

**WEEKLY UPDATE: 9/15/2017**  
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**OPPORTUNITY TO MEET COASTAL LEGISLATORS!**

This coming Monday, the 24<sup>th</sup> Annual God & Country Banquet will be held in Havelock NC at the Havelock Tourist and Event Center. This is an opportunity to meet several coastal legislators which is very important due to some district lines that have been proposed, such as Pamlico County now being in the same district as Dare and Hyde Counties, currently represented by Beverly Boswell. Representative Michael Speciale will no longer represent Pamlico County in his district as a result.

Some of those attending: Congressman Walter B. Jones, Jr., NC Senator Norman Sanderson, Rep. Michael Speciale, Rep. Beverly Boswell, Rep. George Cleveland, Rep. Pat McElraft, Rep. Chris Millis and several judges including Keynote Speaker Supreme Court Justice Paul Newby.

Several other county and municipal office holders will be in attendance.

Tickets for the catered dinner event are \$20 or table of 8 for \$150. Call Jerry if you are interested in attending: 252-361-3015.

24<sup>th</sup> Annual God & Country Banquet  
Monday, September 18, 2017  
Havelock Tourist and Event Center in Havelock NC  
Tickets \$20 ea or table of 8 for \$150  
Doors open at 5:30pm  
Dinner begins at 6:30pm

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**LEGISLATIVE UPDATE:**

The General Assembly is scheduled to come back October 4<sup>th</sup>.

Last week I attended the "Sea to Table" event sponsored by Allies for Cherry Point's Tomorrow. It was held at the Crystal Coast Convention Center in Morehead City with B&J Seafood as one of the prime sponsors. NCFA was also listed as a sponsor. The cause is great, food excellent and had conversations with many of our friends.

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Today I attended a roundtable discussion at the Jim Graham Building at the State Fairgrounds. It was sponsored by Commissioner of Agriculture Steve Troxler, with the “guest of honor” being Ray Starling, who is now the White House Special Assistant on Agriculture. He’s from North Carolina and was formerly with NCDA&CS and on the staff of Senator Thom Tillis. Many other notables were in attendance including many from Commissioner Troxler’s staff, Jordan Whichard from Governor Cooper’s staff, Senator Brent Jackson, Rep. Mark Brody, several from NC State University, Towers Mingeldorff from Senator Tillis’ staff and many other commodity association folks. Also in attendance was Sean McKeon, former President of NCFA and now with Mountaire Farms, based in Delaware but with operations also in Maryland and North Carolina.

It was an excellent meeting!

NCFA Executive Director Glenn Skinner will be in Hatteras for the Day at the Docks events.

Reminder that the next NCFA Board meeting is on Wednesday, September 20<sup>th</sup> at 1:00pm at the Washington Civic Center.

God bless,

Jerry

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### **DAY AT THE DOCKS: HATTERAS**

All kinds of educational and fun activities are scheduled for Saturday, September 16<sup>th</sup>! (That’s tomorrow!)

Click here for details for the Saturday schedule:

[Day at the Docks in Hatteras events](#)

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### **NCFA OFFICES HAVE MOVED!**

Note the new mailing address, phone numbers above. Fax is now hooked up. We can accept credit card for paying dues or purchases!

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### **CALENDAR**

Sept. 19; 7:00pm; Cobia public hearing; Hatteras Community Center; Hatteras NC

Sept. 20; 1:00pm; NCFA Board of Directors meeting; Civic Center; Washington, NC

Sept. 27; 6:00pm; Menhaden hearing; DMF Central Ofc; Morehead City