

CATAWBA VALLEY NEWSLETTER

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July 18th

Annual Family Day Outing

Come join us for our annual Family Outing
for a day of fun in the sun for you & your
family!

PLEASE RSVP NO LATER THAN

WEDNESDAY, JULY 15th!!



Register online at:

www.pcea-catawbavalley.org



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UPCOMING PCEA EVENTS

**July 18th —Annual
Family Day Outing**

**August 13th—Annual
Steak on the Lake**

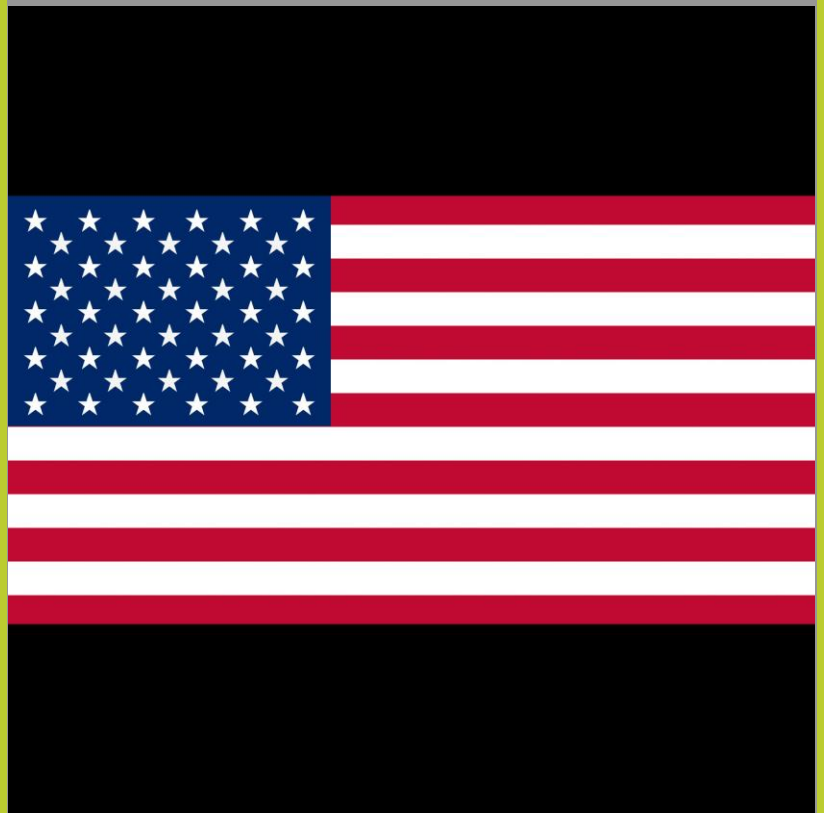
**September 11th—
Annual Kenneth N.
Houston Memorial
Golf Tournament**

**October 8th—Monthly
Business Meeting**



HEALTH & HAPPINESS

Please send any Health & Happiness to
Teresa Cottrell,
Catawba County Building Inspections



ANNUAL FAMILY OUTING!!!

Saturday, July 18th, 2015

**The Family Outing will be at
River Bend Clubhouse**

(River Bend is behind the WalMart on
Hwy 321 North, in Granite Falls)



The festivities will start at 12:00 PM (with food being served at 3:00)
and end at 10:00 PM.

There will be Music, Water Volleyball, Corn-Hole, a Slip-N-Slide for the Kids & the
'Young at Heart', and lots of other fun-filled activities!



**This event is FREE for members and their families, HOWEVER - PLEASE
REGISTER yourself & your guests, to ensure we have enough food for
everyone!!**

Please contact Will Clayton with any questions!!

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Independence Day, commonly known as the **Fourth of July** or **July Fourth**, is a federal holiday in the United States commemorating the adoption of the Declaration of Independence on July 4, 1776, declaring independence from Great Britain. Independence Day is commonly associated with fireworks, parades, barbecues, carnivals, fairs, picnics, concerts, baseball games, family reunions, and political speeches and ceremonies, in addition to various other public and private events celebrating the history, government, and traditions of the United States. Independence Day is the National Day of the United States.¹ During the American Revolution, the legal separation of the Thirteen Colonies from Great Britain occurred on July 2, 1776, when the Second Continental Congress voted to approve a resolution of independence that had been proposed in June by Richard Henry Lee of Virginia declaring the United States independent from Great Britain.^{[4][5]} After voting for independence, Congress turned its attention to the Declaration of Independence, a statement explaining this decision, which had been prepared by a Committee of Five, with Thomas Jefferson as its principal author. Congress debated and revised the wording of the Declaration, finally approving it on July 4. A day earlier, John Adams had written to his wife Abigail:

The second day of July, 1776, will be the most memorable epoch in the history of America. I am apt to believe that it will be celebrated by succeeding generations as the great anniversary festival. It ought to be commemorated as the day of deliverance, by solemn acts of devotion to God Almighty. It ought to be solemnized with pomp and parade, with shows, games, sports, guns, bells, bonfires, and illuminations, from one end of this continent to the other, from this time forward forever more.

Adams's prediction was off by two days. From the outset, Americans celebrated independence on July 4, the date shown on the much-publicized Declaration of Independence, rather than on July 2, the date the resolution of independence was approved in a closed session of Congress.

Historians have long disputed whether Congress actually signed the Declaration of Independence on July 4, even though Thomas Jefferson, John Adams, and Benjamin Franklin all later wrote that they had signed it on that day. Most historians have concluded that the Declaration was signed nearly a month after its adoption, on August 2, 1776, and not on July 4 as is commonly believed.

Coincidentally, both John Adams and Thomas Jefferson, the only signers of the Declaration of Independence later to serve as Presidents of the United States, died on the same day: July 4, 1826, which was the 50th anniversary of the Declaration. Although not a signer of the Declaration of Independence, but another Founding Father who became a President, James Monroe, died on July 4, 1831, thus becoming the third President in a

row who died on the holiday. Calvin Coolidge, the 30th President, was born on July 4, 1872, and, so far, is the only U.S. President to have been born on Independence Day.

Info found on www.wikipedia.org



The flag of the United States, known as Old Glory, consists of thirteen horizontal red and white stripes and fifty white stars in a blue rectangle in the top left corner. The current American flag design was adopted on July 4, 1960.

Although the flag was adopted officially in 1777, at that time there was no meaning attached to the colors. However, the same colors were used in designing the Seal of the United States of America in 1782, having specific meaning. In the words of Charles Thompson, secretary to the Continental Congress: "The colors of the pales (the vertical stripes) are those used in the flag of the United States of America; White signifies purity and innocence, Red, hardiness & valor, and Blue, the color of the Chief (the broad band above the stripes) signifies vigilance, perseverance & justice".

Board of Directors Meeting Dates

(Please Save these Dates)

July 29th
August 26th
September 30th
October 28th



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