

Coal Glen Mine Disaster NC Highway Historical Marker Dedication

Saturday, June 3, 2017

11:00am

Farmville Community Church

1797 Everett Dowdy Rd.

Sanford, NC 27330

A new highway historical marker commemorating the May 27, 1925 Coal Glen Mine Disaster will be dedicated in a program on Saturday, June 3 at 11 AM. The program will be held at the Farmville Community Church, and will include historical displays and speakers about the event, which took the lives of 53 miners. A wreath in remembrance of the miners will be placed at the marker in the Farmville Cemetery.

The marker, Chatham County's newest, will be located on US 15/501 at the southern intersection with Walter Bright Rd. north of Sanford. [Link to the NC Highway Historical Marker information on the Coal Glen Mine Disaster.](#)

Everyone is invited to attend the program, which is aimed at keeping the memory of the Deep River coal mines and the men who worked in them alive.



An additional program about the disaster and more general history of mining in the Deep River coalbeds will be sponsored by the Chatham County Historical Association on June 18, at 2pm in the Historic Courthouse in Pittsboro. Historian Forest Hazel, whose research supported the successful highway marker nomination, will make a presentation and share photos and artifacts. Both programs are free and the public is invited.