

Fees To Rise For Animal Control, Clinical, Environmental Services

BY LYNN CARLSON

If you need to rescue your dog from the pound, adopt a puppy or kitten, get your cholesterol checked or find out if you're pregnant, it will cost you twice as much as the Brunswick County Health Department come Monday.

The department's new fee schedule goes into effect Feb. 1. Its increases are expected to generate about \$80,000 in new annual revenue and to reverse deficits in some county-administered programs.

The new fee schedule is based on recommendations presented to the county health board in November by David M. Griffith & Associates, consultants who reviewed operations of the health department and other county agencies.

The Griffith study revealed, for example, that although the department was charging \$4 for influenza vaccinations, it cost \$10.58 to administer each shot. Instead of going with Griffith's recommended increase to \$10, the health board opted to raise the cost of flu shots to \$5 each, deciding that accepting some loss on

the shots was wiser than possibly discouraging people at risk for flu—those over 65 and the chronically ill—from getting inoculated.

Animal Control

Redeeming dogs from custody of the department's Animal Control Program will increase from \$15 to \$33, plus \$3 for each day the animal is held; for cats, the redemption fee increases from \$11.50 to \$13.50 plus \$1 per day. The Griffith study projected that those two increases will increase Animal Control's revenue by about \$1,500 per year.

Adopting a puppy four months or younger will cost \$10 instead of \$5; for a kitten, \$5 instead of \$2.

The cost of adopting adult animals will also increase by \$1.50 for the base cost of a dog or cat. Dog adoptions will cost \$16.50 plus \$2 for each day held, not to exceed \$26.50. For cats, the new adoption fee will be \$13 plus 50 cents for each day held, not to exceed \$21.

The new adoption fees are expected to generate about \$1,400 in additional annual revenue.

Pre-paid rabies vaccinations will be \$7 per shot.

Having dead dogs or cats retrieved from private property will cost \$10 instead of \$5; having dogs or cats euthanized, or "put to sleep" by request will cost \$4 instead of \$3.

The increased animal control fees will be implemented on Monday, although the new county-wide leash law does not become effective until April 1, according to Jan Reichenbach, the department's public health educator. The leash law will prohibit dogs from running at large off the premises of their owner; hunting dogs will be exempt if they are being used by licensed hunters in an appropriately designated hunting season.

General Clinic Fees

In the department's new general clinic fee schedule, cholesterol tests will increase from \$3 to \$7.50. The Griffith study found that it costs the department \$7.08 to administer each test, and said the increase will bring in an additional \$1,787 per year.

Pregnancy tests will increase from \$3.50 to \$10. The

health board decided against going with the Griffith recommendation of \$15 per test, arguing that keeping the tests financially accessible will encourage women to enter prenatal care early in their pregnancies. Pregnancy testing fees will continue to be waived for teenagers 12 to 19, whether or not they are married.

Environmental Health

In the Environmental Health section, the cost of several tests was decreased.

While site evaluations for waste disposal systems of less than 480 gallons per day will remain at \$50, evaluations of those 480-3,000 gallons per day will be \$65, a decrease of \$85. For systems greater than 3,000 gallons per day, the fee will be \$155, a decrease of \$60.

Inspection of mobile home parks, provided for under a recently adopted ordinance, will be \$50 for ten spaces or less, \$100 for 11 to 25 spaces, and \$150 for 26 spaces or more.

The cost of having water samples tested for bacteria and chemicals will be \$25 per test, an increase of \$10.

Area Deaths And Funerals

MAITLAND THOMPSON BAXLEY

Maitland Thompson Baxley, 64, of Sunset Harbor community, Bolivia, died Jan. 18 at her home.

The funeral was Jan. 21 at Watson-King Funeral Home, Rockingham, with the Rev. Lewis Benton officiating. Burial was in Bear Branch Cemetery.

She was born in Rockingham on Dec. 22, 1928, the daughter of the late Harley and Josephine Thompson. She was a member of Faith Community Chapel Church of Sunset Harbor and past Mosquito Precinct chairman for the Brunswick County Republican Party.

Survivors include her husband, James W. Baxley Sr. of the home; two sons, James M. Baxley of Jacksonville, Fla., and James W. Baxley Jr. of Seattle, Wash.; two daughters, Toby L. Salisbury of Charleston, S.C., and Elizabeth "Jody" Smiley of Blacksburg, Va.; and 10 grandchildren.

MARGARET S. COLEMAN

Margaret S. Coleman of Wilmington died Jan. 20 in Pinnacle Care Center. She was 70.

A graveside service was held Jan. 22 in Oleander Memorial Gardens by the Rev. Burton Whiteside.

Coleman was born in Wilmington on Dec. 24, 1922, the daughter of the late Jessie O'Brian and Emma Ellen Downes Stubbs.

She was a member of the Episcopal Church of the Good Shepherd.

Survivors include her husband, Lloyd H. Coleman of the home; her daughter, Mrs. Mike (Linda) Phillips of Winnabow; two grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to the Good Shepherd House, 515 Queen Street, Wilmington, N.C.

SARAH EARLINE HEWITT

Sarah Earline Hewitt, 68, of Wilmington, died Jan. 19 at Cape Fear Memorial Hospital.

The funeral was Jan. 22 in the Coble Ward-Smith Funeral Service Chapel with the Rev. Lottie Labelle officiating. Burial was in Oleander Memorial Gardens.

Hewitt was born Feb. 21, 1924, in Horry County, S.C., to the late H.B.

and Doretha Suggs Porter.

Survivors include her husband, Sink Hewitt of the home; five sons, James Hewitt, Jerry Hewitt and Tony Hewitt, all of Wilmington, Carl Lee Hewitt of Jacksonville, Fla., and Burno Hewitt of Nashville, Ga.; four daughters, Bonnie Mooney of Holden Beach, Emmy Hewlett, Ann Verzaal and Mary Hawkins, all of Wilmington.

WILLIAM BRIAN MOORE

William Brian Moore, 23, of Laurinburg, died Jan. 23 in a motorcycle accident in Maxton.

The funeral was Jan. 26 at First Baptist Church of Laurinburg, officiated by the Rev. Larry Coleman. Burial was in Hillside Memorial Park.

He was born July 24, 1969, in Laurinburg. He was a student at Pembroke State University and an employee of Food Lion.

Survivors include his parents, Frank and Sybil Moore of Laurinburg; two sisters, Terri Lyda of Chesapeake, Va., and Lori Copeland of Matthews; his paternal grandmother, Geneva Moore of Laurinburg; and his maternal grandmother, Emily Tyner of Ocean Isle Beach.

GLENN MONROE TUCKER

Glenn Monroe Tucker, 83, of Raleigh and formerly of Carolina Beach died Jan. 22 in New Hanover Regional Medical Center, Wilmington. He was formerly a principal at Bolivia High School and Leland High School.

A graveside service was held Jan. 25 in Oleander Memorial Gardens by the Rev. Steve Bolton.

Tucker was born in Wilkes County on June 9, 1909, the son of the late Jones Watson and Elmah Iva Settle Tucker. He was preceded in death by a son, Kenneth M. Tucker.

He was a graduate of Wake Forest College. He taught school at New Hanover High School.

Tucker was past president of the North Carolina Association of Realtors, a charter member and past president of the Carolina Beach Lions Club, former mayor of Carolina Beach, and former member of First Baptist Church of Carolina Beach. He was also a member of the North Carolina Board of Water and Air Resources for 12 1/2 years.

Survivors include three sons, Elton G. Tucker of Burgaw and J. Hiram Tucker and Thomas O. Tucker, both of Carolina Beach; his daughter, Sylvia T. Heinisch of Carolina Beach; 15 grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; and two sis-

ters, Hallie Tucker McCann of Elkin and Flora Tucker Boyd of Wilkes County.

Memorials may be made to the charity of the giver's choice.

SHIRLEY QUILLIAN SMITH

Shirley Quillian Smith, 48, of Leland, died Jan. 23 in New Hanover Regional Medical Center, Wilmington.

A graveside service was held Jan. 26 in Harrells Community Cemetery.

Born Oct. 4, 1944, she was the daughter of the late Henry King and Eunice Ezzell Quillian. She was preceded in death by her husband, Fred Thomas Smith, in 1991.

Survivors include two daughters, Becky Stanley of Whiteville and Tylia Ward of Clarendon; a son, Tyrone Smith of Leland; a sister, Mary Lunsford of Wilmington; and five grandchildren.

WILLIAM FRANK RICHARDSON

William Frank Richardson, 83, of Boiling Spring Lakes, died Jan. 23 in Doshier Memorial Hospital, Southport.

The funeral was Jan. 25 at Trinity United Methodist Church, Southport, where he was a member. The Rev. P.D. Midgette and the Rev. Avery Lumsden officiated.

A graveside service was held Jan. 26 in Oaklawn Cemetery, Charlotte, with the Rev. Oren Edmonds officiating.

Richardson was born April 11, 1909, in Union County. He moved here from Charlotte in 1992. He was a U.S. Army veteran of World War II, a retired construction foreman from City of Charlotte Parks and Recreation Department and a member of the 55 and Over Club.

Survivors include his wife, Mary Lou McConnell Richardson of the home; a cousin, Louise Fowler of Waxhaw; and three sisters-in-law.

JAMES MATTHEW CLARK

James Matthew Clark, 67, of Shallotte, died Jan. 24 at the home of a daughter in Ona, W.Va.

The funeral was conducted Jan. 27 at Henson Mortuary in Huntington, W.Va. Burial was in Greenbottom Cemetery.

Clark was born Oct. 8, 1925, to the late Jesse G. and Lucy Cooper Clark. He was preceded in death by his wife, Hazel Mae Altizer Clark, and a son, James Matthew Clark Jr.

He was retired from Owens-Illinois Glass Co. as a stationary engineer. Clark was a U.S. Army veteran of World War II, having re-

ceived the Purple Heart.

Survivors include two daughters, Mrs. Ronald (Jeanie) Mounts of Ona, W.Va., and Mrs. Douglas (Kimberly) Berry of Wilmington; and a son, John Matthew Clark of Shallotte.

ERVIN HANKINS

Ervin Hankins, 53, of Supply died Jan. 23 at The Brunswick Hospital.

The funeral will be held Friday, Jan. 29 at Big Macedonia Baptist Church in Supply, with the Rev. Lawrence Keel, pastor, officiating. Burial will be in Galloway Cemetery.

Survivors include two sisters, Thelma Vereen and Dora Pierce, and a brother, Zane Hankins.

MAURICE WILCE

Maurice Wilce, 68, of Carolina Shores, died Jan. 25 at The Brunswick Hospital in Supply.

No local service is planned.

Born Oct. 2, 1924, in Gloucestershire, England, he was a son of the late Arthur Charles and Clara Nelmes Wilce. He was a retired executive with British Aerospace and moved to Calabash three years ago.

Survivors include his wife, Doreen Hayden Wilce of Calabash; four brothers, Stanley Wilce, Russell Wilce, Teddy Wilce and Douglas Wilce, all of England; and a sister, Beryl Spurdell, also of England.

Memorials may be made to Mercy Hospice, P.O. Box 1409, Myrtle Beach, S.C. 29578.

OLLIE LOVE SMITH

Ollie Love Smith, 89, of Long Beach, died Jan. 24 at Doshier Memorial Hospital in Southport.

The funeral was held Jan. 27 at Ogburn Memorial United Methodist Church in Winston-Salem, with burial in Forsyth Memorial Park.

JIMMY MICHAEL PARKER
Jimmy Michael Parker, 33, of Southport died Jan. 22 at his home.

A graveside service was held Jan. 25 in Northwood Cemetery, Southport.

ROY MILTON GORE

Roy Milton Gore, 42, of Supply, died Jan. 19 at home.

The funeral was Jan. 23 at Big Macedonia Baptist Church, with burial in Galloway Cemetery.

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CHURCH ACTIVITIES Calabash Will Break Ground

Calabash Presbyterian Church will break ground Sunday, Jan. 31, following the 9:30 a.m. worship service to mark the start of construction on an educational and activity wing.

The recently organized congregation moved into its building on Old Georgetown Road a little more than two years ago. Since then the congregation has grown and activity increased, with a membership of approximately 130 and weekly attendance of approximately 100.

This new 2,400-square foot addition will extend to the left of the entrance and will be similar in appearance to the existing worship and fellowship wing. Rooms for Sunday school classes, the choir, the library and other meetings and activities will be added.

"The Building Committee has listened to the suggestions of the congregation and feels that the proposed building will meet the immediate needs of an active and growing church," a news release stated. The project should be completed this spring.

The Rev. Francis M. Womack has served as pastor since the church was formally organized. Recently installed as new elders on the 12-member session that governs the church are George Knott, JoAnn McKelvey, Jay Morman, Roy Keim, Henry Gehander and Ruth Cheney.

Family To Sing

The Rogers Family of Monroe will be featured in a gospel sing at Longwood Baptist Church Saturday, Jan. 30, at 6 p.m. The Rev. Barry Long and congregation invite the public.

Guild Meets Feb. 5

The Ladies Guild of Our Lady Star of the Sea Church in North Myrtle Beach, S.C., will meet Friday, Feb. 5, after the 8 a.m. Mass.

Breakfast will be served in the social hall and a program will be presented by Dr. Bill Davis of SOS Health Care, Inc. Tickets will be sold for the annual card party to be held Feb. 11 at The Surf Club and

for the annual retreat scheduled March 2, said Helen Mullen, publicity chairman.

Churches To Gather

The Coastal Fellowship of Churches will hold its regular quarterly meeting Sunday, Jan. 31, at 4 p.m. at New Life Assembly on Stanbury Road in Supply.

Gathering for music, worship and fellowship will be the pastors and congregations of Ocean View Pentecostal Free Will Baptist, New Covenant, Seaside Fellowship, Lighthouse Baptist Mission, Community Chapel and New Life Assembly churches, said spokesman Veda Bias of New Covenant Church.

Baby Contest Sunday

The Young People's Institute at Holy Bethel FBH Church will sponsor its annual Baby Contest on Sunday, Jan. 31, at 7 p.m. at the church.

Speaker for the event will be Carry G. Stanley of Pleasant View Missionary Baptist Church in Grissetown. Music will be provided by guest choirs.

Pastor is the Rev. Charles Pridgen. The church is on U.S. 17 South at Thomasboro. The public is invited.

Bog and Barbecue

Zion Baptist Church of Ash will hold a homecooked pork barbecue and chicken bog dinner Friday and Saturday, Feb. 5 and 6 starting at 11 a.m. at the church.

The church is located on N.C. 130 west of Shallotte.

Plates are \$4 each. For more information contact Philip Stout, 754-4018.

Regents Will Sing

The Regents, a gospel group from Myrtle Beach, S.C., will be featured in a "sing" at Oak Grove Baptist Church at 6 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 7.

The Rev. Bob Childress, pastor, and the congregation invite the public, said spokesman Effie Evans

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