### Uwharrie Bank 3rd Quarter 2014 Earnings

Uwharrie Capital Corp and its subsidiary, Uwharrie Bank, reported consolidated total assets of \$517.0 million at September 30, 2014, versus \$517.3 million at December 31, 2013. Net income for the nine-month period ended September 30, 2014, was \$1.53 million versus 1.14 million for the same period in 2013, a 35% improvement. For the nine months, ended September 30, 2014, net income available to common shareholders was \$1.09 million or \$0.15 per share compared to \$520 thousand or \$0.07 per share for September  $30,\,2013,\,$  a 110%improvement. Net income available to common shareholders takes into consideration the payment of dividends on preferred stock issued by the Company.

Net income for the three-month period ended September 30, 2014 was \$399 thousand versus \$218 thousand for the same period in 2013, an 83% improvement. Three months ended September 30, 2014, net income available to common shareholders was \$250 thousand or \$0.03 per share versus \$43thousand for the three months ended September 30, 2013.

The operating efficiencies coming from the consolidation of three bank charters made last year was the main contributor to the improvement in earnings. The decline of problem assets and the level of loan loss reserve made an additional contribution, as did the wealth management division, Strategic Investment Advisors, which is having its most profitable year.

Contact David Beaver, Chief Financial Officer at 704-991-1266 for further information.

Additional information on Uwharrie Capital Corp may be found at www.UwharrieCapitalCorp.com.

#### **EMERGENCY FOOD AND** SHELTER PROGRAMS FUNDING

Anson County Emergency Food and Shelter Programs may once again be granted supplemental funding through the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's Federal Emergency Management Agency's (FEMA) Emergency Food and Shelter Program (EFSP).

Chaired by FEMA and consisting of representatives from the American Red Cross, Catholic Charities USA, National Council of the Churches of Christ in the U.S.A., The Salvation Army, United Jewish Communities and United Way Worldwide, The National Board of the EFSP awards funds appropriated by Congress to help expand the capacity of food and shelter programs in high-need areas around the country.

Funds previously awarded to Anson County have helped serve the needs of many Ansonians, having been distributed to Anson Crisis Ministry, Feed My Lambs, Greater Deliverance Food Pantry, South Anson Community Outreach Ministry, Wadesboro Area Community Outreach Ministry, and Burnsville Recreation and Learning Center.

The EFSP Local Board, comprised of representatives from the County of Anson, Anson United Way, local chapter of American Red Cross, area church organizations, ministerial associations, homeless shelter(s), and other organizations, is responsible for making funding recommendations based on applications received from qualifying service agencies in the County. Under the terms of the Federal grant, local agencies chosen to receive funds must: 1) be private, voluntary, non-profits or units of government; 2) be eligible to receive federal funds; 3) have an accounting system; 4) practice nondiscrimination; 5) have demonstrated the capability to deliver emergency food and/or shelter programs; and, 6) if a private, voluntary organization, must have a voluntary board.

Applications are currently being accepted for Fiscal Year 2014, in preparation for Phase 32 of the Program. Qualifying (private voluntary or public) agencies are encouraged to submit an application as soon as possible to Connie Kiker, Local Board Contact, Anson County Department of Social Services, 118 North Washington Street, Wadesboro, NC 28170, ckiker@co.anson.nc.us, (704) 694-9351.

Application deadline is November 21, 2014.

### THE EXPRESS • October 29, 2014 • Page 6 First Dancing with the Stars An Outstanding Success

In a release from Circle of Hope: From start to finish, the 2014 Dancing with the Stars fundraiser for Anson County Circles of Hope could not have been more fun or exciting. There was a buzz around town prior to the event, but no one could have predicted that it would so successful. The 250 chairs that were set out at the Wadesboro Primary School were filled 30 minutes before the event was scheduled to begin ... and folks were still pouring in. That's when the partition that divides the dance hall and the cafeteria came down to set out more chairs. And, those were filled! From shag to 90's hip-hop, all the dancers left everything they had on the floor, and they did it for a great cause

Winning First Place in both the popular and judges' vote were father and daughter duo, Chris and Gracie Stinson. Landric and Cassandra Reid won Second Place in the judges' vote and tied for second place in the popular vote with Gary Henderson and Chrissy Cubbage. This event would not have

been a success without the efforts of our financial sponsors, contributors, dancers, MC, DJ, dance group, judges, volunteers and other supporters. Every penny raised at this

event will be used to help Anson County Circles of Hope break the cycle of generational poverty in the

lives of hard working families by providing participants, both young and old, with the knowledge, relationships and neces-

Thanks so much to everyone who came out to have fun for a great cause. With your help, we're already looking

Pictured here are the winners, from left, Landric and Cassandra Reid, Gracie and Chris Stinson, and Chrissy Cubbage and Gary Henderson. sary resources they need to keep poverty from transferring to the next generation.





## **Lost Your School spirit? Head To An Elementary Pep Rally!**

On Fridav, October 24, a group of students of all ages found an amazing amount of school spirit. That spirit was inside the gym at Peachland-Polkton Elementary School where a pep rally was held to honor their beloved Bearcats. Those students in grades K-6 who had no discipline infractions, who were not late for school or class, and who did as they were instructed by their teachers, counselors and principal were rewarded for their great behavior with a rousing rally to showcase their sizeable amount of school spirit.

I've been to a lot of pep rallies, but I have never witnessed such infectious enthusiasm, total glee, sensational spirit and powerful pep as was evident in the gym on that afternoon. AHS Head Football Coach Luke Hyatt seemed to mesmerize the young students with his every word, and the zealous and eager students obeyed his every command. The senior football players helped to keep the students lively while the Varsity Cheerleaders cheered them on as only they can. The Bearcat Mascot added his fun and flair to the day while the Varsity Majorettes continued the as-

sembly as the kids screamed in excitement with each toss of their baton. Have you lost your school spirit? If so, head over to the elementary school nearest you. Like I said, I've seen plenty of pep rallies, but I've never seen one quite like this. The students and staff at Peachland-Polkton Elementary are

going to be hard to beat. They really rock! Last Friday the spirit of everyone in that gym was on full-scale pep mode and it certainly helped my spirits to soar.

What a feeling! Thank you PPES! For your full dose why not find out when the next 'young people pep rally' is being held. Theirs is an infectious, unpretentious, unanimous rendition of what true school spirit is all about. Pass me another portion of that PPES pep and spirit pie because it was truly a little slice of school spirit Heaven. Story and Photo by Melanie Lyon



November 1<sup>st</sup> 11 am - 7 pm

The best pork & chicken BBQ you could ask for served alongside slaw, beans, roll, & dessert!

## *Includes all of the above, plus tea & hushpuppies.*



Senior Citizen (65+): \$8.00 ctive Military (w/ proper ID): \$8.00

Child (ages 2-8): \$5.00

Take-Out Pork or Chicken

All plates: \$10.00

Dessert donations are greatly appreciated!

# **Apply Now for Paid Summer 2015 State Government Internships**

North Carolina residents attending a college, university, technical institute or community college have until December 19 to apply for one of up to 70 paid state government internships available for summer 2015. All internships will begin on May 26, 2015, and conclude on July 31, 2015. The 2015 State Government Internship Project Booklet describing all available rules and opportunities is now online (www.doa.state.nc.us).

The State Government Internship Program offers students real-world experience in a wide range of state government workplaces. Internships provide opportunities for students to work in their chosen field and to consider careers in public service. More than 3,600 students have participated since the program was established in 1970.

"In the current job market, it is tough for college students to find paid employment opportunities that equip them with relevant and meaningful professional experience in their field of study," said Stephanie Nantz, Executive Director of the Youth Advocacy and Involvement Office. "This program does just that, as well as assist state agencies with meeting their missions.

Paid summer internships are available in locations across the state. They provide North Carolina students with compensated professional work experience that integrates education, career development and public service. Opportunities exist in numerous recognized fields of study, from accounting to zoology, and interns will also participate in seminars, tours or other activities designed to broaden their perspective of public service and state government. Interns will earn a stipend of \$8.25 per hour and work 40 hours per week for 10 weeks in the summer.

To be eligible for the program, a student must be a permanent North Carolina resident with an overall grade point average of 2.5 or better on a 4.0 scale, and have graduated from high school and subsequently completed their sophomore year of college before beginning the internship. Community college students must complete their first year before beginning the internship. Applicants must be continuing their education in the fall following their participation in the program. To qualify for a position designated for law interns, a student must have completed at least one year of law school before the beginning of the internship. Students having previously held paid internships at the Youth Advocacy and Involvement Office are not eligible to apply. Interns are selected through a competitive process overseen by the NC Internship

Council. Selection is based on a review of applications by the Council, student interviews with prospective supervisors, academic records, participation in extracurricular activities and interest in state government.

For more information, please visit the Youth Advocacy and Involvement Office online (www.doa.state.nc.us) or by phone at 919-807-4400. Information is also available in campus career services or cooperative education offices.

Blood Drive at Anson High School November 12 There will be a Blood Drive held at Anson High School on Wednesday, November

### 12. Anyone weighing 120 pounds or more is urged to come donate blood between the hours of 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. There's a free t-shirt for all donors.

**Bingo at Grace Senior Center** 

Bingo games are held every third Tuesday of the month at Grace Senior Center at 2

p.m. All seniors are invited to attend for fun and fellowship. For more information call the center at 704-694-6616.