



July 4th Events in Chapel Hill & Orange County, NC

[Carrboro's July 4th Celebration](#) will be held at the Carrboro Town Hall at 301 W. Main Street. The day begins on the Weaver Street Market Lawn at 9:30 am with music by Tim Stambaugh. A parade from the Market Lawn to the Town Hall is at 10:50 am. There enjoy plenty of activities including a pie eating contest, face painters, games, inflatables, bingo, food vendors, readings and live music. Activities run to 4 pm

The Town of Carrboro will hold its third [Annual Community Reading](#) of Frederick Douglass' essay "The Meaning of July Fourth for the Negro" on Monday, July 4 in the Carrboro Century Center from Noon - 1:30 pm. Introductory remarks will be provided by Dr. Blair L.M. Kelley, the Assistant Dean for Interdisciplinary Studies and International Programs for the College of Humanities and Social Sciences at North Carolina State University. This piece reflects a sobering point of view about what is commonly considered to be America's Independence Day, and is a part of the history of this country that needs to be recognized and remembered. For more information, contact Mayor Lydia Lavelle at 919-918-7310 or llavelle@townofcarrboro.org.

In Caldwell, Patriotism and pride in country is alive and well! At about 10 am join the town marchers at the Caldwell Fire House. The parade starts moving at 10:50 am with veterans leading the parade. Stop at the NC 57 and Guess Rd. intersection to wait for the 11 am official start. Picnic to follow.

In Efland, the [July 4th Parade](#) from 10 am - Noon. Please join the Efland Ruritan Club for their annual parade. The parade will start at 10AM. It will go from the Efland Car Wash to the Efland Ruritan Club along Forrest Avenue. Participants can start lining up at the car wash at 9AM. Everyone is welcome to participate. You can walk or ride (cars, motorcycles, carts, horses, bicycles, etc). All are welcome and it's all free!

In Hillsborough, the [3rd Annual Picnic in the Park](#) is from 11 am - 3 pm at the River Park on East Margaret Lane. Free festivities begin with a community reading of the Declaration of Independence, followed by live music from several local bands

including Commanderrrs, Fireside Collective, and Magnolia Still. Bring your picnic blankets and enjoy lunch from one of many food trucks including Heavenly Smoke, Taco Grande and The Parlour. Enjoy kids activities and crafts. For more information contact the Alliance for Historic Hillsborough (919) 732-7741.

[**Southern Season's Red, White, And Blue Party**](#) is 11 am – 2 pm. The American flag will be flying high at Southern Season's annual Red, White & Blue Party! Kids will enjoy indoor games along with complementary face painting and contests, and if you come early, be sure to bring the kids by Weathervane Restaurant for the \$8 Red, White & Blue Pancake Special from 7:30-10am! Events include: 11am–1pm: Face Painting and Balloon Artist, 11am–2pm: Cupcake Decorating, 11am until gone – Ice Cream Sampling, 12 noon – Corn on the Cob Eating Contest, 11am–12:55pm – Guess the Number of Jelly Belly's in the Jar; winner announced at 1pm. Whether you come for food or fun, we have everything you need to make the most of your holiday! This event is free at Southern Season at University Place at 201 S. Estes Drive in Chapel Hill.

[Preservation Chapel Hill](#) is bringing back **An Old Fashioned 4th of July celebration** from 1 pm - 3 pm on the lawn at The Horace Williams House, 610 East Rosemary Street. FREE ice cream, flags, lemonade and patriotic music performed by The Village Band (performs 1:30-2:15). Bring your lawn chairs, blankets, family and friends. This event is sponsored by Dee Jay's Event Rentals LLC and Preservation Chapel Hill.

[The Decatur Street Band](#) plays on the Southern Village Green at 6:30 pm – 8:30 pm on July 4th. Celebrate the 4th with some great Dixieland music. Free.

See The Town of Chapel Hill's spectacular display of [Fireworks in Kenan Stadium](#) on the UNC campus. Gates open at 7 pm with family friendly activities including a watermelon eating contest hosted by DSI Comedy. Also face painting, games and inflatables. There is live music by The Soul Psychedelique Orchestra. Fireworks start at 9:30 pm. There is parking available in lots around the stadium and downtown.

For more events happening over the July4th weekend, visit www.visitchapelhill.org