205 West Morgan Street • Wadesboro, NC 28170 • 704-694-2480 • The Express News @gmail.com • www. The Express Newspaper.com

Serving Anson County and the Municipalities of Ansonville, Lilesville, McFarlan, Morven, Peachland, Polkton and Wadesboro.

#### **Sheriff Landric Reid Earns Highest Level Professional Certificate in NC**

Anson County Sheriff Landric Reid was awarded the Advanced Deputy Professional Law Enforcement Certificate by the North Carolina Sheriff's Education and Training Standards Commission on Friday, September 13.

The North Carolina Sheriff's Education and Training Standards Commission was established in 1983, with a purpose to upgrade the capabilities, competence proficiency of sheriff's departmental personnel through programs, standards and procedures involving employment, improvement, career development and retention of the sheriff's office personnel. The North Carolina Sheriff's Education and Training Standards Commission currently maintains certification files on over 25,000 deputy sheriffs, detention officers and telecommunicators.

The purpose of the Advanced Deputy Professional Law Enforcement Certificate is to recognize the level of competence of sheriffs and deputy sheriffs serving North Carolina sheriff offices to foster increased interest in college education and professional law enforcement training and to attract highly qualified individuals into a law enforcement The Advanced Deputy Professional Law Enforcement Certificate is the highest professional certificate awarded sheriffs and deputy sheriffs in North Carolina. To qualify for the certificate sheriffs and deputy sheriffs must complete a combination of professional training and relevent education, as well as meet minimum

## **Board of Education Meeting Scheduled for October 28**

The Anson County Board of Education will hold its next meeting on Monday, October 28 in the Administrative Office Board Meeting Room, located at 320 Camden Road in Wadesboro. The regular meeting will begin at 4:30 p.m. with Closed Session immediately following the opening of the meeting. Open Session should begin at about 5:30 p.m.

## Early Release Wednesday October 30

Anson County Schools will have early release Wednesday on October 30. Early release Wednesdays are designed to offer professional development for teachers and staff to support instruction.

Early release time for elementary schools will be 12:30 p.m. Early release time for middle and high schools will be 1:30 p.m.

#### **Halloween Trunk or Treat Event**

Sheriff Landric Reid would like to invite all trick or treaters out to the Anson County Sheriff's Office parking lot on Thursday, October 31 for the 4th annual Trunk and Treat event. Treats will be given out between 6:00 and 8:00 p.m. Everyone is invited to come out and participate in this fun filled event. It is an opportunity to give parents and their children a secure environment to participate in an enjoyable Halloween festivity, in a safe and well lighted location.

The Sheriff's Office is located at 119 North Washington

Street in Wadesboro.

# Veterans Day Celebration is Nov. 11



Two Stories Wide Band

The community is invited to come and help celebrate Veterans Day at Wadesboro Park on Monday, November 11, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Bring a lawn chair and enjoy live music by the band Two Stories Wide as well as a hot meal. Wadesboro Park is located at 1000 Gatewood Avenue, just off Morven Road.

In the case of inclement weather the event will be held at the Woodmen Life Lodge, located at 2540 Highway 74 West in Wadesboro.

# Kayla Carpenter is Lilesville Fire Queen

The Lilesville Fire Department has chosen Kayla Elizabeth Carpenter as their 2019 fire queen. She will represent the fire department in upcoming parades in the county, as well as upcoming events in Lilesville. Sixteen year old Kayla attends Anson County Early

College where she is currently an honor student. She is also a Varsity Majorette at Anson High School. When she finishes school, she plans to attend Appalachian State University. In her spare time Kayla enjoys twirling, traveling, reading,

helping others and anything that involves children. She is a member of Southside Baptist Church. Kayla is the daughter of Joanie Barnhhill and Steven

Carpenter of Lilesville. Her grandparents are Gene and Susan Parker, Harvey Carpenter and John Coley of Lilesville.





#### **Peachland-Polkton Elementary School Terrific Kids**

Peachland-Polkton Elementary School held its Terrific Kids Celebration for the first nine weeks on Tuesday. October 15. Pictured are the students who were recognized for this honor. We are proud of these students for showing good character!

Pictured above are, from left, front row: Aubree Rogers, John Carter Chewning, Nora Edwards, Sadie Walden, David Elliott, Makaylah Gaddy Alysia McNeil, Alicia Parker, Garreson McLain, Jameson Little, Jackson Pressley and James Adams. Second row: Hanna Vu, Khaled Abbas, Telaeya Chambers, Malaysia Ratliff, Clever Her, Savannah Pressley, Callia Mason, Azucena Venegas, Jamarrion Bennett and Carleigh Redmon. **Third row:** Megan Kiser, Shya Helms, Gracin Pike, Ava Clarke, Alexis Brown, Jaquarious Watts, Caleb Leslie, Addison Miles, Lucy Thao, Jamie Thao, Wisdom Wilks, Jameria Howard and Scarlett Pinon. Fourth row: Kolton Taylor, Donald Herbert, Brant Pugh, Emma Beam, Alyssa Campbell, Evelyn Romero, Truth Rorie, Cordarrius Bivens, Hazelyn Her and Rafael Venegas. **Not pictured:** Brooklyn Wilson, I'Sheundae Wells, Kayla Clark and Cameron Eddins.

# **Christmas in November Sale Returns November 9**

The holiday season is rapidly approaching, but don't panic! On Saturday, November 9, from 10 a.m. until 2:30 p.m. the Anson County Arts Council's 9th annual Christmas in November Art and Crafts Sale offers the opportunity to find unique gifts while you support area artists and craftsmen. South Piedmont Community College's Lockhart-Taylor Center, located at 514 North Washington Street in Wadesboro, will be filled with wonderful items created by people who live and work right in this area of North Carolina.

You will find holiday and decorative items, wreaths, ornaments, jewelry, pottery, stained glass, wood crafts, Christmas-themed paintings, quilted items, birdhouses and feeders, pine needle baskets, fairy houses, bears, crocheted items, totes, wooden signs, pillows, soaps, lotions, candles and much more offered by talented vendors from Wadesboro, Lilesville, Polkton, Marshville, Monroe, Charlotte, Cheraw, Norwood, Albemarle, Mt. Gilead, Greensboro and surrounding areas.

Christmas in November is a public service project of the Anson County Arts Council for area residents and the creative community. Admission is free, and there is plenty of free parking.

Vendors keep 100% of their sales. If you are an interested vendor, register online at ansoniatheatre.com or contact the Arts Council at ansonart@windstream.net.

## Wadesboro Christmas Parade Planning is Underway

Uptown Wadesboro, Inc. has begun planning for this year's Wadesboro Christmas Parade. The parade is scheduled for Thursday, December 5, starting at 4:00 p.m. For more information or to request an entry form, contact Uptown Wadesboro, Inc. at (704) 694-4181 or via email at uptownwadesboro@windstream.net.

#### Injured Two Year Child's Life Saved by Wadesboro SRO Officer D'Anya Chance

Child stopped breathing after car window closed on his neck, mother was unaware for several minutes.

Other drivers observed the situation and tried to get her attention.

This is a release from Wadesboro Police Chief Thedis Spencer: School resource officers (SRO) serve in one of the most roles within any law enforcement agency, serving alongside educators inside our children's schools, providing safety and security for students and staff. This service provides educators with another resource to assist and creating a productive learning environment for our youth.

Ask any former or current SRO and many of them will tell you that there is no greater role a law enforcement officer can have than to be assigned to the school resource division. While safety and security may be the initial mission of assigning officers to schools, building relationships between them and law enforcement is the greatest and most rewarding outcome and accomplishment of it.

It is because of enormous positive personal impact and relationships that SROs make on our youth, as well as the benefit of security at our schools, Anson County once only had three total SROs countywide, with two at the high school and one at the middle school. Now, more than ever, it is vital that law enforcement finds every way to build bridges of trust and develop partnerships between the youth and us, as well as to be positive role models and mentors, and this bridge building should begin far before middle and high school. The Town of Wadesboro Council, following several meetings, decided to award our police department with the additional SRO position, and that decision has potentially led to the saving of a child's life. On Tuesday, October 15 the newly appointed SRO assigned to Wadesboro Primary

and Wadesboro Elementary Schools was able to assist in saving the life of a two year old child during dismissal. The child was a passenger in the back seat of a vehicle being operated by their mother who was at the school to pick up a student. At some point the child got their head and neck trapped between the rear window and the frame of the door. This entrapment ultimately caused the child to lose the ability to breath and the child lost consciousness. Vehicles traveling behind them noticed what was happening and began blowing their horns in an effort to get the attention of the driver who apparently was unaware of what was happening. It was when they arrived at the school that the mother apparently became aware and immediately stopped the vehicle, and the child was freed from the entrapment. Officer D'Anya Chance, who has been with the Wadesboro Police Department for two

years, is the SRO assigned to the elementary and primary schools. She became aware of the emergency and immediately sprang into action, administering life saving measures to try and resuscitate the child. Thankfully Officer Chance was able to revive the child through the use of CPR and her training in administering first aid. Emergency medical responders arrived on the scene and transported the child to Atrium Health in Charlotte. He was treated and released on Wednesday, October 16. He is expected to make a

An investigation is currently underway. The Wadesboro Police Department can release that we were able to verify that there was a child protective seat (CPS) in the rear of the

vehicle, but the child was not in it at the time of the entrapment. **Leadership Anson 2020 Applications** 

694-4181 or semrich@ansoncountychamber.org.

# **Free Movie**

is The Healer The Hampton B. Allen Library announces the Free movie The Healer on Monday, October 28 at 10:00 a.m. in the Little Theatre. The Healer is a story about a gambling, womanizing bankrupt electrical repairman named Alex Bailey (Oliver Jackson Cohen) who is traumatized by the death of his twin brother. His distant uncle Raymond Heacock (Jonathan Pryce) offers to absolve his debts under the condition that he agrees to live with him in Halifax, Nova Scotia. With no alternatives, Alec accepts and embarks on a life changing iournev as his uncle reveals that he comes from a long time family of healers with the gift of being able to heal all those who are diseased. Trying to understand this gift and the new reality that it offers, Alec meets Cecilia (Camilla Luddington), a local veterinarian, and a teenage girl Abigail (Kaitlyn Bernard) with terminal cancer who unexpectedly show him

the way. Everyone is invited to come and enjoy the movie. Any questions please call 704-694-5177

#### Spaghetti **Fundraiser for Tammy Timmons** November 1

The community is invited enjoy a delicious spaghetti dinner that will raise funds to help pay the medical bills of Tammy Timmons. The event will be held on Friday, November 1, starting at 11 a.m. at the Anson Rescue Squad Building in Wadesboro. Plates are \$8. Deliveries

are available for orders of 10 or more plates. For more information call 704-695-7542. On June 14, 2019,

Tammy Timmons fell ill with a serious heart condition known as Takotsubo Cardiomyopathy (aka broken heart syndrome). She is still in recovery, and is currently not able to work. She has many extensive medical costs that need to be covered. This fundraiser is being held in hopes of relieving some of the Applications for the 2020 Leadership Anson class are now being accepted. For more information contact Shelby Emrich at the Anson County Chamber of Commerce, 704medical bills.