



**Laurinburg/Scotland County Area
Chamber of Commerce**

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**Scotland Motors in the Driver's Seat at
Business After Hours**

Scotland Motors has always been driven to provide Scotland County with affordable, dependable automobiles from their North Main Street location. But soon, they'll be providing the same great service from a new location. To introduce the business community to their new lot and service department at 1609 South Main Street, Scotland Motors is hosting a Business After Hours for members of the Laurinburg/Scotland County Area Chamber of Commerce today from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Construction is well underway to renovate the former Chevrolet dealership at the corner of South Main Street and Plaza Road. The new location will put a fresh face on a business that has operated in Scotland County for 43 years. Harry Howell began the independent auto dealer in 1967, and his son, Lee Howell, came on board as the general manager in 1996. The two grew the business to become the largest independent dealer to service the Laurinburg area.

After the passing of Harry in 1996, Lee continued to improve and grow the business. Lee expanded the sales and service departments at the current North Main Street location. For his work over the years, Lee was named Quality Dealer of the Year by the Carolina Independent Automobile Dealers Association in 2009. Lee is looking to earn the Dealer of the Year title for 2010 from the National Independent Automobile Dealers Association, which will be presented in July.

Chamber members and their guests can have a sneak peek at the new location. The dealership, which will have a larger service department and sales area, is set to open to the general public on Monday, July 5. The move will accommodate a larger inventory of automobiles, and make the dealership more accessible and convenient to the public. Scotland Motors attributes its success to its employees and loyal customer base.

Business After Hours is designed for chamber members to meet new people in the Scotland County business community in a relaxed setting. The program is sponsored by chamber members, and features free refreshments and door prizes. Those interested in joining the chamber, or would like to learn more about what the chamber has to offer are encouraged to attend. For information about Scotland Motors, call 276-7250. For more information about this or upcoming Business After Hours events, call the chamber at 276-7420.

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