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**Lancaster County Fire Commission Meeting Agenda for April 2, 2026**

The Lancaster County Fire Commission will hold a meeting on Thursday, April 2, 2026, at 7:00 p.m. at the Lancaster County Emergency Operations Center (EOC) located at 111 Covenant Place, Lancaster, SC 29720.

A copy of the agenda is posted in the lobby of the County Administration building and on our website. To view the meeting agenda, please copy and paste the link below:

<https://lancastercsc.portal.civicclerk.com/event/876/files/agenda/2474>

**Wild Game Dinner**  
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County, Palmetto Citizens Federal Credit Union, and MediSave Pharmacy joined as Elite Sponsors. These community leaders were accompanied by numerous new and returning sponsors across the Midlands as Deluxe and Rotarian Sponsors, making this year's event once again truly remarkable.

Haile Street Grill and B. Colson's delighted attendees with an incredible selection of sliced venison tenderloins, wild boar loin medallions, sweet Italian venison sausage, spicy wild boar sausage, including pulled smoked wild boar, smoked marinated quail, pheasant bog, fried catfish nuggets, and more. The dedicated members and friends locally harvested all wild game.

Beyond the delicious meal, guests enjoyed an exciting night of live and silent auctions, raffles featuring local and international vacation package experiences, grills, coolers, artwork by talented local artists, wine, gift cards from area businesses and restaurants, rare bourbons, and much more.

"We are incredibly grateful to our sponsors, donors, and the entire community for their unwavering support," said Chip Hardy, the Wild Game Dinner committee chairman. "Their generosity, along with the hard work of our committee members and volunteers, enables us to award more scholarships each year. This event embodies the Rotary motto of 'Service Above Self.'"

Follow us on Facebook and Instagram for updates and future events. For questions or media inquiries, please contact Chip Hardy at 803-261-3402.

About Rotary Club of Camden, SC

### Pistol Found in Student's Bookbag at Harrisburg Elementary

A loaded .380 caliber pistol was found in the bookbag of a kindergartener at Harrisburg Elementary School today, Wednesday, March 25, 2026. As students were packing their things for dismissal, a teacher helping the five-year-old student noticed a knife in his bookbag. Administration was called, and the school resource officer searched the book-



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bag and found the knife along with the pistol. Both were seized. The student's parents were notified and responded to the school. The incident is under investigation by the Lancaster County Sheriff's Office, but so far no information has been developed that the student knew the knife and the pistol were in the bookbag or brought them to school with the intent to present them or use them in a hostile manner toward anyone present. The sheriff's investigation is focused on who owns the knife and the pistol and who put them into the bookbag, when, and why. No other information on this incident

is available at this time.

"This was an alarming incident, and I am thankful no one was harmed intentionally or accidentally by these weapons," said Sheriff Barry Faile. "We will investigate this incident thoroughly to find out how this occurred and will take appropriate action as the results of the investigation indicate."

Update March 26, 2026

An arrest has been made in connection with the knife and the pistol found in the kin-

dergarten student's bookbag at Harrisburg Elementary School. Alexander Storm Savarese, 29, of Indian Land, was arrested mid-day today, Thursday, March 26, 2026, after he voluntarily met with a sheriff's office investigator at the Indian Land Substation to discuss the incident. Savarese is charged with one count of Unlawful Conduct Toward a Child, a ten-year felony. The law covers conduct that places a child at an unreasonable risk of harm affecting the child's life, physical or mental health, or safety.

**Bookbag Pistol**  
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