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We hope you enjoy revisiting this Remembering column

# Remembering..... By Ed McBride



## Presidents Day 2010

There is a lot going on in the month of February...besides Ground Hog and Valentines Day, Presidents Day helps make February a busy month.

George Washington was our first US president in 1789 at the age of 57. I do remember discussions about Herbert C. Hoover who was elected as the 31st president in 1929 at the age of 55. He served in the Depression years.

The election of the 32nd US president in 1933 saw Franklin Delano Roosevelt elected - at a time when many changes came into being as World War II and other happenings came about.

In 1944 Harry Truman was chosen as vice presidential nominee and was elected with President Franklin Roosevelt (who had been president since 1933). Only 82 days after his installation as vice president, Truman was made President of the United States due to Roosevelt's death in April of 1945.

Truman got busy at the United Nations, helping arrange Germany's unconditional surrender on May 8, 1945, which ended World War II in Europe in July. He attended the Potsdam Conference and the Pacific War ended on September 2 - after President Truman ordered the dropping of the atomic bombs on Hiroshima and Nagasaki. Truman's thinking was to save 500,000 US troops from possible death by using the bombs.

Truman announced the Truman Doctrine, established the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) for passage, the Marshall Plan, was involved in foreign policy, the Berlin Blockade/Airlift, NATO, the Korean War - these are some of his major decisions.

And now, on the lighter side of President Truman - and the photo above: 1) I do not believe there is a problem in this country or the world today which could not be settled through the teachings of the 'Sermon on the Mount.' 2) You want a friend in Washington? - Get a dog!! 3) If you can't stand the heat, get out of the kitchen!! Ed

## Parks and Recreation Fall Sports Registration

Registration for Anson County Parks and Recreation fall sports started on July 1, and the deadline to register is Wednesday, August 31.

- They are offering:
- Youth Flag Football for grades K-2; 3-4 and 5-6
  - Tee Ball for 4-6 years old
  - Coach Pitch Baseball for 7-8 years old
  - Micro Soccer for 3-4 years old
  - Youth Soccer for grades K-2; 3-4; 5-6; 7-9 and 10-12.

Youth Soccer, Micro Soccer, Tee Ball and Coach Pitch cost \$25. Youth Flag Football is \$30.

You may come to Little Park office to register Monday to Friday, from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. or register on the Parks & Rec website, [www.co.anson.nc.us](http://www.co.anson.nc.us).

For more information call 704-695-2550.

## Lifeguard Instructor Training Offered at Little Park

An American Red Cross Lifeguard Instructor Certification Class will take place at Little Park Pool in Wadesboro in August. To participate you must currently be certified as a lifeguard, pass the lifeguard swim test, take an online orientation, and a pre-course session is required. Candidates must be at least 17 years of age.

For more information and class dates contact Wendell Small at 704-695-2782.



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