

Historic Lucks Cannery

Annual Report 2022-2023

Our Mission

Community Center	Multi-Use	Celebrate Creativity
Cultural Heritage	Economic Development	Education
Community Well-Being	Enrich Lives	

We welcomed the Seagrove Area Potters to the first event since the pandemic. Attendance was very strong and potters that participated experienced strong sales and connected with many folks. Feedback from participants indicated that there was not enough space and the show was not as big as before. Unofficial attendance was estimated at around 3000 visitors and 20 potteries.

The 36th NC Potter’s Conference was held with great success in March. The theme was Evolution of a Craft and featured presentations by potters from across the country and North Carolina.

Phase II is underway: The town received \$1.8 Million in grants from the NC Legislature and Randolph County. This grant is allowing initiation of renovation of the upper-level lobby area to accommodate larger shows and events. We have also been able to complete Fernandez Loop street construction and new parking for 60 vehicles, along with replacing the roof over Hall B and Carolina Bronze.

The Jandy Ammons Foundation made a \$25,000 donation to enhance the entrance to the upper level. Lauren Freeman and Aylissa Hall were selected as artists for murals.

Several large dinner events were held. The 90th birthday of Jack C. Lail included tours of the entire facility including Sapona Plastics and Carolina Bronze, along with live music followed by a dinner for 200 friends, relatives and dignitaries. Keynote guest speakers were Rhett Brown, president of Wingate College and Dr. Shackelford, retired



president of Randolph Community College. Senator Dave Craven presented a Happy Birthday certificate from the the NC Senate.

The Randolph Partnership for Children held a fund raiser dinner/auction with 250 people and raised around \$45,000. Live music by the Tyler Millard band inside and on the patio was a treat for the guests. Dr. Jonathan Thill of Venture Asheboro was the emcee.

Sapona Plastics and Randolph Electric held Christmas parties with over 150 each and The Seagrove Parade hosted Santa after the parade with prizes for children.

In all, events were attended in the last 12 months by nearly 7000 people. Attendees and organizers were local/statewide/national and reflected significant age/ethnic diversity. Income to the Town for events totaled nearly \$20,000.

The featured summer concert was the Randolph Jazz Band. Emcee for the night was Miss Randolph County Tori Gross and special vocalist was Ashley Hutton. The Girl Scouts presented their idea for the pollinator garden and sold snacks.

Carolina Bronze has progressed with their CB East studio and expanded use of the facility. Melissa and Ed Walker and their team have created an impressive manufacturing studio of art and sculpture. Their investment exceeds \$150,000 in renovations to their space. They have leased additional space in the facility and created Walker Art Studios to provide space for artists.

Eastern Steel Works has progressed with the addition of 3 workers and will employ up to 9. Deliveries and shipments of steel and fabrications are in and out regularly.

Businesses at the cannery also participated in the Juvenile Day Reporting Center Teen Restitution program with several at-risk and court involved youth volunteering time for renovation, cleaning and service work.



Girl Scout troop 30006 meets at the cannery regularly and initiated a project to create a pollinator garden in the courtyard. They also volunteered at the summer concert.

The center is maintaining storage of historical items of Seagrove and created two public historical display areas. Good news has come that the train depot has received donations for renovations in the future.

Grace Fellowship has temporarily rented space for weekly meetings with pastor Walter Scheu.

Thank you to all our supporters, donors and sponsors.



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- Donald Wellington
- Imogene King Bulla (Don Bulla, Dee Bulla, Patty Bulla Ivey)

Town of Seagrove, Luck's Cannery Project	
Financials: Fiscal Year Beginning	7/1/22
Beginning Bank Balance NC Grant:	1,300,000
Beginning Bank Balance RC Grant:	500,000
Beginning Bank Balance Other:	3,130
Total Beginning Bank Balance	1,803,130
Revenues	
Grant Money	25,000
Donations	2,500
Interest Revenue	1,437
Total Revenues	28,937
Expenses	
Architect	26,211
Roofing	258,678
Construction	-
Other	500
Total Expenses	285,389
Financials: Fiscal Year Ending	6/30/23
Ending Balance NC Grant:	215,111
Ending Balance RC Grant:	1,300,577
Ending Balance JA Grant:	25,000
Ending Balance Other:	15,642
Total Ending Bank Balance	1,546,678

Grants from the NC Legislature and Randolph County in 2022 allowed us to build the parking lot, connect Fernandez loop and begin renovation of the upper level with the vestibule and restrooms bringing electrical, plumbing and entrances. A grant from the Jandy Ammons Foundation will enhance the entrance to the upper level and includes some art installations. All of the funds on hand have been committed and work is in progress. Roofing work over the Carolina Bronze area and Hall B was completed. Another \$1.1 Million is needed to fully complete renovation of the upper level expo halls.

Board Members 2021-2022

- Elizabeth Dozier
- David Fernandez
- Larry Hancock
- Dean Lail, president
- Frank Neef
- Melissa Walker, secretary

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Results:

- Estimated Volunteer Hours in fiscal year: 600 Hours
- Programs, meetings and special events held this past year at the facility have served an estimated 7000 engaged people, including monthly town hall meetings.
- Sapona Plastics created 2 full-time equivalent positions this year. Eastern Steel Works created 3 full-time positions.
- 8,036 Sq.Ft. Leased to Eastern Steel Works
- 8,468 Sq.Ft. Leased to Carolina Bronze
- Estimated economic impact this fiscal year: \$1.5 Million

Historic Lucks Cannery is 501c3 Non-profit organization for fund-raising and advising the Town of Seagrove on renovations and programs.

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Watch for more to come soon.