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## **NCOCG News**

### **JOIN US FOR SUNSHINE DAY MARCH 11**

Please join us for Sunshine Day from noon to 4 p.m. Monday, March 11 at the McKimmon Center on the N.C. State University campus. Speakers will include veteran journalists from North Carolina and more than a dozen experts and advocates for open government, including our keynote speaker Lucy Dalglish, the dean of the Philip Merrill College of Journalism at the University of Maryland. We encourage citizens, journalists, government employees, librarians, lawyers, public officials, anyone and everyone to attend.

The cost is \$30, and it includes lunch. The student fee is \$18. You may also sponsor a table at the event. A full table (8 seats) is \$400, and half a table is \$250.

The registration form and full schedule is attached to this email. It can also be downloaded at <http://ncopengov.org>. You're also welcome to register for the conference online at <http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/9LMZ8BM>. If you have any questions, contact us at [ncopengov@elon.edu](mailto:ncopengov@elon.edu).

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### **New Hanover resident survey results**

*Wilmington Star-News*: New Hanover county officials are not planning to release the results of the 2012 end-of-the-year resident survey regarding to local government policies and operations.

Read more about the survey results:  
<http://www.elon.edu/e-net/Note.aspx?id=964210>

### **Gatson commissioner wants gun permits private**

*Charlotte Observer*: Gaston County commissioner Tracy Philbeck believes gun permits should not be released as public records.

Read more about Commissioner Tracy Philbeck's opinion on gun permits as public records:  
<http://www.elon.edu/e-net/Note.aspx?id=964053> AND <http://www.elon.edu/e-net/Note.aspx?id=964052>

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COHASSET EDITORIAL: Open Government <http://shar.es/YaYMJ> via [@sharethis](https://twitter.com/sharethis) [#opengov](https://twitter.com/ncopengov) [Feb. 5, 2013]

Open Government Requires Usefulness Not Just Data  
<http://www.fiercegovernmentit.com/story/open-government-requires-usefulness-not-just-data/2013-01-30> ... [#opengov](https://twitter.com/ncopengov) [Jan. 31, 2013]

News & Record: N.C. Rep. Brandon to Hold Public Meetings <http://www.news-record.com/home/639853-63/nc-rep-brandon-to-hold> ... [#NorthCarolina](https://twitter.com/ncopengov) [#publicmeetings](https://twitter.com/ncopengov) [Jan. 28, 2013]

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