

Mr. and Mrs. Jack W. McKenzie have announced the engagement of their daughter, Tracy Suzanne, to William Ray Holt, son of Mr. and Mrs. William G. Holt. The wedding is planned for 2 p.m. Saturday, July 31, at Leland Baptist Church. Relatives and friends are invited to attend.

Sea Notes will sing at Pawleys festival

The Sea Notes Choral Society has been invited to perform at the 1993 Pawleys Island Autumn Music Festival.

The 1993 festival will begin on September 23 with a chamber music night. On Friday, September 24, the Sea Notes, under the direction of Cindy Sellers of Wilmington, will perform choral portions of Mozart's "Coronation Mass". A solo quartet, oboes, strings and organ will complete the ensemble. On Saturday, September 25, the Sea Notes, accompanied by Teresa Watkins-Quintero, will conclude the festival with a performance of a concert version of Gershwin's "Porgy and Bess" and selections from "Oklahoma" and "South Pacific".

The Pawleys Island Autumn

Music Festival was founded by Dr. Lee Minton, a retired ophthalmologist who resides in London and Pawleys Island. The Minton Foundation's primary purpose in establishing the festival is to assist young people who are talented in the arts.

Friends of the Sea Notes are invited to attend any of the performances. Additional information, including tickets, will be available from Sea Notes members at a later date.

The Sea Notes also extend to former members and others interested in choral music an invitation to join the group. Rehearsals for the festival performances will begin on Monday, July 12, at 7 p.m. at Trinity United Methodist Church on Nash Street in Southport.

Ms. Preik co-authors Wilmington guidebook

Southport native Brooks Newton Preik and Patricia Ruark, known locally for their work with the Robert Ruark Foundation, are co-authors of the Wilmington area's first comprehensive guidebook, *What Locals Know About Wilmington and Its Beaches*, to be published this month by Banks Channel Books.

Written by a team of writers who all live in the area, *What Locals Know About Wilmington and Its Beaches* includes maps, attractions, accommodations, dining, nightlife, recreation, shopping and local lore. The guidebook also features a special article about Southport, with a brief shopping guide and map.

"Though it's been years since I've actually lived in Southport, it is the place that will always be dearest to my heart," said Ms. Preik. "It was very important to me that some mention be made of Southport in our book."

Ms. Preik is a broker and advertising director for Adam & Hilliard

Realty in Wilmington, and currently is working on a collection of essays about growing up in Southport. A graduate of Southport High School in 1956, Ms. Preik also graduated from St. Mary's Junior College in Raleigh and the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

Ruark, a Wilmington resident, also has strong ties to Southport. She administers the Robert Ruark Foundation's annual short fiction competition and has been a volunteer and supporter of the foundation since its inception. A 1988 Phi Beta Kappa graduate of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Ms. Ruark received a 1991-92 Emerging Artists Award from the Arts Council of the Lower Cape Fear.

She is co-author of the musical comedy "Birds of a Feather" and is currently working on a novel and several short stories.

Ellyn Bache, the book's editor, is the author of four books. The most recent is a novel, *Festival in Fire Season*, about the Azalea Festival in a fictionalized Wilmington.

What Locals Know About Wilmington and Its Beaches sells for \$9.95. The 221-page paperback will be available in June at many locations in the Wilmington area and at independent bookstores throughout the Carolinas. It can also be ordered by mail, \$12 postpaid, from Banks Channel Books, P. O. Box 4446, Wilmington, NC 28406, or by calling (800)-653-1706.

MEETING PLACE

Recycling is program topic

Mrs. Mary Russ, cooperative extension home economics agent, will present a program on recycling at the next regular meeting of Boiling Spring Lakes Homemakers on Monday, June 21, 1:30 p.m. at the fire station.

The program will include examining some of the recycled products available in local markets and by mail order and "should increase the awareness of and encourage the use of these recycled products," a release stated. "This will hopefully lead to a better market for recyclable waste products which could lead to better participation by county and municipalities in recycling programs."

The program is sponsored by the Environmental Issues Education Committee.

Members are reminded to save pricing labels from all Campbell products and from Job Squad towels, Viva napkins, Softkins, and Cottonelle for the support of Ronald McDonald House in Durham. Soft drink tabs also should be saved and brought to any meeting of the club.

Beautification club has picnic

The Oak Island Beautification Club will have its annual picnic June 22 at 6 p.m.

The event will be held at the home of Zeb and Jean Rhodes, 2608 W. Yacht Drive.

Hot dogs, hamburgers and soft drinks will be furnished by the club. Members should each bring a covered dish and may bring a spouse or guest.

Foundation will host banquet

"Our Children Are Depending on You" is the theme of a banquet to be hosted this weekend by the R and R Educational and Recreational Foundation of Ash.

Keynote speaker Raymond C. Gilbert of Southport will discuss how the community can get more involved with children. Guests will include The Voices of Praise from Thomasboro, Zion Plan Young Adult Choir from Nakina and The Christian Sisters from Shallotte.

The banquet is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. Saturday, June 19, at Shallotte Middle School. Tickets are \$7 and can be purchased at the door.

The foundation is a not-for-profit organization working to build a community center in the Longwood-Ash area which would serve as a satellite branch of Brunswick Community College and provide a variety of services to residents, including day care.

More information can be obtained by calling Betty Godwin at 287-6790 or Donnell Marlowe at 287-3699.

AARP suspends its meetings

Southport Chapter 4180 of the American Association of Retired Persons will not hold monthly business meetings during the months of June, July and August. The next regular meeting will be September 23.

The monthly breakfast meetings will continue during the summer, with the next meeting on Tuesday, June 29, at 8:30 a.m. at Edna's Kitchen in Long Beach.

All persons age 50 and over are eligible for membership in AARP and are welcome at all chapter activities.

SENIOR ACTIVITIES

Outdoor drama excursion set

Seats still are available for a trip to see the outdoor drama "Worthy Is the Lamb" on Thursday, June 24.

The cost of the trip, sponsored by the Brunswick County Parks and Recreation Department, is \$25 and includes a ticket to the drama, a buffet dinner and transportation.

Three-day trip to Cherokee

Brunswick County Parks and Recreation Department is sponsoring a three-day trip to Cherokee to see the drama "Unto These Hills".

The cost of the trip is \$110 per person based on double occupancy and includes transportation, accommodations for two nights and visits to the Museum of the Cherokee Indians, Oconallutsee Indian Reservation and Ghost Town in the Sky.

Registration deadline is June 23.

Drama focuses on Civil War

The outdoor Civil War-era drama "Song of Liberty" will be the destination of a trip planned for July 22.


The cost of the trip is \$20 a person and includes transportation, a ticket to the performance and dinner at Josef Dining. Registration deadline is July 8.

To register for or obtain more information on trips sponsored by the Brunswick County Parks and Recreation Department, persons should contact Kelly Fields at 1-800-222-4790 or 253-4357.



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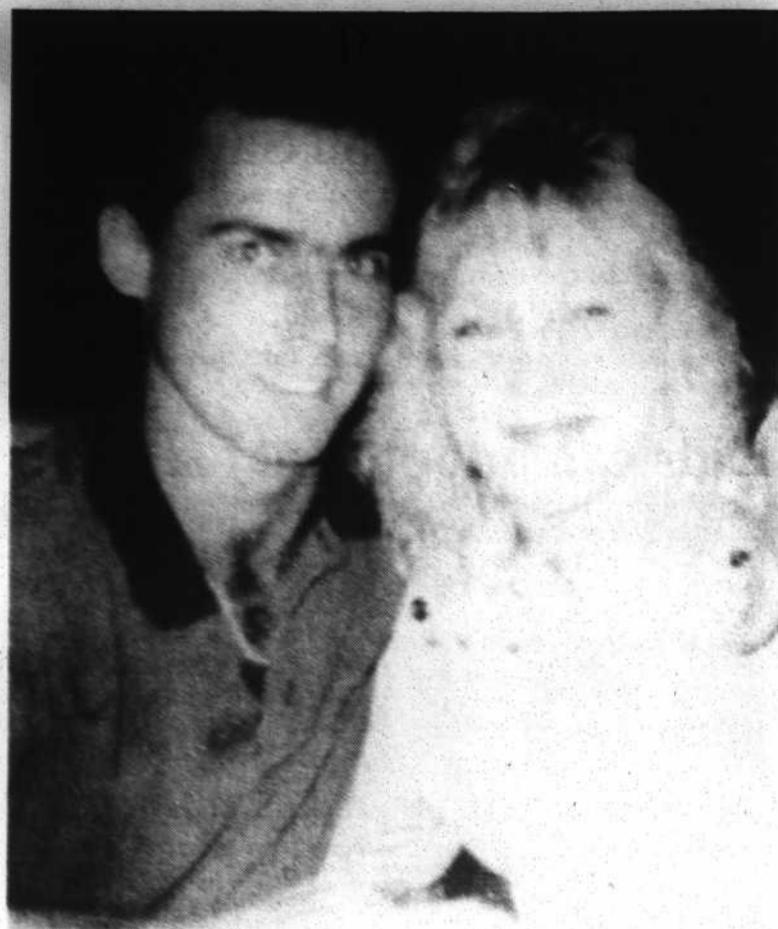
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Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Price have announced the forthcoming marriage of their son, Donnie R. Price, to Ingrid Larsen Carmichael. She is the daughter of Edward A. Larsen Jr. of Fayetteville and Margaret Faye Davis of Cary. Friends and family are invited to attend the wedding planned for 3 p.m. June 26 at St. Philip's Episcopal Church. A reception will be held in the church hall. No invitations have been sent.

Food bills may vary

How much do you spend each week for food? How does it compare with other American families?

According to the latest U. S. Department of Agriculture figures, which were compiled in December, a husband and wife with two preschoolers spend \$110.40 a week on a moderate-cost food plan. The same couple would spend an average of \$135.60 on a liberal plan. On the thrifty plan, the same size family spends \$72.30.

Figures for couples with two children between the ages of six and 11 are: \$82.80, thrifty plan; \$132.60, moderate plan; and \$159.70, liberal plan. Add a teenage girl to the family, and the food bill increases \$21.40 for the thrifty plan, \$31.20 for the moderate plan and \$37.60 for the liberal plan. Not surprisingly, the figures are even higher if the teenager is a boy.

The USDA figures assume that food for all meals and snacks is purchased at the store and prepared at home. The figures only cover food, not items like pet food, soap, cigarettes, paper goods or alcoholic beverages.

Most Americans buy occasional snacks from vending machines, buy biscuits at a fast-food restaurant, order in pizza, have a beer and go out for Chinese food, so the actual amount spent on food is much higher. In actuality, the average American spends just 54 percent on food prepared at home, 39 percent on food prepared away from home and seven percent on alcoholic beverages.

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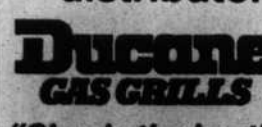
Oak Island Bridge Club winners for Monday, June 7, were: first place, Jan Blessis and Vi Hanson; second, Francey Wertz and Mary Maker; third, Bob Moeller and Bill Ozanne.

The games are played on Mondays at 1 p.m. at the Long Beach Recreation Center.

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