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Upcoming Events:

Monday, November 1, 1900 **ExComm Meeting** Via Zoom

Monday, November 15 **CLSPS November Dinner Meeting**The Chelsea Restaurant
1700 Social Hour 1800 Dinner
1900-Meeting

Saturday, December 4
New Bern Christmas Flotilla

Sunday, 12 December, 1 PM Christmas Party/Social Paula's Restaurant

Monday, December 6, 1900 **ExComm Meeting** Via Zoom

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Land Yacht Cruise to the Core Sound Waterfowl Museum and Heritage Center—9 October



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At the end of September, we added a new Active Member Bellonora McCallum to our Squadron membership. Bellonora has begun taking the Boat Handling course online and operates a 22.5' power boat, *Sea Swirl*. Bellonora will be sworn in at our next meeting.

On behalf of the Squadron, I want to thank P/C Wayne Fretwell, P/C Bud Ellis and Bill Gewain, our Nominating Committee, for reaching out to our Squadron members to fill the slate for the 2022-2023 Bridge and Executive Committee. And sincere thanks to the members who have agreed to take a position. For the remaining vacancies, when a member of the Nominating Committee calls you, please consider how you can assist our Squadron.

Several Squadron members participated in Craven County Clean Sweep on Saturday, 2 October. Thanks to Lydia Ash, John Kwak, Tiki and Marty Warner for meeting me to "sweep" litter from a main street in New Bern. We had great weather and a delicious brunch after our efforts.

Our Admin Officer, Elaine Lechner, arranged for our land-yacht cruise to Harkers Island on 9 October for lunch and a visit to the Core Sound Waterfowl Museum & Heritage Center. Thirteen Squadron members participated. Karen Amspacher, director of the Museum, and our speaker in September, welcomed us and gave us a brief overview of the museum. It is truly amazing and a beautiful museum. The weather was awful and we could barely see Cape Lookout Lighthouse with the fog and rain and white caps on the sound, but we enjoyed the lunch and museum.

I look forward to seeing many of you at the upcoming Squadron meeting on 15 November. Please see Elaine's article for more details. Please wear your face mask for the social portion of the meeting and keep social distance.

The Outlook and other great information are available at the CLSPS website:

http://www.clsps.org

Please mark your calendars for a couple of upcoming events in December:

- On Saturday, 4 December the New Bern Christmas Flotilla will begin around 5:00 pm. Plans are being made to have an open house social prior to the Flotilla at the home of P/C and Cdr Moore's. More details will be sent to the Squadron members.
- On Sunday, 12 December at 1:00 pm Christmas party social for lunch at Paula's Restaurant. Elaine Lechner will have more information about reservations.

Our newsletter editor, Marty Warner, will be away during November. Our next *Outlook* will be published in December along with the proposed slate of officers for next year. If you are not able to attend the November meeting, our best wishes for a happy Thanksgiving and we look forward to seeing you in December. Please stay safe and safe travels during the holidays.

Due to COVID-19, District 27 cancelled plans for the Fall Council/Conference. The next planned D27 meeting will be the Winter Training Session on January 8 or 15 (TBD) in Cary which all incoming officers and interested members are invited to attend. The D27 Spring Council/Conference and COW will be held March 19 to 20, 2022, location TBD. Please refer to the Website: Uspsd27.org for more details as they become available.



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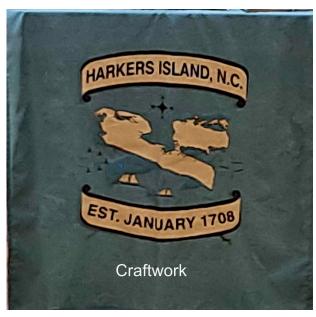
The weather was predicted to be a stormy and windy day. The group of hearty souls who were able to make it out to the Core Sound Museum and Heritage Center were blessed by weather that held off until we were leaving the museum. We had thirteen members who were able to come. We had lunch at the Seaside Galley, a little restaurant attached to a gas station on Harker's Island. We then went on to the museum where our guest speaker from the September membership meeting met us and gave us a little run down of the museum. There were two floors and a tower where the hearty went out to see the sights. The light house was barely visible in the mist.

Our next social will be the November membership meeting on November 15th. I don't have the menu yet and our Outlook editor will be out on the country so there will not be a November Outlook. You will receive an email from our commander with the menu closer to the meeting. It will still be at the Chelsea starting with the social hour at 5:00. Thanks to Lydia Ash, our November speaker will be James Moores from Moores Marine. His company was founded in 1986 by James and it specializes in consultations, restorations and repairs of antique and classic wooden boats. Moores Marine had been featured nationally and internationally in major publications. He is very excited to come visit us as I hope you all will be able to hear him speak. Look for the email from Jane with the menu in the coming weeks.

We will be having our Holiday party on December 12th at 1:00pm at Paula's Restaurant on MLK Blvd in New Bern. Please put this on your calendars and we hope to see you there. There will be more on this in the December Outlook and by email and telephone call.

All photos from the Core Sound Museum are by Lt/C Elaine Lechner











BITTS is the newsletter for District 27. The BITTS is usually published quarterly and is loaded with information about our District: http://www.uspsd27.org/newsletter.htm





2021 CLSPS Booster Club

Only a small portion (about \$17) of our dues to USPS is returned to the Cape Lookout Squadron. Money collected from our members helps defray the cost of our Dinner Meeting speakers and other incidentals (cards & flowers).

We need help keeping our books in the Black. Please contribute to the Booster Club. Any amount is helpful, but \$10 per person is a suggested amount.

2021 Booster Club

Lloyd & Jane Moore
June Reasons
Ray & Linda Whitley
Wayne Fretwell & Elaine
Lechner
Marty & Tiki Warner
Bud & Beverly Ellis
Owen & Carolyn Smith
Mike & Carolyn McCulley
John Kwak & Juli Voelker
Bill, Annalee, & Lydia Ash

Craven County Clean Sweep 2 October (not pictured is Lydia Ash)

Photo by the Editor





October

Quisenberry, Floyd M. — 1 October Stevens, James E. — 18 October

November

Smith, Owen R. — 1 November Thompson, Diana — 1 November Ash, William J. — 3 November Moore, Jane — 3 November Dugan III, James F. — 10 November Ash, Annalee M. — 22 November



P/C William J. Ash, SN, H



IT'S AUTUMN, ONCE AGAIN P/C WILLIAM J. ASH, SN H, EMERITUS

I can't remember my first autumn because I was born smack dab in the middle of it. In fact I can't remember my second and third, but I do remember my fourth when I received a brand spanking new wheelbarrow for my Geburtstag, which is German for birthday. I still can feel the handles and the balance of the little machine as I used it to fill my sandbox. Little Agnes, my next door girlfriend, and I spent hours, no, days playing in that not so little box and always being very careful to cover it up when finished to prevent the neighborhood cats from playing their games. How simple and innocent we were. Autumns, later on in life, would become more complex.

Autumn was always a good time to go sailing. I made it a point to invite my eastern Long Island chums for consecutive Saturday cruises on Moriches Bay. Sandwiches, hot coffee and tall tales were all we needed to spend precious days together. All of those chums are sailing in the big sky today. I'm the only one left.

And, I haven't seen Agnes in seventy two years. Is she still alive?

I was not a sailor from early on. In fact, I began maneuvering the boom with a main sheet when I was forty two years of age; not too old, and not too swift. I learned to sail in my neighbor's twelve foot cat boat. I vividly remember somehow getting tangled up in the main sheet and hanging upside down just forward of the tiller. I seem to recollect my younger son, Jim asking, "Dad, is that the way you are supposed to jibe?" It may have been the older son, Bill. Back then I didn't even know how to spell 'jibe.' However, I was a quick learner and, by the time I turned forty three I owned a twenty-two footer called a 'something or other', a sloop built on City Island, N.Y. Then, my life took a drastic turn.

I sold the 'something or other' to a dear friend because I hoisted off to the Middle East for a couple of years. Joining the Faculty of Sciences at Kuwait University was a noble challenge, but my reward was having students who pounced on every word from my lectures. I had gained hundreds of new, sincere friends. I loved my Arab and Persian students and they loved me. One couldn't buy relationships as these. But, after two years it was time to return to reality and the academics of sororities and fraternities. I decided, after an autumn semester, to upgrade my place in society

and accept a position at the National Science Foundation. Where would we live in the D.C. area? Only one place. Trudy and I decided to buy a forty five foot Columbia motor sailer and live right in the shadow of the Washington Monument, in the Gangplank Marina, bobbing up and down in the Washington Channel. It was tough and very educational, especially during the coldest winters in memory. Don't ask! And don't ask about our first night onboard when we were visited by an honest to goodness hurricane, and we had no mast boot. The winter weather uncovered the fact our Explorer 1 didn't have the insulation I thought it had. Poor Trudy, poor Billy.

Years slipped by, and autumns came and went. The motor sailor was replaced by a Herreshoff cat boat. It's an eighteen footer, designed by Halsey Herreshoff, built in Bristol, Rhode Island and now has been in the Family Ash for thirty-six years; the last three in the Tidewater Boat Yard undergoing post-Florence repairs. It's been like vacationing in purgatory; why is it taking so (@%cc)+#\$) long to fix a few simple problems? But, any day now, we'll be taking trans-Trent River cruises, from the Eastern Carolina Yacht Club to the railroad-bridge and back. Apparently, I've aged more quickly than has the Jolly Tar. I'll be lucky to get in and out of her cockpit without using a crane. Not good.



But, I'm not done writing about autumns. Hang on and let me finish.

Autumn has held a spell on me for years. I'm leery about going out at night for I know for sure that in my neck of the woods panthers, wolves, coyotes and bears sneak about and look into my windows at night. I know this happens, so don't laugh! And, what about driving the car through miles of farmland smack into a rising full moon, coming up in the east? That'll really get to you. It has me. The harvest moon has, so many times, given me the chills and I fail to understand why this happens. I need to know more. Any suggestions from the readership?

Every autumn, for the last twenty or more (minus the last three) I've hunkered down in the dark, near the Jolly Tar, and waited to hear 'what's out there.' Sure enough, there it was again, that feeling that something was watching me. The "who, who, who, who" plus a blood curdling scream identified the Great Horned Owl on more than one occasion. The faint snapping of a twig alerted me that a four legged mammal was with me. Or was it two legged? My mission, sixtyeight years past, as a canine officer in the Alps, on the German-Austrian border gleaned my ability to identify sounds coming from 'out there.' It's spine chilling, still today.

Am I correct writing the spirit world is most active during the months of autumn? There were times when I could have sworn I heard voices coming from the *Jolly Tar*. Voices? It's hard to say, for

sure. I'll bet they were. Or maybe it was the waves lapping against the hull. Another thought; it may have been the voices associated with the ghosts of Halloween. I'm just not certain, but I'm sure happy to be typing all this while secure inside *Waldhaus Ash*. Mom, Dad, Barbara, Trudy, Gwen, can you help me with future autumns just a little bit?

Written in October, 2021

June's Jokes

P/C June Reasons, P



Some Oldies but Many Goodies.

I have a few jokes about unemployed people, but none of them work

How do you make holy water? You boil the hell out of it

Will glass coffins be a success? Remains to be seen

What's the difference between a hippo and a zippo? One is really heavy and the other is a little lighter

Two windmills are standing in a wind farm. One asks, "What's your favorite kind of music?" The other says, "I'm a big metal fan."

Hear about the new restaurant called Karma? There's no menu - you get what you deserve

I went to buy some camouflage

trousers yesterday but couldn't find any

I tried to sue the airline for losing my luggage. I lost my case

She had a photographic memory but never developed it

Is it ignorance or apathy that's destroying the world today? I don't know and don't really care

I wasn't originally going to get a brain transplant, but then I changed my mind

My ex-wife still misses me. But her aim is starting to improve

The guy who invented the door knocker got a no-bell prize

I saw an ad for burial plots, and I thought: "That's the last thing I need!"

Need an ark? I Noah guy

I used to be indecisive; now I'm not so sure

What did the grape say when it got stepped on? Nothing - but it let out a little whine

I broke my finger last week. On the other hand, I'm okay.

Don't spell part backwards. It's a trap.

What is the best thing about living in Switzerland? Well, the flag is a big plus.

Did you hear about the guy who got hit in the head with a can of soda? He was lucky it was a soft drink.

To the mathematician who thought of the idea of zero. Thanks for nothing!

Son: "Dad, can you tell me what a solar eclipse is?" Dad: "No sun."

My math teacher called me average. How mean!

Ships Store Inventory

Knit Shirts: Ladies and men's short sleeve knit shirts - \$15. White and navy. Sizes: Ladies: S, M, L Men's: M, XL

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