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"Be Aware Of Our Air Day" Kick-Off Event Offers Food, Fun, Information And Lots of Chances to Win A Prize!

FAYETTEVILLE – A fun-filled and informational event will take place on Saturday, April 22, 2006 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Kiwanis Recreation Center, 325 Devers Street.

The Cumberland County Air Quality Stakeholders, in conjunction with the Fayetteville Area Metropolitan Planning Organization, are hosting the event to kick off the annual "Be Aware of Our Air" diary contest which will span the first week in May. The contest is open to all citizens of Cumberland County and offers several grand prizes, to include one adult bike and two children's' bikes, among other prizes.

The "rain or shine" event is free and open to the public. Food and music will add to the festive atmosphere, but there will also be valuable opportunities to learn about how important clean air is to all of us. Test drives of hybrid cars will be offered, a physician will be on hand to administer tests for asthma, and the entry forms for the "Be Aware of Our Air" diary contest will be available. Also, sports clinics for children will be offered by the Fayetteville Guard and the Swampdogs. Opportunity to win two children's bicycles and tickets to the Fayetteville Guard April 22 game will be available throughout the afternoon.

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