

North Carolina FFLA Chapter Report 2018

Membership: 34
Carry forward: \$1,142.76

2018 Chapter Activity:

- Completed restoration of the Rich Mountain Lookout Tower in partnership with US Forest Service, Appalachian Trail Conservancy, Carolina Mountain Club; Total project leveraged a total of >\$100,000 and achieved full vandal-resistant restoration of entire structure. Ribbon cutting held and received prominent media coverage from Asheville Citizen-Times and Greenville Sun





Article in Asheville Citizen-Times:

<https://www.citizen-times.com/story/news/local/2018/11/21/forest-fire-lookout-association-restores-rich-mountain-fire-tower/1977942002/>

- Revisited the following towers to update inventory & check condition: Joanna Bald, Wayah Bald, Rich Mountain, Bearwallow Mountain, Panther Top, Mt. Noble, Barnett Knob, Fryingpan Mountain
- Entered into agreement with publisher and professional photographer to produce 2nd edition of *Hiking North Carolina's Lookout Towers*, to be published in 2020
 - Compiled list of former western NC lookout tower sites:
List: <https://listsofjohn.com/customlists?lid=1673>
Map: <https://listsofjohn.com/clistmap?lid=1673>
 - Facebook FFLA NC chapter page membership @ 469 users
<https://www.facebook.com/nclookouts/>

Respectfully submitted,

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