**Ticket Prices:**
$15 in advance • $18 day of tour
(children 12 and under are free)

**Tickets are available in advance at the following ticket locations:**

- **Louisburg:** The Coffee Hound Bookshop
  The Franklin Times
- **Lake Royale/Bunn:** 919-539-7868
- **Wake Forest:** The Cotton Company
- **Wendell:** Designs By Donna Florist
- **Warrenton:** Oakley Hall Antiques

**Tickets will be available at the Person Place on Tour Days,**
605 N. Main St., Louisburg

No credit cards. Cash or checks made to PPPS

**Additional weekend opportunities to enjoy!**

**Box Lunches available at**

*The Person Place*

**Saturday, April 18, 2015**
11 am - 2 pm (cost $10)

Local Heritage Artisans’ demonstrations and art for sale

**Saturday 10 am - 5 pm**
Beekeepers with local honey

**Saturday 10 am - 5 pm & Sunday 1 pm - 5 pm**
All at The Person Place
605 N. Main Street, Louisburg, North Carolina
Open to the Public

**During this special weekend you are invited to enjoy a walk through the Louisburg College’s DeHart Botanical Gardens**

south of Louisburg on Hwy. 401.
Address: 3585 US Hwy. 401 S., Louisburg, NC
(Garden entrance is 300 yards north of the mailbox sign.)

**On Sunday, April 19,** visitors are invited to attend a service at one of the churches in Louisburg’s historic district.

- **First Baptist Church (1925)**
  corner of E. College and Spring streets, 10 am
- **Louisburg United Methodist Church (1900)**
  corner of E. Noble and N. Main Streets, 10:30 am
- **St. Paul's Episcopal Church (1900)**
  corner of Church Street and Sunset Avenue, 11 am
- **Louisburg Baptist Church (1904)**
  corner of Middle and N. Main streets, 11 am

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**Franklin County Historic Homes and Gardens Tour**

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RAIN OR SHINE

Step back in time and join us for the seventh biennial Franklin County Historic Homes and Gardens Tour, sponsored by the Person Place Preservation Society. We are proud to offer twelve special historic gems that will give you a glimpse of life as it was in the past.

Franklin County and Louisburg, its county seat, were established in 1779, in the midst of the American Revolution. Early settlers took advantage of the county’s abundant creeks and fertile soil, which was well suited to the production of tobacco, cotton, corn, and timber. Louisburg developed as a bustling center of trade for local farmers and merchants.

The establishment of Franklin Male Academy (1787) and Louisburg Female College (1837) reflected local interest in education. The history of the Person Place is closely linked to that of Louisburg College.

This year’s tour includes four plantations that had vast holdings of land, including two which were associated with grist mills. In addition, seven houses and a church in Louisburg illustrate the rich history and architecture of the town. One home, Green Hill, is the site of the first annual meeting of the Methodist Church in America.

Please come and enjoy all of these properties and take a leisurely stroll through Louisburg College’s beautiful de Hart Botanical Gardens!
Person Place (ca. 1789-1830)
Reflecting two building periods and resting on a stone foundation, the Person Place is associated with the development of the town of Louisburg and Louisburg College. The modest Georgian-style, one-and-one-half-story dwelling, built in 1789, originally exhibited a hall-and-parlor plan but was enlarged later by a two-story rear ell. By the mid-1830s, an impressive two-story Federal-style, temple-front addition transformed the house into a sophisticated antebellum home. It features a one-story entrance portico supported by Doric columns, a pedimented gable with fanlight, and a transverse-hall floor plan.

Arthur W. Person House (1915)
Built for A. W. Person (1880-1969), a cotton broker, this Colonial Revival-style dwelling with coved German sheathing is dominated by a steep pyramidal roof with dormers and a wrap-around porch supported by Doric columns. The central entrance has single-paneled sidelights beneath a patterned transom. The dwelling was restored in 2013 as an honor residence for female students at Louisburg College. It was named for E. Carroll Joyner, a college benefactor.

Smith-Alford House (ca. 1910)
Pauline Smith, a pioneer home extension agent in North Carolina, transformed this modest, two-story, three-bay house before and after her marriage in 1947 to Dr. Frank Alford. Her mother, Cleora Hale Smith, purchased the lot in 1906. She died in 1909. Census records suggest that her husband, Edward Barrett Smith, built the house between 1910 and 1920. The house originally had a one-story wraparound porch. A rear addition, the present two-story front porch with Doric and Ionic columns, the decorative iron fence, and landscaping features reflect Mrs. Alford’s professional interest in home improvement and gardening.

Timberlake House (ca. 1803-1910)
Initially, the center of Lark Fox’s more than 1,000-acre plantation called Rose Hill, the restored Timberlake House illustrates four distinct building periods and architectural styles: ca. 1803, transitional Georgian-Federal; ca. 1840, late Federal; ca. 1880, Victorian; and ca. 1910, Neoclassical. These transitions also reflect an ownership shift, first to the family of Richard F. Yarborough, a merchant, and then to Julius F. Timberlake, a farmer, and his descendants. The present owners have restored and enlarged the dwelling as their home and as a venue for special events.

McKinne-Beasley-Beam House (ca. 1913)
Erected for Frank McKinne, one of three brothers who founded McKinne Brothers Hardware, this two-story, double-pile frame dwelling is squarely proportioned, with hip-roof, a full-façade hip-roof one-story porch, and side port cochere. Its central entrance features a leaded-glass transom and sidelights. All double-sash windows have one-over-one lights. The property includes a notable contemporary auto house and shed. The house was among the first built on land that earlier comprised a portion of the farm of Dr. Richard King.

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