

CHURCH BRIEFS

Performances Set By Mt. Pisgah

The youth and adult choirs of Mt. Pisgah Baptist Church of Supply will present Christmas musicals the next two weekends that are open to the public.

The adult choir will present *Celebrate The Child*. Performances have been scheduled Sunday, Dec. 16, at 6 p.m. and Sunday, Dec. 23, at 11 a.m. at the church.

The youth choir will present *Once Upon A Christmas* Sunday, Dec. 23, at 6 p.m.

The musical tells the story of Grandma Dobbins as she faces her first Christmas alone. She meets five unusual characters in the form of ornaments who remind her of past Christmases.

Cantata Scheduled

The adult choir of Shell Point Baptist Church at Shell Point will present the Christmas cantata, *King Forever*, Sunday, Dec. 16, at 7 p.m. at the church.

The Rev. Donald Hardwick, pastor, will be directing.

Shell Point Baptist Church is located on Shell Point Road of N.C. 130 East, Holden Beach Road.

Also, on Thursday, Dec. 20, school-age youths of the church will

go caroling. Participants are to meet at the church at 6:30 p.m.

Musical Set At Southport

The 42-member adult choir of Southport Baptist Church will present the musical, *The King*, by David Clydesdale, Sunday, Dec. 16, at 7 p.m. at the church, with the public invited.

Eddie Hicks, minister of music and youth, will direct.

The musical uses traditional Christmas carols, newly composed songs and Handel's "Hallelujah Chorus".

Soloists are Debbie Evans, Wyatt Gordon, Jesse Powell Jr., Mike Kirkland and Cheryl Shew.

The Rev. Wayne Trexler, pastor, will fill the role of Benjamin, a scholar who studies the prophecies concerning the coming of Christ. Dean Holden, Tom Huskey and Jeff Johnson will portray the Wise Men. Ed Boss and Terry Pierce are sound and light technicians for the production.

Preceding the musical, the adult handbell choir and Amaretta Prevatte, organist, will combine efforts to provide a festive arrangement of "Angels We Have Heard on High."



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School Receives WOW Flag

Woodmen of the World recently presented American and Christian flags to the Community Chapel School on Holden Beach Road. Shown with the flags above are on the front row (from left) Adam Fulford, Jonathan Sullivan, Barrett Sasser, Josh Holley and Susan Schneider; second row, Jennifer Sullivan, John Norris, Debbie Heustess, secretary, WOW Lodge No. 160, and Meloney Holly; and back row, Principal Kandy Sullivan and WOW Representatives Jimmy Marshall and Larry Heustess.

Deaths And Funerals

EDNA WILSON RUSS
Longtime local educator Edna Wilson Russ, 82, of Shallotte died Dec. 8 after a lengthy illness.

The funeral was held Dec. 10 in the Brunswick Funeral Service Chapel by George A. Sloane III. Burial was in Brunswick Memorial Gardens, Shallotte.

Mrs. Russ had retired from the Brunswick County Board of Education after teaching in the public schools for 52 years.

Survivors include her husband, L. Bailey Russ of the home; a son, E. David Russ of Shallotte; and a sister, Helen W. Kinlaw of Little River, S.C.

Memorials may be made to Shallotte Volunteer Rescue Squad.

JAMES WESTON WILLIAMS
James Weston Williams, 48, of Route 1, Delco, died Dec. 7 in New Hanover Memorial Hospital after a lengthy illness.

The funeral was Dec. 9 at Livingston Baptist Church, of which he was a member, with the Rev. Dick Wade officiating. Burial was in the church cemetery.

Williams was born in Shallotte on March 20, 1942, the son of the late Johnny Bethel and Leola Osborne Lewis Williams.

Survivors include his wife, Doris King Williams of the home; a son, Matthew Allen Williams of Great Lakes, Ill.; a daughter, Rita Lynn Williams of Greensboro; two sisters, Mina Jane Morton of Wilmington and Besie Eulalia Harris of Leland; two brothers, Jimcy Long Williams of Wilmington and Johnny Easton Williams of Atlanta, Ga.

LEACY S. BROWN
The funeral for Leacy S. Brown of Whiteville will be held Dec. 14 at 1 p.m. at Friendship Baptist Church.

The Rev. John Beese Jr. will deliver the eulogy. Burial will be in Sandhill community cemetery in Columbus County.

Survivors include two daughters, Arthalia S. Bennett, owner of People's Funeral Home in Whiteville and Shallotte, and Lillie Gause of Duquesne, Penn.; and two sons, James Brown of Whiteville and Evan Brown of Washington, D.C.

BERTRAM M. BURRISS
Bertram M. Burris, 81, of Old Bethel Church Road, Southport, died Dec. 10 in Doshier Memorial Hospital.

Arrangements were to be announced by Peacock-Newnam Funeral Home, Southport.

CEDAR GROVE AREA NEWS

Choirs Convened In Southport

BY BARBARA T. HEWETT

First Baptist Church of Southport served as host for the other 11 churches of the Choirs Confederation Sunday, Dec. 9. This group has been meeting the second Sunday of each month for nearly a half century without regard for denominational lines.

Their object appears to be a unified voice of praise in songs.

Affiliated churches are Cedar Grove, Big Macedonia and Little Macedonia of Supply; St. John, Piney Grove, Zion Hill and Rutland Chapel of Bolivia; St. James, Kendall Chapel, Bethlehem and Christian Chapel of the Leland-Winnabow area.

The public is always welcome to

attend their gatherings.

Birthday Greetings

Happy birthday to Samesa Goodson, Cedrick Gore, Clifford Vereen II, twins Aurilla and Arelia Hewett, Wyatt Smith, Felix Simmons, Roscanna Hewett, Otice Bryant, Dwight Bryant and Patrick Reed.

Weekly Scripture

The Scripture of the week comes again from Luke 1, the Christmas story as it relates to Elizabeth and the birth of her son, whom family and friends thought should be called Zecharias, after his father.

"And his mother answered and said, not so, but he shall be called John. And they made signs to his father how he should be called. And he asked for a writing table and wrote saying his name is John. And they marveled all. And his mouth was opened immediately, and his tongue loosened, and he spoke and praised God."

Weekend Blood Drive Slated

Shallotte area residents can give the gift of life during this Christmas holiday season by donating blood.

The South Brunswick Interchurch Council will be sponsoring a community blood drive Saturday, Dec. 22, at Calvary Baptist Church in conjunction with the American Red Cross. Hours will be 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.; participants should allow one hour for the donation time required.

Calvary Baptist Church is located on N.C. 179 in Shallotte.

Blood donors should be between the ages of 17 and 75, weigh at least 110 pounds and be in good health. Donors should not have had hepatitis, cancer, heart disease or have been exposed to AIDS.

The interchurch council is a coalition of ministers and lay persons from area churches concerned with meeting human needs.

CPR Course Begins Jan. 2

Ambulance attendants and other emergency volunteers can refresh their skills with a cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) class that begins Jan. 2 at the Southport Rescue Squad Building.

Offered by the Brunswick Community College Continuing Education Department, the class will continue through Jan. 8.

There is no registration charge for fire, rescue and law enforcement department members or state residents age 65 and older to take the class.

All others will pay a \$25 fee at the first class meeting. Registration will be held at the class site on East Nash Street from 6 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Jan. 2. CPR books have been donated by Pfizer Inc. for in-class use. Personal copies may be purchased for \$9 at the classes. Participants are encouraged to bring their own pocket face masks to class.

The class will meet 6:30 p.m. to

10 p.m. Jan. 2 and 3; 8 a.m. Jan. 5 and 6; and 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. Jan. 7 and 8. Instructors will be Doug Ledgett and Ellen Dorsett.

Those who plan to attend are asked to pre-register by calling the rescue squad at 457-6203 or Mrs. Dorsett at 457-5493.

Calabash Presbyterian Church
Worship Services Sunday 9:30 AM
VFW COMMUNITY HALL
TRADERS' VILLAGE, CALABASH

NOTICE
Garbage pickup for the Town of Sunset Beach for the week of December 24th will be done on Thursday, December 27th instead of Wednesday, December 26th. The week of January 1st the garbage pickup will be on Thursday, January 3rd instead of Wednesday, January 2nd. These changes are only for the Holidays. Your regular pickups will be on Wednesdays following the Holidays.



Concert Features Altarmen
Old Shallotte Baptist Church at Grissetown will present its Christmas concert, featuring The Altarmen, Friday, Dec. 14, at 7:30 p.m. The church is located on N.C. 904 one mile north of U.S. 17. Members of the quartet are (from left) R.L. Hewett, Larry Heustess, Linda Street and Albert Hughes.

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12:00 PM - Lunch
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Meeting: Brunswick Island Park
5th Hwy. 179 at Ocean Isle Beach

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8:30 AM - Holy Eucharist
9:30 AM - Church School
4:30 PM - Episcopal Youth

Wednesdays:
7:00 PM - Holy Eucharist
7:30 PM - Bible Study

The Rev. Dr. Richard W. Warrick, Rector

Church: 774-9333 Rectory: 842-9447

St. Luke Lutheran Church
Jack Martin, Pastor

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