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Southport-Oak Island's most complete listing of available real estate properties



Mark Conner prepares another cone-shaped planting site as a Southport city crew begins tending a live oak just planted by the Department of Transportation near Smith Cemetery. Work continues this week on renewal of the city's oak cover along streets laid bare by time and paving.

## Another forum planned

# Towns, UNCW speak to common problems

By Holly Edwards  
County Editor

Municipal representatives from Southport, Oak Island, Bald Head Island and Boiling Spring Lakes and the University of North Carolina at Wilmington have initiated a joint venture to propel Brunswick County into the 21st century, despite its perceived economic and cultural shortcomings.

Local officials dined at the Kenan Mansion last Monday with UNCW chancellor Jim Leutze and a number of university development specialists. The purpose of the dinner was to kick-off a discussion of common municipal problems and ways the university could help with those problems.

A larger forum that will include county government officials and representatives from every

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Bill Boyd  
Caswell Beach commissioner

municipality is planned for January.

"Local governments are going to have to work together and share costs to continue to provide the same level of services," said UNCW regional development specialist Scott Carpenter. "As the economy changes, without a total open-door policy, people are going to suffer."

Carpenter indicated that the university is trying to take a more regional approach rather than focus solely on the concerns of Wilmington and New Hanover County.

Some of the long-range projects Carpenter mentioned for Brunswick County included hooking the county

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# Contractor's delay upstages BCC auditorium completion

By Marybeth Bianchi  
Feature Editor

It doesn't look like the Odell Williamson Auditorium will be finished by Christmas.

Originally scheduled for completion in October, construction of the auditorium is not expected to be wrapped up in December either, Ben DeBlois, vice-president for administrative services, told Brunswick

Community College trustees Thursday.

During the October construction meeting the general contractor, Hatcher Construction Co. of Fayetteville, was asked to present a revised schedule for completion but has not done so, DeBlois said. The next construction meeting is today (Wednesday) but DeBlois said he doesn't think any decision could be made until the December meeting.

In addition to being behind schedule, DeBlois expects other delays to be caused by changes recommended by the auditorium manager and change-order requests. He told trustees that it will take time to reconcile issues between the contractor, the architect and state construction.

"There's a lot of correspondence flying," he said.

When asked by Al Wooten, building and grounds committee chairman, to venture a guess on the completion date, DeBlois said the most logical date would be late February or early March.

He pointed out that little work was

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# Library board presented plan for construction at four sites

By Holly Edwards  
County Editor

The Brunswick County Library Board's building committee Monday presented architect John Sawyer's proposed designs for new libraries in Leland and Oak Island, and proposed improvements to existing libraries in Southport and Shallotte.

The Southport library would be enlarged by about 1,600 square feet and would undergo a number of small interior changes, such as changing the locations of the children's library, the service desk and the periodicals. A new pitched roof

would be installed, and a private area for the library director and new handicapped restrooms would be constructed.

The old roof has been leaking and in disrepair for years.

"(The roof) was boards with nothing but tar spread on them," said library board member Ralph Frazier.

However, library board member Margaret Harper indicated that the money allocated to the Southport refurbishing project is going to run out before all of Sawyer's proposed improvements are completed.

The board has allocated \$125,000 for each refurbishing project at Southport and Shallotte, and

\$400,000 for each new library at Leland and Oak Island. However, the board agreed that the funds could be shifted around as needed.

A 4,700-square-foot library is proposed for Oak Island. The library would include small study areas as well as a children's section.

The building committee is scheduled to meet with Sawyer again on December 1 to review the proposals and make any necessary changes.

"Next month we'll have a better idea of where we stand and how much further we have to go," said building committee member Don Eggert. "But the committee felt real

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# Sales tax distributed

Distribution of the local-option sales and use tax to Brunswick county and municipal governments totaled \$2,490,318 for third quarter 1992, a report from the N. C. Department of Revenue indicates.

Brunswick County received more than three-fourths of the total -- \$1,894,546 -- based on the percentage of county population living outside municipalities. Long Beach's \$143,202 allocation was the largest among Brunswick County towns.

Southport received \$84,915, Boiling Spring Lakes \$61,593, Yaupon Beach \$27,203, Caswell Beach \$6,540 and Bald Head Island \$2,874.

Other Brunswick County allocations included Leland, \$66,372; Calabash, \$44,523; Shallotte, \$38,414; Sunset Beach, \$25,442; Holden Beach, \$23,573; Ocean Isle Beach, \$19,764; Navassa, \$16,278; Varnantown, \$14,913; Sandy Creek, \$8,876; Bolivia, \$8,301; and Belville, \$2,982.

## OUTSIDE



### Forecast

The extended forecast calls for showers on Wednesday with highs in the 70s, followed by partly cloudy skies Thursday and Friday with highs in the 60s, lows in the 40s. Cooler on Saturday, with highs near 50 and lows in the 30s.

### Tide table

HIGH	THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 26	LOW
9:10 a.m.		2:35 a.m.
9:17 p.m.		3:17 p.m.
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 27		
9:52 a.m.		3:17 a.m.
10:02 p.m.		3:59 p.m.
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 28		
10:34 a.m.		4:01 a.m.
10:44 p.m.		4:44 p.m.
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 29		
11:16 a.m.		4:44 a.m.
11:31 p.m.		5:27 p.m.
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 30		
11:59 a.m.		5:31 a.m.
--- p.m.		6:12 p.m.
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 1		
12:17 a.m.		6:22 a.m.
12:46 p.m.		7:01 p.m.
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 2		
1:09 a.m.		7:17 a.m.
1:35 p.m.		7:52 p.m.

The following adjustments should be made:  
Bald Head Island, high -10, low -7; Caswell Beach, high -5, low -1; Southport, high +7, low +15; Yaupon Beach, high -32, low -45; Lockwood Folly, high -22, low -8.

# Early edition

The State Port Pilot will be closed Thursday in observance of the Thanksgiving holiday but will be open Friday on an abbreviated schedule.

It is suggested that one telephone 457-4568 prior to a Friday visit to assure that someone will be in the office.

The office will reopen on its regular schedule at 8:30 a.m. next Monday.



It was Andy and Randy, picking and grinning on the porch of the Moore home on Lord Street Friday. Randy Travis, popular country singer, joined

Andy Griffith for filming of a "Matlock" segment here.