

Polkton FUN DAY

VENDORS RESERVE YOUR SPOT

Polkton Fun Day is now accepting vendor applications

The Town of Polkton will host its annual Polkton Fun Day on Saturday, October 21, from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

All interested vendors can call to request an emailed application or pick up an application at:

**Polkton Town Hall
35 West Polk Street
Polkton, NC 28135**

For any questions regarding Polkton Fun Day, please call:
Jerricka Napier 704-690-3729

Colonel Paul Little, Jr. MD Receives Rotary's Hometown Heroes Award

The Wadesboro Rotary Club recently honored Colonel Paul Bennett Harris Little, Jr. MD with the inaugural Hometown Heroes Award for his outstanding service.

"Dr. Paul Little is an asset to Anson County. His dedication and service to our country is something we can all be proud of. It is an honor to thank him for his service," said Jarvis Woodburn, Wadesboro Rotary Club President.

Little was born and raised in Anson County. He attended Wingate College in 1967 before continuing his education at NC State University. He returned to Anson County to be an active member of the Anson Rescue Squad before continuing his education at the University of South Carolina. Once he completed his physician's assistant degree, he returned home to practice with Doctor Davis and Doctor Burney for several years while involved with the United States Army Reserve.

Little joined the Army and finished medicine school. His military career took him all over the world including active military operations in Afghanistan. He also was the head of the medical division and reported for the Voice of America TV, which was run out of the Pentagon. Most of those years would be spent in Washington, DC. On September 11, 2001, Paul was at a conference across town from the Pentagon when terrorists hijacked the plane that flew into the Pentagon building. Paul and the other doctors were immediately rushed onto the scene where he spent the next 48 hours treating survivors. Unfortunately, Angela Cash Carter from the Peachland community, who served as his administrative assistant, was in the Pentagon at the time of the crash and died during the attack.

Little served his country for over 30 years, before retiring in 2016 to his beloved "Magnolia Farm" in Anson County. He continues to serve the community in many ways. As a young man, Little traveled all over the world with his mother Edna Pearl. To share his love of art, Little recently donated most of his artwork to Wingate University, including pieces from Picasso, Salvador Dali, and rare native artwork from Africa as well as Europe and China. He was a board of directors' trustee member for many years and now is a trustee emeritus for Wingate University. Because of his generosity, the soon-to-be-built, three-story School of Medicine will have an open atrium dedicated to Colonel Paul Bennett Little, Junior MD, and the Little family.

Hometown Hero awards will be given monthly to deserving community members who embody the values of Rotary International's motto, "Service Above Self."

About Rotary Rotary International celebrates the individual contributions and selflessness of giving time and talent. Together, we see a world where people unite and take action to create lasting change - across the globe, in our communities, and in ourselves is Rotary's vision.

The Wadesboro Rotary Club gives approximately \$40,000 annually to support community-driven initiatives and work with other nonprofit organizations.

With more than 1.4 million members in 46,000 clubs worldwide, Rotary Club members are volunteers who work locally, regionally, and internationally to combat hunger, improve health and sanitation, provide education and job training, promote peace, and eradicate polio under the motto Service Above Self.

Wadesboro Rotary Club usually meets the second Thursday of the month, from 12 noon to 1 p.m. at the Twin Valley Golf Club. Rotary welcomes guests interested in community service and professional and personal development.

For up-to-date information on meetings, speakers, community service projects, etc., visit the Wadesboro Rotary Club Facebook page.



Paul Little (left) is pictured with Ross Hendley.



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BRLC Summer Campers Shadow Rider's Trail Ride

This is a release from Burnsville Recreation & Learning Center: Children and adults from Burnsville Recreation & Learning Center (BRLC) experienced an unusual outing recently. The group was introduced to and experienced a 10 mile trail ride in a covered wagon on Saturday, July 8. Passengers were from different parts of North Carolina and the USA. This event happens annually during this season and is for those who love to ride horses, ride in covered wagons and enjoy outdoor activities such as camping.



Trial Master Ralph Fetherson of the Shadow Riders Club called the round-up at 11:00 a.m. to all riders. Prayer was given by a Shadow Rider club member and then the ride got off to a great start. The horse riders consisted of males and females and the covered wagon consisted mainly of senior citizens, males, females and children. The ride was approximately 10 to 12 miles long, mostly off the primary roads.

Everyone enjoyed a 60 minute rest for all. During this time everyone stopped for water and food, then relaxed from the ride, including restroom breaks. The food was provided by the Shadow Riders Club. The break allowed the horse riding participants an opportunity to make time for children and campers to ride, pet the horses or make photos. Once the trail ride resumed, participants did not stop until they returned back to the Shadow Rider's Ranch.

The Shadow Riders Club has been organized for more than 20 years in Anson County. There were more than 57 plus riders who rode horses in this event. More than 35 passengers took advantage of the covered wagons ride.

The Shadow Riders' facility is located at 1910 Lower White Store Road in Peachland. Those who make up this group are Willie Maske, Willie Blakney, Ralph Fatherson, Verma Johnson, Dee Bonner, James Tyson and Jodie Davis. Honorary Members are Decosta Cash and Joe Robinson.

SPCC Announces Three New Truck Driving Classes

If you've ever dreamed of driving a big rig, South Piedmont Community College has opportunities for you to get behind the wheel before year's end.

"Truck drivers are in high demand by a wide variety of employers. This is a career path that comes with lots of opportunity and great wages, plus the excitement of traveling every day, be it here locally or across the country," said Dean of the School of Applied Science and Technology Dr. Mark Little.

South Piedmont just announced three new truck driving training courses. Dates, times and locations are as follows:

- Course 1: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, 8 a.m. – 5 p.m. at South Piedmont Old Charlotte Highway Campus, Monroe 8/16/23-10/16/23
- Course 2: Thursday and Friday, 5-9 p.m. & Saturday, 8 a.m.-5 p.m. at South Piedmont Old Charlotte Highway Campus, Monroe 8/17/23-12/9/23
- Course 3: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, 8 a.m. – 5 p.m. at South Piedmont LLP Campus, Polkton 10/17/23-12/13/23

Students may choose the course that best fits their schedule. Additionally, students may choose to pursue either a CDLA or CDLB license. Both license types are available during all three courses. After they complete their course, students will work with their instructors to schedule a DMV testing appointment.

South Piedmont's tuition is highly affordable compared to other truck driving programs in the area and includes study materials.

"You can be driving by the holidays," Little said. "In other words, you can be gainfully employed and able to provide for your family by the holidays."

Prospective students must meet course requirements before they can register. For more information, visit spcc.edu/truckdriving, call 704-290-1500, or email navigate@spcc.edu.

Wingate University Spring 2023 President's List

The President's List includes undergraduate students who have earned a term GPA of 3.80 or higher on at least 12 quality-point academic hours and have no grade below a "C-".

Anson County students on the President's List are: Elizabeth Dalrymple, Olivia Allen, Kayla Dutton, Gracie Stinson, Emma Streater, Amber Walsh, Elias Campbell, Lasheika Coleman and Hampton Horne.

The Dean's List includes undergraduate students who have earned a term GPA of at least 3.30 but no more than a 3.799 on at least 12 quality-point academic hours and have no grade below a C-.

Anson students on the Dean's List are: David Godwin, Hailee Huneycutt, Mary Merritt, Hannah Turner, Ja'Mia Bennett, Taylor Burr, Ashley Legere and Richard Martin.

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