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## Upcoming Events:

Friday, June 18, 1000  
**Ft Macon Coast Guard visit/Beach Picnic**

Monday, July 12, 1900  
**ExComm Meeting**  
via Zoom

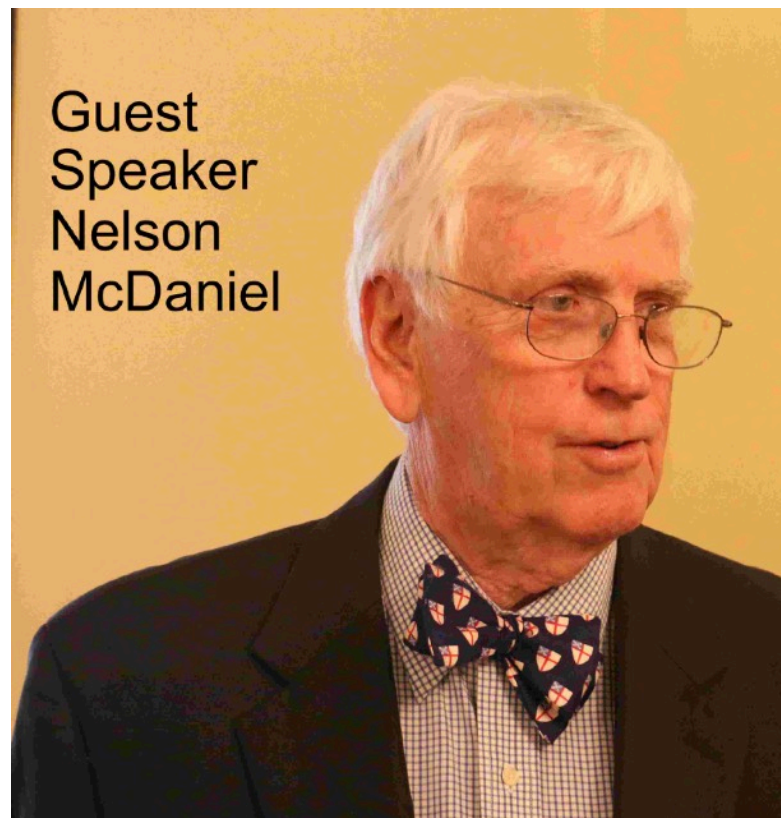
Monday, July 19  
**CLSPS May Dinner Meeting**  
The Chelsea Restaurant  
1700 Social Hour 1800 Dinner  
1900-Meeting

Sunday, July 25  
**Steel Magnolias**  
Masonic Theater  
See Admin article

August 31- September 5  
**2021 Fall Governing Board mtg**  
North Raleigh Hilton

September 11-12  
**Bike MS**  
Volunteer with Ed Gagnon

## May 17 CLSPS Dinner Meeting



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Our speaker, Nelson McDaniel of the New Bern Historical Society, gave an excellent presentation on the navigational history of New Bern at our May 17<sup>th</sup> meeting. Nelson brought memorabilia and many wonderful photographs of New Bern when Front Street and Middle Street were canals and waterfront with so many ships delivering goods to the area. Nelson held us in rapt attention to his details about the growth of New Bern.

We are looking forward to our visit to the Ft. Macon Coast Guard Station for a tour next Friday, 18 June at 10:30 am and picnic lunch at the beach pavilion after the tour. Please let Elaine Lechner know if you plan to attend. 678 464-7665.

The **2021 Fall Governing Board** meeting is scheduled for 31 August through 5 September at the North Raleigh Hilton. Visit the National Meetings website for more information and list of events and to make your reservations. Early reservations are discounted until 23 July.

**Bike MS** will be held the 11-12 of September. Our P/C Ed Gagnon is captain of a rest stop and would like to recruit volunteers to man the booths at the event. It is a great civic service to our community. Usually the shifts are four hours. Please consider helping out. Send Ed an email to let him know of your availability [6110cardinal@gmail.com](mailto:6110cardinal@gmail.com).

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

<http://www.clsps.org>

## Administrative Officer

Lt/C Elaine Lechner, AP



We had a great turnout for the May membership meeting at the Chelsea. The speaker was Nelson McDaniel from the Historical Society and he gave us an informative lecture about the nautical history of New Bern. There was a little mix up about a few of the reservations. Be sure to let ME know if you are planning to come at 678-464-7665 or [elechner@bellsouth.net](mailto:elechner@bellsouth.net). I don't get the replies when you reply to the emails from webmaster or the commander. Better yet send me your check to 2220 Caracara Drive, New Bern NC 28560. Our next membership meeting will be July 19<sup>th</sup> at the Chelsea. We will let you know about the speaker in the next Outlook, email or phone call closer to the date.

Our next outing will be to the beach for a picnic and a tour of the Ft Macon Coast Guard Station on June 18<sup>th</sup>. We will carpool from Ft Macon beach since there is limited parking at the Coast Guard station, I am told. We will get ready to carpool at 10:00am. If you are going on the tour I will need your Name as it is written on your ID. If you are not vaccinated, you will need to wear a mask. Please bring your ID and proof of vaccination, if you are, and email me

your name as it is on your ID. There are 15 signed up and CWO Schultz has said that he can handle 20 for the tour so if you want to join us please let me know. The squadron will provide hamburgers and hot dogs so just bring a side and what ever you want to drink.

We bought tickets for 16 people who signed up for Steel Magnolias, a play at the Masonic theater on Hancock street in New Bern on July 25<sup>th</sup>. There are still seats as of my writing of this article. If you want to join us, please purchase your own ticket at Nautical Wheelers on Craven Street and South Front street in New Bern or go the [rivertowneplayers.org](http://rivertowneplayers.org). And then join us for lunch at 12:30pm at Famous Subs at 2210 Neuse Blvd New Bern so we can be at the theater for the 3:00pm showing.

We are looking for ideas for an outing in August so please let me know if you have places you would like for us to go as a group.



## Education Officer

Lt/C Lloyd Moore, JN



### America's Boating Course

We received an inquiry from the Tri-Community Volunteer Fire Department (TCVFD) about helping them with training their volunteers in the operation of their rescue boat. Many of the members have little or no boating experience, and the Fire Department is called on for rescue operations on the Neuse River and the many tributaries in the area.

I met with Jeanette Gaskins, President of TCVFD and Chief Jimmy Hart to discuss how we may help. We agreed that we should schedule an ABC class in the near future, and if possible, with the help of some of our members with experience in handling small boats, put together a program of on-the-water training.

The timeframe for beginning the training would be late August, which will give us a chance to prepare.

The TCVFD is located in Bridgeton, NC, in a beautiful well-equipped brand-new firehouse. The spacious auditorium, equipped with built-in projection system, will be perfect for the classroom portion of the training. I asked if it might be possible for CLSPS to use the facility for an ABC class



offered to the public, and they were very positive, and willing to let us use the facility.

### **Advanced/Elective classes**

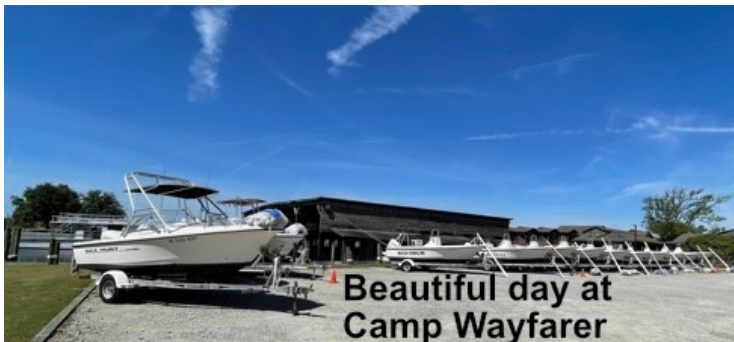
I have had several inquiries regarding advanced and elective classes. Several new members are interested in the new Boat Handling class, which has grown out of the older Seamanship class. I know there are several members who are anxious to take the Offshore Navigation (JN) class, and also Marine Electronics. I will be looking for instructors for these classes, so if you'd like to help out, please let me know.

### **Online Classes**

Several classes may be completed online, and more are currently under development. Classes currently available online are:

- Boat Handling
- Cruising and Cruise Planning
- Weather

To sign up for one of these classes, go to <https://uspsonline.lmscheckout.com>.



**Beautiful day at  
Camp Wayfarer**

**Chairman, Vessel  
Safety Program**  
P/C Owen Smith, AP



Our Vessel Safety Examiners had a great day weather-wise to conduct vessel safety checks at Camp Wayfarer in May. Many times in the past the weather has been brutally hot, but this year, it could not have been much better. Jim Dugan, Lloyd Moore, Rob Thompson and myself checked 153 boats on Tuesday, May 18. To date, our total is 296 completed vessel safety checks.

We are more than happy to do a vessel safety check for any of our members or someone you know who may need to have their boat checked to make sure their boat is ready and safety equipment wise for the boating season.

Remember, we can do a vessel safety check in your driveway, at

the launch ramp or parking area, or the marina. Just let us know.

*VSC Photos by Owen Smith*



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## 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**

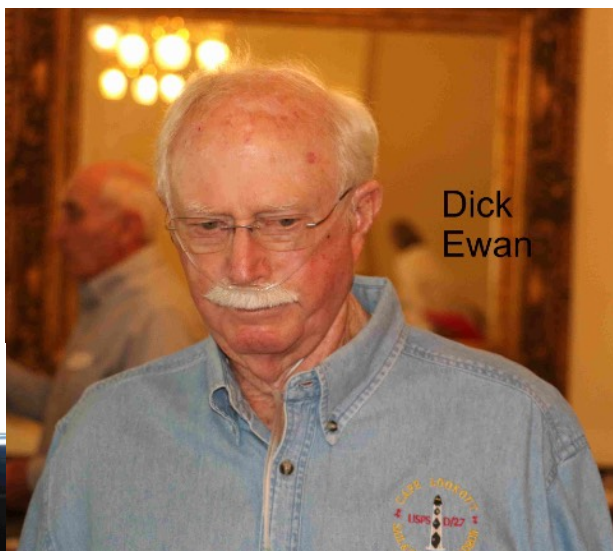


Happy Birthday  
to the  
Following Members



## JUNE

**Manganaro, Paul A — 1 June**  
**McCulley, Michael D. — 1 June**  
**Ewan, Richard B. — 4 June**  
**Fretwell, K. Wayne — 28 June**



## Radio Checks Update

Submitted by Reid Gantt

For several years, SeaTow offered a free VHF radio check but stopped doing it in October 2020. U.S. Coast Guard continues to offer an automated digital selective calling (DSC) test call capability from each of its Rescue 21 coastal stations. All fixed mount marine radios certified by the Federal Communications Commission since 1999 are required to have a DSC capability. All such radios sold since 2011 must also have a DSC test call capability. Marine radios transmitting and successfully receiving a response from a DSC test call can be expected to operate acceptably in the voice mode as well.

To perform a DSC test call, enter the Coast Guard's coast station group identity "003669999" into the radio's DSC memory. Once entered and stored, a DSC test call can be made by executing the following three steps:

- Select "Test Call" from the radio's DSC menu,
- Select the USCG number entered into memory, and
- Transmit the call.

The radio display should indicate when that test call is acknowledged and display the acknowledging station's nine-digit identity. That identity may be different than the group identity previously entered into memory.

**NOTE:.** Use VHF channel 09 for the radio check...NOT channel 16.





## New Year's Day

By Ed Gagnon

A long time ago in a distant body of water called Narragansett Bay on a cold and blustery winter's day a friend took me sailing.

It was New Year's Day when my friend, Joe Pertell, took our wives and me sailing. We took a picnic and lots of hot chocolate. However it was so cold we were soon out voted and decided to dock and go out to lunch. The closest harbor was Bristol, Rhode Island. Being winter in New England all the docks were taken in for the winter however we found a dock with an old wooden boat tied up and smoke coming out the Charlie Noble. As we tied up a gentleman stuck his head out of the hatch and asked what we were up to. Joe said we were going to walk up the hill to the museum then walk into town for lunch. As we approached the

museum a car came speeding up the driveway and a woman got out and unlocked the front door. We thanked her and asked why she was opening up just for us on a day that the museum was closed. Her reply was her boss called her and told her that anyone who sailed to the museum on New Year's Day should be able to go in and look around. You guessed it, we were at the Herreshoff Museum and the gentleman on the boat was Mr H himself. Figuring I could see the museum and go out to lunch any time, I hiked back to the dock and knocked on the boat.

That's how I got to spend the day sitting around a coal stove and talking to Mr Herreshoff for the day.

I did get in trouble with Sue for not going out to lunch with the ladies but Joe forgave me and was very jealous.



## "WE INTERRUPT YOUR DAY WITH THE LATEST NEWS" P/C WILLIAM J. ASH SN EMERITUS

This, right off the wires! A statement was issued today concerning the health of the world's leading nautical educational organization. Apparently the number of members of USPS has fallen rather severely over the past few decades and steps must be taken to stop this trend. It would be a catastrophe should USPS be unable to continue its important role insuring the waters of the USA be absolutely safe for boaters. It takes members to fulfill this mission. Efforts to remedy the problem(s) have been significant but Squadrons must recognize their responsibilities in correcting this major issue. We return now to the usual broadcasting with the weather, thunderstorms with meatballs will make their way....." .....

"P/C, what was that all about? I've not heard anything about a problem with members during my stay in the

For tons of information about what's going on in our own District 27, take a look at their website:  
District 27 of the United States Power Squadrons: <http://www.uspsd27.org>



Squadron. I realize my duties to the Crown have taken me away from a number of local issues, but I've missed this one rather badly. I recall you telling me approximately 83,000 persons were on the roles of USPS when you joined in 1961. Today, the organization hints the number to be 20,000 plus or minus. I must not have been paying attention. This is absolutely terrible." All this chatter comes from Horatio.

My very close friend, Horatio Hornblower and I have been nautical chums for many years. I'm sure I need not expand on this as you have followed our mutual adventures via the *Outlook* since 'whenever.' (I hope the Chief Commander knows this.) Hornblower spends a good share of his professional time with me and provides much intellectual ammunition for me in my quest to be perfect. Be perfect? I've got to be kidding. Right?

"Capt. Hornblower, old friend. I never took the time to tell you about all my years in USPS. I've seen the tides come and go, sunrises followed by sunsets, comets and black holes, Stanley Cups won and lost and the all too often mention of, "Wait 'till next year!" by my dearly beloved Brooklyn Dodgers. USPS is going through what so many gritty organizations are experiencing, a shortage of many things. For example, there has been a lack of interest, by members, in taking advanced courses. There are numerous reasons for this, many many due to changes in societal structure; families needing to

assume two or more jobs. Members are not able to find the time to devote to USPS. They just can't do it. USPS cannot lean on retired persons to run the whole show. Younger members with rip roaring energies are needed, but how? And retired persons have more health problems than 'them there folks having youthful bodies.'

"USPS needs persons to teach our tough courses; we need to push advanced courses to teach the future instructors of advanced courses. We need administrators to run the Squadrons, but we find it necessary to recycle members because we do not have persons properly 'incubated' with experience. USPS needs to find ways to solve all this. A Squadron without new and dynamic persons coming up the hawse pipes is a Squadron with trouble. And we need to recruit brand new members. Bring 'em in from the beginning course. But, we need more beginning courses. Education is the role of USPS.

"USPS needs persons loving the practical side of things nautical. Members who love to teach while on the water are not a dime a dozen. It takes a special person to do so. Reducing sights to satisfy requirements for JN and N (as call them) takes a lot of doing.

"Marine electronics, weather, engine maintenance and instructor qualification need to be taught by persons who have experience and enjoy classroom work. Where are you? Have you taken these courses? We are going through tough

times. USPS needs the help of persons who are active members, persons with a love of the nautical, with a love of getting wet, but not too wet. We need young bucks and buckses (? what's this) who enjoy helping others. Step forward and do something. Horatio, do I make myself clear?"

"Right, P/C. You bet your astrolabe you do."

"Captain, I don't own an astrolabe. Honestly, I don't, oh wait, I get it, I understand where you are going. Good man, you are Hornblower. I never would have thought of that. And thank you for supplying a bit of ammunition to shake up the troops. Let me end this conversation with a smidge of genetic thinking. Let's say the 'XYZ' group doesn't have a large enough membership to supply needed genetic diversity; it needs outside genes to prevent inbreeding. What happens?

"What happens? P/C, I don't understand."

"The chances are it will die off. Undesirable genes will gradually take over and snuff out the 'XYZ' group. We simply cannot let this happen to our Squadrons. Think about it! Somehow we need to take on new members to train and maintain our long tradition. Cabich? Or is it Kabisch?"

"Let's compromise and spell it Cabisch. See you at the yacht club, P/C. Hmmm, is it C or K? Ah, never mind."

## June's Jokes

P/C June Reasons, P



1. When one door closes and another door opens, you are probably in prison.

2. To me, "drink responsibly" means don't spill it.

3. Age 60 might be the new 40, but 9:00 pm is the new midnight.

4. It's the start of a brand new day, and I'm off like a herd of turtles.

5. The older I get, the earlier it gets late.

6. When I say, "The other day," I could be referring to any time between yesterday and 15 years ago.

7. I remember being able to get up without making sound effects.

8. I had my patience tested. I'm negative.

9. Remember, if you lose a sock in the dryer, it comes back as a Tupperware lid that doesn't fit any of your containers.

10. If you're sitting in public and a stranger takes the seat next to you, just stare straight ahead and say, "Did you bring the money?"

11. When you ask me what I am doing today, and I say "nothing," it does not mean I am free. It means I am doing nothing.

12. I finally got eight hours of sleep. It took me three days, but whatever.

13. I run like the winded.

14. I hate when a couple argues in public, and I missed the beginning and don't know whose side I'm on.

15. When someone asks what I did over the weekend, I squint and ask, "Why, what did you hear?"

16. When you do squats, are your knees supposed to sound like a goat chewing on an aluminum can stuffed with celery?

17. I don't mean to interrupt people. I just randomly remember things and get really excited.

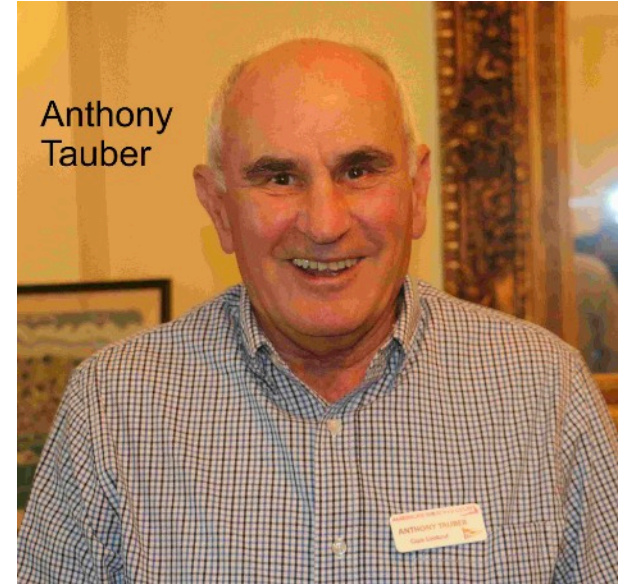
18. When I ask for directions, please don't use words like "east."

19. Don't bother walking a mile in my shoes. That would be boring. Spend 30 seconds in my head. That'll freak you right out.

20. Sometimes, someone unexpected comes into your life out of nowhere, makes your heart race, and changes you forever. We call those people cops.

21. My luck is like a bald guy who just won a comb.

Anthony  
Tauber



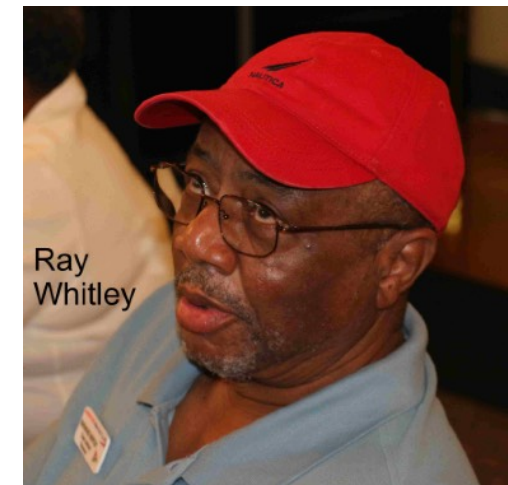
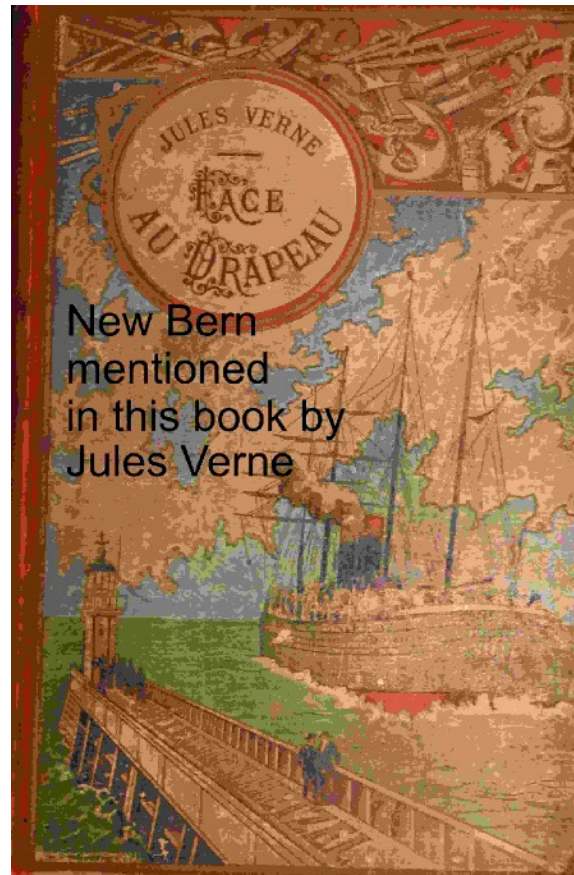
Lydia Ash  
Collecting  
50-50 Money





## More May Dinner Meeting Photos

*All Dinner Meeting photos by Editor*







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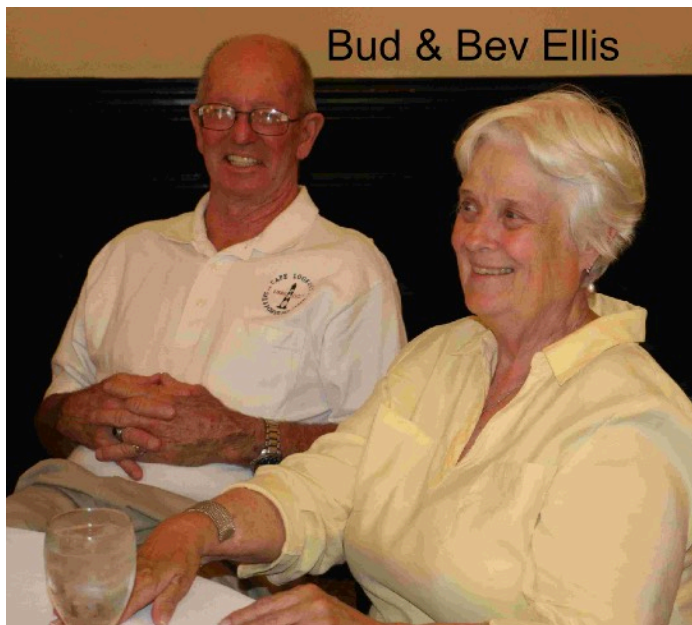


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in an  
earlier time

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