

Anson Chorus to Bring Music to Hampton B. Allen Library

Music will fill the Little Theater at Hampton B. Allen Library on Monday, March 9, as the Anson Chorus presents a special musical program beginning at 10:30 a.m.

The chorus is made up of talented students from Anson High School and Anson County Early College, bringing together young voices from across the county for a lively performance that promises to showcase both skill and enthusiasm. Under the direction of Lied Metcalf, the group has developed a reputation for energetic performances and strong musical harmony. Their visit to the library offers the community a chance to hear these students share their passion for music outside the classroom.

Everyone is invited to attend and enjoy the performance while supporting the musical talents of Anson County's young performers.



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MARCH 7 Collard Sandwich

Sale At Rocky Mount AME Zion Church, Grassy Island Rd in Ansonville, 11am-4pm. Also fish, chicken, hot dogs & sausage dogs.

MARCH 8

Pre-Anniversary

Celebration For Pastor, Overseer Sylvia McLendon at Divine Unity House of Restoration Ministries, 6090 Hwy 109 S Wadesboro, at 11am with Pastor Larry Williams of Tabernacle of God Ministries in Dillon, SC.

MARCH 9 - 11

Spring Revival

At Rose of Sharon FCOG. Mon-Min. Cynthia Henry of Morning Star Church in Lilesville, Tue-Pastor Paulette Cash of Evangelistic Outreach Center in Polkton, Wed-Pastor Betty Tillman of Expected End Ministry in Wadesboro - all at 7:30pm.

MARCH 14

33rd Anniversary

Celebration Of Bessie Chapel Male Chorus, 2pm. Church members, choirs & the community warmly invited. Info 704-465-6693.

MARCH 15

42nd Pastoral

Appreciation Honoring Bishop James Glen & Lady Beryl Glen at Victory Temple Miracle Center, 4pm with Pastor Larry Williams of TGM Ministries in Dillon, SC. The public is invited. 1685 Morgan Sellers Rd, Wadesboro.

Church Anniversary

& Family & Friends Day At Pleasant Hill Baptist Church in Ansonville. Sunday School 10am, 11am Worship with Rev. Calvin Lee followed by lunch. 2pm service with Rev. Donnie Bennett of Mt. Sinai Baptist Church in Rockingham.

Worship Rally

"Hope for Today" at Cathedral Baptist Church, 4pm with Rev. Quintell Hall.

9th Anniversary

Pastor, Overseer Sylvia McLendon at Divine Unity House of Restoration Ministries Fellowship Hall, 3760 Hwy 109 S, Wadesboro, with Pastor Iris Tillman of Church of God of Prophecy in Morven at 11am & Chief Apostle Vanessa Taplah of The Blessing of God Ministry in Lexington, NC at 2:30pm.

Church

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MARCH 24

30th Anniversary

Of Pastor Rev. Dr. R.A. Lisenby at Garris Grove Missionary Baptist Church. 11am with Rev. James Parker, followed by dinner. 3pm with Pastor Sharon Lockhart of New Grove MBC.

APRIL 18

Day of Hope

Community Ministry Day at Anson High School Ball Field, 10am-2pm.

APRIL 19 - 22

Hope for Today

Celebration at Anson High School, 7pm.

Events

MARCH 17

Board of Commissioners Meet 6pm in the Board Room, Suite 209, in Government Center, 101 S Greene St in uptown Wadesboro. Meetings are available online at [youtube.com](https://www.youtube.com), search for Anson Commissioners. To appear, sign up prior to meeting. Info 704-994-3201.

ONGOING EVENTS

Senior Box Program At Feed My Lambs starts the third Tuesday each month for seniors only. Located at 2290 Hwy 74 West, Wadesboro. 704-695-1820.

Food Pantry Free food every Wed, 9-11am at Burnsville Recreation & Learning Ctr. 704-826-8182.

After School Program Kid Cafe Mon-Fri from 2:30-5:30p.m. at the Burnsville Recreation & Learning Center, 704-826-8737

Alcoholics Anonymous Regular meetings on Mondays & Thursdays at 6:30pm and Wednesdays at 12 noon. AA welcomes all who are seeking help, as well those wanting to help another person. The AA building is located at 2177 Country Club Rd. in Wadesboro, across from the Anson EMS building.

Free Food Distributed by Anson Crisis Ministries

Every Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday, 8am-1pm. It is located at 117 North Rutherford Street in uptown Wadesboro. Telephone is 704-694-2445.

Free Food Distribution at Feed My Lambs every Tuesday, Thursday & Friday, 1-4pm. Located at 2290 Hwy 74 West, Wadesboro. 704-695-1820.

Early Childhood Educator Job Fair is Monday, March 9

Anson County Partnership for Children aims to strengthen local workforce

Those who feel called to make a difference in the lives of young children will have an opportunity to explore new career pathways during the Early Childhood Educator Job Fair on Monday, March 9 from 5 to 7 p.m. at 115 East Morgan Street in Wadesboro. The event is hosted by the Anson County Partnership for Children.

The job fair will connect prospective educators with early learning facility directors and owners from across the community. Attendees will be able to learn about available positions, discuss qualifications and explore opportunities within the growing field of early childhood education.

The event comes at a critical time for North Carolina's child care industry. A recent survey conducted by the U.S. Chamber Foundation in partnership with the NC Chamber Foundation and NC Child estimates that child care-related employee turnover and absenteeism cost the state approximately \$4.29 billion annually. An additional \$1.36 billion in tax revenue is lost each year due to workforce disruptions tied to child care challenges, bringing the total estimated annual economic loss to \$5.65 billion.

The survey of 517 parents with children under six found that 35 percent of parents who experienced employment disruptions in 2023 left the workforce directly because of child care problems. Additionally, 15 percent of working parents plan to leave their jobs within the next year, with women more likely than men to consider stepping away from work due to child care challenges.

Experts emphasize that investing in affordable, high-quality child care is essential to strengthening North Carolina's economy and supporting working families. Business and community leaders continue to call for collaborative solutions that ensure families have access to reliable child care while stabilizing the workforce that supports it.

In response to these challenges, the Anson County Partnership for Children is actively developing strategies to strengthen early childhood programs locally. One key initiative is the Early Childhood Educator Job Fair and Bootcamp, designed to address high turnover rates among early childhood educators in Anson County.

Following the job fair, interested participants will have the opportunity to attend a complimentary bootcamp where they can complete required training and orientation needed to begin working in early childhood settings. Organizers say the program is designed to equip applicants with the knowledge and confidence necessary to build successful and sustainable careers while supporting program quality and workforce stability in the region.

For more information about the Early Childhood Educator Job Fair, call 704-694-4036 or email karen.gerald@ansonchildren.org.

Anson High School Career Fair Set for March 18

Anson High School will host its 2026 Career Fair on Wednesday, March 18, from 10:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m., offering students in grades nine through twelve the opportunity to explore a wide range of career paths and local employment possibilities.

The event will take place at Anson High School, located at 96 Anson High School Road in Wadesboro. Local businesses and industry partners are invited to participate and share information with students about careers available in and around Anson County.

School officials say the career fair is designed to help students learn about workforce opportunities, ask questions, and make connections with employers who may be ready to hire now or in the future. The event also allows businesses to highlight career pathways, training requirements, and real-world expectations.

Organizations interested in participating can register in advance using the QR code. For additional information, questions may be directed to Jodi Davis, Career Development Coordinator, at 704-694-9301, extension 6005.

Bowman High School Class of 1973 Reunion Meeting

The Bowman High School Class of 1973 will gather for a planning meeting on Saturday, March 28 at 2:00 p.m. at the Lady Bug Restaurant. The meeting will focus on organizing plans for the class's upcoming reunion.

All members of the Class of 1973 are invited and encouraged to attend and help make the reunion a great success. For additional information, classmates may contact organizers by email at Coppadge55@gmail.com or by phone at 704-465-8118.

Thank You

To everything there is a season, a time to serve, and a time to pass the torch. That time has come for me, so I thank everyone who voted for me very much.

It has been an honor and a blessing for me to be an integral part of the decision-making process as a member of the Anson County School Board. I am truly grateful for having this opportunity to bring added value to our schools.

May God continue to bless each of Anson County schools and you, my supporters, for this opportunity.



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