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When using gas appliances, you should familiarize yourself with the proper use of the appliances. Refer to the owners manual for cleaning suggestions and routine maintenance. Should you smell gas when using the appliance, turn off all controls and extinguish any open flame. Open a window to ventilate the room and call your gas company immediately! Do Not allow gas to accumulate when lighting the pilot light. If the burner does not ignite on the first try, turn off the control and ventilate the appliance before trying to light it again. If you are unsure about relighting a pilot light that has gone out, call your gas company.

Portable electric type heaters should be in good working condition and bear the seal of a nationally recognized safety testing laboratory. Be sure to place the appliance away from combustibles such as drapes and newspapers. The equipment should be stable and placed where it will not be tipped over. The cord and plug attachment should be of the grounding type (Three prong).

Check electric blankets. Look for cracks or breaks in the wiring, plugs and connectors. As well, look for charred spots on both sides of the blanket surfaces. Electric blankets should be used uncovered, used flat, and maintained as per the manufacturer's instructions. As with any electric appliance, consult with a qualified electrician should you encounter any problems.

Before installing any new heating or air conditioning equipment, or having repairs or modifications done to an existing system, contact the PKS Building Inspections Department as a permit and an inspection may be required. This is for your safety and convenience.

Roy Brownlow
Building Inspector

SENIOR CENTER

Did you know that there is a Senior Center with lots of space available for use by the Senior Citizens of Carteret County? The Carteret County Senior Citizens Center is located at 17th & Fisher Streets in Morehead City. There is space to hold dancing, art classes, quilting classes, exercise classes and bridge playing. You bring the people, supplies and they provide the space. A donation for the use of the space is gladly accepted. The Senior Center is available daily after 1:00PM. Evenings and weekend use can be arranged. If your group is interested in utilizing this wonderful center, please contact the Center Director, Pam Connell at 247-2626

BOGUE BANKS LIBRARY

The library has been the recipient this month of a special donation from Emerald Isle Book Store - a set of the 1991 Books in Print. Our old set is 1985-86. In our display cabinets this month are dolls and bears donated and dressed by local people for the Salvation Army. They will be given to needy children and to the elderly in rest homes at Christmas. Also displayed, are hand decorated goose eggs beautifully created by Susan Beasley of Morehead City. The auditorium has become more cheerful due to the talented efforts from the children at Miss Nancy's Colony and Busy Bee Day Care centers in Morehead City. We thank them for all their work.

The December meeting of "Between the Book Ends" has been cancelled, the meetings will resume on the second Monday of January, at 10:00 AM, here at the library. We will continue to meet on the second Monday of each month. The following books will be featured: Jan. 11 - Look Homeward Angel by Thomas Wolfe; February 8 - Pere Goriot by Balzac; March 8 - Far From The Madding Crowd by Thomas Hardy; April 12 - Oral History by Lee Smith; and May 10 - Buddenbrooks by Thomas Mann.

Ed Baker, of Pine Knoll Shores, has donated a collection of Zane Grey Books for

our readers. The collection will be featured here at the library for awhile before we send them in for processing. Come on in and enjoy! The library will be closed for the Thanksgiving Holiday, Thursday, November 26th and Friday, November 27th.

Ernestine Conway
Librarian

Carteret Writer's invite you to "Readings From Images of Women in Literature" on December 6, 3:00PM-4:30PM at the Carteret County Library, 210 Turner Street, Beaufort.

**Carteret County Library
Presents**

"A PORTSMOUTH ISLAND CHRISTMAS"
Tuesday, December 8
7:30PM

Library Auditorium
210 Turner Street
Beaufort

From Ellen:

The above showed up in my mail at my office recently and I thought it quite humorous. I hope you feel the same.

"I Ain't Dead Yet!"

My hair is white and I'm almost blind,
The days of my youth are far behind,
My neck's so stiff, can't turn my head -
Can't hear half that's being said.
My legs are wobbly, can hardly walk,
But glory be, I can surely talk!
And this is the message I want you to get:
I'm still a-kickin' and I ain't dead yet.
I've corns on my feet and ingrowing nails -
And they hurt! Here language fails.
To tell you my troubles would take too long,
If I tried you surely would give me the gong.
I go to church and Sunday School too,
For I love the store that is ever new,
And when I reach the end of my row,
I to my heavenly home will go.
Then, when I leave this house of clay,
If you listen closely, I'm apt to say,
"Well folks, I've left you, but don't forget,
I've just passed on, but I ain't dead yet!"

(Written by a 94-year old woman)