

Senator Gene McLaurin to Speak at Democratic Party Banquet

In a release from the Anson County Democratic Party: Senator Gene McLaurin is the guest speaker at the Anson County Democratic Party's 6th Blue and White Gala to be held on Friday, September 20. The Gala will begin at 6:30 p.m. with "Meet and Greet the Candidates."

Senator McLaurin was born and raised in Richmond County. He attended public schools, Richmond Community College, and then graduated from UNC-Charlotte. McLaurin has dedicated his life to making our communities stronger. As a businessman for over 30 years he knows how to create jobs and what it means to meet a payroll. As Mayor of Rockingham for 15 years he learned what it means to be a good steward of taxpayer dollars.

Gene knows how to work together to build a consensus, to solve problems, and be proactive in meeting community needs. Now as your state senator he is building on this experience while he works to bring jobs to our five county district covering Anson, Scotland, Stanly, Richmond, and part of Rowan County. He is committed to passing sound public policy to promote job growth, strengthening our public schools, community colleges, and universities, and improving the health and quality of life for all North Carolinians.

Sen. McLaurin sits on the following committees: Appropriations Subcommittee on Natural and Economic Resources; Finance Committee; Commerce Committee; Insurance Committee; Banking Committee; and Pensions and Retirement Committee.

Prior to his election to the N.C. Senate:

- Helped lead the successful effort to bring NASCAR back to The Rock
- Worked with other community partners on plans to locate Discovery Place KIDS Museum in downtown Rockingham
- Made infrastructure investments protecting and creating local jobs and helping small businesses

Sen. McLaurin said, "We need a workforce that can compete in today's global economy. We must help displaced workers as well as train our students in public school and our community colleges with job skills that will prepare them for high-tech, high-wage jobs."

Vancine Sturdivant, Anson County Democratic Party Chair stated, "We need proven leaders who will stand and are willing to be the voice of the all people. Our citizens are who matters."

Gene and his wife of 37 years, Donna, have three children and one grandchild.

Chamber of Commerce Asking Your Help to Donate School Supplies

In a release from Lynn Edwards of the Chamber of Commerce: The Anson County Chamber of Commerce along with the Wadesboro Rotary Club will be collecting school supplies throughout the month of August and we need your help!

There are two ways to help:

- 1) Paper - college and wide ruled, #2 pencils, pens, crayons and markers are just a few of the supplies the children of Anson will need when schools start back in just a few weeks. We need your help to make sure that all of our children have the basic necessities to achieve their highest level of learning! Please join us in our efforts by purchasing school supplies and bring them to the Chamber during the month of August.

We will also accept monetary donations and purchase the items for you if you would like. If your place of business has any items with your logo on it we can use those as well. You can mail your monetary donation to Anson County Chamber, P.O. Box 305, Wadesboro, NC 28170. Please mark it for school supplies. Keep in mind that NC Tax Free weekend is August 2-4, so you can save a little money while helping our children!

We encourage all citizens, businesses and officials to support our students as they head back to school very soon. Not having the essential tools for learning should not be a problem for any student, no matter what their economic situation is. After all, they are our future! Let's give them a great start to the 2013-2014 school year! Donations may be dropped off at the Chamber office or given to any Wadesboro Rotarian.

- 2) There is also another way you can help Anson County Schools. "Box Tops for Education" earns money for schools. Please remember to cut off all box tops on any of the participating brands from the grocery store and turn them in to an elementary school of your choice. Box tops earn cash for our schools to use on essential items for our children.


The box tops can be collected by all of us and turned in even if you don't have any children

or grandchildren in our school system. So, cut off those box tops and turn them in! We will be glad to collect those here at the Chamber as well! For more information call us at 704-694-4181.

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Wadesboro Civitan Club at PO Box 751, Wadesboro, NC 28170, or phone Yates Almond at 704-848-4810. All designs must be the products of NC and SC residents.

The Civitan Club depends on its hot dog stand to raise money for Anson County youth activities, so the Civitans decided to organize an alternative event after the People Fest was cancelled. In addition to displays of paintings, sculpture, pottery, woodcarving and hand-made furniture, quilts, jewelry and other locally made crafts, the Crafts Fair will have free entertainment by local musicians and free games for children. Local organizations may also have information booths. The event will conclude with a rubber ducky race with a \$500 prize for the person who picks the winning duck. The Civitan Hot Dog Booth will be the only food vendor, but will have burgers, chips and soft drinks, as well as their signature hot dogs.

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