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Come Listen to Tales of Shipwrecks and Pirates

WRIGHTSVILLE BEACH - Nathan Henry, the assistant state archaeologist, will talk about ancient mariners and pirates who sailed in North Carolina's coastal waters at the N.C. Coastal Federation's Fred and Alice Stanback Education Center in Wrightsville Beach on Wednesday, Nov. 12, from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m.

Henry, who works for the N.C. Department of Cultural Affairs, will take the audience on an underwater archaeology trip to the past. The coast of North Carolina is known as the Graveyard of the Atlantic because of the treacherous shoals and dynamic barrier islands that make for difficult navigation. Henry has worked intensely on the Queen Anne's Revenge and logged hundreds of hours in search of artifacts from the ship captained by the infamous pirate Blackbeard.

"As a boater, I find it interesting to see the tools used by pirates and explorers to travel around our diverse coastal waters here in North Carolina," said Coastal Advocate Mike Giles. "We are excited to have Nathan share his knowledge and tales of our coastal history."

Register online at www.nccoast.org or at the education center, 309 W. Salisbury St. in Wrightsville Beach. The talk is free for members and \$10 for nonmembers. For more information contact Mike Giles at mikeg@nccoast.org.

About the North Carolina Coastal Federation:

"Working Together for a Healthy Coast"

The N.C. Coastal Federation is the state's only non-profit organization focused exclusively on protecting and restoring the coast of North Carolina through education, advocacy and habitat restoration and preservation. The federation's headquarters are at 3609 N.C. 24 in Ocean between Morehead City and Swansboro and the office is open Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. The federation also operates field offices in Wrightsville Beach and Manteo. For more information call 252.393.8185 or check our website at www.nccoast.org.

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