

Calendar Of Events

Thursday, February 7

THE CLOTHES CLOSET in Shallotte, which offers free clothing to needy families, accepts donations of good, used clothing every Thursday at the old Sunnyside School, 9 a.m.-noon. For information, call Ginny Waples, 754-6275.

HOLDEN BEACH SENIOR CITIZENS meet each Thursday for Mature Movement, exercise for older adults, Lockwood Folly Community Building, Stanbury Road, Supply, 9 a.m.-10 a.m. A crafts class is held each Thursday at 1 p.m.

FREE INCOME TAX ASSISTANCE through the American Association of Retired Persons (AARP) is available at the Southport Library, 9 a.m.-1 p.m.

SHALLOTTE RECYCLING CENTER, located near the intersection of U.S. 17 and N.C. 130 West, is open 10 a.m.-4 p.m. The center accepts aluminum cans, newspapers, plastics and glass.

SUNSET BEACH PLANNING BOARD holds a workshop at the town hall, 10 a.m.

NOONLITING, a class for people interested in losing weight, holds its first meeting at the Brunswick County Agricultural Extension Service office, noon. For information, call Mary Russ, 253-4425.

THE SOUTH BRUNSWICK ISLES CIVITAN CLUB meets for lunch at Sizzling Sirlon Family Steakhouse, Shallotte, 1 p.m.-2 p.m. Visitors are welcome. For information, call Bob Johnston, 754-5759.

BRUNSWICK ARTS COUNCIL Board of Directors meets at the Brunswick County Government Center, Bolivia, 5 p.m.

SOUTHPORT-OAK ISLAND AREA COMMITTEE OF 100 holds its annual meeting at the Lucky Fisherman Restaurant, Long Beach Road, 6:30 p.m.

CALABASH CHAPTER AARP meets at the Calabash fire station, 7 p.m.

SHALLOTTE LIONS CLUB meets at Joe's Barbecue, Shallotte, 7 p.m. For information, call Mike Blandino, 842-5491.

NEWCOMERS CLUB of South Brunswick Islands meets in the dining room, The Brunswick Hospital, Supply, 7 p.m.

BINGO will be played at Calabash VFW Post No. 7288, 7:30 p.m. For information, call 579-3577 after 3 p.m.

BINGO will be played at the Shallotte American Legion Post on U.S. 17 one mile south of Shallotte, 7:30 p.m.

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS holds a closed discussion meeting for those who have a problem with alcohol, every Thursday at St. James Episcopal Church, U.S. 17, Shallotte, 8 p.m.

Friday, February 8

ROTARY CLUB of the South Brunswick Islands meets at Sandpiper Bay Golf & Country Club, Old Georgetown Road, Calabash, 7:30 a.m. Visiting Rotarians welcome.

SUNNY POINT MILITARY OCEAN TERMINAL sells used lumber in various sizes at the terminal, Southport, 8 a.m.-11 a.m. The cost is \$60 per cord. Nobody will be allowed to enter the terminal after 8 a.m. An identification card with photo is required for anyone who wants to participate.

THE CALABASH RECYCLING CENTER is open 9 a.m.-noon at the Persimmon Road dump site. The center accepts aluminum beverage cans, glass, paper products, plastics and used automotive batteries.

SHALLOTTE RECYCLING CENTER, located near intersection of U.S. 17 and N.C. 130 West, is open 10 a.m.-4 p.m. The center accepts aluminum cans, newspapers, plastics and glass.

A BLACK HISTORY MONTH musical program will be held in the Public Assembly Building, Government Center, Bolivia, noon-1 p.m. The program is sponsored by the county employees' black history committee.

A TURKEY SHOOT will be held at Shallotte Moose Lodge No. 710, Holden Beach Road, 7 p.m.

SUPPLY VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT holds its annual meeting at the fire station, 7:30 p.m. Directors will be elected and other business will be discussed.

SHALLOTTE WHEEL AND DEALERS square dance group dances every Friday night. For more information, call Charles Holden, 754-6014.

SHALLOTTE AL-ANON FAMILY GROUP, a support group for families of alcoholics, meets at Camp United Methodist Church, Shallotte, 8 p.m.

A CLOSED DISCUSSION MEETING of Alcoholics Anonymous is held weekly for individuals who have a problem with alcohol, AA Building, Grissetown, 8 p.m.

NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS meets at St. Peter's Lutheran Church, N.C. 211, Southport, offering a 12-point program to help addicts overcome their desire to use drugs, fellowship among recovering addicts, 8 p.m. Call 762-6638.

Saturday, February 9

CALABASH VOLUNTEER EMS THRIFT SHOP, located beside the squad building on N.C. 179, will be open, 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

THE CLOTHES CLOSET, sponsored by the South Brunswick Inter-church Council, opens every Saturday at Sunnyside School, corner of N.C. 130 West and U.S. 17, Shallotte, 9 a.m.-noon. The Clothes Closet offers good, clean, used clothing to families in need.

SHALLOTTE RECYCLING CENTER, located near intersection of U.S. 17 and N.C. 130 West, is open 10 a.m.-4 p.m. The center accepts aluminum cans, newspapers, plastics and glass.

GIRL SCOUT TROOP 950 will hold a hot dog sale at Coastal Plaza, Shallotte, 11 a.m.-3 p.m.

SUNSET BEACH RECYCLING CENTER, located behind the fire station, is open seven days a week during daylight hours. The center accepts newspapers, rinsed aluminum or steel cans (beer and soda only), rinsed, lidless glass jars and bottles and most plastic bottles and jugs.

BINGO will be played at the Calabash Fire Station. Doors open at 7:30 p.m. Games start at 8 p.m.

OPEN MEETING of the Supply Group, Alcoholics Anonymous, every Saturday, for alcoholics and other persons interested in the disease, in the dining room, The Brunswick Hospital, Supply, 8 p.m.

Sunday, February 10

BRUNSWICK ARTS COUNCIL holds a reception for an opening of an exhibit by Thomas "Rusty" Hughes and Thomas Hughes Jr., Blue Dolphin Gallery, Long Beach Road, Southport, 5 p.m.-7 p.m. Edgcombe Community College Visiting Artist Bill Wood will give a poetry and storytelling performance at 6 p.m.

OPEN MEETING of Alcoholics Anonymous at the Grissetown AA Building, 8 p.m.

Monday, February 11

THE CALABASH RECYCLING CENTER is open 9 a.m.-noon at the Persimmon Road dump site. The center accepts aluminum beverage cans, glass, paper products, plastics and used automotive batteries.

PRESCHOOL STORY HOUR for children ages 3-5 features dinosaurs this month, West Brunswick Branch Library, Shallotte, at 10 a.m. and again at 11 a.m.

SHALLOTTE RECYCLING CENTER, located near intersection of U.S. 17 and N.C. 130 West, is open 10 a.m.-4 p.m. The center accepts aluminum cans, newspapers, plastics and glass.

BRUNSWICK COUNTY UTILITY OPERATIONS BOARD meets in the Planning Building conference room, Government Center, Bolivia, 5:30 p.m.

BRUNSWICK COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION meets at Lincoln Primary School, Leland, 6:30 p.m.

CALABASH PLANNING BOARD meets at the town hall, 7 p.m.

BRUNSWICK COUNTY RIGHT TO LIFE meets at Shallotte Community Chapel, 7 p.m. Newcomers are welcome. For information, call Janet Pope, 287-3111.

HOLDEN BEACH SENIOR CITIZENS hold their monthly meeting at the Lockwood Folly Community Building, Stanbury Road, Supply, 7 p.m. The Fabulous 40's tap dancing group will perform.

BRUNSWICK COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH meets at the health department, Government Center, Bolivia, 7:30 p.m.

RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION for Brunswick Coun-

ty meets in the RDC office, Planning Building, Government Center, Bolivia, 7:30 p.m.

CLOSED MEETING of Alcoholics Anonymous every Monday for those who have a problem with alcohol, AA Building, Grissetown, 8 p.m.

Tuesday, February 12

COAST TOASTERS Toastmasters Club 1626 meets at the Calvary Baptist Church fellowship hall, N.C. 179, Shallotte, 7 a.m.-8 a.m. For more information on how membership can help improve your skills as a communicator, contact Jimmy Marshall, 754-8400, or D.G. Parke, 579-6876.

NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE offers assistance filing state tax returns every Tuesday at the local revenue office, 143 Holden Beach Road, Shallotte, 8 a.m.-5 p.m. People should bring their completed federal income tax return with them. No appointment is necessary.

OCEAN ISLE BEACH COMMISSIONERS meet at the town hall, 9 a.m.

HOLDEN BEACH SENIOR CITIZENS meet each Tuesday for Mature Movement, exercise for older adults, Lockwood Folly Community Building, Stanbury Road, Supply, 9 a.m.-10 a.m. The Silver Striders walking club meets 10 a.m.-11 a.m.

CONGRESSMAN CHARLIE ROSE'S MOBILE OFFICE stops at the Shallotte Post Office, 9 a.m.-noon. Residents who have problems with a government agency or opinions or questions about federal legislation are invited to speak with a representative of Rose's staff.

FREE INCOME TAX ASSISTANCE through the American Association of Retired Persons (AARP) is available at the Southport Library, 9 a.m.-1 p.m., and the West Brunswick Branch Library, Shallotte, noon-5 p.m.

SHALLOTTE RECYCLING CENTER, located near intersection of U.S. 17 and N.C. 130 West, is open 10 a.m.-4 p.m. The center accepts aluminum cans, newspapers, plastics and glass.

HOLDEN BEACH VFW LADIES AUXILIARY meets for Dutch dinner at Joe's Barbecue, Shallotte, noon.

BOSOM BUDDIES, a support group for women who have had mastectomies, meets in The Brunswick Hospital board room, 1:30 p.m.

AN EIGHT-WEEK SEMINAR on adult children of dysfunctional families begins in the teaching auditorium, Brunswick Community College, Supply, 6 p.m.-8 p.m. For information, call Nancy McCarter, 253-4481.

BRUNSWICK COUNTY PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE meets in the Planning Building, Government Center, Bolivia, 6:30 p.m.

LELAND SANITARY DISTRICT BOARD meets at the sanitary district building, Leland, 6:30 p.m.

CALABASH COMMISSIONERS meet at the town hall, 7 p.m.

SHALLOTTE PLANNING BOARD meets at the town hall, 7 p.m.

BRUNSWICK CHALLENGE COMMITTEE, a volunteer group interested in creating drug-free communities, meets in the Public Assembly Building, Government Center, Bolivia, 7 p.m.-9 p.m.

BRUNSWICK COUNTY BAND rehearses at Trinity United Methodist Church, Southport, 7 p.m. For more information, those who play band instruments should contact Donna Massingale at 842-3233 after 6:30 p.m.

BINGO will be played at the Calabash Elks Lodge, Traders Village, Calabash. Doors open at 7 p.m., games begin at 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, February 13

BRUNSWICK TOASTMASTERS CLUB meets at the Sea Captain Restaurant, 608 W. West St., Southport, 7 a.m.-8 a.m. For more information, call Jan Fairley, 457-4917, days, or David Dorsett, 457-5493, evenings. Guests welcome.

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FREE INCOME TAX ASSISTANCE through the American Association of Retired Persons (AARP) is available at the Brunswick Community College Interagency Building, Supply, 9 a.m.-1 p.m.. Call Debbie Bryant for appointment, 754-6900 ext. 400. Help also is available at the West Brunswick Branch Library, Shallotte, noon-5 p.m. No appointment necessary.

HOLDEN BEACH SENIOR CITIZENS hold a health screening at the Lockwood Folly Community Building, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. All people over 50 years old are invited. For information, call Grace Peoples, 842-9351.

SHALLOTTE RECYCLING CENTER, located near intersection of U.S. 17 and N.C. 130 West, is open 10 a.m.-4 p.m. The center accepts aluminum cans, newspapers, plastics and glass.

AN EMPOWERMENT GROUP for women who are or have been in an abusive relationship meets at the Hope Harbor Home office, Promenade Plaza, N.C. 130 East, Shallotte, 7 p.m.-9 p.m. For more information, call 754-5726.

BOILING SPRING LAKES VFW POST NO. 10400 and its auxiliary meet at the VFW Building, N.C. 87, Boiling Spring Lakes, 7 p.m.

CALABASH BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT meets at the town hall to hear two requests for variances from the sign ordinance, 7 p.m.

CALABASH ELKS LODGE 2679 meets at the lodge, Traders Village, Calabash, 8 p.m.

CLOSED MEETING by Alcoholics Anonymous for individuals who have a problem with alcohol, AA Building, Grissetown, 8 p.m.

NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS meets each Wednesday, St. Peter's Lutheran Church, N.C. 211, Southport, 8 p.m., offering a support group for individuals who have a problem with drugs. For more information, call 1-762-6638.



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Demo Panel To Meet

The Brunswick County Democratic Party's building committee will meet Saturday, Feb. 9, at 10 a.m., at the party headquarters building in Supply.

Chairman Glen Peterson said the purpose of the meeting is to update

committee members on the status of the building project and to make plans for future work at the site.

He said all interested Democrats are encouraged to attend and share their ideas with the committee.

Writing Letters Supports Troops

"Write them letters." Those four syllables sum up the advice of former active duty military personnel on ways to support military personnel serving in the Middle East.

Speaking at a rally for the troops organized by Brunswick Community College students, Col. William Cockrell, commander of the U.S. Army JROTC program at West Brunswick High School, advised, "My main suggestion is to keep in contact."

Many of the 50 or 60 men and women in the audience last Thursday night have family members or friends serving in the Middle East.

At this stage of the war "keeping in contact" that means letters more than "care" packages, he and others noted, because other needs have higher priority: transportation of men, ammunition, food and then mail. Some military personnel are also in areas where telephone is not readily available to them.

Churches, school groups and individuals continue to write letters to specific individuals or to "any serviceman," mail that is routed to soldiers who are not receiving much mail.

"One of the hardest things is to be sitting out there in the desert or on a ship and not have any mail," said Brunswick County Veterans Service Officer Jess Parker.

Groups or individuals who wish to write service men and women

overseas can obtain names of local residents serving in the war from Parker's Cockrell's office or from the Brunswick County Veterans Service Office at the county government center in Bolivia.

Parker also noted support efforts by local churches for service personnel and family members who are stateside—prayer meetings, prayer lists, support groups. He urged individuals to take time to listen to, comfort and encourage neighbors and friends in that situation.

Many of Parker's comments echoed those of earlier speakers Sgt. Ray Edwards, a recruiter with the North Carolina National Guard; and Sgt. Dexter Hudson, a recruiter with the U.S. Marine Corps.

He urged listeners, "Don't vent your personal politics on the street. During the Vietnam War we almost deserted an entire generation."

Instead, suggested Sgt. Dexter Hudson, "Write good news."

"I'm sure it's a nightmare for them, enduring the heat of the desert by day and the cold by night and going without freedoms," Hudson said. "But they are making a sacrifice to protect our way of life here in America."

Parker invited local residents who have a family member serving in the Middle East and need someone to talk to do so. "I'm available any time of day or night to listen and to help."

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