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Dosher Hospital Foundation Receives \$25,000 Grant from Louis Bacon's Orton Foundation

Dosher Memorial Hospital Foundation announced that it is the recipient of a \$25,000 grant from the Orton Foundation, the North Carolina affiliate of The Moore Charitable Foundation. The funds will be allocated to Doshers Hospital's Emergency Department, which treats more than 13,000 patients per year and which has earned two national awards for providing high patient satisfaction. Doshers Hospital will use these funds to purchase six Stryker patient transports, three with IV poles and three without IV poles, and ten Mayo bedside procedure stands. The addition of the Stryker transports is needed so that the Emergency Department (ED) staff and physicians have an adequate number of transports to accommodate the number of patients seen. The transports are used to move patients to diagnostic imaging, the patient care ward and other areas of the hospital. The addition of the procedure stands is needed as the current stands are over 20 years old. ED staff and physicians need to have access to stands for performing bedside procedures such as suturing, incision and drainage, etc. The addition of both the transport chairs and

bedside tables are important to the patient experience which is critical to the success of Doshers ED.

Lynda Stanley, President and CEO of Doshers Memorial Hospital said, "The responsiveness of our Emergency Department when you have a crisis or a critical need is central to what we do to care for our community. We are extremely grateful to The Orton Foundation for their generous support of the Doshers Emergency Department. Over the years, their charitable donations of nearly \$270,000 have enabled us to enhance medical equipment to ensure the most positive outcomes for our patients.

As a leading provider of healthcare to residents across Brunswick County, Doshers Memorial Hospital's Emergency Department is critical to our community," said Ann Colley, Director of The Orton Foundation. "We are proud to continue our support of its essential work to improve patient outcomes and save lives."

For more information about the Doshers Memorial Hospital Foundation, contact Toni McAndrews, Foundation Director, at (910) 457-3936 or visit www.doshers.org.



Pictured left to right: Dillon Epps, The Orton Foundation; Barbara Boland, Chairman of the Board, Doshers Memorial Hospital Foundation; Antonette (Toni) McAndrews, Foundation Director, Doshers Memorial Hospital Foundation; Dr. Hilliard, DO, Doshers Memorial Hospital Emergency Department; Joan Alsbury, Director, Doshers Memorial Hospital Emergency Department; Catherine (Kate) Mohr, Chief Nursing Officer, Doshers Memorial Hospital; Lynda Stanley, CEO/President, Doshers Memorial Hospital.

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Well Hello Spring!

by Joanne Thompson

Easter is just around the corner and it brings more than bunnies and daffodils. Owners, and visitors begin to arrive for the beginning of the summer vacation season.

Congratulations to all the winners of the Brunswick Marketplace 2024 PEOPLE'S CHOICE!!!

For more than 15 years we have been offering the community the chance to voice their choices for the Best of Brunswick County

Thousands of votes were tallied predominantly through Survey Monkey. Competition was stiff and many businesses campaigned hard to win... and win they did. Those who did not win are vowing to campaign next year... so stay tuned and vote next year. In the mean time, get out and support local businesses, whether they won this year or not.

As always, Spring means growth and with that means change.

All up and down Highway 211 and Route 17 in Brunswick County building is happening - not just roads, but a full range of housing... apartments, condos and single family homes from affordable to expensive. Along with that expansion comes businesses to serve the needs of new arrivals.

One thing that marks residents of Brunswick County is their eagerness to explore the area to try out new restaurants and shops. We are blessed with many small businesses who are creative and unique. We love to support them.

Made New Interiors & Decor opened at 5021 Southport Crossing

Way #326, Southport. It is a one stop shop for all your home renovation and new construction needs: floor coverings and installers, kitchen and bath cabinets and design, outdoor lighting, painting and pressure washing are just a few of the services they have to create or revise homes.

As far as chains go... look for new **Cook Outs** for Southport and Leland; and **Biscuitville**, **San Felipe**, and **Alpaca Peruvian Chicken** are coming to the Southport-Oak Island area.



Mo's Wood Fired Kitchen, off Old Long Beach Rd. SE, Southport, specializes in seafood, BBQ, burgers and wood fired pizza. Up-North style fish haddock fry is a favorite of transplants. Owner Kevin Morrissey is offering his mobile BBQ smoker food truck for events and catered affairs. Only a few weeks up and running bookings are brisk. Try Mo's - Kevin is smokin!

On Oak Island, a for sale sign in front of the building housing **Chasers** (a long time home town favorite on Oak Island) means an end of an era. A for sale sign announced the same fate for **Pelican Seafood**.

Frosty's Ice Cream Parlor has closed , but a new ice cream shop is rumored to be opening in the same spot. **Carolina Crab Brewery** on Long Beach Rd., never opened its doors, but is for sale as a turn-key operation.

Sunset Beach sees **House's of Sea Trail** relocating to the site formerly occupied by **Crabby Oddwaters**. **House's Creekside Patio Bar and Grille** promises the same great variety and quality Chef House is well known for serving up.

Toasted, 10008 BeachDr. SW, Calabash is getting plenty of good reviews not only for breakfast and lunch, but for Friday and Saturday dinner specials.

Seabiscuit Cafe has become a very popular dine in or to go restaurant at 3370 Stone Chimney Rd, Supply, 910- 842-8445. Always fresh and creative food is available, with specials like beef on weck and fish fry like up North, bring in diners. The kitchen morphs into **Pepe's Pizza** at night to satisfies the pizza urge in all of us.

The Bagel Dock Express, 5021 Southport Crossing Way, is a popular breakfast and lunch stop for many hankering for a fresh bagel with whatever satisfies. Open from 6am-2pm, Tuesday through Sunday when they close a half hour early, Bagel Dock Express serves sandwiches and 3 egg omelets as well.

Southport Suzie's located near the Big Lots off Long Beach Rd. has fast become a place for young and old

alike to find fun events, frozen yogurt, wine gifts and charcuterie. Live music, arts and crafts, talks on local interesting people and places, draws an audience most nights of the week. They have a weekly newsletter. Like Suzie's on Facebook and Instagram.

Pizzettas in Leland not only has fantastic pizza choices and tasty dinners, but wonderful home made creative desserts. Try the new cake pops. You will be happy!

Brunswick Beer and Cider, 1313 Dickinson Dr., in Leland has been celebrating good pizzas, in-house brewed ciders and beers accompanied with special events. Now they have added catering to the menu.

Swain's Seafood and Cut on Oak Island is now open for lunch. It has a Thursday Lasagna Day and limited early dinner menu from 4pm-6pm.

New on Main St. in Shallotte, **El Coqui's** is a Puerto Rican Cuisine choice. Not only is the food dead on, but they have killer karaoke on Wednesdays.

The Pearl, 114 N Howe St., Southport, is carrying a new line of baby clothes just in time for Easter. Cuddly sweaters and fluffy stuffed animals can be found for the little bunny of your own. Oh, and there is plenty of other gifts and apparel to buy as well.

Watch for the opening of **Royal James Rumery**, 109 E. Moore St. in Southport. It will be a Rum and Tequila Bar named after pirate Stede Bonnet's vessel. It should be great fun.

Enjoy the splendor of spring in Brunswick County!



Oak Island Sea Turtle Protection Program Merch Now on Sale

Celebrating 35 Years of Sea Turtle Conservation! Good Morning! We are so excited to share that our new 2024 t-shirts (beautiful iris blue) have finally arrived! 2024 is our 35th Anniversary of sea turtle conservation on Oak Island and we wanted to share that on our t-shirts and celebrate with you! A huge shout out to our Art Contest Winners from last season, Avella (14) and Serenity (13) for the beautiful artwork on our front and back logos!!! We love them!!!! We have new coffee mugs, hats, youth shirts, grocery/beach bags, hand dipped candles (new scents), and koozies! Please come visit our area at the Oak Island Senior Center



and Gift Shop located at 5918 East Oak Island Drive (across from Food Lion). We can't wait for May 1st and for our sea turtles to return! Thank you for your support!!! *This conservation work for protected sea turtles on Oak Island is authorized by the NC Wildlife Resources Commission (ES Permit 24ST01).

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6th Annual Cruisin for Kids Charity Car Raffle. Get Ready to Cruise for a Cause!

We're thrilled to announce the kick-off of the 6th Annual Cruisin for Kids Charity Car Raffle, powered by WRAAP! Starting March 1, 2024, you can dive into the excitement and start purchasing your tickets for a chance to win amazing prizes, all while supporting a great cause.

Prizes Await You!

- 1st First Place: A brand new car awaits the lucky winner!
- 2nd Second Place: Grab the chance to win \$1000!
- 3rd Third Place: Don't miss out on the opportunity to win \$500!

come – this year promises even more thrills and surprises. Turn on your notifications to ensure you don't miss any updates and mark your calendars for March 1, 2024. Let's make this year's Cruisin for Kids Charity Car Raffle the most memorable one yet!

Your support makes a difference in the lives of children by filling in the gap. Join us on this incredible journey, and let's cruise together for a brighter future!

Get your tickets, and make a difference! Car Raffle tickets only \$10.00

Purchase tickets online at cruisinforkids.com



Purses with Purpose

The New Life Baptist Church Ladies' Bible Study Group is seeking donations of gently used purses, backpacks and totes with any feminine hygiene products for less fortunate women and teens who don't have access to these items.

They are collecting these items through April 20.

The New Life Baptist Church is located at 3584 Exum Road, NW, Ash, NC 28420

For more information, call Lorie at 910-448-0948.

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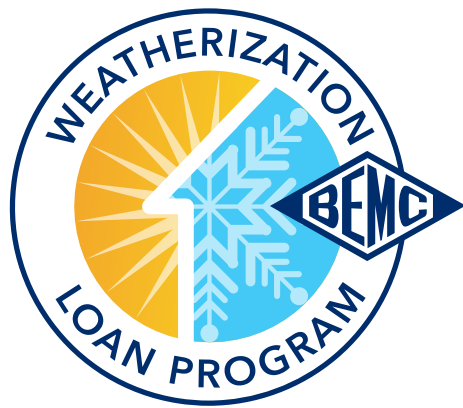
A BAG LUNCH & SNACKS ARE REQUIRED EACH DAY.

Is a Weatherization Loan Right for You?

If you've been considering an energy efficiency project, whether it's DIY or one that requires a licensed professional, a Weatherization Loan can help. BEMC Members can apply for a loan up to \$10,000 for residential and commercial projects. Terms can be as long as 60 months, and payments are included with your monthly electric bill. Often the amount of the loan payment is offset by energy savings.

Togetherwesave.com has a list of energy efficiency ideas for you to consider. Eligible projects include new heat pumps with a minimum 15 SEER rating, new electric or solar water heaters, ENERGY STAR replacement windows and doors, insulation of all types, and duct repair or replacement.

If you own your home served by the cooperative, receive a monthly electric bill and have two years of service with a good payment history,



the loan process is simple.

- 1) Choose a contractor (must be licensed for heat pump installation)
- 2) Obtain cost estimates
- 3) Complete an application at any BEMC office or at bemc.org/weatherization-loans

You will be notified of the status of your application within 24 hours. We want to make it as easy as possible for you to be as energy efficient as possible. As always, call (800) 842-5871 to speak with one of our energy experts about any questions you may have.

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March/April Events

BALD HEAD ISLAND

March 23

Badwater Cape Fear 2024

7:45am-9:45pm | Bald Head Island

With 50km and 51-mile race options and a start line at the foot of the Old Baldy Lighthouse, Badwater@ Cape Fear features a twelve-mile warm-up on the car-free, one-lane-wide roads and maritime forest trails of Bald Head Island, followed by either 19 or 38 miles of running on the wild and secluded sandy beach between Cape Fear and Fort Fisher. The beach stretch features spectacular views of the Frying Pan Shoals to the east and the wild and undeveloped Cape Fear River marshlands to the west. Running this remote coast is a dramatic, invigorating, and inspiring manner in which to experience Bald Head Island, Fort Fisher State Recreation, and the Cape Fear region in all its grandeur! The official event webpage is <http://www.badwater.com/event/badwater-cape-fear/>

Registration is open NOW for 2024: <https://ultrasignup.com/register.aspx?did=103328>

BOILING SPRING LAKES

April 27

33rd Annual Small Fry Fishing Tournament

Spring Lake Park | 210 Pine Road

The Small Fry Fishing Tournament is a day for families and their children ages 3 to 12 to fish along with local police officers. Age categories include: 3 to 5, 6 to 8 and 9 to 12. Prizes are awarded in each age group. Registration will open soon! Event hosted by Boiling Spring Lakes Police Department.

BOLIVIA

March 11

Blippi - The Wonderful World Tour

10am | Odell Williamson Auditorium/Brunswick Community College | 150 College Rd NE

Blippi is coming to your city for the ultimate curiosity adventure in Blippi: The Wonderful World Tour! So, come on! Dance, sing, and learn with Blippi and special guest Meekah as they discover what makes different cities unique and special. Will there be monster trucks, excavators, and garbage trucks galore? You bet! So get ready to shake those wiggles out and OJ Twist your way through this brand-new musical party!

March 15-17

Breakout Dance Competition

Odell Williamson Auditorium/Brunswick Community College | 150 College Rd NE

Breakout Dance Competition is an innovative company that focuses on creating a refreshing and unforgettable experience for the dancers and their families. Breakout takes pride in its unique vibe and motivating atmosphere, which will leave dancers feeling empowered. We are vested in providing optimum customer service to studio owners and directors to ensure a positive experience. Register now, if you're ready to join the Breakout movement! Please visit: www.breakoutcomp.com for more information.

CASWELL BEACH

March 14-16

Serenity: Women's Retreat

Fort Caswell
100 Caswell Beach Road

A 2-night women's retreat to grow in relationship with each other and God. Our theme for this retreat is Serenity, exploring what it looks like to be still and know God (Psalms 46:10). Cost: \$155/person - includes lodging and meals. Please email questions to Joy@relentlesschurch.cc.

LELAND

March 16

North Brunswick Business Expo

10am | Leland Cultural Arts Center | 1212 Magnolia Village Way

Over 45+ businesses to visit and learn about the services they offer in this area, plus food and door prizes.

OAK ISLAND

March 2

Special Olympics Polar Plunge

11am-2pm | Middleton Park
133 SE 48th Street

Find your reason and get to freezin' with Special Olympics Brunswick County! Plunge for a purpose at our 2024 Polar Plunge. Register now <https://give.specialolympicsnc.com/.../2024.../c527572/#PolarPlungeNC>

We will have food, games, entertainment, and opportunity to learn more about our local program. This is one event you will not want to miss out on!

OCEAN ISLE

April 11-14

Spring 2024 Retreat

10am | Ocean Isle Beach

Immerse yourself in all the beach has to offer. Enjoy an all-inclusive weekend vacation based on relieving stress and reconnecting with your Prana. Yoga classes are offered multiple times per day. Your personalized schedule includes daily meditation, a one hour massage & activities you choose upon registering. Hosted by Nourished Retreats. www.nourishedretreats.com

SHALLOTTE

March 9

Teen Art Club

8am-10am | Rourk Branch Library
5068 Main Street

Join us for a traditional acrylic Painting program-Teens only. Instructor, Carla Gregory, loves a variety of media including acrylics and watercolors. She was in the education field for 25 years. Currently, she teaches private art classes at Carla's Creative Corner and art classes through the 4-H Club of Brunswick County. This program is hosted by Coastal Carolina Outreach and Rourk Branch Friends of the Library. Please Register with the following link: <https://brunscolibcal.com/calendar/18533/>

SOUTHPORT

March 9

3rd Annual Cool & Fancy Gala

6-10pm | St James Community Center | 4136 Southport-Supply Road SE | \$75 Per Person

You're invited to a night of entertainment, refreshments and fundraising at Up Your Arts' 3rd Annual Cool & Fancy Gala!

<https://lifeinbrunswickcounty.com/fun-for-the-arts/>

March 18

Fashion with Friends

5pm | St James Community Center
4136 Southport-Supply Road SE

Resort wear fashions from 8 of our local boutiques. A lovely evening with your friends complete with Dinner, Drinks, Swag Bag, Door Prizes. Tickets are \$52.00 per person (\$50.00 cash price) or \$371.00 for a table for 8 (\$360 cash price). Ticket purchase deadline Saturday, April 6th. <https://www.sptokimerchandise.com/home/Fashion-with-Friends-p624068918>

SUNSET BEACH

March 6

Ultimate Girls Night Out - Wine, Women & Chocolate!

5:30-8pm | Sea Trail Convention Center
Sea Trail Convention Center
75A Clubhouse Road

Get ready for an evening of Shopping, Sipping, Savoring, and Swinging to the music! <https://bit.ly/2024WineWomenChocolate>

SUPPLY

March 15-17, May 4, May 5, Oct 18-20

2024 Veteran Retreats

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WINNABOW

March 2

North Carolina Rice Festival

10am-5pm | Brunswick Town/Fort Anderson State Historic Site
8884 Saint Philips Rd SE

Join us at Brunswick Town/Fort Anderson State Historic Site on Saturday, March 2nd for the North Carolina Rice Festival! Activities will be located indoors and outdoors. Activities will include; history/cultural presentations, tours, demonstrations, live entertainment, family fun, children's stage, Gullah Geechee food vendors, and arts/crafts. Visit, <https://www.northcarolinaricefestival.org/> for more information.

March 6

Brunswick County Special Olympics Spring Games

10am-3pm | Town Creek Park
6420 Ocean Highway E

The rain date for the event is March 28th! Lunch is provided for all registered volunteers and it will be turkey sandwiches from Subway. Make sure to bring your ID with you the day of the event for check-in. You must be registered by February 23rd to guarantee your shirt size. Please review the available slots below and click on the button to sign up. <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C094BAEAB28A2F8CE9-41838603-spring#/>

For Up-to-Date Information on the Above Events and to Find More Fun Things to Do:

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www.hbtownhall.com | www.sunsetbeachnc.gov/ | www.ncbrunswick.com/events | www.southport-oakisland.com
www.townofleland.com/ | www.oibgov.com/ | www.southportnc.org/ | www.townofcalabash.net/ | www.cityofbsl.org/
 Also check events on your facebook page

Spring Festivals



An impressive display of arts and crafts vendors, as well as a tempting follow-your-nose collection of food vendors with yummy concessions and snacks! Stroll around the festival and enjoy great music by popular bands at the Holden Beach Pavilion. And there's plenty of dance floor for to shag or line dance! The entire family will enjoy the events and activities for all ages, including the Hermit Crab and Bopple Races.

Saturday, April 27

Display of Cardboard Box Race Entries
Cardboard Box Paddle Race
Hermit Crab Races
Street Dance

Sunday, April 28

Worship Service
Days at the Docks
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Bopple Race
Awards and Raffle winners announced

Both Days:

Arts and Crafts Vendors
Children's Area

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Vendor fee is \$10.00 for summer markets and \$25.00 for Holiday Markets.

If you are interested in becoming a vendor please fill out the application below and email it to: Ssroberson@atmc.net or drop off at Town Hall (106 Cheers Street Shallotte). If you have any questions please call Megan Bellamy or Sheila Roberson at 910.754.4032 at Town Hall.



Ocean Isle Beach Spring Market

Saturday, March 30

10am-3pm | 5 E Third Street

Annual SPRING MARKET with over 80 vendors. Food Trucks, pet friendly. All items sold are HANDMADE, HOMEMADE or HOMEGROWN.

Spring Art Market

Saturday, May 4 | 10am-3pm
Leland Cultural Arts Center
1212 Magnolia Village Way
Leland

This juried art market will feature unique, handmade creations from incredible local artisans and makers. Stop by to shop for pottery, home goods, fine art, and more!

(910) 385-9891

lcac@townofleland.com

Submission Dates: March 4 - 29

4th Friday Art Market

March-December | 4-8pm
Shuckin' Shack

1175 Turlington Ave | Leland
Live Music, Local Vendors, Seafood, Drinks & More

Call Lauren at 910-789-9296 or laurenstacy610@gmail.com for info

Old Southport Village Shoppes Artisan Festival

1st Saturday of Each Month | 10am-4pm
1102 N Howe Street | Southport

March 2nd kicks off the season for the Artisan's Festival!
We welcome you to join in on the fun!

If you are an artisan, crafter, or vendor and looking to participate.. we'd love to have you here!

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2024 Brunswick County Senior Gator Games and SilverArts

Gator games are for ACTIVE adults, 50 and better. Calling Athletes AND Artists! Are you ready to compete and have fun? If your goal is to be more active and involved in the greater community, sign up now! Registration has started and is open until March 13th, or March 20th for online registration. Events start in April and run through May. There are over

70 athletic and artistic events. New events this year include: 5K, 10K and Mini Golf. Materials are available at the entrance to the St. James Community Center as well as the Brunswick Senior Resource Inc. Centers in Southport and other locations.

Registration information can be found at: <https://bcparks.recdesk.com/Community/Page?page-Id=7961>.

Call for Artists

SilverArts Showcase & Follies Show

VISUAL ARTS

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LITERARY ARTS

PERFORMING ARTS

ALL ARTISTS invited to enter the 2024 SilverArts Showcase and compete in SilverArts Follies. This show is a statewide program sanctioned by NC Senior Games, Inc and is one component of Brunswick Co Gator Senior Games & SilverArts. BC Gator SG & SA also offers competition in over 40 athletic events. Winners qualify to enter NC State Finals in Raleigh (September, 2024). Participants must be age 50 and better to enter. Fee is \$15.00 and includes entry in Visual, Heritage, Literary Arts, and Performing Arts, as well as athletic events. Over 30 arts sub-categories to choose from. Art will be on exhibit and open to the public for 5 days (April 29—May 3). All Athletes and Artists are invited to attend the Celebration of the Games Lunch featuring the SilverArts Follies on May 24, where competition for Performing Arts will be held. Leland Cultural Arts Center hosts these events.

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Interested? Contact the Organization at:
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 (910) 616-6766
 bonnie@plasticoceanproject.org
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About Plastic Ocean Project

Our long term goals are to actively and collectively incubate 5 solutions toward the prevention and removal of marine plastics on and off-shore. We bring together a community of world leaders focused on innovation, collaboration, education and outreach, while spearheading and mobilizing focused research and innovation projects to meet the challenge of removing man-made debris from our oceans in support of our next generation, while also creating new sustainable businesses.



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Brunswick County Sheriff's Anchor Initiative



Sheriff Brian Chism

Did you know the Brunswick County Sheriff's Office offers many programs for our community? The Anchor Initiative program is one of the most important programs we offer.

We have found the three biggest obstacles for those suffering from addiction for not seeking IMMEDIATE treatment assistance is lack of knowledge, lack of money and lack of transportation.

How The Program Works:

- Individuals with addictions can contact the Sheriff's Office through self-referral, social referral or officer interaction.
- Once contact is made, the person requesting assistance declares they are addicted and request assistance.
- Participants will not be charged with drugs or paraphernalia found in their possession if socially or self-referred. Participants are not asked where the drugs came from during these encounters. Those encountered by law enforcement while in the criminal element are subject to arrest, however the arrest does not disqualify them from Anchor assistance.
- The individual will be put in immediate contact with an Anchor coordinator, who will respond and do an assessment.
- The coordinator will contact RHA Mobile Crisis or a like entity to start the process of finding availability for detox facilities.
- If the individual is in need of medical treatment, the coordinator will

transport then to the local ER to be checked out.

- During this process the Anchor Coordinator will be working to find the individual with a treatment option, first seeking inpatient, comprehensive outpatient or intensive outpatient.

- The Anchor coordinator will be working with the volunteer group to provide transportation to and from the ER, Detox and Treatment as needed.

- The Initiative will strive to keep the cost for these individuals as low as possible, paying for the transportation, Detox (if necessary) and initial entrance fees to treatment providers (if necessary).



The BCSO Anchor Initiative Foundation is funded solely by donations. Donations can be made through the Brunswick Sheriff's Charitable Foundation by visiting their website at <http://www.sheriffscharity.com/anchor/>.

An Anchor Initiative team member can be reached at 910-363-7880 or by calling 911. If you know someone who is suffering from addiction, we ask that you please pass along this information.

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Brunswick Family Assistance Food Pantry Needs Donations

Brunswick Family Assistance is always collecting food for our emergency food pantry, providing food to hungry Brunswick County households. The increasing cost of groceries and utilities, as well as the fallout from the recent pandemic, have caused a dramatic increase in demand for services.

You can help feed the less fortunate by donating non-perishables and unopened food items. Please see the list provided for our pantry's highest needs.

To help clients with limited transportation, BFA has launched a mobile food pantry, which will be located at satellite locations from 9:30-11:30am.

Below is the monthly mobile food pantry schedule:

- Every 1st & 3rd Thursday of the month, it will be located at Waccamaw School, 5901 Waccamaw School Rd NW, Ash, NC 28420
- Every 2nd Thursday of the month, it will be located at Sharon United Methodist Church, 2030 Holden Beach Rd SW, Supply, NC 28462

- Every 1st Wednesday of the month, it will be located at Trinity United Methodist Church, 209 E Nash St, Southport, NC 28461
- **NEW LOCATION!** Every 2nd Wednesday of the month, it will be located at the Calabash Elk's Lodge, 937 Carter Dr, SW, Calabash NC

Food Pantry Needs:

- Cereal Boxes
- Canned Vegetables and Fruit
- Box mac & Cheese
- Soup
- Spaghetti Sauce
- Dry Beans
- 1 Lb Bags of Rice
- Canned Tuna/Chicken
- Peanut Butter
- Toiletries (Toothbrushes, Soap, Toilet Paper, Etc.)

If you have any questions or concerns, please message BFA on Facebook or call the Bolivia office at (910) 754-4766

Your New Family Member is Waiting

Petsense Leland, located at 1215 West Gate Drive, is in search of vendors. We are planning our Spring 2024 Adoption on Saturday, April 27, 11am-4pm and we're looking for vendors to join us. We have the following rescues participating: Adopt-An-ANGEL, Paws Place Rescue, Wagon Tails Farm and Freedom German Shepard Rescue. Also, SeaDogs and More will be joining us again.

If you would like to participate in this event send an email to str7167@tractorsupply.com for more information.



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Spring is Breaking Out All Over at Ports of Call

- + Save the Date: Thursday, March 21 - Chef's Tasting & Wine Menu - South America. Seatings at 5:15 and 7:30pm
- + Wednesday Night Soirees with Live Jazzy, 60's & 70's Eclectic Music with Lisa Rankin & Galen Hunsunker.
- + Sunday Celebrations for St. Patrick's Day, Palm Sunday and Easter Sunday
- + Daily Specials
- + Save the Date: Thursday, April 18 - Wine Dinner. Stay Tuned for Details.
- + People's Choice Awards: "Best Bistro" - (2024, 2023, 2021, 2019, 2018, 2016, 2013)
- + People's Choice Awards: "Best Martini" - 2024
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Oak Island Pier & Pier House Switch to Spring Schedule

One of the most welcome signs of spring is found in the added sunshine afforded by Daylight Saving Time. For many, this means more time to spend outdoors at their favorite locations; and a favorite location for many anglers from all over is the Oak Island Pier.

As of Monday, February 19, the Oak Island Pier & Pier House is now operating on its Spring Schedule from 7am-7pm daily.

Although it's a few weeks ahead of the official start of Spring, by the time the clocks "spring forward" on Sunday, March 10, the Pier & Pier House will have been enjoying the ever growing daylight hours! The

next schedule change should come in late April with a switch to the Summer Schedule of 6am-10pm.

In addition to fishing passes, the Pier House is conveniently stocked with frozen bait, fishing tackle, sundries, snacks, ice cream, and drinks for purchase. Shirts, sunglasses and other souvenirs are also available.

For those unable to plan a visit in the near future, remember the Pier can be visited anytime virtually, through the Oak Island Pier Webcam. To view the webcam, along with full details on the Pier or Pier House, simply visit the dedicated page of the Town Website at www.OakIslandNC.com/PIER.

Debbie Keener, Executive Director of Samara's Village to Retire

Diana Setaro, President of the Samara's Village Board of Directors has announced that Debbie Keener, Executive Director of Samara's Village will be retiring at the end of our fiscal year on June 30, 2024. Ms. Keener has been a dedicated leader in Samara's Village for many years- starting as a volunteer and then joining the staff in the key role of Director of Programs, and most recently, the senior role of Executive Director. Under her leadership, Samara's Village has successfully expanded its services to meet the needs of pregnant and parenting adolescents and their young children, as well as adding Pop Up Shops to serve mothers and further the reach of Samara's Village throughout Brunswick County.



Debbie will be greatly missed by everyone at Samara's Village, we wish her all the best in her retirement," said Ms. Setaro.

The Samara's Village Board of Directors will conduct a search for a new Executive Director and anticipates the new Director to begin their role in July 2024.

For more information about Samara's Village, please visit www.samaravillage.org

"We are extremely grateful for her commitment to our mission and the positive impact she has had on the lives of those we serve. While Deb-

Do You Love to Garden?

The Shallotte Community Garden is located at Mulberry Park and is an all-volunteer, active, working community garden. As such it requires all of its members to assist with the daily, weekly, monthly and seasonal care and upkeep of the garden. Participants are required to observe the SCG's rules and regulations.



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- Garden Plots are 5X10
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- Rental bed fee \$25.00 + \$5.00 Key deposit
- Garden is located at Mulberry Park (123 Mulberry Park)

Make sure to check out their Facebook Page - Mulberry Park Community Garden!

If you have any questions or are interested in renting a bed please contact Sheila Roberson with the Town of Shallotte at 910-754-4032 or Ssroberson@atmc.net.

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Community Day at the Museum of Coastal Carolina

Celebrate Brunswick County's unique environments and organizations dedicated to conservation and STEM education by attending the second annual Community Day at the Museum of Coastal Carolina on March 9 from 10am-4pm. Brunswick County residents with ID will receive free Museum admission for this event.



Family-friendly activities, a scavenger hunt, and opportunities to interact with conservation and education focused organizations aim to inspire curiosity about other Brunswick County sites and resources. Participating organizations include Smart Start of Brunswick County, Town of Ocean Isle Beach, Brunswick Town Fort Anderson, Ocean Isle Beach Sea Turtle Protection Organization, Bald Head Island Conservancy, and Brunswick County Soil and Water.

Community Day is also opening day for Photographer Ellen Sheehan's exhibit in the Museum's art

gallery. Ms. Sheehan, whose work features local wildlife and notable Brunswick County locations, will be available to discuss her work with visitors.

Museum of Coastal Carolina and Ingram Planetarium Education Manager Jamie Justice schedules and facilitates all Family Programs. Justice received her Bachelor of Science in Marine Biology from Bowling Green State University and her Master of Science in Environmental Science with concentrations in Marine and Coastal Education and Coastal Management from the University of North Carolina, Wilmington.

The Museum of Coastal Carolina is located at 21 E. Second Street, Ocean Isle Beach, North Carolina.

The First Year - Nurturing Your Baby's Development

Did you know in the first 12 months of your child's life they should play with educational toys? What are educational toys you may ask. They are toys that will enhance and stimulate your child's mind, by developing their problem-solving, communication, and refining their motor skills. Toys to help with their creativity and brain development skills include, building blocks, stacking items, mazes, open and closing buttons, zippers, or laces, and matching shapes and colors. As your child gets closer to 12-18 months painting sets are great for training their grip and hand control. Play kitchens, doctors' and veterinary kits, and dress-up help children imitate adults' actions to see how the world works and teach them how to express emotions!



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Austin and Alexis - A Couple with a Passion for Food *by Landon Harris*

Food is a driving force that brings us all together. For Austin Alfonso and Alexis Oxendine, their main goals when starting their restaurant empire were to share their passion for cooking, bring the Brunswick County community together with flavors from all around the world, and make their restaurant dreams come true.

Even when Austin was a child in Boiling Spring Lakes with a Mickey Mouse Cookbook, he always had a passion for food. He spent time working in restaurants all around the Southport/Oak Island area, growing his knowledge and experience in the restaurant industry. When the opportunity arose for Austin and his sister to move to Hawaii, he jumped at the chance, and it changed his life for the better. Working at one of the top restaurants in Hawaii – a bar and grill similar to his own Koko Cabana, he learned to making everything from scratch. This experience became Austin's "lightbulb" moment. He decided to pursue his dreams of becoming a chef by working 80 hours a week at this restaurant.

Alexis also worked in the restaurant industry before opening her own restaurant. She worked at Southport's Baked With Love in the 2010s as a server and baker. Ironically, only a few years later, she bought the building that housed that business and opened Cafe Koa.

Austin and Alexis's restaurant-owning journey began in 2016 after their first son, Kai, was born. If the name sounds familiar, it is because he inspired the name of their first restaurant on Oak Island, Kai Joe's, an island-style taco and burrito stand.

"The building for Kai Joe's was up for rent, and it just seemed like the right place at the right time," Austin said when I asked what inspired them to open their first place.

Kai Joe's was the catalyst for their restaurant ownership journey, and once they opened, they did not plan on stopping there. They were full of great ideas, pushing for new opportunities, and approached with great opportunities. Having the commu-

nity's support and taking risks on their unique ideas has always driven their growth and success.

A domino effect began after Kai Joe's opened, and soon Koko Cabana, Cafe Koa, Ruby's Coffeehouse & Eatery, and Fizzy Jane's followed.

What sets their restaurants apart is the unique style of their food and the types of places they own. They do everything from a coffeehouse to a beachfront restaurant and bar to a fine dining experience.

When asked about what inspired them to create such different atmospheres and wide-ranging menus, Austin said, "We've [Austin and Alexis] traveled a lot and wanted to bring a different style of food and atmosphere to Southport and Oak Island because it is growing, and people are moving from all over the world. We're always trying to bring new concepts."

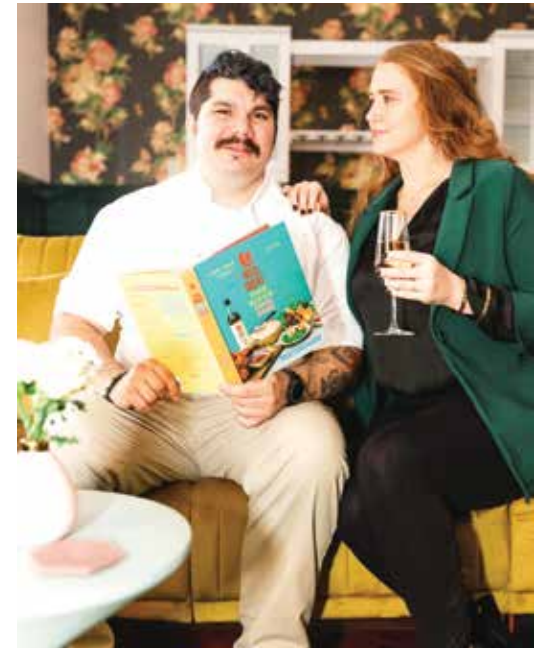
And new concepts they bring! From Pacific Rim food to Southern to Spanish, their menus will always provide fun and fresh items you won't find anywhere else in Brunswick County.

Family is also important to their success. Not only are the names of their restaurants odes to their family members, but they also help behind the scenes and in the front-of-house.

A fun fact about one of their restaurants is that Cafe Koa, is run not only by Alexis but also by her mother, Melanie Woodell. The mother-daughter duo have worked in tandem since 2018 to bring Southport the eclectic, award-winning, Hawaiian-vibe café that locals and tourists have grown to know and love.

But the family love doesn't stop there. "My brothers helped build the tables and bartops at Koko," Austin said. "It takes a lot of people to help us. I'm very family-oriented, and they've been very supportive and helpful with everything we've done."

So next time you're thinking of where to eat when you're out and about in Southport and Oak Island, become part of the family at Kai Joe's, Koko Cabana, Cafe Koa, Ru-



by's Coffeehouse & Eatery, and their newest edition, Fizzy Jane's.

"We really appreciate the community in Brunswick County for having our backs all these years. The support keeps us up and running," Austin said.

Kai Joe's:

2024 is Kai Joe's 8th year in business! The support from the community over the past eight years has been amazing; they can't wait to see what's to come!

Koko Cabana:

With the beachfront restaurant re-opening the first week of March with a new dining room and kitchen, the staff is excited to return to the pier!

Cafe Koa:

Cafe Koa has extended its hours from 10 am to 8 pm Wednesday through Saturday and from 10 am to 2 pm on Sunday to bring more brunch, lunch, and dinner the community knows and loves.

Ruby's:

Ruby's is a wonderful, chill hangout spot to grab a coffee and do schoolwork, business, and lounge.

Fizzy Jane's:

Fizzy Jane's is coming up on its second year in business. They provide a wonderful, polished-casual dining experience and are the perfect place to host events! Exciting events are coming this spring and summer, from drive-ins to markets to a Taylor Swift night.

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Strawberry & Wine Fest to be Held Sunday, April 28 in Sunset Beach

The Strawberry and Wine Festival set in beautiful Sunset Beach Town Park, located at 102 Sunset Blvd. N from 12-4pm.

This anticipated annual event helps to support the Old Bridge Historical Society with a voluntary \$5 donation. Bring your lawn chair and sit and listen or strap on your dancing shoes and go, go, go! Mike's Garage Band will be playing all of the oldies but goodies. Fabulous food - strawberry shortcake which sells out every year, get it early - BBQ, strawberry wine, strawberry wheat beer, strawberry everything. There are vendors with unique items sure to entice you to buy. With each donation, you will receive a vendor bingo card that you place in a drawing to win prizes.

Learn more about Old Bridge Historical Society:

<http://www.theoldbridge.org>

<https://www.facebook.com/Old-BridgePreservationSociety>

BBC Makes Generous Donation to the John E. Jacobs American Legion Post #68 of Leland

The Brunswick Beer/Cider in Brunswick Forest Leland NC, selects a non-profit that serves the Leland community to receive 11% of the sales for a selected brew sold during a one-month period. In honor of all veterans in the area the John E. Jacobs American Legion American Post was selected for the month of November 2023 to be used in support of veterans and community services.

The brew selected was their Octoberfest Lager, which happens to be their largest selling seasonal brew. Judd Watkins, the owner of BBC and Ian Phillips, general manager presented a donation of \$850 to Dan Fortini.



L to R: Suzie Person (staff), Judd Watkins (BBC owner), Dan Dodge (Post #68 Adjunct Off.), Ian Phillips (general manager), Dan Fortini (Commander Post #68), John Hacker (Vice-Commander Post #68)



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The Sea Notes Choral Society Spring 2024 Concert Let's Go to the Movies!

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This concert will be directed by the energetic Marie-Pierre Fletcher along with the dynamic Margaret Smicklas at the piano. The concert will once again be held at the Odell Williamson Auditorium on the cam-

pus of Brunswick Community College on Saturday, March 23rd @ 3:00 pm and March 24th @ 3:00 pm.

Our concerts are always free. Tickets are not required. Donations are always welcomed as Sea Notes is a non-profit organization. For more information, visit www.sea-notes.com.

Support Southport Elementary School to Host Dolphin Dash



Southport Elementary PTA is excited to be hosting the eighth annual Dolphin Dash fun run on March 24.

The Dolphin Dash is a Fun Run for students where they collect pledges and in turn will run laps around our track.

The Dolphin Dash is the school's largest fundraiser. Monies raised from this event have been utilized for things like; constructing a brand new track, purchasing imperative online curriculum used by all students, and assisting with classroom supplies.

This year, our goal for money

raised, is to add exciting outdoor recreational equipment and supplies to the school for students to enjoy!

In year's past we were blown away by the members of our local community who pledged a donation to sponsor a student who wasn't able to raise funds on their own.

This year we have created a new way for community members to sponsor a student and donate to our school. If you'd like to "Adopt a Dolphin" please click the link below!

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For more information please visit:
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Skipper's Crew Funny Bunny

Saturday, March 23 | 10am-3pm
North Carolina Maritime Museum
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Designed for all ages, but specifically geared towards our young patrons, these hands-on activities and crafts focus on combining arts and history, and you get to go home with something you created yourself! During the first two hours lights will be dimmed and interactives muted to provide a calmer environment for our patrons with sensitivities. FREE but donations are accepted and appreciated.



Family Nighttime Easter Egg Hunt

Holden Beach will hold its annual nighttime Easter Egg Hunt on Friday, April 5th beginning at 7:00 p.m. Teams of four will compete against each other. Participants will need to bring their own flashlights to the event and something to place their eggs in. Participants MUST register by March 18th and space is limited to the first 100 families. Email Christy at christy.ferguson@hbtownhall.com to register.



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Applications for the Southport Summer Market are Now Open

The Southport Summer Market, sponsored by the City of Southport, is a place for local growers and crafters to sell their goods directly to consumers, fostering community engagement and interaction.

Acknowledging the limitation of available space, the city expresses gratitude for finding a viable solution that allows residents and visitors alike to enjoy the tradition initiated by Downtown Southport, Inc. Despite the reduced number of vendors compared to previous years, the Summer Markets promise an atmosphere filled with charm and local flair. The Market Committee will carefully review and approve vendors, ensuring a diverse array of products. To apply as a vendor, <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScDI-1jIEuFD-0zj1H2FQKOo5iYGaBg-07Cf21U7k1otpGH4vAA/viewform>

If you have questions, please email adail@cityofsouthport.com

The Southport Summer Market will run every Wednesday from the first Wednesday of May until the last Wednesday in August, excluding the week of the Fourth of July. Operating from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm, vendors can set up between 6:30 am and 9:00 am. Please note that vehicles are prohibited in Franklin Square Park or the adjoining grassy areas for set up or breakdown.

The market operates rain or shine unless determined otherwise by the



Market Committee due to hazardous weather conditions. Sellers are encouraged to stay for the entire duration of the market to maximize community engagement. Vendors play a crucial role in maintaining a positive atmosphere, and non-compliance with rules and regulations may result in exclusion from the market.

Spaces are assigned by the Market Manager, ensuring fairness among vendors. Vendors must arrive on time, and latecomers risk losing their assigned space for the day. Vendors are responsible for their display equipment, and canopies, tents, or umbrellas are encouraged. Cleanliness is key, and vendors are expected to clean up their assigned spaces at the end of each market day.

Southport encourages all residents and visitors to join in supporting local vendors and savoring the unique charm that the Summer Markets bring to the heart of the city. Let's make this summer a memorable one in Southport!

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project manager.

Since everything is in one location, you will be able to see how they all fit together from flooring to paint and even fabrics to complete the look. They also have a 5000 sq ft warehouse locally for you to pick up your choices or delivered to your home. Made New also wants to be a part of the community and plan to host vendor demonstrations, cooking classes, and other community events.

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FOLSOI raises money for upgrades to book collections, equipment, and facilities, and its volunteers sponsor educational and cultural programs to engage library patrons of all ages.

FOLSOI's vision and dedication enable our libraries to thrive and remain a vibrant asset to our community.

Opera Sunday

The Friends of the Library Southport & Oak Island have a great event coming up! The very popular Opera Sunday returns to Southport on Sunday, March 10, 2024, at 2:00 pm at the Southport Community Building, 223 E. Bay St. Join Professor Nancy King, Elizabeth Stovall, and the talented singer-actors of UNC

Bargain Alert!

Love a bargain? Who doesn't? Well, get ready! On Saturday, March 16 only (for now), Second Glance Luxury Consignment at 6779 Beach Drive in Ocean Isle Beach will be holding a \$10 fill a bag sale!! Anything you can fit in a grocery bag will be \$10! There will be an entire room of items that can go in the bag! The sale runs from 10am-5pm.

Two New Shops to Celebrate Grand Openings in Southport

Make plans to head to the Olde Southport Village Shoppes on Saturday, March 9, 12-7:45pm for the grand openings of Southport Sass Boutique and Southport (Vegan) Cookies.

WOOP (UNCW's Opera Outreach Project) at this fun event. Enjoy an afternoon of favorite moments from Mozart's comedic masterpiece, *Così fan tutte*. Reception to follow. This event is free and open to the public.

FOLSOI Bookstore

Once More Bookstore is open every Monday through Friday from 11 am to 3 pm (except holidays) and every Saturday from 10am-12pm (except holidays). Once More Bookstore is located inside Southport Realty, 727 N. Howe Street, Southport.

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For more information on FOLSOI visit <https://folsoi.org/>

Yard Sale to Support Rescue Horses

Attention treasure hunters and bargain lovers! Join us on March 2, 2024, from 8am-12 pm for a yard sale with a noble cause!

All the proceeds from the event will directly support the rescue horses of Wild Horse Ranch Sanctuary – a non-profit organization dedicated to rescuing horses from slaughter, abandonment, neglect, and abuse.

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Brunswick County Association of Realtors® Supports Streetreach for Second Straight Year

In January, the Brunswick County Association of REALTORS® (BCAR) spearheaded a donation campaign for Brunswick County Streetreach, a local nonprofit supporting the homeless.

“Our members are committed to improving the community where they live and work, and we’re proud to have helped with this important effort for the second year in a row,” said Cynthia Walsh, BCAR CEO. “As professionals who help people find homes, our members are passionate about helping those who are homeless. I’m grateful for their hard work and dedication to helping those who are in need.”

BCAR members donated toiletries and non-perishable food items to Brunswick County Streetreach, a 100% volunteer charitable organization that advocates, mobilizes and provides temporary shelter, meals, and linkage to other resources for those who are unsheltered. For more information, please visit <http://www.bcstreetreach.org/>.

Over 20 BCAR members supported this effort, including:

- Danielle Kinstle, Blue Chip Real Estate
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- Carl Palmiter, Palmiter Real Estate
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BCAR Cares Task Force pictured with their donations

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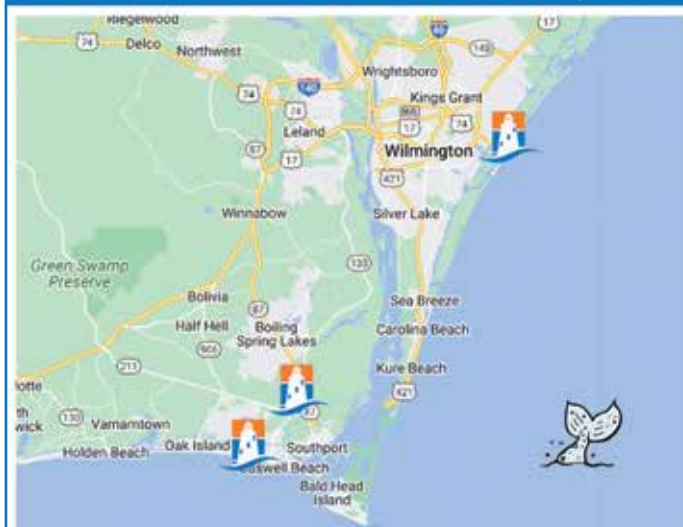
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ers and are accepting Round-Up donations on ALL Bald Head Coffee Purchases Feb-March 31, 2024. At the event there will be opportunities for cash donations as well! We'll see you there...can't wait.

Bald Head Coffee is located at 3481 George II Hwy SE Unit 1, Boiling Spring Lakes, NC.

Community "Paint Day" Scheduled



Mark your calendars, and break out your brushes ... it's time to add a "splash of color" at the Splashpad! On Saturday, March 9, 2024 at 10am, the Town will host its first-ever "Community Paint Day" at the pump house for the Oak Island Splashpad, located in the Middleton Park Complex at 4610 E Dolphin Drive.

development since 2022, and Town Staff are excited to finally be putting paint to canvas ... or rather, to cinderblock building!

In approving funding for the Art Trail, Town Council recognized the economic benefit a robust public arts scene can bring to the community. Now is your chance to be part of that effort, which will inspire years of memories for residents and visitors alike.

Open to artists of all ages and skills, this marks the first art installation of the Oak Island Public Art Trail, which officially launched back in October 2023 with two workshops held at the 801 Ocean Event Center. The Public Art Trail has been in

To learn more about the Public Art Trail, just visit the program's dedicated page on the Town Website at OakIslandNC.gov/ART or click the link below.



Explore the cutting edge of life sciences and medical technology at the inaugural Leland Life Science and Medical Technology Summit, where innovation meets discovery on the North Carolina coast. The summit will be held on April 4 from 8am-2:30pm at the Leland Cultural Arts Center, located at 1212 Magnolia Village Way.

This event is for professionals, researchers, students, and anyone interested in connecting with and hearing from industry leaders and researchers on the cutting edge of the life science and medical technology industries.

Attendees will be able to network and collaborate with professionals from across the state and learn more about emerging technologies directly from those on the front lines. They will also be able to connect with local, county, and state representatives to hear about support available to companies in these target industries to start, grow, and transform their businesses.

“Our goal with this summit is to facilitate a dynamic gathering of bril-

liant minds, industry leaders, and pioneers in life sciences and create a platform for knowledge exchange, collaboration, and the exploration of ground breaking advancements,” Economic and Community Development Director Barnes Sutton said. “Leland is in a pivotal time of transition and positioned to take advantage of evolving innovative economic opportunities. We look forward to capitalizing on that momentum with our first Leland Life Science and Medical Technology Summit.”

The summit will include panels throughout the day featuring renowned experts shaping the future of life sciences, networking opportunities, and a trade show to display the latest technologies, products, and services from leading life science companies.

The summit is free to attend but registration is required. Learn more about the summit, the schedule of events, and how to register on the Town website. <https://www.cognitiforms.com/TownOfLelandNC1/LelandLifeScienceAndMedicalTechnologySummitRegistrationForm>



18th Century Easter Litany to be Held at Brunswick Town/ Fort Anderson

Make plans to be at Brunswick Town/Fort Anderson State Historic Site, 8884 Saint Philips Rd SE, the morning of Saturday, March 30 for a period Anglican service in the ruins of St. Philip’s Church. Visitors will be welcomed into the site starting

at 6:15am for a sunrise service beginning at 6:45am. The service will be happening rain or shine. Seating will not be provided. If needed, you are welcome to bring your own chair. After the service the site will remain open until 5pm. Admission is FREE but donations are welcomed.

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BATTLE ON THE BEACH

An eagerly anticipated fourth season has been announced for a popular HGTV series, with Oak Island selected as the set for the property renovation series.

HGTV announced that Battle on the Beach will bring Ty Pennington, Alison Victoria and Taniya Nayak to Oak Island for filming of the show.



Filming has started

Mike Emory, spokesperson for the town of Oak Island, received a notification about upcoming filming for the show. According to Emory's notification, filming was expected to begin in February or March and last approximately two to three weeks.

By Sunday, a crew was in Oak Is-

land to begin filming. Sarah Baeumler, one of the show's judges alongside husband, Bryan, posted on Facebook while en route to the area on Friday.

What's 'Battle on the Beach?'

In Battle on the Beach, skilled renovation teams will revamp three identical beachfront properties, competing to earn a \$50,000 cash prize, according to the HGTV webpage.

Each week, teams will face challenges culminating in judgments of the best renovated space, evaluated based on overall design, craftsmanship, and potential resale value, according to HGTV.

The show's previous seasons were filmed in Gulf Shores, Alabama, Surfside Beach, Texas, and Fort Morgan Beach, Alabama.

When will it air?

The air date for Season 4 of Battle on the Beach has yet to be announced. Season 3 premiered in June of last year and aired its final episode a month later.

Several other HGTV shows have featured the area, including episodes in Season 17 of Property Virgins, which takes place in Wilmington.

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Kudos and Congratulations

Congratulations to the 2024 Future 10 Recipients! The Brunswick County Chamber of Commerce, in partnership with South Brunswick Magazine is proud to honor this year's exceptional group of young professionals. Since

2012, the Future 10 award has celebrated those who not only excel in their careers but also contribute significantly to enhancing Brunswick County's communities and overall quality of life



Pictured: Lauren Borowski, Blondies Boutique; Heather Maddox, National Property Inspections; Ross Lippard, Novant Health; Christina Fulford, Fulford Construction Group; Lauren (and Jason) Gore, Huckleberry Farm; Zachary Hewett, Village of Bald Head Island; Ryan Hill, Focus Broadband; Shanta Johnson, Southeastern Christian Academy; Bill McHugh, Town of Leland Councilman; Kourtney Saavedra, West Brunswick High School

Happy Retirement CC!

Team member Cecelia "CC" Chestnut-Hansley recently retired as a Certified Nursing Assistant with Lower Cape Fear LifeCare for 22 years! During her tenure, she touched thousands of lives in our community. She was "called" to be a hospice aide after having been through her own hospice experience with her mom with our agency. She believed that bringing your heart to work when caring for hospice patients and families was mandatory, and lived this philosophy every day



of her 22 years of service. Saying that CC will be missed is a huge understatement. We wish her all the best in her retirement, and happiness and joy as she begins her next chapter in life. Thank you, CC, for your dedication and commitment to our mission, and the compassion you shared with your patients and families.

Dosher Welcomes To New Board Members

Charles Drew and Angela Wadsworth, Ph.D. were both recently sworn in as new members of the Doshier Memorial Hospital Board of Trustees. Drew and Wadsworth succeeded Karen Taylor and Dr. Terry Pieper, who have both rotated off the board after completing their terms.



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Quarterly Golden Pineapple Recipients Announced

The Southport-Oak Island Area Chamber of Commerce awarded 31 local businesses a Golden Pineapple Award at a ceremony sponsored by Corning Credit Union held at the Chamber. Golden Pineapple Awards are given quarterly to those businesses nominated by their customers for providing consistent and exceptional customer service. The pineapple is the international symbol of hospitality which is the reason the Chamber chose it for the award.

Read all about it here: <https://con->

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Nominate a small business who has provided you exceptional customer service. The Golden Pineapple Award is given on a quarterly basis. The only criteria are they must be a member of the Southport-Oak Island Area Chamber of Commerce. All member businesses nominated will receive a Golden Pineapple Certificate and will automatically become eligible to run for the annual Small Business Customer Service of the Year Award. Sponsored by Corning Credit Union.



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Make plans to attend the Cape Fear Cruisers Spring Car Show and Concert on Saturday, April 27, 9am-2pm in downtown Southport, Whittler's Bench, 102 W Bay St. Free to all spectators! Bring Family, Friends and Neighbors! At the Southport River Front. Great cars and great

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Southport Plein Air Festival Set For May 2-4

Up Your Arts and the City of Southport are looking forward to hosting the 2024 Southport Plein Air Festival again in beautiful downtown Southport, May 2-4. We leave it up to you to decide: two days of painting or three?

The 2024 Southport Plein Air Festival is open to all paint artists. It is a non-juried event, with student, merit and People's Choice awards conferred by local judges. Winners will be registered in the 2025 Southport Plein Air Festival free of charge.

There is no limit on medium, quantity or size. Painters retain all proceeds from the sale of their work during the Wet Paint Sale.

To register, choose the number of days you want to paint, then register online below OR mail the registration form, along with your registration fee. <https://www.upyourarts.org/southport-art-spaces/festivals/southport-plein-air-festival/>

All canvases to be entered in the Wet Paint Sale must be stamped at

one of several check-in/registration times.

Welcome packets will include a map of Southport, with suggested painting spots, rain shelters, and other points of interest.

Commemorative t-shirts will be available for sale throughout the festival.

Schedule

Thursday, May 2nd:

Painting can begin anytime after check-in/registration

- Check in/registration from 8am-10am at Keziah Memorial Park, 119 W. Moore Street, Southport.

- The first artist reception will be held from 4-6pm at Haven of Southport, at 307 N. Howe Street, Southport. If you missed the morning registration, check-in will be available during the reception at Haven. Your registration includes one beverage ticket and an opportunity to meet with fellow artists.

- Paint the sunset on the water at 7:57 pm on Thursday, May 2

Friday, May 3rd:

Painting can begin anytime after check-in/registration

- Check in/registration from 8am-10am at Keziah Park, 119 W. Moore Street, Southport.

- Reception for artists and guests from 4-6pm at the Frying Pan Restaurant, 319 W. Bay Street, Southport. Includes one beverage ticket, happy hour fare, and the opportunity to meet and mingle with fellow artists. Check-in registration is also available here from 4-6pm.

Saturday, May 4th:

Activity base from 8am-6pm at Keziah Park, 119 W. Moore St, Southport. Additional artist support from 8-10:00 am at Keziah Park

- Kids' Plein Air & Fiber Art & Craft Demonstrations and DIY



workshops from 10am-2pm

- Storytelling and Festival Entertainment from 10am-2:30pm

- Food Trucks all day

- Wet Paint Sale from 4-6pm (artist setup starts at 3pm, closed to the public)

- Awards ceremony - Merit, Student and People's Choice awards announced at 5:30 pm

- Raffle drawing of a painting by last year's People's Choice award winner Brian Murphy (tickets are \$10 or 6 for \$50)




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Get There on Time

DriveNC.Gov is a great resource for keeping up with road closures and traffic delays in real-time. The information also feeds into popular mapping apps such as Google Maps or WAZE.

DriveNC.gov will be a great way to keep up with any traffic delays associated with the upcoming Cape Fear Memorial Bridge Preservation Project.



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AARP FOUNDATION TAX-AID

The Oak Island Senior Center is an AARP Foundation Tax Aid Site offering free tax assistance to the public.

Appointments are available:
Mondays from 12-4pm
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thru April 11th 2024

You must visit the center in person to make an appointment at 5918 E. Oak Island Drive

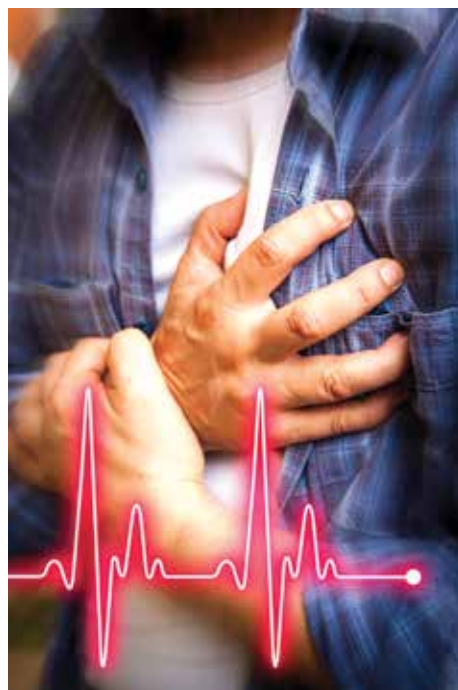
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The Inaugural Coastal Health, Fitness & Beauty Showcase will be held annually Tuesday, March 12th from 4pm-7pm at the St. James Community Center, 4136 Southport-Supply Road, St. James, NC 28461. The Showcase will feature businesses and non profits in the healthcare, fitness and beauty industries. This is a public event organized by the Southport-Oak Island Area Chamber of Commerce. There will be many free giveaways provided by the participating businesses.

- Seminars
- Free Samples
- Free Giveaways
- \$100 Cash Drawing
- Pick-A-Prize Auction

Admission is free. Register for the \$100 Cash Drawing. Each vendor will donate prize for the Pick-A-Prize Auction. Those who register for the \$100 Cash Drawing will receive one ticket for the Pick-A-Prize Auction. You may purchase as many additional auction tickets as you would like: 5 tickets for \$5.00 and 20 tickets for \$10.00. At 6:30pm the Chamber will draw the winners for the Pick-A-Prize Auction prizes and will notify the winners by email. Winners will pick up their prize at the business donating the item. The Chamber will notify the winner of the Cash Drawing on Friday.

What is a Pick-A-Prize Auction? There will be a "bag" in front of each prize. You determine which prize(s) you would like to a chance to win. Then you place your ticket(s) in the bag(s) of that prize(s). The winner of that prize will be selected from the corresponding "bag".

Sponsorship Package: \$1,000.00 - includes company logo on poster, display ads, billboard, webpage and on program. Includes 2 tables at the event.

Vendor Booth Fees: Include one 6' x 18" table, one chair and company name, phone and website on program.

- Chamber member business - \$75.00 + raffle prize
- Chamber member non-profits - \$50.00 + raffle prize.
- Non Member business - \$175.00 + raffle prize
- Non-member non-profits - \$150.00 + raffle prize

All vendors must be in the healthcare, fitness or beauty industries to qualify. Food vendors with healthy options will also be considered.

The State Port Pilot Insert Opportunity: Special pricing for vendor participants in a special section dedicated to this event in The State Port Pilot. Your half page advertorial is only \$225 (regular \$300) and includes an quarter page ad plus up to 200 words of editorial content with a photo. Contact Carol Magnani (ext. 103) or Ben Frazier (ext. 122) at 910-457-4568 or advertising@stateportpilot.com for more information and to reserve your space.

For more information about the Coastal Health, Fitness & Beauty Showcase contact the Southport-Oak Island Area Chamber of Commerce, 4433 Long Beach Road, SE, Southport, NC 28461. Phone 910-457-6964 or e-mail us at karen@southport-oakisland.com.

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