



### SPCC to Host Second Annual Anson County Economic Development Summit on March 4

South Piedmont Community College will host the Second Annual Anson County Economic Development Summit on Wednesday, March 4, from 9 a.m. until 2:30 p.m. at the Lockhart-Taylor Center, located at 514 North Washington Street in Wadesboro. Everyone is invited, but those attending are asked to RSVP by email to [SPCC2015AECS@spcc.edu](mailto:SPCC2015AECS@spcc.edu).

Last year's Summit was attended by more than 70 stakeholders in Anson County's economic future. The daylong event gathered input from business leaders, educators, elected officials and residents in an effort to understand where the county stands economically and where it wants to be in 10 to 20 years.

This year's theme is "Ushering in a New Era." Experts in economic development, business and workforce development will share their perspectives on important issues facing the county. The annual event goes a long way toward developing a shared community vision that considers current economic conditions in the county, identifies existing and approaching challenges (along with potential solutions), establishes economic priorities and identifies best practices to make them happen. The Anson County Economic Development Summit is an important opportunity for concerned Ansonians with diverse backgrounds and interests to engage in meaningful discussions about economic issues of community-wide concern and to propose solutions that will lead to a more prosperous Anson County.

Pictured above, last year's event drew more than 70 community leaders to SPCC's Lockhart-Taylor Center. Above, Michael Freeman, Superintendent of Anson County Schools, addresses participants.

### Welcome to Medicare Seminar on March 19

There will be a seminar entitled "The Road To Medicare: Planning Your Drive" held at Grace Senior Center on Thursday March 19th at 2 p.m. This seminar is for those individuals interested in information concerning Medicare. It is important for everyone becoming eligible for Medicare to get accurate information about coverage and delivery options, including supplemental health insurance, Medicare health plans and prescription drug coverage.

Persons interested should call Grace Senior Center at 704-694-6616 to register or for additional information.

### Cheraw Arts Commission and Historic Cheraw Present History Talks with Joe Long

March 3rd, 2015 marks 150 years since Sherman's Union troops occupied Cheraw. The Cheraw Arts Commission and Historic Cheraw invite the public to attend two talks featuring historian Joe Long. Joe will speak about the Carolina Campaign on Tuesday, March 3rd at a midday and evening session.

There will be a Lunch Talk at the Cheraw Community Center from 12:30-1:30pm near the Burr Gallery area. Bag lunches are welcomed for those attending during lunch breaks. Beverages will be provided. The topic of the Lunch Talk will be Sherman's Carolina Campaign. The Burr Gallery will feature some historical artifacts and will be open for viewing.

The Evening Session will be presented at Old St. David's Episcopal Church at 6:30pm. Joe will share information about Three Officers of the Carolina Campaign. This talk views the events of the Carolina Campaign from the perspectives of three very different men caught up in the cataclysmic events of the spring of 1865 in our state. Both sessions are free and will last approximately one hour.

Joe is the Curator of Education for the SC Confederate Relic Room and Military Museum, located at the SC State Museum in Columbia. He holds a Master's Degree in History from Georgia College and State University in Milledgeville, and has been published in Civil War Historian magazine and the journal of the South Carolina Historical Society. Joe has also appeared on the television shows History Detectives, Carolina Stories and Mysteries at the Museum on the Travel Channel.

Contact the Cheraw Arts Commission for additional information - 843-537-8420 ext 12.

### Free Tax Assistance Available March 4 & April 1

Free income tax assistance will be available for Anson County residents sixty years of age or older of low or moderate income needing help in preparing their income tax returns through a program sponsored by AARP and Grace Senior Center. Volunteer counselors trained in cooperation with the IRS will be at Grace Senior Center on March 4 and April 1. Free assistance is designed to help taxpayers fill out forms 1040EZ, 1040A, 1040 and the North Carolina return.

Persons using the service should bring this year tax package, age and earnings statements (forms W-2) received from employers, interest statements from banks (form 1099-INT), a copy of last year tax return and any other relevant information concerning income and expenses. Electronic filing of returns will be available.

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Anson County Community Leaders, Economic Summit Sponsors and the Public are officially invited to the

## 2<sup>nd</sup> ANNUAL 2015 Anson County Economic Summit

"Ushering In A New Era"

Wednesday, March 4, 2015

9 am – 2:30 pm

Lockhart-Taylor Center

514 N. Washington Street | Wadesboro, North Carolina

Please RSVP to: [SPCC2015AECS@spcc.edu](mailto:SPCC2015AECS@spcc.edu) by February 26, 2015 to ensure proper lunch accommodations are available.

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