

Enjoy this reprint of the Remembering column from 2006

ELECT MIKE SMITH SHERIFF

25 Years Law Enforcement Experience
 10 Years Supervisory Experience
 10 Years Military Service
 NCJA Certified Criminal Investigator
 Associate's Degree in Criminal Justice
 Advanced Law Enforcement Certificate

Experience Includes:

- Chief Deputy - Anson County
- Patrol Lieutenant • Patrol Sergeant
- Criminal Investigations Supervisor
- Narcotics Detective • SRT Commander
- Field Training Officer Supervisor
- Department Training Coordinator
- Recruitment Officer
- DARE Officer • Firearms Instructor
- Military Police Investigator
- NC Concealed Carry Instructor
- BLET Instructor
- Court Liaison Officer
- NCJA Management Development Graduate



EXPERIENCED & QUALIFIED

www.MikeSmithForSheriff.com

Follow us on Facebook at Mike Smith for Sheriff

Paid for by the Committee to Elect Mike Smith Sheriff

Parks and Recreation Spring Registration 2014

Anson County Parks and Recreation will be offering Tee Ball for ages: 4-6, Coach Pitch for ages 7-8, Micro Soccer for ages 3-4, Youth Soccer Grades for K-12, and Summer Youth Basketball.

You may come to Little Park to register Monday through Friday, from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. or to these schools on these dates:

- Monday, March 17, 3-5pm, Morven Elementary School
- Tuesday, March 18, 3-5pm, Peachland-Polkton Elementary School
- Wednesday, March 19, 3-5pm, Lilesville Elementary School
- Thursday, March 20, 3-5pm, Ansonville Elementary School
- Monday, March 24, 3-5pm, Wadesboro Primary School

The deadline to register is Monday, March 31. Cost for programs is \$25. For more information call 704-694-5751.

WADESBORO CHIROPRACTIC
 207 Morven Road



**Head Ache
 Neck Pain
 Back Pain**
 Give Us
 A Call
**704
 694-7246**



Dr. Brian Dial

Remembering.....

By Ed McBride



First Methodist Church

Wadesboro's First Methodist Church was organized in 1790, later meeting under "the arches" of the old court house until the deed for property (1832) and the wood church was completed on a lot that was, until recent years, Crawford Motor Company's car lot on Salisbury Street. This church building was replaced in 1891 with a brick church with elevated sanctuary floors, stained glass windows, curved rows of pews, and many other features - built on the corner of South Greene and East Morgan Streets.

Pictured above is that church in the early 1950's - and no, the Esso sign was not part of the church property, but was on the opposite corner service station lot which was adjacent to the Blalock Motor Sales Company.

However, the sign in front of the tall shrubbery had, at one time, been the church sign with

changeable message space, glass covered, too. My job was to "fix it" - so I covered the entire frame with a new metal panel - hand lettered "First Methodist Church" times for services, "Welcome" and the Pastor's name. This sign served well until the building program for the new (current) sanctuary was completed.

Some interesting facts: This church was at one time part of the South Carolina Annual Conference, which encompassed part of Mecklenburg County and Virginia. There were not any places here large enough for the conference except the newly built Kilwinning Lodge building, which was on the corner then of West Martin and South Greene Streets. The Conference did meet at the Lodge. Old records of the Methodist Church and the Masonic Lodge refer to same!

ANSON COUNTY 4-H Clover Crawl

SOCIAL & DANCE

to benefit

Anson County 4-H & 4-H Youth Promise

**FRIDAY, MARCH 14
 7 p.m. to midnight
 Twin Valley Country Club**

\$30 per person in advance 21 & over event

Tickets can be purchased at the Anson Cooperative Extension Office located at 501 McLaurin Street in Wadesboro.

For questions or additional information, please call 704-694-2915

South Piedmont Community College

FREE COLLEGE DAY



Free Family Movie Night! - Frozen
 Friday, April 4, at 7:30 p.m.
 Polkton campus amphitheater
 Bring a lawn chair and blanket.

Sample three classes!
 Sat., April 5, 9 a.m. to noon

SPCC campus in Polkton

- Choose your classes!
- Try the new Disc Golf Course
- Ages 13 and up

Get a taste of community college life!

Sign up in advance at www.spccevents.com/freecollege-anson
 Both events at 680 Highway 74, Polkton



Applications Being Accepted for 5 Rotary Club Scholarships

The Wadesboro Rotary Club will be awarding five scholarships to Anson County high school seniors who will continue their education at a two or four year college of their choice. These scholarships recognize success and achievement in academic studies, extracurricular activities and community service - giving special recognition to service above and beyond normal expectations.

High school guidance counselors have the application packets for students to pick up at Anson High School, Anson Early College and Anson New Tech. The deadline to return the completed application packet to your guidance counselor is Friday, April 4.

Learn How to Feel Better...Healthier...Happier

Living with or caring for someone with diabetes can affect your quality of life. Grace Senior Center is offering a free, six-week Living Healthy with Diabetes Workshop. It is designed to help you better manage your diabetes and live a happier, healthier life!

You don't have to stop doing the things you love to do. The key to getting the most out of life is learning to manage your symptoms. No matter your situation, Living Healthy with Diabetes can assist you in taking control.

This workshop will give the support you need to find practical ways to deal with your stress, discover better nutrition and exercise choices, and learn better ways to talk with your doctor and family about your health.

The Living Healthy with Diabetes classes will be held at the Grace Senior Center in Wadesboro. This is a six week class that is scheduled for every Monday, from 1 to 3:30 p.m. It starts on April 7 and runs through May 12.

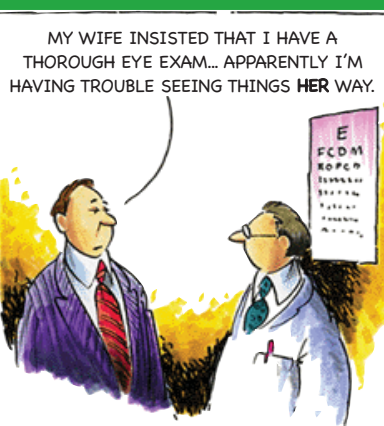
Class size is limited and registration is required. Call Rita Short at 704-694-6217 and start living healthy!



Sweet & Beautiful Kitten

Free to a Loving Home

This kitty cat appeared on The Express Newspaper's doorstep last week. It is a great cat, but we cannot keep it at the paper. If you would like to adopt it please call us at 704-694-2480.



MY WIFE INSISTED THAT I HAVE A THOROUGH EYE EXAM... APPARENTLY I'M HAVING TROUBLE SEEING THINGS HER WAY.

Regular Professional Eye Care Is Important...!

**Accepting New Patients
 We Accept Most Insurances**

704-694-3618
 Call for an appointment today
 Locally Owned & Operated

ANSON FAMILY OPTOMETRIC, PLLC.



Holly Allison Kiker, OD

1134 Holly Street in Wadesboro (On Highway 74 across from Forbes Jewelers)
 Mon-Thurs 8:30-5 & Friday 8:30-12:30 704-694-3618