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## General Election Results

Here are the unofficial General Election results from November 4. The winners are in bold. Also, for races that included voters outside of Anson County, we have included the total vote as well as the Anson County vote.

Anson County Canvass Day is Friday, November 14 at 11 a.m. The county canvass is the meeting where election results in a county become official. The county canvass meeting is conducted 7 days after Election Day in all elections except a General Election. The county canvass for a General Election is 10 days after Election Day. During the canvassing period, county boards of elections will also count eligible civilian, military or overseas absentee ballots that are received after Election Day. Until the county canvass, all election results posted by the county or the State Board of Elections are unofficial.

There were 2,305 early voters in Anson County for this election.

### RESULTS

#### • US Senate

**Thom Tillis (Rep) 1,414,715 (48.86%) - Anson 2,326 (35.14%)**, Kay Hagan (Dem) 1,367,412 (47.22%) - Anson 4,147 (61.34%), Sean Haugh (Lib) 108,290 (3.74%) - Anson 232 (3.43%)

#### • US House of Representatives District 8

**Richard Hudson (Rep) 120,478 (64.89%) - Anson 2,896 (43.58%)**, Antonio Blue (Dem) 65,195 (35.11%) - Anson 3,750 (56.42%)

#### • NC State Senate District 25

**Tom McInnis (Rep) 28,355 (50.42%) - Anson 2,255 (33.6%)**, Gene McLaurin (Dem) 26,482 (47.09%) - Anson 4,357 (64.91%), P. H. Dawkins (Lib) 1,401 (2.49%) - Anson 100 (1.49%)

#### • NC House of Representatives District 55

**Mark Brody (Rep) 12,459 (58.94%) - Anson 2,372 (35.67%)**, Kim Hargett (Dem) 8,680 (41.06%) - Anson 4,277 (64.33%)

**District Attorney District 16C Reece Saunders (Dem) 15,203 (100%) - Anson 5,293 (100%)**

**NC Supreme Court Chief Justice Mark Martin 1,744,344 (72.28%) - Anson 4,661 (78.06%)**, Ola Lewis 668,938 (27.72%) - Anson 1,310 (21.94%)

#### • NC Supreme Court Associate Justice

**Sam Ervin IV 1,315,507 (52.59%) - Anson 4,050 (67.23%)**, Bob Hunter 1,185,863 (47.41%) - Anson 1,974 (32.77%)

**NC Supreme Court Associate Justice Robin Hudson 1,274,678 (52.45%) - Anson 4,025 (68.32%)**, Eric Levinson 1,155,775 (47.55%) - Anson 1,866 (31.68%)

#### • NC Supreme Court Associate Justice

**Cheri Beasley 1,230,949 (50.08%) - Anson 3,636 (62.18%)**, Mike Robinson 1,226,991 (49.92%) - Anson 2,212 (37.82%)

**NC Court of Appeals Judge John Tyson 554,337 (23.85%) - Anson 892 (15.64%)**, John Arrowood 334,360 (14.38%) - Anson 1,182 (20.72%)

**NC Court of Appeals Judge Lucy Inman 1,218,925 (51.91%) - Anson 3,558 (63.01%)**, Bill Southern 1,129,441 (48.09%) - Anson 2,089 (36.99%)

**NC Court of Appeals Judge Donna Stroud 1,790,213 (100%) - Anson 5,043 (100%)**

**NC Court of Appeals Judge Mark Davis 1,345,744 (58.77%) - Anson 4,387 (78.16%)**, Paul Holcombe 944,020 (41.23%) - Anson 1,225 (21.84%)

**NC District Court Judge District 16A Scott Brewer 24,409 (100%) - Anson 4,740 (100%)**

**NC District Court Judge District 16A Regina Joe 25,813 (100%) - Anson 4,389 (100%)**

**NC District Court Judge District 16A Chris Rhue 22,883 (100%) - Anson 4,367 (100%)**

**Soil and Water Conservation District Supervisor (Vote for 2) Milton Pegram 4,185 (52.95%)**, Nichole Carpenter 3,660 (46.31%)

**Anson County Board of Education At-Large (Vote for 1) Marilyn Bennett (Dem) 3,346 (50.92%)**, Brian Johnson (Rep) 1,655 (25.19%), Russell Sikes (Dem) 1,570 (23.89%)

#### • Board of County Commissioners District 2

**Vancine Sturdivant (Dem) 847 (100%)**

#### • County Board of Education District 2

**Bobbie Little (Dem) 853 (100%)**

#### • Board of County Commissioners District 4

**James Sims (Dem) 706 (100%)**

#### • County Board of Education District 4

**Lisa Davis (Dem) 685 (100%)**

#### • Board of County Commissioners District 5

**Anna Baucom (Dem) 761 (100%)**

#### • County Board of Education District 5

**George Truman (Dem) 810 (100%)**

#### • Anson County Clerk of Superior Court

**Mark Hammonds (Dem) 5,646 (100%)**

#### • Anson County Sheriff

**Landric Reid (Dem) 5,464 (100%)**

### REFERENDUMS

**NC Constitutional Amendment** Constitutional amendment providing that a person accused of any criminal offense for which the State is not seeking a sentence of death in superior court may, in writing or on the record in court and with the consent of the trial judge, waive the person's right to a trial by jury. **For 3,412 (58.11%)** - Against 2,460 (41.89%)

**Anson County Sales and Use Tax** Local sales and use tax at the rate of one-quarter percent (0.25%) in addition to all other State and local sales and use taxes. **For 3,360 (52.22%)** - Against 3,074 (47.78%)

**Anson County Malt Beverage Election** To permit the "on-premises" and "off-premises" sale of malt beverages. **Against 3,468 (57.22%)** - For 2,593 (42.78%)

**Anson County Unfortified Wine Election** To permit the "on-premises" and "off-premises" sale of unfortified wine. **Against 3,404 (56.54%)** - For 2,616 (43.46%)



## A Beautiful Day, A Great Celebration of Our Veterans in Wadesboro

Anson County's Annual Veteran's Day Celebration, held at the Wadesboro Courthouse on Tuesday, November 11, was a special tribute to hometown heroes and veterans everywhere. Officially, Veterans Day honors those who have served in the US Armed Forces.

Wadesboro also held a Veteran's Day Parade and hosted a community fun day with games, exhibits and more at Ray Shelton Field, which helped to signify the importance of our veterans and their service to our country.

Thank you veterans for your service. *Photos by Kournie Webb*



## Steel Magnolias, Not What I Expected

Steel Magnolia's opened at the Ansonia Theatre on Friday, November 7, "... with only a sprinkling of vacant seats here and there," said Catherine Crandell of the Anson County Arts Council. "Saturday and Sunday shows were sellouts."

With reserved seating you are able to choose your seats in advance when you purchase your \$15 tickets, and I for one was thrilled that we were near front and center with such a packed audience in the theatre. (Given the size of the theatre, there's not a bad seat in the house.)

I expected this play would sell out. I expected it would be a great show. I expected the characters would make us laugh and cry and that perhaps one of them would "steel" our hearts - Ouiser with her sharp tongue, Shelby with her sweet innocence, Clairee with her vivacious personality, Annelie with her mousy persona, M'Lynn with her maternal instincts or Trudy with her quick witted humor. What I didn't expect was that EVERY character would "steel" the show and our hearts as well, which is precisely what happened.

Roars of laughter bellowed from the audience, which seemed to fuel these ladies on to victory. So if you aren't into hysterical laughter or maddening tears don't see this show, because you are sure to laugh and then laugh some more. And just when you think you can't laugh again, you will! Then you will cry or nearly die by trying not to!

I expected Steel Magnolias to be great, fantastic, and wonderful. But I didn't expect it to be even better than that. It was! Bravo Lindsay Melton, Gina Clarke, Leslie Capell, Libby Dandridge, McKayla High, Terra Medlock and Sharon Doster! Bravo Tommy Wooten, Director! Bravo to the crew! What a gift you have given us, packaged beautifully inside the greatest venue in the Carolinas, our very own Ansonia Theatre.

You too can catch the show this coming weekend. Tickets are \$15 and are available at the Anson County Arts Council. Call 704-694-4950 to reserve your seat. Box Office hours are Monday-Friday from noon until 5 p.m. The office is located in the Anson County Arts Council building (*right next to the theatre*). Tickets are available at Lacy's or you may use paypal at [www.ansoniatheatre.com](http://www.ansoniatheatre.com).

*By Melanie Lyon*



## Free Admission to Art & Crafts Sale this Saturday

Dust off your shopping shoes! Avoid the crowds at the mall! The Anson County Art Council's fourth annual Christmas in November Art and Crafts Sale is this Saturday, November 15, at SPCC's Lockhart-Taylor Center. It runs from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. and offers great holiday shopping without a long drive. Admission is free, and vendors keep 100% of their sales. The Arts Council offers this event as a public service to area artists, craftsmen and residents.

Handcrafted jewelry, accessories, pottery, wood crafts, wreaths, ornaments, crocheted items, toys, holiday decor, decorative items, baked goods and more created by people who live and work right in this area will provide a huge array of gifts and treasures. Christmas in November only comes once a year. Don't miss it!

## Leadership Anson 2015 Applications Due Friday

Applications for the 2015 Leadership Anson class are due this Friday, November 14. You may submit your application by fax (704-694-3830), email ([anson-chamber@windstream.net](mailto:anson-chamber@windstream.net)) or mail (PO Box 305, Wadesboro NC 28170).

For more information call the Anson County Chamber of Commerce at 704-694-4181.

## CMC-Union Community Grand Opening Event Saturday

Join Carolinas HealthCare System for the Grand Opening Celebration of the Women and Children's Center at CMC-Union this Saturday, November 15, from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. There will be fun, entertaining activities for the whole family to enjoy.

The event will be held at CMC-Union, located at 600 Hospital Drive in Monroe. For event questions, call 704-631-0983 or visit [CarolinasHealthCare.org/UnionOpening](http://CarolinasHealthCare.org/UnionOpening).

## NAACP Meeting

The Anson County Branch NAACP Elections will be held November 16, from 2 to 6 p.m. at the Hampton B. Allen Library. Also the NAACP will meet on Tuesday, December 16 at 7 p.m. at the library. Call President Donnie Lewis 704-320-6376 for more information.