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Church JULY 6 - 10 Revival Crusade

At Evangelistic Outreach Center, 101 Dora St. in Wadesboro, at 7pm nightly. Theme is: There Is No Failure In God, based on Philippians 1:6. Mon-Pastor Christopher Chance; Tue-Pastor J.F. Quick; Wed-Dr. Betty Erwin; Thu-Pastor Terry Little; Fri-Pastor Vashon Ingram. Info 704-695-4569.

JULY 19 - 22

Homecoming & Revival At Henry Grove Baptist Church. Homecoming Sun-Pastor Marcus Blue at 11am & Rev. Blanche Williams of Fairley Chapel Church, Laurinburg at 3pm. Revival Mon-Rev. Rob Richardson of First Missionary Baptist Church, Hamlet; Tue-Rev. Jeff Person of St. Paul AME Zion Church, Sanford; Wed-Rev. Cynthia Martin of New Life in Faith Ministries, Laurinburg - all at 7pm. All are invited!

JULY 19 - 23

Revival At Divine Unity House of Restoration Ministries Fellowship Hall, 3060 Hwy 109 S, Wadesboro. Sun-Pastor Overseer Sylvia McLendon at 11am; Mon-Pastor Comdell Campbell of New Zion MBC in Peachland; Tue-Rev. Carol Turner of Sneed Grove AME Zion Church in Ellerbe; Wed-Pastor Johnny Campbell of White Oak Baptist Church in Morven; Thu-Pastor Cindy Wiggins of House of Faith Ministries in Wadesboro. All at 7pm.

JULY 26

12th Appreciation Service For Elder Gary Gaddy at Johnson Chapel Holiness Church, 3:30pm with Apostle Marvin Leak of Sound Doctrine Fellowship in Rockingham. All are invited.

JULY 26 - 29

Homecoming & Revival At Rock Hill Missionary Baptist Church, 9398 Hwy 74 in Lilesville. Homecoming Sun at 11am followed by dinner. Revival Mon-Rev. Dr. Robert Richardson of First Missionary Baptist; Tue-Rev. Sharon Lockhart of New Grove Baptist; Wed-Rev. Dr. Elgett Floyd of First Missionary Baptist, all at 7pm.

JULY 26 - 31

Revival Services At Rose of Sharon FCOG. Sun-Pastor Bishop Arvestor Lindsey at 12 noon. Mon-Fri Rev. Vincent Tillman of Life Giving Church of God in Concord at 7:30pm.

AUGUST 2

Youth Worship Night "Battle Ready '26" At Harmony Community Church, 1984 Pulpwood Yard Rd, Peachland. Dinner, yard games & fellowship at 5pm, doors open 5:50pm, then speaker Adrian Despres 6-8pm. Register in advance at forms.gle/BnWu9neiQ7gy4j55A.

AUGUST 2 - 5

Homecoming & Revival At Centenary AME Zion Church in Lilesville. Homecoming Sun. with Pastor Tony Hornes at 10am, followed by dinner. Mon-Wed Elder Carlos Melton & Pastor Pearl Taylor. Dinner served. Info 704-465-8942.

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Events

JULY 7

Board of Commissioners Meet 6pm in the Board Room, Suite 209, in Government Center, 101 S Greene St in uptown Wadesboro. There are two regular monthly meetings, with the second June meeting on June 16 at 6pm. Meetings are available online at youtube.com, search for Anson Commissioners. To appear, sign up prior to meeting. Info 704-994-3201.

JULY 13

Board of Education Called Meeting 9am Closed Session to discuss personnel matters pursuant to N.C.G.S. § 143-318.11(a)(6). Open Session at 9:30am. Agenda items are: revised 2026-27 calendar, strategic plan & personnel. Livestreamed on Anson County Schools YouTube page.

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July 4th Boating Under the Influence Enforcement

The NC Wildlife Resources Commission is increasing patrols on lakes and rivers across the state during the Independence Day holiday as part of Operation Dry Water, a nationwide campaign to reduce impaired boating and prevent tragedies on the water.

The annual enforcement effort comes as wildlife officers continue to emphasize the devastating consequences of boating under the influence. Last August, 10-year-old Brooklyn Carroll was killed on Shearon Harris Lake in Chatham County after an alcohol-impaired boater struck swimmers near an anchored boat. An adult family friend also suffered severe injuries that resulted in the amputation of a leg.

"This was a terrible situation, and these families will never fully recover from it," said North Carolina Wildlife Resources Commission Sgt. Claude Smith, who investigated the incident. He added that the tragedy could have been prevented if a sober adult had been designated to operate the boat.

Operation Dry Water is a national campaign led by the National Association of State Boating Law Administrators and the U.S. Coast Guard. During the July 4 holiday, wildlife officers will increase patrols and enforcement while educating boaters about the dangers of operating a vessel while impaired.

Alcohol remains the leading known contributing factor in recreational boating fatalities. In North Carolina, it is illegal to operate a recreational vessel with a blood alcohol concentration of 0.08 or higher or while appreciably impaired by alcohol, drugs or other impairing substances.

During last year's Operation Dry Water campaign, North Carolina wildlife officers removed 43 impaired boat operators from the water. So far this year, the state has recorded 62 boating incidents, including nine fatalities. In 2025, boating accidents in North Carolina claimed 26 lives. Wildlife officers encourage everyone heading to the water this holiday weekend to designate a sober boat operator, always wear a properly fitted life jacket and make safety a priority.

Operation Dry Water is supported in North Carolina by the Wildlife Resources Commission, the North Carolina State Highway Patrol, North Carolina Alcohol Law Enforcement and the Governor's Highway Safety Program's Operation Firecracker Booze It & Lose It campaign.

For boating safety information, visit www.ncwildlife.org/boating. Additional information about Operation Dry Water is available at www.operationdrywater.org.

Wadesboro Police Join Statewide July 4th Safety Campaign

The Wadesboro Police Department is joining law enforcement agencies across North Carolina in the Governor's Highway Safety Program's annual "Operation Firecracker Booze It & Lose It" campaign, a statewide traffic enforcement effort designed to reduce crashes and save lives during the busy Independence Day travel period.

The campaign, which runs through July 5, combines increased public education with heightened traffic enforcement. Officers across the state will conduct sobriety checkpoints and increase patrols with a special focus on impaired driving, speeding, distracted driving and seat belt violations.

"This time of year is one of the deadliest in terms of impaired driving crashes," said Governor's Highway Safety Program Director Mark Ezzell. "In 2025 alone, 464 people lost their lives in impaired driving crashes on North Carolina roads. This staggering number reminds us why this work is so critically important."

According to the North Carolina Department of Transportation, law enforcement officers made 917 DWI arrests during last year's Operation Firecracker campaign, including 77 drivers under the age of 21.

"This campaign highlights that if you drink and drive in North Carolina, you lose," said North Carolina Department of Public Safety Secretary Jeffrey Smythe. "You risk losing your license, your freedom, your reputation, and possibly your life or someone else's."

The Wadesboro Police Department said its officers will be working throughout the holiday week to help reduce crashes and keep residents and visitors safe. The department encourages motorists to buckle up every trip, obey posted speed limits, put away cell phones while driving and never drive while impaired.

Anyone planning to celebrate the Fourth of July is urged to designate a sober driver before leaving home or arrange for a taxi, rideshare service or other safe transportation.

The department said its goal is to help ensure residents, visitors and everyone traveling through Wadesboro enjoy a safe holiday weekend.

Officials hope motorists will remember the campaign's simple message:

"Drive Sober. Buckle Up. Arrive Alive."



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