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Festival of Trees Ushers in Holidays

By Bill White

As you read this, the holidays will still be nearly two months away. But the holiday spirit will arrive in earnest just about a month from now when the annual Festival of Trees debuts at the Crystal Coast Civic Center in Morehead City.

Now in its third decade, the festival is a week-long series of events that play out against the backdrop of a hall full of seven and nine foot trees, one more beautifully decorated than the other. Last year some 70 trees graced the hall and organizers are



'tis almost the season

hoping to top that this year as the festival ushers in the holiday season.

The trees are sponsored by businesses and organizations and are either decorated professionally or dressed in their holiday finery by employees and members of the sponsoring groups. This year sponsorship runs \$350 for a seven foot tree and \$1,000 for a nine footer.

All of the proceeds from the festival and attendant events benefit Hospice of Carteret County, which provides assistance for

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Firefighters are silhouetted against the flames as they battle the early morning blaze Oct. 16 at the Robuck home on west Oakleaf Drive. Story on page 4

Interest in Nov. 6 Balloting Runs High

By Bill White

We would like to have a headline in this edition of *The Shoreline* proclaiming the results of the Nov. 6 municipal election. Unfortunately, the requirements of producing and distributing through the mail a monthly publication such as this leave us betwixt and between.

This edition had to be sent to the printer the Friday before the election and, by the time it goes through the process of being printed and then prepared for mailing,

the ballots will have been counted before it shows up in your mailbox.

Although we would like to have it otherwise, those of you who live locally will have to rely on other media, television and daily and weekly newspapers, to find out how the voting went as it was happening or immediately after. For those of you who are not around here this time of year and do not have access to media covering Carteret County, *The*

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Christmas Parade

The annual Pine Knoll Shores Christmas parade will be held Saturday, Dec. 1. It will begin at 10 a.m. starting at Magnolia Court and proceeding along Oakleaf Drive to Sycamore Road. Participants will start lining up at 9 a.m. at the Magnolia Court staging area. Signs will be posted to direct public parking.



It's Heave Ho Me Hearties as Cape Fear Community College students help hoist a 2,500 pound cannon from the presumed wreck of Blackbeard's flagship, the *Queen Anne's Revenge*. Story on page 4

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