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Rhe Helms (right) of Realty Executives in Yaupon Beach is congratulated by owner/broker Furman Melton upon receipt of the Achievers Award and Top Producer Award in the Realty Executives System. The awards recognized sales of over \$2 million and Helms' customer service

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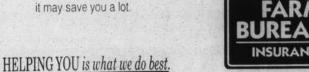
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Southport-Oak Island

The chamber report

By Karen Sphar **Executive Vice-President**

(This is a report on the activities of the Southport-Oak Island Chamber of Commerce that appears weekly in The State Port Pilot.)

We have much appreciation to extend to many, many folks.

On Saturday, April 11, the chamber entered the ninth annual Robert Ruark Foundation Chili Cookoff. The chili was whipped up by Chuck and Donna Sandine of Southern Hospitality. It was yummy! We appreciate those who voted for our chili and honored us with the People's Choice Award. We are also thankful to Chuck and Donna, who donated all the fixings, time and lots of effort; booth volunteers Joyce Maresca and Nancy and Bill Sphar; and equipment suppliers Barb's Seafood & Midtown Deli and Bobbie Frazier.

We hope the Robert Ruark Festival raised lots of funds for its short fiction and poetry contests and art exhibit. If you would like information on how to enter the competitions, please call Bette Leggett at 457-5494.

On Thursday and Friday, April 16-17, the bark Endeavour passed by the waterfront on its way up the Cape Fear River to Wilmington. The time of arrival was hard to pinpoint due to the weather and currents, but

Smyre earns

Rudd award

Lee Smyre of Margaret Rudd and

Associates Inc. has been awarded

the company's 1998 first quarter

The award is presented to the sales

Smyre, a resident of Caswell

Beach, has been affiliated with

Margaret Rudd and Associates'

Yaupon Beach office since 1995. He

associate with the highest produc-

Champion Associate trophy.

tion for the quarter.

those who were down on the waterfront when she passed were treated to a show. We appreciate the many phone calls and updates by local residents such as Becky Felton (husband Bert was aboard the ship) and Mary Strickland, Southport Maritime Museum.

A regional team effort was put forth to get her into harbor the night of April 16, and if you looked closely you saw she was flying the City of Southport flag. Working with the Cape Fear Coast Convention and Visitors Bureau; Cape Fear Yacht Club, Tow Boat/US Southport and Water Taxi, Cape Fear Pilots Association, City of Southport officials and administration, Ship's Chandler Restaurant and Southport Historical Society was a delight.

We were disappointed when Capt. Carl Blake's representatives were unable to disembark the ship due to weather and come ashore for some of that famous Southport hospitality. However, a token of our appreciation was delivered to them Tuesday from the City of Southport and the chamber. Items in the gift basket were donated by area businesses.

For those who would like to board the Endeavour, tours will be conducted 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. daily

St. James honor goes to Dickens

St. James Plantation has named Andi Dickens its first Employee of the Quarter for 1998

lected by fellow employees based on "attitude, outstanding work ethic and the willingness to go above and bevond.

She was se-

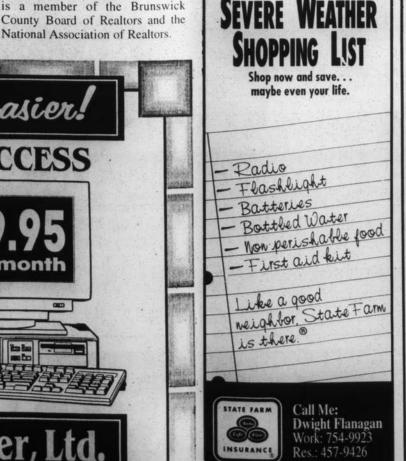


Dickens has served as a marketing system/data entry associate with St. James Plantation for three years.

College offers notary course

Brunswick Community College will offer a notary public education course on Wednesday and Thursday, April 29-30, 6 to 9 p.m., in the teaching auditorium.

The registration fee is \$35. Brunswick County residents age 65 and older may register for free. The textbook costs \$14.15 and must be paid for separately.



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Setzer joins **Essey sales**

Sheila Setzer has joined Century 21 Dorothy Essey and Associates as

a sales associate in the Long Beach office.

through April 26 at Wilmington's

Riverfront Park. The fee is \$10 per

On Monday, April 27, at 1:30 p.m.

Brunswick Town State Historic Site

will present a program entitled "A

Glimpse of History" as the Endea-

vour passes. They are planning for

an exchange of signals, a flag salute,

firing a ceremonial cannon and

some information about the ship and

Next week: A detailed account of

the chamber's Secretary/Support

Dixon named

to President's

Charles H. Dixon of Coldwell

This is the third year Dixon has

been chosen for membership in the

prestigious Coldwell Banker group.

Alex Perriello, president and CEO

of Coldwell Banker, said, "The

International President's Circle rec-

ognizes those sales associates

whose sales performance and dedi-

cation are exceptional."

Circle again

Banker Southport-Oak

Realty has been

selected to join

the company's

International

President's

Circle, an honor

bestowed on

only the top

four percent of associ-

everyday life aboard.

Staff Spring Cruise.

Since joining the company she has completed Century 21 Plus training as well as the Century 21 VIP Sales



Associate Course. She is recipient of the New Horizon Award for outstanding sales performance by Century 21 Dorothy Essey and Associates.

Setzer is a member of the National Association of Realtors, the North Carolina Association of Realtors and the Brunswick County Board of Realtors. She is a native of Morganton, now residing in Yaupon Beach. She is married to Terry Setzer and they have three children and four grandchildren.

Huggins joins Sterling group

Janet Huggins of Coldwell Banker Southport-Oak Island Realty has

been named a member of the company's International Sterling Society.

The honor is bestowed upon only the top 20 percent of more 60,000

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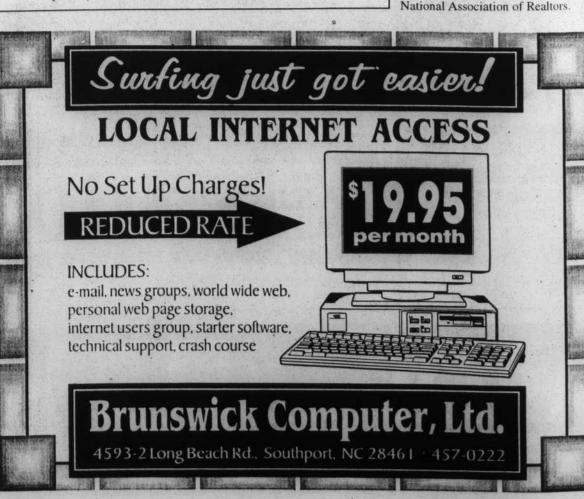


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