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The Annual Helms Nature Preserve Benefit Dinner





NORTH CAROLINA WILDLIFE ACTION

Helms Nature Preserve Resource Education Center



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Dear Friends of Wildlife Action:

North Carolina Wildlife Action would like to thank you for the help and support you gave us in making our annual benefit dinner in August and the annual boston butt sale in November for the ***Helms Nature Preserve and Resource Education Center*** a success.

This continuing project to develop the 30+ acre woodland property near Whiteville donated to Wildlife Action by Earl and Dot Helms will provide our community with an educational/recreational facility for our Wildlife Action youth programs, and in addition, serves as a valuable resource available to other groups, organizations and the people of our community. We have a long tradition of working closely with and making our facilities available to Scouts, 4-H, church groups, civic groups and other community organizations. The preserve will include handicap-accessible nature trails, camping and picnic areas, wildlife feeding and observation stations and outdoor classrooms and meeting areas.

This years **NC Pioneer Day Camp** was at maximum capacity with campers and over forty adult and teenage volunteers and counselors! The kids enjoyed canoeing, archery, trail hikes, fishing, and learning about our natural resources through environmental education!

Wildlife Action is a non-profit, 501(c)(3) volunteer organization with a 509(a)(2) public charity status dedicated to the principle that each individual bears the responsibility for taking care of our environment, wildlife and natural resources. Established in 1977, Wildlife Action has since grown into a diverse national organization in nine states comprised of local volunteer men, women and children who, while each pursuing their own special interests, are united in their common cause of promoting public awareness about wildlife habitat, conservation, preservation and restoration of our natural resources, educating people on stewardship of the good earth, and promoting responsible sportsmanship and ethics. These principles are summarized in Wildlife Action's ***Five Point Law: Preservation, Conservation, Education, Sportsmanship and Fellowship***, and our motto "***Local Folks Solving Local Problems***" exemplifies our focus on the family and local community.

In order to fund our various youth, conservation and educational projects Wildlife Action relies on member dues, donations and fund-raisers. Throughout the years our organization and members have, with your support, been blessed with many opportunities to effectively reach, and teach, the youth of our communities through our projects and activities such as Summer Camps, Take-A-Kid-Fishing Days, instruction in woodland skills, boating and hunter safety, and conservation and environmental projects. With your continued help and support we're confident that the years to come will be even better!

If you'd like to get involved, or consider becoming a member of Wildlife Action, just write or call us at the contact addresses above. And, if you have kids or family members, or know of groups or organizations who might benefit from our programs and facilities just let us know - we'd love to hear from you!

Again, thank you, from all of us at Wildlife Action! We hope to see you in the New Year!

For Kids and Conservation,
Allison P. Shuping, President

SLOGAN: ***TO PUT BACK***
MORE THAN WE TAKE

MOTTO: ***LOCAL FOLKS***
SOLVING LOCAL PROBLEMS

NCWLA “Paddle Day” at Lake Waccamaw

The third annual NCWLA Paddle Day was a great success. A special thanks to everyone that came to take part. The water at the Lake was not too low but that didn't hinder the canoeing. The weather could not have been any better. It was an absolute gorgeous morning to canoe. An extra special Thanks to Jeana McDuffie that organized the fun fellowship. After canoeing, she prepared hot dogs on the grill and even brought her delicious home made chilli. It was all just perfect. A huge Thank You also to the Lake Waccamaw State Park for picking out the perfect camp site to launch the canoes.



To learn more about the Lake Waccamaw State Park and all that it has to offer. . log on to www.ncparks.gov and then to Lake Waccamaw State Park. Hiking, Boating or Picnicing. You will be surprised to see what a spectacular gem it is. And it's right here in Columbus County. . . literally in your back yard!

THE ANNUAL PUMPKIN CARVING DAY

Every October the pioneers look forward to the Pumpkin Carving Day. Everyone shows up with the pumpkin of their choice in hopes to be the pumpkin carving master of the day! Some pick out patterns to trace and carve while others free hand a drawing or lettering to carve out! Each year it gets bigger and better. It is really hard to say who has the most fun--the pioneers or the adults! If you have not experienced Pumpkin Carving under the Pavilion, go ahead and make plans for next year! You will be glad you did!



Pumpkin Carving continued. . .



No tricks here. . . just getting your hands “yucky” from the pumpkin guts, concentrating time on your pattern and enjoying the treat of a great moment with your forever friends. . . Then the fun part; getting home and admiring and loving your work all lit up!!



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North Carolina State Chapter Chartered January 1987

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Our Five Point Law

- Preservation
- Conservation
- Education
- Sportsmanship
- Fellowship

Our Motto

"Local Folks Solving Local Problems"

Our Slogan

"To Put Back More Than We Take"



**Wildlife Action Is
Worth Howling About!**

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Committees

Ethics/Grievances - Greg Parker
Nominating/Elections - Tim Lewis
Memories/Souvenirs/Awards - Jeana McDuffie

NORTH CAROLINA HISTORY

1st AMBASSADOR - Edward Lee - 1987

1st PHOTO CONTEST - winner
Edward Lee - 1987

1st INDIVIDUAL LIFE MEMBER
Matthew Hall 1987

1st FAMILY LIFE MEMBER
Gary & Judy Walker - 1987

1st CANOE TRIP - Edward Lee - 1988

1st NATIONAL WILDLIFE PRINT
contest winner - Rick Coleman's
"Grey Fox" - 1988

1st WILD DAY - Jamie Teel - 1989

1st CHAPTER OF THE YEAR
Tabor City - 1991

1st JOE TAYLOR MEMORIAL
FISHING RODEO - Mike Hankins 1994

1st WILDGAME COOKOFF
Mike Hankins - 1995

1st SUMMER CAMP
White Marsh - 1997

1st STATE PRINT
Artist: Jill Troutman - 1997

1st STATE FISHING RODEO
Jerry Young - 1998

1st RESOURCE EDUCATION CENTER
Cedar Grove - 1998

1st ICT - (Instructional Camping Trip)
Peggy Young 2000

1st NATIONAL PHOTOGRAPHY CONTEST
Winner: Allison Shuping - 2000

1st SHARE PROGRAM
Central Elementary - 2002
Tanya Barber

1st ADOPT A LIBRARY
Debbie Page - 2002
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1st NATURE PRESERVE
Helms Nature Preserve
Whiteville - 2007



**Allison
Shuping
2023**

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