

Artists and artisans from Anson County and the surrounding region are invited to show and sell their creations at the Anson High practice field on May 9th. The Saturday event will last from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m. Those interested in participating should request a reservation application from the Wadesboro Civitan Club at PO Box 751, Wadesboro, NC 28170 or phone Yates Almond at 704-848-4810. All designs must be the products of NC and SC residents.

The Civitan Club thought that local artists, especially those who do not have a retail store, would like another opportunity to show their designs. In addition to displays of paintings, sculpture, pottery, woodcarving and hand-made furniture, quilts, jewelry and other locally-made crafts, the event will have free entertainment by local musicians and free games for children. Local organizations may also have information booths.

The event will conclude with a rubber ducky race with a \$500 prize for the person who picks the winning duck. The Civitan Hot Dog Booth will be the only food vendor, but will have burgers, chips, and soft drinks, as well as their signature hot dogs.

Lupus Awareness Takes On Wadesboro

On Saturday, April 4 Lupus Awareness will take on Wadesboro. Visit Tite Cutz Barber-shop, located at 126 North Rutherford Street, between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. for a "Cut for the Cure" of Lupus.

Or you can meet in the Lady Bug parking lot between 4 and 6 p.m. to visit the Lupus Awareness tent for information. There will be a raffle and light refreshments.

All money raised will be donated to the Lupus Foundation of North Carolina through Marietta's Miracle Lupus Walk Team.

You can help to bring Lupus out of the shadows and help raise awareness by supporting Lupus research. For additional information please contact Marietta Ingram, Board of Directors for Lupus Foundation, NC Chapter, 980-278-8137.

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Remembering.....

By Ed McBride



Institutional Foods

This operation came into being after Mr. Herman Hardison, Sr. began to slow down from his daily sales route at Hardison and Hardison (Wholesale Grocery). I can remember Mr. Herman "walking the downtown route" with pencil and pad taking orders. Some of those stores were: Maner and Murray, Braswell's Market, The Hi-Lo Store, James A. Leak Grocery, Lee Huntley Grocery, J. Paul Teal Grocery, Gray's Grocery, Snyder's Grocery, Dixie Home Stores, A & P, Q & Q Grocery - plus others!!

By this time Herman, Jr. and Adam were back from school and they "helped out." Ad purchased the RC Cola plant at Hamlet, later moved the Pee Dee Bottling business there,

adding still later the franchise of 7up, Orange Crush, etc.

All of this called for "more" - he opened Institutional Foods and Food-A-Matic. The above picture is of an Institutional Foods truck that I did on September 25, 1961. The young boy standing on the running board was Steele Ratliff, Jr., a friend from across the street who enjoyed making model cars!

Thanks to so many who I talked to on this article - James, Wayne, Callie, Fleet, etc. - it has been quite a while back. Hardison and Hardison, Institutional Foods, Food-A-Matic and all the above downtown grocery stores are now closed.

Discover Your Family's Roots with RootsMOOC from the State Library

More than 3,000 citizens from around the state, across the US and beyond have registered for the free introduction to genealogy and family history course, RootsMOOC. The online class through State Library of North Carolina went live this week. Enrollment is ongoing during the March 23-June 1 class.

Many universities and educational institutions are developing Massive Online Open Courses (MOOCs) that are non-credit and free to the public. RootsMOOC is a partnership of the State Library of North Carolina and the Z. Smith Reynolds Library at Wake Forest University.

Staff at the Government and Heritage Library will help you get off to a good start in genealogy research with RootsMOOC, and will help you know how to continue digging when the course ends. RootsMOOC incorporates the most useful sources, tools and techniques for researchers.

The program consists of five two week modules and there are no deadlines or set meeting times. Discussions will be open through June 1. Modules remain open and researchers can go back to earlier modules if they choose. Modules include:

- Introduction and Orientation
- Getting Started and Staying Organized
- Tapping into the US Census
- Using State and Local Resources (local history room, public library, university archives, state library and archives, etc.)
- Understanding and using Digital Collections

Participants will complete an ancestor chart, conduct interviews with relatives and share progress with fellow participants. You'll be challenged to go beyond online resources, identify local genealogy societies and libraries in your area, and connect with experts that can help you wherever your search leads.

Created by Wake Forest University's Z. Smith Reynolds Library and the State Library of North Carolina, this project was made possible in part by a grant from the Institute of Museum and Library Services.

Sign up at www.canvas.net. For additional information please call (919) 807-7450. The Government and Heritage Library in the State Library is within the N.C. Department of Cultural Resources.

Chesterfield Genealogy Society Meets April 12

The Chesterfield District Chapter, SCGS will meet Sunday, April 12 at 3 p.m. in the Meeting Room of the Chesterfield Visitor Center, (Old Chesterfield County Court House) located at 100 Main Street in Chesterfield. Mary Slaone Funderburk, the guest speaker, will present a program, *Funderburks: From Germany to Chesterfield* and how to set up and keep a family reunion going. This promises to be a most interesting and informative program.

The meetings and research library are open to the public. There is no charge to use the research library, which is open each Saturday, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. The telephone number is 843-623-2244 and email Chesterfielddistrict@chesterfield.SCgen.org.

AHS Plays Postponed Due to Weather

Due to school closings and dangerous weather the Anson High School Drama Club canceled their performances the weekend of February 20. They have rescheduled their productions of *Romeo to Go* and *Bad Auditions by Bad Actors*. Both plays will be performed the weekend of April 24th and 25th.

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