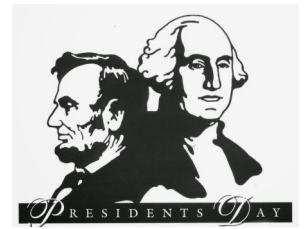




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Town of Beaufort Newsletter

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February 2019

More Great News for Beaufort

Last month, I discussed numerous large-scale projects that will occur in Beaufort in 2019. Here are a few more updates for your consideration...

Governor's visit. We greatly appreciate Governor Roy Cooper's recent trip to Beaufort. He met with students, staff, teachers, local fishermen, business owners, employees, and citizens. This interaction gave the governor a first-hand assessment of our Hurricane Florence recovery and an understanding of the significant impact of the federal government shut-down on our town. The visit was also an opportunity for Beaufort to showcase our resilience, progress, and sense of community.



Gov. Cooper walks through the hallways of Beaufort Elementary School with Principal Karen Wood.

Triathlon. The first annual Crystal Coast Full and Half Booty Triathlon will take place in Beaufort on Sunday, May 12, 2019.



This event will benefit Beaufort in so many ways—not only by encouraging commerce and expanding our culture of fitness, but also by contributing 100% of the proceeds to local charities. The non-profit leadership for this race has already donated \$10,000 to the Beaufort Boys and Girls Club. For more information visit www.CrystalCoastTri.com.

Junior Sailing Program. With the completion of the Grayden Paul high-rise bridge, the Junior Sailing Program will relocate to Town Creek. Since the bridge construction began in 2014, the program (led by the Friends of the NC Maritime Museum) has been working from the Atlantic Veneer property on the east end of Taylors Creek. This popular course has successfully trained young sailors for over 20 years, and the relocation will include a new pier, floating docks, and moorings for Museum programming.



ADA crosswalks. There has been extensive construction along Cedar and Live Oak Streets to increase the number of ADA crosswalks. Town Planning Director Kyle Garner and Town Planner Kate Allen have worked closely with NC DOT counterparts to get this project underway and continue efforts to make our community more walkable and bike-able.

- Mayor Everett S. (Rett) Newton

The Very Best of Beaufort



James Jones grew up in Merrimon, graduated from East Carteret High School, attended Campbell University on a track scholarship, and married his wonderful wife Sonia from the distinguished Teel family in Beaufort.

For the last three decades, James has supported Beaufort as a package delivery driver, and for the thousands of Beaufort citizens, business owners, and employees that get to see James on a regular basis, I know you will agree that you just can't have a bad day when he is around. His charisma, personal character, and smile are a constant reminder of the goodness in life and the great people we have in and around our town.

On his few hours off from work, James is very active with his family, in his church, and with youth

programs throughout the county. James Jones is an amazing person who truly represents the very best of Beaufort.



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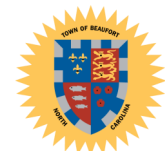
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Newsletter Submissions:

Due Feb. 20, 2019 at 5 p.m.

Send to r.johnson@beaufortnc.org

Board of Commissioners

During their Jan. 14, 2019 regular monthly meeting, the Board of Commissioners took the following actions:

- Approved the minutes for the Nov. 26, 2018 work session and the Dec. 10, 2018 regular meeting.
- Approved the Fire District maps and Ordinance updates.
- Issued a Special Use Permit for an Accessory Dwelling Permit at 1527 Front Street.
- Approved the Lions Club Bridge Run Special Event Application.
- Approved the BDA Mardi Gras Special Event Application.
- Approved an agreement with Spectrum for fiber connections.
- Approved the assignment of the Inlet Inn Lease.
- Appointed Janet Woodward to serve a three year term on the Historic Preservation Commission.
- Appointed Bob Terwilliger to serve a three year term on the Board of Adjustment.
- Recommended Carteret County Commissioners reappointment Jack Gilstrap to the Planning Board and Chuck Davis to the Board of Adjustment.
- Approved the American Flag to be kept on the Pine Street Water Tower.

Historic Preservation Commission

The Town of Beaufort Historic Preservation Commission met Jan. 2, in the Train Depot to hear the following request.

- 400 Front Street: A request to change the exterior of the existing structure to include a rooftop space and inclusion of an elevator. - Denied.

If you have any questions about Beaufort's Historic District, please contact Kyle Garner, Planning Director, at (252) 728-2142 or at k.garner@beaufortnc.org.

Old Burying Ground Update

A debris removal plan has been completed and request for proposals have been sent to qualified landscape companies with experience in debris removal on historic sites. Proposals are due in Mid-February from interested companies with work hoping to begin in late February to early March.

We appreciate everyone's patience as we work towards a debris free Old Burying Ground. The goal is to have the project completed and approved by FEMA by early spring.

If you have any questions about Beaufort's Historic District or want an update on the Old Burying Ground, please contact Kyle Garner, Planning Director, at (252) 728-2142 or at k.garner@beaufortnc.org

Stormwater Advisory Committee

The Town's Stormwater Advisory Committee was established in February 2016 and helps to improve water quality through engagement of local stakeholders including the N.C. Coastal Reserve, North Carolina Coastal Federation, Eastern Carolina Council, Shellfish Sanitation & Recreational Water Quality, Carteret County Soil & Water Conservation District, UNC Institute of Marine Sciences, and local residents. The committee's meetings are open to the public. Join us next time at the Beaufort Train Depot on Feb. 6 from 1:30-3:30 p.m.

At the meeting, we'll hear updates from UNC Institute of Marine Sciences about their water quality monitoring project that has been ongoing since 2017, updates on implementation of stormwater control measures happening around town, and water quality outreach occurring at our local Boys & Girls Club.

Planning Board & BOA

The Planning Board nor the Board of Adjustment met in January due to lack of business. Both boards will meet in February to elect a chair and vice-chair. The Planning Board will discuss a preliminary plat and special use permit.

February Meetings

All meetings are in the Train Depot, 614 Broad Street, unless otherwise posted. The public is welcome at all meetings.

6 p.m. Feb. 4—Historic Preservation Commission

1:30 p.m. Feb. 6—Stormwater Advisory Committee

6 p.m. Feb. 7—Parks & Recreation Advisory Board

6 p.m. Feb. 11—Board of Commissioners

6 p.m. Feb. 14—Planning Board

4 p.m. Feb. 25—Board of Commissioners Work Session (Town Hall Conference Room, 701 Front Street)

6 p.m. Feb. 25—Board of Adjustment

Can't make a meeting?

Join us for the monthly Board of Commissioners meetings online. The meetings are available via live stream on the Town of Beaufort's Facebook page. The video is available for viewing live and after the meeting has concluded.

www.facebook.com/BeaufortTown



Code Enforcement Corner—Junkyards

We've all seen them at some point, junkyards. Whether it be on someone's private property or a vacant parcel.

So what constitutes a junkyard?

As defined by Town ordinance, a junkyard is "the use of any part of a lot or parcel of land, whether inside or outside of a building, for the storage, keeping, abandonment, assembly, dumping, wrecking, sale or resale of junk, salvage or scrap materials; or for the dismantling, demolition or abandonment of automobiles and other vehicles, machinery or equipment or parts thereof."

The most common junkyard violations are found within residential zoning districts. This almost always creates a dangerous place for public health and safety for the following reasons:

- Is a breeding ground for mosquitoes, insects, rats, vermin or other pests;
- Contains areas or materials wherein rats, mice, vermin and other pests may seek shelter and make nests;
- Is a place where pools or ponds of water collect;
- Consists of 1 or more areas where weeds or other noxious vegetation are allowed to grow above 8 inches in height;
- Has junk, wrecked cars, car parts, machinery or equipment not securely enclosed so as to prevent access by children.

Junkyards are not allowed within 1,000 feet from the nearest edge of the right-of-way of any public street, road or highway, residentially zoned area or any other zoned area that does not permit junkyards. The exception to this rule are junkyards which are screened at all seasons of the year by natural objects, plantings, fences or other appropriate means at least 8 feet high so as not to be visible from the main-traveled way of the street, road, highway or residential area or other zoned area in which junkyards are not allowed as a permitted use. For more information about junkyards contact Jeremy Ganey with the Planning & Inspections Department (252) 728-2142.

Coming in Mid-February:

www.beaufortnc.org will have a new look!

The Town of Beaufort has been working to create a more user friendly website! As the new website comes online, please send suggestions to

r.johnson@beaufortnc.org. We look forward to bringing you a streamlined and accessible website! You will be able to visit the same as always at www.beaufortnc.org.



Volunteer Board Vacancies

The Town of Beaufort has vacancies on the following volunteer boards—Historic Preservation Commission, Planning Board and Board of Adjustment. Appointment to the boards require residency within the town limits or within the ETJ (extraterritorial jurisdiction) for the Town of Beaufort.

- The Historic Preservation Commission has three vacancies. All of these positions are for in town residents. The terms of service are for three years.

- The Planning Board has two vacancies. One is for an in-town resident and one is for a resident of the ETJ which is appointed by the Carteret County Board of Commissioners. The terms range from one year to three years.

- The Board of Adjustment has four vacancies. One is for an in town resident to serve as an alternate member and the other three are for ETJ

residents appointed by the Carteret County Board of Commissioners. The terms of service range from one year to three years.

If you are an in town resident and interested in applying for vacancies, please complete an application and return it to Michele Davis at Town Hall, 701 Front Street or m.davis@beaufortnc.org. If you are a resident of the ETJ and are interested in serving either the Planning Board or Board of Adjustment, please complete the application for appointment by Carteret County Board of Commissioners and return it to the Carteret County Board of Commissioner Clerk, Rachel Hammer. Here is the link for the application. <http://carteretcountync.gov/DocumentCenter/View/387/Board-Appointments-Application?bidId=> If you have any questions, please feel free to contact our office at (252) 728-2141.

2019 Small Vessel/Kayak Lottery

The 2019 Small Vessel/Kayak Lottery for storage at a waterfront Town park will be at 1 p.m. Wednesday, March 6 at the Train Depot. The lottery will be live streamed on the Town of Beaufort's Facebook page.

Spaces will be assigned in order of the lottery. You do not need to be present. Town Staff will assign a space as close to your listed preference as is available that meets the



needs of your vessel. There are 3 dinghy, 4 canoe

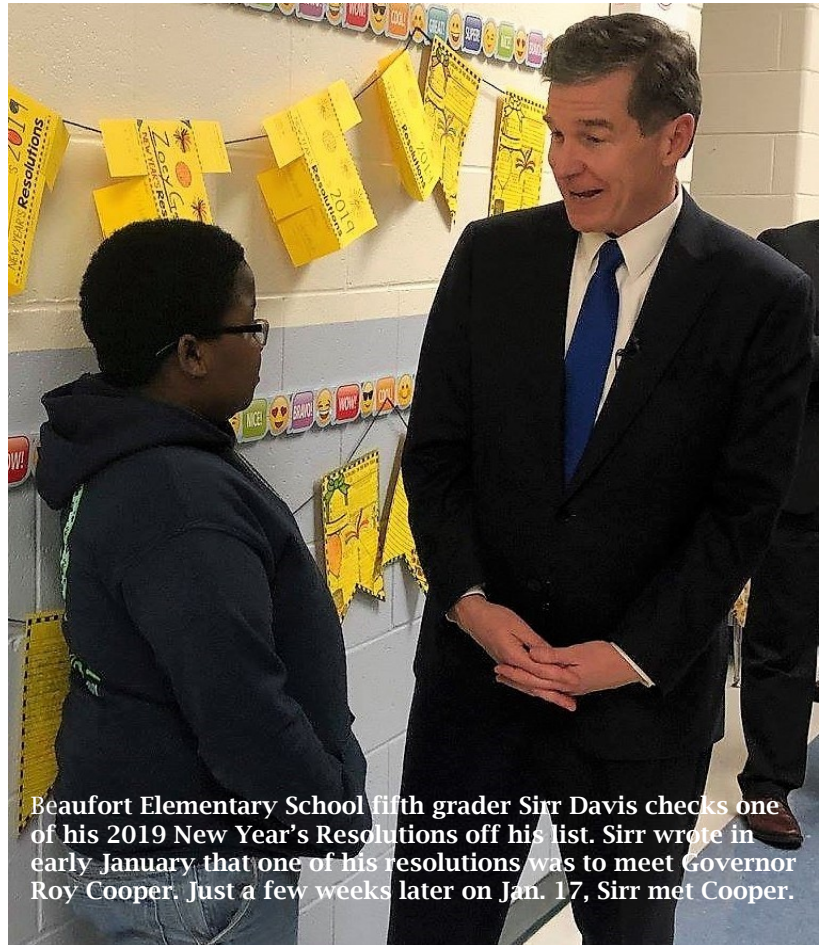
and 37 kayak spaces at Fisherman's Park. There are 12 kayak spaces at Grayden Paul Park and 12 kayak spaces at

Curtis Perry Park.

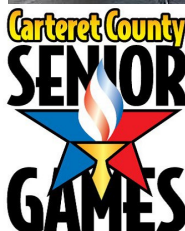
Payment and valid proof of residency must be received by the Town of Beaufort within 10 business days of the lottery in order for your space to continue to be reserved. The 2019 fee is \$75.

Town Staff will be at the Train Depot to accept payments in the form of cash and check during the lottery on March 6. Please fill out and return your completed Small Vessel Application 2019 by 5 p.m. Tuesday, March 5, 2019. For more information and to download the rules and application, visit www.beaufortnc.org/i-want-to-store-my-kayak.

If you have any questions or concerns please contact Rachel Johnson, Parks & Events Coordinator/PIO, at r.johnson@beaufortnc.org or (252) 728-2141 ext. 231.



Beaufort Elementary School fifth grader Sirr Davis checks one of his 2019 New Year's Resolutions off his list. Sirr wrote in early January that one of his resolutions was to meet Governor Roy Cooper. Just a few weeks later on Jan. 17, Sirr met Cooper.



Senior Games & Silver Arts

The 32nd Annual Carteret County Senior Games and Silver Arts is coming April 3-May 3, 2019. For more information contact Carteret County Parks & Recreation at (252) 808-3301 or online at www.ccpr.recdesk.com. Online registration is available at www.torch.ncseniorgames.org.



Father Daughter Dance

Join us for an evening of dancing and refreshments for Fathers and Daughters of all ages!



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Beaufort, NC 28516 252-808-3301
ccpr.recdesk.com
Hotline # for changes or cancellations 252-728-5454

LOCATION
FORT BENJAMIN
RECREATION CENTER
100 MCQUEEN
AVENUE
NEWPORT

DATE
SATURDAY
FEBRUARY 9, 2019

TIME
6:00 - 8:00 PM

COST
\$15 PER FAMILY IN
ADVANCE
\$30 AT THE DOOR
ONLINE
REGISTRATION IS
AVAILABLE AT
ccpr.recdesk.com

Mardi Gras on Middle Lane 2-6 p.m. March 2, 2019

If you've never been to a Mardi Gras Celebration for Fat Tuesday, the last night of eating richer, fatty foods before the fasting of the Lenten season; try out an entertaining afternoon in Beaufort. Enjoy an afternoon street carnival filled with Cajun music & jazz! There will even be a parade of "krewes" in costume tossing jewelry and charms for everyone. Bring the kids along for the face painting and

mask making experience under the tents. Challenge your "krewe" to a round of boules or cornhole in the gaming area. Gather your friends in a costumed "krewe" and parade Middle Lane in competition for prizes at 3 p.m. Mardi Gras on Middle Lane is a free event and is presented by Beaufort Development Association, in conjunction with Middle Lane business-



es. For more information about this event contact Liz Kopf at lizkopf@gmail.com or 252-728-7108 for more details or to participate with your "krewe." The cost to enter your "krewe" is \$50. Visit the official website for Beaufort Development Association at www.beaufortnc.com.

Carteret County Public Libraries

Happenings for February 2019

Closing: No closings this month

Events: A knitting group meets every Wednesday from 2:30-4:30 p.m. in the Reading Room. Everyone is welcome!

Book Exchange and Sale: The Book Nook is open during regular library hours with many used books and audio materials for sale.

Activities for Children: *Pre-K Storytime* (3-5) meets on Wednesdays at 10 a.m. and *Toddler Storytime* (2-4) meets on Fridays at 10 a.m. *Lego Club* meets on the second Wednesday of the month from 6-7 p.m. *Page-Turners* (6-12) meets on the first and third Thursdays of the month from 3:30-4:30 p.m. Mondays and Thursdays is *Dungeons & Dragons Night* (6th - 12th grade) from 5:30-6:45 p.m. *Shelf Readers* meets every other 10-11:30 a.m. Saturday. Please call the library at (252) 728-2050 to register or for more information.

Featured Artwork: Jane is a founding member of the Carolina Artist Gallery, CAG, which has recently moved to the corner of 9th and Arendell in Morehead City. She is known to local artists and friends as "Sea Jane." She is presenting her coastal art in the Carteret County Public Library Gallery from Feb. 1-Feb. 28. The name "Sea Jane" originated during the time Jane was fishing offshore in her boat with the same name. Now, viewers will see it as her signature gracing oil paintings which depict the coastal shoreline. Viewers will delight in waterside scenes ranging from Long Island, NY to our own Crystal Coast. Sea Jane says, "It is the smell and the look and the feeling of the ocean, the fog, mist, wind, waves, harbors, docks and storms that are all a part of a fisherman's life that inspire my paintings."

Carteret County Public Library is at 1702 Live Oak Street, Suite 100, Beaufort.

Beaufort Woman's Club

The club's next meeting is 6 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 21 at Ann Street Methodist Church Eure Building. A light supper will be served followed by a program. All women are invited.

Let your taste buds travel the world at "**Taste the World**" on Friday, March 1 from 6-8 p.m. Area restaurants will provide bites of foods from around the world at this fundraising event of the Beaufort Woman's Club that benefits the Carteret Community College Culinary Arts Program, Broad Street Clinic and East Carteret High School Band. Tickets are \$35 at

www.BeaufortWomansClub.com; Beaufort Home Store, 113 Turner; and Fabricate, 413 Front Street.

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Historical Association

Share Some Love at the Annual BHA Valentine Party

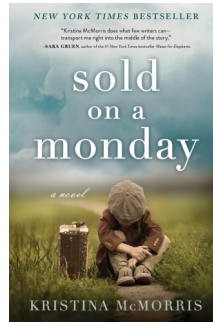
If you have never been in the buildings at the Beaufort Historic Site, or if it has been a while since you have visited, now is the time to come enjoy the largest open house of the year.

The annual Valentine Party and membership drive, scheduled for 2-4 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 10, is a long standing tradition. The Beaufort Historical Association welcomes potential members and especially volunteers to enjoy and learn more about the historic site and this area's special coastal heritage. There is something for everyone at the party—beer and pizza in the jail, the high-test and regular apple cider in the Leffers Cottage, and the olive oil tasting in the Carteret County Courthouse of 1796 are all favorites—and the event is great for singles, couples, children and even pets.

In addition to the food and drink, two artists will be featured in the Mattie King Davis Art Gallery for the Valentine Party. Local residents and friends, Vicki Mann and Brook Penick, have been studying with local artist Heather Sink for several years and are now having their first show in the art gallery. Be sure to RSVP, and also invite friends, coworkers and neighbors who have an interest in Beaufort and want to find out more about BHA and the activities and events held throughout the year. There is a wide range of giving levels, from \$25 for students and senior citizens to \$5,000 for the Somerset Circle, with each level of membership receiving special benefits. Memberships can be purchased online at beauforthistoricsite.org. For more information about the Valentine Party, check online, stop by the Welcome Center at 130 Turner Street, or call 728-5225.

Literary Lunch

The Beaufort Historical Association is hosting Kristina McMorris on Feb. 12 at 12 p.m. for a three-course, family-style luncheon at Clawson's 1905 Restaurant in the third floor dining room. Ms. McMorris is a New York Times Top 20 and USA Today bestselling author. Her newest historical novel, *Sold on a Monday*, is currently number 15 on the New York Times bestseller list, and is available at the Beaufort Historic Site gift shop. Ms. McMorris is on a promotional book tour, and we welcome her to Beaufort all the way from her home in Oregon. Tickets for this event, which are limited and expected to sell out, are \$30. Reserve your spot by calling 728-5225 or by stopping by the Welcome Center at 130 Turner Street.



Dinner at The Inn on Turner

Kim Bell and Jonathan Haas have been doing dinners to benefit the Beaufort Historical Association for the past 3 years. These private dinners perfectly paired with delicious wine at The Inn on Turner are limited to 10 people. This year's dinners will be Feb. 14 and 15 at 7 p.m. The cost is \$80, with a special vegetarian option for \$65. To find out more about the dinner or to make reservations, contact the BHA office at 728-5225 or stop by the Welcome Center at 130 Turner Street.

Beaufort Woman's Club

Town Flags—Beaufort 3' x 5' and 4' x 6' flags and 12" x 18" garden flags are for sale at Beaufort Ace, 1511 Live Oak St., Beaufort Home Store, 113 Turner Street; Cousins Bed & Breakfast, 305 Turner Street; First Citizens Bank, 1505 Live Oak Street and Time in a Bottle, 300 Front Street, Unit 3. All proceeds benefit the community through the Beaufort Woman's Club.

