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**Woodmen of the World 911 Event is Today**

The Woodmen of the World will hold a ceremony in honor and remembrance on Wednesday, September 11. This event will honor all military personnel, firemen and police officers involved in the tragedy that took place in New York City on that date.

The public is invited to come to the WOW Lodge on Highway 74 West for the ceremony which will take place from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. For more information contact Charles Wilson at 704-272-9243.

**Lunch & Learn Session on Troubled Employees**

The Anson County Chamber of Commerce and Carolinas Healthcare System cordially invite you to attend the next Lunch & Learn Session entitled "The Impact of Troubled Employees on Your Bottom Line." The three topic areas are: 1) Understand the costs associated with troubled employees; 2) Recognize how costs can keep you from meeting your financial goals; and 3) Identify strategies to minimize the impact of troubled employees on your bottom line. Eva McNeill Director of Employee Assistance Programs for Carolinas Healthcare System will present the program.

Chamber of Commerce members are invited to attend this Lunch & Learn Session on Tuesday, September 17th at 11:45 a.m. It will be held at the Anson County Chamber of Commerce.

Seating will be limited to the first 25 so please RSVP your attendance as soon as possible. Deadline for registration will be Friday, September 13. If you RSVP and do not attend you will be billed \$5 for your lunch. You may register by calling 704-694-4181 or email [ansonchamber@windstream.net](mailto:ansonchamber@windstream.net).

Don't forget your business cards for door prizes and to share with other attendees.

*Remembering.....*  
By Ed McBride



**Thompson's Super Market**

Bet you don't remember this one! Bill Thompson was a young man here in town and worked at (Carlyle) Braswell's Grocery Store on Rutherford Street for some time. Bill later opened a grocery store on Salisbury Street at the location that was formerly Snyder's Grocery. All of this as I remember happened in the 1950's.

In 1958, he built a new store on Highway 74 West next door to what is now the Hub Restaurant. I did the big sign at the street entrance January 14, 1958.

In those days I painted "week-end" specials for the windows - the above specials were for October 15, 1959 - and bacon was 39¢ a pound, large Tide was 19¢, a quart of Wesson oil - only 39¢ - there also was a jackpot drawing of \$12.50

In later years, Bill sold out and moved to Winston-Salem with wife Jean and baby daughter Kay. Kay is now married - she, her husband and their two children live in Huntersville. Bill and Jean are doing ok - still working!

**CONNECT Our Future Community Growth Workshops**

Our two-state, 14-county region is expected to grow by another 1.8 million people and 860,000 jobs by 2050. Since the fall of 2012 CONNECT Our Future has engaged more than 2,500 citizens through over 100 different venues to learn how people want their communities and the region to grow. By attending a workshop, your thoughts and opinions will join those of your neighbors who already have participated, helping the region select preferred growth scenarios for our future!

Workshops will be held in Anson County on Tuesday, September 17. There will be three identical sessions. Select the time that best fits your schedule: a morning session from 9 to 11 a.m.; Afternoon session from 1 to 3 p.m.; and an evening session from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. They will be held at the Lockhart-Taylor Center in Wadesboro.

You will participate at one of several tables with your neighbors, to discuss the way that Anson County might grow over the next 40 years. With information from people who have already participated in CONNECT Our Future, along with your own sense of your community, you will have the opportunity to map out the growth for Anson County. It is a great chance to meet and work with people from across Anson County and to think about the future you want to see!

Share your commitment and encourage other people to attend. Involve people at work, in your neighborhood, at your place of worship. Encourage others who share your interests to join in. Who else would you like us to reach out to about participating at the Anson County Community Growth Workshop? You can submit your suggestions during registration or email them directly to [Sushil.Nepal@centralina.org](mailto:Sushil.Nepal@centralina.org). Register at [www.ConnectOurFuture.org](http://www.ConnectOurFuture.org), click on Events. For questions contact Sushil Nepal, Centralina Council of Governments, at 704-372-2416 or email [snepal@centralina.org](mailto:snepal@centralina.org).

Want to know more about the Community Growth Workshops? Visit [www.ConnectOurFuture.org](http://www.ConnectOurFuture.org) to learn more and to download a flyer to share with others.

**UWI Places Flags at Courthouse in Honor of 911 Victims**

The grounds of the Anson County Courthouse will once again be covered with 2,996 American flags today and tomorrow as a tribute to the events of September 11, 2001. These flags represent 246 victims on the four airplanes, 2,606 in New York City and 125 from the Pentagon. Volunteers set up the flags at 6 a.m. Wednesday morning.

**Music on the Square in Peachland September 28**

The Town of Peachland invites everyone to come and enjoy their 7th annual "Music on the Square" which will be held on Saturday, September 28th, from 6 to 9 p.m. This free event will feature the Village Green Band, who perform all over North Carolina, along with lots of food vendors, activities for the kids and more.

Among the many vendors are youth/women's groups from local churches and the fire department. A wide variety of beverages and food will be available. For more information contact Lynn H. Griffin at 704-272-7781.

**Chamber of Commerce's Fun Fall Classic Golf Tournament**

The Anson County Chamber of Commerce is planning a "Fun Fall Classic" Golf Tournament on Friday, October 11th at the Twin Valley Country Club. This will be a half day event. Lunch will begin at 11:30 a.m., with tee off time beginning at 1 p.m. The first 18 paid teams will be able to participate. Don't delay if you want to play!

Hole sponsors are welcome! For more information call 704-694-4181 or email [ansonchamber@windstream.net](mailto:ansonchamber@windstream.net).

**Discover Anson Bicycle Ride is November 2**

The Anson County Chamber of Commerce will hold the 8th Annual Discover Anson Bike Ride on Saturday, November 2nd in Ansonville. Registration begins at 8 a.m. with a \$30 entry; \$25 if paid before October 19. Three bicycle routes are available for you to choose from 30, 50 and 75 mile routes through some of the most beautiful countryside of Anson County. The ride will be held in conjunction with Ansonville's annual Homecoming and Parade.

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