



(L-R) Dr. James Merritt and Chancellor William H. Wagoner model Marine Expo '85 tee shirts.

Marine Expo '85 highlights area marine resources

Nine action packed days will make up Marine Expo '85, the area's first effort to focus attention on its varied marine resources. The event is scheduled for September 28-October 6 in Wilmington to highlight the uniqueness of the Cape Fear area and its marine-related resources. Almost all Marine Expo activities are free to the public; some events require preregistration. Chairing Marine Expo is Dr. James Merritt, associate professor and chairman of UNCW's department of biological sciences.

Beginning the activities will be open house at the State Port at Wilmington from noon to 5 p.m., Saturday, September 28. Visitors may tour the port by bus or ride on the Cape Fear River in tugboats. Water sports will be highlighted during Marine Expo with daily sailing regattas and windsurfing races at Wrightsville Beach.

Scientific and educational aspects of marine-related resources will be emphasized through special exhibits, lectures and presentations around New Hanover County. School tours of the Marine Resources Center will take place from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. on Tuesday, October 1 and Thursday, October 3. Marine-related exhibits will be at UNCW's Trask Coliseum, New Hanover County Library, New Hanover County Museum, and Cape Fear Tech.

Astronaut Scott Carpenter will be the Marine Expo '85 featured speaker with a free public lecture at 8 p.m., Tuesday, October 1 at Kenan Auditorium at UNCW. A dynamic pioneer of modern exploration, Carpenter has the distinction of being the only human ever to penetrate both outer and inner space, thereby acquiring the dual title, astronaut/aquanaut.

A national workshop on artificial reefs on Monday, September 30, and a marine science symposium and marine research forum on Wednesday, October 2, will take place at UNCW's University Union.

Complementing Marine Expo '85 will be Riverfest 1985 on Saturday, October 5 and Sunday, October 6 in downtown Wilmington. Exhibits, food booths, continuous entertainment, and fireworks will provide entertainment for young and old.

Marine Expo '85 is sponsored by the City of Wilmington, New Hanover County, the Greater Wilmington Chamber of Commerce, The University of North Carolina at Wilmington, and the State of North Carolina. Marine Expo is planned to be an annual fall event in Wilmington. For a brochure or more information, write Marine Expo '85, P.O. Box 1810, Wilmington, N.C. 28402.

A calendar of Marine Expo '85 events is on page 2.

UNCW Trustees elect officers

Three new members of the Board of Trustees at UNCW were sworn in at the quarterly trustee meeting held in July at UNCW. New trustees are John D. Merritt, vice president, government and public affairs for Hardee's Food Systems Inc., of Rocky Mount; Dr. Eugene Edward Wright Jr., physician from Fayetteville; and Justin Raphael, president of Alexanders Department Store Inc. which operates Justins Clothing Store and Surf "N" Stuff, Wilmington.

Merritt and Wright were elected by the UNC Board of Governors. Wright will serve until June 30, 1987 and was elected to fill the unexpired term of Julia W. Taylor of Durham who resigned. Raphael was appointed to a four-year term by Gov. James Martin.

Trustees re-elected by the Board of Governors to serve a second four-year term were John J. Burney Jr. and B. D. Schwartz, both of Wilmington, and Margaret F. Heyward, Charlotte. Appointed by the governor to another four-year term was Dr. John B. Codrington.

Burney was re-elected to a third term as chairman; Schwartz was elected as vice-chairman, and Elizabeth Cameron of Wilmington as secretary. John Warlick Jr. of Jacksonville and F. Pete Fensel of Wilmington were elected at large members of the executive committee of the board. Paul Bell, president of the UNCW student government association, will serve as an ex-officio member of the board.

Retiring members of the Board of Trustees are Dr. Hubert A. Eaton of Wilmington, and Clifton L. Moore Jr. of Burgaw.

John D. Merritt was born in Fayetteville, graduated from New Hanover High School, and received a bachelor's degree in history

from UNC Chapel Hill in 1972. Prior to joining Hardee's Food Systems Inc. in 1982, Merritt served for 10 years on Capitol Hill as administrative assistant to Congressman Charlie Rose.

Eugene Edward Wright Jr., M.D. was born in Wilmington, and graduated from George Washington High School in Denver, Colorado in 1969. He received the bachelor of science degree in engineering from Princeton University, and received his medical degree from Duke University Medical School in 1978. He practices medicine in Fayetteville with Cumberland Internal Medicine, P.A.

Justin Raphael moved to Wilmington from New York City in 1950. He received the bachelor's degree in business administration in 1949 from the City College of City University of New York. In addition to working in the retail clothing business, Raphael taught business at then Wilmington College in 1964.



(L-R) New trustee members John D. Merritt, Eugene Edward Wright Jr., and Justin Raphael.

Professor chosen in "Top 25"

Dr. Gerald H. Shinn, professor of philosophy and religion at UNCW, was selected as a semi-finalist in the 1985 Professor of the Year competition sponsored by the Council for Advancement and Support of Education (CASE). The award recognizes achievement in teaching, scholarship and service to the profession and institution.

Twenty-five semi-finalists were chosen from 256 entries submitted from universities in the United States and Canada. Shinn was the only professor so honored within the 16-campus UNC system, and one of two semi-finalists from North Carolina.

Shinn joined the UNCW faculty in 1967. His service and dedication to the campus range from serving as curator of UNCW's Museum of World Cultures to establishing in 1972 the Albert Schweitzer International Prizes, the first international prizes of its kind in the United States and held every four years at UNCW. His teaching excellence was recognized with the UNCW Board of Trustees Teaching Excellence Award in 1981.

The many letters of nomination from students and faculty in support of Shinn's achievements were unanimous in recognizing his "dedication to teaching, respect for learning, and sincere love for students."

Shinn received his Ph.D. in medieval church history from Duke University. At UNCW he teaches philosophy and religion and Old Testament literature.

Congratulations, Jerry, on an honor well deserved.