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**Date:** Tue, Jan 5, 2016 at 2:53 PM  
**Subject:** Event for Rep. Neal Collins  
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**EVENT:** Event for Rep. Neal Collins

**DATE:** Tuesday, January 5, 2016

**TIME:** 5:30-7:00 PM

**LOCATION:** Pickens County Career & Technology Center, 990 Chastain Road, Liberty, S.C.

**LOCATION SET-UP:**

Open reception area in Technology Center  
No stage  
No mic

**SCHEDULING CONTACT:**

Rep. Neal Collins  
864-350-4175  
[collins.neal@gmail.com](mailto:collins.neal@gmail.com)

**ONSITE CONTACT:**

Ken Hitchcock

864-270-5087 (cell)

[kenhitchcock@pickens.k12.sc.us](mailto:kenhitchcock@pickens.k12.sc.us)

Principal of Pickens County Career & Technology Center

Pickens County Sheriff Rick Clark

864-506-1519 (cell)

[rclark@co.pickens.sc.us](mailto:rclark@co.pickens.sc.us)

Rep. Neal Collins

864-350-4175

**STAFF ATTENDING :**

Tim Pearson

Katherine Veldran

Haley Mottel

Note: Rep. Ballentine will be riding with the group to and from the event.

**PURPOSE:** To meet with constituents and offer support for Rep. Collins at a reception for sponsors and hosts which includes a meet and greet with Gov. Haley. Gov. Haley can address her workforce initiatives and workforce development.

**EVENT INFORMATION:**

Reception honoring Rep. Neal Collins with special guest Gov. Nikki Haley.

Host (\$1,000) & Sponsor (\$500) Reception 5:30-6:00pm. Hosts & Sponsors will be recognized at the reception.

General Reception 6:00-7:00pm is free. Food and entertainment will be provided at the general reception. Children are welcome.

**PRESS:** Yes – Greenville News and Easley Progress have confirmed

**PUBLIC:** Yes - by registration

**INVITED BY:** Rep. Neal Collins

**INTRODUCED BY:** Rep. Neal Collins

**LENGTH OF SPEAKING:** 5-10 minutes

**SPEAKING ORDER/LINE-BY-LINE:**

5:30-6:15 PM Private reception

6:15 PM Neal welcomes, thanks attendees, introduces sponsors/elected officials, introduces Gov. Haley

6:25 PM Gov. Haley speaks

6:35 PM (surprise if possible) \*\*If it happens, the surprise will be that Ella Hennessee (6th grader) will sing a Joan Jett song for the governor.

Gives 15-20 minutes to get out the door with no later than 7:00 PM departure

#### **VOTING BACKGROUND:**

- 2014 Chairman of the House Freshmen Caucus and has helped with communications to the Freshman Caucus and disseminating information from our office.
- Supports ethics reform
- Fought against the bond bill
- Voted for appointment of the Superintendent of Education
- Publicly supported our roads plan. He was designated as the back-up “plan b” to put up an amendment during the roads debate that would make the bill revenue neutral. He worked closely with Quinn, Stringer, and our strong coalition during the debate.
- He held a live town hall on Facebook to explain the different roads plans and answer questions speaking favorably of our side.
- Stood with us in press conference to use \$400M to pay down debt, pay to roads, or return to taxpayers.
- Voted to take down the flag.
- Note: He was not in office for the legislative pay raise vote
- Note: He did not vote for our Work Force plan. Stated that he wanted that money to be spent on roads.

**OPPONENT** : Currently, Rep. Collins does not have a formal opponent. It has been stated publicly (to many sources) that Rick Tate will be running against Rep. Collins based on his support of the Governor’s road proposal and that an infrastructure bill was not passed last session. Tate has also publicly attacked Rep. Collins for his support for taking the flag down. Rep. Collins defeated Rick Tate in the 2014 Primary.

**AMOUNT RAISED:** \$6,444.16

**ATTENDEES:** 150 registered

#### **PICKENS COUNTY LEGISLATIVE DELEGATION:**

Sen. Larry Martin

Rep. David Hiott

Rep. Gary Clary

Also-

Rep. Justin Bamberg

Rep. Dan Hamilton

Rep. Joshua Putman

Rep. Nathan Ballentine

Rep. Phil Owens (Retired)

First Name	Last Name	Tickets
<b>PRIVATE RECEPTION</b>		
Terry	Ballenger	2
Rep. Justin	Bamberg	1
Dan	Bracken	2
Mary	Clardy	1
William	Clardy	1
Sheriff Rick	Clark	2
Judge Gary	Clary	2
J Baker	Cleveland III	1
Jack	Collins	1
Sid	Collins	3
Christi Leigh	Corbett	1
Clay	Counts	1
Charles	Dalton	2
Betty	Garrison	1
Jim	Garrison	1
Bill	Griese	1
Joanna	Griese	1
Rep. Dan	Hamilton	1
Les	Hendricks	1
Zachary	Hinton	2
Rep. Davey	Hiott	2
David	Hughes	1
Rebecca	Hughes	1
Natasha	Kadosh	2
Kevin	Kay	2
Andrea	Kelly	1
Grayson	Kelly	1

Lisa	Kerle	1
Sen. Larry	Martin	2
Dr Danny	Merck	2
Chris	Nicholson	1
Tom	O'Hanlan	1
Rep. Phil	Owens	2
Rep. Joshua	Putnam	1
Harley	Staton	1
Amit	Toprani	1
Sonia	Toprani	1
<b>GENERAL RECEPTION</b>		
Tammy	Aiken-Clark	2
Denni	Alexander	2
Dr. Stewart	Bauknight	2
Amber	Bedenbaugh	1
Ed	Bedenbaugh	1
Suzanne	Bixby	2
Meta	Bowers	1
Jeannie	Brown	2
Tammy	Brown	1
Tonya	Bryant	2
Amity	Buckner	3
Melanie	Callahan	1
Marlene	Chapman	2
Heather	Cirincione	1
Lynne	Clayton	1
Ashleigh	Coker	1
Lori Jo	Cooper	1
Westley	Cox	1
John	DeWorken	1
Councilman Kent	Dykes	1
Anna Hitt	Esuary	1
Maegan	Garner	1
Roni	Garner-Carlson	1
Susan	Garmendia	1
Councilman Brian	Garrison	2
Terry	Garrison	1
Grady	Gaston	1

Mary	Gaston	1
Roddey	Gettys	1
Rachel	Grimsley	1
Jay	Hagood	1
Ronny	Hall	1
Sunnie	Harmon	1
Ella	Hennessee	1
Russ	Hennessee	1
Sondra	Hennessee	1
Angela	Holladay	3
Adam	Lambert	2
Sean	Lane	1
Terry	Lovell	1
Barbara	Marcy	1
Edward	Martin	2
Dwayne	McClure	1
David	McCraw	1
Rene	Medlin	1
Councilman Terry	Moore	2
Derryl	Mullikin	2
Meg	Newhall	1
Laura	Nowell	1
Bryan	Owens	1
John	Parnell	2
Jimmy	Peacock	1
Mary	Rogers	1
Tosha	Rollins	4
Dr. Peter	Schriver	2
Jim	Shelton	1
Patsy	Smith	2
Faith	St. Claire	2
Jon	Strickland	1
Rick	Stroud	2
Michael	Swindell	1
Melissa	Tackett	1
Tracy	Todd	1
Selena	Valdizon	1
George	Whelchel	2
David	Whittemore	3

Karen	Wingo	1
		<b>145</b>
<b>MEDIA</b>		
Ron	Barnett	
David	Moody	
Kasie	Strickland	