

Encouragement Group Called "Living after Losing" Seminar

Connections Family Support Program is hosting guest speaker Debbie Spears on Thursday, May 4 at the First United Methodist Church in Rockingham in the Fellowship Hall (located at 410 East Washington Street in Rockingham), from 12 noon to 2:00 p.m. She will be speaking about what led her decision to start an "encouragement" group called Living after Losing. She had experienced several life changing events over the years, but nothing could have prepared her for what was about to happen on July 9, 2011 at 2:31 p.m. in the afternoon. A sudden and horrific car accident changed the life of this happily married mother of 22 years and the lives of her three sons forever.

Debbie Spears lives and works in Richmond County as an elementary school teacher. She earned her undergraduate degree in Psychology and a master's degree in Elementary Education. She understands and knows that grief and loss in life is inevitable, but the question is, how do we handle the difficult times and move forward to living after losing. Mrs. Spears' desire is to share "real" strategies with others that she has actively used to help her minute by minute and day by day to reach the point where there is hope in living after one has suffered tremendous loss in life.

Families, community members, providers, and professionals are encouraged to attend this special event. Space is limited and the deadline to register is May 2. Lunch will be provided at no charge.

Connections Family Support Program is funded by Sandhills Center in collaboration with National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) in North Carolina. To register for this event please contact Suzanne Maness toll free at 877-211-5995 or by email at connectionsfsp@gmail.com.

Church News

APRIL 24 - 26

Spring Revival

At Lindsey Chapel Friendship COG. Mon-Evangelist Leola Allison, Tue-Min Selinda Barksdale, Wed-Min Martez Little, all at 7:30pm. All are invited

APRIL 28 - 30

Second Southern District Meeting

at Grace Temple COG in Lilesville. 10am, 3:30pm & 7pm each day. All are welcome

APRIL 29

Praise Dance

Orientation at Believer's Christian Center, 5pm

APRIL 30

1st Anniversary & Friends & Family Day

at New Life Ministry & Faith Center, 121 Wortham St in Wadesboro, 11:15am w/Missionary Connie Bostic & 3pm w/Pastor Mary Lindsey

15th Anniversary

Of Youth Choir at West Deep Creek MBC, 2:30pm. All are invited

MAY 5

Mother's Day Extravaganza

at Church of God of Prophecy in Morven, 6pm w/BJ Pratt & Destined, Family Devotion, Friends United, Renewed Voices, Sis Amanda Little & more! \$10 at door, children under 10 free. Info 704-475-5199

MAY 6

Big Yard Sale

At Morning Star Redeemed COG, 7am-1pm. Something for everyone. All sizes of clothes, shoes, etc.

Woman's Day Program

At Divine Unity Church, 11am w/Elder Mahalia

Williams & Shirley Frank. All are invited

MAY 7

Women's Day

At Pleasant Hill MBC, 3pm w/Evangelist Dr. Tangula Diggs

Anniversary Concert

Boys of Glory & Spirit, 2:30pm at Harvest Ministries in Wadesboro

4th Appreciation Service

for Elder Pearl Taylor at Johnson Chapel Holiness Church, 3pm w/Pastor Terry Little. All are invited

MAY 7 & 8

Homecoming & Revival

At Cedar Hill UMC w/Rev Jimmy Knotts. Homecoming Sun at 11am. Revival Sun & Mon at 7pm

MAY 7 - 9

Youth Revival

At Fairview COG. Sun-2:30pm w/Rev Tobias Wall. Mon-Min Timothy Marshall & Tue-Rev Steadman Steele, both at 7pm

MAY 14

Mother's Day Program

at New Life Trinity Church, 11am

MAY 28

Pastor Aid Program

At Morning Star Redeemed COG, 3pm w/Pastor Pedro Billinger

4th Anniversary

Of Rev Bertha Medley at Red Hill Church, 3pm w/Rev Harold Timberlake of Mt Zion of Badin & choir

JUNE 11

Children's Day Program

at New Life Trinity Church, 11am

JUNE 18

Father's Day Program

At New Life Trinity Church, 11am

ONGOING

Bible Study

Wednesday nights, 6pm at Church of God of Prophecy

Bible Study

Wednesdays, at Henderson Grove Missionary Baptist Church, 6:30pm

Prayer Service

Intercessory Prayer at Voice of Evangelism Church every Sat 9am & Sun 8am

Schedule

At New Hope Methodist Church, Hwy 742 South. Preaching 1st & 3rd Sun, 9:45am. Sun School 1st

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Part-Time Police Officer Position

The Polkton Police Department is now accepting applications for a part-time Police Officer position. This position will mainly work every other weekend, and at the discretion of the Chief of Police and their availability from their full-time employer, if applicable.

This position will pay \$15 per hour, with a minimum of 20 hours of work in a scheduled work cycle. The Town of Polkton requires a minimum of (2) two years "on the road" experience, must be BLET certified, and be physically and mentally acceptable by Polkton Police Department policy and the North Carolina Criminal Justice and Training Standards.

If interested in the position please come by the Polkton Town Hall and pick up an application or log onto www.townofpolktonpolice.com and download a copy of our application. Applicants must bring a F-3, a copy of Driver's License, a copy of Social Security card, a copy of High School Diploma and/or GED, and must pass a thorough background investigation.

Application deadline will be May 10, 2017.

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Bible Study
At Voice of Evangelism Church every Wednesday & Friday at 7:30pm

Events

APRIL 27

Veterans Memorial Dedication

at Wadesboro City Park, 11am. Public is invited

APRIL 28

Special Olympics Spring Games

begin at 9:30am at Anson High School Football Stadium. Volunteers are needed. For info call Sylvia Tillman at 704-694-4417. Rain date is May 16

APRIL 29

All You Can Eat Breakfast

sponsored by the Anson Rescue Squad, 208 E Morgan St in Wadesboro, 6:30-10:30am. Only \$8 per person

Regional Meeting

Of Democratic Women of NC, 10am in Community Room at Carolinas HealthCare Anson w/speaker Lucinda Guinn

MAY 3

Free Groceries

For families in need. Mobile Food Pantry at Wingate United Methodist Church, 11am. Call for details 828-891-2753

MAY 6

Yard Sale at the Anson Animal Shelter

8am until w/great items for sale, hot dogs, popcorn, drinks, a 'split the pot' drawing & more! All sales go toward helping the dogs & cats at the shelter. Donations of dog & cat food, bleach, laundry detergent, dish liquid, paper towels or money gratefully accepted. Located on Hwy 74 in Polkton

MAY 13

Yard Sale of the Carolinas

in downtown Chesterfield, 7am-12 noon. Many sellers, both in town and in surrounding neighborhoods. List of sellers will be available. If you would like to sell, register by May

10 by emailing jdouglashcc@hotmail.com or call (843) 623-9155

MAY 16

Senior Information & Health Fair

11am-1pm at Lockhart-Taylor Center. Info & register 704-694-6616

MAY 20

Golf Tournament

Terry Jordan Invitational sponsored by Gum Springs Baptist Church Youth, 2pm at Twin Valley Country Club. Sponsorships available. Info 704-695-2200

ONGOING EVENTS

Children's Group Meets

Every Thursday at Anson County Domestic Violence Coalition, 5-6pm to discuss how to keep you & your children safe 704-694-4499

MoMs Meeting

Support group for mothers of multiples, third Tuesdays, 6:30pm, Lockhart-Taylor Center, 704-695-1031

Fawns and Other Young Wildlife: Leave Them in the Wild

The N.C. Wildlife Resources Commission reminds the public to exercise respect and caution when encountering fawns and other young wildlife this spring. Handling, moving or feeding seemingly abandoned wildlife can harm or ultimately kill the animal and can put your safety at risk.

"Most of the time, fawns that appear to be abandoned are simply waiting for their mother to return," said Jessie Birkhead, the Commission's extension biologist. "Does can typically be found in the surrounding area searching for food and water, returning to the fawn several times a day to nurse and clean it."

Fawns are naturally camouflaged and have little scent, which helps them remain undetected by predators. Many other species, including rabbits, take a similar strategy with their young, hiding them during the day while the adults are looking for food and other resources. You can do your part in protecting young wildlife by keeping pets away from the area and reminding kids (and adults) to leave the animals alone.

If a fawn is in the exact same location for longer than a day and bleating loudly, or is lying near a dead doe (likely at the side of a highway), contact a licensed fawn rehabilitator for guidance. Do not touch the fawn or take it into your possession. It is illegal to remove mammals and birds from the wild without a permit. Only fawn rehabilitators with a permit from the Commission may keep white-tailed fawns in captivity for eventual release. For more information on fawns and other young wildlife in distress, go to www.ncwildlife.org/HaveaProblem.

Though feeding wildlife may seem harmless or even helpful, it can cause a wild animal to lose its natural fear of humans. The animal may become bold or cause property damage while searching for more human food. Some diseases, such as rabies and roundworm, can be transmitted to humans through wildlife interaction. For more information about the hazards of feeding wildlife, go to www.ncwildlife.org/feedinghazard.

For assistance with these and other types of human-wildlife interactions, call the new N.C. Wildlife Helpline at 866-318-2401. The call center is open Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

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