

CHAMBERLINES

Chamber Member to Member Social

The Chamber of Commerce had a Member to Member Social Networking Event on Tuesday May 5th hosted by one of our members as well as a Board Director, Richard Allen of Allen's Restaurant, located at 11389 US Hwy. 74 West, Peachland. Over thirty Chamber Members attended the social event planned just for the members to get to know one



another a little better while enjoying heavy hors d'oeuvres and great fellowship. It was a drop in event held between 5:00pm and 7:00pm. Everyone in attendance enjoyed the spread of delicious food and relaxed atmosphere. Be on the lookout for our next Member to Member Social Networking event coming soon!



Lunch & Learn with Union & Anson Habitat for Humanity

On May 12th the Anson County Chamber of Commerce held a Lunch & Learn sponsored by Union & Anson Habitat for Humanity. The presentation was given by Mike Reece, Executive Director, on "Myth & Truths" about Habitat for Humanity.



Mr. Reece commented that twelve houses were built last year and forty families assisted with urgent home repairs in three counties. The Habitat for Humanity ReStore located in Wadesboro is scheduled to open around August 1 and will employ around three full time positions along with needing volunteers. Mr. Reece stated that every dollar raised in Anson County stays in Anson County. He also commented that there will be two homes built in Polkton sometime this fall.

Habitat for Humanity is a nonprofit Christian housing ministry that seeks to eliminate poverty housing from the world and to make decent shelter a matter of conscience and action. They are the largest home builder in the world. To learn more about Habitat for Humanity, volunteer or give a donation, visit their website at www.habitat.org or call 704-296-9414.



The lunch for this event was provided by Subway. Door prizes were given out and all enjoyed networking and sharing information with each other after the event. To schedule a Lunch & Learn for your business or organization contact the Chamber at 704-694-4181 or ansonchamber@windstream.net

The Color Purple 30th Anniversary Celebration

Anson County is collaborating with the Marshville Museum and Cultural Center in planning a week of activities commemorating the anniversary of the movie. Representatives from the Anson County Arts Council, Uptown Wadesboro, Chamber of Commerce, and the Tourism Development Authority, along with a few cast members from the movie, are meeting to plan the activities.

The Wadesboro Garden Club has planted purple petunias in the pots uptown to provide a summer long remembrance of the movie.

A facebook page has also been created @ **thecolorpurple**.

Monday, July 13: Meet and Greet Reception in Marshville at Marshville Community Center 7:00pm - 9:00pm.

Tuesday, July 14: Gospel Singing in uptown Wadesboro on the Square 7:00 pm.

Wednesday July 15: Bach's Lunch at First Presbyterian Church in Wadesboro 12:00-1:00pm. Tickets \$10.

Thursday, July 16: Lunch in Marshville at Kate-Clyde Catered Expressions 11:00 am. Tickets \$7. Also a *Meet and Greet Color Purple Party* featuring cast members and others involved in film at the HOLLA Center in Morven 6:00pm - 9:00pm.

Friday, July 17: "The Color Purple" will be shown at the Ansonia Theatre in Wadesboro at 7:00pm. FREE

Saturday, July 18: Grand Finale celebration in downtown Marshville on the street where the town scenes of the

movie were filmed. There will be a òjuke joint, band (Garry Covington and The Mixx), swing dancing, and street vendors. 6:00pm - 11:00pm.

Summer's Here, Time to Jam!

Uptown Wadesboro, Inc. will host the Summer Jam 4th of July Celebration on Friday, July 3rd starting at 6:30pm. The event will be held on East Wade Street in the Plank Road Realty Parking Lot. Come out and enjoy music, concessions and a fireworks display to celebrate Independence Day. Don't forget your chair! For more information call 704-695-1644.



Set Your "Sights" on the Big Game Hunt!

The 18th Annual Big Game Hunt Tournament is just around the corner. As a matter of fact, it's less than six months away. Expectations of having another successful year for the tournament are very high.

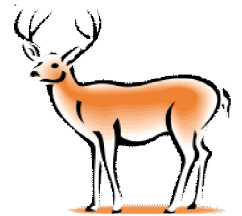
The first step in the process is to begin work on the 2015 Hunt Program Book. You will be contacted about your previous ad and/or a new ad for this publication. Please consider supporting this event with an ad to help us continue to make this event a success. This usually takes a few months to put

together but it's a great reference for all hunt tournament rules and regulations, history of the tournament, advertisements and sponsors, as well as lots of photos.

This tournament has definitely grown into a family friendly event. More youth are getting involved, not only with the tournament, but hunting in general. That means there is a responsible caring adult teaching these youth everything they need to know to enjoy hunting to the fullest while also doing it safely. The 2015 Tournament will be held at the

Ansonville Volunteer Fire Department on November 27th and 28th with full access of the fire department for the banquet on Saturday night.

Set your "sights" on the 2015 Big Game Hunt Tournament for a time of great hunting, fun, food, games, give a ways and more. For additional information please call 704-694-4181.




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True meaning of Memorial Day remembered at county service

Anson County's annual Memorial Day service, held Saturday, May 23 on the courthouse steps, brought home the point again and again that the holiday is more than the start to the summer season. It's meant to be a remembrance of the servicemen and women who gave their lives for their country.

Veterans Services Director Theodore Ward started off the ceremony by reminding those present, "Keep in mind, freedom isn't free."

Sheriff Landric Reid, who is also an Army veteran, gave the welcome address. "This is the day we give thanks for those who have paid the ultimate price," he said. "This is a very important service for those who have given their lives in defense of the greatest country in the world."

Commissioner Jarvis Woodburn was the speaker for the ceremony, and Ward called him "a very humble man."

Woodburn was born and raised in Anson County, and is a veteran of the U.S. Marine Corps and the Vietnam War.

Woodburn told the story of three kids growing up in Anson County who were trying to decide what to do with their lives. All three joined the military. "One had a successful military career and is retired and living out of state," he said. "One stands before you and the other is on the memorial over there."

The memorial is to the far right of the courthouse steps, and lists the name of every Anson County citizen who was killed in World War I, World War II, the Korean War and the Vietnam War.

After Woodburn's speech, the HOLLA! students read the names of every Ansonian killed in battle, from World War I, World War II, the Korean War and the Vietnam War.

A moment of silence was held to honor the families of deceased veterans, and

Army veteran Jacqueline Rubio laid a wreath in front of the war memorial to a recorded rendition of TAPS.

As the service ended, Ward said, "Let's not let the importance of Memorial Day slip our minds this weekend."



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CALENDAR

■ The Chamber of Commerce Marketing Committee will meet at 8:00 a.m. on Thursday, June 4.

■ The Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors will meet at 7:30 a.m. on Tuesday, June 16.

■ The AEDC will meet at 7:30 a.m. on Thursday, June 18.

■ Uptown Wadesboro Inc. will meet at 12:00 p.m. on Tuesday, June 9.

All of the above meetings will be held at the Chamber of Commerce.

Upcoming Calendar Events

June -- Children's Story Time at the Hampton B. Allen Library in Wadesboro will be held each Tuesday at 10:00 am. For more information call 704-694-5177.

June -- Story Time at the Anson County Partnership for Children for ages 3-8 will be held each Wednesday from 10:00am to 10:30am in the Early Childhood Resource Center.

June 18 -- The Old Store in Lilesville will hold their **Cruise In** starting at 5:00 pm. For more information call 704-848-8385.

June 21 -- Father's Day.

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