

Anson Schools to Host Special Olympics Spring Games

Community invited to cheer on student-athletes April 28

Anson County Schools continues to demonstrate its commitment to every student by celebrating athletes of all abilities during its upcoming Special Olympics Spring Games. The event will take place Tuesday, April 28, at the Anson High School football field, with opening ceremonies beginning at 9:00 a.m. Spectators are encouraged to arrive ready to support and celebrate the athletes, who bring determination, joy and heart to every competition.

School officials say the day is about more than competition - it's about inclusion, encouragement and giving every child the opportunity to shine.

Community members are invited to be a "Fan in the Stands" and help create an uplifting atmosphere as the Special Olympians enter the field. Fans will be asked to remain in the bleachers, as access to the field will be limited to participants and event staff.

In the event of rain, the games will be rescheduled for Thursday, April 30.

Anson High School is located at 96 Anson High School Road in Wadesboro.

Organizers hope the community will come out in full support to celebrate these athletes and show what it truly means to stand behind every student, every day.

Homes of Hope Spring Bazaar & Craft Show is May 2

Anson County Homes of Hope is bringing color, creativity and community spirit together this spring with its Spring Bazaar & Craft Show, scheduled for Saturday, May 2, 2026, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Lockhart-Taylor Center, located at 514 North Washington Street in Wadesboro.

The day promises fun, shopping and fellowship as local artisans and crafters showcase unique handmade gifts and specialty products. Guests can browse one-of-a-kind items, enjoy a variety of food trucks and sweet treats, and soak in a welcoming, family-friendly atmosphere designed to celebrate community connection.

Organizers are currently seeking vendors and food trucks to make this year's event bigger and better than ever. Vendor spaces are available for \$50 per 8-foot table, with tables provided. Setup will take place Friday, May 1, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., and all fees must be paid no later than April 24. Spaces will be assigned on a first-come, first-paid basis.

Payments may be made by cash, check payable to "ACHOH," through Cash App at \$achomesofhope or via Venmo at @ACHOH. Payments can also be mailed to ACHOH, P.O. Box 205, Wadesboro, NC 28170, or dropped off at the office located at 303-C East Vies Street in Wadesboro on the Leak Avenue side of the building.

Food truck vendors must provide a Certificate of Insurance (COI) listing South Piedmont Community College as an additional insured for the day of the event.

In addition to vendors, organizers are seeking sponsors to support the mission of Homes of Hope. Sponsorship opportunities are available at several levels, including Platinum (\$1,000), Gold (\$750), Silver (\$500), Bronze (\$250) and Patron (\$100), offering businesses and individuals a chance to make a meaningful impact in the community.

For vendor registration, sponsorship information or questions, call 704-465-2437 or call or text 704-668-4952 or 704-451-6825.

Organizers encourage the public to come out, bring family and friends, and enjoy a day of local shopping, food and fun — all while supporting a cause dedicated to helping others in the community.

A Week of Quirky Holidays Brings Fun to the Calendar

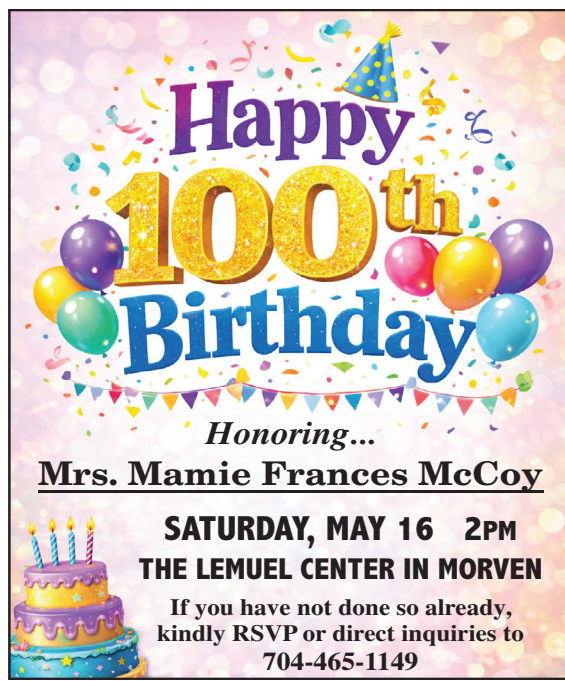
If you've been looking for an excuse to mix things up a bit, the calendar has you covered this week with a lineup of unusual - and sometimes delicious - holidays that invite a little fun into the everyday routine.

- Thursday, April 16 – Wear Pajamas to Work Day. Finally, a holiday that encourages comfort over professionalism. Just be careful - once you start, regular clothes may feel overated.
- Thursday, April 16 – Eggs Benedict Day. A perfect excuse to enjoy a brunch favorite. Bonus points if someone else makes it for you.
- Friday, April 17 – Haiku Poetry Day. Time to channel your inner poet. Just remember: five-seven-five... or at least something close enough.
- Saturday, April 18 – Columnist Day. A day to appreciate the writers who keep us informed — and occasionally entertained — week after week.
- Monday, April 20 – Look Alike Day. Find your twin, or at least someone who could pass for you from a distance. Mistaken identity stories encouraged.
- Wednesday, April 22 – Jelly Bean Day. Whether you sort them by color or eat them by the handful, it's a sweet way to celebrate midweek.

Whether you participate in one or all of these offbeat observances, they offer a lighthearted reminder that even ordinary days can use a little extra flavor...sometimes literally.



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