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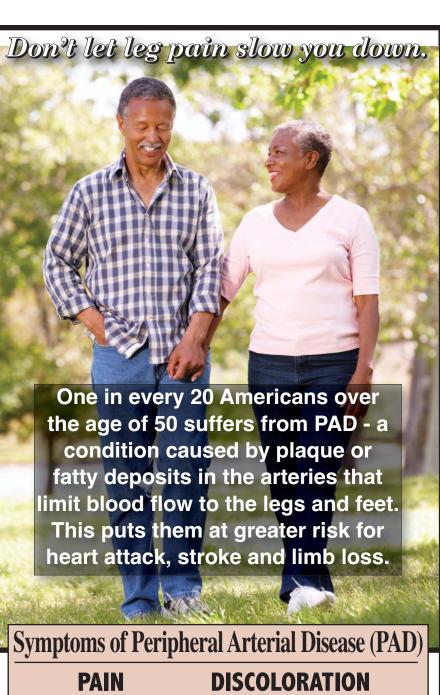
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## THE EXPRESS • October 26, 2022 • Page 2 Trunk or Treat at SPCC in Polkton October 27

South Piedmont Community College invites Anson County kids to come to the L.L. Polk Campus in Polkton (680 Highway 74) for a fun and free Truck or Treat event on Thursday, October 27, from 6 to 8 p.m. Children are encouraged to wear costumes and enjoy trick or treating in a safe and festive environment.

Trunk or treat bags will be provided. Hot dogs on the grill and other activities will be

This is a FREE event and open to the public (though they ask only the kids trick or treat). The college staff is excited to decorate their trunks and welcome trick-or-treaters!

## Domestic Violence Coalition Candlelight Vigil is October 27

October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month. Anson County Domestic Violence & Rape Crisis Center (ACDVC) participates in the Silent Witness program during the month of October to mourn those who have died because of Domestic Violence, celebrate those who have survived and connect with those who work to end Domestic Violence.

During October life-sized wooden silhouettes will be placed in the county, each bearing the name of a person who once lived, worked, had friends and family that loved them whose life ended violently at the hands of an abuser - someone they knew or loved.
Gail Dove of ACDVC said, "Domestic Violence often goes unreported. In Anson

County, from July 2021 to June 2022 ACDVC assisted 278 victims of Domestic Violence; 39 were male and 239 were female. The age bracket with the highest incidents is 26-40 years old. We had 364 calls to our crisis hotline. According to statistics, one in three women and one in four men have been victims of some form of violence by their intimate partner. Every nine seconds a woman is assaulted. From October 1, 2021 to September 30, 2022 there were 55 Domestic Violence related deaths in North Carolina alone.'

On Thursday, October 27 at 6:00 p.m. a candlelight vigil will be held at the front steps of the Anson County Courthouse. ACDVC invites the public to join them

during this special time of remembrance.



Anson County's known victims include Laura Parker, Rebecca B. Morrow, Cindy B. McIntyre, Linda Kay Walters, Argatha H. Clark, Connie Newton, Mary Jane Lee Seuss, Mary Polk, Danette Streater, Daisy Coleman Melton, Larry Lindsay. Sherri Feely Marshall, Doretha Polk Smith, Deborah Wall Smith. Jennifer Dawn Howell, Elnora Sturdivant, Kim Rodney Campbell, Smith, Linda McCain, Joseph Michael Hall, Williams, Daejunae Sherika Monique Little, Esther Brooks Hildreth. have unnamed victims and

two unborn children. For more information please contact ACDVC

at 704-694-4499. The 24-hour crisis line number is 704-690-

## **Susan Frances Lawhon**



Susan Frances Lawhon, 68, of Polkton, passed away Monday, October 24, 2022 at her home.

The family will hold a private memorial service

Susan was born May 8, 1954, in Mecklenburg County to the late "Charles" Craven Kiker and the late Mary Frances Kiker.

In addition to her husband, James Ellis Lawhon, she was also preceded in death by her grandfather, Fred Jones Kirk, grandmother, Nora Mae Kirk, and

former husband Steve Thomas.

Susan enjoyed family and the outdoors. She also loved animals dearly. Susan also owned and operated "Susan's Place" of Wadesboro, and the "Fast Shop" of Burnsville for many years. She was a hard worker and loved her customers.

Survivors include her children, John (Connie) Thomas, Kimberly (Chuck) Polson and Jamie Lawhon. Grandchildren, Tabitha Thomas, Levi Thomas, Marissa Polson and Taylor Snyder.

Memorials may be made to Anson County Animal Shelter, 7257 US-74 E. Polkton, NC 28135: ASPCA, or Hopewell United Methodist Church, 1715 Hopewell Church Road, Peachland, NC 28133

Hartsell Funeral Home of Albemarle is serving the Lawhon family. Online condolences may be made at www.hartsellfh.com.

