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WAYNE COUNTY INDUSTRIES TO BE HONORED

Goldsboro, NC - Wayne County is gearing up for its annual celebration of local industries. "Wayne County Industry Celebration Week" is scheduled for October 26 – 29, 2009. The Wayne County Development Alliance Inc. hosts the industry celebration each year to thank the more than 50 major manufacturers, distributors, wholesalers and machine shops in the county. In addition to the representatives from local businesses and industries, other guests will include officials from the N.C. Department of Commerce, utility companies, local and state elected officials, and community leaders. Kicking off the event on Monday, Oct. 26, is a golf tournament at Goldsboro Municipal Golf Course, followed by a reception where prizes for the best golf teams will be awarded. On Wednesday, Oct. 28, civic, community and business leaders will have the opportunity to tour Seymour Johnson Air Force Base. The tour includes a briefing on current and future construction projects that impact Wayne County, a flight line tour, and a unique opportunity to see the F-15E Strike Eagle and its munitions.

"Seymour Johnson Air Force base has a significant economic impact on Wayne County," said Mike Haney, WCDA VP/Existing Industry Specialist. "Being able to see firsthand the ins and outs of military operations and a day in the life of a military member will be a truly unique and memorable experience."

The celebration will culminate with a reception, dinner and awards ceremony on Thursday, October 29 at Walnut Creek Country Club. The year's top industry will be named at the reception, as voted on by past recipients.



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“We look forward to this event every year, but this year’s appreciation takes on a special meaning in light of the economic turbulence of the past year,” says Joanna Helms, WCDA President. “The Development Alliance understands the importance of local industry and its impact on overall economic stability. We are truly grateful for the strong economic base that exists here in Wayne County.”

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