

# CHAMBERLINES

## Leadership Anson 2010 Bonds in Natures Beauty!

The Leadership Anson Oversight Committee has selected 12 participants for the Class of 2010.

The 14th developmental program began with a kick off overnight retreat at the Beth Haltiwanger Center in Montgomery County Jan. 08-09. An orientation to prepare participants for the weekend retreat and the ensuing sessions was held at the Anson County Chamber of Commerce office, 107-A E. Wade St., Wadesboro, from 5:30-6:30 p.m. on Monday, Jan. 4.

The Leadership Anson Class of 2010 participants are: Caroline Hightower, Anson County Partnership for Children; Donna Liles, Anson County Sheriff's Office; Nichole Cox, Anson County Schools; Frances Moore, Lillie Bennett Nursing Center; Carrie



The 2010 Leadership Anson Class members.

Bunn and Merri Privett, Anson Community Hospital; Lewis McLendon and Gerald Cannon, Wadesboro Police Department; Ryan Teal, Anson County Emergency Services; Kevin Mullis, Lilesville Police Department; Joyce Cox, API Securities; and Teresa Downer, South Piedmont Community College.

Classes will begin with "Team-Building Activities" and "Pee Dee

National Wildlife Refuge Day" on Tuesday, Jan. 26. Other topics for the program will be "Local Government Day", "Health Care", "Education", "Local Leaders Panel", "Industry Day", "Community Service Opportunities" and "Heritage & Cultural Tour", "Anson Agri-Business", "Hornwood Day", and "Legislative Day". Graduation, which is planned by class members, has been set for June 15 at a site to be announced.

The Leadership Anson program was implemented in 1997 by the Anson County Chamber of Commerce and, in eleven years, has graduated 216 participants. The program, with assistance from South Piedmont Community College and Hornwood, is designed to develop a commitment to community through leadership.



## Prom 2010

## Dreams Alive Drive!



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Please help us make prom night, a special night for so many young people, happen for our young ladies. We are asking for gently worn

dresses, shoes, accessories or monetary donations to give as many girls as possible the chance to attend the Spring 2010 Anson High School prom in style.

You may donate at Anson High School, 96 Anson High School Road, Wadesboro, NC.

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# Art & Soul

The Anson County Arts Council will host an **ART and SOUL** evening on February 19, 2010 at Twin Valley Country Club beginning at 7:00 p.m. Dinner will include Caribbean and Mediterrean chicken with a cash bar. Tickets are \$20 (in advance) and are available at the arts council office, Lacy's, Fancy Crafts, Hometown Video and the Anson County Chamber of Commerce.

The Spirited Messengers mime group and Gary Covington and his band will perform during the evening. For more information, call 704.694.4950.

## Special Breakfast

On February 6, 2010 the Wadesboro Civitan Club will hold a **GROUND HOG BREAKFAST** from 6:30-10:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall at First United Methodist Church, 118 E. Morgan St., Wadesboro.

The Civitans are asking for a \$5 donation for the sausage and pancake breakfast.



## 2010 District Attorney's Valentine's Ball

Saturday, February 6, 2010 at the Twin Valley Country Club, Wadesboro at 6 pm.

Ticket prices have been reduced this year to \$50 per person. Table Sponsorships are available: \$300: 4 person table with tickets, \$500: 6 person table and tickets, \$1000: 12 tickets, 2 tables, free photo package. There will be an Auction with the Custom Made Fishing Rods again!! Dave has made us some real beauties!!! ONLY 200 Tickets available. Call Cindy at 704-694-0166 to reserve yours! More information will be coming after the first of the year, or check our website at [www.michaelparkerda.com](http://www.michaelparkerda.com) but don't delay!

## Soup um..um.. Good!

The Anson Women's League will hold its annual **SOUP LUNCHEON** on February 9th from 11:00 a.m. until 1:30 p.m. at First Baptist Church, Lee Avenue, Wadesboro. The cost is \$6 per plate. The menu includes homemade vegetable beef soup, toasted cheese sandwich, dessert and iced tea. For tickets, call 704.695.7009.

## New Member Sketches

*The following have joined the Chamber for calendar year 2010*

**Big Pine Retreat**, Pam Easterling, 121 Pine Needle Ln., Hamlet, N. C. 28345, 910-582-4766, [www.bigpineretreat.org](http://www.bigpineretreat.org)

**The Bean Stalk Consignments & Gifts** Karen Eason, 117 N. Greene St., Wadesboro N.C, 28170, Phone: 704-694-4532

**Connecting Futures, Inc.** Sharon Allen, P.O. Box 3372, Wingate N.C, 28174, Phone: 704-272-4951, Fax: 704-282-4594. [www.cfutures.org](http://www.cfutures.org)



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CMH Flooring  
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County of Anson  
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Crazy Ladies Greenhouses

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## CALENDAR

- The Chamber of Commerce Marketing Committee will meet at 8:00 a.m. on Thursday, February 12.
- The Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors will meet at 7:30 a.m. on Tuesday, February 16.
- The AEDC will meet at 7:30 a.m. on Thursday, February 18.
- Uptown Wadesboro Inc. will meet at 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, February 18.

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

## Upcoming Calendar Events

**February 2** — Anson Community Hospice will conduct **CAREGIVER CLASSES** from 10:00 a.m. until noon at the Hospice office, 110 S. Greene St., Wadesboro. For more information and/or to register, call Lisa Ledford at 704.695.1595 or Rita Short at 704.694.6616.

**February 6** — The fourth annual HOLLA! Hampton B. Allen Library **LITERARY FESTIVAL** will be held from 10:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. at the library. Authors, choirs or praise dance teams interested in participating in the festival should call 704.694.3552 or 704.694.5177 to register.

**February 16** — Grace Senior Center will host a **TAX ASSISTANCE** day from 10:00 a.m.

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until 4:00 p.m. Senior citizens who need assistance with their 2009 income tax filing. For more information and/or to register, call 704.694.6616. The program will be repeated from 1:00-4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, March 9.

**February 28** — The 21st annual Poetry and Prose **AWARDS DAY** will be held. Details to be announced. For more information on the Anson County Writers' Club, visit [www.ansoncountywritersclub.org](http://www.ansoncountywritersclub.org) or e-mail [info@ansoncountywritersclub.org](mailto:info@ansoncountywritersclub.org).

February is a very busy month! Please check out our web calendar for events & details [www.ansoncounty.org](http://www.ansoncounty.org)

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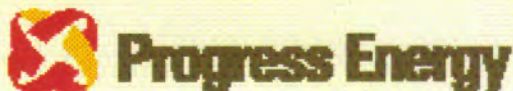
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7. Be Alert to Bills that Do Not Arrive when They Should
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9. Be Alert for Credit Being Denied Unexpectedly
10. Respond Immediately to Calls or Letters about Purchases You Never Made
11. Check Your Credit Report
12. Regularly Review Your Financial Statements
13. Close Any Accounts that have been Tampered With or Established Fraudulently
14. Go Paperless
15. Store Your Financial and Personal Information in a Storage Box by Year
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