



TINA SMITH will sing lead with "Crossroads" at the N.C. Oyster Festival this year.

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Tina Smith Joins Crossroads For Festival

Ash native Tina Smith will join "Crossroads," a popular local band, as part of the entertainment scheduled for this year's North Carolina Oyster Festival.

The group will perform popular rock and roll songs of the past and several original selections when it takes the stage at 4:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 10, at the festival site on N.C. 904 at Seaside.

Ms. Smith will be the lead vocalist as group members Rico Milazzo and Hickman cousins Lee, Freddy and Rick play contemporary favorites and band originals.

While Milazzo only joined the band and became lead guitarist a few years back, "Crossroads" has a history of local performances going back many years with the Hickmans.

The group's instrumental structure has Lee Hickman on bass and

keyboards, Freddy Hickman on drums and Rick Hickman on rhythm guitar.

Ms. Smith, a member of the band "Resistors," will be performing with "Crossroads" for the first time Oct. 10. She said has been practicing with the band for more than a month, trying to learn their original songs.

"Crossroads" has performed at several past oyster festivals.



"CROSSROADS" BAND features drummer Freddy Hickman at the front, with (from left) Lee Hickman (left), bass and keyboards; Rick Hickman, rhythm guitar, and Rico Milazzo, lead guitar.

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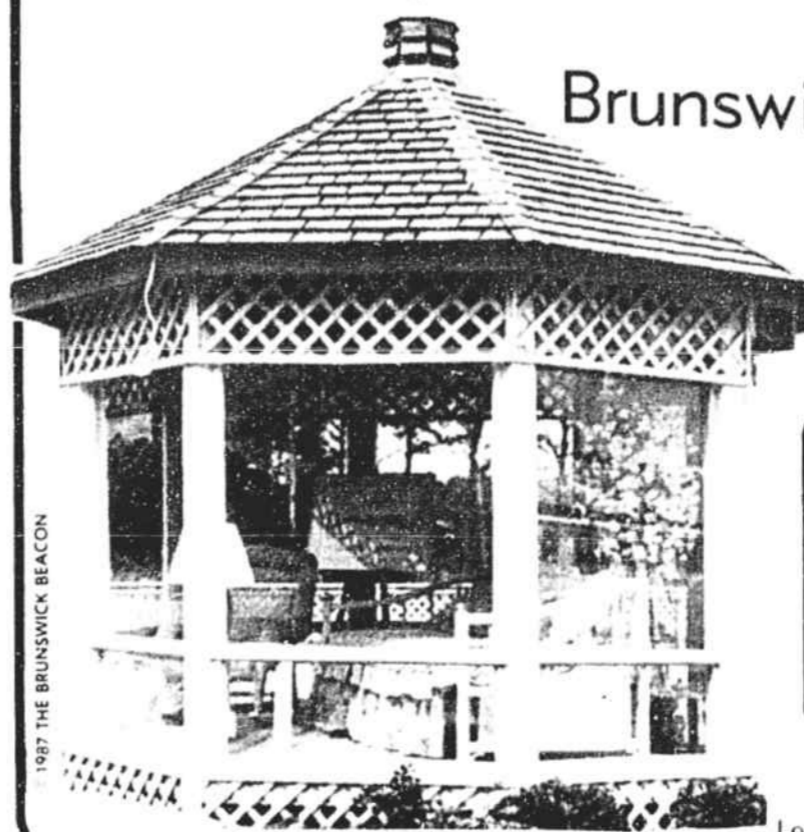
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