

**ENTERTAINMENT BRIEFS**

**Celebrate This Christmas Along The Waterfront**

Southport's bicentennial Christmas waterfront celebration continues week-end with special weekend events and activities at the "Yuletide Harbor" on the historic Southport waterfront.

These events are scheduled the weekend of Dec. 19 and 20:

- SATURDAY, Dec. 19**  
 ■Candy cane hunt, 10 a.m.  
 ■Visit with Santa, 10:30 a.m.  
 ■Storytelling with John Snyder, 11 a.m.  
 ■Decorate Your Pet parade, 1 p.m.  
 ■Southport Seacoast Cloggers, 2 p.m.  
 ■Luminary lighting, 5 p.m.

**SUNDAY, Dec. 20**  
 ■Additional activities, 1 p.m. until dark.  
 The events are being coordinated by Southport 2000.

**Nutcracker Ballet Set**

This month marks the 100th anniversary of the first performance of the Tchaikovsky's "The Nutcracker," and Thalian Hall will celebrate with its own first, a professional, fully-staged performance of "The Nutcracker" ballet in the historic theatre.

"The Nutcracker" will be performed Dec. 20 at 3 p.m. and 8 p.m. and is produced by the Charleston Ballet Theatre of Charleston, S.C. It

will also feature local dancers from Cape Fear Theatre in roles as baby mice, angels, confectionary angels, Mother Ginger's children and a giant dragon.

Tickets are available for \$18, \$16 or \$10. A special \$10 student ticket is offered in all sections, and discounts are available for Thalian Hall members.

For tickets or information, call the theatre at 1-800-523-2820.

**'Grand' New Year's Eve**

The 1990 Tony Award winning musical "Grand Hotel" will be at Thalian Hall for one night only, New Year's Eve.

Based on the Greta Garbo-John Barrymore film, the National Tour of "Grand Hotel" spins a tale of love, yearning and passion, set within an opulent hotel in 1928 Berlin. The recent Broadway hit earned five Tony Awards, including best direction for director Tommy Tune.

The 8 p.m. performance will be preceded by a champagne reception, beginning at 7 p.m. in the theatre's main lobbies.

Tickets are \$35, \$25 and \$15 with discounts available for Thalian Hall members.

For reservations or information, call the theatre at 1-800-523-2820.

**SANTA LETTERS**

**All I Want For Christmas...**

Cincpyrter, computer—Whether they could spell the word or not, several youngsters in Diana Smith's first grade class at Bolivia Elementary School had computers and computer games in mind when writing Santa Claus at the North Pole.

Their wish lists also include the usual array of toys and pets.

Dear Santa Claus,  
 I love you, Santa Claus.  
 I want a dog.  
 I want a ball.  
 I want a puzzle.  
 I want a zoo.  
 I want a paint set.

John (Rogers)

Dear Santa,  
 I want a bike and pool and crayons, and horse and doll and ball and yo-yo.

Veronica Ennis

Dear Santa Claus I want a new dress and a puppet and a paintset and paint and a puzzle and a yo-yo and some mrekers and a tety bayr and play musician and a cincpyrter play hurst and a wagin baby doll and a sun to hold u up.

Jennifer (Bussell)

Dear Santa Claus  
 I want a Sega genisse I love you SantaClaus I want a motorcycle and a computer and games and a kite and a paintset.

Matthew Caudill

Dear Santa for Christmas i want a dogs and a cat and I want a snake.  
 I love you Santa

Barbara (Blackwell)

I like ward comenters.

Howard Hill

Dear Santa Claus,  
 I want 1 dog and at doll.

Laura (Randolph)

Dear Santa Claus,  
 I want motorcycle and bike and clay.

Love  
 Brittany (Prince)

Dear Santa Claus, I want computer games.  
 Dear Santa Claus, I want Sega genis

Everett Smith

Dear sant claus, I want, a yo-yo jump rope kite bikewagon.  
 Love  
 Laura M(artin)



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**Christmas Contest Winners**

Shuford and Fanny Pennell (pictured) of 129 High Point St. were awarded first place in the Holden Beach Beautification Committee's Christmas home decoration contest. They received a red poinsettia. Second place went to Jim and Barbara Bissett of 130 Ocean Blvd. West. Bob and Gloria Jones of 288 Brunswick Ave. West placed third. Homes were judged Sunday night.

**Course To Train Gardeners**

A Master Gardener Program will be offered in early 1993 by the Brunswick County Cooperative Extension Service for those who want to become better gardeners and are willing to share their gardening knowledge with others.

Bruce Williams, area specialized associate agent for turfgrass, will begin the 13-week training program in February.

Participants will receive 36 hours of training in all aspects of horticulture and home gardening. In return, Certified Master Gardeners will be expected to give back volunteer time working on a telephone hotline, a plant clinic and with horticultural field research trials.

Persons interested in more information are asked to contact the extension office at the Brunswick County Government Center, P.O.

Box 109, Bolivia, N.C. 28422, or calling 253-4425. Class size is limited.

**Joyous Holidays to you and yours.**

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**CLUB BRIEFS**

**Lions Give To VIC And Hope Harbor**

The Shallotte Lions Club voted at its Dec. 5 meeting to contribute \$100 each to the Brunswick County Volunteer and Information Center (VIC) and to Hope Harbor Home toward Christmas gifts for needy children.

This will enable some of the less fortunate children in the county to have a happier Christmas, said President Don Eggert.

The club also honored the birthdays of clubmembers Woodrow Russ of Shallotte and Ennis Long of Supply. Each celebrated their 80th birthday the first week of December.

In other business the club voted to purchase eyeglasses for an individual in the Calabash area who could not afford them and heard a program on law enforcement in Brunswick County presented by Sheriff John Carr Davis

**Auxiliary Meets**

The members of Holden Beach VFW Post 8866 Ladies Auxiliary celebrated Christmas with a cookie exchange at their Dec. 8 meeting.

They also brought gifts and cookies to be taken to the veterans' hospital in Fayetteville.

There were two guests, Lee Beck-

er and Linda McAndrew. The auxiliary's next meeting will be Jan. 12 at noon at Joe's Barbecue, Shallotte.

**Visit VA Hospital**

Members and auxiliaries of VFW Post No. 7288 in Calabash visited Dec. 12 with patients at the Veterans Administration Hospital in Fayetteville.

The group played bingo and provided refreshments, as well as ditty bags filled with toiletries and gum by Ellen Oellerich, auxiliary president; Cathy Sommers, senior vice president; and Florence Cook, auxiliary.

**WOW Plan Party**

Shallotte Woodman of the World Lodge No. 160 will hold its annual Christmas party Monday, Nov. 21, at 7 p.m. at the N.C. National Guard Armory in Shallotte.

Adult and youth Woodmen members are invited to attend, said Jimmy Marshall, a field representative. A ham and turkey dinner, special entertainment and a visit from Santa Claus are included in the program.

For more information contact the WOW office, 754-8400.



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**The Giving Season**

Mary Jo Melcher (right), commercial loan officer for Nations-Bank, presents a \$750 check last week to Karen Acton (left) and Bernice Marlow of Hope Harbor Hope. Hope Harbor, the county's domestic violence shelter, has set up a "wish tree" at the bank's Holden Beach branch. Items needed at the shelter are listed on tree ornaments. Gifts can be dropped off at the bank. Donations will be mailed to Hope Harbor Home, P.O. Box 230, Supply, N.C. 28462.

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