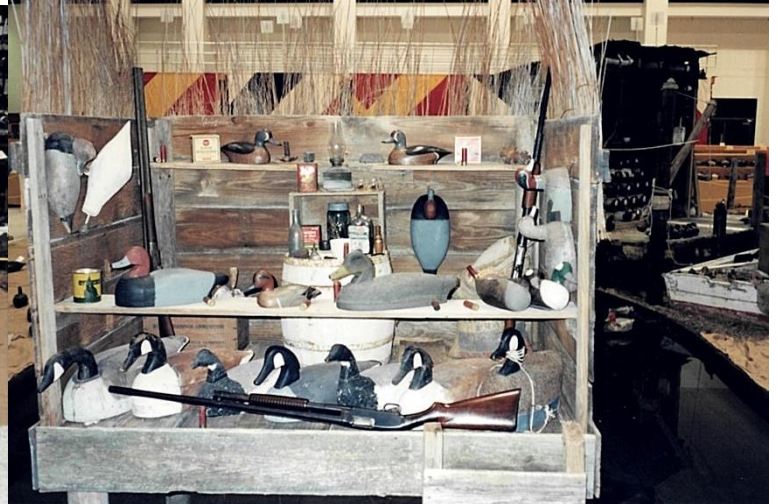


THE WILDFOWLER

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A PUBLICATION OF THE ATLANTIC WILDFOWL HERITAGE MUSEUM AND THE BACK BAY WILDFOWL GUILD

Back Bay Wildfowl Guild Memories Remembering The Duck Ponds of Waterfowl Shows Past!







Upcoming Guild Events:

05/07, 14, 21, 28/2018: de Witt Garden Club
10:00 am, at the museum

05/8/2018: Board Meeting
6:00 pm

05/28/2017: Memorial Day
Museum begins opening on Mondays
And Sundays

06/08/2018 & 06/09/2018
5:00pm until 8:00pm each night
Beer and Bourbon At The Brickhouse
Friday Night "The Shadow Brothers"
Saturday Night "Blackwater Jam"

06/19/2018: Board Meeting
6:00 pm

DECOYS WANTED

WE BUY WOODEN OR CANVAS DUCKS, GEESE, SWANS & SHOREBIRDS...
WHAT IS YOUR DECOY WORTH? IT COULD BE WORTH THOUSANDS!

WE WILL PAY YOU **CASH** FOR ANY OLD DECOYS AND HUNTING ITEMS



FREE DECOY IDENTIFICATION
AND EVALUATIONS
of Single Decoys or Entire Collections
BY MARK CROMWELL
(757) 721-2746
Member North Carolina Decoy Collectors Assoc.



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Another month has passed and spring has not fully arrived, however flowers are blooming and leaves are popping out on trees and shrubs, this alone has given hope spring weather will eventually arrive.

On April 21, 2018 a private cocktail party was held at the de Witt Cottage by Mark and Margie Cromwell attending were approximately 100 business men and women invited by the Cromwells. The party was catered by Steinhilbers where cocktails and delicious hors d'oeuvres were served by the restaurant's staff. Also attending were Councilwoman Barbara Henley and Councilman John Uhrin both Barbara and John have been supporters of the museum and we will greatly appreciate their continued support.

The highlight of the party was the fine display of the private decoy collection of Mark and Margie Cromwell, the center of attention was the Ruddy decoy collection by noted local carvers of Back Bay and North Carolina. Mark has been collecting decoys for over 40 years and it is quite obvious he has a keen eye and historical knowledge of fine decoys. The collection also included various bird carvings by noted carver Mark McNair, the carvings were detailed and beautifully painted, and the Woodcock was my favorite. Mr. and Mrs. McNair were also present, they were very gracious and a pleasure to talk to. The purpose of the party was to bring a greater awareness to the de Witt Cottage and the Atlantic Wildfowl Heritage Museum and hopefully obtain new memberships and corporate sponsors. There were many compliments, the majority of attendees had never been to the museum or never knew we existed. Mark Cromwell is on the Board of Directors and has taken an aggressive and positive approach in fundraising. His creative approach and "Thinking outside the Box" is a welcome change for the museum. The Board of Directors has many challenges before us, however with the current talented and forward thinking board we should make great progress.

As a recipient of the newsletter I would like for you to put your thinking cap on and recommend ways we may have fundraisings and make money for the museum. One great example is to develop a Cook Book with great recipes, cookbooks sell well and would be a great source of revenue for the museum, so ladies and gentlemen I know you have a special recipe that has been in your family for years.

Would you like to team up with other members, obtain recipes and publish a cook book, if so please contact Lynn Hightower or myself?

As president of the museum I am disappointed in the lack of response from you as members. As members you have a responsibility to the museum as much as the Board of Directors, we need recommendation and creative ideas on how we as a team, working together can make the museum a place of interest and a destination for locals and tourist.


Do you wish for the museum to continue with the newsletter? , if not we will discontinue, I am positive this is not your wishes, however we need to know if this letter is going in the trash or are you enjoying the information. Please let us know with a quick phone call, short email or note addressed to the museum director.

Best regards

Al Henley


President





**Free Decoy
Identification and
Evaluation**

By Jeff Tinkham
Past President of The Atlantic
Wildfowl Heritage Museum
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COLLECTOR'S SHELF

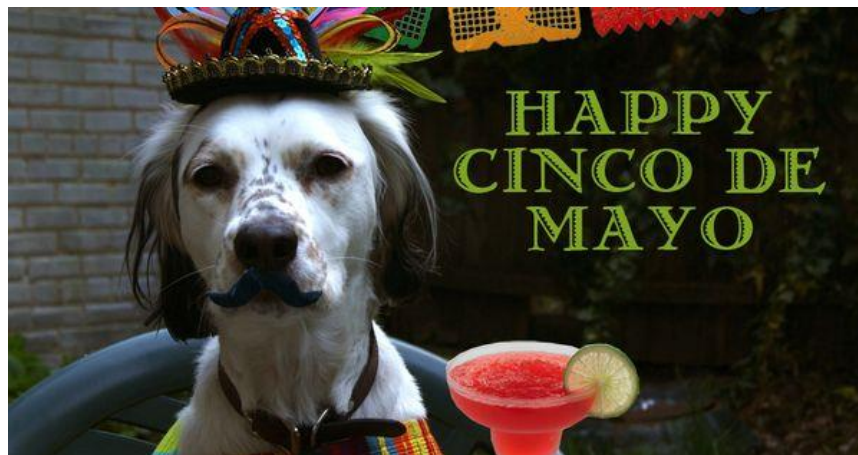


Captain Wayland Baum (1904-2007) made this juniper brant decoy. He was a commercial fisherman, hunting guide and decoy maker from the Roanoke Island community of Wanchese, NC. His brant decoys are highly collectible due to their relative scarcity and folksy appeal. The bodies are long and slender. The heads are upright and undersized for the bodies. Wayland operated four sink boxes in the Pamlico Sound/Oregon Inlet area until they were outlawed in the 1930s. During the 1940s and 50s, he was an active fishing and hunting guide.

It was not until he was 82 that he stopped fishing commercially. Wayland lived until the ripe age of 103, and he is admired for his endurance as well as his stylish decoys.

For a free evaluation or identification of your decoys, contact Jeff Tinkham at

757-724-7131 or jeff@tinkhamlaw.com.



FROM THE MUSEUM DIRECTOR

I want to thank everyone who came out on Tuesday, May 1, 2018 to the Lucky Oyster Restaurant for our annual Spring Celebration Dinner. It was great to see everyone and renew some old friendships. We had a wonderful group of 65 members and we gave away some very nice prizes. It was also the night for our Fall Raffle Drawing. We drew 7 tickets and gave away two beautiful 12 gauge shotguns, 4 beautiful contemporary decoy carvings and a pair of Canvasback decoy slicks. I would be remiss if I did not acknowledge the individuals who so graciously donated the guns and decoys. David Forkner of Maryville, Tennessee donated the grand prize a Beretta Lioness limited edition 12 gauge shotgun. Wayne Jarman, our current Vice-President donated a Remington 11-87 12 gauge shotgun. Al Brandtner donated four of the five decoy prizes that were given away. The raffle raised a little over \$10,000. Thanks to everyone who purchased tickets, we are very appreciative of your support!

If you missed the article in the Beacon on Wednesday about Mark and Margie Cromwell decoy collection, I have added a copy of the article to this newsletter.

2018 Membership dues were due on January 1, 2018. We typically collect the dues through April of each year and then begin sending invoices to unpaid members in May. You will receive an invoice this month if your 2018 membership dues have not been paid to date. All memberships run on a calendar year. So if you have paid your 2018 membership dues, your membership is good until December 31, 2018.

The museum has changed out all of the exhibits in the carving, art, and photography galleries. You need to come down to the museum and see the new exhibits! While you are at the museum stop on our patio and have a hotdog at our new vendor kiosk. We have partnered with Donkey Dawgs to provide hotdogs, chips, and soda to visitors at the museum beginning on Memorial Day.

MARINADED DUCK BREAST

4 duck breast skinned (cleaned and rinsed)	¼ cup soy or teriyaki sauce
¼ cup olive oil	1 Tablespoon Traditional balsamic vinegar
1 Tablespoon grated fresh ginger	1 Tablespoon apple cider vinegar
1 Tablespoon crushed, chopped fresh garlic	
(Mix wet ingredients)	
Place duck breast in zip lock bag, pour in wet ingredients and seal	
Marinate for one hour at room temperature, mixing duck breast 3-4 times	
Prepare grill with charcoal, when coals are glowing red hot, place duck breast on oiled grates	
Sear for 1-2 minutes, turn sear another 1-2 minutes or until duck breast is pink inside.	
Do not overcook, duck breast is best when cooked rare.	

Al Henley
Horn Point Club Recipe

Old Fashion Coconut Pie

1 quart milk	¼ stick butter
2 cups sugar	pinch of salt
3 tsp. flour	2 – 9 inch pie shells (deep dish)
5 eggs	nutmeg
2 ½ cup Angel Flake coconut	

Heat milk and butter together. Mix sugar, flour, eggs and salt together with milk and butter, adding coconut last. Pour into unbaked pie shells and bake 375 until set. When done remove from oven and sprinkle top with small amount of nutmeg.



B³ Bourbon and Beer at the Brickhouse



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FRIDAY, JUNE 8 & SATURDAY, JUNE 9, 2018
FROM 5-8 PM

Chickie Bryant

Atlantic Wildfowl Heritage Museum at the deWitt Cottage
1113 Atlantic Avenue. Virginia Beach, VA 23451

BEER AND BOURBON TASTINGS FROM LOCAL
BREWERIES AND DISTILLERIES
LIVE MUSIC AND DELICIOUS FOOD

TICKETS AND SPONSORSHIPS AVAILABLE!!!



BACK BAY WILDFOWL GUILD

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Al Henley, President Wayne Jarman, Vice President
Jim Mehne, Secretary Roger Shope, Treasurer
Mark Cromwell Jeff Tinkham
Parke Atkinson Jason Seward
Tom Richards William Walsh, Jr., Curator
Fletcher Bryant, President Emeritus

MUSEUM CARVERS

Tuesday: Pete DiPietro
Wednesday: Roy Carlson & Ed Morrison
Thursday: Hank Grigolite
"The Boathouse Boys" Carving Club: Al, Jamie, John, Pete & Charlie
Friday: Susan Moritz
Saturday: Gentry Childress & Ben Purvis

MUSEUM VOLUNTEERS

Tuesday: OPEN
Wednesday: Archie Johnson 10a-2p
Thursday: Joe Leo 10a-2p
Friday: OPEN
Saturday: OPEN
Sunday: OPEN
Museum Grounds: Nancy Lekberg, Lori Bagley, Lois Stickles, Jacky Richards, and Lena Lindsay

MUSEUM STAFF

Lynn Hightower, Director Ann Smith, Gift Shop Manager

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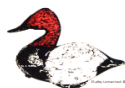
You can now pay your dues online at awhm.org !

Please understand that we depend on every dollar to operate the museum. If you have not paid your 2018 dues, please give serious consideration to sending them into the museum right away. Beginning March 1, 2018, any listed member who has not paid their dues will receive an invoice from the museum director requesting payment of their annual dues

2018 DUES

\$35/YR INDIVIDUAL
\$100/YR BRONZE
\$500/YR GOLD

\$50/FAMILY
\$200/YR SILVER
\$1,000/YR PRESIDENTS CIRCLE



BACK BAY WILDFOWL GUILD 2018 MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL FORM

NAME: _____ AMOUNT PAID _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP CODE _____

EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

TELEPHONE NUMBER: _____ [CELL] _____

January 1, 2018 kicked off our Annual Membership Campaign. Each member is encouraged to find one new member to join the Back Bay Wildfowl Guild. Our very existence depends on growing the membership of the Guild. Please encourage everyone you know to become a member!

Please pass this newsletter on to any potential new member!

