

SHORT ATTENTION GETTERS:

1. Don't forget the Arts Council - you can still join and make culture a bigger part of our community. \$5.00 per person to GLENDA JONES, 302 Virginia Ave., Morehead City, N.C. 28557. You will receive a membership card and lots of warm feelings.
2. SNUG HARBOR at Sea Level, the new home for many retired seamen and seawomen, welcomes visitors who have time to spare and care. Call BETTY ANGER there for information (225-4411)
3. Local migrant workers are desperately in need of clothing and blankets. This winter has been especially difficult for these people who live in less than desirable housing and have had less work than usual. Take articles to COMMUNITY ACTION (728-4528) in the annex of the County Court House in Beaufort, between 9 and 4, Monday through Friday.

NELL CRUMLEY has offered to tell us monthly of what she calls "Happenings at the Marine Resources Center," and she suggests you mark your calendar accordingly.

This month: DR. NED SMITH announces new "ENERGY HOURS": Monday, 9 to 4, Friday, 9 to 4, Saturday, 10 to 4, and Sunday, 2 to 5. Closed other days until further notice except for special meetings, movies, etc.

The Center personnel in PKS and the ECU Title I Environmental Education Program are continuing the public forums on Tuesday evenings at 8:00 p.m., presenting "THE 200 MILE LIMIT" April 1 through May. Details on subject matter later.

A new Movie Series starts March 10, 7:30 p.m., with "Mutiny on the Bounty", the original, with Clark Gable and Charles Laughton, and on March 24, "Captains Courageous", with Spencer Tracy.

DR. ROBERT BRYDEN, Dana Professor of Biology, Guilford College, Greensboro, N.C. has joined the Center's research staff, and will work there for about six months to develop a manual for the identification of the shallow water marine invertebrates of the N.C. coast. Other current projects include research on the control of mosquitoes and biting flies (hooray!) by DR. RICHARD AXTELL, Dept. of Entomology at N.C. State University, and also monitoring of groundwater levels on Bogue Banks by DR. E. WAYNE SKAGGS, Dept. of Biological and Agricultural Engineering at N.C. State University.

The "Always" Happenings at the Center:

Free Aquarium

Exhibits of coastal life and processes

Available auditorium, meeting rooms, library, classrooms, nature trails, and field trip facilities.

Thanks, Nell!

INTERESTED IN VOLUNTEERING FOR RESCUE SQUAD WORK? Starting March 31 a course for emergency medical technicians will be offered at Carteret Technical Institute especially for Pine Knoll Shores residents. The class will meet on Tuesday and Thursday evenings, West Campus, Vocational Bldg., Room 2211, from 7 - 10 p.m. and will run for approximately thirteen weeks. Residents interested in taking this course should call John Thompson (726-2483) or Bill Uebele (726-0257).

CONSOLATION in these arctic days: modern charts of waters surrounding the Outer Banks are much the same as those made by the 15th century European adventurers who anchored in the bight of "Cape Hatorasck." That tidbit was in an article we found in the Milwaukee Journal recently, from the Washington Post Service. It went on to say, however, that details of the landscape do change. Ben Dixon MacNeill's "The Hatterasman" says that there was a night of such wind that a ridge 50 feet high and at least 400 years old, 2 million cubic yards of sand, just blew away. On the morning we were reading this, it was thirteen below (wind chill factor minus 60) in Wisconsin, and we could believe, frankly, that the whole world could blow away in maybe 15 minutes, and probably would. One felt as if he were living in a script by Rod Serling in which the ice age came and removed all forms of life once again, leaving only bleak and windswept lands.

Anyway, getting back to the Outer Banks - at the height of the Battle of the Atlantic (you may know all this already) in 1942, German submarines left as many as five ships at a time burning within sight of Hatteras Light, and until the tide of the battle turned that summer, the beaches were knee deep in oil sludge through which Banksmen trudged to retrieve the bodies of 2000 sailors.