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Unofficial Results from the General Election Held November 3

After a heavy turnout of voters, the November 3 election results are in. In the results, the winners are in bold. In regional and national races the votes the candidates received from Anson County are in parenthesis. These are unofficial numbers.

- Anson County Commissioner District 1**
 - Dem - Bobby Sikes 666/35.13%
 - Unaf - **Jeffery (JD) Bricken** 1,267/64.87%
- Anson County Commissioner District 3**
 - Dem - **Robert Mims** 1,179/73.69%
 - Rep - Brian Johnson 421/26.31%
- Anson County Commissioner District 6**
 - Dem - **Jarvis Woodburn** 799/100%
- Anson County Commissioner District 7**
 - Dem - **Harold Smith** 1,100/100%
- Board of Education District 1**
 - Dem - **Mike Turner** 1,302/100%
- Board of Education District 3**
 - Dem - **Beulah Pratt** 1,198/100%
- Board of Education District 6**
 - Dem - **Frank Liles** 775/100%
- Board of Education District 7**
 - Dem - **Carol Ann Gibson** 1,114/100%
- Board of Education At Large (Unexpired)**
 - Dem - **Marilynn Bennett** 7,514/100%

Register of Deeds

- Dem - Dannie Montgomery 5,012/47.3%
- Unaf - **Greg Eudy** 5,585/52.7%
- Anson Soil and Water Conservation District Supervisor**
 - **Gary Sikes** 6,086/64.59%
 - John Springer 3,258/34.58%
- NC State Senate District 25**
 - Dem - Helen Probst Mills (5,774/52.65%)
 - Rep - **Tom McInnis** (5,193/47.35%)
- NC House of Representatives District 55**
 - Dem - Gloria Overcash (6,017/55.02%)
 - Rep - **Mark Brody** (4,902/44.98%)

President

- Dem - **Joseph Biden / Kamala Harris** (5,788/51.71%)
- Rep - Donald Trump / Mike Pence (5,321/47.54%)
- Cst - Don Blankenship (19/.17%)
- Gre - Howie Hawkins (14/.13%)
- Lib - Jo Jorgensen (41/.37%)

US Senate

- Dem - Cal Cunningham (5,755/51.81%)
- Rep - **Thomas Tillis** (4,981/44.85%)
- Cst - Kevin Hayes (167/1.5%)
- Lib - Shannon Bray (204/1.84%)

US House of Representatives District 9

- Dem - Cynthia Wallace (5,814/52.54%)
- Rep - **Dan Bishop** (5,252/47.46%)

NC Governor

- Dem - **Roy Cooper** (6,115/54.57%)
- Rep - Dan Forest (4,977/44.42%)
- Cst - Al Pisano (38/.34%)
- Lib - Steven DiFiore (75/.67%)

NC Lieutenant Governor

- Dem - Yvonne Lewis Holley (5,809/52.49%)
- Rep - **Mark Robinson** (5,257/47.51%)

NC Attorney General

- Dem - **Josh Stein** (6,129/55.5%)
- Rep - Jim O'Neill (4,914/44.5%)

NC Auditor

- Dem - **Beth Wood** (6,047/54.98%)
- Rep - Tony Street (4,951/45.02%)

NC Commissioner of Agriculture

- Dem - Jenna Wadsworth (5,670/51.63%)
- Rep - **Steve Troxler** (5,311/48.37%)

NC Commissioner of Insurance

- Dem - Wayne Goodwin (6,070/55.05%)
- Rep - **Mike Causey** (4,957/44.95%)

NC Commissioner of Labor

- Dem - Jessica Holmes (5,890/53.48%)
- Rep - **Josh Dobson** (5,124/46.52%)

NC Secretary of State

- Dem - **Elaine Marshall** (6,130/55.64%)
- Rep - E.C. Sikes (4,887/44.36%)

NC Superintendent of Public Instruction

- Dem - Jan Mangrum (5,888/53.61%)
- Rep - **Catherine Truitt** (5,096/46.39%)

NC Treasurer

- Dem - Ronnie Chatterji (5,713/52.04%)
- Rep - **Dale Folwell** (5,265/47.96%)

NC Supreme Court Chief Justice (1)

- Dem - Cheri Beasley (6,073/55.18%)
- Rep - **Paul Newby** (4,933/44.82%)

NC Supreme Court Associate Justice (2)

- Dem - Lucy Inman (5,868/53.54%)
- Rep - **Phil Berger** (5,092/46.46%)

NC Supreme Court Associate Justice (4)

- Dem - Mark Davis (5,922/54.3%)
- Rep - **Tamara Barringer** (4,984/45.7%)

NC Court of Appeals Judge (4)

- Dem - Tricia Shields (5,800/53.32%)
- Rep - **April Wood** (5,077/46.68%)

NC Court of Appeals Judge (5)

- Dem - Lora Christine Cabbage (5,796/53.29%)
- Rep - **Fred Gore** (5,081/46.71%)

NC Court of Appeals Judge (6)

- Dem - Gray Styers (5,807/53.4%)
- Rep - **Chris Dillon** (5,068/46.6%)

NC Court of Appeals Judge (7)

- Dem - Reuben Younger (5,627/51.36%)
- Rep - **Jeff Carpenter** (5,328/48.64%)

NC Court of Appeals Judge (13)

- Dem - Chris Brook (5,856/53.95%)
- Rep - **Jefferson Griffin** (4,998/46.05%)

NC Superior Court Judge District 16A (1)

- **Stephan Futrell** (7,507/100%)

NC Superior Court Judge District 16A (2)

- **Dawn McDonald Layton** (7,262/100%)

NC District Court Judge District 16A (2)

- **Dem - Sophia Gatewood** (7,630/100%)

NC District Court Judge District 16A (4)

- **Dem - Amy Wilson** (7,563/100%)



Halloween Observed at Burnsville Recreation & Learning Center

Children, youth and adults observed Halloween on Saturday, October 31. The event was a drive thru as well as walk thru. Candies, cookies and hot dogs were donated by BRLC and community citizens. Group games were played and enjoyed by those in attendance. TeKeshia Hammond and local parents were the event planners. Rex Coble, a former resident of the Burnsville Community who now resides in Charlotte, contributed candies and other refreshments.

The Origins of Veterans Day

In 1921 an unknown World War I American soldier was buried in Arlington National Cemetery. This site, on a hillside overlooking the Potomac River and the city of Washington, D.C., became the focal point of reverence for America's veterans. Similar ceremonies occurred earlier in England and France, where an unknown soldier was buried in each nation's highest place of honor (in England, Westminster Abbey; in France, the Arc de Triomphe). These memorial gestures all took place on November 11, giving universal recognition to the celebrated ending of World War I fighting at 11 a.m., November 11, 1918 (the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month). The day became known as "Armistice Day." Armistice Day officially received its name in America in 1926 through a Congressional resolution. It became a national holiday 12 years later by similar Congressional action. If the idealistic hope had been realized that World War I was "the War to end all wars," November 11 might still be called Armistice Day. But only a few years after the holiday was proclaimed, war broke out in Europe. Sixteen and one-half million Americans took part. Four hundred seven thousand of them died in service, more than 292,000 in battle.

Armistice Day Changed To Honor All Veterans The first celebration using the term Veterans Day occurred in Birmingham, Alabama, in 1947. Raymond Weeks, a World War II veteran, organized "National Veterans Day," which included a parade and other festivities, to honor all veterans. The event was held on November 11, then designated Armistice Day. Later, U.S. Representative Edward Rees of Kansas proposed a bill that would change Armistice Day to Veterans Day. In 1954, Congress passed the bill that President Eisenhower signed proclaiming November 11 as Veterans Day. Raymond Weeks received the Presidential Citizens Medal from President Reagan in November 1982. Weeks' local parade and ceremonies are now an annual event celebrated nationwide.

On Memorial Day 1958 two more unidentified American war dead were brought from overseas and interred in the plaza beside the unknown soldier of World War I. One was killed in World War II, the other in the Korean War. In 1984, an unknown serviceman from the Vietnam War was placed alongside the others. The remains from Vietnam were exhumed May 14, 1998, identified as Air Force 1st Lt. Michael Joseph Blassie, and removed for burial. To honor these men, symbolic of all Americans who gave their lives in all wars, an Army honor guard, the 3rd U.S. Infantry (The Old Guard), keeps day and night vigil.

A law passed in 1968 changed the national commemoration of Veterans Day to the fourth Monday in October. It soon became apparent, however, that November 11 was a date of historic significance to many Americans. Therefore, in 1978 Congress returned the observance to its traditional date.

National Ceremonies Held at Arlington National Cemetery The focal point for official, national ceremonies for Veterans Day continues to be the memorial amphitheater built around the Tomb of the Unknowns. At 11 a.m. on November 11, a combined color guard representing all military services executes "Present Arms" at the tomb. The nation's tribute to its war dead is symbolized by the laying of a presidential wreath. The bugler plays "taps." The rest of the ceremony takes place in the amphitheater.

Veterans Day ceremonies at Arlington and elsewhere are coordinated by the President's Veterans Day National Committee. Chaired by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, the committee represents national veterans organizations.

Governors of many states and U.S. territories appoint Veterans Day chairpersons who, in cooperation with the National Committee and the Department of Defense, arrange and promote local ceremonies. Additional information on the history of Veterans Day, the Veterans Day National Committee, the national ceremony, a gallery of Veterans Day posters from 1978 to the present and a colorful and informative Veterans Day Teacher's Resource Guide can be found on the Internet at www.va.gov/vetsday.

Coronavirus Changes Barn Blast Tradition

This is a release from Anson County Partnership for Children: For the past 14 years Anson County Partnership for Children has provided an evening of fun, food, dancing, and fundraising called Barn Blast that has been a sellout event. Guests come not only from Anson County but across the entire state. This year, however, due to the coronavirus, Barn Blast will not be done in person but will be done virtually in the comfort of your own home.

Executive Director Caroline Goins stated, "We will host the Barn Blast fundraiser and 25th anniversary celebration kickoff virtually this year because the safety of our community is most important. This year will be different in many ways, and we are excited to celebrate our children, our county, and our progress."

The 2021 Barn Blast will not have any auction, games to play, or food to share together. Instead, the event will celebrate the first 25 years of the Anson County Partnership for Children and share a vision for the future.

Since the founding in 1996, more than 6,400 children across Anson County have received Dolly Parton's Imagination Library books in the mail every month to add to their library. Approximately 50,000 educational resources from the Early Childhood Resource Center have been used by childcare providers, caregivers, and community members.

During the pandemic, Partnership staff members delivered more than 20,000 packages of items including food, diapers, and basic-need supplies to those in need. We continue to support families by offering Raising a Reader virtually and delivering educational resources to families across the county.

"Community support in previous years gave the Partnership the flexibility to offer additional resources during the pandemic," said Goins. "Children were fed, comforted, and supported during this especially difficult time because of the generosity of this community."

Goins continued, "The success of Barn Blast and the Partnership as a whole is a testament to the determination and love of Anson County."

Poisson, Poisson & Bower, LLC and Uwharrie Bank will launch the night as presenting sponsors.

All proceeds benefit the Partnership's early childhood education programming. Please take a moment to check out the Partnership's Facebook page for updates about Barn Blast. For more information on how to become a 2021 Barn Blast Sponsor, call 704-694-4036 or visit the Partnership's website at www.ansonchildren.org.

The Anson County Partnership for Children is a non-profit organization formed in 1996 in response to the North Carolina Smart Start initiative. The Partnership's mission is "helping to make Anson County a better place to be a child and to raise a child."

773 Reported Cases of COVID-19 in Anson County

As of Monday, November 9 the Anson County Health Department posted that Anson County had 773 reported cases of COVID-19. 40 of those cases were active. At that point they had discharged 733 cases, 720 to baseline health and thirteen deaths.

Christmas Parade Cancelled

Uptown Wadesboro, Inc. (UWI) has announced the Wadesboro Christmas Parade and Breakfast with Santa events are cancelled this year. However, UWI will judge and award the Best Holiday Window decorating trophy to an uptown business. Windows will be judged on overall effect, display and placement of decorations, originality as well as creativity. Craftsmanship, design detail, effective use of color and material will also be considered. The window winner will be chosen on Friday, December 11. For more information please contact UWI at 704.694.4181 ext. 3.

Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes Collection Week

National collection week for Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes takes place November 16-23. Mt. Beulah Baptist Church is a drop off site, and they will have shoeboxes available to anyone who needs them.

Please contact Pastor Randy at 704-694-3063 or Hubert Wright at 704-695-4372 for information. Mt. Beulah Baptist Church is located at 3373 Country Club Road in Wadesboro. **Drop Off Hours:** Nov. 16 9am-5pm; Nov 17-20 9am-1pm; Nov. 21 9am-12pm; Nov 22 2pm-5pm; Nov. 23 9am-12pm

Enrichment for Mothers Night

Lamb of God Church in Wadesboro will be holding an event called Enrichment for Mothers Night soon. The event is for single mothers, to encourage and uplift. Free diapers and refreshments will be given.

For information such as the date of the event and to sign up call 843-623-3777. Lamb of God Church is located at 118 West Wade Street in Wadesboro. The website is www.logomchurch.com.