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# Sally Ann James Recognized as Member of Sigma Alpha Lambda at UNC

National leadership and honor organization Sigma Alpha Lambda at the University of North Carolina Chapel Hill has announced that Sally Ann James has recently become a member. Sigma Alpha Lambda is dedicated to promoting and rewarding academic achievement and providing members with opportunities for community service, personal development and lifelong professional fulfillment.

Sally, a graduate of Anson High School, is the daughter of Robbie and Derek James of Wadesboro.

# Hang up on Social Security Scammers

# The Social Security Administration will never call to threaten your benefits or ask you to send money via a wire transfer or a gift card

Your Social Security Number (SSN) is one of your most important pieces of personal data. That's why it's understandably frightening when someone claiming to be from the Social Security Administration (SSA) or Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) calls to tell you that your SSN has been or will be suspended.

These scammers may claim that the suspension is due to fraudulent or criminal activities. They can even spoof their number so that your caller ID shows the call coming from the SSA's real number (1-800-772-1213), and they'll ask you to verify your SSN. This is not the SSA or CMS calling.

These scammers are especially active during the Medicare Enrollment Period. They may call you pretending to have information about Medicare enrollment, when in reality they are simply trying to steal your Social Security number. Here's what you should know about this scam:

• These calls can be very stressful – take a minute and verify what's happening so you don't share personal information or act out of panic. • Hang up and call the SSA directly at 1-800-772-1213 or contact them online at *www.ssa.gov*. If you suspect the scammer is targeting you as a Medicare enrollee, call 1-800-MEDICARE to report the activity.

 Never give any part of your Social Security, bank account, or credit card numbers to anyone who contacts you.

• The SSA will never call to threaten your benefits or ask you to send money via a wire transfer or a gift card.

If you receive a call like this, report it to our Consumer Protection Division by calling 1-877-5-NO-SCAM or by filing a complaint online at *ncdoj.gov/complaint*.

# **Be Careful About Sharing DMV Information or Paying Fees Through Third-Party Websites**

#### Only use the NC DMV website, *www.ncdot.gov/dmv*

The North Carolina Division of Motor Vehicles (DMV) is warning consumers who are trying to process common DMV-related renewals and registrations online to be aware of websites that charge consumers unnecessary fees and may not be safeguarding their online data.

Third-party websites are popping up online that ask consumers to share personal information or pay fees to process vehicle, driver license, and license plate renewals and registrations. These websites will often show up if you search for common DMU continues.

common DMV services online, and they'll often appear before the official DMV website in a list of search results. These are not Stateoperated websites.

These websites assist you in renewing a license plate or driver license or completing any of the other above services through a third party, but they will include an unnecessary fee at the end of the process. Additionally, the information shared during driver services is often personal data that should be stored securely. There's no way to confirm that these websites are keeping your information confidential. If you're looking to complete vehicle and driver license renewals and registrations online, you can do so directly through the NC DMV website www.ncdot.gov/dmv. If you believe that you have been the victim of a scam in the process of trying to complete these services, you can file a consumer complaint with the office's Consumer Protection Division at ncdoj.gov/complaint or 1-877-5-NO-SCAM.



### Ladies Out at Grace Senior Center

Ladies Out is held every Monday at 1 p.m. at Grace Senior Center. To find out what that is, and to register, call 704-694-6616.

Grace Senior Center is located at 199 Highway 742 South in Wadesboro, just past IGA.





# **Unauthorized Hydrant Use**

The use of Anson County Water Department fire hydrants for obtaining water for agricultural or any other purpose without written consent of the Water Department is a violation of state and federal law. Hydrants are for use by written-permitted users, water company or fire department personnel only.

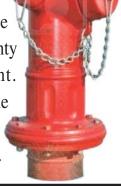
The Anson County Water Department will take legal action against any individual or business that unlawfully obtains water from the Anson County water system. Please report suspicious activity to the Anson County Sheriff's Office or the Water Department. Hydrant use permit information is available from the Anson County Water Department. Information is available at 704-694-5208.

# REVIVAL

Sun 6pm - Rev. Chuck Register Baptist State Convention of North Carolina Mon 7pm - Rev. Caroll Anthony Philadelphia Baptist Tue 7pm - Rev. Jerome Cash Peachland Baptist Wed 7pm - Dr. Eric Cook Union Baptist Association

Special Music Featured Each Night! Please come out and join us as we worship Jesus Christ together

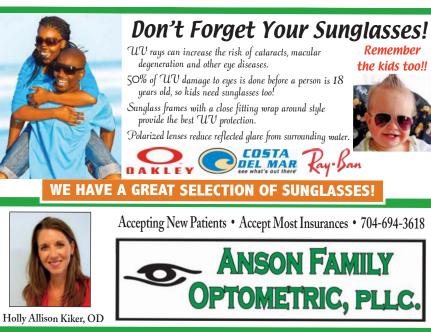
14 Then if my people who are called by my name will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, I will hear from heaven and will forgive their sins and restore their land. 2 Chronicles 7:14





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