

Enjoy Colonial Christmas Dec. 9 At Brunswick Town

Visitors can enjoy the flavor of a colonial Christmas Sunday, Dec. 9 with Brunswick Town State Historic Site hosts its annual Christmas Open House.

The event is scheduled from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m., said Tammy Bangert, and will be followed by a candlelight vespers service in the St. Philips Church ruins at 5 p.m.

Featured will be local entertainment, traditionally baked 18th and 19th century Christmas treats, and decorations made from fresh fruits and greenery representative of the colonial period during which Brunswick was a prosperous and bustling port town.

Members of the Boiling Spring Lakes and Town Creek extension homemakers clubs are baking the treats, while other volunteers and

historic site staff members are preparing the decorations.

Community volunteers will also provide instrumental performances suited to the season from 1:30 p.m. to the start of the vespers. Performers will include John Crowley, saxophone; Peggy Olsen, flute; Joe Robinson, harmonica; Tom Hudgin and Barbara Johansen, recorders, and Walter Welsh and friends, recorders.

The program is sponsored by Friends of Brunswick Town, Inc., site staff and area business and volunteers.

Brunswick Town State Historic Site is located off N.C. 133, adjacent to Orton Plantation. It is committed to the preservation and interpretation of the former port town and Fort Anderson, a Confederate fort built among the ruins.



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Altarmen To Sing

The Altarmen, a Shallotte area quartet, will sing Sunday, Dec. 2, at 6 p.m. at Oak Grove Baptist Church on Holden Beach Road. The public is invited. Members (from left) are R.L. Hewett, Larry Heustess, Linda Street and Albert Hughes.

CHURCH ACTIVITIES

Services Set At St. James

St. James the Fisherman Episcopal Church of Shallotte will mark the beginning of the Advent Season with two special services of lessons and carols Sunday, Dec. 2.

The St. James the Fisherman Choir, under the direction of Susan Greene, and other ministers will lead both the 8:15 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. services.

This ancient service began in the Middle Ages as a way of marking the beginning of the season that looks toward the coming of the Christ.

The lessons and carols trace the Old Testament prophecies of the coming of the Messiah, the Anointed One, through the annunciation stories in the first chapters of the Gospels.

The Rev. Richard W. Warner Jr., rector, invites the public to attend the advent services. The church is located at 4941 Main Street in Shallotte.

To Sing Dec. 2

The Longwood Chorus will be featured at a singing scheduled Sunday, Dec. 2, at Trinity Freewill Baptist Church on Exum Road in Ash.

Services start at 6 p.m. and everyone is welcome, said spokesman Lori DeBoise.

Evangelist To Speak

Bible Baptist Church on Seashore Road off N.C. 130 near Holden Beach will hold special services Wednesday, Nov. 28, through Sunday, Dec. 2, at 7:30 p.m. daily.

The guest speaker will be evangelist David McBurney of Florida, said the Rev. Norman Gunther, pastor. The church invites the public to attend.

Singing Planned

The New Believers will sing Sunday, Dec. 2, at Abundant Life Church on N.C. 179 south of Shallotte at 7 p.m., said Rosemary E. Beck.

The pastor, Earl Pigott, and members invite the public to attend.

Tall Fescue Grass Not Recommended In Area

BY C. BRUCE WILLIAMS
Area Extension Turfgrass Agent

Dear Plant Doctor: I am considering using some of the new turf types of tall fescue in my yard. What are some of the pros and cons of tall fescue?

Answer: I have been waiting 10 years for this question. A portion of my graduate research involved the evaluation of tall fescue growth in the piedmont and coastal plains of Alabama.

Tall fescue (*Festuca arundinacea*) is a cool season bunch grass native to northern Africa and the adjoining Mediterranean countries. This grass is grown extensively throughout the eastern United States, primarily in the piedmont and mountain regions. High loam- or clay-containing soils usually produce quality turf stands.

In general tall fescue does poorly in sandy soils.

THE PLANT DOCTOR

The optimum seasons for the growth of tall fescue are the spring and fall. During the hot, dry summer months the grass tends to go dormant. However, tall fescue comes closest to providing year-round green lawn throughout much of North Carolina. Tall fescue does not recover well from injury or foot traffic, therefore bare areas must be reseeded annually.

Great advances have been made in breeding for high quality turf-type tall fescue grass varieties in the past 15 years. Tall fescue is a moderate-to-coarse bladed, heavy-duty grass that tolerates a wide range of environmental conditions.

Older varieties, such as Kentucky 31, are much coarser bladed than the newer turf-type tall fescue varieties. Numerous varieties are available, some of which are Adventure, Brookston, Falcon, Finelawn, Galway, Houndog, Jaguar, Olympic and Rebel II.

Tall fescue sounds like the ideal lawn grass. But for eastern North Carolina gardeners, the reality is quite the opposite.

I rarely see a high quality tall fescue lawn in this area due to the sandy soils that dominate. Improper cultivation, nematodes and numerous hot weather fungus disease problems also help restrict tall fescue lawns to the piedmont and mountain regions of the state.

In general, I recommend that you consider one of the warm season grasses such as zoysia, centipede, bermuda or St. Augustine for your lawn. Tall fescue and other cool season grasses such as bentgrass, bluegrass and fine fescue can be grown in this area but at great trouble and expense.

The North Carolina Extension Service has several excellent publications that address tall fescue lawns. Carolina Lawns (Bulletin AG-69) and Tall Fescue Lawn Maintenance Calendar (Bulletin AG-367) are available from the county extension office at Bolivia.

Send your gardening questions to The Plant Doctor, P.O. Box 109, Bolivia, N.C. 28422.



WILLIAMS

Calls Answered

Officers answered 1,163 calls last month and made 126 investigations while recovering more than \$16,000 in property, reported the Brunswick County Sheriff's Department.

According to the monthly report, officers made one arrest on drunk and disruptive charges, logged 89,496 miles and used 5,853 gallons of fuel.

Other figures for October show: 102 domestic calls answered; 10 arrests made as prosecuting witness; 405 witnesses summoned; 550 civil papers served; one juvenile petition served; 229 local warrants and three foreign warrants served; three mental and inebriate papers served and seven doors and windows found open.

Court hours totaled 335 hours on duty and seven hours off duty. Two trips were made out of the county, \$16,150 in property was recovered and the department's transport van logged 1,013 miles.

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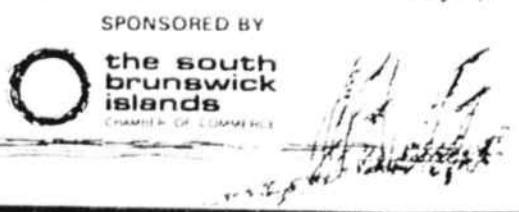
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- Tweedle's Gift Shop Causeway Plaza, Holden Beach
- Western Auto Main St., Shallotte



CEDAR GROVE AREA NEWS

Church Ministers To Residents

BY BARBARA T. HEWETT

As the Christmas season rolls around the missionaries of Cedar Grove Church take on one of their favorite projects—providing gifts to residents of area rest homes.

Last year, for example, they presented 104 lap quilts to Autumn Care residents and sang carols.

This year the group will target Brunswick Village as its place to share love through giving and through singing carols.

Returning Fellowship Members of Pleasant Grove Missionary Baptist Church, their pastor, the Rev. Samuel Stanley, and members of five other local churches—Pleasant View, Cedar Grove, Little Prong, Little Macedonia and Holy Bethel, leave Friday, Nov. 30 for Melbourne, Fla.

They will be returning fellowship and inspiration to the St. James Church family, led by the Rev. Kirby Frink Jr., a native of Brun-

wick County and former member of Pleasant Grove.

Participants on the trip include his sisters, brothers and other close relatives. They will be served a welcoming breakfast and dinner and a worship program on Saturday. On Sunday, they will render the entire service for St. James.

Birthday Greetings

Happy birthday to Mary McCoy, Rhoda Mitchell, Sandra Fullwood, Monika Hewett, Jimmy Gibson, Betty Ruth Chavis, Walter Johnson Jr., Thurmond Gause, Richard Devon Bernard and Pauline Ellis.

Tune In

Listen to WVCB (1410 AM) Radio Station in Shallotte Thursdays at 3 p.m. and Saturdays at 10:15 a.m. for the Cedar Grove Area News. On Sunday evenings listen for the Moments of Inspiration gospel music program.

Weekly Scripture

The Scripture of the week comes from Luke 1, "...the angel said unto him, fear not, Zacharias, for thy prayer is heard and thy wife Elizabeth shall bear thee a son, and thou shalt call his name John. And thou shalt have joy and gladness, and many shall rejoice at his birth."

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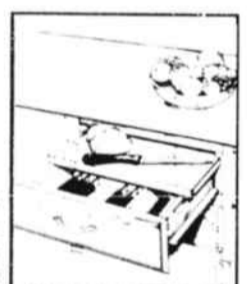
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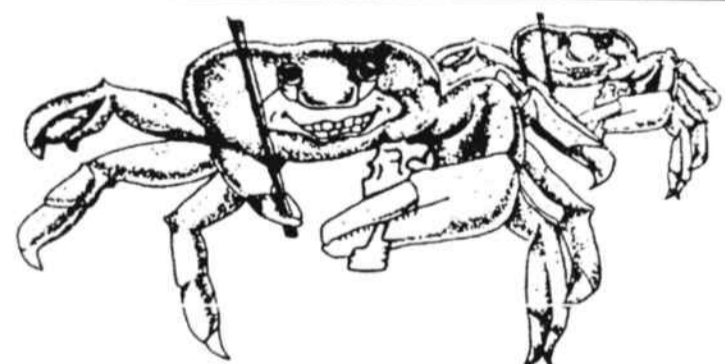
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