Sophie Goodwin and

**Elin Lockhart Excel** 

in World Twirling

Championship

Goodwin, two of Anson

County's talented baton twirlers.

August 1-9. They traveled to

Italy as members of Team USA.

Stanly High School.

High School Bearcats.

Sophie is a senior at South

Elin is a sophomore and the Feature Twirler for the Anson

During the Preliminary Round,

countries from all over the world.

Their impressive performance

secured them a spot in the

Elin Lockhart and Sophie

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#### **Shooting at Bank Shots Bar and Grill**

According to a release from the Wadesboro Police Department, the Wadesboro Police Department Criminal Investigations Division is currently investigating a shooting that occurred at approximately 1:41 a.m. on Sunday, August 10 at Bank Shots Bar and Grill. One male victim was transported to CMC Main in Charlotte for treatment. The police reported no ongoing threat to the public at this time.

The bar, owned by Wadesboro Mayor Pro Tem and council member Garrett Kyle Snuggs, is located at 121 West Martin Street in uptown Wadesboro.

The Wadesboro Police Department offered this additional release on Monday, August 11:

"Preliminary information indicates that the individuals

involved are from out of state. The Wadesboro Police Department is working closely with the North Carolina Alcohol Law Enforcement (ALE) and the North Carolina State Bureau of Investigation (SBI), both of which are assisting in this investigation. Detectives are still awaiting the release of

relevant video footage from this incident and continue working to locate and interview eyewitnesses. At this time, some witnesses have not been cooperative. Based on the information gathered so far, investigators believe this was an isolated incident and that there is no ongoing threat to the public.

We take situations such as this very seriously and, with the assistance of our law enforcement partners, fully expect to bring this case to a close as efficiently and quickly as possible.

We thank the citizens of Wadesboro for their concern and patience as this investigation continues. Every case is different: some require more extensive effort and additional resources than others. Your ongoing support allows us to carry out thorough, professional investigations.

Anyone with information about this incident is urged to contact the Wadesboro Police Department Criminal Investigations Division at (704) 694-2167, or contact Anson County Communications at (704) 694-7083. All tips will remain confidential and anonymous.

More details will be released as they become available." Bank Shots Bar and Grill was investigated in December 2024 by Alcohol Law Enforcement (ALE) and marijuana was located in an office inside the bar, according to records from Anson County District Court. Snuggs was charged with "Knowingly and willingly allowing any violation of the controlled substances, gambling, or prostitution." Under statute 18B-1005, Conduct on Licensed Premises. In January 2025 he was found innocent of the charge.

## Tyrese Lilly Charged with Assault on a Pregnant Woman, Battery on an Unborn Child, Kidnapping

On Thursday, August 7 Wadesboro Police Department Criminal Investigations Division arrested Tyrese Lilly (DOB 01/25/2003) for these charges: Assault on a Pregnant Woman; False Imprisonment; Battery on an Unborn Child; Interfering with Emergency Communications; and 2nd Degree Kidnapping.



The victim is expected to be okay.

Police Chief Thedis Spencer said, "We are grateful to partner with the Anson County Domestic Violence Coalition, who immediately stepped in to ensure the victim's safety and will continue providing support."

Your story isn't over just because someone tried to silence you; survivors are stronger than those who hurt them. If you or someone you know is experiencing domestic violence, contact the Anson County Domestic Violence Coalition (ACDVC) or call law enforcement, we are here to help.

The Domestic Violence Coalition is located at 204 East Wade Street in uptown Wadesboro. They are open Monday-Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. The mailing address is: PO Box 694, Wadesboro NC 28170. Office 704-694-4499; **24 Hour Crisis Line 704-690-0362**; Fax 704-694-4515. The website is: acdvrcc.org and you can find them on Facebook.

## **Burnsville Recreation & Learning Center** Offers Free Lunches Every Monday

Do you need a great lunch on Mondays? Just call Burnsville Recreation & Learning Center, or drop by. From now until the end of September, from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., free lunches are prepared and distributed to senior citizens and those with limited mobility skills.

BRLC is located at 13349 Highway 742 North in Burnsville, across from the Fire Department. For more information you can call 704-826-8737, check their Facebook page, email burnsvillelc@gmail.com, or

visit www.burnsvillelc.org.

Pictured below, BRLC volunteer Delores is shown holding a jar of beets she made and donated to the Emergency Food Pantry. They were used with the previous meals that were delivered to senior citizens through the free lunches program.





advance to the Final Round.

In a remarkable display of talent and dedication, Elin and Sophie finished in 4th Place in the world!

This achievement marks their first world championship, and Anson County is immensely proud of their accomplishments. We extend our heartfelt congratulations to Elin and Sophie for their outstanding performance and dedication to the sport of twirling.

While there, the girls enjoyed the beautiful sights of Italy...and plenty of amazing pasta and pizza! Elin is the daughter of Charlie Lockhart and Nicki Lockhart. Sophie is the daughter of Nathan and Melody Goodwin.

#### Anson Mobile Food Market is August 21

The next Anson Mobile Food Market will be held on Thursday, August 21, starting at 10:00 a.m. The location is Burnsville Volunteer Fire Department, located at 13880 NC 742, Polkton.

Food will be given away, including fresh vegetables, fruit and bread (if available). There will be blood pressure and blood sugar checks, along with other healthy living

. This free event offers citizens of Anson County six to eight different types of fresh

produce monthly. This is a free initiative, so please come and get some produce. Nothing is required for you to receive produce, just come.

The event is sponsored by the Anson County Extension and its partners.

This event is to assist in the scarcity of fresh, healthy food in the county. It will also serve as an educational event to offer education on the two targeted areas of the county health assessment which are tobacco use and hypertension. Agencies will be set up offering services and information in those two targeted areas.

#### **South Piedmont Offers Free Digital Literacy** Classes in Anson and Union Counties This Fall

South Piedmont Community College is offering a new round of free Digital Literacy classes designed to provide participants with fundamental computer skills. The Digital Literacy classes will cover basic skills in common computer programs, including Excel, Google Docs, Microsoft Word, and PowerPoint. All classes are offered for free, and computers are provided for use during class. Additionally, students who successfully complete the Digital Literacy class will receive a \$250 voucher to continue their education at South Piedmont.

Class schedules:

• Anson County August 19-December 11, Tuesdays/Thursdays, 5:15 to 8:15 p.m. at

the Lockhart-Taylor Center, 514 N. Washington St., Wadesboro • Union County August 19-December 11, Tuesdays/Wednesdays/Thursdays, 12:30

to 2:30 p.m. at the OCH Campus-Building A, 4209 Old Charlotte Highway, Monroe • Union County August 19-December 11, Tuesdays/Thursdays, 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. at the OCH Campus-Main Building

• Union County September 16-December 5, Tuesdays/Thursdays/Fridays, 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at the OCH Campus-Building A

Class offered in Spanish:
• Union County August 19-December 11, Tuesdays/Thursdays, 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. at the OCH Campus-Building A

For questions, please contact 704-290-5257 or computerskills@spcc.edu.



## Need a Coffee Break? SPCC's Got You!

# South Piedmont Announces New Coffee Shop on Campuses

South Piedmont Community College has entered into a new partnership with Brews & Bella's, a mobile coffee business based in Union County. Brews & Bella's will be serving up coffee, tea, and snacks, including breakfast sandwiches and baked goods, at both the OCH (Monroe) and LLP (Polkton) campuses this fall.

Michelle Brock.

The schedule is: • LLP: Service will be provided inside the Martin Student Center from 7:30 a.m. to 2 p.m., Monday-Friday, beginning Aug. 25.

• OCH: Service will be provided from the Brews & Bella's trailer in the parking lot outside of the Main Building from 7:30 a.m. to 7 p.m., Monday-Thursday. Coffee will be provided all day. Food will be available after 2 p.m. Service begins Aug. 18.

This partnership offers more than just coffee - it brings new opportunities for student engagement and hands-on experience. Brews & Bella's will offer part-time employment

to South Piedmont students, providing real-world skills in customer service and small business operations. "We're thrilled to welcome Brews & Bella's to our campuses and expand dining options for our students," said Vice President of Finance and Administrative Services/CFO

# Anson **Commissioners**

Meet August 19

The second August meeting of the Anson County Board of Commissioners takes place on Tuesday, August 19 at 6 p.m.

Meetings take place in the Board Room, Suite 209, of the Anson County Government Center which is located at 101 South Greene Street in uptown Wadesboro.

To schedule an appearance at a board meeting, please sign up prior to the Information is meeting. available at 704-994-3201.

Commissioners' board meetings are live streamed on their YouTube channel. Also, the videos are archived so they can be viewed at any time. Visit youtube.com and search for Anson Commissioners.

## Market on Market in Cheraw is Sat.

Market on Market is scheduled for this Saturday, August 16 from 9:00am -12 noon in downtown Cheraw. The family friendly monthly event features art, produce, food and entertainment on the Third Saturday of each month from May through the fall. Local farmers will have produce and plants available for purchase. Craftsmen, artists and vendors will also have handmade or homemade products available purchase. August's featured food truck will be Grab Ba Dog.

The theme for the August Market is "Dog Days of Summer" with free art activities for kids and a Doggy Scavenger Hunt and prizes. Also, the Chesterfield County Animal Services will be on site with animals for adoption from 10am -11am. Market attendees are encouraged to drop off pet food (canned or bags) at this Market on Market. Contact the Cheraw Arts Commission by calling 843.537.8420 x 12 for additional information.

### **Peachland** Cemetery **Association to Meet**

The Peachland Cemetery Association will meet on Sunday, August 17 at 5 p.m. at the Peachland Fire Department, located at 35 East Passaic Street.

The public is invited and encouraged to attend.