

### Cheraw Arts Commission Presents Oil Painting Workshop in February

Charleston artist Joyce Hall will return to Cheraw on February 20-22 for a three day workshop. Joyce is an international award winning oil painter and has exhibited in galleries and museums nationally. Her website is [www.thestudiosc.com](http://www.thestudiosc.com). The focus of the February workshop is Portraits. The workshop will be held at the Cheraw Police Department Community Room - 258 Second Street - from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. Cost for the three day workshop is \$195. A supply list will be provided upon registration. For additional information contact the Cheraw Arts Commission at 843-537-8420 ext 12.



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### Hundreds Attend Annual Christmas Event at Harvest Ministries



On Sunday, December 21 hundreds of people packed the auditorium of Harvest Ministries Outreach Center to take part in the annual Community Christmas Blessing. Guests enjoyed a Christmas program courtesy of HMOC. In addition, the large crowd was greeted by Santa himself, along with Anson County Sheriff Landric Reid and County Commissioner Vancine Sturdivant, who also represented Toys for Toys in this year's give-a-ways. Lead Pastor Steve Adams said, "Every year this event causes hundreds of children and families to smile. What better way to show to Christ than by the blessing of giving to others."

Founder of HMOC, Pastor Tim Adams added, "This is great, the hundreds of gifts under the tree, the community officials, politicians, and others who took their money, their time and their compassion to serve others shows that Anson County cares about each other, and that we know the real reason of this season." To top off the event, a few members of the crowd had the opportunity to play "Lets Make a Christmas Deal" - where Adams and the congregation gave out prizes and hundreds of dollars in cash!

Harvest Ministries Outreach Center would like to thank the many volunteers, organizers, community partners, churches, and others who made this years event possible. A special thanks to: Leavitt Funeral Home, Badcock of Wadesboro, Sheriff Landric Reid, C&M Auto, Forbes, Brown Creek Animal Hospital, Wadesboro Mayor Bill Thacker, Commissioner Vancine Sturdivant and Toys for Tots, and the Congregation of HMOC for your dedication, compassion, and desire to reach others!

Adams said a special thank you goes out to Poisson, Poisson and Bower Law Offices for being the Key Sponsor of this year's Community Christmas Blessing. Pastor Steve summed up the event by saying, "A huge crowd is great, the presents for children are wonderful, and people loving and blessing others is truly what Christmas is supposed to be, and to know that over 50 people prayed to have Jesus Christ change their life, simply was the exclamation point on a day to be remembered." For more information on the programs and outreach efforts of Harvest visit [www.harvestmin.com](http://www.harvestmin.com) or call Adams at 704-695-2879.

### Lloyd and Dahlia Parks Celebrate Their 60th Wedding Anniversary

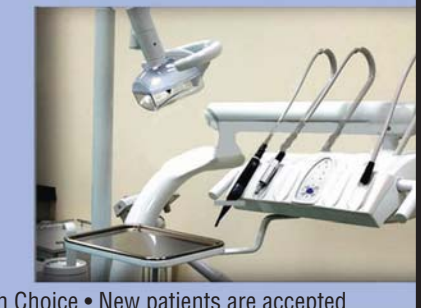


On Sunday, January 11 Lloyd and Dahlia Parks of Wadesboro celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary. To celebrate, a luncheon was given at Hilltop Restaurant in Monroe with family members in attendance. Gifts were presented to the couple to honor their many long years together. When questioned as to the secret of their long successful marriage, bearing with one another through the good and bad times was mentioned. But, especially, a strong faith in God was stressed as being most important. Lloyd and Dahlia moved from Scotland Neck, North Carolina in the early 1970's. Dahlia was

manager of Helig Meyers Furniture Company until his retirement. Dahlia was employed with B.C. Moore & Sons until hers. Mr. and Mrs. Parks have three daughters, Deborah and Wyatt Siegler of Wadesboro, Lynn and Ron Tatum of Rockingham, and Lisa and Walter Emmerling of Sylva, North Carolina, along with six grandchildren. Their family hopes the couple will enjoy many more long and happy years to come.

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