

## Supply Elementary, 6:30 p.m.

# Coastal Brunswick pageant is held Saturday

The second annual Mini through Miss Coastal Brunswick Pageant will be staged Saturday, March 21, 6:30 p.m., at Supply Elementary School.

General admission will be \$5, but \$3 for children ages two through six. Program books will be available for \$1.

Highlights of the pageant include performances by ABC Cloggers, Wilmington Dance Academy, 1997 Tiny Miss Tabor City Tiffany Tedder, 1997 N. C. Memorial Day Princess Tia Corbett, 1997 Teen Miss Brunswick County Christina Rebekah Ward, Cameron Hankins and Marquie McCarthy.

1995 Miss Brunswick County Renee Ward Adams will be mistress of ceremonies, and 1997 Brunswick County Christmas Star Christina Price will be guest speaker.

Outgoing Miss Coastal Brunswick queens Kalah Green, Karissa Frink, Katherine Easley, Kristina Lewis and Katie Clemmons will also perform and give farewell speeches.

Contestants in the pageant are:

■ **Mini Miss (ages two and three)** -- Elizabeth Elliot, 2, daughter of Mike and Yvette Elliot of Leland; Katie Cribb, 3, daughter of

Tommy and Cindy Cribb of Ash; Kaitlyn Graham, 3, daughter of Shane and Mary Graham of Ash.

■ **Tiny Miss (ages four through six)** -- Brooke Culbreth, 6, daughter of Shep. and Tina Culbreth of Holden Beach; Christian Smith, 6, daughter of John and Nickie Smith of Supply; Kendra Bryant, 4, daughter of Eric and Sherry Bryant of Shallotte; Christina Johnson, 6, granddaughter of Gordon and Lynn Morey of Leland; Lauren Pruitt, 4, daughter of Ed and Sherry Pruitt of Long Beach; Bethany Wright, 4, daughter of Chuck and Charlotte Wright of Shallotte.

■ **Little Miss (ages seven through nine)** -- Amanda Hanes, 8, daughter of John and Alynne Hanes of Ocean Isle Beach.

■ **Junior Miss (ages ten through 12)** -- Nancy Helms, 12, daughter of Mike and Rhe Helms of Long Beach; Noshaba Galloway, 11, daughter of Dianne Floyd of Southport.

■ **Teen Miss (ages 13 through 15)** -- Tana Overman, 13, daughter of Frederick and Anita Walton of Southport and Melvin Overman of Long Beach; Stephanie Ward, 13, daughter of Terry and Marlene Ward



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Tiny Miss



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Tiny Miss



**PRUITT**  
Tiny Miss



**HELMS**  
Junior Miss



**WARD**  
Teen Miss



**WATERS**  
Teen Miss



**SMITH**  
Miss



**PAGE**  
Miss

of Shallotte; Kayla Howell, 15, daughter of Rebecca Hymes of Boiling Spring Lakes; Shanarah

Waters, 15, daughter of Tony and Katherine Land of Shallotte.

■ **Miss (ages 16 through 18)** --

Tracy Smith, 17, daughter of Larry and Rebecca Smith of Supply;

Nicole Page, 18, daughter of Daniel and Michelle Page of Sunset Beach.

## Hope Harbor concern Family violence may last lifetime for child

By Holly Edwards  
Feature Editor

Children who witness violence in the home suffer emotional wounds that can last a lifetime, said Hope Harbor Home children's program coordinator Renee Schrom.

To draw attention to pain suffered by children who witness domestic violence, Hope Harbor Home is marketing a children's T-shirt that features a drawing by a ten-year-old girl who had watched her father physically abuse her mother.

"The jumbled look of the drawing and all the different colors show how confused she feels, and the tears show how painful the experience was," said Schrom.

The T-shirts are available at area daycare centers as well as the Hope Harbor Home shelter for victims of domestic violence.

Warning signs to look for in children include inattentiveness at school, fear or anxiety around their parents, extreme aggression or extreme shyness, isolation from their peers, difficulty distinguishing intentional from unintentional acts, school phobia and theft.

"The extent to which children are affected depends on a lot of different factors, ranging from the extent and frequency of the violence, to the independent needs of a child, and the developmental stage of the child," Schrom explained.

Infants and toddlers may be inadvertently hit, pushed or dropped during a violent episode, and may suffer neglect because their mothers are unable to meet their needs, she said.

During middle school, children often view their parents as role models, and through abusive behavior parents teach their children that violence is an acceptable way to resolve conflicts.

"Violence becomes a learned behavior that these children carry into the community and school system," Schrom said. "And, because of the father's power and control, children from homes where domestic violence is present usually do not participate in extracurricular activities. Isolation is a key factor in making sure the family secret remains a secret."

School phobia and inattentiveness at school also may result from witnessing domestic violence at home,



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and children are often afraid to leave their mothers because they are afraid she will be beaten while they're gone.

"Most of these children feel that if they stay home they can protect their mother," Schrom said. "Inattentiveness occurs because the child is constantly wondering what is happening to mom while they are in school or because they have been awake listening to their parents fight the night before."

During adolescence, Schrom said many children who have witnessed violence at home continue the cycle by getting involved in abusive relationships or becoming abusive toward their partners.

"For adolescent girls, this may be a period where they begin to accept

threats and violence as normal," Schrom explained. "Most adolescents who run away from home come from violent households, and others begin to act out their anger and frustrations which result in interventions through the juvenile justice system."

For further information about the effects of domestic violence on children, persons may call Schrom at Hope Harbor Home, 754-5726.

## Concert band new musicians are welcome

Brunswick Concert Band is preparing for its spring concert and is inviting new members to join.

The band performs a variety of music, including classical, Dixieland, marches and show tunes. Band members represent a variety of musical backgrounds.

In particular, the band is seeking saxophone, tuba, oboe and bassoon players, but all musicians are invited.

Rehearsals are held every Tuesday, 7 p.m., at the CP&L Media Center. For further information, persons may call Rusty Garman, 278-4255, or Donna Massingale, 842-3233.

## AARP meets on March 26

The Southport Chapter of the American Association of Retired Persons (AARP) will meet Thursday, March 26, 11:30 a.m., at the Sandfiddler Restaurant.

N. C. Consumers for Affordable Reliable Electricity chairman Mary Odom will discuss changes in the purchase of electric power and the rights of senior citizens to be notified of impending changes.

An AARP board meeting will be held Tuesday, March 24, 8:30 a.m., at Edna's Kitchen in Long Beach.

AARP membership and functions are open to persons age 50 and older.

## Egg hunt to be held in Franklin Square

The annual Easter Egg Hunt at Franklin Square Park will be held Saturday, April 4, 10 a.m. The rain date is Sunday at 1 p.m.

More than 5,000 candy eggs and 900 plastic eggs will be hidden in the park and children ages six through 12 are invited to participate.

The event also will feature a special appearance by the Easter Bunny.

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Many routine oral surgical procedures may be managed by the family dentist. However, both dentists and physicians refer a wide variety of problems to the oral surgeon. These are services

which need a specialist. Examples include the treatment of cysts, tumors, infections and lesions of the mouth and jaws, as well as the need to remove infected and impacted teeth.

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