

RECREATION

Santa calling in December

Santa will be calling children under the age of nine, courtesy of the Southport, Long Beach and Brunswick County parks and recreation departments.

Parents are asked to complete a "Santa Calling" information form available at Brunswick County schools, the three Brunswick County Library branches and the three sponsoring recreation department offices.

The forms must be returned by Thursday, December 10, to the local recreation department. Those received after the deadline will not be guaranteed to receive a phone call.

Phone calls will be made by Santa's helpers between Monday, December 14, and Friday, December 18.

Youth basketball registration

Boys and girls ages nine to 13 can register this month for the Southport Parks and Recreation Department youth basketball league.

Registration will be from 2 to 4 p.m. Saturday, December 12, and from 10 a.m. to noon Saturday, December 19, at the Southport city gym. Any player who will not reach his or her 14th birthday before January 1, 1993, is eligible to participate.

All new players and all returning players who participated last year must register. The fee is \$10.

More information can be obtained by calling Joe Medlin at his Stevens Park office, 457-7945.

Holiday special on aerobics

A holiday special of two months of aerobics for the price of one is being offered by the Brunswick County Parks and Recreation Department.

To take advantage of the offer, individuals must join a class in December. The cost will be \$15 for two months.

Hour-long classes are scheduled for 7:30 p.m. Mondays and Thursdays at the Town Creek community building; 5:15 p.m. Mondays and Wednesdays at the Brunswick County Government Center; 6 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays at the Lockwood Folly community building; and 7 p.m. Wednesdays and Fridays at the Leland community building.

Christmas trip to Biltmore

"Christmas at the Biltmore" in Asheville is the destination of a bus tour sponsored by the Southport Parks and Recreation Department.

The overnight trip is scheduled December 11-12 and costs \$125 a person. The fee includes transportation, accommodations and tickets to the Biltmore Estate.

Persons may still register by calling Southport City Hall.

More information on programs sponsored through the Brunswick County Parks and Recreation Department can be obtained by calling 1-800-222-4790 or 253-4357; the Southport Parks and Recreation Department, 457-7945; or the Long Beach Parks and Recreation Department, 278-5518.

Christmas gift project aided by businesses

Fourteen local businesses and organizations helped make the holidays happier for the 30 residents of Brunswick Village in Southport.

Bags filled with food were handed out by Santa Claus on Thursday. Assisting him were Sandy Stewart, Joe Medlin, Mark Southerland and Todd Coring of the Southport Fire Department and Vaughan Towers of Coldwell Banker Southport-Oak Island Realty, who coordinated the effort. Bill Crowe dressed as Santa.

Contributors included Lowe's of Southport, United Carolina Bank, Westminster Company, Wilson's, Stewart Hardware, Sears Roebuck and Company, Sweettreat, Manning's Pest Control, Brunswick Glass, Security Savings and Loan, Eastern Star, First Citizens Bank, Southport Lions Club and Pelican Building Center.

Teen dance

The Southport-Oak Island Jaycees will sponsor a teen dance Friday, December 11, from 7:30 to 11:30 p.m. at the Jaycees building on Fodale Avenue in Southport.

The admission is \$5 and entertainment will be provided by DJ Jammin' Julie. Refreshments will be available at the chaperoned event.



MR. AND MRS. ASHLEY D. WIGGINS, JR.

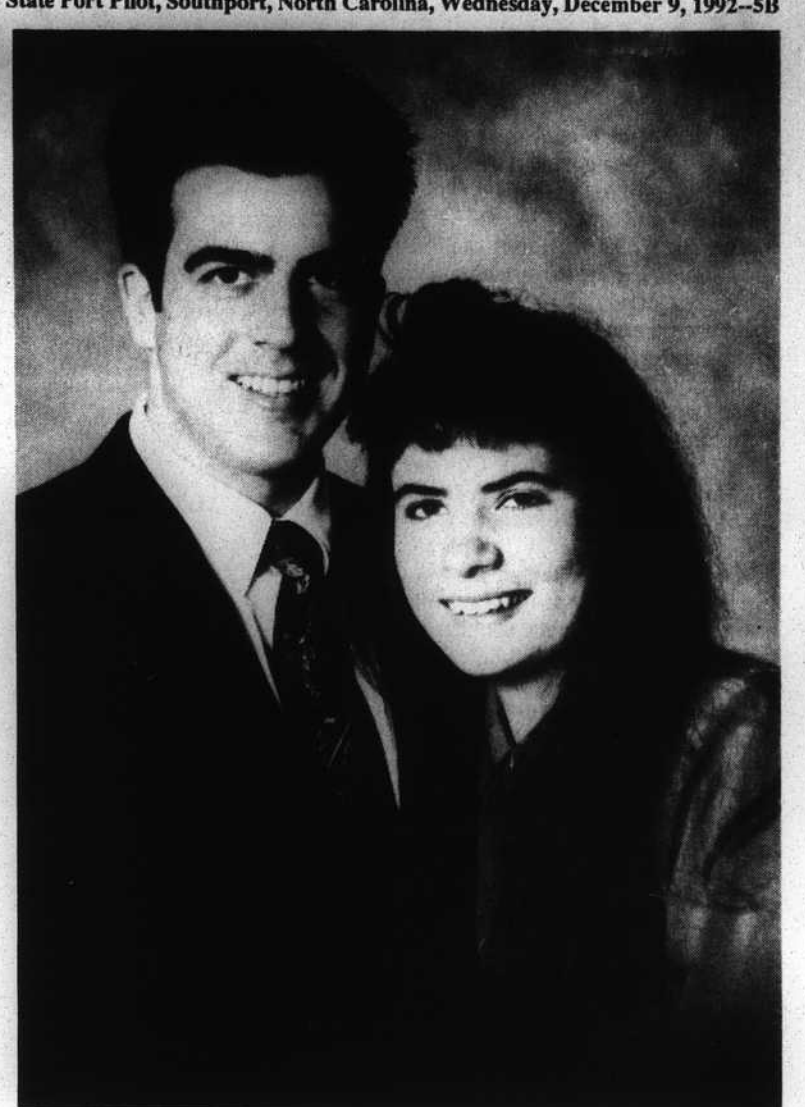
Wiggins-Hardee vows spoken

Lori Michelle Hardee of Huntsville, Ala., and Ashley David Wiggins, Jr., of Eufaula, Ala., were married on August 22 at Auburn United Methodist Church. The bride's grandfather, the Rev. Denny M. Johnston, and Dr. Lester Spencer officiated.

Kimberly D. Hardee served as her sister's maid of honor and the groom's father was best man.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mikael A. Hardee of Cocoa, Fla., and the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis J. Hardee of Southport. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ashley D. Wiggins of Eufaula.

The newlyweds reside in Auburn, Ala., and attend Auburn University.



Mr. and Mrs. Joe C. Best of Leland have announced the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Joellen Carol, to Mitchell Wayne Wright, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles B. Wright of Lowell, Ark. A January 3 wedding is planned.

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Wedding reports

The State Port Pilot has adopted new guidelines for the publication of wedding reports, editor Ed Harper announced this week.

"The newspaper has never charged for the publication of wedding stories or wedding photos and will continue to offer the service free of charge," Harper said. "But such reports will be subject to stricter editing to emphasize the local relevance of the event."

Harper said this means some portions of a wedding report will no longer be included in articles published free. Those who want to assure that a complete wedding report is printed will be offered the opportunity to purchase space on a per-inch basis.

The editor also addressed the matter of outdated wedding reports.

"In order for a wedding report to be considered for free publication it must be submitted to the newspaper no more than 21 days after the event," Harper said. "Those not meeting this deadline will be offered the opportunity to purchase space for the publication of an edited or complete report, whichever they choose."

Pets of the week

Two "adorable" seven-week-old female boxer puppies are now available for adoption at the Brunswick County Animal Control Center. They are said to "look like little Teddy bears," and they would make "excellent gifts under the tree." The adoption fee is \$5 and the fee for a rabies vaccination is \$7.

An "extremely affectionate" female Siamese cat is also up for adoption. She is said to be very pretty and would make a good pet. The adoption fee is \$10 and the fee for a rabies vaccination is \$7.

Three "really cute" gray and white long-haired kittens are also available for an adoption fee of \$2 each. The fee for a rabies vaccination is \$7.

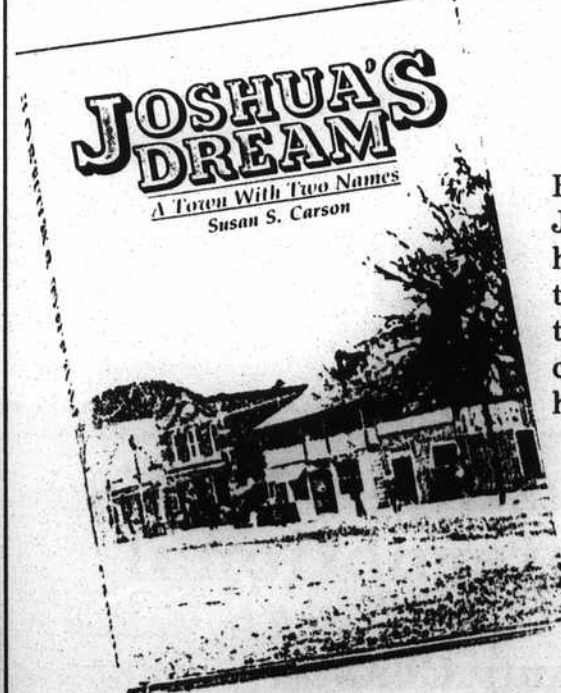
For more information, persons should contact the animal control center at 754-8204 or call toll-free 1-800-233-2169.

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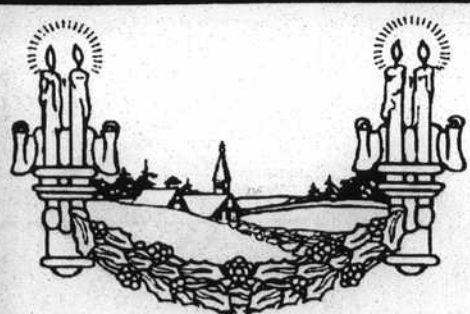
"Miss Susie" will be autographing her book **Saturday, December 12**
9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

CP&L

Highway 87, Southport

VISITORS CENTER

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It's The Southport Celebration!

"The 200th Christmas" On the Waterfront at "Yuletide Harbour"

Saturday, December 12
Holiday Market (from 9 a.m.) - Musical Entertainment
Candlelight Tour of Homes 5 - 9 p.m.

Home Tour Tickets Available at following local merchants: Palm Tree Passage, Etcetera, Southport Visitor's Center, Maritime Museum, Curiosity Shop, and at Southport-Oak Island Chamber of Commerce, Margaret Rudd & Associates, Inc. and at Yuletide Harbour (Corner of Bay & Howe Streets)

Sunday, December 13
SANTA'S Arrival (1 p.m.) - Entertainment
Children's Workshop & Sing-A-Long

Coming Next Weekend! Dec. 19 & 20
Candy Cane Hunt - Pet Parade & Contest - Storytelling
Christmas Carols! Mark your Calendars today!



House Tour Tickets - \$8.00