



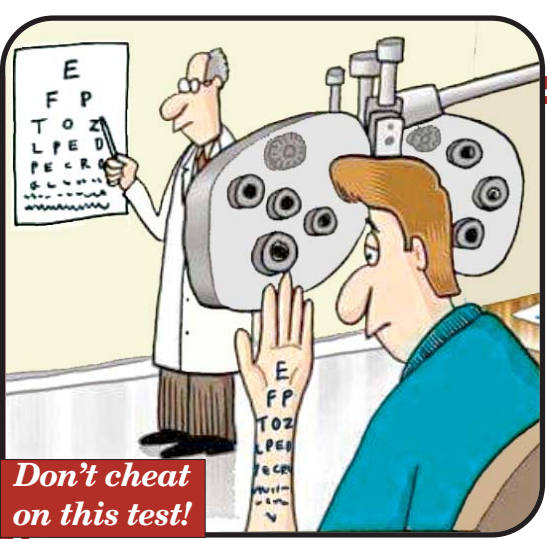
**COMMUNITY INPUT MEETING MAY 25 6-7PM**

The public is invited to join us to help shape the future of the Town of Polkton, North Carolina in the development of a Land Use Plan

The Town of Polkton is holding a Community Input Meeting to gather ideas and thoughts from residents and stakeholders on where and how Polkton should grow in the future. The Town of Polkton, with the help of Uwharrie Planners, is working to draft a 2045 Land Use Plan. The Land Use Plan is a critical part of Polkton's development, planning and zoning process. The Plan, if adopted and implemented, will require occasional updates to keep up with community changes and needs for the future, and to facilitate growth in a way that keeps Polkton a safe and vibrant place to live, work, play, and conduct business. Your attendance is extremely important.

**The Community Input Meeting Round 2 will be held at:**

**The Polkton Fire Department, 61 West Polk Street, Polkton, NC 28135  
On Thursday, May 25, 2023 at 6:00 pm to 7:00 p.m.**



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**DMV Rolls Out Walk-In Wait Time Tool**

The N.C. Division of Motor Vehicles continues to roll out improvements to enhance customer service and last week announced new technology available on its website ([ncdot.gov/dmv/offices-services/locate-dmv-office](http://ncdot.gov/dmv/offices-services/locate-dmv-office)) to help its customers avoid a prolonged wait in line.

A new feature is now available on the NCDMV office locations page to show the public the current average wait time at its 115 driver license offices across the state. Customers can now hover over the icon marking each driver license office and a box will pop up with the current walk-in wait time. The wait time is defined as the current average length of time from check-in until the customer is called to the workstation for service.

"I'm very excited about this new tool that will show customers the walk-in wait time at driver license offices so they can make an informed decision on which office to go to, or whether to try again another day," said DMV Commissioner Wayne Goodwin. "This tool will be most useful in the afternoon when our 115 driver license offices are serving walk-ins only."

As of May 1, driver license offices take walk-in customers only after noon. Appointments are now only available in the mornings and can be scheduled up to 90 days in advance at [skiphline.ncdot.gov](http://skiphline.ncdot.gov).



**Morrow Mountain State Park**

Less than a 45 minute drive from Anson County, Morrow Mountain State Park has a lot to offer.

Located in Stanly County near Badin, Morrow Mountain State Park provides a myriad of adventures from the summit of the namesake mountain, along the banks of the Yadkin River State Trail, and to the shores of Lake Tillery. The mountain is a study in geologic wonder - with Native American artifacts made of rhyodacite to argillite mined by the Civilian Conservation Corps (CCC) to create many of the park's structures. One of these CCC-built structures is the state parks system's only day-use swimming pool.

**Activities** Hiking (14 trails, 37 miles); Horseback riding (19 miles); Paddling; Swimming (pool, seasonal); Fishing; and Picnicking.

**Camping** Vacation cabins; Tent sites (including backpacking sites); Trailer and RV sites (some with electric hookups); Group tent sites; Dump station; Showers; and Firewood.

**Amenities** Boat ramp; Boat rentals (seasonal); Concession stand (seasonal); Amphitheater; Community building; Picnic shelters; Museum and exhibits; Bathhouse; and Horse trailer parking.

**Field Trips** North Carolina state parks staff proudly offer numerous memorable field trip experiences for students and teachers. Explore science, history, social studies, and math through sampling stream life or climbing a mountain.

**Host Your Event at the Park** Make your special occasion naturally wonderful. State parks are great places for birthday parties, reunions, weddings and more.

Learn more about event permits and fees on the Facilities page at: [ncparks.gov/state-parks/morrow-mountain-state-park/facilities](http://ncparks.gov/state-parks/morrow-mountain-state-park/facilities).

There are no fees required to access Morrow Mountain State Park for day use, except for boat rentals and swim passes. Fees are also charged for camping, certain event permits, and facility reservations.

Pets are allowed at the park and at campsites. They are not permitted at the pool, inside buildings, or in vacation cabins. Pets must be on an attended leash of no longer than 6 feet at all times.

The park opens at 7 a.m. year 'round. It stays open until 10 p.m. May through September, until 9 p.m. April and October, 8 p.m. March and November, and 7 p.m. January, February and December. The park office is open daily from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. (Hours may change on state holidays and weekends.)

The address is 49104 Morrow Mountain Road, Albemarle, NC 28001. The telephone number is 704-982-4402 and the email address is [morrow.mountain@ncparks.gov](mailto:morrow.mountain@ncparks.gov). Information and a park map is available at: [ncparks.gov/state-parks/morrow-mountain-state-park](http://ncparks.gov/state-parks/morrow-mountain-state-park).

**Market on Market in Cheraw!**

Market on Market will be held this Saturday, May 20, from 9:00 a.m. to 12 noon in downtown Cheraw. The family-friendly monthly event features art, produce, food and entertainment on the third Saturday of each month, from May through the fall. Local farmers will also have produce and plants available for purchase.

There will be free "Flower themed" art activities for kids.

Contact the Cheraw Arts Commission 843.537.8420 x 12 for additional information.

**Motorcycle Benefit Ride is Saturday**

The Bowman High School Class of 1973 is holding a Motorcycle Benefit Ride this Saturday, May 20. The event will take place at White Pond Community Center, located at 2549 Sandy Ridge Church Road in Morven. The cost is \$15 for single riders, \$20 for doubles, and that includes food. Non-riders are welcome too, and can self pay for food.

Registration runs from 10-11:30am, then it's kick stands up at 12 noon!

For information contact Brenda S. Rorie at 704-695-5196.

**Free Movie at the Library is Saving Faith**

The Hampton B. Allen Library will be showing the movie *Saving Faith* on Monday, May 22, at 10 a.m. in the Pritchett room. *Saving Faith* stars Jenn Gotzon, Jim Chandler, with Vince Gill and Amy Grant. It is family oriented. Everyone is welcome to come and enjoy the movie.

Any questions please call 704-694-5177.

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