

IMPROVEMENTS TO  
OCEAN PARK WALKWAY

Reconstruction and improvements to the Ocean Park walkway was begun in mid-February and is expected to be completed by the end of March. In the meantime, and for your convenience and safety, the Association suggests you use some other entrance to the beach area. Arrangements have been made with PIKSCO Association to use their parking lot and walkway to the beach. As with Ocean Park yellow stickers are required on all vehicles using the PIKSCO facility.

Your patience and understanding will be appreciated during this reconstruction period.

MARY HOEY, A

PKS ARTIST

Since the new Town Hall was completed, local citizens have been encouraged to exhibit their talents and skills by displaying them in the alcove off the front entrance lobby. During February, Mary Hoey, of Loblolly Drive, is showing some of her paintings, mainly done in watercolors and pen and ink.

Mary's family lives in Wilmington, but she has resided in Pine Knoll Shores since 1976. She is a former airline stewardess. She says she likes the quiet unrestricted like here to pursue her painting, with only four dogs, a wild dove and a tank of goldfish to affect her schedule.

As to her formal training, Mary says she did some painting in high school, studied and trained in college, and then put it aside for a few years. In 1978, she completed a course at CTC in pen and ink drawing, which rekindled her interest. Since then she has expanded that medium to watercolors, and more recently has done primitive art paintings. Mary won recognition for her pen and ink drawing, "Monkey Off My Back," at the Bogue Banks Country Club art show in 1979 and at the Carteret Art Show at Morehead Plaza in 1980. She exhibits works of art for sale at various galleries in Morehead City and Wilmington. Her special interests are seascapes, seashells, crabs, shore birds and caricatures of sea gulls. Endless observations, photography, study and hours at the easel are some of the things Mary feels are necessary to a successful artistic pursuit. She maintains a complete photographic record of all her paintings.

When asked what gives her the most pleasure when she has completed a successful painting, Mary said: "When I get a blend of all the qualities I've worked for, and especially when I have accomplished what I set out to do in the beginning." Lenora Roberson

PRUNING PRACTICES

AT GARDEN CLUB

Raymond Earp, of the Copeland Nurseries at Beaufort, was the principle speaker at this month's Garden Club meeting. Using potted shrubs for his demonstration, Mr. Earp described the basic techniques for pruning many types of shrubs, the proper method for pruning trees, and showed the accepted tools for pruning and the sealers best suited to pruning. He also talked of the proper time to prune and why pruning is necessary on most plants.

During the business meeting Becky Moore, president, announced that Erma Johnson has been accepted as a new member and introduced Bobbie Ready as a guest.

Helen Granger, projects chairman, reported that the landscaping projects at Mimosa Boulevard and Oakleaf Drive had been completed. She expressed her gratitude to everyone who helped in the project, and extended a special thanks to Calvin Willis, who donated a truck and driver to haul the scallop shells from Salter Path.