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The Reorganized Anson County NAACP Now Meets Monthly

The Anson County Branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) meets at 5:00 p.m. every 3rd Sunday of each month at the HOLLA! Center in Morven. The next meeting will be on Sunday, April 21. They welcome you to come and see what is going on. "Each one reach one."
The HOLLA! Community Center is located at 229 East Main Street in Morven.
For more information contact Anson NAACP President Sinic Marsh at mrs6@yahoo.com or 704-254-0630.

Anson County Board of Commissioners Meets April 16

Public Hearing about flea market moratorium
The Anson County Board of Commissioners meets two times per month. The second meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 16 at 6:00 p.m.
The meetings take place in the Board Room, Suite 209, of the Anson County Government Center which is located at 101 South Greene Street in uptown Wadesboro.
To schedule an appearance at a board meeting, please sign up prior to the meeting. Information is available at 704-994-3201.
The Commissioners' board meetings are live streamed on their YouTube channel. Also, the videos are archived so they can be viewed at any time. Visit youtube.com and search for Anson Commissioners.

Public Hearing Scheduled Concerning Moratorium for Proposed Flea Market on Faulkner Road in Peachland

A public hearing is scheduled for Tuesday, April 16 concerning a moratorium for the proposed Flea Market on Faulkner Road in Peachland. The Anson County Board of Commissioners unanimously approved in open session that a public hearing be held to determine whether a moratorium on flea markets shall be adopted.
The public hearing will be held during the upcoming Commissioners meeting.
The Board of Commissioners will meet on Tuesday, April 16, beginning at 6:00 p.m., and will hold the public hearing to receive public comments on whether a moratorium on flea markets shall be adopted. Comments will be restricted to the subject of the hearing as advertised and all speakers are asked to address the Board in a civil and courteous manner. Each speaker will be limited to three minutes subject to additional informational requests and questions from the Board.
The meeting and public hearing will take place in the Anson County Commissioners' Board Room on the second floor of the Anson County Government Center, located at 101 South Greene Street in uptown Wadesboro.

Charles Wayne Kiker Charged with Multiple Child Sexual Offenses

As a result of a joint investigation with the Stanly County Sheriff's Office, Charles Wayne Kiker, 50, was arrested on Monday, April 8. Kiker has been charged with one count of Indecent Liberties with a Child by the Anson County Sheriff's Office, as well as charged with one count of Indecent Liberties with a Child, and five counts of Sexual Offense with a Child by Stanly County Sheriff's Office.
Kiker is currently being held at the Anson County Jail under a \$50,000 secured bond for charges associated with Anson County, and no bond for charges associated with Stanly County.



Charles Wayne Kiker

The Jungle Book Debuts at the Ansonia Theatre on April 19

The play, *The Jungle Book*, runs for two weekends at the Anson Theatre beginning Friday, April 19 and running through Sunday, April 28. Performances are at 7:30 p.m. on Fridays and Saturdays, and 3:00 p.m. on Sundays.
In this action-packed adaptation of the classic adventure story, precocious Mowgli grows up believing he's as fierce a wolf as any of the members of his pack. When he learns he is actually a human, he must discover how to reconcile these very different identities, and decide whether to remain with the pack, or return to the human world from which he was born. What will he choose? And will he be trained in the Law of the Jungle in time to defeat Shere Khan, the most feared animal of all?
The performance is dedicated to Mrs. Margaret Goins.
For tickets and information call 704-694-4950 or visit www.ansoniatheatre.com.

Annual Plant Swap at the Marshville Museum is Scheduled for April 27

The Marshville Museum and Cultural Center will hold their annual Plant Swap event on Saturday, April 27. Everyone is invited to come to this popular event. Bring a plant, get a plant! Or you can make a donation and get a plant. (Please do not take more than you bring.)
Master Gardeners will be on hand to answer questions and give hints on growing your new plants. And, there are even door prizes!
This event takes place at the museum from 9:00 a.m. until 12 noon.
The Marshville Museum is located at 201 North Elm Street. It is open for visits Fridays and Saturdays 10 to 4 p.m. and other times by appointments and at special events. They are closed on all national holidays.
Scheduled events are sent by email and also available on Facebook or the website www.mmcc1893.com. For information email Sarah Horne at shorne@windstream.net.



Sergeant Tamika Nolen Reassigned to Criminal Investigation Division at Wadesboro Police Department

Wadesboro Police Chief Chewning recently announced that Sergeant Tamika Nolen has been reassigned to the Criminal Investigation Division as a Detective Sergeant. She will now be tasked with investigating major crimes throughout the town.
Chief Chewning said, "Sergeant Nolen has proven herself as an asset while serving as a Patrol Sergeant. I know that she will continue being an asset in her new role as a Detective Sergeant, and help further our department's commitment to make Wadesboro a better place."
Pictured, Chief Chewning presents Detective Sergeant T. Nolen with her investigators badge.

Atrium Health Women's Care Mobile Health Event is Saturday

'Drive to Thrive' event will provide a wide range of services
Atrium Health Women's Care Drive to Thrive is mobile care unit that provides a range of women's care services in a warm, welcoming environment. It will be in the front lot of Atrium Health Anson this coming Saturday, April 13, from 9:00 a.m. until 4 p.m.
Atrium Health Anson is located at 2301 US Highway 74 West in Wadesboro.
Services include:
• Cervical cancer screening (Pap smear)
• Screening for urinary tract infections
• Screening and treatment for sexually transmitted infections
• Birth control (contraception), including same-day access to long-acting reversible contraceptives (LARCs), like intrauterine devices (IUDs)
• First-time prenatal visits, if not established with an OB/GYN
• Postpartum visits • Ultrasounds
• Mammogram referrals
• Social worker on-site to help connect with other resources
Walk-ins are welcome, but appointments are recommended. You can call 704-468-0137 to schedule an appointment.
Visit AtriumHealth.org/MobileHealth or scan the QR code for the Drive to Thrive mobile health schedule, locations and more information. The website includes information on the Community Sliding Fee Discount Program that can provide up to a full 100% discount for qualifying patients.



Chair Exercise Class at the Library

The Hampton B. Allen Library is hosting chair exercise classes with instructor Sheila Raye on Thursday, April 25. The class begins at 10:30 a.m. in the library's Pritchett Room.
Everyone is welcome.
Any questions please call 704-694-5177.

Writers' Club Winners Presentation at the Library

The Hampton B. Allen Library is hosting the Anson Writers Club winners for 2023 as their guests on Monday, April 15. The winners will be sharing their award winning entries. This takes place at 10:30 a.m. in the Pritchett Room, and everyone is invited to come.
Any questions please call 704-694-5177.

Free Science Event for Kids in Wadesboro

South Piedmont Community College will host a Hands-On Science for Kids event at the Hampton B. Allen Library, located at 120 South Greene Street in uptown Wadesboro, on Monday, April 15, from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m.
The event is free, and all kids are invited to attend.
Participants will take part in interesting hands-on science activities and crafts.
The event is being presented by SPCC in partnership with the Hampton B. Allen Library.
For more information contact Marissa Cominotti at mcominotti@spcc.edu.

Democratic Party Meets on April 18

There will be an Anson County Democratic Party meeting on Thursday, April 18 at the Hampton B. Library at 6:00 p.m. All democrats are invited to attend.
Please call 704-690-8494 for any additional information.

Gum Springs Baptist Church to Celebrate 190 Years

Gum Springs Baptist Church has been an important part of the Lilesville community for 190 years. They invite you to join them as they celebrate the 190th Church Homecoming on Sunday, April 21. Reverend David Ross, Associational Missions Strategist, will deliver the Homecoming message at 11 a.m. Dinner will follow on the grounds.
Gum Springs Baptist Church is located at 3520 Haileys Ferry Road in Lilesville.

Anson Mobile Food Market is April 18

The next Anson Mobile Food Market will be held on Thursday, April 18, starting at 10:00 a.m. on the Square in uptown Wadesboro. Food will be given away, including fresh vegetables, fruit and bread (if available). There will be blood pressure and blood sugar checks, along with other healthy living topics and booths.
This free event offers citizens of Anson County six to eight different types of fresh produce monthly. This is a free initiative, so please come and get some produce.
Nothing is required for you to receive produce, just come.
The event is sponsored by the Anson County Extension and its partners.
This event is to assist in the scarcity of fresh, healthy food in the county. It will also serve as an educational event to offer education on the two targeted areas of the county health assessment which are tobacco use and hypertension. Agencies will be set up offering services and information in those two targeted areas.

The Terry Jordan Invitational Golf Tournament is this Saturday, April 13 at Twin Valley Golf Club

The 9th Annual Terry Jordan Invitational Golf Tournament, sponsored by Gum Springs Baptist Church Youth, will be held on Saturday, April 13. The event will take place at Twin Valley Golf Club with an 8 a.m. shotgun start.
This is a two man Captains Choice with 1 A player per team. The cost is \$65 per person which includes golf, a cart and lunch. Mulligans will be sold. There will be a Split the Pot on hole 14.
Cash prizes will be awarded for 1st, 2nd & 3rd Place. Also Closest to the Pin Award and a Longest Drive Award.
For registration and sign up sheets contact Twin Valley at 704-694-2336, or you can call Lynn Whitlock at 704-695-2200. A sign up sheet is available at Twin Valley.
Sponsorships are still available. Call for more information: Lynn Whitlock 704-695-2200; Stephanie Austin 704-694-8788; or Evan Currie 704-690-1307.

Consider Visting Morrow Mountain State Park

Less than a 45 minute drive from Anson County, Morrow Mountain State Park has a lot to offer.
Located in Stanly County near Badin, Morrow Mountain State Park provides a myriad of adventures from the summit of the namesake mountain, along the banks of the Yadkin River State Trail, and to the shores of Lake Tillery. The mountain is a study in geologic wonder - with Native American artifacts made of rhyodacite to argillite mined by the Civilian Conservation Corps (CCC) to create many of the park's structures. One of these CCC-built structures is the state parks system's only day-use swimming pool.
Activities Hiking (14 trails, 37 miles); Horseback riding (19 miles); Paddling; Swimming (pool, seasonal); Fishing; and Picnicking.
Camping Vacation cabins; Tent sites (including backpacking sites); Trailer and RV sites (some with electric hookups); Group tent sites; Dump station; Showers; and Firewood.
Amenities Boat ramp; Boat rentals (seasonal); Concession stand (seasonal); Amphitheater; Community building; Picnic shelters; Museum and exhibits; Bathhouse; and Horse trailer parking.
Field Trips North Carolina state parks staff proudly offer numerous memorable field trip experiences for students and teachers. Explore science, history, social studies, and math through sampling stream life or climbing a mountain.
Host Your Event at the Park Make your special occasion naturally wonderful. State parks are great places for birthday parties, reunions, weddings and more. Learn more about event permits and fees on the Facilities page at: ncparks.gov/state-parks/morrow-mountain-state-park/facilities.
There are no fees required to access Morrow Mountain State Park for day use, except for boat rentals and swim passes. Fees are also charged for camping, certain event permits, and facility reservations.
Pets are allowed at the park and at campsites. They are not permitted at the pool, inside buildings, or in vacation cabins. Pets must be on an attended leash of no longer than 6 feet at all times.
The park opens at 7 a.m. year 'round. It stays open until 10 p.m. May through September, until 9 p.m. April and October, 8 p.m. March and November, and 7 p.m. January, February and December. The park office is open daily from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. (Hours may change on state holidays and weekends.)
The address is 49104 Morrow Mountain Road, Albemarle, NC 28001. The telephone number is 704-982-4402 and the email address is morrow.mountain@ncparks.gov.
Information and a park map is available at: ncparks.gov/state-parks/morrow-mountain-state-park.

Ansonia Theatre is Holding Auditions for Upcoming Play

The Ansonia Theatre will be holding auditions for the musical *Godspell* on Monday, April 22 at 6 p.m. Please prepare a song that best showcases your voice.
Participants will read from the script. All roles are available. The play will be presented July 12-21.