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# QUALITY OF LIFE



The citizens of Duplin County continue  
a history rich with civic pride and  
community spirit.

## National Register of Historical Places Listings

### Individual Listings:

The Robert Dickson Farm, Rose Hill    The Buckner Hill House, Faison    The Murray House, Kenansville    Hebron Church, Albertson    Waterloo (the Grady house), Albertson    The Isham Faison/Williams House, Faison    Isaac Powers House, Wallace    W.S. Boney House, Wallace

### District Listings:

Town of **Kenansville** Residential Historic District: Contains 19 contributing structures within the district including Liberty Hall Plantation, Kelly-Farrior House (Cowan Museum), the courthouse, the Spring, Masonic Lodge and others dating to the early 1800's.

Town of **Wallace** Commercial Historic District: Contains 55 contributing structures in a two block downtown area including the Z.J. Carter & Son Building, A.C. Hall Building and the 1890 Wallace Railroad Depot.

Town of **Warsaw** Residential and Commercial Historic District: Contains 51 contributing structures in a combined business/residential district along the railroad and Hill Street.

Town of **Faison** Residential and Commercial Historic District (pending): Contains 94 contributing structures in 31 blocks including a 1850 false front frame store, early 1900's commercial buildings and dwellings build from 1850 to 1930.

## Museum, Restorations, Tourism Interests

**Liberty Hall Plantation Restoration:** Early 1800's ancestral home of the Kenan family. Main house and 12 dependency buildings are open for tours. Visitors center and gift shop.

**Cowan Museum:** A superb collection of rural American artifacts, tools, household utensils and other rare and unique items. On the grounds are a one-room schoolhouse, one-room log cabin, blacksmith shop and log tobacco barn.

**Duplin Events Center, Kenansville:** Multi-purpose center capable of seating up to 4,000 people.

**Faison Museum Faison:** Located in the relocated Faison Railroad Depot dating from the late 1800's.

**Warsaw Veterans Day Celebration/Veteran Memorial Museum:** Located on Hill St., this 1894's Queen Anne style homes being restored and opened as a tribute to Duplin County's veterans. (Under restoration).

**Duplin Winery, Rose Hill:** One of 10 wineries in the state and the only one making wine from the native Muscadine Scuppernong grape. Tours and tasting. The winery's dinner theater has monthly performances certain months during the year.

**William Rand Kenan, Jr. Memorial Amphitheatre, Kenansville:** A 1,000 seat amphitheatre hosting various activities during the year.

**World's Largest Frying Pan, Rose Hill:** Located on the Town Square, this 2 ton, 15' diameter frying pan cooks chicken for the annual Jubilee in May. It holds 200 gallons of cooking oil and can fry 365 chickens at one time.

**Westwater Country Ham House & Gardens, Warsaw:** Legendary North Carolina country hams are prepared in the traditional southern style.

**The Historic Kenansville Spring, Kenansville:** Flowing over 250 years, the spring is the reason for the town of Kenansville.

**Grove Presbyterian Church, Kenansville:** Founded in 1736, this congregation is the oldest Presbyterian congregation in North Carolina. (Tours with prior arrangements).

## Libraries

- ◆ **Duplin County Library System:** Includes the main library in Kenansville, with branches in Beulaville, Faison, Warsaw and Rose Hill. The system contains 50,000 volumes with access to other libraries through the Interlibrary Loan Service. A strong children's program is active.
- ◆ **Florence Horne Gallier Memorial Library,** Magnolia: A municipal library supported by the town and volunteers.
- ◆ **Thelma Dingus Bryant Library,** Wallace: A municipal library open to the public.
- ◆ **James Sprunt Community College Library,** Kenansville: Open to the public.
- ◆ **Duplin County Historical Society Library of Local History and Genealogy,** Rose Hill: (Open with prior arrangements.)

## Festivals and Events

- ◆ Albertson Annual Fox Hunt, Albertson: February.
- ◆ North Carolina Pickle Festival, Faison & Mt. Olive: April.
- ◆ Warsaw Pork & Poultry Fest, Warsaw: May.
- ◆ Wallace Summer Fest, Wallace: June.
- ◆ Outdoor Drama productions, Down Home Country, country music show, Kenan Amphitheatre, Kenansville: August/September.
- ◆ Duplin Winery Grape Stomp, Rose Hill: September.
- ◆ North Carolina Muscadine Festival, Kenansville: September
- ◆ Candlelight Christmas Tour of Liberty Hall Plantation, Kenansville: December.
- ◆ Christmas Music Show, Kenan Auditorium, Kenansville: December.
- ◆ Christmas Parades: Towns of Beulaville, Wallace & Faison: December.

## Recreation: Country Clubs, Golf, Camping, Boating, Parks

- ◆ Rockfish Country Club, Wallace: 18 holes, clubhouse, tennis, pool.
- ◆ Majestic Pines, Kenansville: 18 holes, clubhouse, tennis, pool.
- ◆ Long Meadow Country Club, Pink Hill: 9 holes, clubhouse, pool.
- ◆ River Landing Country Club, Wallace: 36-hole championship course. (semi-private)
- ◆ Lake Leamon Campground, Wallace: RV hook-ups, swimming, boating, skiing.
- ◆ Cabin Lake Recreational Park, Beulaville: 100+ acre park with swimming, boating, fishing, camping, nature trail, picnic shelters, bathhouses.
- ◆ Municipal parks with organized sports activities are located in most communities.

## Organizations

There are many religious denominations represented in addition to cultural, civic organizations and social clubs throughout the county. They include the Duplin County Historical Society, Lions Clubs, Rotary Clubs, Chambers of Commerce, American Legions, VFW Posts, Ruritan Clubs, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Women's Clubs and Garden Clubs. There are many opportunities for volunteer involvement with rescue squads, fire departments, home care and hospice and other programs.