



NORTH CAROLINA
MARITIME
MUSEUMS
SOUTHPORT

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

JULY

- July 2:
Bicycling Tour with
the Adventure
Kayak Company
- July 5-6:
Art in the Afternoon
- July 5-9: Blockade
Runners Boot Camp
- July 9:
2nd Saturdays
- July 12, 13, 14-15,
20, 21, 26, 28:
Summer Children's
Program
- July 19:
3rd Tues Evening
Adult Program



Since the start of the Queen Anne's Revenge shipwreck project in 1996, tens of thousands of artifacts have been recovered. Pictured is a coin weight with the likeness of Queen Anne.

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MUSEUM GRAND OPENING

**JULY 4TH, 2011 MARKS THE GRAND OPENING
OF THE NC MARITIME MUSEUM
AT SOUTHPORT.**

**A RIBBON CUTTING CEREMONY WITH STATE AND
LOCAL DIGNITARIES WILL TAKE PLACE ON THE
MOORE STREET PORCH AT 9:45 A.M. ON JULY 4TH.
FOLLOWING THE NC JULY 4TH FESTIVAL PARADE,
THE MUSEUM WILL OPEN ITS DOORS TO THE PUBLIC
AT 12:30 P.M. FOR THE FIRST TIME SINCE
RELOCATING TO ITS CURRENT LOCATION AT
204 E. MOORE STREET ON THE GROUNDS OF FORT
JOHNSTON. GUIDED TOURS WILL BE OFFERED ON
THE HOUR. FREE FAMILY FUN!**

Conservation Workshop with the Queen Anne's Revenge Lab Staff

July 19th, 7-9 p.m.

Third Tuesday Evening Adult Program

Enjoy an educational evening with the NC Maritime Museum at Southport and the City of Southport at the Southport Community Building as we offer a presentation of artifacts and learn about conservation and preservation of historic materials as presented by the laboratory staff of Blackbeard's flagship the "Queen Anne's Revenge", under excavation near Beaufort, NC. Light refreshments will be served. Program is free, call the museum at (910) 457-0003 to register.

Blockade Runners and River Pilots

July 9th
Noon - 4 p.m.



See how the pilots of Smithville became a vital link in the "lifeline of the Confederacy" by guiding blockade runners through the treacherous waters of the Cape Fear. Hear tales of the men who settled what would later become the city of Southport and see the tools of their trade in our Pilots, Rescues, and Navigation exhibit. Enjoy fun activities and crafts, costumed "visitors from the past" and special guests from the community. Free, family fun. 204 E Moore St. Please call the Museum at (910)457-0003 for more information.

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

Historical Bicycle Tour with the Adventure Kayak Company

July 2 & Aug. 13, 9 a.m. - The NC Maritime Museum at Southport teams up with the Adventure Kayak Company to offer a bicycle tour of Historic Downtown Southport. A museum guide will take participants through the live oak canopied streets and along the waterfront, explaining its history as you pedal by Fort Johnston, Brunswick Inn, the Old Brunswick Jail, the Crimes of the Heart Home, The Indian Trail Tree, along the Cape Fear River and more. Bikes are single-speed, pace is slow, and all participants must wear helmets. Fee is \$20 for bike/helmet rental and tour. (Bring your own bike, tour only fee \$15.) Space is limited. Two day advance registration required, call The Adventure Kayak Company, (910)454-0607.



Children's Summer Program Series June 14–August 17, Spend some summer vacation time along the Cape Fear River learning and playing Pirate, Sailor, Shipwreck or Civil War Hero.

July 5-July 9, 10a.m.-noon - *Blockade Runners Boot Camp* - Ages 8 - 12 Limited to 12 children.

July 5-July 9, 10a.m.-noon - *Little Blockade Runners Boot Camp* - Ages 4-7 Limited to 12 children.

Learn about a Civil War soldier's life, and what it meant to break the Blockade. Make your own fort, ship model, and mess bag. On Saturday, a Victory Celebration and a visit from a special guest! \$35/members, \$40/non-members.

July 5-6, 2-4 p.m. - *Art in the Afternoon* - A special two-day class! Make shell art, knotting, and learn about the sailors' carving art of Scrimshaw! \$6/child. Ages 8-12.



July 12, 2-4 p.m. - *Danger at Sea!* - Storms, shipwrecks and safety, from historic times to today. Learn how the shoals of the Cape Fear came to be known as some of the most treacherous waters of the Atlantic. Build a mini-lighthouse to help your small vessels find their way. \$3/child. Ages 6 -12.

July 13 OR July 20, 10 a.m.-noon - *Kids on Deck! River Boat Tour aboard the Solomon T* - Do science experiments, bird watch at Battery Island and learn the history of the river. Instructor: Capt. Bert Felton Ages 8-12. \$10.00/child. Limited to 5 children per trip.

July 14-15, 10 a.m.-noon - *Digging Up the Past* - Two-day class. Dig for cultural treasures, features and artifacts, and learn what to do with them. Learn how to do surface collection and

archaeological digs, and how to interpret your findings! \$6/child. Ages 6 -12.

July 21, 2-4p.m. - *Mariners' Machines* - Build pulleys, levers and switches like the ones that make boats go and stop! Learn about knots, too! Fee \$3/child. Ages 6 -12.

July 26, 10a.m.-noon - *Low Tide River Exploration* - Search for seashells, sea glass, pottery shards and learn a little history of Southport and shipwrecks. Meet at Waterfront park pier and wear shoes that can get messy. Free. Ages 6 -12.

July 28, 10 a.m.-noon - *Colonial Games* - Learn about soldiers' lives at Fort Johnston and some of the games and activities they would do to pass the time. \$3/child. Ages 5-10.

August 4, 10-11 a.m. - *Seaside Container Gardening* - Explore our cultural garden, discover plant's uses at sea and on land, then plant silver bells in your cockle shells, or any other container you like, such as an old shoe, a tackle box, a bucket or a scuba mask. \$3/child. Ages 3-6 (with adult).

August 4, 11 a.m.-noon - *Seaside Container Gardening* - \$3/child. Ages 6-12.

August 9, 10 -11 a.m. - *Low Tide River Exploration* - Search for seashells, sea glass, pottery shards and learn a little history of Southport and shipwrecks. Wear shoes that can get messy. Free. Ages 3-6 (with adult).

August 9, 11 a.m.-noon - *Low Tide River Exploration* - Free. Ages 6 -12.

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August 11, 10-11 a.m. - *Pirates for Preschoolers* - Come to the Museum and hear a pirate's tale, play a game, and practice your swashbuckling skills. \$3/child. Ages 3-6 (with adult).

August 11, 11 a.m.-noon - *Pirate's Life for me!* - Come to the museum and hear a pirate's tale, play a game, and practice your swashbuckling skills. Make a pirate craft, too! \$3/child. Ages 6-12.

August 11, 2-4 p.m. - *Art in the Afternoon: Clay, Sand and Water* - Make a sculpture using natural clay and sand from our region, learn about what types of clays and materials were used to create pottery here from pre-historic through historic times. \$5/child. Ages 6-12.

August 17, 10 -11 a.m. - *Myths of Mermaids and Monsters* - Hear tales of tails and what sailors thought they saw at sea. Make a mythological craft, too! \$3/child. Ages 3-5 (with adult).

August 17, 11a.m. - noon - *Myths of Mermaids and Monsters* - \$3/child. Ages 6-10.



The 150th Anniversary of First Manassas

Throughout the next five years, our nation and state will be commemorating the 150th Anniversary of the American Civil War.

The first major land battle to take place during the Civil War is often referred to as the *First Manassas* in the south, and as the *Battle of Bull Run* in the north. The conflagration surrounded Manassas Junction, a rail crossroads in northern Virginia, less than an hour's train ride from Washington, DC. General Joseph E. Johnston, with the assistance of P.G.T. Beauregard, commanded approximately 35,000 Confederate soldiers, and General Irwin McDowell commanded the same number of Federals. Under pressure from President Lincoln, McDowell reluctantly attacked the Confederates. With luck and the efforts of talented subordinates, such as T.J. "Stonewall" Jackson and James "Old Pete" Longstreet, a rebel victory was pulled out of the veritable fire. "Uncle Joe" Johnston was in command of the rebels, but Beauregard received the lion's share of the credit for the victory.



Several very notable things resulted from this battle, beside an undeniable victory for the South:

- The shrill rebel yell was heard for the first time on the battlefield.
- "Stonewall" Jackson received his nickname from General Barnard Bee.
- Confederate reinforcements arrived at the last minute via the railroads.
- James Longstreet utilized the tactic of "offensive defense", whereas the Confederates would get the Federals to attack well fortified positions, thus weakening their force and resulting in a rebel victory.
- The battle bolstered the confidence and reputation of the Confederate soldier as a superior fighter, a much needed moral booster for Southerners during much of the war.
- A false sense of negativism and defeat amongst Federal leaders, soldiers and Northerners towards the war effort pervaded until almost the end of the war.

Federal, state and local government entities will commemorate the 150th anniversary of First Manassas on July 23-24, 2011.

Freeman, Douglas S. *Lee's Lieutenants*. Vol. 1, 1942, Scribner and Sons Pub.

Photo: Statue of Jackson commemorating his role in the Battle of First Manassas.

News From the Friends of the Museum (FOM)

Program Sponsor: Sponsors are needed for the 3rd Tuesday Evening Adult Programs. Please call the Museum for details. (910)457-0003

Set-up thank you: Thank you to Woody Wilson and Al Biasotti for helping with setup for our June 21st program. Your help is so appreciated.

A Volunteer is needed for coordinating 3rd Tuesday Evening Adult Program set-ups.

Thank you Matthew Bookout. We really enjoyed your program.

Membership: Please remember that you can join or renew your membership by mail, the website or at the Museum. Please consider bringing a friend to our next program & encourage them to join. If you have any membership questions, you can email me: Shirley Wilson at wayfarer1@ec.rr.com or call me at 910-454-4327 or call the Museum at 457-0003.

Sponsors are needed for the *Pirate Masquerade*. Monetary donations, as well as, raffle/door prizes will be welcomed.

The Friends of the
North Carolina Maritime Museum at Southport
Present



Friday, October 14th
from Six to Ten pm
at the
Southport Community Building

Tickets: \$40.00 each
or \$70.00 per couple

Available at:
Southport Visitor Center &
NC Maritime Museum
at Southport

An Evening of Fun for the Pirate in All of Us.
Featuring: Live Pirates, Dancing, Raffles,
Costume Contests with Prizes and More,
Buffet, Beer & Wine, Rum Punch

For more information:
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Museum Hours
Grand Re-opening
July 4, 2011

Tuesday - Saturday
9 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Free Admission

HISTORY MATTERS

The Museum at Southport is one of three North Carolina Maritime Museums. The other Museums are the Graveyard of the Atlantic Museum in Hatteras and the North Carolina Maritime Museum in Beaufort.

The Mullet Wrapper newsletter is a publication of the NC Maritime Museum at Southport. The publication is fully funded by the Friends of the Museum at Southport whose members receive monthly mailings and discounts on some programs and Museum store purchases.

Museum Book Club

The Book Club will not be meeting until further notice. If you are interested in joining the Book Club, please contact Amie at the Museum, 910-457-0003. Thank you.

3RD TUESDAY EVENING ADULT PROGRAMS

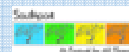
Tuesday, July 19, 2011, 7-9 p.m. - Conservation Workshop with the *Queen Anne's Revenge* Lab Staff

Tuesday, Aug. 16, 2011, 7-9 p.m. - Harry Warren, Director NC Museum of Forestry

Tuesday, Sept. 20, 2011, 7-9 p.m. - Annual Member's Potluck

Tuesday, Oct. 18, 2011, 7-9 p.m. - Brooks Preik, Southport Author

Tuesday, Nov. 15, 2011, 7-9 p.m. - Celia Rivenbark, Southern Humorist



All Tuesday programs are free and held at the Southport Community Building unless otherwise noted. Advanced registration is required

Save Friday, October 14, 2011 for our 2nd Annual Pyrate Masquerade

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