'Ask An Expert' Resource Available

Anson County residents now have the expertise of all of the nation's land-grant universities at their fingertips, thanks to a web tool offered by the Anson County Center of NC Cooperative Extension. With this Extension resource, called Ask an Expert, county residents can submit questions, via the county Extension web site, at any time of day or night. They can get timely answers by email from Extension faculty from NC State University, NC A&T State University, and other land-grant institutions.

For over a century, Cooperative Extension has been providing unbiased, researchbased information on a wide range of topics. Now, Ask an Expert allows you to access that information with greater convenience.

Using a short online form, residents can submit questions about agriculture and food, health and nutrition, lawn and garden, youth development and 4-H, and a host of other topics.

To access Ask an Expert, anyone can visit the Anson County Extension web site at *anson.ces.ncsu.edu* and click the Ask an Expert links at the top right or on the left panel of each page. Simply enter questions and email addresses in the spaces provided, and submit them. Questions will be directed to Extension faculty members who have the appropriate expertise to provide accurate and timely responses. Users also can attach photos to their questions.

The Ask an Expert resource also is available at *extension.org*, a nationwide web site that offers an interactive learning environment. The site delivers the best, most researched knowledge from the smartest land-grant university minds across America. The site connects knowledge consumers with knowledge providers. The extension.org site also offers a searchable database of answers provided in response to questions submitted by other users.

Of course, residents who need information still are welcome to call or visit the Anson County Extension center during business hours. The online resource just adds another avenue to available information and provides convenient access to Extension experts.

The Anson County Center of NC Cooperative Extension extends to county residents the educational resources of NC State University and NC A&T State University. Both universities commit themselves to positive action to secure equal opportunity regardless of race, color, creed, national origin, religion, sex, age, or disability. In addition, the two Universities welcome all persons without regard to sexual orientation.

Apply Now for Paid Summer 2017 State of NC Internships

The Council for Women & Youth Involvement office within the Department of Administration announced that the applications for State of NC Internship Program for summer 2017 are now available. The closing date is January 13, 2017. Internships will run from May 30 to August 4, 2017. To be eligible, you must be a permanent North Carolina resident attending a college, university, law school, technical institute, or community college. For a full list of eligibility requirements and FAQs, visit the State of North Carolina Internship Program's webpage at *ncadmin.nc.gov*, click on 'Citizens.'

Students can apply online at *WorkforNC.gov* and look for internship. Create your online account profile and you will be ready to apply. (Students can apply for up to 5 internships)

The State of NC Internship Program offers students real-world experience in a wide range of state government workplaces. Internships provide opportunities for students to work in their chosen field and to consider careers in public service. More than 4,000 students have participated since the program was established in 1969.

"These paid internships open doors for students throughout state government. We offer an array of fun and professional work experiences across North Carolina from the mountains to the sea," said Candace Dudley, Internship Coordinator of the Council for Women & Involvement Office. The internships are designed to integrate education, career development, and public service. Opportunities exist in numerous recognized fields of study, from accounting to zoology. Interns will also participate in other activities that broaden their view of public service and state government, such as seminars and tours.

Interns are selected through a competitive process overseen by the NC Internship Council. Selection is based on a thorough review of applications, including academic records and interest in state government. Qualified candidates may be selected to interview with prospective supervisors, and matches are made.

For more information, please visit the Council For Women and Youth Involvement office online (*ncadmin.nc.gov/advocacy/women*) or contact the program coordinator, Candace Dudley at 919-807-4407.

Gun Safety for Big Kids

Kids under 8 often can't tell the difference between a toy gun and a real one. Yet children age 3 and up are often strong enough to pull the trigger on a real gun. Here are some tips to protect your children from guns. *Top Safety Tips*

• The most effective way to keep kids safe from gun injuries is to have no guns in a home where children live or play.

• Keep kids from accessing firearms by storing ammunition and firearms separately, keeping guns unloaded and locked away, and ensuring that both are safely out of reach.

• Teach kids never to touch a gun and to immediately tell an adult if they see one.

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