THE EXPRESS • September 12, 2018 • Page 6 Anson County Democratic Party 'Blue & White' Gala is September 22

The Anson County Democratic Party will host their 9th annual 'Blue & White' Gala on Saturday, September 22, beginning at 6:00 p.m. at the Lockhart-Taylor Center in Wadesboro. The theme for the banquet is "Moving North Carolina Forward," emphasizing the Democratic Party has the power to achieve victories in the upcoming elections through voting.

The guest speaker is Professor Gene Nichol, from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. Professor Nichol is a Boyd Tinsley Distinguished Professor at the university. He was director of the UNC Poverty Center from 2008 to 2015 when it was closed by the Board of Governors for publishing articles critical of the governor and General Assembly. Since 2015 his research has been supported by the N.C. Poverty Research Fund. Nichol was president of the College of William & Mary (2005-2008), law dean at the University of Colorado (1988-1995), and dean at UNC from 1999-2005.

Nichol is author of Federal Courts (West, 2015, with Marshall & Wells) and Seeing the Invisible: Putting a Face on Poverty in North Carolina (2015). He has published articles in the Harvard, Yale, Chicago, Michigan, Pennsylvania, Duke, California, and Virginia law reviews. He has been a political columnist for the Rocky Mountain News and hosted a public affairs television show, Culture Wars, for KBDI in Denver. He's been an op-ed columnist for the Raleigh News & Observer for fifteen years, and writes frequently for The Progressive Populist. He's also executive producer of the documentary, A Generation of Change: Bill Friday, Terry Sanford and North Carolina (UNC-TV, 2016).

In May 2017 Professor Nichol was guest speaker at the 9th District convention held in Richmond County. Anson County Democratic Party Chair Vancine Sturdivant invited him to speak at the "Blue & White" Gala and he graciously accepted. All concerned citizens are welcomed.

For more information please contact Vancine Sturdivant at 704-848-4412 or Debra Rosebud at 704-695-2963.

Artists Sought for 2019 North Carolina Duck Stamp Competition

The N.C. Wildlife Resources Commission and the Washington Tourism Development Authority are seeking artists for their annual N.C. Waterfowl Conservation Stamp Print competition.

The winning artwork will be featured on the 2019-2020 waterfowl conservation stamp, also known as the North Carolina duck stamp. Artists 18 years and older are eligible to enter the competition. Entries, along with a \$50





Artwork will be judged on the following criteria:

Level and accuracy of detail in all aspects of the anatomy of waterfowl;

• Appropriateness, accuracy and detail in depiction of the selected species' habitat;

• Attractiveness and creativity of the composition, regarding spatial balance, lighting and harmony of subject and background; and,

Visual appeal and suitability for reproduction at both the print and stamp scales.

Artists may submit only one design, in whatever medium they choose. Images must be horizontal, 13 inches by 18 inches, matted in white to outside dimensions of 18 inches by 23 inches and should be loosely covered with a protective overleaf, although not framed or covered with glass. The image should bear no signature or other marks that would identify the artist.

A panel of five judges, who have expertise in waterfowl biology or artistic method and expression, will select the winning artwork on Jan. 25, 2019. The winner will receive \$7,000 in prize money.

Proceeds from sales of the print and stamp support the Wildlife Resources Commission's Waterfowl Fund, which generates revenue for the conservation of waterfowl habitat in North Carolina. For more information on waterfowl hunting and licenses in North Carolina, visit ncwildlife.org/hunting.

The Annual God Glorious Charity Ride is September 22

Motorcyclists from all around will gather with the Burnsville Recreation & Learning Center's folks who enjoy riding motorcycles. The event start with a huge yard sale from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Free breakfast will be served at

9 a.m. for all bikers. Kids Café volunteers will provide the breakfast. All non-bikers are ask to make a charitable financial donation to help with the event.

Lunch will be served when all bikes return. Emergency Food Pantry volunteers will serve the lunch. There will be bingo and other activities when bikers return. Saxophonist McKinley Sandifer will provide music for the event.

The God's Glorious Motorcycle Ride will celebrate the beginning of fall. Funds from this annual event will be used to operate the year 'round BRLC children's programs.

During the school year all children who are enrolled in BRLC programs are loved, cared for, and given a nutritious meal /snack after school. They receive help with homework, use the computers if needed at no cost, are introduced to other appropriate activities, and once monthly carry a backpack filled with food home for the weekend. When school is closed for the summer each child gets two nutritious meals a day. They participate in fun, educational and motivational sessions along with weekly outings. This past summer BRLC served 3,430 meals to children. Funds from the God Glorius Ride will be used to buy foods, school supplies and other necessary resources that are needed to operate these programs. During the event a brief summary of God's Glorious Motorcycle Ride from 2017 will be presented. All bikers' names from 2017 will be posted in honor of each biker who was a part of last year celebration, along with BRLC saying THANK YOU! Your support has made this event in past years successful. Because of your help BRLC has been able to provide for at-risk children and low income families. Thanks again for partnering with BRLC. The community is encouraged to come and share in this annually event. Info at 704-826-8737.







*Please present your membership card at the door.

You will be electing officers, directors and delegates to the state convention.

We look forward to seeing you there. Ronnie Mills, President



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