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HOLLA! to Host Free Statewide Wellness Day in Morven

Rooted in Wellness event will feature health screenings, brunch, Zumba, giveaways and lots more!

HOLLA! will host a day devoted to healthier living, community involvement and a little fun when Rooted in Wellness: Statewide Wellness Day comes to Morven this Saturday, September 19.

The free event will be held from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the HOLLA! Center, located at 229 East Main Street in Morven. HOLLA! is serving as the host and organizing partner for the Anson County site of the statewide event series presented by the North Carolina Black Alliance.

There will be plenty happening throughout the day. Activities will include brunch, free vendor giveaways, health screenings, a 20-minute Zumba lesson and a panel discussion focusing on health issues facing the community.

Participants will also have a chance to win some impressive wellness prizes. The wellness raffle will feature at-home health items including a personal EKG machine, blood pressure monitor, air purifier, body composition scale and a variety of at-home massage gadgets.

Organizers are encouraging families to attend and bring younger relatives along. In addition to promoting physical wellness, the event will emphasize community engagement and civic participation as ways residents can help bring positive change and continued growth to Anson County.

Vendors can register at ncblackalliance.org/rootedinwellness.

HOLLA! is a nonprofit Community Development Corporation whose programs are designed to improve literacy and build social capital among underprivileged youth in Anson County. For more information about Rooted in Wellness, visit www.holla.ws or email leon@wadesboro.com.

Hampton B. Allen Library's Masquerade Book Bash Promises a Night of Mystery, Music and Fun

Masks, books and a little mystery will come together for a special evening when the Friends of the Hampton B. Allen Library present their Masquerade Book Bash on Friday, October 23, at Flake Haven.

The event will be held from 6 to 11 p.m., giving guests five hours to mingle, celebrate and perhaps spend a little time trying to figure out exactly who is hiding behind that fancy mask.

Presented by the Friends of the Hampton B. Allen Library, the Masquerade Book Bash promises to put an elegant twist on supporting one of the community's most treasured institutions. Guests are encouraged to embrace the masquerade spirit and make an evening of it.

Flake Haven is located at 5298 North Carolina 742 North in Wadesboro.

For more information about the Masquerade Book Bash, call the Hampton B. Allen Library at 704-694-5177.

So find a mask, add a little mystery and mark October 23 on the calendar. After all, supporting the library is always a good idea - and doing it while disguised just makes it more interesting.

Chill Out! Grace Senior Center Celebrates End of Summer

Snow Cone Cup Day offers one last chance to put summer on ice

Summer is almost over, but Grace Senior Center has decided it isn't going quietly. There will be snow cones involved.

Grace Senior Center will celebrate the last sweet days of summer with End of Summer Snow Cone Cup Day on Tuesday, September 22, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the center, located at 199 Highway 742 South in Wadesboro.

It's a chance to cool off, enjoy a colorful frozen treat and give summer a proper send-off before fall arrives and everybody suddenly starts talking about pumpkins.

The theme for the day is simple: Big cup. Bold flavor. Pure fun. And considering September in Anson County doesn't always get the message that summer is supposed to be ending, a snow cone may still be entirely appropriate.

Come by, pick a flavor - or several colors if making decisions is difficult - and enjoy a little fellowship while bidding farewell to another summer.

For more information, call Grace Senior Center at 704-694-6616.

State Health Plan for Retirees.

ACTIVE MEMBERS, NON-MEDICARE MEMBERS, AND MEDICARE-ELIGIBLE MEMBERS.

The State Health Plan continues to offer two Preferred Provider Plans for 2027.

The Standard PPO Plan

A strong network of providers, comprehensive coverage, and value you can count on.

All members will be automatically enrolled into the Standard PPO Plan.

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The Plus PPO Plan

Enhanced benefits and additional coverage options.

Choose the plan that works best for you and your healthcare needs.



Open Enrollment takes place during OCTOBER 12-30, 2026.

If Members want to enroll in the **Plus PPO Plan** or make changes to dependents, members will need to **take action** during Open Enrollment.

Grace Senior Center SHIP Volunteers will have a **2027 State Health Plan for Retirees Meeting**

to discuss changes and answer your questions on Tuesday, September 22, 2026
11:00 am-12:00 pm
ALL ARE INVITED!

Please call and register by calling (704) 694-6616



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NOTICE OF GENERAL ELECTION ANSON COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA

The statewide General Election will be held on Tuesday, November 3, 2026.



• **Photo ID:** Voters will be asked to show photo ID when they vote. All voters will be allowed to vote with or without ID. Voters who lack ID can get one for free from their county board of elections. Find out more at ncsbe.gov/voter-id.

• **Election Day:** Polls will be open from 6:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. on Election Day.

• **Early Voting:** Early voting will be held at the Anson County Board of Elections Office, located at 402 Morven Road, Wadesboro, NC 28170, from Thursday, October 15, 2026, through Saturday, October 31, 2026. The hours of operation are Monday through Friday 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. and 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Saturday, October 31.

• **Absentee Ballots:** Absentee ballots will be mailed to voters who have requested them beginning September 4, 2026. Absentee ballots must be received by the county board of elections no later than 7:30 p.m. on Election Day, November 3, 2026. A voter can fill out an absentee ballot request at votebyemail.ncsbe.gov, or by filling out a request form provided by the county board of elections office. The request must be received through the website or by the Anson County Board of Elections by 5 p.m. October 20, 2026.

• **Contests on the Ballot:** Contests on the ballot include U.S. Senate, U.S. House, N.C. Supreme Court Associate Justice, N.C. Court of Appeals Judge, Superior and District Court Judge, N.C. House and Senate, and countywide offices such as County Commissioner and School Board. A Statewide Referendum proposing amendments to the N.C. Constitution will also be on the ballot.

• **Voter Registration:** All persons who are registered to vote with the Anson Board of Elections may vote in this election. The voter registration deadline for this election is 5 p.m. Friday, October 9, 2026. Eligible individuals who are not registered by that deadline may register and vote at any early voting site during the early voting period. Individuals registering to vote at an early voting site will be required to provide current documentation of their residence (for example, a government ID, other government document, or a paycheck, bank statement, or utility bill).

• **Voter Assistance:** Voters voting in person are entitled to assistance by an election official, or, if assistance is needed due to disability or illiteracy, by a qualified person of their choice. Voting sites are accessible to all voters. Curbside voting is available for voters who are not able to enter voting sites without physical assistance because of age or physical disability.

• **Questions:** Questions? Call the Anson County Board of Elections Office at 704-994-3223 or send an email to boe@ansoncountync.gov.

Kelly Newton, Chair
Anson County Board of Elections

DON'T FORGET YOUR SUNGLASSES!

UV rays can increase the risk of cataracts, macular degeneration and other eye diseases.

50% of UV damage to eyes is done before a person is 18 years old, so kids need sunglasses too!

Sunglass frames with a close fitting wrap around style provide the best UV protection.

Polarized lenses reduce reflected glare from surrounding water.



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Mon-Tue-Thurs 8:30-5 & Wed 8:30-4 704-694-3618

ANSON FAMILY OPTOMETRIC
DR. HOLLY ALLISON KIKER



Holly Allison Kiker, OD

Anson County Farm Bureau Annual Meeting Monday, October 5th

Location: Lockhart-Taylor Center
514 North Washington Street • Wadesboro, NC

Time: Doors will open at 6:15 p.m.
Dinner starts at 6:30 p.m.
Business meeting starts at 7 p.m.

Admission: We can only allow 2 people per membership
You must be present for your guest to come.
*Please present your membership card at the door.

This is the Annual Meeting of the members of the Anson County Farm Bureau, Inc., a North Carolina corporation (the "Corporation"). During the meeting, the members will consider a proposed amendment to the Corporation's bylaws regarding the eligibility requirements for the Corporation's Officers and Directors.

We look forward to seeing you there. Kevin Martin, President