

Investing - What's New and What's Not Live Seminar this Friday

Fractional shares? Cryptocurrency? Robo Advisers? Oh my! Wondering how new investment options might fit into your retirement plan? Join the NC Secretary of State's Securities Division, the Investor Protection Trust (IPT) and PBS Books for the "Investing: What's New & What's Not" event via Facebook Live this Friday, April 23 at 1 p.m. Listen to experts talk about new ways to invest like cryptocurrency and fractional shares as well as the tried and tested investment strategies like diversification and due diligence. So mark your calendar and join in at www.facebook.com/NCSecState at 1 p.m. on April 23 for the discussion.

Stock Investor Education Message with AARP North Carolina Fraudcast

As new products and medical treatments are traded by start-ups and blue-chip companies on stock exchanges, what steps should you take to be sure you are protected when buying them? What are the key differences between a stockbroker, investment adviser and financial planner? Who are the most vulnerable victims of investment fraud? John Maron, Director of the NC Secretary of State's Investor Protection and Education Services Program, spoke with AARP North Carolina's Gretchen Batra and fielded questions in March about how to spot, stop and report investment scams. You can watch the program in its entirety on YouTube: [youtube.com/watch?v=OyMOyKUDVVE](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OyMOyKUDVVE). Call the NC Investor Hotline at 800-688-4507 to check the registration of anyone offering you an investment opportunity, as well as the registration of the investment opportunity itself.

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Church News

ONGOING
Weekly Praise & Worship Schedule
 South Anson Church Family: • Shiloh UMC, 1752 Shiloh Church Rd. Preaching 1st and 3rd Sundays, Sunday School weekly, services start at 10am; • Sandy Plains UMC, 1154 Cason Oldfield Rd. Preaching 2nd and 4th Sundays, Sunday School weekly, services start at 9:30 am; • Pleasant Hill UMC 126 Church St. Preaching 2nd and 4th Sundays, Sunday School weekly. Services start at 9:45 am

Community Prayer
 1st Monday each month, 5:15pm at Hatcher Park in Lilesville, Square in Wadesboro, Polkton & Ansonville, Town Hall in Morven

Rides to Service
 At East Rock Ford MBC. Call 704-695-2997

Thursday's Child
 Children's choir, Gail Litaker director, an outreach ministry of First United Methodist Church, open to all children grades K-6, no pre-registration necessary, Thursdays, 4-5pm, cost is free, 704-694-5179

Exercise, Exercise & More!
 Free at Henderson Grove MBC in Lilesville, Mon & Thur evenings 6-7:30pm. Exercise ball, rubber band, hula hoop, walking, jogging & fun. Physical & mental health info. 704-848-4225

Fun for Seniors
 Every 3rd Tuesday at Rock Hill MBC, 11am-1pm for 55 & older (exceptional adults too) are welcome

Bible Study
 Wednesdays, 6:30pm at Forestville AME Zion Church

Radio Ministry
 On WKDX 1250 AM Sun 8:15am w/Elder Garcia Morman

Reading Program
 At New Parkers Grove MBC, for anyone in third grade and up who needs help with reading, Tuesdays and Thursdays, 4-5pm, 704-994-9182

Events

APRIL 24
Community Outreach
Event. Drive-in event with free household items & paper products. First come, first served basis. By Lamb of God Church, 10am at 118 West Wade St in Wadesboro. Info 843-623-3777

MAY 1
Yard Sale & More
 At Feed My Lambs, 2290 Hwy 74 West in Wadesboro across from Atrium Health, 9am-2pm. Open spots available, call 704-695-1820. Food & \$100 Food Lion gift card raffle. Thrift Store will be open, storage unit items such as furniture & dishes

MAY 4
Free Groceries
 For families in need Mobile Food Pantry at Wingate United Methodist Church, located at 111 Hinson Street in Wingate. Register 8-10am, truck arrives between 9-9:30am. Call for details 704-694-2445

Board of Commissioners
Meet 6pm in Board Room, Suite 209, in Government Center, 101 S Greene St in uptown Wadesboro. This is the regular monthly meeting. Meeting available online at [youtube.com](https://www.youtube.com), search for Anson Commissioners. To appear, sign up prior to meeting. Info 704-994-3201

ONGOING EVENTS
Food Commodities
Food Distributed Free every Wednesday at 9am & 2nd Saturday of each month at 9am at Burnsville Recreation & Learning Ctr, Hwy 742N across from Burnsville Fire Dept. Info 704-826-8182

Thrift Store
Open at Feed My Lambs every Tuesday, Thursday & Friday, 1-5pm. Located at 2290 Hwy 74 West, Wadesboro. 704-695-1820

Senior Box
Program at Feed My Lambs starts the third Tuesday each month for seniors only. Located at 2290 Hwy 74 West, Wadesboro. 704-695-1820

Food Pantry
 Free food every Wed, 9-11am at Burnsville Recreation & Learning Ctr. 704-826-8182

Free Food Distributed by Anson Crisis Ministries
 Every Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday, 8am-1pm. It is located at 117 North Rutherford Street in uptown Wadesboro. Telephone is 704-694-2445

Free Food
Distribution at Feed My Lambs every Tuesday, Thursday & Friday, 1-4pm. Located at 2290 Hwy 74 West, Wadesboro. 704-695-1820

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BRLC Red Cross Blood Drive Very Successful

Burnsville Recreation & Learning Center volunteer Mitchel Sarno and daughter Destiny Sarno organized a Red Cross Blood Drive recently at BRLC. Sarno has been on the board of the Red Cross as well as being a volunteer for several years. Burnsville citizens, along with neighbors from nearby areas, came out and donated blood to help save lives. The donors had the opportunity to also meet and greet neighbors - while wearing their mask.

The day of the event, Red Cross representatives arrived at BRLC in good time to set up all the equipment that was needed to have a successful blood drive. The large John L. Brewer assembly room was turned into a blood donation station in minutes.

BRLC Director Carol Smith said, "With the help of this great team of people, BRLC looks forward to the next drive. We will keep you posted as to the date and time once a decision is finalized. We apologize that we could not serve all, but due to the constant inclement weather reports the blood drive had to close before the 6:30 p.m. cut off time."

Smith continued, "There were 11 presented to give blood, which was impressive due to this being the first for this community outreach. Out of the 11 pints donated 33 different individuals' lives will be saved. Hallelujah!"

BRLC volunteers and neighbors from Union and other nearby counties participated. BRLC volunteers, Mitchell Kiser, Nathan Sikes, Alton Jackson, Vicky Matlock, and, of course, organizers Mitchell and Destiny Sarno were there to help and support the Stanly County Red Cross representatives as needed.

