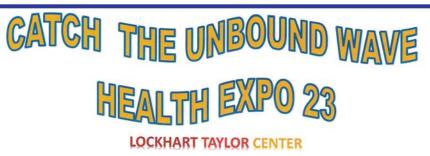
#### **Special Commissioner's Meeting Notice**

The Anson County Board of Commissioners will convene for a special meeting on Friday, March 26 at 10 a.m. in the Commissioner's Board Room, located at 101 South Greene Street in uptown Wadesboro. The purpose of the meeting is the Anson County Transportation Services (ACTS) contract.





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Restoration of Poplar Spring Historical Cemetery on May 27

This is a release from the Burnsville Recreation & Learning Center: Memorial Day Celebration - Day of Service in honor of those who once served. Time of work: Saturday, May 27, 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 Noon. The time of gathering for prayer, instructions and acknowledgement will be at 9:30 a.m. in the Poplar Spring Missionary Baptist Church Parking lot. The church is located at 183 Rocky Mount Church Road, Polkton. The historical cemetery is a short distance from the church. The collaboration between BRLC, Poplar Spring Missionary Baptist Church and others jointly working together. Lunch will be served at 12:30 p.m. at BRLC with carry out plates.

BRLC Director Carol Smith said, "We encourage businesses, organizations, civic groups, clubs, community outreaches, schools, churches, Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts, anyone that's needing volunteers' community service hours. If you want to help in any way please come."

Please bring your own tools to help with this project: Yard racks, hedge clippers, shovels, chainsaws, wheelbarrows, axes, anything to help move and clear bushes, poles saws, weed eaters and strings, pruning shears, wagons for hauling debris of different sorts. No Lawn Mowers. For landscaping outfits this is a great way to serve your community. Donations of water, juices and snacks for volunteers are gratefully accepted as well for this project.

Smith continued, "Will you help us to make this day one of honor to ancestors laid to rest at the historical cemetery?"

You may use the email to contact us or call Carol Smith at 704-778-7478 or Allen Jackson, Cemetery-Community Supporter at 704-221-1762.

This important project will provide recordings of names, pictures, and documentation of the preservation of the Poplar Springs Baptist Church Cemetery. The information will contain present, future and historical information.

BRLC is located at 13349 Highway 742 North in Burnsville, across from the Fire Department. The telephone number is 704-826-8737. For more information visit www.burnsvillelc.org, email Burnsvillelc@gmail.com, or look on Facebook.

#### Women in Business Small Business Summit

Anson County Chamber of Commerce in collaboration with South Piedmont Community College and the Women's Business Center of Charlotte is hosting the fourth annual Women in Business Small Business Summit on Thursday, June 8 at the Lockhart-Taylor Center in Wadesboro.

The topic of this year's summit is "Mastering Marketing & E-commerce." For more information or to register, email: info@ansoncountychamber.org.

Vendors are needed for the event. If you would like to have a free vendor table, please register via email at: info@ansoncountychamber.org.

## NC By Train Announces More Trains and New Schedules

Driven by increased demand, NC By Train, North Carolina's passenger rail service, announced today additional trains and new schedules between Raleigh and Charlotte starting July 10. The NC By Train improvements will include a mid-day departure from Raleigh, a late-afternoon departure from Charlotte and reduced travel times for rail passengers between North Carolina's two biggest cities.

"We're excited to offer these new services for NC By Train customers," said Jason Orthner, the Rail Division director at the N.C. Department of Transportation. "The trend of increased ridership over the last year has shown the need for new service options."

Customers can now reserve a spot on the new service between Raleigh and Charlotte. You can also purchase tickets using the Amtrak app.

When the service begins July 10, five trains will travel each way between Raleigh and

When the service begins July 10, five trains will travel each way between Raleigh and Charlotte. The number of daily departures between the two cities will increase from eight to 10. The new service will provide passengers with:

 A 6:30 a.m. departure from Raleigh and a 5:30 p.m. departure from Charlotte with schedule trip times of just under three hours.

 New departures, including a 1 p.m. from Raleigh and 2:20 p.m., 5:30 p.m. and 7:45 p.m. departures from Charlotte.

The improvements are driven by increased demand for the state's passenger rail service. In 2022, North Carolina's intercity passenger rail service had the highest ridership in its 32-year history. Then in April, after having its best first quarter ever, NC By Train boasted its second highest ridership month with over 53,300 passengers.

Daily service will continue for passengers on the Carolinian trains that travel between North Carolina, Washington D.C. and New York.

For more information, go to *ncbytrain.org* or call 1-800-BY-TRAIN (1-800-298-7246).

## Children's Day Festival

Why: National Children's Day Festival Where: The Lemuel Community Training Center - 206 W Main Street, Morven, NC 28119

When: Sunday, June 11, 6 to 9 p.m. Who: Children in Anson and surrounding areas What: Bouncy house, slushies, popcorn, food, games, face painting, fireworks.

A day to play!

Charitable donations are welcome! Sponsors are needed for the fireworks show. Contact 704-294-9556 for more info.

## **Cheraw Arts Commission Summer Art Classes**

The Cheraw Arts Commission is offering a variety of art classes for kids this Summer! Classes will be held at the Cheraw Community Center- 200 Powe Street.

• Pottery Classes will be offered for 2 days on June 5 & 19 for ages 8 and up. Participants will create knee bowls, tiles and more. Jane Crossman is the instructor for

the 2-part classes. The \$65 fee includes supplies for the 2 days of instruction.

• Participants can "Discover the ARTS" with 4 days of instruction that include Culinary Arts, Paper Mache, Pour Painting and Photography on June 20-23. These 10am to 12noon classes are geared for 5th grades and up. Fee for the 4 days of instruction is \$70 with all supplies provided.

• "Young at Art" classes will be held July 11-13 for Ages 9+. Melanie Stokes will introduce participants to art by famous artists at 2 different times – 9am to noon or

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3pm to 5pm. Cost for the 3 days of classes is \$60 with all supplies provided.

• Katie Stewart will

provide a Fun Morning of Art for ages 1st grade – 3rd on July 18. Class time is 10am-noon with fee of \$20. Registration for all

classes will be at the Cheraw Community Center. Call the Cheraw Arts Commission for additional information at:

843.537.8420 x 12.

