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Celebrate Anson County Agriculture this Weekend at Local Events

Anson Ag Fair & 4-H Youth Livestock Show

The annual youth livestock show and ag fair are scheduled for this Friday and Saturday, September 23 and 24. The 4-H Youth Livestock Show will be held at Circle G Arena in Lilesville, while the Anson Ag Fair will be at the Extension Center in Wadesboro.

Starting on Thursday, fair entries will be received at the Cooperative Extension Center on McLaurin Street, from 8:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. Judging will take place on Friday, with the show open to the public on Saturday.

Livestock weigh-in begins Friday afternoon with the goat show that evening. Heifers and lambs will be shown on Saturday. The weekend's festivities kick off at 6:00 p.m. on Friday.

Friday's schedule includes:

Goat Show Weigh-In, 4:00 to 5:30 p.m.

4-H Youth Goat Show, 6:00 p.m.

Saturday will include:

Heifer Show Check-In, 8:30 to 9:45 a.m.

4-H Youth Heifer Show, 10:00 a.m.

Lamb Weigh-In, 8:30 to 10:30 a.m.

4-H Youth Lamb Show, Immediately following Heifer Show

Food will be offered in the concession area at Circle G Arena in Lilesville by Little's Catering of Morven. They will be serving hot dogs, snacks and drinks.

Ag Fair viewing will be at the Extension Center in Wadesboro on Saturday, September 24 from 9:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. Celebrate Anson Agriculture t-shirts are on sale now for youth and adult sizes, \$6 and \$8, and will be on sale during the fair at the Extension office.

Come out and enjoy the fun this weekend. Celebrate agriculture in Anson!



TV Presenter Visits Burnsville Recreation & Learning Center Campers

Meteorologist John Ahrens from WSOC TV in Charlotte visited Burnsville Recreation & Learning Center. Ahrens presented information about the weather, such as how different atmosphere patterns and pressures cause changes in the weather. During the presentation Ahrens used BRLC campers to describe many of the weather patterns that he discussed.

Ahrens is pictured with BRLC campers and volunteers.

Ag T-Shirts are Here

Celebrate agriculture! And show your pride in Anson County's agricultural heritage by wearing a t-shirt that says so. Celebrating Anson County Agriculture t-shirts have arrived at the Cooperative Extension Center and are now available.



Grey shirts with red print are \$8 for adult sizes and \$6 for youth sizes. Funds from the sale of shirts will go back into the cost of them. The project is not one to

raise money, simply to promote agriculture.

Shirts are available at the Extension Center, located at 501 McLaurin Street in Wadesboro. They can be purchased Monday through Friday, from 8:30 a.m. until 12 noon and 1:00 until 5:00 p.m. while supplies last. Celebrate Anson County agriculture!

The t-shirt design is by Agricultural Extension Agent Aimee Colf.

Wadesboro Rotary Club's 3D Printing Grant for Anson High School Excites Teachers and Students

You might wonder why six Anson High teachers, days before vacation ended, were excitedly gathered around seven kitchen appliance sized objects in room C-6 at Anson High School. Though one of the objects might pass for an outsized microwave, the event was not about cooking. It was about 3D printing.

3D Printing is coming to Anson High School! The Wadesboro Rotary Club applied for and received a Rotary District grant of \$8,000, matched it and partnered with Anson

High to establish a \$36,000 3D printing capacity within the school's Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) curriculum.

The addition of 3D digital printers to the career pathways at Anson High School's Youth Career Connect (YCC) STEM Academy will impact the creativity, innovation, problem solving and career skills of hundreds of students. Having the ability to enhance their classroom learning experience by producing realistic, three dimensional models will make a significant difference in their learning and training. Hands on, interactive learning provided in both the pre-engineering and biomedical science classes will allow students to experience real world situations that they will encounter in business and industry.

3D printing is a recognized technology driving economic growth in a wide variety of fields. From clothing to cars, from portraits to prosthetics, 3D technology is a game changer in business and jobs. By 2021 it is expected to grow to a \$23 billion industry.

One of the principles upon which YCC is based is student access to current industrial and commercial practices so that they are able to transition into the workforce with skills that are highly desired by employers and needed to support and lead globally competitive initiatives. This project will provide Anson students with an important skill they need to compete in employment market place.

As stated by Secondary School Administer Deborah Davis, "I am extremely excited about the possibilities for our students engaging in 3D printing. Twenty-first century skills are the keys to the future and enabling our students to be globally competitive."

So that's why the six teachers gave up some of their vacation time. They came to see and learn how to use the machines and to share how to get their students involved. Of course they started with the simple stuff. With lead teacher Stephany Labree showing the way, teachers Cassi Scoggins, Daniel Burrows, Richie Price, Terry Mabry and Alisha Privette soon made a few things from a key chain with a segmented, fish skeleton to a replica of the coliseum in Rome. Also, they made a Rotary emblem. And, of course, a dinosaur. *Article courtesy of John Witherspoon and Don Altieri*



Veterans Appreciation Night at AHS Game this Friday

The Anson High School Bearcat football team tackles the Parkwood Rebels this Friday, September 23. This game is special because it is also Veterans Appreciation Night. There will be a pregame ceremony for the veterans at 7 p.m. which will include a 'Presentation of Colors' by the Anson High School Marching Band and the JROTC utilizing a 60' by 100' US Flag. Veterans are asked to be at the field at 6:30 p.m.

Also, Woodmen of the World will host a tailgate party for the veterans at 6 p.m. at the school.

Veterans and special guests are asked to use the school entrance that located off Highway 74, across from Walmart. For any questions please call 704-694-2631.

Parking Lot Ministry Saturday at Ebenezer Missionary Baptist Church

Offering free food, clothing, flu shots, health screenings and more this Saturday

The Missionaries at Ebenezer Missionary Baptist Church in Wadesboro invite you to attend their Parking Lot Ministry this Saturday, September 24. The event will take place from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. Attendees will have access to free food, clothing, health screenings, flu shots and the preached word. Walgreens and the Wingate University School of Pharmacy Students are partners at this event.

BCSWCD Monthly Board Meeting is September 27

The Brown Creek Soil & Water Conservation District monthly board meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 27 at 10:00 a.m. at the BCSWCD office, located at 1758 Morven Road in Wadesboro.

For more information call 704-694-3516.

Uptown Wadesboro Fall Festival to be Held Saturday, October 22

Uptown Wadesboro, Inc. confirmed that the Fall Festival will take place on Saturday, October 22. This date clarification was necessary due to the cancellation of People Fest because both events were scheduled to take place together on October 22.

Town of Peachland's Music on the Square is Saturday

The Town of Peachland invites everyone to come and enjoy their 10th annual "Music on the Square" which will be held this Saturday, September 24, from 2 to 9 p.m. This free event will feature the band Rock Bottom from 2 to 5 p.m. and Delmonicos from 6 to 9 p.m., along with lots of food vendors, activities for the kids and more.

Among the many vendors are youth and women's groups from local churches and the fire department. A wide variety of beverages and food will be available.

For information contact Lynn H. Griffin at 704-272-7781.

Shop with a Cop Motorcycle Ride is October 8

The Wadesboro Police Department is sponsoring their annual Shop with a Cop Motorcycle Ride this year on Saturday, October 8. This fun event raises money for the Shop with a Cop program that provides Christmas gifts for less fortunate children in Anson County. You are invited to share in the fun while helping make some children happy on Christmas day. Lunch will be served.

Registration begins at 10 a.m. at the new Wadesboro Police Department, located at 212 South Rutherford Street. The ride will commence about 11 a.m. The cost is \$15 for single riders, \$20 for two up.

For more information contact Chief Thedis Spencer at 704-475-2695 or Sgt. Cannon at 704-465-8705.



Batman Day at the Library is this Saturday!

The Hampton B. Allen Library will be showing episodes of *Batman: The Animated Series* in the Pritchett Room this Saturday, September 24, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. They will also host a Batman Trivia Game with prizes for children who play. Please come and join in the fun on this special day.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact the library at 704-694-5177.