Mike Causey wants to ensure children in North Carolina stay safe now and throughout the summer. With the end of the school year quickly approaching, more children will be enjoying the warmer temperatures and be out on the playground. Commissioner Causey wants to emphasize proper preparation is key to preventing injuries.

"Children learn by doing," said Commissioner Causey. "Playing is essential for a child's happiness and development. It is imperative education is in place so a child learns how to play safely.' According to Safest Playground, a national program for

playground safety, every year more than 200,000 children in the U.S. suffer injuries on the playground that result in an emergency room visit. Four out of five of these injuries include falls that result in severe fractures, internal injuries, concussions, dislocations and amputations. Children not only experience severe injuries but also die from playground equipment-related deaths. Each year, approximately 15 children die playing on playgrounds

Safe Kids: Playground Safety Awareness Week runs April 23 to 27.

This annual event is a reminder to parents, grandparents, caregivers, teachers, camp counselors, and others that children are vulnerable to playground-related injuries and fatalities. To keep your child safe on the playground, Insurance Commissioner Causey asks that you remember these five safety tips:

Actively supervise children on playgrounds.
Check playgrounds where your children play. Look for

hazards, such as rusted or broken equipment and dangerous surfaces. Report any hazards to the school or appropriate local office. Teach children that pushing, shoving or crowding while on the playground can be dangerous.

 Dress appropriately for the playground. Remove necklaces, purses, scarves or clothing with drawstrings that can get caught on equipment and pose a strangulation hazard. Even helmets can be dangerous on a playground, so save those for bikes.

 Younger children can play differently than older children. It is important to have a separate play area for children under 5. About Safe Kids North Carolina. Safe Kids North

Carolina is dedicated to preventing childhood injury, the number one cause of death for children in North Carolina. For more information contact Shannon Bullock, Director of NC Safe Kids, at 919.647.0081 or Shannon.Bullock@ncdoi.gov.

## Jazz at the Theatre on the Green

The Cheraw Arts Commission will present a jazz concert at the Theatre on the Green on Friday, April 27 during Jazz Appreciation Month. The evening performance "Celebrating America's Art Form" will feature saxophonist Robert Gardiner and regional musicians. Cheraw native Dr. Robert A. Gardiner is a Professor of

Music at Lander University. Joining him for the performance will be Bert Ligon on piano and guitar, Sam Edwards on bass, vocalist Kristi Kirk Hood and drummer Kobie Watson. The performance begins at 7 p.m. at the Theatre on

the Green in Cheraw. \$5 tickets are now available at the Cheraw Community Center- 200 Powe Street. Students up to age 18 will be admitted at no charge. Contact the Cheraw Arts Commission  $843.537.8\overline{4}20 \times 12$ for additional information

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## Church News

**APRIL 25 - 27 Spring Youth Revival** At Divine Unity House of Restoration Ministries. Wed-Pastor Greg Tillman, Thu-Min Tim Marshall, Fri-Min Savanna Bennett, all at 7:30pm. All are invited

APRIL 27

Deacon Appreciation Service at New Jerusalem Holiness Church, 3:30pm with Min Edward Walkin

APRIL 28 King & Queen Pageant

At Fairview COG, 4pm Gospel Singing Program At Parsons Grove MBC,

APRIL 29 Missionary Program At New Hope Christian

Faith Church in Ansonville,

2:30pm w/Pastor Eddie Lee. All are invited Men's Day Service

At Morning Star Redeemed COG, 3pm w/Rev Rodney Evans

MAY 3, 4 & 6 Revival At Holy Temple Church. Thu-Elder Wilson, Fri-Rev

J. Dockery, both at 7pm.

Sun-Bishop Bradley at

**MAY 4** 

Mother's Day Extravaganza at Church of

God of Prophecy in Morven w/Evangelist Brenda Pratt & Destined, the Dowdy Boys, the Harmonizing Disciples, N-2 Him, Caraway Praise, Emcee Amanda Little & more! \$5 at door, kids under 10 free. Food! Doors open 6. Info 704-475-5199

Candlelight Service At Parsons Grove Baptist

Church, 7pm with Evangelist Emma Curry <u>MAY 5</u> May Day Fest

At Johnson Chapel Holi-

ness Church, 11am until. Fellowship, food & fun! All are invited

<u>MAY 6</u> 5th Appreciation Service for Elder Pearl

Notice of Primary Election for Anson County, North Carolina The General Election will be held on Tuesday, May 8<sup>th</sup>, 2018. The polls will be open for voting on Election Day from 6:30am to 7:30pm.

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9145 US HWY 52 N, ANSONVILLE

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MORVEN-MCFARLAN FIRE DEPT

35 E PASSAIC ST, PEACHLAND

Taylor, 3pm with Pastor Sandra Ellerbe. All are in-Missionary Department

Annual Celebration at Harris Chapel AME Zion, 2:30pm w/Rev James Moore

<u>MAY 6 - 8</u> Youth Revival At Fairview COG. Sun-Pas-

tor Donnie Bennett at 2:30pm. Mon & Tue Pastor James Ledbetter at 7pm

**MAY 13** 

Women's Day Service At Greater St Mark COD, 11:30am with Elder Mahalia Williams. All women & girls asked to wear all white

**MAY 19** Rainbow Tea

At West Rocky Ford MBC,

3pm with Evangelist Mary

Parker, Associate Minister of Cleft of the Rock in Rockingham. All are invited Leadership Workshop Part III at Divine Unity House of Restoration Ministries. Theme is 'We Are a Team in 2018.' Lunch servered. All congretations invited

Rainbow Tea New Hope Christian Faith

Church, event held at Norwooe Community Bldg in Norwood, 2:30pm. All are invited **MAY 20** 

**Usher Day** At Fairview COG, 3pm

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w/Bishop Drake Abraham **Church Anniversary** At New Hope Christian

Faith Church in Ansonville,

3pm with Pastor Cindy

Wiggins. All are invited Missionary Program At Ramsey's Chapel COG, 3pm with Elder Terry Lind-

**MAY 27 Church Anniversary** At Johnson Chapel Holi-

ness Church, 3pm with Pastor David Dickey. All are invited JUNE 3

Deacons & Trustee **Annual Day** at Parsons Grove MBC, 3pm with Rev Anthony Waymeyer

The Church Calendar is Brought to You by These Sponsors

THERE WILL NOT BE VOTING HELD AT THE BOARD OF ELECTIONS ON **ELECTION DAY** 

ALL ANSON COUNTY VOTERS CAN

VOTE EARLY AT THE BOARD OF ELECTION OFFICE AT 402 MORVEN

ROAD – WADESBORO, NC FROM APRIL 19-MAY 5<sup>TH</sup>, 2018.

\*\*IF YOU DO NOT

**VOTE AT THE** 

EARLY VOTING SITE – YOU WILL NEED TO GO TO YOUR REGULAR

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**ANSON COUNTY POLLING PLACES:** 

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WADESBORO 2-CHARLES RIDDLE STAFF DEVELOPMENT CENTER

5672 UNION CHURCH RD, PEACHLAND **Buffer Zone Notice:** All Election Day polling places and the One-stop

WHITE STORE-COMMUNITY BLDG

Any questions about registration, absentee ballots, voting locations, or other election matters may be answered by calling the: Anson County Board of Elections PO Box 768, Wadesboro, NC 28170

voting location will have signs posted to indicate a 50 foot buffer zone.

402 Morven Road Wadesboro, NC 28170 Phone: 704-994-3223 Fax: 704-694-2443

<u>§ 163-230.2.</u> To apply or Request an Absentee by Mail Ballot, a voter or near relative must complete the State Issued Absentee Request Form. Near Relatives as defined by statute: spouse, brother, sister, parent, grandparent, child, grandchild, mother-in-law, father-in-law, Daughter-in-law, son-in-law, stepparent, or stepchild

Anson County residents may register to vote by mail or in person at the Board of Elections Office. The deadline to register to vote on Election Day is FRIDAY APRIL 19<sup>TH</sup>, at 5:00 pm. If you are registered to vote in Anson County (and your name or address has not changed) you DO NOT need to register again to vote in this election. Voters who are not registered in the county by that deadline may register and vote during one stop early voting only, and will

document Absentee by Mail voting is available upon request from the Voter, a near relative or legal guardian. New State Law requires that all requests must be made on the official Absentee Ballot Request Form, which is available online. Application may be made in person at the Anson County Board of

documents that show the name and address of the voter: a current utility bill, bank statement, government check, paycheck, or other government

be required to provide documentation of their identity and residence: current and valid photo identification; or A copy of one of the following

Elections Office, or in writing to the Anson County Board of Elections at PO Box 768, Wadesboro, NC 28170. The deadline to apply for an Absentee by Mail ballot is 5:00pm, <u>TUESDAY MAY 1<sup>ST</sup>, 2018</u> One-stop EARLY VOTING be held: Thursday, APRIL 19<sup>TH</sup> – SATURDAY MAY 5<sup>TH</sup>, 2018 At THE ANSON COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS OFFICE LOCATED AT 402 MORVEN ROAD, WADESBORO NC. The hours of operation will be Monday through Friday 8:30 AM – 6:30 PM. and on Saturday

APRIL 28, 2018 FROM 8:30 AM -1:00 PM, AND Saturday MAY 5<sup>TH</sup>, 8:30 am -1:00 pm. There is no longer straight party voting allowed in NC.

Absentee meetings: The Anson County Board of Elections will meet to approve applications for absentee ballots for the November General Election at the Board of Elections office, 402 Morven Road Wadesboro, NC.; Pursuant to G.S. 163.230.1(c1). Other business may be transacted by the board at this time: TUESDAY APRIL 17 5:00 PM, TUESDAY APRIL 24 AT 5:00 PM, AND TUESDAY MAY 1<sup>ST</sup> AT 5:00 PM. Absentee by Mail ballots will be counted on MAY 8<sup>TH</sup> AT 2:00 PM. Results for Absentee Mail and One-Stop Early voting will be reported after polls close at 7:30pm. Overseas (UOCAVA) Ballots must be returned by the close of polls on election day (7:30 PM), or the covered voter shall submit the ballot for mailing, electronic transmission, or other authorized means of delivery not later than 12:01 A.M., at the place where the voter

completes the ballot, on the date of the election and the County Board receives the ballot the last business day before the County Canvass. Canvass Day meeting will be held in the Board of Elections Office on FRIDAY MAY 18<sup>TH</sup>, 2018 AT 11:00 AM.

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## Events

Medicare Seminar Entitled

'Welcome to Medicare' with info for those about to be eligible & who are already enrolled, 12 noon at Grace Senior Center. Free. Info & register 704-694-6616 **Board Meeting** 

Of Brown Creek Soil & Water Conservation District, 10am at BCSWCD office, 1758 Morven Rd in Wadesboro. Into 704-694-3516 APRIL 27

**Back Porch Stories** And Bluegrass Concert presented by. Anson Wrtiers' Club at the Ansonia Theatre, 7pm with Passin Thru Bluegrass Band, storytellers Azelea Bolton & Sam Pearsall,

and Master of Ceremonies J.A. Bolton. Tickets only \$7, kids under 10 free. Info 704-694-5211 **APRIL 28** Free Groceries for Families in Need at

Burnsville Recreation & Learning Center, 9-11am. Call 704-826-9. 8737 for eligibility info & details APRIL 29 **Artist Reception** At HOLLA Center, 229

Main St in Morven, 3-5pm, featuring work of

Shakeeka Watts, Denny Maloney, Michael Phillips, James Price & other local artists. Refreshments served APRIL 30 **Board of Education** 

Office

Regular Meeting in Administrative

Board Meeting Rm, 320 Camden Rd in Wades-boro. Closed Session 4:30pm, Open Session about 5:30pm <u>MAY 1</u>

**Board** of Commissioners Meet 6pm in Board

Room, Suite 209, in Government Center, 101 S Greene St in uptown Wadesboro. To appear, sign up prior to meeting. Info 704-994-3201

NC GS 163-33. (8) Notice shall be given by advertisement at least once weekly during the 20 day period in a newspaper having general circulation in the county. For More information contact: Elections Director Steve Adams Board Chair: Rochelle Williams Elections Office: 704-994-3223 or