



**Attend 4-H Electric Congress**

Three Brunswick County 4-H members were delegates to the State 4-H Electric Congress July 7-9 at Chowan College in Murfreesboro. Holding the sign, they are, from left, Tanya Butler of Shallotte, Kerry Cumbee of Rt. 3, Supply, and Tabitha Daniels of Rt. 1, Ash. Flora Daniels, left, 4-H leader and mother of Tabitha, and

Aundria Hyer, right, customer service representative of Carolina Power and Light Co., accompanied the delegates. They were selected for achievement in their electric projects. CP&L sponsored the trip to the congress, conducted by the N.C. Agricultural Extension Service.

**Holden Receives Gift Of Four Accessways**

BY MARJORIE MEGIVERN  
Taylor McMillan has a lot of nostalgia for the community where he spent the summers of his childhood. But he's a practical man, too, so his gift to modern-day Holden Beach meets one of the greatest needs of that growing resort.

Ocean Blvd. it is both dangerous and unsightly. "On the north side of Ocean Blvd. there should be public parking. There's not room for big lots, but there could be spots for 10-20 cars," he said.

McMillan, grandson of John Holden, and his sister-in-law Frances McMillan, have just deeded four ten-foot strips of land for public accessways to the town of Holden Beach. One of the deeds is given in collaboration with the heirs of R.H. Holden.

"I think the state and the county have a responsibility, in terms of taxpayers, to do as much as the town does to provide parking," he said.

The strips are located as follows along Ocean Blvd: adjacent to 383 Ocean Blvd., adjacent to the Thorough cottage, adjacent to the R.M. O'Berry cottage, and two lots from the Marley cottage.

Holden Beach Mayor John Tandy said of McMillan, "He's got the beach at heart, and he thinks a lot like the mayor of Holden Beach."

Along with one of the deeds, McMillan expressed some of his cherished hopes for the beach where he visited his uncles every summer until his mother built a house there in the early 1950s. His suggestions for town officials are: to restrict commercial development, plan for installation of a city sewer system, prohibit parking along Ocean Blvd., and eliminate every utility pole, requiring underground wiring.

Tandy agreed with McMillan that no more commercial development is needed. "This beach is one of the few from Maine to Florida that is residential, and property values should go up here as other beaches become commercial," he said.

"The purpose of the deeds is simply to commend the town for preserving what Holden Beach is all about," he said. "Lots of good, good people have come here since I've been associated with the town."

In regard to a proposed sewer system, Tandy said the town has applied for a state study grant, with matching funds of \$6,000, to determine whether it is feasible on Holden Beach. "We've been thinking about it for the last five years," he said.

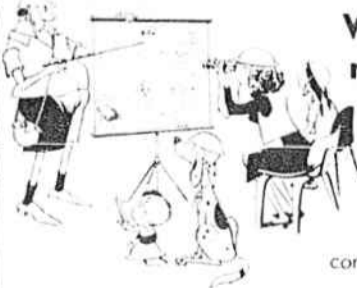
His Holden Beach history dates back to his mother's inheritance of property there from her father, John Holden. "I had been visiting every summer and staying with my three uncles," he said. "Then my mother built a house in the early 50s, and it was destroyed by Hurricane Hazel. We rebuilt it and I stay there today."

In addition to his beach home, McMillan has a residence in Raleigh, where he serves as the state's chief deputy labor commissioner.

While he might revel in memories of the island in its pristine state, before condominiums, stores and trailer parks, he is not against a certain amount of development there. "I encourage planned development, and I'm not against condos or trailer camps," he said. "Times change and you've got to accommodate them, but you can do as much as possible to maintain what people buy property here for."

McMillan said more parking is essential to Holden Beach, but on

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