

Petco Love and Anson County Animal Shelter Aim to Stop the Spread of Deadly Preventable Diseases Through Free Pet Vaccinations

Anson County Animal Shelter will provide free vaccinations for Anson County area pets. The free vaccines are made possible through Petco Love's new national vaccination initiative, which is providing 1 million free pet vaccines to its existing animal welfare partners, including Anson County Animal Shelter, for family pets in need.

Parvovirus and distemper in dogs, and panleukopenia in cats, are some of the most prevalent deadly diseases impacting pets that are preventable with a simple vaccine. An estimated 30% of pet parents do not take their pet to a veterinarian annually for preventative care. To address this critical need, Anson County Animal Shelter and Petco Love are partnering to make pet vaccines free and accessible in an effort to ensure the health and wellness of our beloved pets.

Anson County Animal Shelter aims to vaccinate 500 pets at their location through this effort. The event will be held on Saturday October 23, from 9 a.m. to 12 noon in the parking lot. The Animal Shelter is located at 7257 Highway 74 in Polkton, at the entrance to the Field of Dreams. Please have all pets restrained and stay in your cars, they will give you instructions upon arrival. This is a 1st come, 1st serve clinic. Vaccines distributed through the Petco Love initiative will be the DAPPv Canine and HCP Feline vaccines. The shelter plans to also offer 1 year Rabies vaccinations, through their partnership with Zoetis for Shelter Programs.

"Thanks to Petco Love we can offer these important live saving vaccines at no cost to pet owners," said Maureen Lett, Director. "We urge community members to take advantage of this free resource to ensure health and wellness of our community's pets."

"It is heartbreaking when any pet suffers or dies from a disease that could have been prevented. It is further exacerbated when unvaccinated pets come into busy shelter kennels, where these deadly diseases can spread quickly, resulting in multiple deaths, skyrocketing expenses, and hindering saving pet lives," said Susanne Kogut, Petco Love President. "By creating greater awareness and making this crucial preventative care more accessible to pets not currently receiving these lifesaving vaccines, we can prevent the dangerous spread of disease."

For more information about vaccine distribution contact Maureen Lett at mlett@ansoncountync.gov or 704-994-2738. To learn more about Petco Love's lifesaving impact, visit PetcoLove.org.

About Anson County Animal Shelter Is an open intake Animal Care and Control facility located in Polkton, NC. We strive to promote humane treatment, compassion and respect for all companion animals through education, protection and community service.

Anson County's Unemployment Rate 5.8% in August

Anson County Anson County's unemployment rate for August was 5.8%. In July it was 5.9%. In June was 6.1%. In May it was 5.5%. In April it was 5.4%, 5.9% in March. In February the rate was 7.5%. The January rate was 7.7%. December 2020 was 7.1%. In November 2020 the rate was 7.2%. Other 2020 rates: October rate was 7.2%, the September rate was 8.5%, the August rate was 8%, the July rate was 10%, the June rate was 7.9%, the May rate was 10.1% and the April rate was 8.2%. In March 2020 the unemployment rate in Anson County was 4.9%, just before it was affected by the pandemic.

Statewide Statewide the unemployment rate for August was 4.4%. In July it was 4.6%. The June rate was 4.9%. The May rate was 4.5%, April rate was 4.4%. In March it was 4.6%. The February rate was 5.6%. In January and December 2020 the rates were 6%. Other 2020 rates: In November and October the rate was 6.1%. In September the rate was 7%. In August the rate was 6.8%. In July the unemployment rate was 8.9%.

Anson's total labor force in August was 10,268. Of that number 9,677 were employed and 591 were unemployed. In July the total labor force was 10,254, with 9,650 employed and 604 unemployed.

Unemployment rates (not seasonally adjusted) decreased in 93 of North Carolina's counties in August, increased in two, and remained unchanged in five. Scotland County had the highest unemployment rate at 8.7 percent while Chatham, Avery, Ashe, and Orange Counties each had the lowest at 3.4 percent.

All fifteen of the state's metro areas experienced rate decreases. Among the metro areas, Fayetteville and Rocky Mount each had the highest rate at 6.4 percent while Durham- Chapel Hill and Raleigh each had the lowest at 3.7 percent. The August not seasonally adjusted statewide rate was 4.4 percent.

When compared to the same month last year, not seasonally adjusted unemployment rates decreased in all 100 counties. All 15 of the state's metro areas experienced rate decreases over the year.

The number of workers employed statewide (not seasonally adjusted) decreased in August by 11,417 to 4,805,512, while those unemployed decreased by 10,648 to 221,865. Since August 2020, the number of workers employed statewide increased 228,969, while those unemployed decreased 115,401.

Church

* All events are subject to change because of the COVID-19 situation. You may want to seek confirmation of events.

OCTOBER 16

Rainbow Tea
At Pleasant Hill AME Zion Church, 109 South in Wadesboro, 3:30pm. Please join us. CDC Guidelines are in effect.

OCTOBER 17

18th Pastoral Anniversary of Rev. Robert L. Davis & First Lady Sis. Betty Davis at Henry Grove Baptist Church, 11am with Elder Gary Gaddy of Johnson Chapel Church in Wadesboro. Everyone is invited.

Homecoming

At Bethany Freewill Baptist Church on Old Lilesville Rd in Wadesboro with Rev. David Parish. Catered meal follows service.

OCTOBER 24 - 28

Fall Revival
At Mineral Springs Baptist Church in Polkton with Percy Cunningham at 6:30pm nightly. Everyone is welcome.

ONGOING

Prayer Meeting & Bible Study
Wednesdays, at Cedar Creek Baptist Church, 6:30pm

Bible Study/Prayer
Every 3rd Saturday at noon, Faith Believers of Deliverance Holiness Church, 215 Brown Creek Rd, Wadesboro

Bible Study & Prayer
At Savannah AME Zion Tuesdays at noon & 6pm. The public is invited

Live on the Radio
Min Gregory Williams on WADE 1340AM every 1st & 3rd Saturday, 2pm

Events

OCTOBER 15 - 17

Ansonia Play
Wait Until Dark, a play that inspired one of the scariest movies of all time! Fri & Sat 7:30pm, Sun 3pm. Show info & tickets ansoniatheatre.com or call 704-694-4950. Tickets sold at the door also.

OCTOBER 16

Writing Workshop "Writing a Novel" with award-winning poet & novelist Joseph Bathanti, 10am-4pm in the fellowship hall of First Presbyterian Church in Wadesboro. \$45 fee includes lunch. Limited to 12 participants so register early at www.ansoncountywritersclub.org. 1 workshop scholarship available. Info at 704-694-5431 or info@ansoncountywritersclub.org

Community Outreach Event. Drive-in event with free household items & paper products delivered to your car. First come, first served basis. By Lamb of God Church, 10am at 118 West Wade St in Wadesboro. Park & turn radio to 96.7 FM. Info 843-623-3777

OCTOBER 19

Auditions for Upcoming Ansonia Play entitled *An Enchanted Bookshop Christmas* at 6pm. Be prepared to read from the script. 112 S Rutherford St in Wadesboro. 704-694-4950. ansoniatheatre.com

OCTOBER 21

Trunk or Treat At SPCC. Everyone invited to the L.L. Polk Campus of South Piedmont Community College, 680 Hwy 74 in Polkton, at 8pm for this drive-thru event. Spooky displays, costumes, fun prizes & candy! Info 704-272-5300.

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OCTOBER 30
Morven Festival **Postponed** until spring due to Covid. Call 704-851-9321 for vendor info.

ONGOING EVENTS
Direct and Counter Cyclical Program Sign-ups
Call the Farm Service Agency Office at 704-694-3516 ext. 2 to complete eligibility forms
After School Program Kids Cafe
Mon-Fri from 2:30-5:30p.m. at the Burnsville Recreation & Learning Center, 704-826-8737