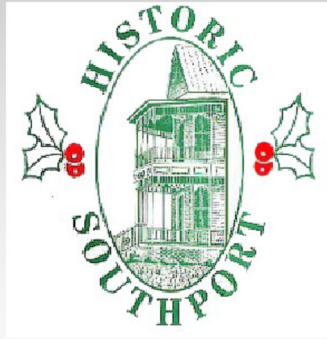


SHS Whittler's Bench Special Edition

2016 SOUTHPORT CHRISTMAS HOME TOUR



The Southport Historical Society is proud to announce the upcoming

27th annual Southport Christmas Tour of Homes

SATURDAY DECEMBER 10

2 pm - 7pm

Seven Southport homes will be open for the tour.

Complimentary trolley transportation will be available.

Ticket Sales Begin November 21

\$10 in advance \$15 day of tour

Available at:

Southport Visitors' Center

Franklin Square Gallery

Southport/Oak Island Chamber of Commerce

(Tickets are limited and are often sold out by the tour date)

For more ticket information call the Visitors' Center at 910-457-7927

HOMES ON TOUR

313 E. Moore Street



The Bell-Clemmons House, circa 1864, is believed to have originally been part of Fort Johnston. In 1873, Anna Jane Bell of Charleston, SC sold the house to Captain John W. Woodside for \$400. In the early 1900s, the home became the Clemmons Boarding house. Mrs. Susie Carson, a noted Southport historian and author lived in the Bell Clemmons house. In 2004, an extensive renovation was begun. The home is now owned by Cathi Ulrich.

111 N. Atlantic

This home, on one of the original lots in Smithville Township, is built in the Federal architectural style. It was built in the 1820s as a shotgun house and underwent an extensive renovation in 1999-2000 by the current owner, Betsy Isley. The building was “deconstructed” during the two-year renovation and the entire contents of heart pine were recycled, re-milled and reapplied.



412 N. Lord Street



This delightful cottage, named “Blue Crab Cottage”, is home to DiAne and Chris Benzie. The one-story, 2,209 square feet coastal cottage was newly constructed in 2015. It has a very open floor plan and many unique design features, including 15 antique doors found and restored by the homeowners.

318 Willis Drive



This house originally stood at 105 Nash Street and was moved to its present location in 1974. Built in 1893 for Dr. D.I. Watson, the side rooms served as patient examining rooms and the family lived in the back portion of the home. Original architectural elements still remain in the house. Today it is owned by Scott and Lisa Len and is filled with antiques from all over the world.

209 W. St. George Street

This charming historical home was built in 1910 and with deeds dated back to the late 1800s and renovations in 1999 and 2015. This home features a Coastal living room, an historical dining room with Civil War history and Southport bows. Original wood doors and ceilings remain in the home now owned by Hal and Wanda Johnson.



316 W. Brunswick Street



This circa 1890 home was reportedly built for Edward F. Davis who was listed as a grocer in historic Southport publications. Brunswick Street was also historically known in Southport as Tin Pan Alley. During its complete remodeling in 2015 by owners Sherol Lappala and Brian Quinn, the second story porch was added, reclaimed heart pine floors were installed, a half bath was added and the kitchen was updated.



This charming two-story cottage was built in the 1880s by Enoch Daniels, a former shipbuilder and father of two prominent home builders in Southport. It was renovated and brought into the 20th century in the mid-1990s and again in 2013 by the owner, Tracy Beaulieu. Features include: original wood flooring, custom doors, wood plank ceilings, hand-crafted cabinetry and recycled glass counter tops.

A Tribute of Thanks to the Committee

The Tour of Homes is the major fundraiser for the society and would not be possible without the year-long work of the home tour committee. These folks are responsible for all aspects of the tour and do an outstanding service to the society and the community.

If you have occasion, join us in thanking these dedicated committee members.

Laura Bachara Dianne Boguskie Linda DeTorres Mindy Ellinger

Phil Fravel Libby Garner Marty Loughlin Colleen Webster

Joanne Wesson Shirley Wilson

Holiday Shopping at the Garrison

The Historical Society has recently taken ownership of the retail shop located in the Fort Johnston Garrison/Southport Visitors Center & Museum.

We invite you to stop in and take a look at some of the items and books available for sale. Your purchases will go toward the upkeep of this historic building.

