



2017 July 4th Events in Chapel Hill & Orange County, NC

In Hillsborough, the [4th Annual Picnic in the Park](#) is July 2 from 11 am - 3 pm. Celebrate the birth of our nation with a community picnic and live music from Music Makers Relief Foundation at this year's annual Picnic in the Park in downtown Hillsborough. Food Trucks, Yard Games and Crafts, Live Music, Community Reading of Declaration of Independence, Nonprofit booths. Entertainment: 11 am – The Glorifying Vines Sisters, Noon – Harvey Dalton Arnold, 1 pm Thomas Rhyant's Sam Cooke Revue and 2 pm Cool John Ferguson. This is a FREE event and is open to the public! The Farmers' Market Pavilion at 144 E. Margaret Ln. For more information, contact the Alliance for Historic Hillsborough at (919) 732-7741.

[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, bingo, food and drink vendors, live music and more. [Activities](#) run to 4 pm.

The **Town of Carrboro** will hold its fourth [Annual Community Reading](#) of Frederick Douglass' essay "The Meaning of July Fourth for the Negro" on July 4 in the Carrboro Century Center from Noon - 1:30 pm. Introductory remarks will be provided by April Dawson, an associate professor of law at North Carolina Central University School of Law. Professor Dawson teaches Constitutional Law and a Supreme Court Seminar (among other courses) at NCCU, and is a co-host with Professor Irving Joyner of the weekly Legal Eagle Review radio show on WNCU 90.7 FM. 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 July 4th 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 Lloyds Carwash 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! Ends at the Ruritan Club.

[Preservation Chapel Hill](#) has **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.

See **The Town of Chapel Hill's** spectacular display of [Fireworks in Kenan Stadium](#) July 4th on the UNC campus. Gates open at 7 pm with family friendly activities including a watermelon eating contest hosted by DSI Comedy and family fun. There is live music by RadioJacks. Fireworks start at 9:30 pm. There is parking available in lots around the stadium and downtown. \$1 person/\$5 per family.

For more events happening throughout the week of July 4th weekend, visit www.visitchapelhill.org