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Cory Demond Stewart is Wadesboro Police Department's Most Wanted - For Assault on a Female, Strangulation

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Cory Demond Stewart, 32, is currently Wadesboro Police Department's most wanted. He is being sought to face charges for Assault on a Female, Assault Inflicting Serious Bodily Injury and Assault by Strangulation. Anyone with information of the whereabouts of Stewart is asked to contact the Wadesboro Police Department at 704-694-2167.



DeTimothy Smith Arrested for Burglary

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On Wednesday, December 3 DeTimothy Smith of Wadesboro was arrested by Wadesboro Police after he knocked on the door of a residence to see if anyone was at home and then attempted to break into the residence. Smith was charged with Attempted Breaking and Entering of a Residence, Attempted Breaking and Entering of a Motor Vehicle, Possession of Burglary Tools, Injury to Real Property, and Resisting a Public Officer.

Smith is currently in the Anson County Jail under a \$26,500 bond. If anyone has had a break in or similar experiences contact the Wadesboro Police Department and ask to speak with a detective. The telephone number is 704-694-2167.

Ernest "Butch" King DWI Charge Not Alcohol Related in Fatal Auto Accident

As reported in The Express last week, on Thursday, December 4 Ernest S. "Butch" King was involved in a single-car crash near Albemarle. He was severely injured in the crash, and the NC Highway Patrol charged him with Driving While Impaired after he failed a test administered before he was airlifted to Carolinas Medical Center in Charlotte. He later died in the hospital due to a heart attack.

On Monday, December 9 NCHP Trooper M. E. Taylor stated that the DWI was not alcohol related. Later tests showed that King did not have alcohol or any type of drugs in his system.



Ansonville Elementary Students Enjoy Play Presented by McKenzie Horne

Recently students and staff member of Ansonville Elementary School had the privilege of traveling to the Ansonia Theatre to watch the play *You Gotta Have Hope*. This play was based on the book *Runaway Turkeyette*, written by McKenzie Horne (pictured above) and Dr. Amy Horne. The awesome performance included many talented actors, actresses, and singers.

AES students and staff members were blown away by the spectacular show. Many were in awe, as it was their first time ever visiting the theatre to watch a live performance. The audience was also able to actively participate in the play, which the children loved.

Ansonville would like to extend a huge thank you to Dr. Horne and her family and Anson County Arts Council for allowing us attend. We would also like to thank AES PTO for making the funds available for travel. This was a fantastic learning experience that Ansonville students will never forget!

Pee Dee Electric Awards Funds to Anson Rescue Squad

Pee Dee Electric recently awarded \$5,000 in matching grant funds to the Anson Rescue Squad (ARS) as part of CoBank's "Sharing Success" charitable contribution program. The grant funds, which were matched by CoBank and totaled \$10,000, will assist the ARS in purchasing an eDraulic spreader, also referred to as the 'jaws of life'.

The new eDraulic spreader is the latest technology available in hydraulic spreaders and complements existing equipment that was purchased in 2011 and is currently used by ARS. With government mandates of increased safety features for automobiles, auto designers are utilizing ultra-high strength steel to protect occupants during crashes. The technology used in the eDraulic spreader has the ability to cut and spread these new types of metals being used in the manufacturing of newer automobiles.

"Concern for community and cooperation among cooperatives are longstanding cooperative principles," stated Donnie Spivey, CEO of Pee Dee Electric. "We're delighted that CoBank has joined with us in support of such a worthy cause." In addition to the spreader, ARS will use the funds to purchase additional extrication gear to outfit the organizations responders at the scene of an emergency while working in hazardous conditions. Anson Rescue Squad is a volunteer organization established in 1958 and relies on volunteers and part-time members to respond to rescue and medical emergencies throughout Anson County.

Pee Dee Electric is a not-for-profit cooperative whose goal is to provide reliable, dependable electric service for its members while focusing on value, quality customer service, and enhancing life in the communities we serve. Pee Dee's service area consists of Anson, Richmond, Union, Stanly, Montgomery, Moore, and Scotland counties. For more information about Pee Dee Electric, please visit www.pdedmc.com; like them on Facebook at [PeeDeeElectric](https://www.facebook.com/PeeDeeElectric); or follow them on twitter.com/PeeDeeElectric.

Pictured below from left are Wes Steagall, Assistant Chief of ARS, Rodney Diggs, Chief of ARS, Donnie Spivey, CEO of Pee Dee Electric and TC Murdock of ARS.



Sewage Overflow Into Brush Creek

In a release from the Town of Wadesboro: The Town of Wadesboro experienced a sewer overflow into Brush Creek on Wednesday, December 10. Approximately 2,000 gallons of sewage flowed into the stream. The location of the overflow is behind the Italia restaurant on Cloud Avenue. The cause of the overflow was a grease blockage.

The Division of Water Quality has been notified about the spill. For further information please call Nick Griffin at 704-694-5171.



Carolinas HealthCare System-Anson Welcomes New Medical Director, Primary Care Team

Earlier this year, Carolinas HealthCare System embarked on a journey to transform healthcare in Anson County by opening Carolinas HealthCare System Anson – a new healthcare model that's focused on wellness, prevention, patient and caregiver relationships and strong community partnerships. Since opening, five providers have joined the Carolinas HealthCare System Anson team, all of which have some relation to Anson County. Together, the providers make up the primary care team at Carolinas Primary Care, Carolinas HealthCare System Anson's "medical home."

Sandra Teal, RN, FNP, a family nurse practitioner at Carolinas HealthCare System Anson, is the veteran of the group. Born and raised in Anson County, she began her medical career at Anson Community Hospital and has worked in healthcare for 20 years, 17 of which have been with Carolinas HealthCare System.

Recent hospitalist at Anson Community Hospital, Rafael Sanchez, MD joined Sandra and joined the team at Carolinas HealthCare System Anson when it opened in July.

Sandra's high school classmate and family nurse practitioner, Kelly Horne, FNP, joined the team in September. Kelly attended medical school at Walden University and is board certified by the American Academy of Nurse Practitioners.

Stacy Marcum, PA, joined the team in October. Stacy has a master's degree from Pace University in New York and has been a PA for 12 years. Originally from West Virginia, Stacy has lived in Anson County for the last 8 years.

On December 8, board-certified family medicine physician Emily Cooper, MD, MHA, joined Carolinas HealthCare System Anson as the medical director of Carolinas Primary Care. "I'm excited to be here in Anson County and working in a new model of care where the primary goal is to improve the health of the community," said Dr. Cooper. "I also couldn't pass up the opportunity to come back home to the System that trained me. I believe in the mission of Carolinas HealthCare System and it's where I belong."

Dr. Cooper earned her master's degree from Old Dominion University and later attended Virginia Commonwealth University and earned a dual degree in Medicine and Health Administration. She trained at CMC Family Medicine Residency.

"Dr. Cooper's expertise and talent will offer substantial benefits for our patients," said Gary A. Henderson, assistant vice president of Carolinas HealthCare System Anson. "We are fortunate to have her join the Carolinas HealthCare System Anson team, and I am excited for the continued development of our patient-centered medical home."

Carolinas HealthCare System Anson offers 24/7 emergency care; patient-centered hospital services such as radiology, digital imaging, laboratory, pharmacy and surgery services; a free community room for health education; and access to specialty services through Carolinas HealthCare System.

For more information, visit CarolinasHealthCare.org/anson.

Homeless Dinner December 20

Faith-Based Center of Hope will host their annual Christmas Dinner for the Homeless on Saturday, December 20 beginning 11 a.m. at the Toys for Tots Center, 302 Salisbury Street in Wadesboro.

"We are asking the community leaders, officials, churches and businesses to please come together and donate to tis great cause," said Vancine Sturdivant. "Faith-Based Center of Hope is passing out blankets and clothes now from the Center. When we bless or do for the least of them, we are doing for the Lord."

To make a donation, or if you need blankets and coats, please contact Vancine Sturdivant (704) 848-4412.

Bearcat Athletic Support Foundation Christmas Sale

Lacy's and Shop With a Cop have partnered with the Bearcat Athletic Support Foundation to make Bearcat spirit wear available and affordable at discount prices throughout the holiday season.

All Bearcat apparel is available at Lacy's. Spend \$50 on spirit wear and receive a free Bearcat wristband. Hoodies, long sleeve and short sleeve t-shirts are available.

Donate to Shop With a Cop and buy spirit wear for that worthy, charitable cause while helping the foundation at the same time. Don't forget stocking stuffer items like sunglasses, bookbags and lanyards to finish your shopping, while supporting three local organizations and businesses.

Ansonian Adventures Game Makes a Great Christmas Gift

Are you looking for that last minute gift for a family member, friend or employee? Look no further, the Anson County Chamber of Commerce has the perfect unique gift - the Ansonian Adventures game! These games make great gifts, keepsake items ... and, of course, are fun to play on family game night!

You may purchase a game at the Chamber through Thursday, December 18, but they are also available at any of the following businesses; Forbes Jewelers, Uwharrie Bank, Turner & Tyson Accountants, H.W. Little and Salon 52.

For more information visit www.ansoncounty.org or call the Chamber at 704-694-4181.

Free Movie Angels Sing Plays December 22

The Hampton B. Allen Library will be showing the movie *Angels Sing* starring Harry Connick, Jr., Connie Britton, Lyle Lovett, Willie Nelson and Kris Kristofferson on Monday, December 22 in the Little Theatre at 10 a.m. This movie is free and rated PG. Everyone is invited to come and bring a friend. Any questions call 704-694-5177.