

# BCC Visiting Artist's Farewell Concert To Aid Hope Harbor Home

Pamela Reid's farewell performance as Brunswick Community College's Visiting Artist will be a benefit concert for Hope Harbor Home.

"An Evening of Love Songs" will be presented Saturday, May 21, from 7:30 p.m. to 8:45 p.m. on the campus of Brunswick Community College in Supply, in the new classroom building.

"It's my goodbye party," Ms. Reid said last week. It is also an opportunity to use her artistic ability to help the shelter for battered women and their children.

Previous programs for the visiting artist have had free admission, with the tab picked up by sponsors. "This time I thought I ought to do something for a special cause, and that it was time to do something where everyone would be contributing," she said.

"Artists are people also—you have beliefs, sometimes you have to speak out." As a woman, she empathizes with those who seek out the shelter; also, there are few homes that are not affected either directly or indirectly by domestic violence. Most people, if they've not experienced it themselves, know someone who has. A program of love songs seemed a fitting subject for the concert, she said, since love is often what gets women into situations where domestic violence occurs in the first place.

"I thought anyone who has been battered could appreciate that," Ms. Reid continued. "I thought we could have some fun with it and get some help for it."

"The time comes when you have to stop crying, lick your wounds and start to live again—at least if there is

a place to go to like Hope Harbor Home. Other women stay where they are—sometimes until they're killed," she added.

"An Evening of Love Songs" will run the gamut of musical styles and tastes.

"I will try to touch as many types of people as there might be in the audience," explained Ms. Reid. "There will be several tunes for country lovers, something for blues lovers, something for the appreciators of ballads."

"I might even share a reggae number," she added. Depending upon who accompanies her, that song could be her own "Mysterious You," soon to be released as a single on the Studio One Label.

Right now, she expects three men whose names should now be familiar locally to return for the event—Jesse Hamilton of Charlotte and Visiting Artists Michael Porter of Durham Technical College and Allen Youngblood of Richmond Technical College.

The concert—like the other public performances sponsored by the Visiting Artists program here, will be a highlight of her two-year stint at Brunswick Community College. These have included two Black Arts Festivals, school performances by she and other Visiting Artists, and last fall's production of "Snow Angel."

"Those times made it possible to get through the low times," she said.



Married 55 Years

John and Gola Simmons Ward of Bolivia recently celebrated their 55th wedding anniversary. Married April 30, 1933, in Conway, S.C., they now have six children, 10 grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren.

## Little River Blue Crab Festival Features Music By The Carousels

While the main attractions may be seafood treats and arts and crafts exhibits, the Little River, S.C., Blue Crab Festival has a lot more to offer May 14 and 15.

The Carousels of Jacksonville, a one-time popular beach group formed in 1976, are reuniting for one last gig together as the featured band at the festival. Named best new beach music group of 1986, they'll be playing beach numbers such as their "Atlantic Beach Summer" and "Sunshine Girls," rock and roll, top 40 and country western. Members are Ricky Dixon, keyboard; Barney Teachey, bass; Tony Baker, drums; and also Henry Jones, guitar, who will not be playing at the festival.

The Carousels will play three shows daily at 12 noon, 2 p.m. and 4 p.m.

In addition to the featured band, the music line-up also includes performances by the Sea Notes, a ladies'

close harmony quartet; the O.D. Cloggers, with a 1 p.m. Sunday show; spirituals and gospel music by the Mt. Calvary Baptist Church; and the Low Country Chorus, 3 p.m. Saturday.

Approximately 160 food and arts and crafts booths will be set up at the festival.

New this year are nature science exhibits, an exhibit by the Waccamaw Audubon Society, a bird walk at Vereen Gardens at 3 p.m. Saturday, and an exhibit and nature walk by the South Carolina Parks Department at 3 p.m. Sunday.

For children the festival will offer face-painting all day and a crabbing contest for ages 6-15 Saturday afternoon.

Admission to the festival is \$1 for adults and 50 cents for children, with food, boat rides and a bowling tournament available for an added charge.

## Weekend Camp's For Single Parents And Their Children

A weekend camping experience could be just the opportunity busy, single parents need for quality time with their children—especially when it's run by the experts, the Boy Scouts.

Single Parent Weekend will be held May 21 and 22 at Camp Bowers near White Oak, said Peggy Raymond, publicity chairman. Sponsored by the Cape Fear Council, Boy Scouts of America, the camping weekend is open to all single parents and their children ages 6 to 16, both boys and

girls. The Council plans a full weekend of riflery, archery, games, waterfront activities and cooking demonstrations, said Ms. Raymond.

A fee of \$11 per person includes a tee-shirt, Saturday dinner and Sunday breakfast. Deadline for registration is May 16, with checks payable to Boy Scouts of America, Cape Fear Council, P.O. Box 7156, Wilmington, NC 28406.

For more information, contact the Boy Scout office, 395-1100.

## Shallotte Seniors Back 911 Service

Members of the Shallotte Senior Citizens are endorsing efforts to obtain a countywide 911 emergency service number for Brunswick County.

"We think it would be of great advantage to all of us," said President Fanny Keeton, "especially the senior citizens, since so many of us have handicaps and live alone. We sincerely hope that we can get it passed for the county soon."

Group members also plan to hold a yard and bake sale Saturday, May 21, from 8:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Shallotte Senior Center located on U.S. 17 just south of the N.C. 130-U.S. 17 intersection near the North

Carolina National Guard Armory.

Donations of clothing and other sale items are requested, said Ms. Keeton. More information is available by calling the center, 754-8776, between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m.

## Sale Canceled

Calabash Volunteer Fire Department has canceled a "Trash and Treasure" sale scheduled for May 6 and 7.

It will be rescheduled at a later date, said Jean Mearns, secretary of the unit's Ladies Auxiliary.

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nearsighted. The modern treatment of glaucoma consists of eyedrops, laser treatment, and/or glaucoma surgery. Glaucoma can usually be stopped but sight loss can never be regained.

If you haven't had your eye pressure checked within the past year, come to our free community SightSaver eye screening, celebrating the grand opening of Carolina Eye Associates NEW Brunswick County Eye Center in Supply, North Carolina. The eye screening will be held on Saturday, May 21st. Join us for complimentary refreshments and get a free SightSaver Eye Kit to take home with you.

To sign up for the free eye screening, or to get more information about glaucoma and other eye disorders, call SightLine, our toll-free information service at 1-800-227-5189.

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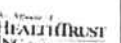
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