creek** in Faison may be the perfect relaxed setting. The property is rustic, has an indoor and patio space that are both lit, and has sound in-house. The hall can easily accommodate 150 guests.

There are some unique photo opportunities at Tara Creek, with tractors and horses on the property.

Duplin Country Club in Kenansville offers a clubhouse that can seat 250 guests and smaller areas for a rehearsal dinner and dressing spaces. The picturesque setting is beautiful as an outdoor ceremony space.

There is a dance floor in the clubhouse and a kitchen nearby for caterers. The country club's bartending staff is available for hire for your event.

Tucked away on the outskirts of Warsaw is the **Powell Home and Barn at Comeback Farms**. The circa 1855 Greek Revival home can serve as a beautiful backdrop to your wedding day.

The hall stairway and beautifully appointed interior are the perfect place for bridal photos. Arrive in a white horse-drawn carriage to one of the interior or outside ceremony spaces.

The huge pine barn is climate controlled and can house 300 guests at round tables with white Chivari chairs. It fits perfectly on the property and has farm antiques and fireplaces and fire pits nearby, with a large patio.

The property's lighted arched bridge is a special spot for photos, and the well-landscaped property will give your photographer multiple options!

The barn's interior lends itself to multiple looks, from simple to billowing fabric arches draped from the ceiling. There is an area for the bride to dress, and there is a cabin on the property that can be used for the bride's or groom's dressing area.

No matter what the bride wears, she will be at the center of a venue that fits her personality and dream when she chooses a Duplin County wedding venue.

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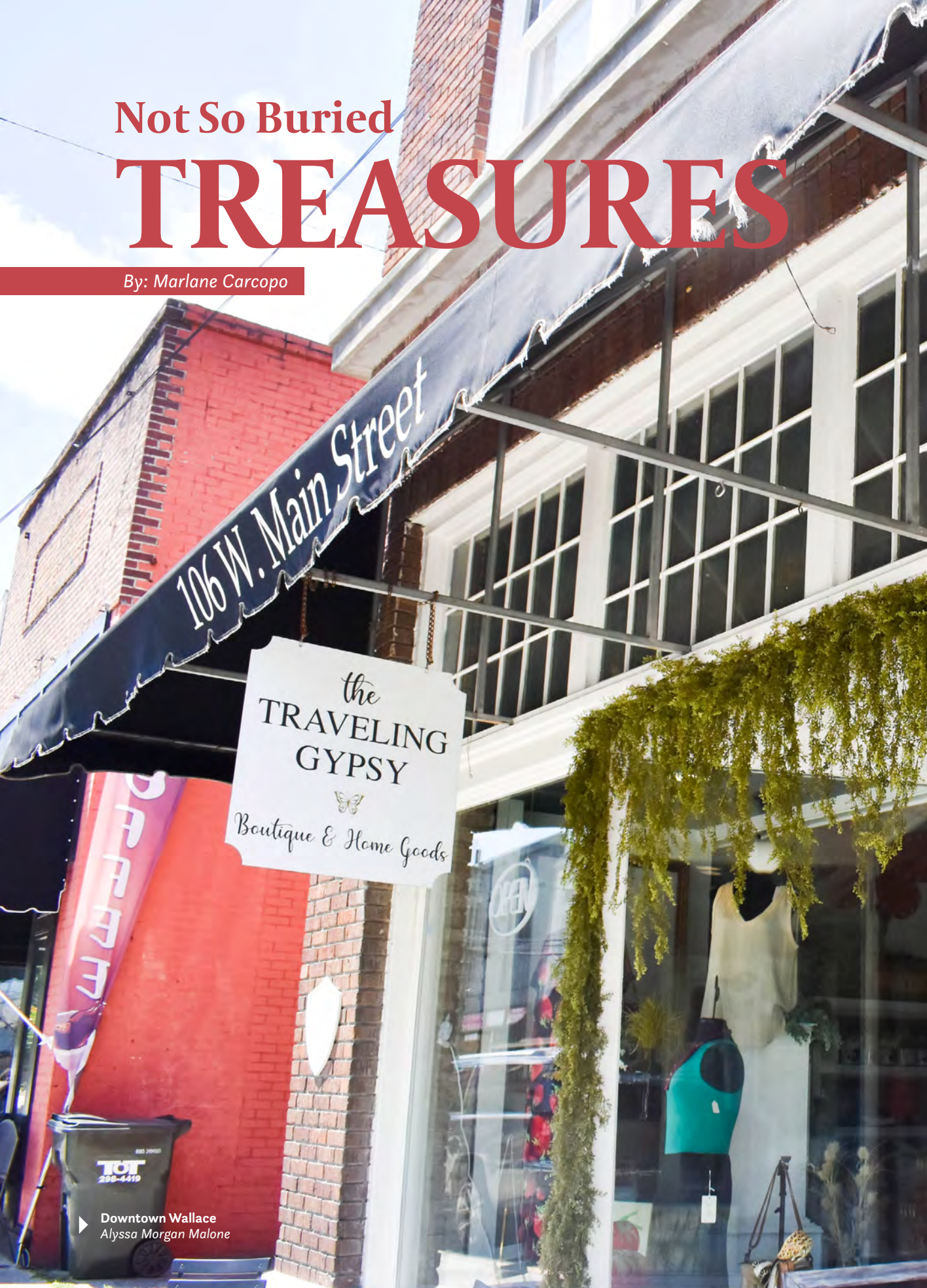
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Not So Buried TREASURES

By: Marlane Carcopo



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With 822 square miles, Duplin County ranks as one of the “Top 10 Largest Counties” in North Carolina. With that many miles in an area where people stayed where they were, there are a lot of treasures to be found!

With the layout of towns along the railroad and river, it is easy to map a trip to visit many of the special places in a day...well, maybe two. You'll get lost in shopping some of these amazing places...and a shopper has to eat!

Many of these specialty shops operate on reduced schedules, some open Wednesday, most open Thursday, Friday and Saturday—so check Facebook or their web pages for accurate days and times. Let's start at the southern end of the county and take an efficient route.

Start this tour on Highway 41, which is Main Street in **historic downtown Wallace**. There are specialty shops galore! **A Cook's Cupboard** has the most amazing selection of infused oils and vinegars, and dip mixes (I recommend the dill). Find seasonings, kitchen tools and more. It's a great little space. **Tabby & Barker's** has treats, foods and toys for your favorite pup or kitty (my pup is partial to the Rabbit Nubs). **The Art of Hope** carries world-famous inspirational artwork by Hope G. Smith, and **Blessings in Store** is an amazing thrift store that benefits the Duplin Christian Outreach Ministry. Find clothing, furniture, household goods, holiday decorations, art and more. There are treasures to be found. **The Sanctuary Project Thrift Store** down the street has a lot of children's toys and baby items in stock in addition to clothing.

Just across the street is **Honeycutt Pawn & Variety**. This store has the most quirky collection of goods. Jewelry, guns and ammo, furniture, fishing poles and gear, housewares, guitars and collectible coins all live together happily here!

If you are fortunate enough to be in town on the second or fourth Saturday of the month, **Brown & Thigpen Auction** is the place to be. Box lots start at 5 p.m., followed by the auction. Dates are subject to change if there is an estate sale, so check them out on Facebook or their website for the most accurate information. We won't count how many things in my house were bought at their auctions.

If you are lucky enough to pair that with the monthly Thrift Sale at **The Traveling Gypsy Boutique**, you are golden. These sales range from “nothing over \$3 to \$10 for the whole bag” or to curated items that normally sell on Poshmark for much more! Again, be in the know on Facebook by following Nichole Ramey.

Take a left off Main Street onto Highway 117, and you'll find some other thrifting opportunities! **The Christ Family Mission Resale Center** has everything from baby walkers to front doors and windows.

Go up a little way and turn right at the Indoor Flea Market sign at Rockfish Shopping Center to the **Rockfish Indoor Flea Market**. This had closed a couple of years back after a hurricane, when the area was used for food and water distribution and more, but it is open and full of vendors with everything imaginable. Open Thursday-Saturday, this is flea market shopping in air conditioning or heated comfort. Prepare to get lost for a while here.

Just past that is the **Wallace Stockyard Flea Market**, which is open Thursdays and Saturdays. People line up at the shrimp truck early, and there is a fruit vendor with everything. Find bikes, clothes, furniture and more at this Wallace landmark.

Thursdays at **The Stockyard** include Thanksgiving, and it is a local tradition to put the turkey in the oven and go to the Stockyard. Vendors start lining up early the day before to get a good spot at this annual event, and everybody who is anybody is there shopping for everything from Christmas gifts to what they love.

A hop, skip and a jump 6.4 miles north on Highway 117 will take you to Rose Hill, and if you turn left at the traffic light there and bear right before the railroad track, you'll find **Track Side Market**. They have furniture, art, bows and current design pieces, and I'm typing this on a great desk I got there...under an amazing painting that they had, too.

When you leave there, go to the right and turn at the corner to visit the **Treasure Chest Resale & Consignment Shop**. The

merchandise there tends to be very trendy, with an upscale, polished look. Across the street, find the **Trading Company of Rose Hill**. They are an "old-timey cast iron pots and seeds" hardware store meets "new-gen gardeners who want boots, guns, grills and tools" kind of place. If you are looking for it, they probably have it.

Go back to Highway 117 and make a right, and then take a left onto Charity Road at the traffic light. Go over the interstate and find the Charity Baptist Mission on the left. It's a great place for thrifting clothes, furniture, household items and for hunting treasures.

Go back to Highway 117 and take a left to find the **R&R Thrift Store** up a block on your right. You never know what you will find there: furniture, clothing, dishes and glassware, baby chicks, plants and more.



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You might as well stop at the **Rose Hill Restaurant** for lunch—especially if it’s May and June’s blueberry season. Their Lemon Blueberry Pie is legendary! And stop by **Duplin Winery** as you continue north for a glass of wine and a case to take home—and some fudge and cheesecake for later.

Keep heading north on Highway 117 and arrive in Warsaw. Make the left at the Piggly Wiggly and then a right onto Front Street. You will love the amazing Memorial Painting when you see it in person.

The **Nearly New Shop** is in the building at the end of the block. The sign on the window says, “Selling Used Furniture that You Can Afford.” The store is full of dining room, bedroom, living room and lots of patio furniture. There are lamps and pictures and decorative items and dishes in this multi-storefront space, so plan to spend some time to take it all in.

Just across the street is **Curiosities on Front**, which benefits the Neighbors-to-Neighbors Foundation, Inc. There is almost nothing you can’t find here depending on when you visit! Shoes and handbags, tools and video game systems, jewelry and clothes and toys, oh my!

Once you’ve loaded up bags of goodies, take a right to go back to Highway 117 and make a left at the Piggly Wiggly and a right onto Highway 24 toward Kenansville.

On the way, you’ll find **Westwater Country Hams** and you will want to stop and get some to put on a biscuit for breakfast the next morning. You’ll also come up on the **Country Squire Restaurant and Winery**. Stop in for an afternoon snack and a wine tasting in this Duplin County landmark.



Once you’re refreshed, head back toward Kenansville. Take a left and enjoy the view of the **Cowan Museum, Liberty Hall** and the **Duplin County Courthouse** (come back to visit all these places). Go through the traffic light and take the next right onto Highway 24 toward Beulaville. At the next light just go straight through.

First up is **Way Out Yonder Antiques**. This is going to be on your left and the big sign says Blizzard Town Square. Just a little way down is the **Duplin**

Square Market. Kent and Becky Sanderson have an amazing assortment of antiques, collectibles, repurposed pieces, painted pieces and handcrafted items. Kent tends to really like unique antiques, Becky tends to follow trends and together, they have created a wonderful place to shop. My most favorite piece ever comes from them. It is an old dresser with gold leaf design work and a carved green marble top. It’s missing one drawer pull, but I don’t care one little bit.

Closer to town, **Miss Bee Haven** is on the right. This shop has a little bit of everything, so be sure to check it out. At the traffic light make a right and stay on Highway 41.

Once you need to slow to 45 MPH in Chinquapin, you are close to **Highway 41 Yard Sale**. It is on the left and sits back a bit, but it has an amazing collection that is priced nice.

Thankfully, it is not a huge space, and your feet are going to be ready to walk the most iconic antique space in the county.

Riverside Barn Antiques has survived being flooded twice and has been rebuilt. Mr. Aaron has an eye for great things, and he travels anywhere he needs to for them.

This is another one of those places from which I can't count how much is in my house. My absolute favorite thing ever is the waterfall-style dining set and buffet that came from them. With inlaid wood and carved pieces, they were pricey. I got the table and chairs and hoped no one bought the buffet before I could afford it. I got that but missed out on the china cabinet. Don't miss visiting them for everything from marbles to estate pieces.

On the way back to the interstate to take you back home, don't miss some other treasure spots on the way.

If it's Saturday and you are lucky, **Wildcat Crafts** is open and has an amazing selection of handmade and painted bird houses for you to choose from. About a quarter mile more on the right find **Delightful Designs**. They have amazing bread boxes and signs (they do the signs for Duplin Winery and more,) handmade and hand-painted earrings and way more. Check their info for hours.

A couple of miles more on the right find Olive Branch Gardens Florist and Gift Shop. OK—they have McKenzie-Childs. YUP... go drool. If you have only ever seen it on TV, you haven't seen it. I love Courtly Check—but I adore Black Flower Market. Find these and amazing over-the-top florals and bows at **Olive Branch Gardens**.

You're a hop, skip and a jump from the interstate...but you have to pass the **Mad Boar Restaurant** to get there.

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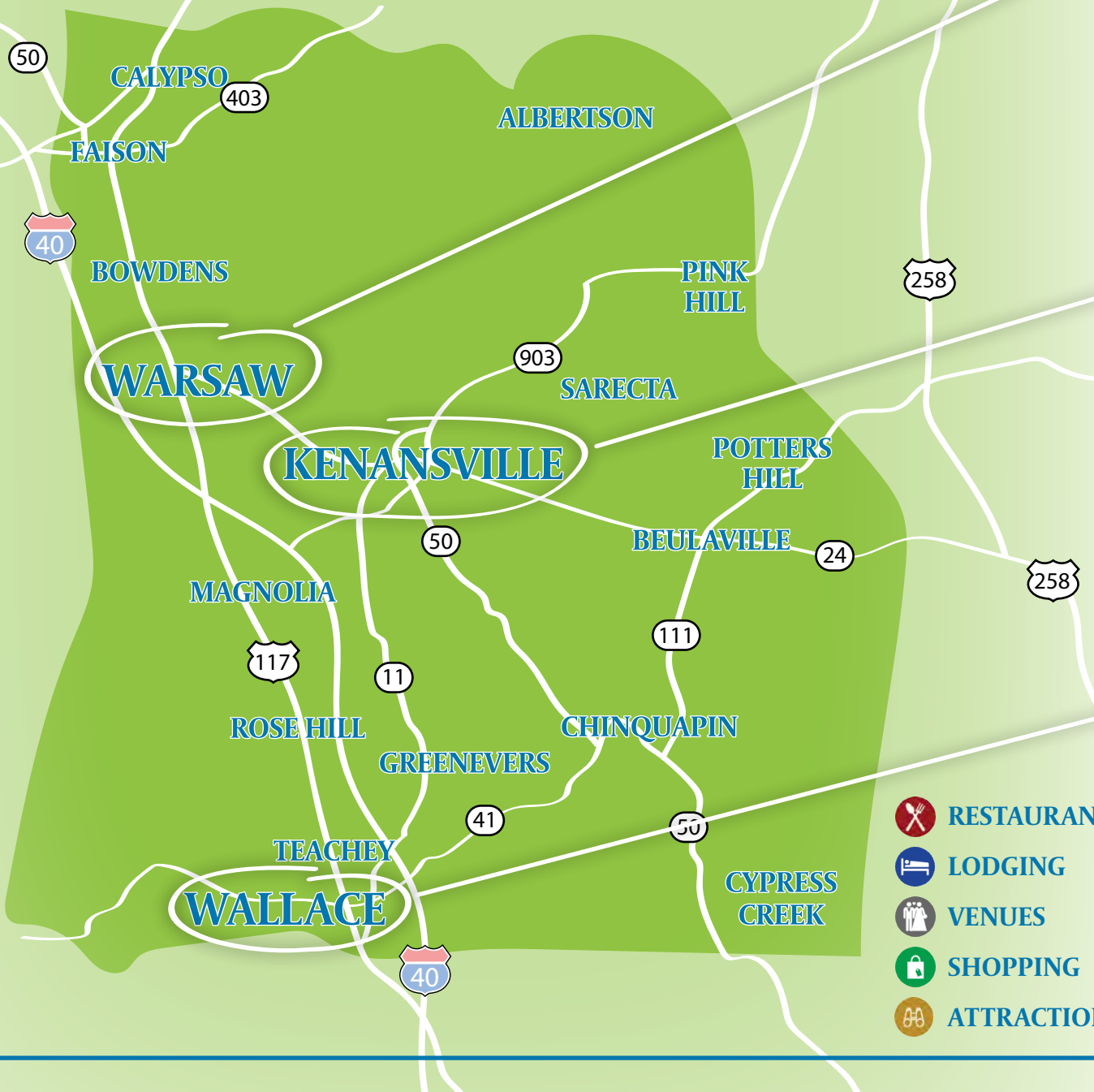


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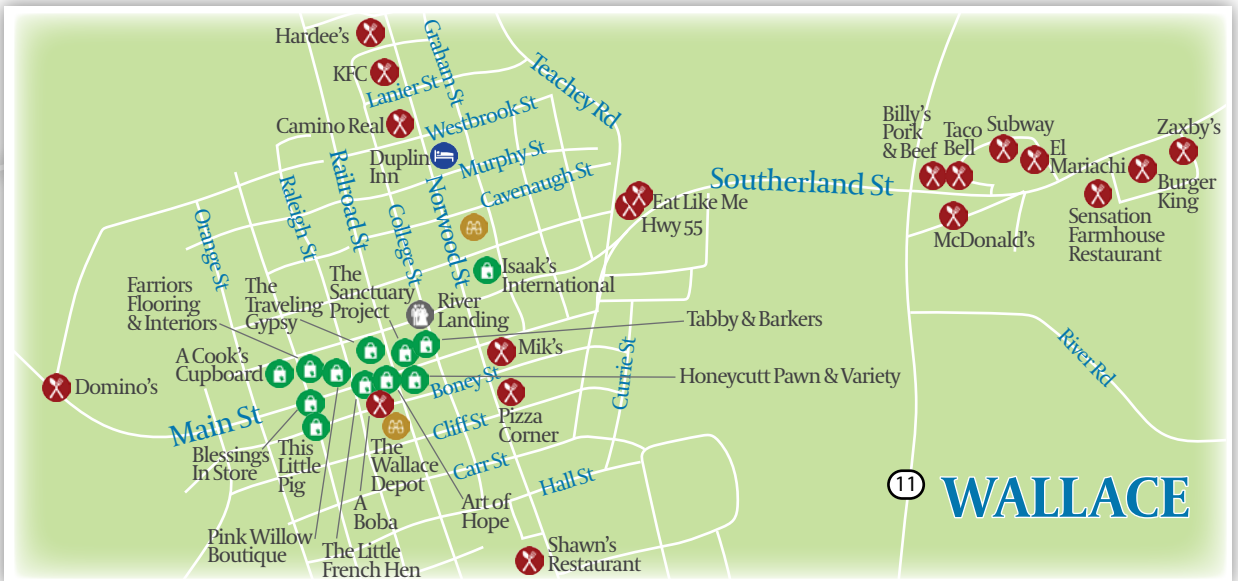
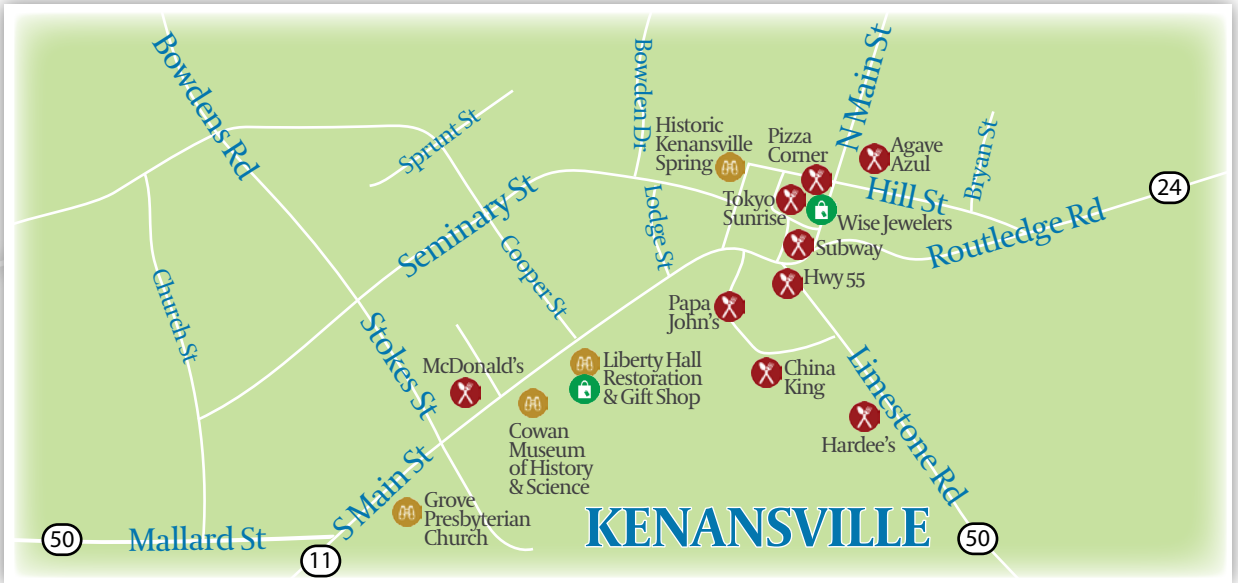
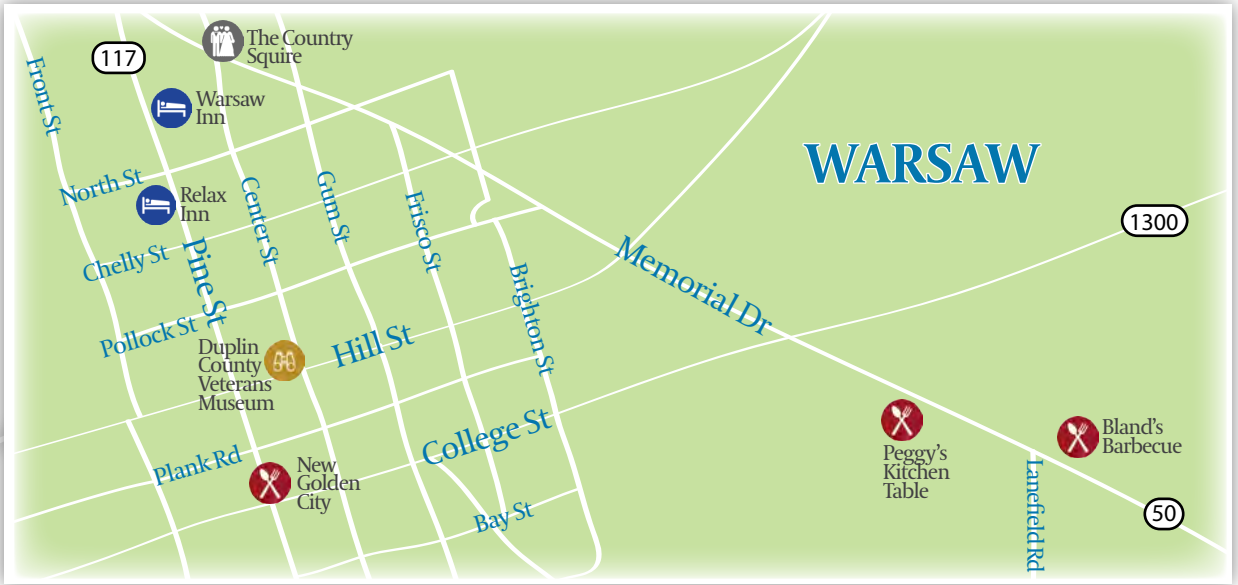
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