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## King's birthday observed

The birthday of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. will be observed this Friday, January 15, at Brunswick Community College.

Dr. Fred D. Hall, assistant professor of sociology at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, will be the featured speaker. He will share his thoughts on "Keeping the Dream Alive" in a keynote address scheduled for 7 p.m.

Hall holds master's and Ph.D. degrees from UNC-Chapel Hill. His bachelor's degree is from Frances Marion College. He taught briefly at Wittenburg University in Springfield, Ohio, before returning to UNC for post-doctoral studies and a faculty appointment.

His teaching and research interests focus on race relations and industrial relations, with attention to issues of poverty, employment and labor markets.

Dick Lee, WCCA radio station news and public affairs director, will serve as master of ceremonies.

The Rev. Dr. Richard Warner of St. James the Fisherman Episcopal

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## Incumbents tossing their hats in ring

All five incumbent Brunswick County commissioners have filed for re-election to office.

So far, a primary race has developed for just one, Donald Shaw of District 5.

He faces opposition on the Republican ballot from former Leland mayor S. L. Doty, who lost his bid for another term on the town board in November.

Both Shaw and Republican Jerry Jones filed Friday afternoon.

District 3 incumbent commissioner Wayland Vereen, a Democrat, filed Tuesday morning.

Filing will continue until noon Monday, February 7. The primary election is Tuesday, May 3.

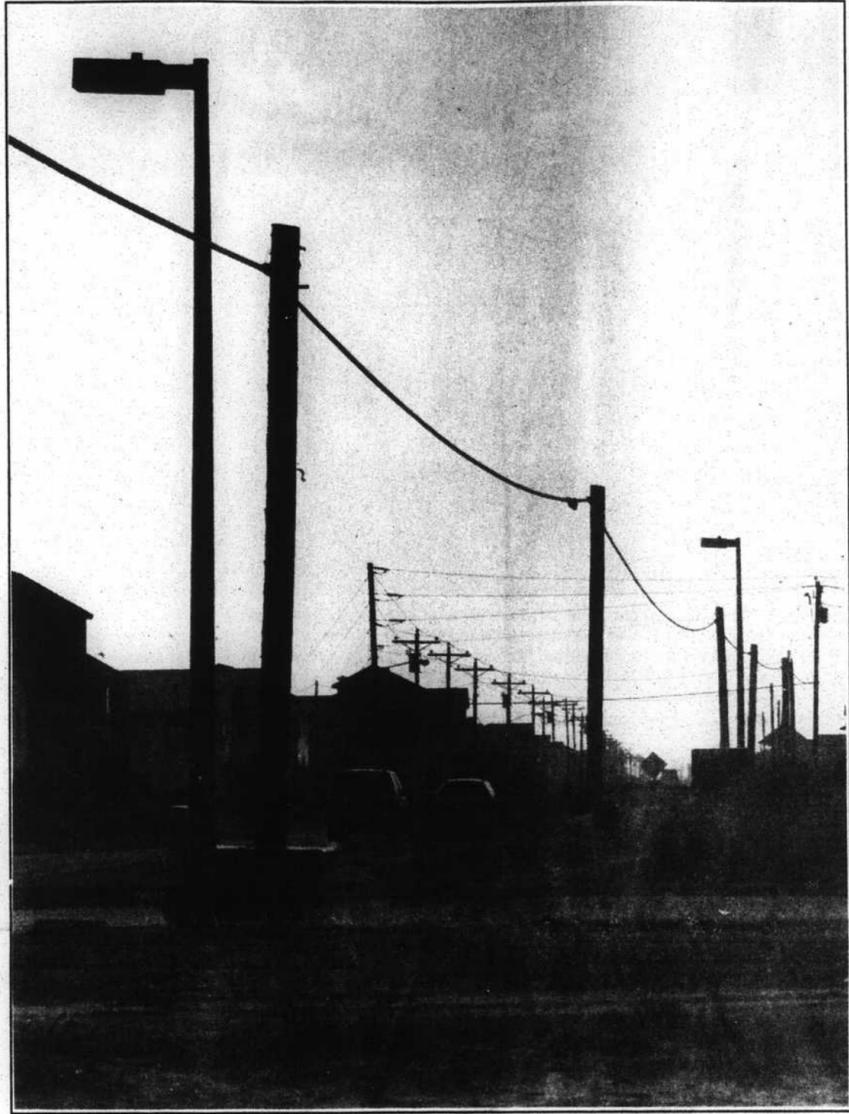
A primary race has also developed for the District 1 seat on the Brunswick County Board of Education.

Olaf (Bud) Thorsen of Shallotte will face incumbent Thurman Gause on the Democratic ballot.

A former board member, George F. Wilson of Supply, filed for the District 2 seat on Tuesday.

Incumbent Republicans Bill Fairley, of District 3, and Yvonne Bright, of District 5, will also run

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Phase I of Long Beach's underground utility project is complete with the exception of Southern Bell phone lines. Mayor Joan Altman and public works director Charles Derrick met with Brunswick Electric Membership Corporation officials Monday, and learned that phase II

of the project, encompassing the area between Middleton Street and 19th Place East, will begin within the next few weeks. The telephone lines in phase I are expected to be underground by mid-February.

## Committee recommends BHI association acquire creek site

By Jim Harper  
Staff Writer

A committee has reiterated a recommendation that the Bald Head Association purchase the Bald Head Creek small boat access and launching site to perpetuate the facility for community use.

The committee was appointed after the island developer offered to sell the site for \$142,000. They recommended the purchase in November, but were asked to provide further information.

Islanders have been using the facility on a temporary basis because the site was optioned to the Lighthouse Landing subdeveloper. It was offered to the association

after that option lapsed.

Committee members Bob Timmons and Chuck Pardee suggest in a written report that the site be purchased for \$142,000, with a \$25,000 down payment and \$25,000 paid annually to the developer at an interest rate of one percentage point above the prime rate.

The committee says the developer's offer for sale and financing stands until February 28.

The committee said it considered having the site on Lighthouse Creek purchased by the Bald Head Island Club, by the village and by the North Carolina Wildlife Resources Commission.

The club has no interest, they report; mayor Bill

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## '93 Report Card

# County school system again fails the test

By Marybeth Bianchi  
Feature Editor

What does one top school official have to say about Brunswick County schools' 1993 Report Card?

"I don't think we're very good," was the response given by Jan Calhoun, assistant superintendent for instruction.

"Low", "very low", "very disappointing and unusually low" were a few of the terms Calhoun used in describing the county's showing on the latest state Report Card to the school board Monday night.

On a positive note, he pointed out, "I think we're doing better in reading," but added, "It's not where we want to be. I won't say it's acceptable. It's not acceptable."

Compared to seven neighboring school systems in southeastern North Carolina, Brunswick County is fourth in the three academic areas measured by the Report Card.

"We're very competitive and a little bit better than some of our neigh-

*'Education has to change. Students come to school today with different characteristics than they did ten years ago and we haven't changed much at all...'*

Jan Calhoun  
Assistant superintendent

bors," Calhoun pointed out during an interview last week.

However, he thinks a far better comparison of Brunswick County's

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# Groups to seek legislative help in mining fight

By Terry Pope  
County Editor

The next battle for local mining opponents may lie in the hands of legislators.

The Brunswick Mining Awareness Committee has asked State Sen. R. C. Soles Jr. of Tabor City to arm state agencies with power to reject mining permits that are incomplete.

"This is obviously the only way to correct a flawed system," said Suzanne Osborne, legislative coordinator for the mining committee.

Last week, the Brunswick County Board of Commissioners adopted an ordinance to prohibit deep mining within five miles of Carolina Power and Light Co.'s Brunswick nuclear plant and Military Ocean Terminal Sunny Point ammunition seaport north of Southport. Deep mines use

*Martin Marietta filed its state permit October 29, but it doesn't contain all the information state agencies claim is needed to reach a proper decision*

explosives and dewatering of the aquifer to reach the rock.

Martin Marietta Aggregates has applied to mine for limestone on a

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## County is reviewing ordinance

# Trailer relocation is restricted

By Terry Pope  
County Editor

To some, an older mobile home is a dangerous eyesore. To others, it's the only home they can afford.

That's why an amendment to restrict used mobile homes from wheeling into Brunswick County faces a shaky battle.

Some residents claim the county zoning ordinance is too strict on mobile home owners, and commissioners have agreed to study the plan.

Targeted are manufactured homes built before July 1, 1976, or ones which may not meet minimum standards.

Are they safe, or should they be kept out of the county through

zoning controls? What role should government play in that decision?

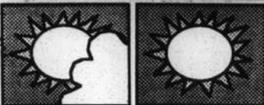
"They have moved them up en masse from trailer parks that have closed in Horry County (S. C.)," said John Harvey, Brunswick County planning director.

Before county zoning took effect January 1, there was no age limit. Local municipalities have their own standards, and they vary from a five-year limit to none at all.

"For years, we've been a dumping ground," Harvey said. Most county zoning ordinances set a ten-year age limit on mobile homes. Ones older are not allowed to move in or must remain on the original lot. County inspectors say the proposed

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## OUTSIDE



### Forecast

The extended forecast calls for partly cloudy skies Thursday with highs in the 60s and lows in the 40s. Mostly sunny skies are expected Friday with highs in the 50s and lows in the 30s. Even cooler Saturday, with highs only in the 30s and lows in the 20s.

### Tide table

HIGH	THURSDAY, JANUARY 13	LOW
8:58 a.m.		2:27 a.m.
9:10 p.m.		3:01 p.m.
FRIDAY, JANUARY 14		
9:39 a.m.		3:11 a.m.
9:52 p.m.		3:42 p.m.
SATURDAY, JANUARY 15		
10:18 a.m.		3:53 a.m.
11:33 p.m.		4:22 p.m.
SUNDAY, JANUARY 16		
10:57 a.m.		4:35 a.m.
11:15 p.m.		5:03 p.m.
MONDAY, JANUARY 17		
11:36 a.m.		5:18 a.m.
11:58 p.m.		5:44 p.m.
TUESDAY, JANUARY 18		
12:17 a.m.		6:05 a.m.
----- p.m.		6:29 p.m.
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 19		
12:44 a.m.		6:56 a.m.
1:03 p.m.		7:18 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 Inlet, high -22, low -8.

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