



### SPCC Conducts Active Shooter Drill at Lockhart-Taylor Center

South Piedmont Community College, in partnership with Anson County Emergency Management, Wadesboro Police Department, County 911, Polkton Sheriff's Department and Lilesville Police Department, held an active shooter drill on June 18 at the college's Lockhart-Taylor Center in Wadesboro. The exercise involved several real-life scenarios that allowed SPCC leadership and local emergency services to practice emergency preparedness and test response plans. The goal of the drill was to provide training and education to enhance the safety of students, visitors and the community in the event of an actual emergency at a SPCC facility.

South Piedmont's Safety and Emergency Preparedness team will take the lessons learned from the exercise and use them to strengthen its emergency response plan. The team will also continue to work with local authorities in Union and Anson counties to ensure students, faculty and visitors to SPCC are safe. For more information contact Ryan Teal, SPCC's Director of EMS Education/Emergency Preparedness, at [rteal@spcc.edu](mailto:rteal@spcc.edu) or (704)290-5817.

### Anson High School Grad Rachael Meachem Earns \$1,000 Scholarship



Rachael Meachem of Wadesboro was awarded a \$1,000 scholarship for outstanding academic achievement and community involvement. Specifically, her scholarship was based on her leadership skills, academic success, community involvement, financial need and a personal essay describing how she intended to make a difference in society. Rachael is an honor graduate of Anson High School.

### Rotary to Honor First Responders in Law Enforcement, Fire Service and Emergency Medical Service

Rotary District 7680, which includes 59 clubs in 14 counties, will host a variety of events over the next ten months aimed to honor first responders in emergency medical services, law enforcement and fire service. District Governor Ineke Wilson said, "Some clubs are already planning events to honor first responders and we are encouraging all 59 clubs in our district to do so. Our law enforcement, fire fighters, and emergency medical personnel do a super job of responding to all types of emergencies, sometimes putting their own lives in danger. They deserve to be recognized for their service. Often, ordinary citizens are the first responders at fires, vehicle wrecks and other accidents, and should be recognized as well."

Clubs will also nominate the first responders to be considered for the District's "First Responder of the Year" award. All the nominees will be celebrated at a District-wide event in 2016. Governor Wilson said, "To our knowledge District 7680 is the first to hold this type of District-wide recognition for first responders. They certainly deserve the recognition and we think it is a worthwhile program in our communities."

Rotary District 7680 includes the following counties and the number in parenthesis indicates the number of Rotary Clubs in the county: Alexander County (1), Alleghany County (1), Anson County (1), Ashe County (1), Cabarrus County (5), Cleveland County (4), Gaston County (7), Iredell County (6), Mecklenburg County (16), Richmond County (2), Rowan County (2), Stanly County (2), Union County (5) and Wilkes County (1).

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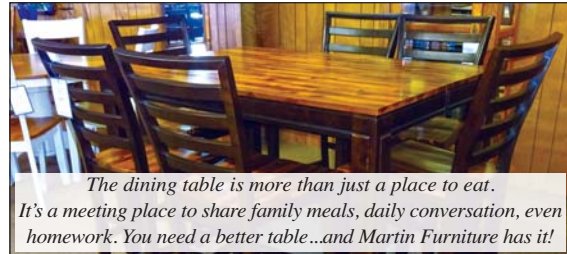
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