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The Health Department is Here for You and Your Family

The Anson County Health Department provides clinical care services aimed at helping each Anson County resident achieve better health and well-being. They provide the following services:

- Acute care & sick visits
- College physicals
- Sports physicals for people age 12+
- Annual physicals, PAP smear, and counseling for people age 21+
- Laboratory testing
- Reproductive health
- Immunizations for children and adults
- Communicable disease screening and treatment
- WIC (women, infants, and children)

Call today, 704-694-5188, to make your appointment. The Health Department is located at 110 West Ashe Street in Wadesboro. You can find them on Facebook and the website is: www.co.anson.nc.us/164/Health-Department.

Peachland-Polkton Elementary School Terrific Kids

Peachland-Polkton Elementary School held its Terrific Kids Celebration for the first nine weeks on Tuesday, November 12. Pictured above are the students who were recognized for this honor. We are proud of these students for showing good character!

From left, front row: Laila Gaither, Laiken Hargett, Eli Hough, Ramsey Bowers, Alayna Olivarez, Oliver Hannah, Eliza Powe, Ava Lowder, Risden Crider, Giselle Ponce-Vargas, Len Ching Lee, Eri'Yanah Polk and Milan Austin.

Second row: Sithaysy Chacon Vasquez, Hayden Runyan, Bryant Stegall, Alexis Williams, David Biggers, Dottie Hyatt, Zoey Murdock, Kaiden Johnson, Ariana Stirewalt, Kaiden Williams, Lennox Treadaway and Jayveon Marshall.

Third row: Makayla Gaddy, Zaiden Teal, Jalissa Edwards, Layla Brown, Sean Berry, Christopher Botella, Alaina Turner, Holden Taylor, Erik Mendez, Caleb Olivarez and Caitlyn Perez.

Fourth row: Madison Williams, Gemma Brinson, Savanna Williams, Zakeya Jones, Karter Hinkley, Abxel Ramos, Ava Sleeper, Kelly Morales, Caliyah Christian, Raylea Parker, Genesis Morales, Willow Poplin and Jasmiyana Dean

Not pictured: Hector Salvador and Rylee Capps.

Polkton Police Officer Shot at During Suspicious Person Call

Despite a barrage of shots fired, officer was uninjured

This is a release from the Polkton Police Chief Tim Hutchinson dated November 9: On Friday, November 8 at around 10:00 p.m. one of our officers received a suspicious person call in the Wyndor Down Apartment area. While enroute to the area he noticed several subjects walking through the small wooded area at the main entrance of South Piedmont Community College. Our officer went to go check these people out due to them coming from that area where a car had attempted to be stolen earlier. As the officer made his way to the suspects they all started running into the college. Our officer watched them and followed them when he noticed one suspect had a handgun.

The officer called for assistance and relayed that one subject had a gun. The subjects ran down and around the building and our officer stopped waiting on backup. Our officer was stepping out of his patrol vehicle and was met with a barrage of gunfire from one of the subjects. The officer took cover and did not return fire and gave the information out over the radio.

After getting to a safe distance the officer noticed that the patrol unit had been struck multiple times and was inoperable. We are just thankful that our officer did not get injured in this incident.

In a second release on Saturday, November 9 Chief Hutchinson said, "Let me start this post by saying two things. I am thankful our officer was not hurt, and thank you to surrounding agencies that responded with assistance. We need everyone to share the pictures of the suspects that tried to kill our officer last night. To the shooter I will not give up until you are in jail for attempted murder of a police officer. If you know something say something. These people tried to kill a police officer last night for trying to do his job.

The images are not clear, but can still help with identifying the suspects. There is a video of the suspects on the Polkton Police Department Facebook page.

This is an ongoing investigation and a Facebook post will be done shortly.

A reward is being offered for credible information in this investigation. If you have any information call the Polkton Police Department at 704-272-0130.



The Compassionate Friends Meet on Thursday

The Compassionate Friends, a support group for parents, grandparents and siblings who have lost a child of any age, welcomes you to attend their monthly meetings. They meet on the second Thursday each month, at 7 p.m. at First Baptist Church on Lee Avenue in Wadesboro. "We need not walk alone."

The next meeting will be held this Thursday, November 14.

For more information call Ken Caulder at 704-694-2524.

Anson Mobile Food Market is November 21

The next Anson Mobile Food Market will be held on Thursday, November 21, starting at 4:00 p.m. at Lilesville Baptist Church, located at 118 Camden Street in Lilesville.

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.

South Piedmont Clay Shoot Raises \$50,000 to Support Student Emergency Fund

The South Piedmont Community College Foundation's sixth-annual Clay Shoot Classic raised just over \$50,000. The event took place on Oct. 25 at Four Branches Sporting Preserve in Polkton. Money was raised through corporate sponsors, team registrations, and day-of game participations and donations. All funds raised from the event will support the Foundation's Student Emergency Assistance Fund, which provides financial assistance to students facing unexpected hardships, whether it be illnesses, loss of income, or unexpected repairs to their homes or vehicles, as just a few examples.

"The Student Emergency Assistance Fund removes the barriers that stand between students and their educational goals. Many of our students are balancing their coursework with jobs and families. An unexpected bill, repair, illness or any number of other emergency situations can throw off that delicate balance. When that happens, students often have to choose between their education and their other responsibilities," said Ashley Furr, director of community outreach and engagement and organizer of the Clay Shoot Event.

Added Interim President Michelle Brock, "Very simply, the Emergency Assistance Fund makes it possible for students to complete their education. We are immensely grateful for all who supported the Clay Shoot and are helping to put education within reach for South Piedmont's students."

Sponsors of the Clay Shoot included the Moser Group, Vannoy Construction, McGee Corporation, Pinnacle Financial Partners, Rodgers Builders, State Utility Contractors, Carotek, Lawrence Associates, Moyer, DeVoe & Iocco, Southern Fabricators, Tyson Childress CPAs, ATI Specialty Materials, Bankers Insurance/UTICA, Mr. Bill Norwood, Carolina Furnishing + Design, Clancy & Theys Construction, Hinson Electric, First Citizens Wealth Management, Goulston Technologies, Hoffman Mechanical Solutions, Hoss Contracting, Loba-Wakol, Pee Dee Electric, Robbins & Associates Insurance, Union Power Cooperative, Uwharrie Bank, Charlotte Pipe & Foundry, Hargett Electric, Helms Heating & Air Conditioning, Jenkins Peer Architects, L.B. Smith & Associate, Leavitt Funeral Home, Monroe-Union County Economic Development, and Scarborough Law.

Anson County 4-H Clover Crawl Social is Back!

Anson County 4-H and 4-H Youth Promise is pleased to announce that the Clover Crawl is back. The event will be held on Friday, March 14, 2025, at a NEW location, Flake Haven, located at 5298 Highway 742 North, Wadesboro, from 6:00 until 11:00 p.m. The Clover Crawl is an adult event, 21 and over.

Advanced tickets are \$50 per person and can be purchased at the Extension Office, located at 501 McLaurin Street in Wadesboro, Lacy's, or from committee members. Ticket price at the door will be \$60. Also, tables can be purchased which includes eight tickets for \$500. If you are interested in purchasing a table, please call the Extension Office. Tables are selling fast so don't wait, get yours today.

Funds raised during this event are used to support ongoing 4-H programs in the county. The money raised from the Clover Crawl will support programs that address the well being of youth, families, and communities in Anson County.

4-H programs annually reach over 1,815 young people in the community. Youth participate in activities and programs such as school enrichment, summer camps, after school programming, community service and other year-round educational programs.

Anson 4-H and 4-H Youth Promise also works with adults, volunteer leaders and youth to provide community projects, parenting skills and enhanced leadership abilities. All 4-H programming is available to any youth between ages 5-19.

4-H programs have had much impact on the youth in this county through the years. With the public's help and support, 4-H programs can continue to make significant contributions to their future, and the future of our county. If you would like to learn more information about this event please contact, Sam Cole, 4-H Agent, at 704-694-2915.

Crafting Class at the Library

The Hampton B. Allen Library invites you to join them for crafting with instructor Arvonita Edwards. This class will be held on Monday, November 18 at 10:30 a.m. in the Pritchett Room. Supplies will be provided, everyone is asked to bring a ruler and scissors.

Any questions please call 704-694-5177.