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POINTS OF INTEREST

- End of Summer Bonfire
- U.S. Open Winners
- Doshier Hospital Bonfire
- Shop Local

Doshier to Host Ribbon Cutting and Lunch at Oak Island Medical Clinic

To celebrate completion of Oak Island Master Facility Plan Renovations. All are welcome.

Doshier Memorial Hospital will host a ribbon cutting on November 18, 2024, at 12:00pm at their Oak Island Medical Clinic at 4700 E. Oak Island Drive, Oak Island. Lunch will be available directly after the ribbon cutting until 1:30pm. The ribbon cutting is to commemorate the completion of renovations to the clinic space as outlined in Phase 1 of Doshier's 7-year Master Facility Plan. The redesigned clinic added additional provider spaces, which

will enable Doshier to expand access to primary care services for the local community. Staffed by Lorraine Gauthier, MD, Laura Strickland, DO, and Deborah Cobb, FNP-BC, the Oak Island clinic operates Monday through Friday from 8:00 am until 4:00 pm. The ribbon cutting and luncheon on November 18th is open to the public, and all are welcome. Call the Office of Community Relations at Doshier at 910-457-3900 with questions or for more information. ■





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Businesses Gather to Celebrate the End of Summer @ Endless Summer Bonfire Beach Bash



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The Southport-Oak Island Area Chamber of Commerce will hold its 4th Annual Endless Summer Bonfire Beach Bash on Thursday, November 21, 2024, from 5pm-8pm at The Lazy Turtle Oceanfront Bar and Grill. The casual evening at the beach celebrates the business community illuminating the area businesses that make our community so special with a night of fun, food, dancing and our very own beach bonfire! Dance the night away as DJ Rodney spins your favorites, enjoy a taco bar, share laughs with those you haven't seen in a while, wind down the endless summer night with s'mores and our very own beach bonfire!

All businesspeople are welcome, regardless of Chamber membership, for this family-friendly event. Tickets must be purchased in advance. \$30 per person for members and \$40 per person nonmembers. Children 12

and under are free with paying adults. Ticket includes Dinner, Dancing, Bonfire, S'mores and 1 raffle ticket.

The Lazy Turtle Oceanfront Bar & Grille is located at 601 Ocean Drive, Oak Island. Purchase tickets in the registrations section at <https://www.sptokimerchandise.com/> For more information contact the Southport-Oak Island Area Chamber of Commerce at (910) 457-6964 or visit the website at www.southport-oakisland.com.

The Endless Summer Bonfire Beach Bash is an event of the Southport-Oak Island Area Chamber of Commerce, sponsored by Cattail Cottage, Cruise Planners Lina Di-



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Dosher to offer hospital tour Wednesday November 13 All are welcome

Dosher Memorial Hospital invites community members to take an in-person tour of the hospital on Wednesday, November 13, 2024 at 1:00 pm. This is to give local residents an opportunity to get an up-close look at the services offered and to have questions about the hospital answered by knowledgeable professionals. Tour group will meet in the front lobby of the main hospital building at 924 N. Howe St., Southport. Space is limited therefore an RSVP is requested. Call 910-457-3900, or email marketing@dosher.org to reserve your spot. ■



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<u>Date</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Event/Charity</u>	<u>Time</u>
April 27th	Whittler's Bench, Southport	Cape Fear Cruisers Car Show Brunswick Toy Run	11am - 2pm
May 11th	Oak Island Moose Lodge	Bill Smith Dog Park For The Moose Lodge	3pm - 7pm
June 30th	Woodlands Amphitheater	St. James Town 25th Anniversary	TBD
July 13th	Lone Rider (West Oak Island)	TBD	530pm - 830pm
July 26th	Oak Island Moose Lodge	Samara's Village	7pm - 10pm
September 14th	Brunswick Forest	Project Dignity	TBD
September 19th	Garrison Lawn	Maritime Museum Fundraiser	5pm - 7pm
September 28th	Woodlands Amphitheater	Banding Together / New Hope Clinic	TBD
October 4th	Oak Island Moose Lodge	At Liberty Connections	7pm - 10pm
October 12th	Ocean Isle Pier	Brunswick Toy Run	TBD
October 26th	Whittler's Bench, Southport	Cape Fear Cruisers Halloween Car Show	11am - 2pm
November 9th	Oak Island Moose Lodge	Fan Appreciation Evening	5pm - 9pm

For Questions Or To Schedule Our Services, Please Contact:
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46th Annual U.S. Open King Mackerel Tournament Awards Over \$425,000 in Prizes



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Left to Right: Terry Eason, II; Captain William Zeron and Carol Magnani (Chair of the US Open King Mackerel Tournament)

The record-setting 46th Annual U.S. Open King Mackerel Tournament was held Oct. 3-5 at Dutchman Creek Park. It attracted 568 boats, beating the highest number of participants in the tournament's history by seven boats set in 2021. Total purse was over \$425,000.

First place honors were awarded to Captain William Zeron and his crew Terry Eason II aboard FinZ from

Southport, NC with their 41.85 lb., king mackerel beating the 2nd place team by .45 ounces. They won a total of \$44,678.00 for their efforts.

The second-place team, Scale Bound, led by Captain Trask Cunningham of Little River, SC, brought in a king mackerel weighing 41.40 lbs., which won them a combined total of \$21,807.00.

In third place, Reel Trashy, led by Captain Hunter Harrington of Sanford, NC weighed in a 38.45 pound king, winning \$60,939 including first place Single Engine and first place High Roller prizes.

Fourth place received the biggest winnings with \$114,222 going to Captain Brant McMullan and crew aboard OIFC boat out of Ocean Isle Beach, NC who weighed in a 37.25 pound

king. Included in their prize money were winnings from the first place Lady and Super High Roller prizes.

Fifth place honors and \$27,589 in winnings went to Captain Ben Coleman and crew Trey Mansfield & Katie Coleman aboard Ben Fish'n out of Southport, NC for their 35.80 pound king.

The winners are determined by the weight of the fish; however, the total prize money is determined by the number of additional categories the anglers choose to enter in the tournament.

"We appreciate all of the captains and crews who fish with us year after year, and we welcome the new teams who joined us for their first US Open tournament. The extraordinary 568 boats registered this year allowed us not only to extend the awards field from 55 to 80 places, but also made it possible for us to pledge a \$12,000 donation to Western NC storm relief in honor of all our anglers. We also appreciate the people in the Southport and Oak Island communities, the sponsors, and the many volunteers who help make this the biggest, and best, king tournament on the east coast. We could not do this without all of their support!" said 2024 Tournament Board of Directors Chair, Carol Magnani.

This was the fifth time the tournament was held at Dutchman Creek Park. Brunswick County Parks & Recreation officials worked with Tour-



PHOTO CREDIT CHAMBER STAFF PHOTO

Winner 1 - Terry Eason, II; Captain William Zeron Celebrating their win at the Awards Ceremony

nament officials to ensure a family friendly and fun event was held. A popular change in this year's tournament was moving the awards ceremony to Rusty Hooks Dockside Grill and the crew pickup to Safe Harbor South Harbour Village Marina. The Brunswick County Sheriff's Office provided marine traffic control on the water and the US Coast Guard provided rescue services.

The U.S. Open King Mackerel Tournament is the largest king mackerel tournaments on the East Coast and has a \$2 million economic impact on the region. It is held annually the first week of October and is an event of the Southport Oak Island Area Chamber of Commerce.

Full tournament results are available at www.usopenkmt.com, video of the weigh-ins can be found at www.usopenkmtlive.com and photos from the weekend are available at the U.S. Open King Mackerel Tournament Facebook page. ■

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GO LOCAL -Shop, Dine and Enjoy Local This Holiday Season

Between *Black Friday* and *Cyber Monday* is a day dedicated to supporting small businesses nationwide. It is called *Small Business Saturday*. In 2024 *Small Business Saturday* will be celebrated on November 30th. American Express launched the first ever *Shop Small Saturday* in 2010 with the U.S. Senate unanimously passing a resolution recognizing *Small Business Saturday* in 2011.

In 2023, American Express 2023 Saturday Consumer Insights Surveyed reported *Small Business Saturday* drove an estimated \$17 billion from U.S. consumer reported spending. Small businesses create economic prosperity for a local economy with .67 cents from every \$1 spent in a local small business staying in our community. From a report on Webwire* — “2022 *Small Business Saturday* Consumer Insights Survey in which 72% of shoppers said *Small Business Saturday* makes them want to shop and dine at small, independently owned retailers and restaurants all year long.

The Southport-Oak Island Area Chamber of Commerce joined the movement as a neighborhood champion in 2010 and has been leading the way promoting *Small Business Saturday* for the Southport-Oak Island area ever since. As part of the

Chamber’s ongoing efforts to support our small businesses, The Chamber will post an “Online Holiday Gift Guide” with great gift ideas and suggestions from your favorite local shops.

Cyber Monday is just behind *Shop Small Saturday* and The Chamber has a one stop shop for your online purchases from our local small businesses as well — online at www.shopsouthportoakisland.com.

Giving Tuesday reminds us that our local non-profit organizations struggle to meet the ever-increasing needs in our community. Consider a donation, drop off non-perishable foods at a local Food Drive or shop at one of the local non-profit thrift shops which support the missions of our local not-for-profit human service organizations. If you need a list of non-profits visit the Chamber’s website online directory at www.southport-oakisland.com.

We urge you to become an active participant in *Small Business Saturday* so that all our area shops, restaurants and businesses can benefit. “Let’s light up social media by taking selfies at local small businesses on Saturday, November 30th with the hashtag #ShopSmall”, encouraged Karen Sphar, Executive Vice President of the Southport-Oak Island Area Chamber of Commerce.

Sphar continued by saying “Shopping small is a year-round activity and we encourage you to Go Local throughout the year”.

There will be new offerings from the “*Online Holiday Gift Guide*” posted daily on the Chamber’s Facebook and Instagram pages from November 5th to November 27th; you can request to receive the Directory E-Mail by contacting the Southport-Oak Island Area Chamber of Commerce at 910.457-6964 or you can visit the Chamber’s blog located on it’s website at www.southport-oakisland.com.





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N.C. Maritime Museum

November programs



The North Carolina Maritime Museum at Southport has one public program scheduled in November. Here is information on the Deep Dive program focusing on blacksmithing:

DEEP DIVE INTO HISTORY: 18th Century Blacksmithing
Nov. 9, 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

During the age of sail, blacksmiths were essential to keeping ships afloat. Learn about what items blacksmiths would create for the

nautical industries and watch a smithy in action! The program is part of the museum’s free Deep Dive into History drop-in series, which gives visitors a deeper understanding of our shared past through costumed interpreters and artifacts. The program runs from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. and is designed for all ages. Registration is not required. For more information, call (910) 477-5151 or visit ncmaritimemuseumssouthport/events. ■





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Kay Ross
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Questions:
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Make checks payable to Southport Garden Club

Dates for Pickup: Friday, Nov. 22nd (4:00-6:00 PM)
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- ◆ Ads/articles are due by the 20th of the month prior to publication!
- ◆ Send your ads as a PDF and JPG. (At least a PDF).
- ◆ Remember the ads usually publish at the very end of the month prior (FYI on timing of message).
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