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... that their light may always shine. THIS SUNDAY, DECEMBER 10 7 PM Around the Globe

Bring a photograph and join the local chapter of the Compassionate Friends at First Baptist Church, located at 309 Lee Avenue in Wadesboro for the ceremony in honor of deceased children.

# Church

#### **DECEMBER 9** Fellowship Outreach Dinner for

the Community Drive-Up & Pick-Up (only) at Johnson Chapel Holiness Church. They will place the food in your car. Everyone is welcome. 11am-4pm.

#### **DECEMBER 15 & 17** Cantata

Heavenly Peace - A Worship Musical presented by Deep Creek Baptist Church, 1280 Beck Rd, Wadesboro. Fri-pm & Sun-10:30am. All are invited.

#### **DECEMBER 16 Christmas Prayer**

Breakfast sponsored by East Rock Ford Baptist Church Baptist Training Union, 9am. You are welcome to come & be inspired with songs, prayers, delicious full breakfast, fun, games, prizes & fellowship.

#### **DECEMBER 17**

#### Memory Tree &

Chritsmas Program at Bethany Freewill Baptist Church, 1510 Old Lilesville Rd, Wadesboro, 6pm. Finger foods served afterwards.

### **Christmas Concert**

At Divine Unity H.O.R.M., 6090 Highway 109 South, Wadesboro, 2:30pm.

#### **Christmas Program**

At Sandy Plains Christian Fellowship Church, 5pm. All new program filled with a fun & a heartwarming presentation of the real story of Christmas. It promises to be a very blessed time of worship that you won't want to miss.

#### **DECEMBER 24**

## **Special Worship**

Service at Sandy Plains Christian Fellowship Church, 9:30am, including childrens' Advent devotions, reading the Biblical Christmas story, Christmas carols & communion. You are invited to this special Christmas service.

#### **ONGOING**

## Youth Day

Every 5th Sunday at Cedar Creek Missionary Baptist Church.

#### Addiction Recovery

Support group meets every Sunday, 6pm at Harmony Community Church, located at 1984 Pulpwood Yard Rd in Peachland. 704-272-7410

**Bible Study & Prayer** At Kesler Chapel AME Zion every Wednesday 7pm.

#### **Bible Study Classes**

Every Tuesday-Evangelistic Outreach Center on Hwy 74 in Polkton at 6:30pm.



# DECEMBER 11

**Events** Board of Education Regular Meeting Closed Session begins 3:00pm for the purpose of discussing matters related to personnel and property pursuant to NCGS 143.318.11 (a)(6) and NCGS

143.318.11 (a)(5). Open Session begins at 4:30pm. View at Anson County School's YouTube page. (Search YouTube for Anson County Schools.) Meeting takes place in Administrative Office Board Meeting Room, 320 Camden Rd in Wadesboro. For public comment sign up in-person. Sign-up sheet will be available 30 minutes before the meeting.

## **DECEMBER 19**

Board of Commissioners Meet 6pm in Board Room, Suite 209, in Government Center, 101 S Greene St in uptown Wadesboro. Meetings are available online at youtube.com, search for Anson Commissioners. To appear, sign up prior to meeting. Info 704-994-3201

# **ONGOING EVENTS**

## Compassionate

Friends Meet on the 2nd Thursday of each month.at 7pm, at the Training Room at First Baptist Church, Lee Avenue in Wadesboro. Bereaved parents, family and friends who have lost a child of any age are invited. Info 704-694-2425

# Medicaid Expansion Launches in North Carolina

#### Over 600,000 North Carolinians newly eligible with nearly 300,000 automatically enrolled

On December 1 Governor Roy Cooper and North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services Secretary Kody H. Kinsley celebrated the launch of Medicaid expansion, extending health care coverage to more than 600,000 newly eligible North Carolinians through NC Medicaid. Of those individuals, 300,000 North Carolinians were receiving limited Medicaid Family Planning benefits and have been automatically enrolled to receive full health care coverage through NC Medicaid starting December 1.

"After years of fighting for high-quality health care for every person in our state, today's launch of Medicaid expansion means more than 600,000 North Carolinians care they need to stay healthier, treat sickness earlier

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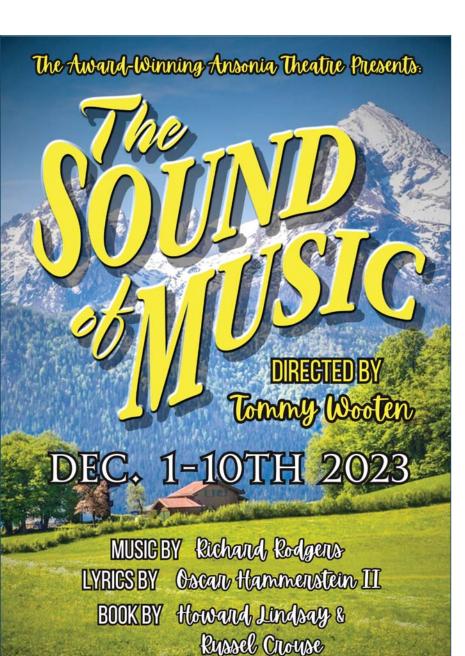
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the peace of mind knowing health care is within their reach." said Governor Roy Cooper. "Together with our partners in communities across the state, we will get the word out and help more people sign up for this life-changing care. Medicaid expansion will cover people ages 19 through 64 years with higher incomes, closing the coverage gap for North Carolinians. For example, expansion

gives health care coverage to single individuals making under \$20,000 a year. Likewise, a family of three earning less than \$34,000 combined is now eligible. Medicaid pays for doctor visits, yearly check-ups, emergency care, mental health and more - at little or no cost to participants.

"More than 300,000 North Carolinians woke up today with full Medicaid health care coverage," said Health and Human Services Secretary Kody H. Kinsley. 'This is a historic moment that will change North Carolina for the better, improving the health of our people and the health of our economy. It is the most significant investment in health care in North Carolina's history."

NCDHHS launched a portal (medicaid.ncdhhs.gov/north-carolina-expands-medicaid) that includes information on income requirements, flyers with more information, videos on how to apply and other essential information.

NCDHHS is partnering with trusted community leaders to help get the word out to North Carolinians. People across the state can sign up to volunteer in a variety of ways including sharing materials, giving community presentations, volunteering at events and more. Community-based organizations, health workers, community advocates and others can complete this form (medicaid.ncdhhs.gov/spread-the-word) to help spread the word about Medicaid.

More information about NC Medicaid is available in online FAQs at: medicaid.ncdhhs.gov/questions-and-answers-about-medicaid-expansion. (Spanish FAQs). To find out if you're eligible or to apply for Medicaid, visit: Medicaid.nc.gov today

Governor Cooper and Secretary Kinsley marked the start of Medicaid expansion at an enrollment event in Charlotte at the Goodwill Opportunity Campus co-hosted by the NC Navigator Consortium, the Charlotte Community Health Clinic, and the Charlotte Center for Legal Advocacy.

At the Charlotte Center for Legal Advocacy, we see so many clients who struggle with income stability and housing insecurity, who are then told they make too much to qualify for Medicaid," said CEO Toussaint Romain. "For them, Medicaid expansion is a literal lifeline that ensures they don't have to choose between going to the doctor or putting food on the table.

This expansion will allow Charlotte Community Health Clinic to serve more people with necessary primary and preventive care," said CEO Carolyn Allison. Access to healthcare changes lives, and we are thrilled this is finally happening.

'The NC Navigator Consortium has a 10-year track record of helping North Carolinians find quality, affordable health coverage," said Nicholas Riggs, director of the NC Navigator Consortium. "Our Health Insurance Navigators can help anyone understand their Medicaid eligibility, and either apply for Medicaid or enroll in Healthcare.gov Marketplace coverage."

# Moderna Covid Vaccine Available at the Health Department

The Anson County Health Department has a limited amount of Moderna vaccine available. If you would like to schedule a vaccination, call them at 704-694-5188.

The Health Department also has flu shots available. If you are interested in getting a flu shot please call 704-694-5188.

The Health Department is located at 110 West Ashe Street in Wadesboro. You can find them on Facebook or online at: www.co.anson.nc.us/164/Health-Department.

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