



BEAUFORT NORTH CAROLINA



Town of Beaufort Newsletter

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Due 5 p.m. Nov. 15, 2023 Send to Rachel Johnson, PIO at r.johnson@beaufortnc.org



Cedar Street Update: Cedar Street is scheduled to be paved by NCDOT this fall.

Cedar Street Project Wins Award

The American Council of Engineering Companies of North Carolina (ACEC-NC) Chapter awarded the Cedar Street project in Beaufort the Grand Award above all other projects in the Water and Environment category.

Project Summary: NCDOT has taken a need to treat impervious surfaces in the right-of-way and turned it into something more for both themselves and the Town of Beaufort. They seized the opportunity to be able to place stormwater controls along the old Highway 70 corridor, filtering and cleaning stormwater runoff from an urban area draining directly to Town Creek. The stormwater controls NCDOT installed not only improve stormwater but will also improve the appearance and walkability of Cedar Street. This benefit directly impacts the citizens and summer tourists along the corridor which will create economic development for the businesses and Town itself.





November Town Meetings & Events

Meetings are conducted at the Beaufort Train Depot, 614 Broad Street, unless otherwise noted. Please visit the Town's website at www.beaufortnc.org/calendar for meeting agendas. Regular Monthly Meetings of the Board of Commissioners are livestreamed on the Town's Facebook page.

6 p.m. Nov. 7—Historic Preservation Commission 6:30 p.m. Nov. 2—Parks & Recreation Advisory Board

3 p.m. Nov. 8—Art in the Park (1017 Pine Street)

6 p.m. Nov. 13—Board of Commissioners Regular Meeting

6 p.m. Nov. 20—Planning Board

4 p.m. Nov. 27—Board of Commissioners Work Session

6 p.m. Nov. 27—Board of Adjustment

Sunshine List: Sign up for meeting notifications by emailing Town Clerk Elizabeth Lewis at

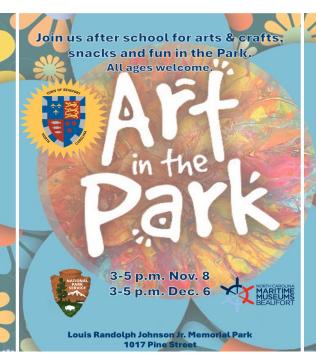
Paint a Drain & Art in the Park

Duke Marine Lab Community Science is excited to bring "Paint a Drain" to Art in the Park! We will have a local artist painting a storm drain while East Carteret high school and Duke students lead art activities and share information on storm drains. Come learn about the importance of keeping pollution away from drains and create fish art to take home! Paint a Drain will take place 3-5 p.m. Nov. 8 during Art in the Park at Louis Randolph Johnson Jr. Memorial Park, 1017 Pine Street). Art for all ages.

Monthly Art in the Park events are brought to you by the Town of Beaufort, the National Park Service and the Maritime Museum. For more information, email

r.johnson@beaufortnc.org.
Paint a Drain is an activity of the
Mayor's Conservation Program.
Learn about the Mayor's Conservation Program under the Mayor's
Corner at beaufortnc.org.





Board of Commissioners

The Board of Commissioners met Sept. 25 and Oct. 9 for their regularly scheduled monthly meetings. They took the following actions and heard the following presentations:

- Received the FY 2022 Audit Report for Beaufort Housing Authority.
- First Tryon, the Town's financial consultant, provided a presentation to the Board of Commissioners regarding potential future projects with possible funding scenarios.
- Staff expressed concerns regarding on-street parking on Hedrick Street.
- The Finance Director provided a financial report for August 2023.
- Approved meeting minutes for Sept. 11 & 25, 2023.
- Approved an 18-month extension for the Compass Hotel.
- Approved a contract with Blue Treasure LLC, for a

Planning Board

The Beaufort Planning Board met Oct. 16 and discussed the following item:

 160-D—the Town's attorney presented the Planning Statute 160-D changes in the Land Development & Subdivision Ordinance and the Planning Board reviewed the working docu-

Historic Preservation Commission

The Historic Preservation Commission (HPC) met on Oct. 3 and discussed the following items: Case # 23-07: 308 Moore Street: Request to modify the structure from the original request to include a painted front door, windows, fencing, landscaping and a metal roof for garage. Approved with the condition that the roof be asphalt shingle instead of metal as originally proposed.

Case # 23-26: 107 Sunset Lane: Request to demolish the existing structure at 107 Sunset Lane. Approved.

Case # 23-27: 505 Front Street: Request to install three recessed lights on the front porch of 505 Front Street. Denied as the Commission had concerns with the locations and type of lighting proposed.

- street extension associated with Beau Coast.
- Approved an event request from the Beaufort Business Association for Mardi Gras 2024.
- Conducted a Public Hearing and approved a rezoning request at 101 Ann Street from B-W to TCA, Case # 23 -08.
- Conducted a Public Hearing and adopted the proposed Comprehensive and CAMA Land Use Plan. The next step in the process will be a 30-day public comment process by the Division of Coastal Management. Once that is complete the Director of Coastal Management will certify the plan and it will become official. When the 30-day public comment period begins, the Town assist in notifying the public.
- Received the Town Manager's report.

For more information contact Town Clerk Elizabeth Lewis at e.lewis@beaufortnc.org.

ment. The next step in the process will be a public hearing for the Board of Commissioners on Nov. 13 during the BOC's regularly scheduled meeting.

If you have any questions please contact Kyle Garner, Planning Director, at 252-728-2142 or at k.garner@beaufortnc.org.

Case # 23-28: 318 Orange Street: Request to make an approximate 300+ sq. ft. addition to the existing 14' X 26' rear yard cottage. Approved. Case # 23-29: 310 1/2 Orange

Street: Request to demolish the existing structure and shed at 310 ½ Orange Street. Approved. Concerns raised by adjacent owners about the demo process and debris removal are to be addressed at the building permit process.

Case # 23-30: 107 Sunset Lane: Request to install fencing and driveway pavers at 107 Sunset Lane. Tabled to allow Town Attorney time to review the access area.

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.



Painting the Beaufort Sign

Members of Carteret Community College's (CCC) SkillsUSA program freshened up the Beaufort sign at Louis Randolph Johnson Jr. Memorial Park in September. Students painted two coats on the sign that was created and donated to the Town by fellow classmates at CCC. Mayor Sharon Harker joined the group to say thank you.

SkillsUSA is a professional organization for students seeking a degree in health science, technical or skilled trade field. For more information please email SkillsUSA@carteret.edu.

Beaufort FD Wins 2nd in ACE Grilling Challenge



Beaufort Ace Hardware recently presented Beaufort Fire Department a fire extinguisher training prop. On Sept. 30, Beaufort Ace held a "Grilling Challenge." Proceeds

from the "Grilling Challenge" were used to purchase fire prevention training aids for Beaufort Fire Department and support the "Children's Miracle Network."



National Night Out

Mayor Sharon Harker and Commissioner Melvin Cooper assist Town staff in passing out free bicycle helmets during the Beaufort Police Department's National Night Out event on Oct. 3. The helmets were provided to the Town via NCDOT's Bicycle Helmet Initiative Program.

Thankful & Grateful

The Beaufort Garden Club's Pretty Ladies landscape in front of Town Hall on a recent October morning. The Town of Beaufort is extremely grateful and thankful for all of the hard work the Beaufort Garden Club puts into keeping the Town of Beaufort beautiful. Learn more about the Beaufort Garden Club at https://beaufortgardenclub.com/.





1st Inaugural :: 2023

Wobble Down Front Street: 5K Race & Fun Run, Thanksgiving Day, 8:30 a.m. Thursday, Nov. 23-Benefitting Beaufort Elementary School and Beaufort Middle School. Sign up at http:// wobbledownfront.racewire.com







Annual Christmas Tree & **Wreath Fundraiser**

Starts November 21st 4 pm **Hours of operation** 10am-6pm daily















Stroll Illuminate Beaufort

Bigger & Better in 2023. We are encouraging homeowners to light up Beaufort in their own artistic styles so we may all enjoy the lights of the season. Walk, ride, or drive!

NOVEMBER

SAT | NOV 18

Streets

9 am - 4 pm

10 am - 3 pm

Jumble Sale Beaufort Historic Site

beauforthistoricsite.org, 728-5225

Pet Photos with Santa

Pet Provisions, 1622 Live Oak Street Pet Provisions & Lions Club benefit for Leader Dog for the Blind.

\$15 | 1 Dog, \$20 | 2 Dogs, 838-9286

FRIDAY NOV 24 11 AM

Santa Arrives by FIRE TRUCK!

Beaufort Waterfront, John Newton Park

SAT | NOV 25

11 am - 3 pm

Santa in his Workshop

Downtown Beaufort, John Newton Park

Small Business Saturday, **Shop Local Businesses**

Beaufort

1 - 3 pm

Santa in his Workshop

Downtown Beaufort, John Newton Park

DECEMBER

FRI | DEC 1

6 pm

Sing Along at the Christmas Tree

Beaufort Waterfront

Core Sound Waterfowl Weekend FRI | DEC 1

Fri 6-10 (ticket event), Sat 9-6, Sun 9-4 thru SUN | DEC 3 Harkers Island

SAT | DEC 2

8 - 10 am 11 am

Fire Station, Live Oak Street **Beaufort Christmas Parade**

Beaufort Waterfront Susan Sanders, 241-4485

Pancakes with Santa

Santa in his Workshop 11 am - 3 pm

Downtown Beaufort, John Newton Park

Christmas Boat Flotilla

6:15 pm **Beaufort Waterfront**

SUN | DEC 3

1 - 3 pm

Santa in his Workshop

Downtown Beaufort, John Newton Park



Visit Santa

at John Newton Park BEAUFORT WATERFRONT

Arrives on the Waterfront by Fire Truck FRIDAY 11/24 at 11:00

SATURDAYS 11-3 SUNDAYS 1-3

FRI | DEC 8

5 - 8 pm

NC Coastal Federation Oyster Roast Backstreet Pub, 728-7108

Oysters, Live Music, & Libations

SAT | DEC 9

11 am - 3 pm

1 - 4 pm

Santa in his Workshop Downtown Beaufort, John Newton Park

Mattie King Davis Holiday Art Show & Sale

Beaufort Historical Site. Jimmy Craig Womble, Lisa Tuchek, Mandy Johnson

1 - 4 pm **Beaufort Holiday Art Walk**

beauforthistoricsite.org

5 - 8 pm Candlelight Tour B&B's Homes & Inns

Tickets \$25. beauforthistoricsite.org 728-5225

Annual John Costlow Train Show

In memory of Doug Doubleday



3 Days, FREE

FRI | DEC 15 4 - 7 pm SAT | DEC 16 10 am - 5 pm SUN | DEC 17 11 am - 4 pm

NC Maritime Museum 315 Front Street

SUN | DEC 10 1-3 pm

Downtown Beaufort, John Newton Park

SAT | DEC 16

11 am - 3 pm 2 - 5 pm

4 - 8 pm

SUN | DEC 17

1-3 pm

FRI | DEC 31 5-7 pm

7 pm

Santa in his Workshop

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Downtown Beaufort, John Newton Park Claus Crawl

Home Base Backstreet Pub. Tickets \$25. nccoastchamber.com, 726-6350

Olde Fashioned Holiday Market

County Courthouse, Turner Street oldebeaufortfarmersmarket.org

Santa in his Workshop

Downtown Beaufort, John Newton Park

Buccaneer's New Year's Eve

Beaufort Waterfront, John Newton Park Free S'mores, hot cocoa, & pirate activities

Capt. Shack Pirate Drop

Beaufort Waterfront, John Newton Park



Location on Live Oaks Between Ace Home

Store and First Citizen Bank parking lot.



Beaufort Town Flags

Beaufort 3' x 5' flag (\$70) and 12" x 18" garden



flags (\$30) for sale at Ace Hardware, 1511 Live Oak and Cousins Bed & Breakfast, 305 Turner. Also available online at BeaufortWomansClub.org. Proceeds benefit the commu-

nity through the Beaufort Woman's Club.







November at the Market

Fall sunshine, cooler temps, and excitement about the holidays ahead!

Join the fun and fellowship on the courthouse grounds every Saturday morning from 9 - 1 through the whole month of November. Cool weather crops, fresh caught seafood, delicious baked goods, and amazing art and craft work await you, along with live music, kids' activities, and community organizations sharing their work.

Find the heart of Carteret County in the heart of **Beaufort!**

On November 25th the market will be open for our 2nd annual

Shop Small Saturday Market.



Then after a 2 wk. break, the market will return with our evening 4 - 8 PM Olde-Fashioned Holiday Market

November Events at the **Beaufort Historic Site**

Kindergarten Thanksgiving

The Beaufort Historical Association welcomes students for Kindergarten



Thanksgiving. The first two weeks of November, public and private Kindergarten classes are welcome to schedule field trips to the Beaufort Historic Site to participate in a multitude of period activities. Some

activities will include colonial dressup, butter churning, colonial gardening, spinning and weaving. We invite interested Kindergarten groups to please contact Dominique Peranich at 252-728-5225 or officemanager@beauforthistoricsite.org to schedule a time slot.

Living History - Christmas Orna-

ments Workshop

10 a.m.-2 p.m. Friday, Nov. 10 Join us to prepare for the holidays at the Beaufort Historic Site to create four different ornaments. The ornaments, all made from local materials make great gifts or will look beautiful on your tree at home. Donna Haggerty will be leading the class and there is a limit of 8 people for this workshop. Please call (252)728-5225 to reserve your spot. Materials fee of \$30.

Jumble Sale

9 a.m.-4 p.m. Friday, Nov. 18 Apply to become a vendor at Beaufort's Annual Jumble Sale. The Beaufort Historic Site turns into a community market with art, handmade crafts, holiday gifts, preloved treasures, antiques, clothing, food and so much more. We are taking applications now. For more information, call Amy Gamet at (252) 728-5225 or email pr@beauforthistoricsite.org. Vendor applications at www.beauforthistoricsite.com.

Mayors Conservation Program

Members of Plastic Free by the Sea Harriet Altman and Suzanne Wheatcraft join Mayor Sharon Harker in kicking off the Mayor's Conservation Program at a reception in Beaufort for Marine Debris. Visit the Mayor's Corner at beaufortnc.org for more information.

The 2023 BPS Fall Film Festival The annual Fall Film Festival has always been Beaufort Picture Show's signature showcase. This year's event, Nov. 2 -12, gets a major boost from Liz Kopf's Backstreet Pub in Beaufort. Kopf has designated Beaufort Picture Show to receive a portion of the proceeds from the Dia de Los Muertos (Day of the Dead) Festival, 5-9 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 2, on Middle Lane in Beaufort. Activities include a beer garden, authentic Mexican food vendors, children's activities. music by Orquestra K'Che, and a screening of Pixar's "Coco," which tells the story of aspiring musician Miguel and his quest to find his lost ancestor, a legendary musician.

The 2023 Beaufort Film Festival offers more than 20 experimental film shorts, documentaries and features culled from more than 60 entries. While we don't have room to highlight them all in this space, we can offer a few recommendations for the discerning viewer. A full film festival schedule is available at https://www.beaufortpictureshow.org/ beaufort-film-festival

International Night-Friday, Nov. 3, 7 p.m. at Mill Space. "Following" (UK), 'Faith the Conqueror" (Turkey) and "Everybody Wants to Be Loved" (Germany).

Saturday Night Shorts-Saturday, Nov. 4, 6 p.m., at Mill Space. Kicks off with "Poems" by Michael Martin and continues with "Paranoid," "The Line Jumper," "Delivery," "In the Pines" (set in North Carolina) and wraps with "Trout Fishing in America."

Sunday Documentary Series-Sunday, Nov. 5, 3 p.m. at Mill Space. Five features focused on environmental concerns, including "Fire & Flood" (Seven Springs, NC); "Wilderness Therapy," "Rise Up: Empowering and Nourishing a Community" (Rise Up Community Farm in Wilmington, NC); and "River," an exploration of the tenuous relationship between human civilization and earth's rivers, narrated by Oscar nominee Willem Defoe.

Friday Night Flicks-Friday, Nov. 10, 6 p.m. at Mill Space. An evening of shorts including "Vax." "No Time Off for Good Behavior" and entries from University of North Carolina School of the Arts students such as "In Her Ab-

The Old Beaufort Post Office Papers

Getting to grow up in Beaufort created the chance for lots of adventures and plenty of fun during the 1940's. For those that lived



close to the old Beaufort Post Office, it was a part of their everyday lives. Miss Paula Jones (now King) family had a house along Front

Street and their day would start with the rumble of the mail truck often waking everyone up. The Post Office dock was across from the building where the mail boat would head out making the rounds "down east." The "Orville G" was a version of FedEx during those days, not just taking the mail but people, animals, and ice, along with being a lending library and floating hospital. It

sence," "Sammy Without Strings," "Alla Vita!" and "The Chaperone.'

Saturday Night Frights-Saturday, Nov. 11, 6 p.m. at Mill Space. Whet your nightmare appertie with three appetizers: "Wet," "Late Sleeper" and "The Encounter" before diving into the main course: "Pieces of Talent," a must-see gorefest about what happens when a local filmmaker becomes obsessed with a waitress named Charlotte.

Sunday Festival Finale-Sunday, Nov. 12, 3 p.m., at Mill Space. Festivities conclude with a screening of "Sloane: A Jazz Singer" (96 minutes), showcasing the acclaimed New York City jazz singer with Tar Heel ties (Frog & Nightgown, Raleigh, NC). Over her extensive career, Sloane performed with luminaries including jazz diva Ella Fitzgerald and rock icons the Rolling Stones (who incidentally have just released "Hackney Diamonds," their first album of new material in more than 15 years; early reviews are good). Followed-up with an encore presentation of "River" (75 minutes) and presentation of awards.

Spotlight on "Pieces of Talent" (2014) - 1 hour, 35 minutes. If



there is such a thing as an "arty" slasher film, "POT" may just fit the bill. Written by David Long and Joe Stauffer (with direction by Stauffer), this "gory masterpiece" follows the exploits of local filmmaker David (also played by Long) who

becomes obsessed with aspiring actress Charlotte (Kristi Ray) who makes ends meet by doubling as a waitress. The film has received some rare reviews, including this one from Ian Jane (Rock! Smack! Pop!): "Pieces of Talent" is one of those odd pictures that really sticks with you. Despite some minor quibbles, Stauffer and company show massive potential here, despite the low budget production. Surprisingly low body count, and may often feel like it's more of an art film than a horror film." As a nonprofit, admission is free, although a minimum donation of \$5 is suggested — and appreciated! Concessions are available, and beverages may be purchased from the adjacent pub. All BPS screenings and events are subject to change; please check online for latest information and tickets at: www.beaufortpictureshow.org.

even served as a wedding chapel for the marriage of Orville Gaskill. Some of the fun for the kids in Beaufort included roller skating behind the Post Office down the ramp and swimming from the government dock sometimes to the Inlet Inn which was only possible during high tide. (much safer to do after getting typhoid shot from Miss Hammer, the school nurse)

And on the way to the Post Office to retrieve their mail from Post Office Box 365, Miss Jones and her brothers would often stop to watch the flag being raised and proudly say the Pledge of Allegiance before heading inside hoping for a possible surprise package and then on to another adventure. Share your memories by contacting Ranger Kathleen O'Grady at kathleen_o'grady@hotmail.com.

