

# July 4th Festival Fireworks To Offer Novel Musical Twist

A dazzling display of fireworks will end the N.C. Fourth of July Festival in Southport again this year, only with a musical twist.

The 9 p.m. July 4 waterfront display is being choreographed to music. According to Festival Chairman Randy Huggins, a professional fireworks company has planned its pyrotechnics to suit a tape which was

produced by WFDZ Radio Station at Ocean Isle Beach for air play during the fireworks display. Audience members can tune into the radio station for a "multimedia" experience.

The fireworks are one of at least three scheduled in the area over the holiday weekend. At 9 p.m. July 3, fireworks will be launched from the USS North Carolina Battleship

Memorial grounds by the Wilmington Parks and Recreation Department. The earliest fireworks show will take place 9 p.m. Saturday, July 2, at Carolina Seashore Retreat on the west end of Holden Beach.

In addition to the more sophisticated fireworks display, also new to this year's N.C. Fourth of July celebration in Southport are a

flotilla, a kite-flying contest and a community church service. The flotilla begins at 9 p.m. Saturday, July 2, between Southport Marina and the new Indigo Plantation Marina now under construction and moves past the city waterfront for judging and return to their starting point.

The kite-flying contest at 2 p.m. July 4 is one of numerous activities

scheduled for Southport's Waterfront Park.

The community service will be held from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. at Trinity United Methodist Church in Southport.

This year's fireman's competition will be held on a Saturday, July 2, instead of a Sunday. Starting at 2 p.m. between Southport City Hall and the

fire station, it will pit teams of firefighters in various games of skill, including water "polo" and a barrel race.

Most other entertainment will be repeated at least once over the three-day event. For a complete schedule, see the festival Calendar of Events in this issue.

## N.C. Fourth Of July Calendar Of Events

### Saturday, July 2

- ARTS AND CRAFTS FESTIVAL begins in Franklin Square Park, 10 a.m.-6 p.m.
- CHILDREN'S FIELD EVENTS will be held on the Garrison lawn, Waterfront Park, 20 a.m.-12 noon.
- AN ANTIQUE SHOW will be hosted by the Southport Historical Society, BCC Gym, 1-nd Street, 20 a.m.-6 p.m.
- HERITAGE HOUSE sponsored by the Southport Woman's Club offers a wide range of exhibits in the Southport Community Building, 1 p.m.-5 p.m.
- THE OLD JAIL will be open, with a visitors' program on Old Southport, sponsored by the Southport Historical Society, 1 p.m.-5 p.m.
- A FIREMAN'S COMPETITION pits teams from area fire departments in various games of skill, in front of the fire department, 1 p.m.
- STREET DANCE features beach music by the Fat Ammonds Band, 6 p.m.-10 p.m., location to be announced.

### Sunday, July 3

- A REVOLUTIONARY WAR REINACTMENT DISPLAY by the Cape Fear Living History Society is planned, Waterfront Park, 1 p.m.-5 p.m.
- THE BRUNSWICK COUNTY BAND PERFORMS at Waterfront Park, 1 p.m.-4:30 p.m.
- CHRISTIAN VENTRILOQUIST Lori Harris of Leland launches an afternoon of children's entertainment, Franklin Square Park Gazebo, 1 p.m.-1:30 p.m.
- AN ANTIQUE SHOW hosted by the Southport Historical Society continues, BCC Gym, 1-nd Street, 1 p.m.-6 p.m.
- HERITAGE HOUSE by the Southport Woman's Club continues at the Southport Community Building, 1 p.m.-5 p.m.
- THE OLD JAIL program by the Southport Historical Society continues, 1 p.m.-5 p.m.
- THE SUNSHINE CLOGGERS dance at Franklin Square Park, 1:30 p.m.-2 p.m.
- WITNESS performs at Waterfront Park, 1:45 p.m.-2:30 p.m.
- A MAGIC SHOW is planned for children, Franklin Square Park, 2 p.m.-2:30 p.m.
- THE DIXIELAND SOCIETY of the Lower Cape Fear performs, Waterfront Park, 2:30 p.m.-3:15 p.m.
- KID'S CABARET dancers perform, Franklin Square Park, 2:30 p.m.-3 p.m.
- THE BRUNSWICK COUNTY BAND performs, Waterfront Park, 3:15 p.m.-4 p.m.
- VENTRILOQUIST LORI HARRIS performs, Franklin Square Park, 4 p.m.-4:30 p.m.
- WITNESS performs, Waterfront Park, 4 p.m.-4:45 p.m.
- A SECOND MAGIC SHOW is set for children, Franklin Square Park, 4:30 p.m.-5 p.m.
- DIXIELAND SOCIETY of the Lower Cape Fear returns to Waterfront Park, 4:45 p.m.-5:45 p.m.
- THE SONSHINE PUPPETS present a show, Franklin Square Park, 5:30 p.m.-6 p.m.
- A COMMUNITY CHURCH SERVICE will be held at Southport Baptist Church, 7 p.m.-8 p.m.
- A FLOTILLA with patriotic theme forms near the Southport Marina, proceeds along waterfront for viewing and judging, 9 p.m.-9:30 p.m.

### Monday, July 4

- THE TRADITIONAL FREEDOM RUN will be held, starting at Waterfront Park, 8 a.m.
- MILITARY EXHIBITS and a Revolutionary War Reenactment Display will be mounted along the Garrison and at Waterfront Park, 10 a.m.
- ARTS AND CRAFTS exhibits resume in Franklin Square Park, 10 a.m.-6 p.m.
- FLAG RAISING at Waterfront Park, 10:30 a.m.
- THE N.C. FOURTH OF JULY FESTIVAL gets underway, downtown, 11 a.m.
- RIDING DEMONSTRATIONS by the Winter Park Schwinn Fancy Bike Riders, Waterfront Park, 1 p.m.-1:30 p.m.
- VENTRILOQUIST LORI HARRIS returns to the Franklin Square Gazebo, starting an afternoon of children's fare, 1 p.m.-1:30 p.m.
- COLUMBUS COUNTY CLOGGERS entertain at Waterfront Park, 1:30 p.m.-2:15 p.m.
- THE OLD DOCK CLOGGERS entertain, Franklin Square Park, 1:30 p.m.-2 p.m.
- KITE FLYERS compete for prizes, Waterfront Park, 2 p.m.
- A MAGIC SHOW for children will be held, Franklin Square Park, 2 p.m.-2:30 p.m.
- DENA KAYE appears, Waterfront Park, 2:15 p.m.-3 p.m.
- KID'S CABARET returns to Franklin Square Park, 2:30 p.m.-3 p.m.
- THE OKAYSIONS perform, Waterfront Park, 3 p.m.-4 p.m.
- SONSHINE PUPPETS perform, Franklin Square Park, 3 p.m.-3:30 p.m.
- SEANOTES CHORAL SOCIETY presents its annual patriotic concert, Trinity United Methodist Church, 3 p.m.-4 p.m.
- COLUMBUS COUNTY CLOGGERS entertain, Waterfront Park, 4 p.m.-4:45 p.m.
- VENTRILOQUIST LORI HARRIS performs, Franklin Square Park, 4 p.m.-4:30 p.m.
- ENJOY "the world's largest ice cream sundae" in the City Hall parking lot, free, 4 p.m.
- DENA KAY performs, 4:45 p.m.-5:30 p.m.
- OLD DOCK CLOGGERS entertain, Franklin Square Park, 4:30 p.m.-5 p.m.
- ANOTHER MAGIC SHOW FOR CHILDREN is set, Franklin Square Park, 5 p.m.-5:30 p.m.
- THE OKAYSIONS perform again, Waterfront Park, 5:30 p.m.-6:30 p.m.
- SONSHINE PUPPETS entertain, 5:30 p.m.-6 p.m.
- VISITING QUEENS will be introduced, Waterfront Park, 6:30 p.m.-6:45 p.m.
- SUPER GRIT BAND entertains, Waterfront Park, 7 p.m.-9 p.m.
- A FIREWORKS DISPLAY closes the festival, Waterfront Park, 9 p.m.

## Fireworks To Sparkle At Holden Beach Also

Holden Beach's west end will once again be the site of a public fireworks display during the upcoming holiday weekend.

Fireworks will be launched Saturday, July 2, over the waterway at Carolina Seaside Retreat, located on Ocean Boulevard about five miles west of the Holden Beach Bridge.

According to campground spokesperson Leona Crumbley, Ken Kirby of Wilmington will run the fireworks show for the third straight year. The display will begin around 9 p.m. and should last about a half hour.

The raindate is Monday, July 4.

## Bullard Named Parade Marshal

Col. Charles N. Bullard, commander of Military Ocean Terminal Sunny Point, will serve as parade marshal for the N.C. Fourth of July Festival in Southport.

The parade—a major draw at the state's official Fourth of July celebration—begins at 11 a.m. Monday, July 4, in downtown Southport.

Live coverage is planned by WWAY TV-3 in Wilmington.

Bullard, who assumed command of the terminal last year, has been in the U.S. Army 24 years, and has been with the Transportation Corps 22



years, including two tours in Vietnam. He had previously served six years in the U.S. Navy.

A graduate of Henderson State College in Arkadelphia, Ark., he also holds a public administration degree from Shippensburg University, Shippensburg, Pa.

Before taking command of Sunny Point, he was director of logistics for the U.S. Army Field Artillery Center, Fort Sill, Okla.

Among other celebrity guests will be Gov. Jim Martin. On the campaign trail seeking re-election, he will participate in a 10 a.m. VIP reception at United Carolina Bank in Southport, a 10:30 a.m. waterfront flag ceremony and the 11 a.m. parade.

## Old Jail Opens For 4th

The Old Jail headquarters of the Southport Historical Society will once again feature a picture and sound show on Southport during the city's N.C. Fourth of July celebration, July 2-4.

Heavy canvas tote bags and notepaper featuring the Society's Old Jail logo will be offered for sale, along with an assortment of historical books, at both the Old Jail and the society's first antiques show.

Antiques from 12 area dealers, including some from South Carolina, will be displayed for show and sale at the Brunswick Community College Annex on Lord Street.

Historical Society members made final plans for the two projects at their regular quarterly meeting, held June 23 at the CP&I Visitors Center.

Guest speaker Jesse R. Lankford Jr., assistant state archivist, told members of efforts to restore and preserve old documents and other family papers. Developments in the making of paper and ink such as rag content, he noted, relate to why some very old documents remain in good condition while more recent papers are deteriorating and fading away.

Documents written with a lead pencil are more permanent than some of the inks, which fade.

Lankford said the Technical Support section of the Division of State Archives can help individuals preserve papers. Some papers can be passed through an acid-removing bath, then sealed in plastic.

Papers with colors must be handled differently from those using only ink or pencil writing.

A product from China, "Wei-to," is an aerosol acid remover.

One past alternative, plastic encapsulation, is no longer available, because the plastic product is no longer available.

Lankford also discussed the iconographic or pictorial materials stored in the state archives and used in interpreting the state's heritage.

His advice on preserving many photographs is to have a black and white negative made, then make prints from this. He recommends storing the original in an acid-free container and in a controlled environment. When displayed on walls in home or office, old and treasured photographs will fade.

Lankford also discussed a new process in which the computer is used to store pictures and old hand-written documents.

Also, he noted, national treasures such as the U.S. Constitution, which were formerly hung in the Library of Congress, are now displayed in a new controlled-environment case under light-filtering safety glass in the National Archives.

## North Myrtle Sets Fireworks

North Myrtle Beach, S.C., will light its skies with fireworks on July 4.

The Myrtle Beach Area Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring an 18-minute fireworks display off Tilghman Pier, the city's first on Independence Day.

The show starts at 9:30 p.m. Monday night.

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