

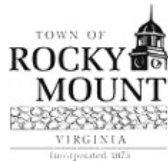
Welcome to Rocky Mount, Virginia

The Town of Rocky Mount was incorporated in 1873 and is the county seat of Franklin County, formed in 1786.

Community Partnership for Revitalization
540-489-3825 historicrockymount.com



Community Partnership is a non-profit organization whose mission is to improve the visual aspects, to increase the economic strengths, & to promote the unique assets of Rocky Mount and Franklin County by utilizing a preservation based approach to community development.



Franklin County Historical Society
540-483-1890
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Franklin County
A Natural Setting for Opportunity



Franklin County Historical Society is a non-profit 501c3 organization chartered to collect, preserve and share the history of Franklin County, VA. A history museum and research library are located in The Flora Morris House. Collections include rare documents, portraits, glassware, weapons, hundreds of resource books and countless files on families, historic sites and events that shaped our country's history. No admission charge; donations solicited.

Rocky Mount - A Virginia Main Street Community

Community Partnership for Revitalization & Franklin County Historical Society presents

“History In Bloom” Homes and Historic Buildings Tour Rocky Mount, VA

June 16, 2012

Ticket Price: \$22 per individual
Purchase of 2 or more: \$20 each

Revenue benefits:

Community Partnership for town beautification projects;
Franklin County Historical Society for operation of history museum.

Tickets may be purchased at:

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“History In Bloom”

Saturday Tour begins at:

Allen O. Woody Jr. Municipal Building
345 Donald Avenue
Rocky Mount, VA 24151

Ticket Price: \$22 per Individual

Purchase of 2 or more: \$20 each

Ticket Price Includes:

Light Luncheon (11:00 AM to 2:00 PM)

Tour Bus/ Tour of Homes

Homes Open:

Saturday: 9:30 AM to 4:00 PM

Volunteers have prepared a light lunch which will be served in the beautifully restored N. Morris Building at 290 South Main Street . This is a real treat!

Tour is self-directed; visitors can drive vehicles or use bus and tour homes and buildings in any order preferred. All are located within a two mile radius of County Courthouse. Two buses will make continuous rounds all day past the homes and buildings on tour and the Municipal Building. Board bus at start of tour, get off at home /building of your choice, and board next available bus. For assistance during tour call: 540-420-1006 or 540-420-6963.

Many, many thanks to the home owners and property owners who are opening their beautiful homes and buildings to the public in support of this tour. Historic preservation and revitalization efforts by citizens of Rocky Mount are most evident as private dwellings and historic buildings continue to be improved and displayed with pride!

Louise Bowles

Carol Forbes

Judith & Rhonda Hodges

Bob and Peg Jeans

Dove McCall

Richard and Dee Shoemaker

Linda Wahlberg

Franklin County Perinatal Education Center , Amy Pendleton

N. Morris Building, John Garland and Mountain to Lake Realtors

Rocky Mount Presbyterian Church, Dr. Russ Merritt

Welcome to Rocky Mount, VA

Community Partnership for Revitalization and Franklin County Historical Society welcomes you to Rocky Mount!

Special Moments from Our History:

The Washington Iron Furnace went into operation in 1779.

The first court was held in the home of James Callaway, The Farm at The Furnace, 1786.

Jubal Anderson Early, who later became one of the South's most stalwart Generals in The War Between the States, was admitted to the bar in 1840 and practiced law in Rocky Mount until 1861.

Recent Accomplishments & Upcoming Projects:

Uptown Revitalization (South Main Street) has been nearly completed. The extensive project included water/sewer upgrades, underground utilities, and streetscapes. Facades have been completed on a number of the buildings and others are planned for the near future.

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Homes of STONEMILL Stoney Mill Road, Rocky Mount



One of the newest residential areas within the Town of Rocky Mount, the patio homes are most attractive and show a nice life style for the homeowners. Several of the homes are open for tour and will show such features as living rooms with fireplaces, modern kitchens, multiple bedrooms, screened in porches/ patios. Homeowners will host the tour and several proudly display art work and prized family heirlooms. The grounds are nicely landscaped and the prominent feature is "The Gazebo".

***80 Stoney Mill Road / 84 Stoney Mill Road
107 Stoney Mill Road / 131 Stoney Mill Road
143 Stoney Mill Road / 154 Stoney Mill Road***



2 The N. Morris Building 290 South Main Street

The 1912 building is a historical treasure in Uptown Rocky Mount. Originally constructed for retail use, the building has been carefully and beautifully restored. Consisting of three levels, it is totally updated. One must see the restored woodwork, gleaming original wood floors, restored shelving complete with a rolling ladder, and the rooftop deck with unbelievable views! **Lunch will be served here.**



3 The Rakes Building 335 South Main Street

This building, with a most colorful history, has been beautifully restored and now houses the Franklin County Perinatal Education Center and United Way. The original profile of the building exterior is retained, including the original brick. The interior is replete with the original tin ceiling, some exposed brick, and generous use of "old barn wood" trim. Working offices within the building flow into the building's footprint and compliments the original architecture. Come to experience the restored building and hear some of its history!



4 The Washington Iron Furnace 25 Old Furnace Road

The white one story home sits on a large lot on Old Furnace Road. On this site is one of the most significant historic assets of the town, The Washington Iron Furnace. Constructed in the 1770's, the furnace was established for the manufacture of iron. Noted as an industrial complex, it contained both a blast furnace and refinery forge. The furnace was built of quarried granite from Scuffling Hill. Visitors will enjoy the home's landscaping, and, of course, a tour of the furnace.



5 The Rocky Mount Presbyterian Church 175 Floyd Ave

The Presbyterian Church, founded in 1877, is housed in the Gothic Revival prominently situated in the heart of town. Note the tall and narrow arched windows, steeply pitched gable, and admire the exterior brick work. Also note the church bell, by the Moshane Bell Foundry, 1889, hanging at the front entrance. The bell was re-located here after the church building was severely damaged in a fire at a nearby Tobacco Warehouse. The church was saved through the efforts of a bucket brigade composed of local people in their night clothes, roused from sleep.

