

Storytellers Weaving Their Art County Library Festival

Gather around and listen to a story... several stories, in fact, as the Brunswick County Library sponsors a Storytelling Festival this week in celebration of National Library Week.

Weather permitting, storytellers from different areas of the county will entertain listeners of all ages.

The first storytelling session was canceled Tuesday at the West Brunswick Branch Library because of rain. It may be rescheduled next month.

The second session is today, in Southport's Franklin Square Park; and the last will be Friday in the community park next to the Leland Branch Library. Three sessions are scheduled at each location: 10 a.m. to 10:55 a.m., 11 a.m. to 11:55 a.m. and 1 p.m. to 1:45 p.m. In the event of rain, the sessions will be canceled.

"I'm crossing my fingers about Thursday and Friday," Felecia Hardy, children's services coordinator said Tuesday morning.

She and Nancy Price, coordinator of adult services, organized the

festival. Storytellers scheduled to participate in the festival include some voices and faces already known to area residents: Judy Wolf and Tammie Mang, who teach four-year-olds at The Kid's Connection daycare; several students of West Brunswick High School English teacher Kay Williams; several home school students who have taken workshops with Ms. Hardy and, at the Leland festival, several senior citizens and North Brunswick High School faculty members.

Mary Allred of Wilmington, author of "Grandmother and The Poppyseed Children," will tell stories at both the Leland and Southport sites, and will autograph her books, copies of which will be available for those who don't already own them.

For more information call Ms. Hardy or Ms. Nancy Price, adult services coordinator, at Leland, 371-2978; West Brunswick, 754-6578; or the main library in Southport, 457-6237.



BCLC Receives First Award

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Brunswick County Literacy Council Chairman Daphne Fournier of Holden Beach (right) accepts the first "Helping Hands" award, presented by Dr. Lee Langston on behalf of the Brunswick County Medical Society. Designed by local artist Wendy Ward Milazzo, the award was given in recognition of the council's efforts to combat illiteracy and poor self-esteem through its one-on-one tutoring program. The annual award was presented at the medical society's first Spring Charity Ball Friday at the N.C. National Guard Armory in Shallotte. Attended by approximately 175 people, with support from others, the benefit dance raised enough funds to buy the first video program for the Prescription for Excellence program to be implemented in the Brunswick County Schools. "We are ecstatic," said Langston of the community support shown. "It demonstrates we can do things on an excellent basis." The date of the 1990 ball, which will also feature Bo Thorpe and His Orchestra, will be announced in the near future.

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Chorus Presents Musical Revue

The seventh and eighth grade chorus at Shallotte Middle School will present its spring concert, "American Pop," on Thursday April 13, at 7 p.m. in the school gymnasium.

"American Pop" is a rock and roll musical revue which features the birth of rock, American Bandstand's "Rate a Record," the California folk sound, the versatile music of the '70s and today's sound.

Sixty students will sing and dance to the music of songs which made rock 'n' roll popular, said choral director Donna McLamb, and there will be several featured dancers and vocalists.

No admission will be charged.

Cooper To Appear In Drama

Gregory Cooper of Sunset Beach will appear in the University of North Carolina at Wilmington's dramatic production, "The Diviners," to be presented April 12 through 16 at the SRO Theatre on the UNC-W campus.

Cooper will portray the character Buddy Layman in the play by James Leonard Jr., which tells the story of a boy (Layman) and his special relationship with a reluctant preacher. The play is set in Indiana in the 1930s.

Curtain time is 8 p.m. on April 12 through 15, and 2:30 p.m. on April 16. Advance tickets may be purchased at the Thalian Center box office, Wilmington.

"The Diviners" will be the last UNC-Wilmington production to be performed before the college's Department of Creative Arts Summer Festival, running June 1 through July 31 on the college campus.

Brunswick County Band Offers Variety At 1st Spring Concert

Variety will be the note when the Brunswick County Band presents its spring concert on Sunday, April 16, at the Brunswick Community College gymnasium in Southport, now known as the Center for The Performing Arts.

"We'll be performing a wide variety of music," said Donna Massingale, a band member from Holden Beach. Selections will range from classical to marches, Dixieland jazz and show tunes.

The concert begins at 3 p.m. at the gym, located at the intersection of Lord and Eighth Streets. Admission is \$2, with children under eight admitted free. Tickets are available from Mrs. Massingale at 842-3233 after 6 p.m., or in Southport, from Sweettreat and New York Deli.

Paul Pittenger directs the band, which began with a looseknit group of musicians who performed for a Brunswick Players' musical. "After 'Oklahoma!' we stayed together," said Massingale.

Open to all county residents who read music and play an instrument,

the group now practices each Tuesday night at Trinity United Methodist Church in Southport.

In addition to Mrs. Massingale, members include Dick Conrad, Ralph Parker, Mary Campbell, Neil Watkins, Janet Porterfield, Bob Porterfield, Julia Smith, Vanessa Smith, Mary Wigfall, Ellen Dorsett, Jenny Rabon, Debbie Raker, Pam Bowman, Duwayne Grimm, Don Fenstermaker, Lou Sosler, Brad Williams, Arnie Hegler, Gene Eagle, Greg Walker, Grant Walker and John Humphrey from Southport, Ted Moss of Boiling Spring Lakes, Joseph Southern of Bald Head Island, George and Martha Tabor of Winabow, Linda Dorman and Harry Soloway of Oak Island.

Mary Campbell is the group's manager.

The non-profit group is available to perform for festivals, plays and other special events, said Mrs. Massingale. It also accepts monetary gifts or gifts of music, which are often made in honor or in memory of someone.

Steinem Keynote Speaker For Chadbourn Conference

Gloria Steinem, writer and editorial consultant for Ms. Magazine, will speak May 5 at a 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. conference at Southeastern Community College.

The conference on "Empowering Rural Women" is intended to educate and increase the awareness of professionals who work with rural women in Southeastern North Carolina. Southeastern, Cape Fear, Fayetteville Technical, Sampson, Richmond and Robeson Community Colleges are the sponsors. The conference is partially funded by a grant from the N.C. Humanities Council.

Steinem is an author, lecturer and interviewer, as well as columnist for several magazines. She is known as a spokeswoman on issues of equality.

Other conference speakers include Mary Jo Bratton and Marie Farr of East Carolina University, Linda Flowers of N.C. Wesleyan college and Janice Kennedy-Sloan of the N.C. Department of Community Colleges.

Registration and lunch are \$5, payable only in advance, with attendance limited to first 300 people to

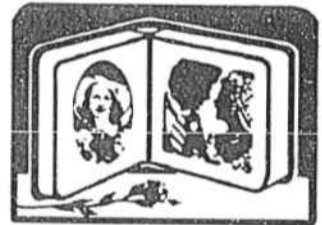
register by the May 1 deadline. The fee should be sent to Helen Hilton, Southeastern Community College, P.O. Box 151, Whiteville, NC 28472. Checks should be payable to Southeastern Community college, marked for Gloria Steinem Conference.

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