Here's What's Happening at Discovery Place KIDS-Rockingham

January 2015 Events & Activities

All Museum events and activities are free with admission. For more information call 910-997-5266 x300 or visit *discoveryplacekids.org*.

January Theme: Winter Wonderland: From winter animals to winter weather, we're exploring all the season has to offer! Come in to learn how animals protect themselves from the cold and learn why winter is so cold and icy! *Week Day Activities* Join us on Tuesdays & Thursdays and Wednesdays & Fridays for fun themed activities throughout the Museum at 11:15 a.m. and 2:15p.m. to check out all the fun all month long!

• Tuesdays & Thursdays-Can you find the Gold?: January 1848 is when gold was first discovered in California. Come to the Lab to learn about the color, luster and hardness of different rocks and minerals.

• Wednesday & Friday-The Mitten: Cuddle up on our giant mitten for a story! We'll have various animal furs to examine and learn about hibernation in this hands-on program. (Sandhills Stage)

Weekend Activities Weekend activities take place at 11:15 a.m. and 2:15 p.m. on Saturdays and 2:15 p.m. on Sundays.

• January 16 & 17- Winter Science Lab- Meet us at the Lab as we experiment with snow, ice and states of matter. No need to bundle up to experience this cold winter fun.

• January 23 & 24- The Three Little Kittens- Those silly kittens can't seem to keep track of their mittens! Join us for a special Story Time at the Sandhills Stage as we help search high and low.

• January 30 & 31- Snowflake Symmetry- Did you know that no two snowflakes are alike? Join us in the Studio today to learn about symmetry by making your own special snowflake to take home.

Special Programming

• January 18- Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day- Dr. King dreamed of a day when all people could get along and treat each other with kindness. Join us at the Town Hall Main Stage at 1:00 p.m. for a special Story Time celebrating Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

**Special holiday hours: Discovery Place KIDS will be OPEN on Monday, January 18

Daily Programming

• Story Time (9:45 a.m. & 1:45 p.m.) All month long, we are bundling up at the 'Sandhills Stage' to learn all about winter and all its splendor! Don't miss out on these great books! Old Bear and His Cub –Olivier Dunrea, Over and Under the Snow –Kat Messner, Snowmen at Night –Caralyn Buehner, Dream Snow –Eric Carle, Bear Snores On –Karma Wilson.

• Science Show (3:45 p.m.) Join us at the Lab at 9:45 a.m. & 3:45 p.m. for an adventure in science. Predict, observe and experiment with different topics. From color-mixing to chemical reactions, our Science Show is sure to instill curiosity in even the littlest scientists.

Puppet Show (10:45 a.m. & 2:45 p.m. Circus of the Stars: Watch your favorite circus animals in action as an elephant, lion, funny clown and many other circus friends will show off their talents to prove they have what it takes to be a star!
Big Fun (11:45 a.m. & 4:45 p.m.) – Shake out the sillies! Boogie and shake with us at the Sandhills Stage. Dance and sing to songs that will get you up and moving. From "Chicken Dance" and "Shake It All About" to "Bop 'Til You Drop", fun will be had by all! This activity allows for a smooth transition for our young visitors who need to go home for lunch and naps or to end the day.

Discovery Place KIDS-Rockingham admission is \$8 per person and free for Discovery Place KIDS Members and children younger than 1. Guests may purchase tickets online at *discoveryplacekids.org*, via phone at 910-997-5266 x300 or in person at the Museum. Visit us on Facebook or on Twitter at @DPKRockingham.

Discovery Place Kids-Rockingham is open Tuesday-Saturday 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m., Sunday noon-5:00 p.m., and closed on Monday. Discovery Place KIDS will be open on Monday, January 18, 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Discovering Your Inner Artist....





The Cheraw Arts Commission is offering several opportunities for Discovering Your Inner Artist. These events are scheduled throughout January and February.

• Join the coloring craze and reduce stress! Adult Art Night-Let's Color will be held at the Wine Factory Restaurant on Tuesday, January 19 from 6:00-8:00pm. Participants will receive the CAC's Cheraw Coloring Collection and all supplies for \$15. The coloring collection designed by local artist Cheryl Postlewait features 12 scenes of Cheraw on paper suitable for pastels, colored pencils and light watercolor wash. Light refreshments will be available for purchase that evening.

• Paint a Snow Scene with artist Vicky McLain on Friday, January 29 from 9:00am - 1:00pm at the Cheraw Community Center. This oil painting workshop is appropriate for beginner and advanced artists. All supplies will be provided in the \$30 registration fee.

Basic Oil Painting Mini-Classes begin on Tuesday, February 2 at the Cheraw Community Center from 10:00am - 12:00noon. The 3 week sessions will offer instruction in mixing colors, brush stroke techniques and more. Supplies are included in the total registration fee of \$36. The classes are geared for the beginner artist.

• An Oil Painting Workshop with Charleston artist Joyce Hall is scheduled for February 26-28. The topic of the three day workshop is The Color of Light and the Color of Shadow. Participants will be introduced to a method of underpainting full color light and shadow. Cost of the workshop is \$195.

Contact the Cheraw Arts Commission at 843-537-8420 x12 for additional information and to register for the scheduled events.

Chamber of Commerce Members Invited to Port Authority Presentation on January 21

Stephanie Ayers, Director Planning & Development, will be presenting the Port Au-

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College Fair for Anson County Students on Saturday, January 30

A free College Fair for Anson and Union County students will be held on Saturday, January 30. This event will help local students connect with excellent North Carolina based colleges and universities. It will take place at East Union Middle School in Marshville, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Among the institutions that will be represented are: Brevard College, Elon, Gardner Webb University, Greensboro College, Guilford College, High Point University, Lees McRae College, Meredith College, Montreat College, North Carolina A&T, South Piedmont Community College and Winston Salem State University.

Anson County Parks and Recreation Spring Registration 2016

Anson County Parks and Recreation will hold Spring Registration for the following activities:

• Tee Ball Ages: 4-6 • Coach Pitch Ages 7-8 • Minor Baseball Ages 9-10 • Major Baseball Ages 11-12 • Girls Softball Ages 4-6, 7-8, 9-10, 11-12, 13-15 • Micro Soccer Ages 3-4 • Youth Soccer Grades: K-3, 4-6, 7-9, 10-12.

You may come to Little Park to register Monday through Friday, from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Registration will also take place from 2 to 3:30 p.m. at the schools on the dates below: • Wednesday, January 20 at Wadesboro Elementary

- Thursday, January 21 at Peachland-Polkton Elementary
- Monday, January 25 at Lilesville Elementary
- Tuesday, January 26 at Ansonville Elementary
- Wednesday, January 27 at Morven Elementary
- Thursday, January 28 at Wadesboro Primary

The deadline to register is Friday, January 29. Cost for athletic programs is \$25. For more information call 704-694-5751or email *recreation@co.anson.nc.us*.

Town of Polkton

The Town of Polkton has declared a 1995 Chevrolet Caprice as surplus property. It will be offered for sell by sealed bids. Bids must be delivered to Polkton Town Hall no later than January 29, 2016. Successful bid will be awarded on February 1, 2016 at the Town Board meeting. The vehicle will be displayed behind Polkton Town Hall. Call 704-272-7463 for inquires. The Town of Polkton has the right to deny any and all bids.

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thority's vision for development at its facilities and how they are linked to infrastructure projects in our region at the RRRPO Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) meeting. Several rail lines and Hwy 74 are critical links to the State's port infrastructure, moving goods and products across North Carolina. The TAC meeting will be held at SPCC/Polkton at the Horne Library on January 21 at 6 p.m. If you wish to attend this meeting to hear the presentation, please let Catherine Peele (cpeele@rockyriverrpo.org) know by January 18.

Ports Authority Mission: The mission of the North Carolina State Ports Authority is to enhance the economy of the State of North Carolina. The Ports Authority will be managed like a business focused on the requirements of our customers. North Carolina's Ports will be recognized for our self-sustaining operations, environmental stewardship, highly efficient workforce, satisfied customers, and modern, well maintained facilities and equipment.

Businesses Urged to Apply for Safety Awards

The N.C. Department of Labor is now accepting applications from businesses that qualify for a workplace safety award. Safety awards are given to companies that have above-average worker safety and health programs.

"A safety award shows employees and the community that you are committed to a safe work environment," state Labor Commissioner Cherie Berry said. "A good safety record is something to be proud of, and businesses deserve to be recognized for their efforts."

Businesses that qualify for the award must meet two requirements. They must be free of fatalities at the site for which they are applying. The site's injury and illness rate also must be at least 50 percent below that of their industry's average rate.

Award recipients will be honored in their communities throughout the state at safety awards banquets co-sponsored by the N.C. Department of Labor and local chambers of commerce and other organizations.

For more information on the Safety Awards Program or to download an application, go to the NCDOL website, *www.nclabor.com*. The deadline for submissions is February 12.



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