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Artists and Craftsmen can Still Join 'Christmas in November'

Holiday shopping begins in earnest in Anson County on Saturday, November 17, at the Anson County Arts Council's second annual Christmas in November. All kinds of wonderful affordable creations by area artists and craftsmen will be

Hand-thrown pottery, both functional and decorative wood items from local and exotic woods, watercolors, alcohol inks, and prints, photographs, copper repousse, pine needle and raffia basketry, Christmas ornaments, gourd art, wallhanging quilts, hand-painted glassware and serving pieces, stained glass, angels, wreaths, birdhouses, decoupaged planters, crocheted items, and handmade jewelry from silver, copper, semi-precious stones, pearls, natural stone, ammonite fossils

leather, and glass beads are some of the many beautiful items that will fill the tables manned by our local creative community.

Tables are still available for \$35 or \$50 for two. Artists and

craftsmen keep all sales proceeds. Any artist or craftsmen interested in participating in this event should contact the Arts Council at ansonart@windstream.net or 704-694-4950. A limited number of food vendors may also participate.

This year's Christmas in November will be held at the National Guard Armory, 488 Anson High School Road in Wadesboro, from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m. There is no admission charge.

NC Offers a 'November to Remember'

From wind-powered whirligigs to Wings Over Water, early-season skiing and late-season leaf watching, North Carolina promises visitors a "November to Remember." Travelers can find information on nearly 300 November events at VisitNC.com, the state's official travel planning website, and scope out activities in a new "Fall Into Winter" Facebook album filled with images taken this week

With two ski areas adding their snowmaking power to the early snowstorm's powder, travelers can opt for winter sports action or fall signatures, such as enjoying the last brilliant patches of fall color and strolling on pristine beaches during the fall bird migration. The Wings Over Water Wildlife Festival has adjusted its schedule in the aftermath of Hurricane Sandy, but nearly all of North Carolina's 300 miles of beaches are open.

"November is a shoulder season in North Carolina and a great time to find the best prices and added value offers throughout the state," said Lynn Minges, Assistant Secretary of Tourism.

November's first weekend includes the Wilson Whirligig Festival, which celebrates local artist Vollis Simpson's wind-powered structures (think giant pinwheels whirling overhead), and the Cape Fear Kite Festival at Wrightsville Beach. Wings Over Water, which offers excursions into varied coastal environments to experience migrating birds, howling wolves and changing flora, begins Tuesday and runs through Nov. 11.

The foliage show that began in the mountains approaches its peak at destinations to the east. From the top of Chimney Rock, the iconic monolith southeast of Asheville, visitors can gaze across Lake Lure and take in the glow of northern red oaks and golden hickories at the mid- and lower elevations. Colorful foliage at Falls Lake State Recreation Area in Raleigh and other Piedmont parks also survived Sandy's high winds. Farther north, the Roanoke River Ramble charts a 9-mile course past a restored grist mill, vibrant foliage, and the nesting places of bald eagles, osprey and great blue heron.

In the mountains, Sugar Mountain Resort and Cataloochee Ski Area welcomed the season's first skiers and snowboarders this week. It marked Sugar's earliest opening and only the second time Cataloochee has started skiing before November. Competitive fishermen, meanwhile, will cast their lines this weekend at the Rumble in the Rhododendron Fly Fishing Tournament in Cherokee's wellstocked tribal waters. And at Biltmore in Asheville, the seasonal transformation points to the holidays with Sunday's start of the Christmas at Biltmore celebration.

Special offers extend the possibilities. Deals at VisitNC.com/offers include everything from a free night at Ocean Isle Beach with a stay of three nights, a Pinehurst Thanksgiving package starting at \$171, and a hiking and wine-tasting package at Beech Mountain for \$159. Get a preview of the sights at facebook.com/VisitNC and connect to

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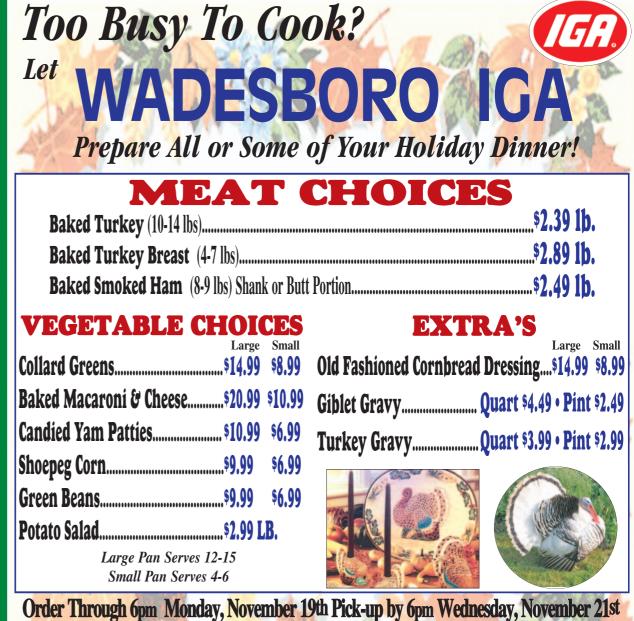


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50+ Club Meets November 13

The Hampton B. Allen Library's 50+ Club will meet on Tuesday, November 13 in the Little Theatre at 10:30 a.m. The group Three Forgiven will be presenting a musical program. The group consists of Mike and Beverly Edwards and Gregg Hargett. Everyone is invited to come to this free event. For more information please call 704-694-5177.





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