

# Four More Plead Guilty In Drug Cases

Four more persons pleaded guilty to drug charges Monday in Brunswick County Superior Court, making a total of 28 persons who now have entered guilty pleas in drug cases stemming from indictments in June and July.

One of those four and a drug defendant who pleaded guilty in August were sentenced Monday.

According to the Brunswick County Clerk of Court's office, the four entering guilty pleas Monday included Charles William Lancaster, Lloyd Neil Strickland, Alvin Bryan Willis III and Johnny Dale Wood.

Judge Samuel T. Currin heard the pleas during a special criminal session of Brunswick County Superior Court.

Assistant District Attorney William Wolak represented the state.

Lancaster, 33, of Supply, pleaded guilty to conspiracy to possess more than one gram of cocaine and was given a three-year suspended sentence.

He also was ordered to pay a \$250 fine, court costs and attorney fees.

Lancaster was indicted in June on conspiracy to possess and trafficking by possession counts, involving more than 400 grams of cocaine.

Strickland, 36, of Route 1, Winnabow, entered guilty pleas to 10 counts of conspiracy to possess cocaine, involving amounts from more than 28 grams to more than 400 grams.

He was indicted in June on a total of nine counts each of trafficking and conspiracy.

Willis, 32, of Shallotte, pleaded guilty to one count of conspiracy to traffic in more than 400 grams of cocaine, as part of a plea bargaining arrangement dated Dec. 18,

1986, according to court records on file in the clerk of court's office.

Willis was indicted in June on 12 counts each of trafficking and conspiracy.

Wood, 19, of Route 1, Winnabow, entered a guilty plea to trafficking by possession of between 200 grams and 400 grams of cocaine.

He was indicted in June and July on trafficking and conspiracy charges.

Strickland, Willis and Wood were not sentenced Monday. Their sentences were continued from session to session of Superior Court until requested by the district attorney's office.

Ricky Dale Bellamy of Shallotte, who pleaded guilty Aug. 31 to conspiracy and trafficking charges involving more than 28 grams of cocaine, was sentenced to seven

years prison terms on each count, with the terms to run concurrently.

In August, Bellamy also pleaded guilty to firing a weapon into an occupied dwelling and conspiracy to commit arson in connection with a July 15, 1986, incident at a Mulberry Street, Shallotte residence.

On Monday, he also received a six-year term on the arson conviction and a five-year term for firing a weapon into an occupied building, with the two terms to run concurrently.

As of Tuesday, 24 drug defendants from indictments in June and July were awaiting sentencing.

Wolak said Tuesday that a majority of that number is expected to be sentenced during the Nov. 16 term of Brunswick County Superior Court.

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## Election Results At A Glance

Ocean Isle Beach	Shallotte
<b>MAYOR</b>	<b>ALDERMAN</b>
✓ Betty W. Williamson ..... 92	✓ David L. Gause ..... 49
Harold Wooten ..... 57	✓ Wilton D. Harrolson ..... 47
<b>COMMISSIONER</b>	✓ (Jody) Jay G. Simmons ..... 30
✓ Debbie Sloane Fox ..... 117	
✓ Virginia Gibson ..... 103	<b>Long Beach</b>
✓ Ed Steele ..... 99	<b>MAYOR</b>
DeCarol Williamson ..... 74	H. Michael Oxford ..... 589
Thomas Woodson ..... 72	✓ John V. Vereen III ..... 595
Gene Hardee ..... 1	<b>COMMISSIONER</b>
<b>Holden Beach</b>	✓ Kevin M. Boll ..... 622
<b>MAYOR</b>	✓ David S. Drummond ..... 602
✓ John H. Tandy ..... 201	David P. Ford ..... 475
Kenner Amos ..... 4	✓ Jean C. Gray ..... 564
<b>COMMISSIONER</b>	Bob Miller ..... 555
✓ Guilford W. Bass ..... 120	Ben C. Thomas ..... 536
✓ Georgia R. Langley ..... 96	Doris H. Werner ..... 37
✓ Bob Buck ..... 94	<b>Navassa</b>
Graham King ..... 75	<b>MAYOR</b>
Rose H. Cole ..... 74	✓ Louis "Bobby" Brown ..... 49
Margaret Vasco ..... 73	<b>COMMISSIONER</b>
Martin G. Feldt ..... 62	✓ Thomas V. Morrisk ..... 44
Kermit J. Coble ..... 48	✓ Walter S. Williams Sr. .... 39
Donald Carey Jr. .... 16	✓ Ellis A. Willis ..... 48
Michael L. Hobbs ..... 1	<b>Belville</b>
<b>Sunset Beach</b>	<b>MAYOR</b>
<b>MAYOR</b>	Mildred S. Boney ..... 5
✓ M. Mason Barber Jr. .... 72	✓ Kenneth D. Messer Jr. .... 13
Edward Gore Sr. .... 38	<b>COMMISSIONER</b>
<b>COUNCILMAN</b>	Sidney Boney ..... 6
Mazie Frink ..... 11	✓ Trindalyn Boswell ..... 10
Edward Gore Jr. .... 29	✓ Vickie L. Gooch ..... 11
✓ Mary K. Griffith ..... 69	Tim Schedler ..... 6
✓ A.J. (Al) Odom Jr. .... 55	<b>Bolivia</b>
Donald B. Safrit ..... 45	<b>MAYOR</b>
<b>Calabash</b>	✓ Ina Mae Mintz ..... 14
<b>MAYOR</b>	<b>ALDERMAN</b>
✓ Douglas Simmons ..... 51	✓ Steve Robbins ..... 14
<b>COUNCILMAN</b>	✓ Robert S. Willetts III ..... 14
Suzy Moore ..... 29	✓ Ella Jane Wescott ..... 14
✓ Keith Narvaez ..... 36	✓ Deborah H. Stanley ..... 14
Linda Roberts ..... 25	<b>Caswell Beach</b>
✓ Sonia Stevens ..... 37	<b>MAYOR</b>
Robert Weber ..... 25	✓ Jack B. Cook ..... 36
✓ Landis High ..... 38	William F. Zimmermann ..... 8
Virgil Coieman ..... 21	<b>COMMISSIONER</b>
✓ Ronnie Pittman ..... 34	✓ George F. Kassler Jr. .... 36
✓ Patricia Lowellyn ..... 32	Randy Whitesides ..... 2
Ed Rice ..... 11	<b>Southport</b>
<b>Boiling Spring Lakes</b>	<b>MAYOR</b>
<b>MAYOR</b>	✓ Norman R. Holden ..... 445
Donna M. Baxter ..... 181	<b>ALDERMAN (Ward I)</b>
✓ Robert W. Williams ..... 269	Mary E. Strickland ..... 124
<b>COMMISSIONER</b>	✓ Judy Y. White ..... 422
George H. Lanier Jr. .... 197	<b>ALDERMAN (Ward II)</b>
✓ Robert Glenn Long ..... 200	✓ Nelson E. Adams ..... 380
Lloyd T. (Tom) Simmons ..... 194	✓ Linda Packer Phillips ..... 318
✓ Steven Stewart ..... 256	<b>Yaupon Beach</b>
<b>Dosher Hospital Board</b>	<b>COMMISSIONER</b>
<b>TRUSTEE</b>	✓ Joseph W. Broyles ..... 170
Renee Horne Hilger ..... 798	✓ May W. Moore ..... 164
✓ William S. Kirby ..... 1,191	✓ Howard J. Brackett ..... 118
✓ W.V. Sizemore Jr. .... 944	J.M. Warren Sr. .... 108
Jean R. St. Andre ..... 362	

## TURN-OUT LIGHT IN MANY TOWNS

# Calabash Elects New-Look Council

**BY DOUG RUTTER**  
Ten write-in candidates for the Calabash Town Council were separated by only 27 votes Tuesday, when two incumbents and three new faces were elected to the town board.

Incumbents Patricia Lewellyn and Sonia Stevens were re-elected, and will serve along with first-time board members Keith Hardee, Ronnie Pittman and Landis High.

The election was conducted with no candidates on the ballot for any seat other than mayor.

According to High, a four-person ticket which canvassed door-to-door in Calabash with the promise of change included Stevens, Hardee and Pittman, in addition to himself.

"We all put our heads together and thought that there should be some new faces on city council," said High, who was born and raised in Calabash.

According to Lewellyn, all three newly-elected candidates were among those who signed a petition opposing upfront assessments for a town water system.

She said that while the new board

members may hurt the town's chances to build a complete town water system, the first phase which includes Ivey High Road, Oak Street and Riverview Drive is so far in motion that it would be difficult to erase what the present board has accomplished.

According to High, assessments for a town water system may not be necessary after further study and search for additional funds. "There may be some other possibilities which haven't been fully researched," said High of the potential water line assessments.

Mayor Doug Simmons was unopposed in his bid for re-election.

In towns other than Calabash, write-in candidates didn't fare as well.

At Sunset Beach, newly-elected Mayor M. Mason Barber Jr. said he plans to work for the betterment of the community, just as he promised.

"I'm tickled to death that the vote turned out the way it did," he said.

Barber, president of the Sunset Beach Taxpayers Association, was challenged in a write-in campaign by current council member Ed Gore Sr.

which fell 34 votes short.

"I knew it was coming," said Barber. "But that's anybody's privilege to do if they please."

In Ocean Isle Beach, mayoral write-in candidate Harold Wooten garnered 57 votes to Mayor Betty Williamson's 92 votes. At Holden Beach, former mayor Kenner Amos received several write-in votes for mayor. And at Long Beach, Doris Werner, who was defeated in a primary bid for mayor, only received a handful of votes in a write-in campaign for the town board.

Turn-out was relatively low except in towns with crowded ballots, as in Long Beach and Holden Beach.

In contrast to those beach communities, in Bolivia, Navassa and Shallotte candidates were elected to office without opposition. Less than 50 voters cast ballots in Shallotte, compared to more than 160 two years ago when three available posts were contested.

Overall Tuesday, County Board of Elections Chairman Glenda Walker said, "The elections went smoothly. It was long, but pretty good."

At Long Beach, unofficial results

showed Mayor Johnny Vereen winning re-election by a slim margin in a contest said to offer voters a clear choice in the future direction of local government.

Challenger Mike Oxford, a commissioner, said he plans to consult with the county board of elections regarding his options.

"It was awfully close," he noted, adding he wants to find out why the Long Beach polling place temporarily ran out ballots late Tuesday and had to turn away voters until more arrived.

"For 35 minutes they turned people away. It was right around five o'clock when people get off work," he said.

"It might not have made a bit of difference, but I want to know what happened and why and if the proper procedures were followed."

The county board of elections, as well as town election boards at Yaupon Beach, Ocean Isle Beach and Holden Beach, will canvass the votes Thursday, tabulating official results and deciding any challenges or other procedural questions.

## Plyler Tapped For Morehead Nomination

West Brunswick High School senior Pamela Plyler is Brunswick County's nominee for a Morehead Award to the University of North Carolina.

She is the daughter of Richard and Faith Plyler of Sunset Beach.

The Brunswick County Morehead Award Selection Committee chose Plyler from among seven seniors nominated by their high schools following interviews conducted Friday.

In the next step of the selection process, she will be interviewed in mid-December by the District 3 Selection Committee. District nominees are invited to Chapel Hill for interviews with the Morehead Award Committee.

Plyler was one of two nominees from West Brunswick High School. Also nominated was Brent Tyndall, 17, son of Georgia Tyndall of Supply.

At West Plyler is a science assistant, honor student and member of the National Honor Society and other organizations. In 1985 she was chosen to attend Governor's School in the natural sciences and the Hugh O'Brien Leadership Conference at UNC-Charlotte and was chief junior marshal.

She earned an honorable mention



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TYNDALL

in the 1986 North Carolina State Science Fair for a project on lasers and holography, also the subject of an independent study undertaken this year. Also, she earned honorable mention in the National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test.

She is playing for her fourth year on the West Brunswick men's golf

team.

At UNC she plans to major in physics.

Like Plyler, Tyndall is a science assistant and honor student and was a junior marshal last year. He is president of the Spanish Club.

Tyndall also works 20 hours each week at Kerr Drugs and plans to ma-

nor in pharmacy at UNC.

"Both are very fine candidates," said West senior guidance counselor Judy Harris.

Other students considered for the county nomination include Carolyn Busse and Bryon Chandler of South Brunswick High School and Angeline Marie Newman, Jamin Derrek Skipper and Franklin Williams of North Brunswick High School.

Serving on the county selection committee are Henry Foy, chairman, and members Earl Bellamy, Dr. John Ward, Teresa Conrad, Glen Peterson and Tommy Harrelson, who was unable to participate in Friday's interviews.

Morehead Awards are based solely on merit, without regard for financial need. They are awarded by the Morehead Foundation, established in 1945 by the late John Motley Morehead. He was a North Carolina native and a 1891 graduate of the University. The awards are presented to seniors with exceptional qualities of leadership, academic standing, character and physical vigor.

The basic awards program provides for four years of undergraduate study with summer work/study and travel opportunities.

## Hearing On Cawcaw Drainage District Scheduled Friday

**BY RAHN ADAMS**  
County officials say this week's upcoming public hearing on re-activation of the Cawcaw Drainage District is the first step toward solving stormwater runoff problems in the district.

The hearing is set for Friday at 6:30 p.m. at the Calabash Fire Station.

"We've got to start crawling before we start walking, and the first thing we've got to do is get the district reorganized," Commissioner Chris Chappell said last week.

Last month, Brunswick County Commissioners—at Chappell's request—scheduled the upcoming public hearing, to gather input from residents on how to restore the more than 16 miles of overgrown, neglected canals which make up the Cawcaw drainage system.

"We need the majority of the people to voice their opinions and express what direction they want to go (with the district)," Chappell said.

On Oct. 1, Chappell, representatives of Carolina Shores subdivision and local, state and federal con-

servation officials met in Calabash to discuss alternatives involving the Cawcaw Drainage District.

Alternatives discussed included re-activating the district, establishing a county service district, or forming a one-time special assessment district.

The group last month agreed that re-activating the district was the most feasible direction to take.

According to Chappell, if a majority of citizens support re-activating the drainage district at the public hearing, then commissioners could continue review of the matter and

work with conservation officials to have the district re-established through the clerk of court's office.

As discussed in the meeting last month, options then would include seeking financial help from the county for restoration of the canals; seeking dissolution of the district by legislative action and possible creation of a service or special assessment district in its place; or realigning the boundaries of the existing district and coming up with a better system of assessing residents.

Extensive development of areas

above the original drainage district has increased the need for maintaining the canal system, according to Brunswick County Soil and Water Conservation District Chairman James Bellamy.

"The watershed was designed to take care of the original watershed boundary," Bellamy said. "On Shingletree and Little Cawcaw (extensions), there's been more added because of development than was originally designed."

The district was first established in 1959, with 16.5 miles of canals or di-

ches begun in 1963 and completed in 1967. The system was designed to drain approximately 16,000 acres of potential farmland.

In 1976, a Brunswick County Board of Commissioners agreed to take over maintenance of the system, and paid off \$5,988 in debts owed by the district for maintenance work. The clerk of court then dissolved the district.

However, succeeding boards of commissioners—including the current county board—have not funded (See HEARING, Page 2-A)