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Travel Agents Visit New Ship

Elsa and Bryan Jardine, owners of Brunswick Travel in Shallotte, attend a gala inaugural evening aboard Carnival Cruise Line's new luxury cruise ship the "Fascination," while it was docked overnight in Charleston, S.C. Also attending were Brunswick Travel counselors Eike Grabowski and husband Joe and Jeanne Brunnelle and husband Bob. The Fascination will be homeported in San Juan, Puerto Rico and will sail on cruises to the Caribbean.

From Mackerel To Oysters: It All Sounds Fishy To Me

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Thanks to Captain Jamie and Doug Rutter and their reports in last week's *Beacon* you already know about the tremendous time we had with the South Brunswick Islands King Mackerel Tournament. It was, as predicted to be, an exciting and fun-filled event. We had great weather, close competition, tremendous entertainment and delicious food. Our delight in the success of the tournament was further magnified when so many local fishermen won the big prizes, including largest fish and tournament record at 46.10 pounds.



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The three biggest fish caught in the tournament were brought in within minutes after 2 p.m. Friday when the weigh-ins could begin. Even if you missed seeing those, there were over 4,500 pounds of king mackerel brought in throughout the two-day tournament, and many were very large fish. Prize money was paid through 30th place and even that fish was big at 24.5 pounds.

The largest fish and first place went to our own Brunswick County anglers David Rourke of Shallotte and Ricky Hawes of Ash, while Earl Clewis of Southport came in second with 41.4 pounds. Many other locals placed in the top 30 and received prize money.

If you didn't make it out to Holden Beach Marina to join in the festivities, you missed a great time. Many thanks to all of you who were there. Gary and Alpha Carr were fabulous hosts, and the marina served as an ideal setting for all the tournament activities. Southern Rangers and Carolina Gold kept the music lively, and Tri-Beach Fire Department kept the crowd well fed while the chamber staff and volunteers were in high gear getting boats checked in, fish weighed, T-shirts sold and prizes delivered.

Special thanks go to Lisa, Angela and Claudia for their constant commitment to giving it their very best, and to Bob Frazier, First Citizens Bank; Johnny and Kerry Craig, Craig Realty; Jimmy Bellamy, Coastal Printing & Graphics; Joe Stanley, Joe & Moe's Auto Service, Daphne Yarbrough, Brunswick Hospital and Kathryn Gossett, Edward D. Jones & Company. There were a lot of long hours, sun-burned arms (and heads), sore muscles (hauling over 4,500 pounds of fish), and many satisfied volunteers. However, I don't think any of us want to see another king mackerel again for a very long time—at next year's tournament.

Now that the King Classic is over, we can set our sights on the next major event hosted by the South Brunswick Islands Chamber of Commerce—the N.C. Oyster Festival. We don't have far to look since it is just around the corner. Less than a month away, on Oct. 14 and 15, the 14th Annual North Carolina Oyster Festival will be held in Seaside between Sunset and Ocean Isle Beach.

What began as a small oyster roast in the late 1970s has grown into an event proclaimed by the state to be the official Oyster Festival of North Carolina. In addition to oysters, the festival features a road race with a one-mile, 5K and 10K run at Sea Trail Plantation, handmade arts and crafts from throughout the region, a wide variety of foods provided by the local Shriners and vendors, festival rides, oyster-shucking competition and entertainment featuring the Fabulous Kays and Southern Rangers. Don't let this event pass you by. It promises to be another success and just as much fun.

If you wish to volunteer or have handmade arts and crafts that you wish to display/sell, call the chamber at 754-6644 or write to P.O. Box 1380, Shallotte NC 28459.

Taxes, Turning Great Idea Into A Business Are Topics

Two October seminars sponsored by the Small Business Center at Brunswick Community College will focus on business taxes, while a third explores ways to turn a "great idea" into a business opportunity.

They are:

IRS Tax Workshop: How to meet federal and state tax requirements is the subject of this 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. workshop Thursday, Oct. 6. Federal Schedule C, Profit or Loss Income, Employment Taxes, Forms 940 and 941 will be covered for small business owners or prospective owners, and bookkeepers.

Small Business Taxes: Presenter Mike Sidelinger will focus on tax planning strategies for small businesses in this session from 6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 11.

Included: income realization in the lower tax brackets and payment of deductible expenses in higher tax brackets; acceleration and deferral of income and expenses; inventory valuation; fixed asset acquisitions; and more.

Have I Got A Great Idea: On Thursday, Oct. 13, from 6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m., Mike Collins will explore the combination of entrepreneurship and creating ideas by actively looking for ways to fulfill needs in the marketplace. He'll also cover idea generation, idea testing, creating a small business and knowing when to walk away.

Each of the three seminars is offered at no charge to participants. Pre-registration is required by calling BCC at 754-5900, 457-6329 or 343-0203.

Tourism Conference Oct. 5

State travel and tourism officials will host a public forum Wednesday, Oct. 5, from 6 until 9 p.m. at Brunswick Community College at the Leland Industrial Education Center in Leland.

Eight public forums are planned around the state to get input on the future development of North Carolina's second leading industry—travel and tourism.

Information gathered in the forums will be used to prepare for the

state travel conference and the 1995 White House Conference on Travel and Tourism. Data will be compiled by Commerce's Travel and Tourism Division and will be used to develop and statewide strategic travel and tourism plan and to decide topics of discussion for the 1995 Governor's Summit on Travel and Tourism, set for Feb. 6-7 in Raleigh.

For more information, call Mike Royal of Brunswick Community College at 754-6990.

Altman Named Director Of Chamber

Calabash native Cathy T. Altman has been named executive director of the Little River Chamber of Commerce.

For the past ten years Altman has been an account executive with WNMB radio. She also has been involved with fundraising for the American Sudden Infant Death Syndrome Institute, membership drives for the Myrtle Beach Area Chamber of Commerce, and was publicity co-chair for the North Myrtle Beach St. Patrick's Day Festival and co-chair of the Indian Summer Heritage Festival.

Altman serves on the promotion committee for Downtown Organizations Interacting Together, a main street revitalization program for North Myrtle Beach.

She lives in North Myrtle Beach with her husband Dayton and their son Thomas, 3.



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Jones, who joined Southern National in 1992, is manager of word processing operations at the main office in Lumberton. She is responsible for graphic design, word processing operations and department software administration.

A Lumberton resident, she graduated from Orrum High School in 1978 and earned an associate's degree in business administration from Robeson Community College.

Electronic Tax Filing Made Easy

A seminar today (Thursday) by the IRS and the N.C. Department of Revenue at Brunswick Community College has something to offer both first-time and experienced electronic tax filers.

Electronic filing is the transmission of individual income tax return information over telephone lines from an accepted transmitter's computer directly to a computer at an IRS service center.

Today's seminar is divided into three segments aimed at different levels of users.

Basic electronic filing for first-timers will be introduced from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. State electronic filing for first-timers will be covered from 1 p.m. to 2:30 p.m., while an

update on state and federal electronic filing for experienced filers is planned from 3 p.m. to 4 p.m.

No reservations are required; seating will be on a first-come, first-seated basis in the Teaching Auditorium of the BCC Administration Building.

The seminar is offered in conjunction with BCC's Small Business Center.

New At CHHC

Wanda S. Ratliffe of Boiling Spring Lakes and Genevieve S. Cox of Shallotte have joined Comprehensive Home Health Care's Supply clinical office as RN/home health nurses.



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Ratliffe is a graduate of Northwest Alabama State Junior College and has been a nurse for 12 years. Cox is a graduate of Southeastern Community College and has been a nurse for nine years.

Angelia R. Woods, a native of Bolivia, has joined Comprehensive's new Greensboro clinical office as a home health aide. She has been a nurse's aide for 10 years.

Register Now

For Marine Expo

An open forum on the impact of public trust fees and increasing regulatory compliance costs on the North Carolina marine industry is expected to be a focal point at the 1994 N.C. Marine Expo trade show and conference Nov. 17-19 at Coast Line Convention Center and the Hilton Hotel in Wilmington.

Other sessions will look at topics such as waste management for boat-builders, marine facility planning, air quality issues, computerized business management, bottom washing, solutions to common boatshop problems, electrical and fire codes, marketing, packaging loans, the new state stormwater general permit, insurance and workplace safety.

For information on registration options, housing and a kick-off cruise aboard the Henrietta II, contact the UNCW Division for Public Service & Extended Education, UNC Wilmington, 601 S. College Road, Wilmington, N.C. 28403-3297, 910-395-3195.

Nov. 1 is the registration deadline.

Galloway Chosen

Margaret Galloway was chosen August Employee of the Month at Autumn Care of Shallotte.

Galloway is a certified nursing assistant who joined Autumn Care in March.

She was recognized by the administrative staff for "hard work, concern and genuine caring for the residents" of the skilled nursing facility.

Jones Promoted

Vickie B. Jones has been promoted to documentation officer at Southern National Bank in Lumberton.

She is married to Wilbur W. Jones Jr. and is the daughter of Stanley and Myrtle Britt of Ocean Isle Beach.

Housing Agency Receives Funds

The Brunswick County Public Housing Agency has received \$13,000 for urgent repairs to be used with the 1993-94 Weatherization Assistance Project.

The urgent repair program will provide home weatherization to low-income homeowners who are elderly, disabled and have low incomes.

"With the urgent repair program, we will be able to alleviate housing conditions which pose an imminent threat to the life or safety of very low-income homeowners with special housing needs," said Thurman B. Everett, county public housing director. "We can also provide accessibility modifications and other minor repairs necessary to prevent displacement of very low-income homeowners with special housing needs."

Applications for the repair program are being accepted at Brunswick County Public Housing Agency, Brunswick County Government Complex, Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. until 5 p.m.

For more information, call Thurman Everett or Eric L. Smith, weatherization coordinator, at 253-4301.

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