

### Extension Notes Quick and Easy Halloween Costumes

Whether you are ready or not, the season of witches and ghouls is upon us. Young creatures will be knocking on doors for treats. And if you have young ones at home, you will probably be asked to furnish a costume.

With today's economy, extra money for one-time events is not as plentiful as it used to be. However, Halloween is the one time that you can get away with not having cold hard cash. Instead, cash in on some old-fashioned creativity and imagination to make a costume.

First, take a trip to your local library or bookstore for helpful ideas. You will find dozens of patterns with step-by-step instructions for October festivities. Books and magazines abound with how-to's for capes, tunics, hats, tails, wings, how to paint faces, and even create props. Color photos show kids in costumes put together with old clothes, wire, paper, boxes, pipe cleaners and other odds and ends. If you do not have time to visit the library, here are some easy other ideas.

- Glue plastic spiders here and there on a couple of yards of white cloth and wrap it around your little one to use as a ghost or mummy shawl.
- Cover a tight-fitting knit hat with paper curls cut from one-inch-wide strips of newspaper or construction paper.
- Saddle up a stick horse and dress your little cowpoke in jeans, a cowboy hat and kerchief.
- Additional ideas from Parenting Press News for Parents include using old oversized shirts. Start by turning them inside out. Black, brown and white are good options: you can turn them into bears, dogs, rats, rabbits, cats and even a Sasquatch. Duct tape or safety pin newspaper, a small pillow or a roll of quilt batting to the inside of the sweatshirt if you need a chubby critter. Cut the sleeves to an appropriate length for your child and use the extra fabric for a tail and ears. Use wire or a wire hanger for shape if you do not want the tail and ears to droop. The tail can be attached to the back of the sweatshirt and the ears to a plastic or stretchy headband. Use felt for a contrasting color (the inside of the ears or a dog's spots) and glue it on. Underneath, kids can wear matching sweatpants (right or fuzzy side) in their correct size and a turtle neck. If it is cold, add a pair of "stretch-to-fit" gloves in the appropriate color. Get out face paints or an eyeliner pencil to draw the whiskers on your child's face.
- Use angel wings from the dollar store and yellow felt to turn a black sweatshirt and tights into a bumblebee costume.
- Make red felt wings with black dots to transform another black sweatshirt into a ladybug.
- Make a snowball with a white sweatshirt decorated with large white pompons and snowflakes drawn with silver glitter glue.
- Use the existing sleeves plus six more strips and green and blue glitter glue to turn a royal blue sweatshirt into an octopus.
- Keep old bridesmaid dresses from years ago, use them for dress-up into anything.

In fact, keep a box of old clothes for "dress-up" for kids. With some of those old and worn-out items, what else are they good for? *By Janine B. Rywak, County Extension Director*

### Hollaween Event October 31

Celebrate "HOLLA!WEEN" with HOLLA! at the Mary E. Little Community Center at 229 East Main Street in Morven on Monday, October 31st, from 6 to 9 p.m. There will be candy, games, a costume contest, hotdogs and much more for the kids! The best part is that it is all free!

### Digital Photography Class Slated in November

Get ready for the holidays! Whether Santa is bringing a new camera or you just want to get more out of the one you have, a basic photography workshop scheduled for November might be just what you need. The class will be taught by award-winning photographer Rick Crider on the Old Charlotte Highway Campus on Mondays and Wednesdays from 5:30 p.m. to 8 p.m., Nov. 2-28. There will not be a class on Nov. 23, the Wednesday before Thanksgiving.

Students should bring a digital single-lens reflex (SLR) camera to the class, which will be taught in Building A, Room 102. The class will be technical in nature, as opposed to creative and/or artistic. It is designed primarily for those delving into the use of a digital SLR for the first time, getting them past using the camera in automatic, or program, mode, and discovering just how versatile their camera can be once the basic functions are understood.

Crider, a Wadesboro native and longtime photographer for The Enquirer-Journal in Monroe, has won numerous state and regional awards over the years. He has also spent many years as a freelance media and commercial photographer.

Register online at [www.spcc.edu](http://www.spcc.edu) (click on Corporate/Continuing Education, Personal Interest), by phone at (704) 290-5221 or in person on the Old Charlotte Highway Campus. Cost is \$69.

### Discover Anson Bike Ride is November 5

Looking for a great fall Saturday adventure? Join the Anson County Chamber of Commerce for their 6th Annual Discover Anson Bicycle Ride on Saturday, November 5. Enjoy a scenic tour of historic Anson County whether you choose a 30 mile, 50 mile or a challenging 75 mile bike ride. The waving of the green starter flag will officially begin the fun bike ride at 9 a.m.

Registration will take place at 8 a.m. at Ansonville Elementary School. The entry fee is \$30. You may download the registration form at [www.discoveranson.com](http://www.discoveranson.com) and mail it back to Discover Anson Bike Ride, PO Box 305, Wadesboro NC 28170. More information is available at 704-694-4181.

### Free Memory Screening Day at Grace Senior Center

National Memory Screening Day is...ummm...well we forgot what it is. Oh yes, it is an ongoing national effort to promote early detection of memory problems, including Alzheimer's disease, and to encourage appropriate intervention, including medical treatments, social services and other resources. The Alzheimer's Foundation of America (AFA) believes that memory screenings are a significant first step toward early diagnosis.

National Memory Screening Day provides free, confidential memory screenings to individuals concerned about memory loss with the objective of early detection and intervention. The event encourages Americans to participate by offering these screenings at no charge and in convenient locations in communities across the nation. National Memory Screening Day also provides a valuable opportunity to learn more about healthy lifestyle choices for successful aging.

Locally the event will take place at Grace Senior Center on Tuesday, November 15, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. If you are interested please call them at 704-694-6616 for more information and to pre-register. The office hours are Monday to Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Don't forget!

### Chamber Big Game Hunt to be Held November 25 & 26

The 14th annual Big Game Hunt Tournament which is sponsored by the Anson County Chamber of Commerce will be held on Thursday and Friday, November 25th and 26th. Hunters are encouraged to enter to win some of the over \$5,000 in prize money that is up for grabs. Weigh-ins will be held from 8 a.m. until 8 p.m. at the Ansonville Volunteer Fire Department. For more information and to enter, call the Chamber at 704-694-4181. For the official rules and to view the 2011 hunt brochure visit [www.ansoncounty.org](http://www.ansoncounty.org).

### Toys for Tots

Anson County now has Toys for Tots. Project leader Vancine Sturdivant said, "I truly need your help. Please go online and donate to Lilesville. Also, there are drop off boxes at various locations around the county."

Please go online at [lilesville-nc.toysfortots.org](http://lilesville-nc.toysfortots.org) or call Vancine at 704-848-4412, and she will pick up your donation.

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Billy Gibson	704-465-4007	Cameron Tarlton	704-465-4019	John Skinner	704-690-3254
Jackie Caudle	704-624-3670	Mike Maness	704-465-4006	Lynn Harrington	704-465-4016
Ruth Sturdivant	704-624-3670	Mike Irwin	704-690-4972	Willie Tarlton	704-465-4848
William Brigman	704-465-4846	Robbie Draffin	704-690-4979	Jason Maness	704-465-4015
Joy Brewer	704-624-3670	Becky Williams	704-690-4982	Mike Maske	704-219-1883
Amy Huneycutt	704-624-3670	Shelley Cauthen	704-624-2142	Danny Morgan	704-465-4010
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November 4th & 5th

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Plates \$9	1 lb Pork \$8
Sandwich Meal \$6	1 lb Beef \$8
Sandwich \$4	1/2 Chicken \$4

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<b>NOVEMBER 5TH ENTERTAINMENT</b>	<i>Parade Saturday, November 5th at 3pm</i>
Carson Hill 11am	<i>Parade route will begin on Highway 52 at Fries Blvd and end at Cemetery Street</i>
Gospel Jam 12 noon	
The Way of the Cross 2pm	
PARADE 3pm	
Thickity Creek 4pm	

\* Ansonville Fire Department will be closed and no BBQ will be served during the parade\*

**Come out and enjoy two days of fun, food and fellowship!**

**There will also be many vendors & displays on Saturday, November 5th**

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