

# CHAMBERLINES

## NC DEPARTMENT OF LABOR SAFETY AWARDS BANQUET

The NC Dept. of Labor honored Anson, Richmond and Montgomery County employers and employees at the agency's annual Safety Awards Banquet that was hosted by the Anson County Chamber of Commerce and was held at Oliver's in Wadesboro on Monday, May 5 approximately 45 people attended the event, many of them for the first time.

Lynn Edwards, Executive Director of the Chamber of Commerce, welcomed everyone. She thanked Commissioner Cherie Berry, Eursula Joyner and LaMont Smith with the Dept. of Labor. Edwards also thanked Rep. Mark Brody for attending the awards banquet. Lewis Evans, Chamber Board of Directors Chair, gave the invocation.

The awards honored outstanding on-the-job safety achievements during 2013. Columbus-McKinnon Corporation, International Textile Group (Richmond Plant) and Wade Manufacturing (Richmond Plant) all received a First Year Silver Award. Companies receiving a Gold Award were as follows: First Year - Cobb-Vantress, Inc., (North Carolina Production and Wadesboro Hatchery) and Hedrick Industries (B V Hedrick Anson County); Second Consecutive Year ó NC Dept. of Agriculture and Consumer Services (NC Forest District 3), NC Dept. of Transportation Div. of Highways (10<sup>th</sup> Div. Anson Equipment Sub-Shop), Pee Dee Electric Membership Corp. and Southern Piedmont Piping; Third Consecutive Year ó Hanesbrands, Inc. (Champion Distribution Center); Fourth Consecutive Year ó Lynn Thomas Grading, Inc.; Sixth Consecutive Year ó Vulcan Construction Materials LP (East Region-Rockingham Quarry); Eleventh



Consecutive Year ó Chandler Concrete Company, Inc. (Biscoe Building Supply #117); Twelfth Consecutive Year ó Chandler Concrete Company, Inc. (Biscoe Plant #116), NC Dept. of Commerce Division of Workforce Solutions (Rockingham Office) and NC Dept. of Commerce Division of Workforce Solutions (Wadesboro Office); Sixteenth Consecutive Year ó Hildreth Wood Products, Inc. and for the Twenty-Sixth Year ó APAC-Atlantic, Inc. (Candor Sand Plant). To earn a Gold Award, the rate of days away from work, job transfer or restriction must be at least 50% below the industry average, and to earn the Silver Award, the rate of days away from work must be at least 50% below the industry average. A Million-Hour Award, which is one million hours, or multiples thereof, with no lost time accidents, was awarded to Hanesbrands, Inc., Champion Facility for four million employee hours from January 1, 2007 through December 31, 2013.

Mary Beck, Anson County Economic Developer/Grant Writer, introduced Labor Commissioner Cherie Berry. Before Commissioner Berry presented

the awards she stated that "These employers are helping to make North Carolina workplaces some of the safest in the country."

Lynn Edwards closed by thanking everyone for coming and congratulating all recipients who received an award.



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# What Does the Chamber Do?

The Chamber of Commerce has been serving Anson County since 1963.

The Chamber is a valuable source of information for residents, businesses, organizations and visitors - whether the inquirer needs an address, telephone number or a specific service (i.e., lodging, a realtor or a meeting place).

The Chamber is an advocate for new businesses and industries that will provide jobs; and it promotes its members through referrals, newsletter articles,

membership directory, and a Shop Anson First and Support Our Chamber Members business philosophy.

The Chamber welcomes new businesses to the county, and it host ribbon-cutting ceremonies and celebrations for businesses already in existence.

The Chamber is in the forefront when it comes to promoting Anson County - whether through full-color brochures, a detailed road map, a postcard series, ACO bumper stickers and window decals, or the periodic

publication of the Anson County Magazine.

The Chamber's Board of Directors, serving committee members and office staff are all dedicated to diverse leadership and a shared vision of excellence for Anson County.



## Set Your "Sights" on the Big Game Hunt!

The 17<sup>th</sup> 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.

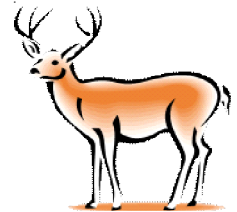
The first step in the process is to begin work on the 2014 Hunt Program Book. You will be contacted about your previous ad and/or a new ad for this publication. Please consider supporting this event with an ad to help us continue to make this event a success. This usually takes a few months to put

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 2014 Tournament will be held at the

Ansonville Volunteer Fire Dept. on November 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> with full access of the fire dept. for the banquet on Saturday night.

Set your sights on the 2014 Big Game Hunt Tournament for a time of great hunting, fun, food, games, giveaways and more. For additional information please call 704-694-4181.





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## Summer's Here, Time to Jam!

Uptown Wadesboro, Inc. will host the first Summer Jam of the year on Friday, June 6th at 6:30pm. It will be a Family Dance Party with a DJ playing your favorite beach, country, hip-hop, kids dance, line dance, oldies and top 40 songs! Dance music for everyone! Bring your own seat to Rutherford Street! Activities for children and concessions will be on sight! Uptown Wadesboro, Inc. t-shirts will also be for sale. The second Summer Jam will be held at Ray Shelton Ball Field on July 3<sup>rd</sup> for the Fourth of July Celebration that will include a band, concessions and fireworks. The last Summer Jam will be on August 1<sup>st</sup> on Rutherford Street. Come on out and celebrate summer with us!



## The New Anson County Animal Shelter

The Anson County Animal Shelter, which has been open since April 28, held a dedication and open house on Saturday, May 17 that drew in people from around Anson and surrounding counties.

The stray animal issue is extensive and has been under-addressed for far too long, said Anson County Commission Chair Anna Baucom. I am pleased that the county has stepped forward to do its part in addressing the issue. I am delighted that the towns and citizens throughout Anson County have shown such strong support for our efforts.

This is the very first active animal shelter in Anson County, Gatewood said. Even in the early days, we would not allow animals we saw to go to the pound because we knew their fate.

Now, that will change, with socialized animals being adopted out to forever homes. The socialization of the animals, and as a result, the success of the

animal shelter, will rely on the support of volunteers, said Rufus Getzen, president of the Friends of the Animal Shelter.

During Saturday's open house, a total of 90 people visited the animal shelter, many of them bringing monetary donations and supplies. Girl Scout Troop 3525 of Ansonville also made a monetary donation and donated needed supplies like paper towels and dishwashing liquid.

For more information, or to make donations, visit the Anson County Animal Shelter at 7257 U.S. 74 West, Polkton, or call 704-994-APET.



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## CALENDAR

■ The Chamber of Commerce Marketing Committee will meet at 8:00 a.m. on Thursday, June 5.

■ The Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors will meet at 7:30 a.m. on Tuesday, June 17.

■ The AEDC will meet at 7:30 a.m. on Thursday, June 19.

■ Uptown Wadesboro Inc. will meet at 12:00 p.m. on Tuesday, June 10.

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

## Upcoming Calendar Events

**June 2** ∅ **Domestic Violence Support Group**, each Monday from 5:30-7:00 p.m. at the Anson County Domestic Violence Coalition office, Wadesboro.

**June 2, 4 & 6** ∅ Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 5:30 pm there are exercise classes at the **HOLLA! 'LET'S MOVE' FITNESS CENTER** in Morven, NC!

**June 6** ∅ **Summer Jam** will be held on Rutherford Street starting at 6:30 pm. Enjoy a DJ playing some of your favorites with concessions and activities for children.

**June 9** ∅ **Bingo Night** every Monday Night from 6:00pm ∅ 8:00pm at The Old Store in Lilesville. Lots of Prizes!!

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**June 15** ∅ **Father's Day.**

**June 19** ∅ The Old Store in Lilesville will hold their **Cruise In** starting at 5:00 pm. For more information call 704-848-8385.



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