

COASTAL CAROLINA TURTLE DAY



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Wildlife fans | Nine-year-olds Tory Bumgarner (from left) and friend Heather Hedrick, of Hickory, N.C., came to the first Coastal Carolina Turtle Day July 5 with Heather's aunts, Pam and Shaleigh Scott Flowers, both of Shallotte. The girls were sleeping when the women mentioned Turtle Day. "Heather got up when she heard 'turtle.' She's an animal lover," Pam Flowers said.



Siblings | Twins Jade (left), and Julian Fry, 3, took part in the turtle celebration with their sister, Haley Russell, 9, from Supply.



Making a mark | Susan Czarnecki, who lives in Bolivia and is a member of the Holden Beach turtle patrol, paints a turtle on the cheek of Marquis Arthur, 3, of Myrtle Beach. Marquis and his brother, Malik, 8, came to the event with their grandparents, Mary and Bill Goss of Myrtle Beach.