THE EXPRESS • February 20, 2019 • Page 2 **High School Selection Important Dates for Anson Students**

Anson County Schools has released this information about key dates for high school selection:

- February 26 Parent Forum Superintendent and Administrators will explain the high school application process and provide information about each of the high school choices. Anson Middle School Gymnasium, 6-7 p.m. Audience: Parents/guardians and 8th grade students.
- February 27 Counselors Visit AMS Counselors from each high school will give a presentation, then do a question & answer. They will provide information about each of the high school choices. Anson Middle
- School. Audience: 8th grade students. • February 28 Open House At Anson High School and Anson County Early College, 4:30-6:30 p.m.
- Audience: Parents/guardians and 8th grade students. • March 1 Writing Prompts Students will complete the essay portion of applications during their ELA classes.
- March 5 Applications distributed to students
- · March 15 Completed high school applications turned into AMS or Central Office by 3:30 p.m.

Letter to the Editor

Traveler Thankful for Honesty in Wadesboro

Dear Editor,

On Friday, February 15 my sister and I were traveling from Charlotte to Laurinburg. We stopped in Wadesboro at Bojangles to have lunch. After lunch we headed to Laurinburg. Thirty miles down the road my sister realized she had left her pocketbook at the restaurant.

We made a quick u-turn and headed back to Bojangles. You can't imagine her relief, her gratitude and her thankfulness that her pocketbook had been turned in to the restaurant manager completely intact.

We don't know who our angel was, but we would like to thank that person and for him or her to know how much we appreciate their honesty. It has certainly proven that good people with integrity do still exist and has reminded us to have faith in the innate goodness of mankind.

Meriwether L. Maynard

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Wadesboro Fire Department Spring Raffle

The Wadesboro Fire Department is holding a Spring Raffle with four great prizes.

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an Open Speaker Meeting.

Tickets are \$10 each and may be purchased from any Wadesboro Firefighter or at the Wadesboro Fire Department. The drawing is scheduled for May 6, 2019, and you need not be present to win. For more information call 704-694-2167 ext. 1.

Anson County 12 Step Recovery Meeting Schedules

The Anson County 12 Step Recovery Meeting Schedule has changed to better serve the people of Anson County. The diseases of Alcoholism and Addiction are mighty and consume many peoples' lives each year. It affects the whole family and everyone suffers. Many people in Anson County may not know that there are support groups available

right here close to home. Alcoholics Anonymous has been meeting continuously in Anson County for over 70 years; Narcotics Anonymous has been meeting here off and on for several years; Chemically Dependent Anonymous has been meeting here for several years, and is one of only three registered groups in the state of North Carolina; Al-Anon Family Groups has been meeting here off and on for over 40 years! Recovery has strong roots here in Anson County, and they look forward to

continuing to help, support and carry the message of recovery into the future. There is hope for every alcoholic and addict who wants help. Participants are all living proof! Alcoholics Anonymous (AA) The Anson AA Group meets on the following schedule: • Mondays at 8 p.m. for an Open Discussion Meeting, Except every 1st Monday is

Thursdays at 8 p.m.m for an Open Discussion Meeting.

Alcoholics Anonymous is an international fellowship of men and women who have had a drinking problem. It is nonprofessional, self-supporting, multiracial, apolitical, and available almost everywhere. There are no age or education requirements. Membership is open to anyone who wants to do something about his or her drinking problem.

Chemically Dependent Anonymous (CDA) The We Ain't Saint's CDA Group meets: Thursdays at 7 p.m. for an Open Discussion Meeting.

Chemically Dependent Anonymous is a 12-step fellowship for anyone seeking freedom from drug and alcohol addiction. We of CDA do not make distinctions in the recovery process based on any particular substance. The basis of our program is abstinence from all mood-changing and mind-altering chemicals, including street-type drugs, alcohol and unnecessary medication.

The primary purpose of CDA as a whole is to remain clean and to help others like us gain recovery. By sharing our Experience, Strength and Hope with each other, we solve our common problem and help others recover from chemical dependence

which has made our lives unmanageable. CDA is not affiliated with any political, religious, or commercial organizations or institutions. CDA remains grateful to the co-founders and fellowship of Alcoholics Anonymous for the Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions which are the basis of our program.

• Fridays at 8 p.m. for an Open Discussion Meeting.

NA is a nonprofit fellowship or society of men and women for whom drugs had become a major problem. We are recovering addicts who meet regularly to help each other stay clean. This is a program of complete abstinence from all drugs.

Narcotics Anonymous (NA) The Surrendering For Survival NA Group meets:

Al-Anon Family Groups The Anson Al-Anon Family Groups meets:

• Thursdays at 8 p.m. for an Open Discussion Meeting!

The Al-Anon Family Groups are a fellowship of relatives and friends of alcoholics who share their experience, strength, and hope in order to solve their common problems.

We believe alcoholism is a family illness and that changed attitudes can aid recovery. Al-Anon is not allied with any sect, denomination, political entity, organization, or institution; does not engage in any controversy; neither endorses nor opposes any cause. There are no dues for membership. Al-Anon is self-supporting through its own voluntary contributions.

Al-Anon has but one purpose: to help families of alcoholics. We do this by practicing the Twelve Steps, by welcoming and giving comfort to families of alcoholics, and by

giving understanding and encouragement to the alcoholic. All meetings of AA, CDA, NA and Al-Anon take place at the Anson County AA Building, located at 2177 Country Club Road in Wadesboro, across from the Anson County Emergency Center. All Meetings are non-smoking and handicap accessible.

The diseases of Alcoholism and Addiction do not discriminate! They affect people and family members of all ages and backgrounds. You are never too young, nor too old to be affected. If you need help, or if you are just curious about what AA, Al-Anon, CDA or NA is all about, please feel free to attend any of the meetings listed above.

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A request form must be filled out by your local fire department. The fire chief must identify a need for a deaf and hard of hearing alarm in their district. If one of these agencies identify someone who is deaf or cannot hear a smoke alarm with or without hearing devices, they can submit the request form. Requests are filled based on current inventory.

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