

The Mullet Wrapper

Davis Street Building Under Construction!

Work continues at the future home of the Museum. "Our plan is to get the two barrack buildings at Ft. Johnston converted to house the NC Maritime Museum at Southport," said Walt Madsen, Chairman of the Friends of the North Carolina Maritime Museum at Southport. The plan is broken into two phases.

Phase One, which costs an estimated \$80,000, includes:

- Gutting the entire building
- Raising the ceiling
- Converting the 3000-square-foot space into an exhibit hall and gift shop.
- Converting the Moore St. building into offices, a large classroom, bathrooms, a kitchen, library and small exhibit area.

- Connecting the two buildings by a temporary entrance.

The goal is to move into the two buildings by the end of October.

Phase Two, costing an estimated \$350,000, includes an 1,800-square-foot addition with a high ceiling, bathrooms, gift shop and exhibit space.

For the second phase, the Friends group hopes to be able to start construction within two years.

To assist in the renovations or donate toward the projects, call 910-457-0003.

SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

SEPTEMBER

- Sat. 18: Rice Creek Kayak Tour
- Tues. 21: 3rd Tuesday Night Program
- Thurs. 23: Fall into History
- Thurs. 30: Fall into History



Future home of the NC Maritime Museum



From left to right: Wayne Strickland, Joe Schwarzer, Mary Strickland and Walter Madsen

Art, History and Family Fun at the Fort

The NC Maritime Museum at Southport, the NC Arts Council and the NC Department of Cultural Resources treated visitors to a celebration of Fort Johnston's past, present and future on August 14, 2010. The program, held at the new Museum location at 204 E. Moore St., was the final event in the state-wide 2010 2nd Saturdays series. Participants purchased goods and artwork from local artists and vendors including Jazz Undy, Patty Speights, Nan Snyder, Nikki Cherry, Bradly Eklund and PD Midgett. Children were invited to play colonial games like graces and boules, and to try their hands at quill writing and stenciling. Exhibits on-site told the stories of those who used the grounds for military purposes since 1748, and how the Museum intends to preserve and protect the Fort's rich history for the future.



*Top right: Exploring the Museum's exhibit panels on Fort Johnston.
Above: Volunteer Gene Lasinski, in period costume, welcomes visitors and talks about the fort.*



*Left: Visitors enjoying the music, break out in dance.
Above: Writing with quills is not as easy as it looks!*




Jack Fryar Talk Focused on Fort Preservation
At the Aug. 17 "3rd Tuesday Night Program," speaker Jack Fryar discussed the reasons for the Museum's long-time goal of occupation and protection of Fort Johnston's grounds. Supported by vivid images from his book, "Under Three Flags: The Ft. Johnston Story," Fryar's discussion took a historical journey from the Fort's inception in 1748, through its many uses as military installation, housing, meeting space and public attraction. Participants also enjoyed a sampling from a period-style menu of split-pea soup, ham biscuits and corn cakes with honey.

Fall Into History Series -Join us for this 6-week program as we learn natural and cultural history of the region in gardens, museums and historic sites. Guides at each site will help us understand the significance of the area, while enhancing our appreciation of the Lower Cape Fear Region. Transportation is included in the fee. Bus leaves the Museum at 9 a.m., and we return to Southport at noon. Fee: \$35/members, \$45/non-members. Registration is required by Sept 15.

- September 23 Airlie Gardens
- September 30 Green Swamp Preserve
- October 7 Oakdale Cemetery
- October 14 Ev Henwood Nature Center
- October 21 Wrightsville Beach Museum
- October 28 Museum of Coastal Carolina

Registration for classes is for one individual and may not be split among several people or pro-rated for missed sessions. Thank you.

The Friends of the
North Carolina Maritime Museum at Southport
Present



The Pirate Masquerade

Friday, October 29th
from 6:00 to 10:00 pm
at the
Southport Community Building

Tickets: \$35.00 each
or \$60.00 per couple

Available at:
Southport Visitor Center &
NC Maritime Museum
at Southport

*An Evening of Fun for the Pirates in All of Us.
Featuring: Live Pirate Dancing, Raffles,
Costume Contests with Prizes and More.
Food, Beer & Wine, Live Music*

For more information:
Call 910-457-0003 or e-mail:
mary.strickland@cncder.gov

*A "fundraiser" in support
of the NC Maritime Museum
at Southport*

*Dear Maritime Museum members,
Please mark this date on your calendars and come to The Pirate Masquerade, Fri.,
Oct. 29. Please support this fundraiser which will help with renovation costs of the new
location at Moore & Davis streets. Tickets can be purchased at the NC Maritime Museum
at Southport or the Southport Visitor Center.
We look forward to seeing you at this festive occasion!*

News From the Friends of the Museum (FOM)

Volunteer Thanks:

3rd Tuesday Night Programs: We would like to thank Dr. Bill Rabon, Southport Animal Hospital for his generosity in sponsoring our August program, "The History of Fort Johnston." Because of sponsors like Dr. Rabon, the Museum can present quality programs to the community. Please remember to thank Dr. Rabon when you see him.

3rd Tuesday Night Program Set-up: Thanks to Al Biasotti, Sally Buchanan & Mary Strickland for helping setup for our monthly programs. Our thanks to the Museum Staff for the wonderful food we've been having. Thank you!!!

Non-Profit Table at Waterfront Market: Thanks to Al Biasotti for organizing & setting up a non-profit table at the Waterfront Market on Wednesday mornings on the Garrison Lawn. Al is always there when you need him. He also takes photos at all our events & we appreciate it.

Membership: Our thanks to all of you who continue to renew your membership & to those of you who are joining for the first time. The Friends' could not exist without the support from our members, and the Maritime Museum itself depends on the support of the Friends' group and its' members. You are so appreciated---thank you! Thanks, Sally Buchanan for manning the Membership table at our monthly programs & for the 2nd Saturday program, "Have You Heard About Fort Johnston?" See you in September for our Members Only Potluck. This year it will be Members Bring A Prospective Member Potluck!!!

For anyone who would like to renew or become a new member, information is provided below.

_____ new member _____ renewing member

Lifetime - \$2,500 Legacy - \$1,000 Benefactor - \$500
Patron - \$250 Sustaining - \$100 Family - \$50
Individual \$25 Additional - Building Fund \$ _____

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Address _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____

E-Mail _____
(Your information will only be used by The Friends of the NC Maritime Museum at Southport)

- () Please contact me about volunteer opportunities.
- () Please contact me about becoming a program sponsor.
- () Employer (Name/Address) & Matching Gift _____ (Amount)

Payment Information: Check payable to: *Friends of the NC Maritime Museum at Southport* enclosed _____. Or join using PayPal on our website: www.friendsncmmsouthport.org
Memberships are valid for one year from the date of issue & are tax-deductible to the extent allowed by Law for a 501©3 organization.

HISTORY MATTERS

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NC Cultural Resources

The Museum at Southport is one of three North Carolina Maritime Museums.
 The other Museums are the Graveyard of the Atlantic Museum in Hatteras
 and the North Carolina Maritime Museum in Beaufort.

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In sponsoring this newsletter, the *Friends of the North Carolina Maritime Museum at Southport* supports the Museum in continuing North Carolina's rich maritime history.
 Join us today... Welcome Aboard!
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Museum Hours

Tuesday - Saturday
 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
 Free Admission

UPCOMING PROGRAMS AND EVENTS

Museum Book Club will not meet this month

Sat. Sept. 18: Rice Creek Kayak tour with The Adventure Company - 8:30 a.m. See local history from a different perspective while paddling Rice Creek, a protected blackwater tributary of Town Creek. We will see remnants of plantation crops, beautiful landscapes, and hear histories of our first inhabitants through modern fishermen that use the area today. The tour includes a basic kayak lesson, 2-2.5 hr guided tour, kayak paddle and life jacket rental. Fee: \$45/person. (If you bring your own kayak and gear, tour fee: \$15 for single and \$30 for double). *Registration is required, call The Adventure Company at 454-0607.*

All Tuesday programs are free and held at the Southport Community Building unless otherwise noted.

3RD TUESDAY PROGRAMS

Tuesday, September 21, 2010, 7 p.m. — Members Potluck Party

Tuesday, October 19, 2010, 7 p.m. — *Colonial Costuming* - Brunswick Town Cast

Friday, October 29, 2010, 6 p.m. Save this date! Help support the move and renovation of the Museum. A Pirate Masquerade event will be held at the Southport Community Bldg. This will take place in conjunction with Downtown Southport's Pirate Invasion. There will be food, dancing, a costume contest, raffles and more. If you wish to become a sponsor, please call the Museum at 910-457-0003. Tickets are \$35.00 each or \$60.00 per couple and can be purchased at the NC Maritime Museum or the Southport Visitors Center.



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