SSCC to host annual Women's Tea on March 13

Southern State Community College will celebrate National Women's History Month with its annual Women's Tea planned for 2-4 p.m. Wednesday, March 13, in the Appalachian Gateway Center on the college's South Campus, 12681 U.S. Route 62, Fincastle. This event is free and open to the public; refreshments will be provided.

National Women's History Month provides an opportunity to share the significant role of women in American history and contemporary society, and to recognize women who have been instrumental in their respective communities.

Guest speaker for this year's event will be Dr. Doris Charles who will address breaking through the gender barrier in the medical field. The 2013 Women's Tea will honor Becky Cropper for her work with the OSU Extension Office and the Gear Up program.

Both women exemplify the 2013 theme: Women Inspiring Innovation Through Imagination: Celebrating Women in Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM).

"I think this year's tea will be an inspiration to young women considering a STEM field as their life's work," said Carissa Thatcher, event coordinator. "This will truly be a memorable experience."

For more information, please contact Carissa Thatcher at 1-800-628-7722, ext. 3681, or <u>cthatcher@sscc.edu</u>.