NOVEMBER 2011

5th Annual Discover Anson Bike Ride

The fifth Annual Discover Anson Bike Ride took place on Saturday November 6, 2010 in Ansonville.

Sixty-six riders participated in the event, which included a 30mile, 50-mile and (for seasoned riders) a 70-mile route. Twentyfive of these were new riders.



Riders ready for the Fifth Annual Discover Anson Bike Ride on Nov. 6, 2010.

The Marketing/Discover Anson Committee was elated with joy regarding the number of riders. Congressman Larry Kissell also participated in the bike ride for the third time. When asked if he was a cyclist, he responded with a laugh, õThatø yet to be determined. I used to be anyway.ö Kissell added that heø been looking forward to the ride for weeks, and that it would be a good stress relief after the election earlier in the week. õWin, lose or draw, Iøve been looking forward to this. õItøs beautiful country and also a chance to catch up with some friends.ö

2011: A Report to the Membership



Community Awards at Chamber's Annual Meeting

Two people, who attended the Ånson County Chamber of Commerceøs 48th annual Membership meeting on Nov. 16, were surprised when their names were called to step to the podium to receive the Henry W. Little III Community Leadership Award and the W. Dunlap Covington Award for Community Service, respectively.

Don Altieri, the 2009 õHenryö winner, presented the fifth award to Jim Strayhorn; and Elaine Scarborough, the 2009 õDunnieö recipient, gave the 18th award to Todd Moore.

In presenting the õDunnieö to Moore, Scarborough said, õ... the recipient is very dedicated to family, married for many years, a parent and a grandparent. The recipient is also an animal lover who treats the family pet like a child. The recipient is involved in church, Rotary, the Chamber and many other organizations in our community.

õThe recipient always is willing to give a helping hand to those in need, going above and beyond the call of duty. In fact, this recipient is personal goal is to make a positive difference in Anson County by supporting the local community ... (his) hobbies are spending time with family and friends, golfing, hunting, riding Harley motorcycles and growing chickens,ö



Jim Strayhorn, Henry W. Little III Community Leadership Award; Todd Moore, W. Dunlap Covington Award for Community Service

she said. In announcing Moore as the 2010 recipient, Scarborough invited Todd and his wife, Vanessa, to the podium.

In making his õHenryö presentation, Altieri began by asking audience members some questions:

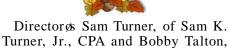
Who in here is a Hillsbourgh native? Who has a BA in Marketing from UNC -Chapel Hill? Who was a U.S. fighter pilot? Who is an avid fisherman, cook and carpenter? Who attends the First Presbyterian Church in Wadesboro? Who is a member of the Yost Trust board of directors? Who was an active member of the Central North Carolina Council of Boy Scouts of America? Who is the current chair of the Anson County Educational Foundation? Who is a member of the Wadesboro Rotary Club and has served as president, secretary and treasurer, and is a Paul Harris Fellow? Who is a former Anson Community College Board of Trustee member and a current member of the South Piedmont Community College Foundation Board of Directors? Who has served for nine years as an active member of the Anson Community Hospital Board of Directors, lending his skills which were critical to the financial health of the hospital? And who has had a very successful banking career that spanned 40 years?

õHave you figured it out? Well just in case you have been sleeping or out of the country ó I am talking about Jim Strayhorn, This award is presented to Strayhorn for his service to the community and commitment and dedication to the education of the children and adults of Anson County. This award is not only about leadership but also about Henry Littleøs passion for education.



Serving Anson County Since 1963

amberøs 48th Annual Membership Meeting



Progress Energy were re-elected to a second term on the Chamberøs board. Brandis Chewning. Anson Bank & Trust, and Mary Little, Columbus McKinnon, were unanimously elected Chamber as directors on the board at the 48th annual Membership Meeting and Banquet

Carly Little

Outgoing Chairwoman

held Nov. 16 at the Ingram Room at SPCCøs Lockhart-Taylor Center.

Chamber Chair Carly Little presented out going directors Dana Maness, Anson Bank & Trust and Harvey Leavitt, Leavitt Funeral Home with an appreciation plaque. Maness and Leavitt will have completed two terms as a board member as of Dec. 31. Chamber Vice Chair Lewis Evans honored Carly Little as the outgoing chairman, thanking her for her leadership as chairwoman in 2010.

> Edwards thanked the annual dinner

Dana Maness Outgoing Director

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comittee members for their assistance in planning the annual membership meeting and dinner: the banquetøs caterers, Beth Rogers and Cathy Thompson, and the volunteer servers; and the socialøs barDunnie Winners — 1995-2010

1995 Denise Beachum, Fancy Crafts, People Fest Chair, 1983-95

- 1996 Anson County WritersøClub, producers of the outdoor drama, õA Ripple in the River,ö and the annual poetry and prose contests for youths and adults
- 1997 Chris and Robin Sanford, Wadesboro IGA
- Don Scarborough, Plank Road Realty 1998
- 1999 Don Altieri, South Piedmont Community College
- 2000 Elbert Marshall, Anson County Chamber of Commerce
- 2001 Carol Smith, Burnsville Recreation and Learning Center
- 2002 Rev. Dr. Priscilla Durkin, First Presbyterian Church
- 2003 Russell Sikes, Plank Road Realty
- 2004 Uptown Wadesboro Inc., Main Street program successes
- 2004 Anne Covington, Thrift Loan & Finance
- 2005 Jarvis Woodburn, Coffing Hoist
- 2006 John Dunlap, retiree from Wansona Mfg.
- 2007 Dana Maness, Vice-President Anson Bank & Trust
- 2008 Lynn Edwards, Exe. Director Anson Co. Chamber of Commerce
- 2009 Elaine Scarborough & Anson Co. Partnership for Children
- 2010 Todd W. Moore, Pee Dee Electric

The W. Dunlap Covington Award for Community Services honors Mr. Covington, who was a founding father of the Chamber of Commerce. Dunnie, who served as chairman from 1963 through 1966, passed away in 1998.

tenders, Freda Buchanan and Cayce Buchanan.

Chair Little recognized Chamber board members, and members of the Big-Game Hunt, Leadership Anson and Marketing/ Bike Ride committees.





Brown Creek Animal and Equine Hospitals held a Grand Opening and Open House on Nov. 13. Shown are the staff and family members as veterinarians Skip Severt and Danny Wright cut the red ribbon.



CHRONOLOGY

November 2011

The Thirteenth Annual Big-Game Hunt Tournament Committee registered 312 hunters for the Nov 26-27 event. The tournament set two records-the most registrations and the number of deer weighed in (117, up from 113).

Lynn Edwards, Exec. Director of the Anson Co Chamber, gave a õhuge thanksö to the hunters, who õcome back each year to support this event. We had several new hunters this year and I give them a heartfelt welcome to our tournament.ö Edwards thanked the tournamentøs sponsors ó J.W.F. Farm and Timber, title sponsor; Anson Bank & Trust, youth tournament sponsor; Quality Deer Management Assoc., youth division gun sponsor; Cobb-Vantress, N.C. Electric Membership Corp., Progress Energy, Pee Dee Electric and Windstream, Gold sponsors; Perdue Farms and The Sportsmanøs Closet, Silver sponsors: Backwater Taxidermy, Lynn Clodfelter -Atty at Law, Dale McRae Farm, Locust Lumber, Lynn Thomas Grading, RBC Bank, The Old Hargett Store and McCollum Trucking & Grading/McCollum & Assoc. Paving, Bronze sponsors; and Dennis Concrete Finishing and Four-a-Loader Work, youth sponsors.

This hunt tournament is successful because of our great volunteers,ö Edwards said, singling out Marty Cato, Courtney McCollum, Jamie Webb, Abbey Henry, Jessica Webb, Anthony Cato, Stacie Cato (and her parents), and chef Todd Moore (and his mother, Peggy Ingram). She singled out Coca-Cola, Pepsi, RA Jefferies and Refreshment Services for their contributions to the banquet; and the AVFD õfor allowing us to host our event at the fire department each year.ö

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Game Hunt The 2010 first place winners were:

• Buck - Chuck Newton, Ellerbe 162.6 pounds

• Doe - Mark Cabrera, Peachland 116.2 pounds

• Youth Buck - Hunter Hicks, Norwood, 169.3 pounds (record setting)

• Youth Doe - Mason Coble, Mt. Gilead, 98.4 pounds

The 2010 raffle winners were:

- Kris Poplin, Lilesville 1st place
- Thomas Gilmore, Midland 2nd Place
- Ted Honeycutt, Peachland 3rd Place

The 2010 pick board winners were:

- Robbie Hill, Wadesboro
- Barry Ricketts, Wadesboro
- Butch Hicks, Charlotte
- The 2010 youth drawing winners were:
- Justin McCall, Wadesboro
- Hunter Williams, Marshville

1,000th Deer Weighed In at Big Game Hunt!

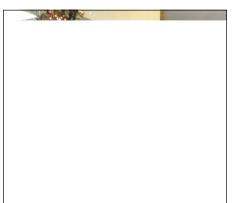


When Lee Barrett, Wadesboro weighed in his 94.4-pound doe on the second day of the tournament, he was surprised to learn he had the official 1,000th deer to be weighed since the inception of the tournament in 1997. He was awarded a hunt rifle. **Continued from Page 2**

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♦ DECEMBER 2010 ▶

Anson Bank & Trust, Holiday Business After Hours!



Anson Bank & Trust hosted a Holiday Business After Hours on Wednesday, December 22nd at the bank located at 211 Greene Street between 5:30pm and 7:00pm.The décor brought out a true Holiday atmosphere along with around 75 guests to the event. A wonderful selection of heavy hors døoeuvres were prepared by Anson Bank & Trust board member Tara Eudy. Bank President, Dana Maness, as well as staff members greeted all those in attendance. Everyone enjoyed great food and warm holiday cheer.





CHRONOLOGY

Uptown Wadesboro, Inc. Christmastime Tour of Homes

On December 5th, Uptown Wadesboro Inc. held there annual Christmastime Tour of Homes.

Dr. Don Altieri, volunteer director said, õWe were pleased with the turn out for the tour; 45 citizens took part in the annual Christmastime Tour of Homes. Three local homes , the Arts Council and the Olde Mill Gallery were on the tour. Our great difficulty this year was lining up homes.öCarly Little, board chair said,öThe tour was a great kick off to the holiday season. Each home was beautifully decorated and had a very warm inviting feel. The UWI board members look forward to this event every year.ö

↓ JANUARY 2011 ▶

SPCC names Derek James as New Ventures interim director!

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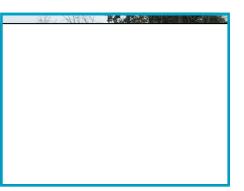


Derek James was named interim director of New Ventures Business Development Inc.,



replacing Dr. Don Altieri, founder and executive director, who retired in December. James currently is the director of workforce development for South Piedmont

Derek James Community College ô a position he will retain while serving in his New Ventures post.



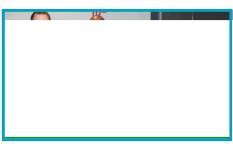
The Leadership Anson Oversight Committee selected 12 participants for the Class of 2011.

The 15th developmental program began the weekend of Jan. 7 and Jan. 8 with a Lake Tillery overnight retreat.





NC Main Street Champion!



The members of the Street Department who were able to attend included Kenneth Dutton, James Britt, Robin Gatewood and John Willoughby

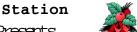
Gibson named as Gov. Perdue's senior advisor!

Rep. Pryor Gibson, who represents Anson and Union counties in the N.C. General Assembly, will be giving up his seat in the House of Representatives to serve as Governor Bev Perdueøs senior adviser for governmental affairs. The announcement was made by Gov. Perdue.



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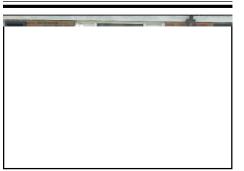
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Horace Mann Insurance Company held a grand opening and ribbon cutting ceremony on February 17th.

▲ MARCH ▶



A grand opening and ribbon cutting ceremony was held at Tyson Insurance Agency, LLC Thursday, March 3rd.



HOLLA! (Helping Our Loved ones Learn and Achieve) celebrated the Grand Opening of the Morven HOLLA! Community Center on March 20.

♦ APRIL ▶

On April 8th Thirty-Seven teams (148 players) enjoyed a perfect day for golfing in the Anson County Chamber Open. The Sheriff Tommy Allen Team (pictured below) won the event.



A Grand Opening and Ribbon Cutting Ceremony was held at OgReilly Auto

Parts Monday, April 11, 2011.

Two Chamber Lunch & Learns in April!



The first of two Lunch & Learns was sponsored by South Piedmont Community College õCareer Cruiser Making a Difference in Anson Countyö on Wednesday, April 13 at Lockhart-Taylor Center.



The second Lunch & Learn held at the Chamber was sponsored by Anson County Job Link Center and was titled, õWhat We Have to Offer and How to Find It & How to Increase Productivity While Decreasing Turnover.ö

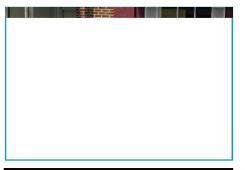


Goodyø celebrated Wednesday, April 13, 2011 with a Grand Opening and Ribbon Cutting Ceremony.



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Over 500 children, parents, teachers and child care providers filled Rutherford and West Wade streets in Wadesboro on April 19 for the 2011 Week of the Young Child Parade sponsored by the Anson County Partnership for Children.



MAY >

The NC Dept of Labor honored five Anson employers and employees at the agency¢s annual safety awards banquet in Wadesboro on Tuesday, May 17.



Pictured in the above photo are the Anson County Businesses awarded along with Cherie K. Berry, Commissioner of Labor & NC Department of Labor

Local Authors Publish Novel!



Two years ago, while business partners, Sandy Bruney and Elbert Marshall were enroute to a meeting in Polkton, the two hatched an idea for a co-written novel. The



result ó õPlotz,ö a 289-page mystery novel that is now available in paperback on <u>Amazon.com.</u>

↓ JUNE



A Grand Opening Ceremony was held on June 25th for Family Dollar in Morven.



The first Rotary Cornhole Tournament was a big success with 11 teams competing.

↓ JULY

Graduates of the Leadership Anson Class of 2011. Front Row (l-r): Andrea Cash, Pee Dee Electric; Lakeischa Tillman, Anson Co. Partnership for Children; Brenda Huntley, Anson Comm. Hospital; Kelly Gaddy, Carolina¢ PrimaryCare; Brett Blalock, Anson Co. EMS Back Row (l-r): Susan Poe, Valley Protein; Scott Rivers, SPCC; Sam Jones, Wadesboro Police Dept.; Vivian Wallace, Anson Comm. Hospital; Toby Carpenter, SPCC; Ginger Phillips, Anson Co. 911; Traquita Little, Britt Insurance Agency, HOLLA



New South Piedmont Community College President Dr. Stan Sidor talks with SPCC employees





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BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Elected

Lewis Evans, Anson Co Farm Bureau Ashlie Jones, Anson Co Partnership for Children Sam Cash, Supreme Dental Brandis Chewning, Anson Bank & Trust Don Altieri, Uptown Wadesboro Inc. Jeff Rodgers, Anson Community Hospital Todd Moore, Pee Dee Electric Bobby Talton, Progress Energy Sam Turner, Sam K. Turner, Jr, CPA Chris Wease, CMH Flooring Products Jay Wright, State Farm Insurance Appointed Derek James. New Ventures Business Development, Inc. Preston Burns, honorary in-active Misty Harris, Economic Development Director Carly Little, Uptown Wadesboro Inc. Dr. Stan Sidor, South Piedmont Community College Chuck Horne, Anson Economic Development Corp. Dr. Gregory Firn, Anson County School System

▲ AUGUST ▶

Welcome to the Anson **County Schools**

The Anson County Schools is rich with a tradition of success. Though we strive to ensure that each learner meets or exceeds local, state, and national standards, we know that our success ó the success of each learner requires an engaged community, supportive community, and a community that continually requires excellence in all matters of operation as well as performance.



✓ SEPTEMBER ▶



The Anson County Chamber of Commerce held a Lunch and Learn on September 13th sponsored by Hospice of Anson County. The topic presented was õHospice of Anson County-The Future of Caring for Our Communityö. The presentation was given by Jamie Cicali, Executive Director.

Plaques given during the Farm City Banquet were Outstanding Farmer of the Year Award to peach grower Chesley Greene. Outstanding Agri-Business was awarded to Hildreth Farms. Ronnie Purser of White Rock Farms was the 2011 Anson County Conservation Farm Family. Also recongnized, Resource Conservation Workshop Participants Ciara Melton and Matt Carpenter.



Pee Dee Orhards



Roddy Purser, White Rock Farms





♦ OCTOBER ▶



Basic Finance celebrated Thursday, October 6, 2011 with a Grand Opening and Ribbon Cutting Ceremony.



On October 11th a Lunch & Learn was held at the Chamber of Commerce spon-



sored by South Piedmont Community College with Dan Merle, Director of the Small Business Center.



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On October 1 the Town of Morven held itøs seventh annual OCTOBER FESTIVAL.

The 2011 People Fest was held on Saturday, October 8. The street festival was from 9am to 4pm in Uptown Wadesboro with a night concert and fireworks at Ray Shelton Ball Field.



On October 29, Uptown Wadesboro Inc. held there FALL FESTIVAL. The event featured Trick or Treating at local businesses, a Pumpkin Painting Contest, Costume Contest, Hayride, Games and much more.





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Discover Anson: A Great Place To Call Home

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UPCOMING EVENTS

■ The 6th Annual Discover Anson Bike Ride will be held on Saturday, November 5th. Registration begins at 8 a.m. at Ansonville Elementary School.

■ The Chamber of Commerceøs Annual Dinner will be held on November 15th. Remember to RSVP no later than November 8th.

■ The 14th Annual Big Game Hunt will be on Nov. 25th & 26th. Last day to register is on Monday, November 21st. Late registration will only be taken at the Chamber of Commerce on Wednesday, November 23rd by 5 p.m.

New Member Sketches

November 2011

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