# CHAMBER CONNECTIONS

April 2024 Clinton-Sampson Chamber of Commerce





#### Re-Start for Chamber Ambassador Program On the Horizon

The Chamber is excited to welcome the return of the Ambassador Program for 2024. We are in the planning stages but are working towards a kick-off to the program in the coming months. The Ambassadors are an invaluable group of individuals who take time, as their schedule allows, to help promote the Chamber, its members, and communities. If you are interested in becoming an Ambassador or would like more information, contact our office at 910.592.6177 or email info@clintonsampsonchamber.org

#### **TOP NEWS**

## Chamber Hosts B2B Meet and Greet

Small Businesses gather for a Meet and Greet with SCC's Small Business Center at the Chamber.

# Secretary of State, Elaine Marshall, Visits Clinton

City Leaders stroll through Downtown Clinton with Secretary Marshall as part of the Rural RISE NC initiative.

# Junior Leadership Holds Graduation Ceremony

20 students from area high schools participate in the graduation program for the completion of Junior Leadership.

#### Returning to Program Line-Up: Sampson Leadership Institute



Another program that took a hit during COVID was our adult leadership program — Sampson Leadership Institute. We have had great success in the return of our Junior Leadership and we would like to see similar learning opportunities offered for our general membership as well.

In the past, Sampson Leadership has seen a variety of professionals attend the scheduled line-up of activities and events. Stay tuned for more information to come and don't miss out on your chance to connect, learn, and grow with your community.

#### **NEWS and EVENTS**



#### 2024 Clinton-Sampson Junior Leaders Graduate

On April 10th, we celebrated 20 area high school students for their completion of our Clinton-Sampson Junior leadership program. Rev. Thaddeus Godwin (Steering Committee member, Reverend of Lisbon Street Missionary Baptist Church, and County Commissioner) delivered uplifting remarks for the ceremony, followed by a message from Carlie Wade (Hobbton High School student and current Miss Hobbton). Many were in attendance to recognize their achievement. We wish these rising seniors all the best in the years ahead!



#### Clinton-Sampson Chamber of Commerce

Junior Leadership Program Graduation April 10th, 2024

WELCOME

Alicia Sumner

Marketing and Events

INVOCATION

Rev. Thaddeus Godwin
Steering Committee

REMARKS

Rev. Thaddeus Godwin

STUDENT REMARKS

Carlie Wade Hobbton High School

PRESENTATION OF CANDIDATES FOR GRADUATION

Alicia Sumner Marketing and Events

DISTRIBUTION OF CERTIFICATES AND CLOSING REMARKS Matt Stone

Executive Director



#### JUNIOR LEADERSHIP GRADUATES

#### Clinton High School

Larkin Best Garrison Hill Bailey Waters Lilly Williams

#### Hobbton High School

Daniel Aguilar Andrea Sada Carlie Wade Analiza West

#### Lakewood High School

Daniela Bravo Castaneda Kiyah Braxton Luanna Sessoms Isajah Waters

#### Midway High School

Makayla Beach Sophia Bryan Avery Strickland Brady West

#### Union High School

MaryGrace Bordeaux Aniyah Glover John Malahias Nataly Zuniga

Special thanks to our program partners and sponsors:











#### Chamber hosts B2B Meet and Greet

In collaboration with Sampson Community College's Small Business Center, the Chamber hosted a "Business 2 Business" Meet and Greet for area entrepreneurs on March 28th. Cynthia Roberts (SBC Business Counselor) led the discussion. It was a productive meeting between established business owners and those just getting started. Good connections were made as questions were asked, advice was given, and support networks were created. B2B's are held on the 4th Thursday of every month. Follow the Sampson Community College Facebook page for more information.











### Secretary Marshall Visits Downtown Clinton Businesses Spreading Awareness About the Rural RISE NC Initiative











In Attendance for the Main Street Walk and Tour (Pictured):

Elaine Marshall -- NC Secretary of State
Matt Stone -- Chamber Executive Director
Marcus Becton -- Clinton Mayor Pro Tem
Elaine Hunt -- Clinton City Clerk
Joyce Owen -- Matthews Gifts
Grace Ho Yang -- Ho Yang Fine Arts
Audrea Matthis -- Burney's Sweets and
More



The Rink **TAP Barricade and Fencing** 12:03 am Farm T&T Grill on Wheels **DeVine Designs Floral and Gifts** MedicalTraining.Me Jim and Bonnie Matthews **Matthis Law Firm SEB Solutions NC MARS Thrifty Kids and More** 



# 2024 Clinton City Schools Showcase Expo

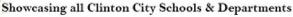


Dark Horse Stadium





5:00 PM-7:30 PM



- Student Performances
- School/Grade Level/Department Resources
- Food Trucks

# **Ho Yang Fine Art**

Art Exhibition, artist, Grace W. Ho

Tues. April 16 - Thur. August 15, 2024



121 Vance Street Downtown Clinton, NC







www.hoyangfineart.com @121vancest

Ho Yang Fine Art, LLC Grace & Ken, owners/partners

\*new\* original artworks signed







# PANCAKE BREAKFAST

\$8

Come out to Hwy 55 to support U Care, Inc and have a delicious pancake and sausage breakfast. Plates are dine in or to go.



Donations welcome!

27 APRIL 2024

7 to 9 a.m.







201 W Railroad St, Clinton

For Details Contact -- 910.596.0931

# Contact the YMCA for More Information

910.490.1311

417 E Johnson St Clinton, NC 28328



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## MEDIA RELEASE

Sampson Convenient Care Announces New Changes for the Community

#### FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Clinton, NC, April 10, 2024: Sampson Convenient Care is pleased to announce significant enhancements to its services, aimed at better serving the healthcare needs of the community. Effective immediately, Sampson Convenient Care will extend its operating hours until 8 pm, Monday through Friday.

This extension of hours reflects Sampson Convenient Care's commitment to accessibility and convenience for patients, allowing individuals and families greater flexibility in accessing high-quality healthcare services. "We understand that our patients lead busy lives, and we want to make it as convenient as possible for them to access the care they need," said Lynn Alexander, Director of Sampson Professional Services. Whether it's a routine check-up or an urgent medical concern, the extended hours ensure that patients receive timely care at their convenience. Accepting both appointments and walk-in services, Sampson Convenient Care offers care that fits your schedule.

In addition to the extended hours, Sampson Convenient Care is excited to introduce a new healthcare provider to its team. Abigail LaMarca, a skilled physician assistant, will join Dr. Henry Curry in providing comprehensive care for patients of all ages.

Abigail LaMarca brings a wealth of experience and expertise to Sampson Convenient Care, embodying the commitment to excellence and patient-centered care the practice is known for. Together with Dr. Henry Curry, she will work to ensure that every patient receives the personalized attention and top-notch medical care they deserve.

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE MORE

"We are thrilled to extend our hours and welcome Abigail LaMarca to our team," added Alexander. "These enhancements are a testament to our dedication to providing accessible, high-quality healthcare services to the community."

Patients can schedule appointments with Dr. Henry Curry and Abigail LaMarca for a wide range of healthcare needs. Offering full-spectrum primary care for the entire family, from newborns to adults, Sampson Convenient Care provides flexible treatment through both scheduled appointments and walk-in availability, including preventive care, acute illnesses, chronic disease management, and more.

For more information or to schedule an appointment, please contact Sampson Convenient Care at 910-592-9113.

Primary care services include but are not limited to:

- routine check-ups
- physicals
- immunizations
- chronic disease screenings and management
- acute medical care

Convenient Care + Walk-In services include but are not limited to:

- fever
- · upset stomach (vomiting, nausea, diarrhea)
- flu-like symptoms
- earache
- bronchitis
- · upper respiratory infection
- minor lacerations and stitches
- sprains and minor fractures
- mild to moderate burns
- rashes and minor allergic reactions
- painful or burning urination

Sampson Convenient Care is located at 1004 Beaman Street, Clinton, NC 28328.



Pictured Left to Right: Dr. Henry Curry and Abigail LaMarca, PA