

Parks & Rec Youth Football Registration

Anson County Parks & Recreation Youth Football Registration is open now and runs until Monday, August 6.

- Youth Flag Football 7 on 7 is available to all kids aged 6 & under
- Youth Flag Football 11 on 11 is available to all kids aged 8 & under
- Youth Tackle Football Division I is available to all kids aged 10 & under
- Youth Tackle Football Division II is available to all kids aged 12 & under

All programs are \$30 per person. A birth certificate and current sports physical are required. You may come to the Parks & Rec office, located at Little Park, 845 Airport Road in Wadesboro, Monday through Friday, from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information please contact Jeff Waisner at (704) 695-2550, Wendell Small at (704) 695- 2782 or WSmall@ansoncountync.gov, or Allen Jackson II at (704) 994-3027 or AJackson@ansoncountync.gov.

Lactation Coach Training Offered

Many mothers may have questions or concerns about breastfeeding their babies but do not have access to someone that can guide them. You are invited to come and learn lactation coach skills that will enable you to be a resource for mothers.

The Improving Community Outcomes for Maternal and Child Health (ICO4MCH) initiative is part of a statewide collaborative which includes a partnership with the Tobacco Prevention and Control Branch, the UNC-Chapel Hill Gillings School of Global Public Health's department of Maternal and Infant Health, Carolina Global Breastfeeding Institute as well as additional local and regional staff of the Division of Public Health. The initiative addresses three aims: (1) improve birth outcomes, (2) reduce infant mortality and (3) improve the health status of children ages birth to five.

In partnership with the Richmond County Health Department and the ICO4MCH initiative, N.C. Cooperative Extension-Richmond County Center invites you to register for the Lactation Coach Train the Trainer class on Friday, July 30, 2021 from 10:00 a.m.-1:30 p.m. at the Richmond County Cooperative Extension Office, located at 123 Caroline Street, Suite 100, Rockingham, NC. During the training, you will learn research based techniques for successful breastfeeding and receive the educational tools to teach others. The course will be taught by International Board Certified Lactation Consultant, Tammy W. McNeil. No prior experience is required. Additional topics discussed include, Maternal Mental Health and Postpartum Depression. A boxed lunch will be provided. A certificate from the UNC Lactation Program will be awarded upon completion.

For more information and to register contact: Cheri Bennett at 910-997-8255 or email at cheri_bennett@ncsu.edu.

Polkton FUN DAY

VENDORS RESERVE YOUR SPOT

Polkton Fun Day is now accepting vendor applications

The Town of Polkton will host its annual Polkton Fun Day on Saturday, October 23, from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. All interested vendors can pick up an application at:

Polkton Town Hall
35 West Polk Street
Polkton, NC 28135

For any questions regarding Polkton Fun Day, please call:

Jerricka Napier 704-272-7463

Remembering.....

By Ed McBride



1929 North Carolina Highway Patrol

I do remember, just slightly, when the North Carolina Highway Patrol was organized in 1929. Highway 52 was being paved, and the overhead bridge (located on the short stretch of Old 52 in Wadesboro) was built then also.

All the troopers did not have cars, only the "top brass." The others rode motorcycles. All of this was something new for North Carolina! After organizing and being sworn in, the different officers rode their motorcycles to their various assignments.

The first North Carolina patrolman fatality was here in Wadesboro. While on the way to his assignment in the mountains, Ira Thompson was killed when his motorcycle collided with a car that had failed to stop for the information and story was published in The Messenger and Intelligencer, a copy of which was given to retired trooper, Wallace Adcock. Wallace, in turn, carried the article to be placed in the NC Highway Patrol Museum.

In Spencer, NC, in the Transportation Museum, there is an early Ford patrol car on display along with many other items of interest.

My neighbor, Wallace Adcock, was sworn into the patrol in 1953, and retired in 1984. The photo above was taken the day he retired.

Many of the older officers who have served in Anson County are deceased or living in other areas. To my knowledge, officers Whitlock, Tant and Adcock all still live here in the county.

Sewer Service Along Highway 74 East to be Extended from Wade Manufacturing to McRae Road

The Anson County Economic Development Partnership reported that at the Anson County Commissioners meeting on July 6, the commissioners voted unanimously to extend an 8" sewer line east to McRae Avenue, the "mini mart" site.

John Marek, Executive Director of AnsonEDP said, "As you may recall, this was a project AEDC supported with a letter to the commissioners, as well as a development grant. The sewer extension will serve the renovated retail center at the corner of McRae Avenue and US 74, as well as the housing development immediately behind it. It will also open up opportunities for new development along the US 74 corridor, including retail, residential and industrial.

In addition to the practical advantages this sewer line represents, it is also a very public demonstration of Anson County's willingness to work with businesses that want to locate and expand here."



2021 Anson County Kids Expo

The Anson County Chamber of Commerce is excited to announce that the 3rd Annual Anson County Kids Expo will be held on Saturday, August 21. This event focuses on the next generation of entrepreneurs and business owners.

The event offers kids (grades K-12) an opportunity to create, develop and market a product or service that they are passionate about. Strictly for kids only, adults are not allowed to help sell or market the child's product or service. The event is not only a showcase for the children, but an opportunity to understand the elements of owning one's own business. The kid vendors will learn and use real life skills such as math, communication and creative thinking. Development and marketing of their product or service will have an impact on their sales at the event and offer them some insight into what it takes to own their own business.

Browse, shop and stay for the awards presentation as the Chamber acknowledges these notables: Most Original Business Idea, Highest Business Potential and Best Presentation/Creativity in each age group.

Winners will receive prizes as well as the opportunity to promote their business through the Anson County Chamber!

This event will be held on East Wade Street, between Washington Street and Lee Avenue. If your child will need help with set-up materials such as a tent, table, chairs - please contact the Chamber office at 704-694-4181. They want every child interested in participating to be afforded this opportunity. Please let the Chamber know how they can help so your child can apply!

For sponsorship or entry forms and more information visit ansoncountychamber.org/kids-expo.

Life Rolls On...from Tragedy to Triumph Webinar

A webinar presentation entitled Life Rolls On...from Tragedy to Triumph will be held on Thursday, July 22, from 1:00 to 2:00 p.m. via WebEx. Kandace Frye from Richmond County will be the presenter. She will share her inspiring story of struggles and victories after a car accident left her paralyzed from a spinal cord injury.

The webinar is sponsored by Connections: A Family Support Program of Sandhills Center in collaboration with North Carolina Families United.

Contact Suzanne Maness for more info or to register at connectionsfp@gmail.com or call (910) 627-1769. The registration deadline is July 19.



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