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**Barbershop Conversations: Fruitful African American Discussions on Empowerment (F.A.D.E.)**

After hosting two Front Porch Conversations (Deep Canvasses) in Wadesboro on February 26 and March 20 in partnership with the HOLLA! Center, the New Rural Project has returned to Wadesboro, launching a new partnership with Triad Barber School. New Rural Project (NRP)'s new program is Barbershop Conversations: Fruitful African American Discussions on Empowerment (F.A.D.E.) in partnership with Triad Barber School of Anson County and program chair Garrett Snuggs. This four-part series began on March 26. Subsequent programs will be held from 4:30 to 6 p.m. on April 2, April 9, and April 23, where barbershop talk meets civic engagement. F.A.D.E. will bring local community leaders, entrepreneurs and elected officials together with young Black men (ages 18-40) from Anson County to discuss issues most important to them. Some of the topics for discussion include entrepreneurship, jobs & wages, the justice system, voting, civic engagement, and more.

"I believe that it is time for young Black men to be heard. The first step is having conversations with them in a comfortable familiar space, like the barbershop. When New Rural Project invited me to chair this series, I knew that the Triad Barber School of Anson County had to be involved," said Snuggs, owner of Triad Barber School.

NRP is a nonpartisan organization that engages young and marginalized residents in rural communities to amplify their voices through increased civic and electoral engagement. NRP works to eliminate barriers to engagement by listening to rural stakeholders and working together to develop community-driven solutions.

For more information please contact Alexa Roberts at (910) 802-0188 or alexa@newruralproject.org. To register as a young participant in F.A.D.E., please sign up at www.mobilize.us/newruralproject/event/446030.

To learn more about the New Rural Project you can visit www.newruralproject.org.

**Sandhills Center Family Support Programs for April**

**• April 14: Parents, Foster Parents and Caregivers Support Group meeting** will be held from 5:30-7:00 pm via WebEx. It is a support group for families of children with emotional, learning or behavioral challenges. Suzanne Maness will be the facilitator. For more info or to register, call (910) 627-1769 or email connectionsfsp@gmail.com. Registration deadline is April 12, 2022.

**• April 15: Five County System of Care (SOC) Community Collaborative meeting** will be held from 9:30-11:30 am via WebEx. System of Care is a network of community-based services and supports that are organized to meet the challenges of children and youth with serious mental health needs and their families. The System of Care Collaborative brings together the perspectives of families, youth, providers, child and family services, community members and other stakeholders. The SOC Collaborative meeting provides networking opportunities and time for working in partnership with public and private organizations so services and support are effective, build on the strengths of individuals, and address each person's cultural and linguistic needs. The Five County SOC Community Collaborative includes the following counties: Hoke, Moore, Richmond, Anson and Montgomery. The meeting is held monthly on the 2nd Friday at 9:30 am. If you'd like to receive the WebEx link, contact Suzanne Maness at (910) 627-1769 or email connectionsfsp@gmail.com.

**Webinars for April 2022** Please register with the Family Advocate for the webinar you would like to attend. Thank you!

**• April 13: Autism: Building on Strengths to Overcome Challenges webinar** will cover information on the four deficits of the Autism Spectrum: communication, social interaction, sensory behavior and thinking & learning. Participants will learn how these core deficits may trigger challenging behaviors and how to build on the child's strengths to overcome the challenges. This is a virtual meeting. The webinar is scheduled from 11:00 am - 12:30 pm. Contact LaMonica Mitchell, Family Support Advocate, at 1-919-215-7153 or email guilfordfspadvocate@gmail.com to register. The deadline for registration is Monday, April 11, 2022 at 5 P.M.

**• April 14: Empowered Parents-Empowered Kids webinar** will be held virtually from 1:00-2:00 pm. Rodney Poole, North Carolina ABC Commission will be the presenter. Certificate of attendance is available. To register, contact Shirlyn Morrison-Sims at search.family.support.program@gmail.com or 919-906-7103. Upon registration, a link to the web meeting will be sent.

**• April 20: Supporting Youth Mental Health and Suicide Prevention webinar** will be held virtually from 11:30 am - 12:30 pm. Jessi Matlock, MS, LCMHC, NCC the NCTSN Project Team Lead at the Kellin Foundation will be presenting. The objectives will be to provide an overview of common mental health and trauma concerns in youth while providing strategies to support youth that may be experiencing suicidal ideation. To register, contact Charmaine Ford at randmontadufsp@gmail.com or 336-870-3802. Upon registration, you will be sent the link to the webinar.

**• April 21: Autism and Mental Health Comorbidity webinar** will be held from 1:00-2:00 pm via WebEx. Courtney Chavis, Parent and Jenna Flynn, MSW, LCSW, NADD-DDS with Autism Society of NC will be the presenters. Contact Suzanne Maness for more info or to register, call (910) 627-1769 or email connectionsfsp@gmail.com. Registration deadline is April 19, 2022. \*See flyer attached.

**• April 26: Exploring Best Practices in Residential Care - Part 3 webinar** will include panelists who will resume the discussion on best practices in residential care, the factors that impact placement disruptions, and emphasize how systems can work together more effectively to improve the outcomes for children. Participants will have the opportunity to ask questions during the second part of this series. This will be a virtual meeting in a panel format. The webinar is scheduled from 10:00 - 11:30 am. Contact LaMonica Mitchell, Family Support Advocate, at 1-919-215-7153 or email guilfordfspadvocate@gmail.com to register. The deadline for registration is Monday, April 25, 2022 at 5 P.M.

**• April 27: Darkness to Light: Stewards of Children webinar** will be held from 10:00 am-12:30 pm. This is a prevention training about protecting children from sexual abuse. Coastal Horizons representatives will share this information on how to prevent, recognize, and react responsibly to Childhood Sexual Abuse. To register, contact Adrian Standish at leeharnettfsp@yahoo.com or 910-985-0126. Upon registration, you will be sent the link to the webinar.

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**APRIL 17**

**Easter Sunday Morning Sunrise Service**, 6:30am at Pleasant Hill AME Zion Church, located on Hwy 109 South in Wadesboro, with Rev. Boulware, Asst. Minister at Union Spring AME Zion Church in Monroe.

**ONGOING**

**Bible Class**  
At Lindsey Chapel FCOG every Wednesday, 7pm. Genesis to Revelations. Everyone invited

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Every Wednesday, 7pm at Tabernacle House of Praise

**Bible Study**  
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**Men's Prayer Breakfast**  
Every second Saturday at 9am at Garris Grove MBC

**Prayer Line**  
Tuesdays, 6:30-8pm at Expected End Ministries, 704-695-1842

**Events**

**APRIL 2**

**Family Yard Sale**  
In support of Anna Hammonds Gillespie Fundraiser: Walk for MS (Multiple Sclerosis). 8am to 1pm at 13015 Hwy 742 North, Polkton, in the Burnsville Community. Clothing, furniture, toys & much more! Baked goods. Would you like to donate items or funds? Please contact Olivia Edwards 704-826-6212 or godwinsb1@yahoo.com.

**APRIL 5**

**Board of Commissioners Meet** 6pm in Board Room, Suite 209, in Government Center, 101 S Greene St in uptown Wadesboro. This is the regular monthly meeting. Meeting available online at youtube.com, search for Anson Commissioners. To appear, sign up prior to meeting. Info 704-994-3201.

**APRIL 11 - MAY 4**

**A Matter of Balance**  
Free class to reduce the fear of falling & increase activity levels of older adults. Mondays & Wednesdays, 2-4pm at Grace Senior Center. Info & register 704-694-6616

**ONGOING EVENTS**

**Direct and Counter Cyclical Program Sign-ups**  
Call the Farm Service Agency Office at 704-694-3516 ext. 2 to complete eligibility forms

**Writers' Club Meets** Fourth Sunday each month at First Presbyterian Church in Wadesboro, 3pm (except July & Dec). Open to public, new members of all ages invited. Info 704-694-5211 or sandybruney@gmail.com

**Free Pregnancy Test And Ultrasound.** Call HOPE Pregnancy Resource Center to schedule 704-690-6689

**After School Program Kid's Cafe** Mon-Fri from 2:30-5:30p.m. at the Burnsville Recreation & Learning Center, 704-826-8737

**Lions Club Welcomes New Members** The Wadesboro Lions Club meets at Papa Joes Restaurant the 2nd & 4th Thursday each month at 6:30pm For more info or to purchase a broom please call Jim Chandler 910-571-1448

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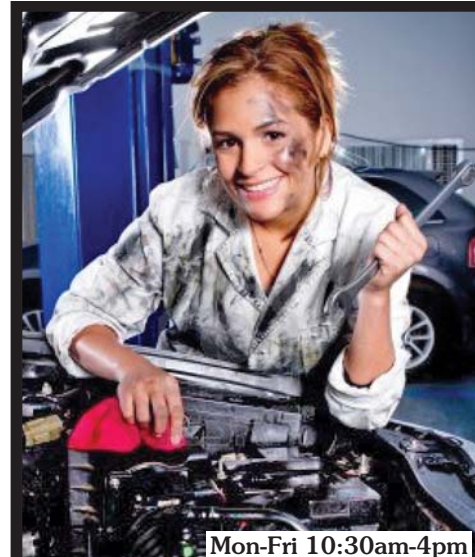
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For a national perspective, visit the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention website at [www.cdc.gov](http://www.cdc.gov).

For a world-wide perspective, visit the World Health Organization website at [www.who.int](http://www.who.int).



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