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GUEST SPEAKER: JACK YOURA - "BOATING FOIBLES"

BY ELLEN HENDERSON; PIX: ARCHIVES

At our recent SHBC Zoom meeting on JUNE 2nd **Jack Youra** was our guest speaker along with **Mikey Hembrey.** They gave a presentation on: **"Communications At Sea".** So, **Jack** is back with a **new topic:**





Plan to attend our SHBC Monthly **ZOOM** Meeting



18:30 (6:30PM) SHBC Member - Jack Youra will be the Moderator for: "Boating Foibles"

Plan to Share your Stories with SHBC If you Have any **Pix**, email them with Captions to: <u>johnyoura@yahoo.com</u>

RECAP OF GUEST SPEAKER- John Herrick FROM THE SEPT. 1st SHBC MEMBERSHIP MEETING

BY ELLEN HENDERSON, PIX ARCHIVES + INTERNET



At our Sept. 1st ZOOM Meeting John Herrick compared Hurricane "Katrina" and the recent Hurricane "Ida" path of destruction. In 2005, Hurricane "Katrina" went straight North, but landed East of New Orleans, and was a Category 5, which pushed up water toward land and there was a 30' storm surge. While Alabama and Mississippi residents had already evacuated, many in New Orleans did not and it was too late. Unfortunately, some homes were looted by people pulling up in U-hauls and emptying there houses. The American Red Cross helped by setting up tent housing.

While **Hurricane "Ida"** was a **Category 4** with **145mph** upon landing, which resulted in no electrical power in **New Orleans.** The transmissions lines went down and there was scant drinking water. Generators could run on 4-8hrs. at a time. Bridges were out, there were no flights and the temp. was 106 degrees.



John also compared these with local Florida Hurricanes. In the **1920's** one hit **Oldsmar** and the water was up to the rooftops, while in **1985,** if **Hurricane "Elena"** hadn't turned, it would have destroyed **Pinellas County.**

John was born in **Bangor, Maine** and in 1972 he move to **Oldsmar, FL** where he took up sailing on a **Hobie 14'** on the North end of Mobley Bay. In 1982 **John** was a live-aboard on a **24'** sailboat for a year with no A/C. In 1985 he acquired a **Hunter Legend 45'**, on which he was also

a liveaboard until 1997. That year he sailed his "home" to **Cuba** as a cruiser in the **St. Pete sponsored Regatta**.

On the non-sailing side of his life, John graduated from the Univ. of Maine at Orono, with a BS in Structural Engineering. John volunteers as "Lighting and Sound" Director at the Catherine Hickman Theater in Gulfport. John was our Audio/Sound Engineer with all of his equipment for our Club's previous Change of Watch Party, St. Patty's Day Party and he did it again for our Club's recent Memorial Day Party. John was our previous Guest Speaker in May 2021 and his Topic was: "Everything You Wanted to Know About Seabirds, But Were Afraid to Ask". He was subsequently our Tour Guide/Docent at the Seaside Seabird Sanctuary, where we were able to view the actual Black Skimmers nesting on the Beach behind the Seabird Sanctuary.

The 18 ZOOM Meeting attendees included: Commodore Mark & Ann Kanuck, Vice Commodore/Race Co-Chair John & his Wife Renee Viverito, Treas./ZOOM Mtg. Host Joan Marzi, Sec./Scribe Marion Ruuge-Aronson, Ellen Henderson, Mikey Hembrey, Ron Poirson, Dr. Marc & Eileen Berger, Leslie & Tim Sindt, Patrick Whelan, and guests Chris Dollin & 3 other unidentified guests.

SHBC BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

BY ELLEN HENDERSON, PIX FROM ARCHIVES

Congratulations to those SHBC Members, whose Birthdays and Anniversaries fall in the Month of OCTOBER. It's a popular month for Birthdays.

Birthdays:

- 10-7 Chrystal Anders
- 10-9 Ted O'Brien
- 10-9 Victoria Hawkins Newton
- 10-12 Karen Gray-Furnish
- 10-14 Gina Breece
- 10-15 Marcus Lund
- 10-16 Basil Smith
- 10-19 Bonnie Monroe <-----
- 10-22 Rose Bifulco Mintz
- 10-28 Dale Cuddeback
- 10-30 Yvette Maldonado
- 10-31 Connie Billhofer

Anniversaries:

10-2	Mark	&	Ann Kannuck <
10-16	John	&	Renee Viverito



SATURDAY, OCTOBER 30 FUN EVENT: HALLOWEEN PARTY and CHILI COOK-OFF at the Marina Pavilion Starting at 5:00 pm!

By ELLEN HENDERSON; PIX: ARCHIVES

Come in your **favorite scary Halloween outfit** and don't forget to bring your **most potent CHILI concoction**, there will be **prizes awarded for the winners in BOTH categories**.





Bring your drinks of choice or bring a side-dish (if you're not bringing chili) and do not forget your favorite Antacid, you may need it. The Club will provide the, chili bowls, plates and utensils to eat and some water to ease the pain. The ghosts will start flying at **5:00 PM on Sat., Oct. 30th**. Be ready to participate in the chili tasting plus the 50/50 drawing.

There will also be some **surprise entertainment after dinner! Please RSVP at <u>shbc4fun@gmail.com</u> so we have an idea of how many people plan on attending.**



Also, we'd like to thank **Mark & Ann Kanuck** who has graciously volunteered to be our **Hosts for this Party**. Also, if you would like to

volunteer to Participate in the entertainment after dinner and/or help Decorate the Marina Pavilion @ 2:30 PM, contact: Ellen Henderson @ (c) (727) 656-4089 - CALL OR TEXT.

Dock Lines – Good Old Boat

By Mikey

Rather than put it all of the text here, I decided to provide a little teaser and a short link to the article. Overall, it is an interesting observation by author Cliff Moore.

Since moving from a mooring to a slip, I've noticed that there is a great variety in the way people secure their boats to a dock. Some methods are seemingly bulletproof, others interesting, whimsical, even amusing. And always the question arises, "Will it work under any condition?"

https://goodoldboat.com/dock-lines/

Road Trip by Mark & Ann Kenuk

By Mark, wirh Pix

Hi Fellow Clubby's:

A few shots...

Tululah Gorge, North Ga, our loft BR in the woods Bryson City, visitor center protocols at Smokey

Mtn Natl Park, waterfalls all over, Clingman's Dome 6,600 ft (we came for the view⁽²⁾), elk, you should seen the buck-humongous), Ziplining at Nantahala with Jack and Bonnie Box and our guides, Ann on the Smokey Mountain RR at Bryson City and one of many stops on the Blue Ridge Parkway. No shots of white water rafting since the phone would have been soaked!



Still looking for a sailing opportunity.Great va-kay so far. More later.

Mark and Ann

New Race Marks Installation Completed

By Chris Dolin

Over the years the club has deployed and lost many marks and anchors. Don Newton has been a great help this year, taking temporary marks out the day before a race on his pontoon boat. But with Don needing to take time off, it was time to create permanent marks on a limited budget.



Race Chair John V asked for ideas and donations. Mikey, who donated assorted lines and a garden hose, suggested using cinder blocks instead of anchors, and to thread the line attached to the block through garden hose to prevent chafing.

We met at John's garage with plastic buckets, foam spray, plenty of lines, garden hose,, two small anchors from Don's Salvage, and tested some ideas in the

community pool.

We needed a counterweight on the anchor lines to allow the buckets to sit upright. I had an old igloo water container that we filled with rocks, and



rocks were placed in the buckets that were joined together with foam. We attached the anchors to the newly acquired start buoys, and tidied up fraying lines.



The next day, Don took us out to deploy the marks. A big blue barrel with the igloo counterweight was

dropped near where the orange mark used to be. We didn't test the igloo counterweight, and to our surprise **it floated**. John tried putting a few holes into it, so we'll see how that goes.

The foam filled buckets we dropped in the position of the white mark also didn't stand fully upright. The good news is that the marks are still in place after a few weeks. They are not the prettiest of marks, but do the job, and hopefully will not be a temptation for anyone to take.

It's back to the drawing board on the counterweights, so please let John know if you have any ideas. Mark Kanuk and I did see a beat up old mushroom anchor at Don Salvage, so perhaps another trip is in order.

The club now has two permanent marks which cost very little except some time, but it was a fun group project with many people contributing.

Frank Fitzhenry Memorial Race Results Are In...

Report & Pix by John Viverito



Paul Matthews the winner of our inaugural Frank Fitzhenry Labor Day Race:

"What Were We Thinking 40 Day Road Trip? Interim Report #1

Commodore Mark Kanuck

Greeting SHBC'ers and Friends!

It's been two and half weeks and 2000 plus miles since we left Safety Harbor on our longawaited vacation from the Florida heat. As I write this, we are currently ending a four night stay at The Greenbrier in White Sulphur Springs, WV. Tomorrow we depart and continue to head north to visit one of my cousins who lives in within smelling distance of Hershey, PA. We understand you can actually smell the scent of chocolate in the air. Even that will probably put a pound or two on me. But I'm getting ahead of myself. I've sent several pictures to Mikey Hembrey and Ellen Henderson of our trip so far and trust that Mikey will somehow get them into the Sentinel along with this article.

We began our trip north on Labor Day, with the ultimate destination of Bar Harbor, ME the objective, with great friends Bonnie and Jack Box. Together we spent 10 days in North Carolina's Smoky Mountain. As a teenager Bonnie, being from South Carolina, used to attend summer camp in the NC mountains s



and has many fond memories of the area. She arranged for several activities including Zip Lining, white water rafting on the Nantahala River and hiking. This river is used as the major training site for white water kayaking by the US Olympic Team so the water moves a little bit faster than the



tides in upper Tampa Bay. It was a magnificent 8+ mile run down the river that took approximately two and half hours. Yes, we all got soaked and welcomed it on a warm sunny day. All 7 of us (six rafters and our guide Johnny) nearly landed in the drink when we took a roll, or rather a sudden unexpected lurch, to starboard, that send us all diving into the bottom of the

raft and reaching for those on the right side of the raft from going over the side. Everyone could feel their hearts skip a beat but all we go was a bit wet. Actually, we all got drenched!



Hiking in the NC Mountains is an absolute joy. Here are a few pictures of the four of us in the DuPont State Forest, just minutes from our Air B&B rental in Brevard, NC. The waterfalls are big and abundant and the forest, as Robert Frost wrote is "dark and deep" and a great place to walk off the few pounds gained eating and drinking. Ann arranged for us to ride the Smokey Mountain Railroad out of Bryson City, NC and take an "off road" adventure. Before roads, rail was really the mode of conveyance that

opened up western North Carolina to logging in the late 19th and early 20th century. The two-hour trip in an open car took us by rivers and lakes and



through unspoiled forests. Along the way we learned that famous train crash from the 1993 film *The Fugitive* which starred Harrison Ford, was filmed here in NC along with the scene where Dr. Richard Kimble (probably Harrison Ford's stunt double), escapes the law by stepping off the 225-foot-high (Cheoah) dam. We didn't get to the dam this time, but I'm coming back just to see that! We also took an off-road driving adventure in an open Jeep. Our local guide (Larry) has lived in the area over 25 years, has hiked the Appalachian Trail (all at one time!!) and knows the history

of the mountains past & present. He took us back into the "hollers" where there were few people



or paved roads. While Jack Box <u>is</u> a real fisherman, and I <u>buy</u> my fish at Jensen's Sea Food in Dunedin, we were both excited when Larry took us by one of the largest fish hatcheries in the country, Tellico Trout Farm. Tellico provides rainbow trout to most restaurants east of the Mississippi. Who knew? They also raise fingerlings that stock many of North Caroline's trout streams. And fly fishing is HUGE in these here parts. And we're coming back for that too.

After saying so long to Bonnie and Jack on Wednesday Sept 15th, Ann and I cruised the Blue Ridge Parkway and the back roads of small rural mountain towns. We visited the site of a logging town called Sunburst on the Western

Fork of the Pidgeon River in Haywood County. Driving the NC mountains is a lot like skiing a slalom course. At my age my knees can no longer take skiing (and a lot of other things), but driving Ann's little red Prius wagon down the mountain was fun and exhilarating, and only made Ann little bit car sick. Sunburst was a booming logging town that sprung up overnight in the early 20th century when these mountains were clear cut and I mean CLEAR CUT as far the eye could see. Thankfully, these mountains are now protected in National Parks or State Forests. Friends of ours back in Madeira Beach, Phyllis and Bob Barnett, have written a fascinating book about this region, The book is titled, *At the Foot of Cold Mountain, Sunburst and the Universalist of Inman Chapel*". Phyllis's family settled in these hills' generations ago, long before railroads opened it up to logging in the late 19th and ear 20th century. She traces her family roots through her great, great grandfather who was a Universalist minister. You may remember the bestselling novel *Cold Mountain*, by Charles Frazier. Later the book was made into a critically acclaimed

movie. The hero of that novel goes by the name Inman. Phyllis IS an Inman and is related to Charles Frazier! The novel resembles much of the life her ancestors faced and is a fascinating read.

Coming out of the Smokies, we spent two nights in Asheville, NC. We've only heard good things about Asheville, and I can report that it's still true. In addition to the famed Biltmore House and Gardens, the city itself has a laid back but hip vibe with many small specialty shops and scores of neat restaurants. We spent the day wandering its



downtown district enjoying the sights. On the day we left we stopped and visited with our very own Marion Ruuge-Aronson. Marion has a delightful home in the foothills of Newport, Tennessee. We sat on her back deck which was like being in a treehouse, sipped a cup of coffee and caught up on each other lives. It was wonderful see her.



On Saturday the 18th we checked into the poshest hotel we've ever been in, The Greenbrier in White Sulphur Springs, West Virginia. On the

way we stopped at West Virginia's New River Gorge. We hiked to a rock rim overlooking the gorge and spent some time driving down to the bottom where we witnessed white water rafters heading through what looked to be Class 4 (which is only next to Class 5) rapids. Later that day we checking into



the Greenbrier and we'll report on that and our very moving trip to the Flight 93 Memorial in Shanksville, PA. during the next installment.

To be Continued

Veterans get free entrance to national parks, refuges and other public lands

Reported by Mikey



Entrance fees for the National Park Service and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and standard amenity recreation fees for the Bureau of Land Management, Bureau of Reclamation, U.S. Forest Service and U.S. Army Corps of Engineers sites **are waived for current Military Service-members and their dependents, Veterans and Gold Star Families.**

They now have free access to approximately 2,000 public

locations spread out across more than 400 million acres of public lands, which host activities to fit any lifestyle, from serene to high octane, including hiking, fishing, paddling, biking, hunting, stargazing, camping, and much more.

Are you eligible?

For purposes of this program, a Veteran is identified as an individual who has served in the United States Armed Forces, including the National Guard and Reserves, and is able to present one of the following forms of valid (unexpired) identification:

- Department of Defense Identification Card
- Veteran Health Identification Card (VHIC)
- Veteran ID Card
- Veterans designation on a state-issued U.S. driver's license or identification card

Although intended for another reason, here is a 1000+ list of locations available: <u>https://www.nps.gov/planyourvisit/pickup-pass-locations.htm</u> and <u>https://www.recreation.gov/pass/</u> <u>https://usparkpass.com/list-of-national-parks/</u>

As a footnote, you can also get Senior and Senior Lifetime passes at a discount. If you want to explore your options here: <u>https://www.nps.gov/planyourvisit/veterans-and-gold-star-families-free-access.htm</u>

Remembering: Patricia Louise Coyle: NOVEMBER25,1946-SEPTEMBER18,2020

PIX Submitted by Lauren Logan and Margie; ARTICLE by Ellen Henderson & John Viverito

It has been a year since we lost our dear friend Patricia Coyle.

On **September**, **18**, **2020**, we lost of one of our **SHBC members - Patricia Coyle** after her battle with **pancreatic cancer**. For all of us who knew her and her indomitable spirit in the face of great odds and her love of sailing (and sailors), she was a joy to be around.

SHBC Member Patricia Coyle's life was briefly honored at our recent SHBC MEMORIAL DAY CELEBRATION. However, many of our SHBC Members missed this event, so there was

another **opportunity to honor Patricia's life:** We were contacted by **Lauren Logan** from **Patricia's Church: Unitarian Universalist (UUC):**

Patricia's Memorial

The service was held on **Sunday, September 12 at 2:00 pm** in both formats: **Live (30)** and **Zoom (12) (for those who could not be there in person).**

PROGRAM:

Welcome (Meredith Olson) Meditation Reading Reflections on Patricia (people who had prepared something in advance.) Music Closing Words Attendees were invited to visit the paver placed in the meditation garden honoring **Patricia**

Susan Gore and Ann Scott, who were both in the Play "Vagina Monologues" with Patricia were among the speakers. John Herrick shared his beloved memories of all the wonderful adventures he spent with Patricia: traveling, daily bicycling, theater, etc., Ellen Henderson spoke of her introduction to Patricia through local community theatre & her part in her first Play, "The Regatta" plus her participation as a member of SHBC. Others talked of Patricia's exquisite taste and her love of the color RED. Vice Commodore John & Renee Viverito also attended.











Music and readings

Several contributed Florida friendly plants for the meditation garden.

Lauren Logan organized the Memorial.

SAILBOAT IN SICKBAY

BY A-NON-Y-MOUS

Sail your boat. A neglected boat will deteriorate. "I think they get mad", David once said, as many others have, that "a boat is the nearest thing to a living being that a man can make with his hands." I believe him. It will help you if you believe this too. If you know her well, understand her ways, you will be able to help her thrive.



SHBC BOAT SALE: SOLD!

BY ELLEN HENDERSON; PIX: ARCHIVES



Congratulations to **Patrick Whelan**, who has sold his **Hunter sailboat "Suncatcher"** to a power boater, who in turn may resell to one of our SHBC Members.

We hope to see the potential sailing member out competing in our SHBC races and participating on Club Cruises in their new boat.

In addition to previous SHBC Cruises, "Suncatcher" was in both of our Club's previous Bikini Cup Regattas with Patrick on board as the Coach of an All-Female Crew.

DANCE REHEARSAL for "Masquerade - Phantom of the Opera"

By ELLEN HENDERSON; Pix: Internet & JOHN HERRICK



The S. H. library has confirmed our reservation request for S. H. boat Club Rehearsal of "Masquerade" from "Phantom of the Opera" for Meeting Room B at Safety Harbor Public Library, which is scheduled for TUES. - October 5th, 2021 at 6:45pm to 7:45pm.

The PERFORMANCE will be during our Annual Halloween/Chili Cook-off Party on Sat., Oct. 30th starting @ 5:00pm.

Please respond re: your participation TO ELLEN HENDERSON either by text, phone or email to (727) 656-4089 or <u>ellenmaehenderson@hotmail.com</u>

Here is the you tube video:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mON5dbdm63M

THE CLEARWATER JAZZ HOLIDAY - 2021

BY ELLEN HENDERSON; PIX: ARCHIVES

THE CLEARWATER JAZZ HOLIDAY – "2021 IS BACK" over the weekend of Oct.15-17 with a new venue at BayCare Field (while Coachman Park undergoes renovations). BayCare Field is where the Phillies play their Spring Training Games in Clearwater and the Park formerly had many names (ie: Brighthouse Field, etc.), depending upon which organization was their Sponsor. Plus, it's a lot closer to Safety Harbor, with lots of parking available. The advance purchase tickets are only \$10.00 and can be purchased via their website: https://www.clearwaterjazz.com/



Cartoon Break

Via Ellen



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