

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

November 6

HEALTHCARE DECISIONS will be held at the Hoke County Public Library at 7 p.m. Thursday, November 6. Liberty Home Care & Hospice and Senior Services of Hoke County, supported with funds from Lumber River Area Agency on Aging, will provide free information on living wills, health care power of attorney and other materials on decisions all individuals need to make concerning their care. Call 875-8198 for information.

BETHEL PRESBYTERIAN'S INGATHERING will be Thursday, November 6.

November 8

DIABETES HEALTH FAIR activities include screenings for high blood pressure, cholesterol, diabetes and a variety of educational booths on Saturday, November 8 at 9 a.m.-noon. The event is sponsored by the Hoke County Diabetes Coalition, Hoke County Health Center, FirstHealth Center for Health and Fitness, Healthy Hoke Task Force, Hoke County Cooperative Extension Service and Hoke Family Medical Center at the Hoke County Senior Citizens Center. Ten-twelve hours fasting is required for a screening for diabetes. For more information, contact Ulva Little at 875-3717 ext. 241.

CHURCH OF GOD OF PROPHECY HARVEST SALE will be Saturday, November 8 at 8 a.m. until 2 p.m. A BBQ plate sale will take place at 11 a.m.-2 p.m. Tickets for the plate sale are \$6. Gospel singing, also at 11-2, will be by The Raeford Trio, Sherry Watkins, Buddy Lee and other local performers. There will also be a yard sale and bake sale on the church grounds. Proceeds to benefit the church, located at 911 West Prospect Avenue.

November 9

RAEFORD PEDIATRICS'S OPEN HOUSE will be this Sunday, November 9 at 3-5 p.m. There will be tours of the building, an opportunity for citizens to meet the staff and refreshments. The location is 206 Southern Avenue.

November 10

COOKING FOR GROUPS: A VOLUNTEER'S GUIDE TO FOOD SAFETY is designed to help volunteers prepare and serve food safely for large groups. Register by November 5 for this free program, which will take place Monday, November 10 at 6-7:30 p.m. at N.C. Cooperative Extension Service, located at 116 West Prospect Avenue. To register, call 875-3461.

November 10, 11, 12

HUNTER EDUCATION COURSES are being offered again this year through mid-December. Classes for November are on the 10th, 11th and 12th. It is required that registration be done one week prior to the course starting date. All classes are at 6-9:30 p.m. at a Hoke County site to be announced later. Call Aric Clark at 875-2180 to register.

November 12

THE HOKE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION'S meeting scheduled for November 11 has been changed to Wednesday, November 12 at 7 p.m. because of the Veteran's Day holiday.

THE RETIRED TEACHERS ASSOCIATION meets Wednesday, November 12 at 3 p.m. in the Hoke County Public Library conference room.

November 13

THE HOKE COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH will meet Thursday, November 13 at 7 p.m. in the conference room of the Health Center.

November 14

THE DIABETES SUPPORT GROUP meets Thursday, November 13 at 5:30-7:30 p.m. at the Hoke County Health Center. Helene Edwards, RD and nutrition director with Hoke County Health Center, will present the program. For more information, contact Ulva Little at 875-3717 ext. 241.

November 14-15

HAWKEYE INDIAN CULTURAL CENTER pow-wow is scheduled for November 14 and 15 at the center at 1390 John Road. This year's pow-wow is in honor of Elisha Dial Sr. and Rod Locklear Sr., founders of Hawkeye School. John Blackfeather will be master of ceremonies. For more information, call 843-9484.

November 15

THE N.C. TURKEY FESTIVAL PARADE has been rescheduled for Saturday, November 15, beginning at 10 a.m. Call Jackie Lynch at 875-5929 for more information.

MISS EFFIE'S FAMOUS BEANPOT FUND-RAISER, including a bake sale, is sponsored by the Lumber Bridge Volunteer Fire Dept. Ladies Auxiliary Saturday, November 15 starting at 11 a.m. First come, first served, limited availability on beanpot orders. No orders taken ahead of time. The location is at the new Fire Dept. 303, Main Street. Lumber Bridge

west of the intersection of Highways 20 and 71.

November 17

CAREGIVERS SUPPORT GROUP meets at the Senior Services Center in the former Armory Building at 7 p.m. Monday, November 17. Sponsored by Liberty Hospice for members of the community who are caregivers, the support group meets monthly. For additional information, call 875-8198.

November 18

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE BUSINESS AFTER HOURS will be hosted by Liberty Home Care & Hospice at 5-7 p.m.

November 20

DINING WITH DIABETES program will be offered at Hoke County Cooperative Extension Thursday, November 20 at 6 p.m. For more information, contact Clinton McRae at 875-3461.

November 21

HAPPY HOBBY HARVEST of the Raeford United Methodist Church will take place Friday, November 21 in the fellowship hall of the church on North Main Street. Breakfast, featuring the famous Hobby Harvest homemade fried apple pies, will be served at 7:30-9 a.m. Eat-in or take-out plates of pork BBQ, BBQ chicken or chicken salad with all the fixings will be served at 11 a.m.-2 p.m. at \$6 per plate. There will be a pantry/crafts/country store operating all morning as well as a bake sale.

November 29

PEMBROKE SENIOR HIGH CLASS OF '73 is planning a reunion November 29 in Porter Plaza. The cost is \$25 per person and deadline for registration is October 3. Make checks payable to PSHS Class of 1973. For information, contact Marilyn Deese (910) 521-7879; Herlon Sampson (910) 521-3358 at home or (910) 738-1101 at work; Thorton and Fannie Lowery, (910) 521-9031; or Jo Ann Woodell (910) 521-8696.

December 1

LIBERTY HOSPICE'S ANNUAL LOVE LIGHT service will be held at the Hoke Library Stage at 6:30 p.m. Monday, December 1. A tree will be illuminated as a symbol, commemorating the lives of Hoke residents. A memorial service will follow at Raeford Presbyterian Church at 7 p.m. followed by a reception in McKeithan Fellowship Hall and provided by Hospice volunteers and staff. The community is invited to participate in these activities.

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December 15, 16, 17

HUNTER EDUCATION COURSES are being offered in December on the 15th, 16th and 17th. It is required that registration be done one week prior to the course starting date. All classes are at 6-9:30 p.m. at a Hoke County site to be announced later. Call Aric Clark at 875-2180 to register.

Ongoing events

HOKE COUNTY YOUTH AND FAMILY SERVICES hosts a victim's support group on the second and fourth Wednesdays of each month at 4-5 p.m. at the office located beside the post office on West Elwood Avenue.

THE PLAYWRIGHTS OF THE CAPE FEAR invite playwrights, writers, and actors to join them in a new forum. They meet the first Wednesday at the main library in Fayetteville from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. For more information, call 425-0970.

INT'L F. & A. M. SONS OF DAVID LODGE meets at 7 p.m. the second and fourth Thursdays at the lodge located at 2606 Laurinburg Road.

RETIRED TEACHERS OF HOKE COUNTY meet at 3 p.m. in the Hoke County Library the third Wednesday of each month.

THE RAEFORD DOWNTOWN REVITALIZATION COMMISSION meets each third Tuesday at 9 a.m. at City Hall.

THE FRIDAY NIGHTERS JAM each Friday night at City Hall beginning at 7 p.m. Musicians and audience participation are invited.

T.O.P.S. TAKE OFF POUNDS SENSIBLY meets each Tuesday at 326 Magnolia Street at the corner of Magnolia and Campus avenues (across from the Raeford Presbyterian Church.) Weigh-ins are at 3:45 - 4 p.m. and meetings are held at 4 - 4:30 p.m. For more information, call Kathy, 875-1689; or Colleen, 848-3339.

THE HOKE COUNTY ARTS COUNCIL meets every fourth Tuesday at the Raeford Dance Arts Studio at 207 College Drive. For information, contact Jim White at 875-2206; or Pete Camp at 875-3983.

THE HISPANIC REPUBLICAN CLUB meets the third Thursday of the month at

the Monterey Restaurant on Yadkin Road in Fayetteville at 7 p.m. For information, call Elana Askey at 426-1411; or email them at LatinoGOPEclub@aol.com.

THE HOKE COUNTY DYSTONIA SUPPORT GROUP meets on a TBA basis. Anyone interested in joining this group may contact Rulinda F. Purcell at (910) 875-3905. Family members are welcome to join. Learn more about dystonia by logging on to www.dystonia-foundation.org.

THE DIABETES SUPPORT GROUP meets the second Tuesday of every month at the Hoke County Health Center at 5:30-6:30 p.m. For more information, contact Ulva Little at 875-3717.

TWELVE STEPS FOR CHRISTIANS SUPPORT GROUP is being sponsored by Freedom Chapel AME Zion Church each Wednesday at 10-11 a.m. also, each Friday, Saturday and Monday at 7-8 p.m. The group is "committed to creating a safe place for men and women to share their experience, strength and hope with each other." The group is intended to complement other Christian-oriented recovery groups. For more information, contact Shirley Hart at 848-5635; or Ray P. Owens at 875-4904. The church is located on Freedom Church Road in Raeford.

THE ALLENDALE COMMUNITY WATCH ASSOCIATION meets the first Thursday of each month at 7 p.m., currently at 387 South Hilltop Road.

COUNCIL MEETINGS OF THE LUMBEE TRIBE OF N.C. take place the third Thursday at the tribal office, 707 Union Chapel Road, Pembroke. at 6:30 p.m.

ATTENTION HOKE COUNTY CHILD CARE PROVIDERS: CPR AND FIRST AID CLASSES are regularly scheduled. For information, call Child Care Connections at 904-6688 and ask for Shakara Graham or Jackie Rushing Hargrove.

THE BLUE SPRINGS-HOKE COUNTY TEEN AND ADOLESCENT PREGNANCY PREVENTION ADVISORY COUNCIL (TAPP) meets every third Wednesday at the Hoke County Public Library. Members of the community, council members, educators, teens and parents are encouraged to attend. For more information and for meeting council times, call 904-0312.

A.F. & A.M. RAEFORD MASONIC LODGE #306 meets at 7:30 p.m. the second and fourth Tuesday of every month at the lodge located on West Palmer Avenue.

WEST HOKE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT holds its monthly meeting each fourth Tuesday at the West Hoke Fire Dept., Turnpike Road, at 7 p.m. All citizens and groups of western Hoke County are urged to attend. For information, call 875-8063 or 875-0379.

THE HOKE COUNTY ASSOCIATION DEVELOPMENTALLY DISABLED BOARD meets the first Tuesday of each month at the Children's Center. AA meets every Monday night at 8 p.m. (an open meeting) at Evangelical Methodist Church Fellowship Building, the corner of 6th and Green Street in Raeford.

THE MECCA SHRINE CLUB meets the first Monday of each month at Raeford Masonic Lodge 306. All Shriners and Shrinettes are welcome.

THE LIBERTARIAN PARTY meets every second Thursday at 7 p.m. at The Lonestar Steakhouse, 1800 Skibo Road, Fayetteville. Meetings are open to the public. For information, call Brian Irving at 308-3253; or email info@libertypoint.org <<mailto:info@libertypoint.org>>.

THE CAPE FEAR BRANCH 259TH OF THE FLEET RESERVE ASSOCIATION AND THE LADIES AUXILIARY meets the fourth Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m. at the Retired Military Association Building off Old Elizabethtown Road in downtown Fayetteville. Residents of Hoke County who are active or retired Navy, Marines or Coast Guard are invited to join the branch unit meeting. For more info, call Leonard Galloway at 875-6020.

THE HOKE COUNTY CHILD CARE ASSOCIATION meets the third Monday (note the change from Tuesday) of each month at 6:30 p.m. unless otherwise announced. Call Jackie Hargrove Rushing at 875-5645 for more information.

THE HOKE COUNTY PARTNERSHIP FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES board of directors meets the third Wednesday of each month at 4 p.m. at the Partnership office at 1089-B East Central Avenue in Raeford. For more information, call 904-5452.

THE RAEFORD-HOKE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE board of directors meets the second Wednesday of each month at 4 a.m. at the Chamber Depot. Members are welcome to attend. Members wishing to be placed on the agenda should call the Chamber office at 875-5929.

SENIORS BINGO is held at the Hoke County Public Library the second Wednesday of each month at 10 a.m. with free prizes and refreshments. For more information, contact Parks and Rec. at 875-4035.

HOKE COUNTY 4-H is the youth development organization of the NC Cooperative Extension Service and is open to boys and girls between the ages of 5 and 19. Community clubs are located throughout the county and meet once a month at various locations and times. Ongoing community clubs include: Clover Crusaders, Hands to Service, Lucky Leaders and West Hoke blue Dolphins. To receive additional information on location and times of club meetings, how to become a 4-H club member, or general information call the 4-H office at 875-2162.

THE HOKE COUNTY EXTENSION AND COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION CLUBS (formerly the Hoke County Extension Homemaker) meet once a month at various times and locations throughout the county. Current ongoing clubs and meeting dates are:

- Mildouson Extension & Community Association Club - 4th Monday of the month;
- Busy Homemakers Extension & Community Association Club - 2nd Thursday of the month;
- Philippi Extension & Community Association Club - 3rd Monday of the month;
- Raeford Morning Extension & Community Association Club - 1st Thursday of the month.

For more information, call the Hoke County Center of the N.C. Cooperative Extension Service at 875-3461.

SONS OF CONFEDERATE VETERANS meets at 7 p.m. the second Monday of each month at the Raeford Masonic Lodge on East Palmer. The public is invited. Contact Jere McClendon at 875-5408 for more information.

Military service-connected meetings

VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS - Ralph A. Pandure VFW Post 10 meets the second Monday of each month at 7 p.m. at 145 Hanger Lane off Doc Brown Road. That is at PK Airpark. Contact Terry Middleton at 875-9600 or George Balch at 875-4410 for more information.

DISABLED AMERICAN VETERANS (Hoke County Chapter 17) holds their monthly meeting at 7 p.m. on the third Monday of every month at the National Guard Armory on Teal Drive. Contact Commander Leo Salzer at 875-4083; or George Balch at 875-4410 for more information.

ELLIS B. WILLIAMSON RAEFORD POST 20 of the American Legion meets the third Thursday of each month (note day change) at 7 p.m. at the Hoke County Library. For more information, call Tom Squier at 875-2147.

THE LADIES AUXILIARY OF RALPH A. PANDURE VFW POST 10 meets every second Monday at 7 p.m. at 145 Hanger Lane, located at PK Airpark off Doc Brown Road. Contact Ida Workman, president, 904-1612, for more information.

ALPHONSO PICKETT VFW POST 7930 AND AUXILIARY meet the first Thursday of each month at 7 p.m. at the National Guard Armory on Teal Drive. For information, contact commander Richard Ferguson at 848-6190 or senior vice commander Guy Morris at 875-4032.

New Arrivals

Cape Fear Valley Medical Center, with the permission of the parents, announces these area births:

September 1

Jamie McPhatter and Mario Pratt Jr., Red Springs, a daughter, Jaziah Cymonne Pratt.

September 3

Laura Jones and Hrnyr Locklear Jr., Shannon, a daughter, Samantha Shantel Locklear.

September 3

Janice Bledsoe and Richard Coates, Raeford, a son, Richard Anthony Coates Jr.

September 6

Latoyia Holloman, Raeford, a son, Jacobi Lamar Holloman.

September 8

Patrice McPhatter and Michael Egerton, Red Springs, a daughter, Azaria Naje Egerton-McPhatter;

Randall and Aprille Compton, Raeford, a son, Randall Peyton Compton.

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