The Krewe of Bowlegs Presents An Extra Terrestrial (E.T.) Exercise Captain Billy Bowlegs BLAJ June 11, 1983 • F.W.B. High Auditorium



Society of Bowlegs & their Queens

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III	JOHN COX		Mellie Jo Peacock
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V	FINLEY DUNCAN	* E(#)	Alex Patton
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VII	WILLIAM ROBERTS		Jean Long
VIII	HILARY STEWART (deceased)	2 690	Agnes Bass
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X	DR. HENRY C. WHITE, JR.		Ella Clary
XI	WINSTON WALKER	4 +cres	"Sug" Brown
XII	DR. MALCOLM CROTZER		"Boota" Walker
XIII			Carolyn Crotzer
XIV			"Neen" (Gill) McHaney
XV	MAURICE McLAUGHLIN		Mary Ellen Ricks
XVI			Lynne Mathews
	CLIFFORD H. LONG		Dot Buchanan
	ROBERT L. MORRISON (deceased)		Jo Fleet
XIX			Helen Kendrick
XX	G. V. PARDUE		Tena McLaughlin
	DR. WILLIAM WEST THOMPSON		Mickey Harbeson
	ROY L. RICKS		Betty Eyrich
	WILLIAM B. HARBESON III		Kay Stokes (deceased)
XXIV	WILLIAM E. SPAIN		Sara Brooks
	ROBERT C. BLIZZARD		Blanche Brackin
	C. WALT RUCKEL		Donna Trum
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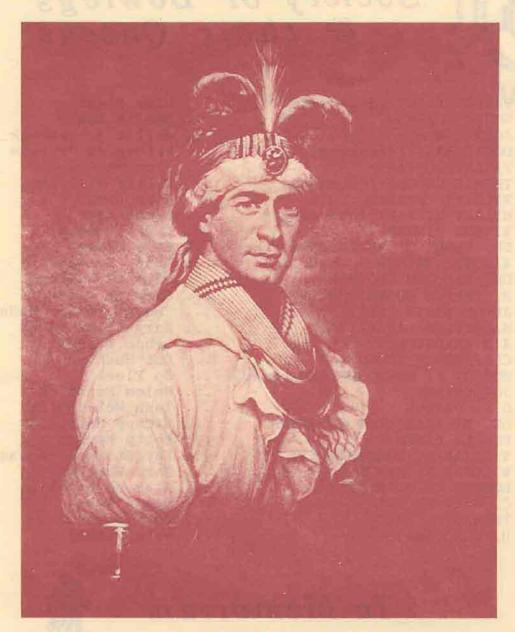
NATHAN FLEET

Cap'n Billy Bowlegs No. 1 1902-1983

For twenty-eight years he was dedicated to the legend of Billy Bowlegs. Nathan's enthusiasm and zest for life, his devotion to friends and family, were always an inspiration to each member of the Krewe ... when the poet, John Masefield, wrote "Sea Fever", it might well have been the best epitaph for all good pirates ...

"All I ask is a merry yarn from a laughing fellow rover, and a quiet sleep and a sweet dream when the long trick's over."

William Augustus Bowles



"Billy Bowlegs"

Billy Bowlegs was born William August Bowles in 1763 on the Maryland frontier and was the first child of Thomas and Eleanor Bowles. He and his family were Loyalists who sided with the British during the American Revolutionary War, and Billy, as a young man of sixteen, found himself a commissioned ensign in the British military. After the war he was ordered to a British regiment in Pensacola, Florida, where upon insulting a superior officer, he rebelled against the military life and went into hiding with the Creek Indians who lived in most of the Southeastern and North Florida area.

The British, however, welcomed him back when it was learned that he had married a chief's daughter and placed him in a position to fight the Spaniards around Florida.

Again this rebel without a country was hunted; only this time he went into hiding from the Spanish. Somehow he came up with a brillant idea that would not only ensure his safety but that of his Indian connections and his Creek family in-laws. Along with various chiefs he formed the State of Muskogee (Southeastern States) and called for the independence of this new country.

When the Spanish took over the town of Pensacola by means of a mutual treaty with England, the rebellious Bowles was invited to discuss the new situation of a Spanish Florida and his new Indian State. Though Bowlegs had been warned, he fell into a trap set by the Spaniards and was sent in chains to Madrid, Spain. The years passed slowly for the pirate in his dank cell, but he was finally released and shipped to the Spanish Phillippines to work for the New Empire. Somehow, Billy arranged passage on a Spanish ship, and as it rounded the Cape of Good Hope, he instigated a mutiny. It failed, but he again escaped to the British Colony of Serra Leone, where he impressed the governor so much that he was sent as a hero to London.

There the pretender was offered a job as the head of a trading company that was to deal with the Indians of his homeland, and a British trading firm sent him back to his Florida hideaway. In the end the whole idea fell apart and Billy Bowlegs again dreamed of an independent country on the Gulf coast. He then organized a small Muskogee ragtag group of Indians and wanted white men and called it his army. Next came his navy of a few small ships or sloops. Billy's band of men attacked the fort at St. Marks in Apalachee Bay, and his raiding ships also menaced the coastal waters.

*By the age of 42 he became a hunted man who was wanted by all the nations. Finally he was captured at an Indian pow-wow that was taking place among most of the Southeastern tribes.

Again he almost escaped his American captors, but his own adopted Indians hunted him down in the swamps of Choctawhatchee Bay. Billy was turned over to the Spanish who were more than happy to get the pirate raider out of Florida.

After the capture of this roving buccaneer whose headquarters was finally located at Wekiwa, the Spaniards were in for an even greater surprise when they invaded Billy Bowleg's home. The house of the pirate amazed the men who threw open its doors. His home contained a fantastic library including works of Milton, Moliere and Boileau, not to mention books on physics, algebra, art and painting, and dictionaries of French, Spanish and English.

The shackled pirate was sent to New Orleans and there the Spanish moved him to Morro Castle at the entrance to Havana Bay. Again he heard the dungeon door slam behind him, but this time it would be forever! ... there are different reports as to how he died. One account is that the Spaniards fed him only oranges for forty days, and he finally starved to death. Still another story claims that when the cell door closed so did all substance for life, and, if it did come, it was spiked with poison. The thought of the rest of his life in chains also gave rise to the speculation that he may have taken his own life ... whatever happened to BILLY BOWLEGS was not worth remembering to the people of that period, for he has no grave. To the Fort Walton/Destin area, however, he left a rich heritage of pirate stories and real treasure troves!

(The story of Billy Bowlegs reprinted, in part, by special permission of Chick Huettel's "ADVENTURE IN DESTIN WATERS", Sea Chest Publications, 1982).

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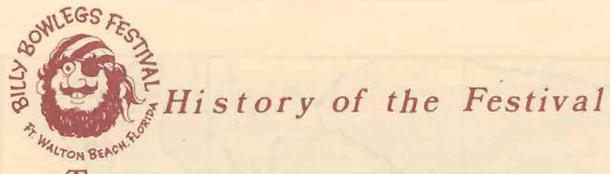
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Pirate Waters



The BILLY BOWLEGS' FESTIVAL grew out of a Labor Day ski show celebration back in 1953, which was the brainchild of some enterprizing young businessmen, the JAYCEES, eager to latch onto a project that would warrant their time and efforts, be fun and bring more tourists into the area. The idea of a Gasparillatype observance centered on a pirate theme and they were unanimous in their choice of the notorious and legendary WILLIAM AUGUSTUS BOWLES as their patron pirate ... a pirate of controversial authenticity whose alleged, dastardly deeds were widespread throughout what is now known as the PLAYGROUND AREA.

The overwhelming success of the initial celebration sparked great enthusiasm and interest in all the townspeople and a small group of merchants, together with the JAYCEES, were secretly delegated to choose from the member list a Cap'n Billy Bowlegs as reigning pirate of the then three-day flesta, his identity to remain unknown until the unmasking ceremonies took place on the evening of the grand ball. The late NATHAN FLEET, a downtown Fort Walton Beach retail merchant at that time, was chosen as the first Cap'n Billy Bowlegs to reign over the festival and lead the pirate raids. He played his role so well, he was asked to again lead the pirate krewe the next year!

During the festival, races are held, tournaments played, frisbees frolic, square dancers kick up their beels, bands play, the small fry fish, boats parade and the costumed pirates' Krewe lands again on the beautiful white sands of Northwest Florida. The city is duly "captured" and the 'Jolly Roger" is hoisted to signify the total surrender of the city! There is fun for the entire family, with treasure hunts for the children as well as for grownups ... and a treasure map to help with the search. Professional floats have been added over the years to the Grand Torchlight Parade and a glittering Coronation Pageant, open to the public at no charge, at which a new Cap'n Billy, his queen, a First Mate and his lady, ten honor guard couples and children of the court are unmasked each year. The coronation pageant is followed by a private ball and midnight breakfast for Krewe members and their honored guests. Thus a tradition was born: the BILLY BOWLEGS' FESTIVAL, with the infamous KREWE OF BOWLEGS and reigning Cap'n Billy as the "stars" of the show!

A 1957 souvenir program and guide lists 75 Krewe members, seven of which are still members. Many sons of original Krewe members are now carrying on the traditions started by their fathers. ROGER CLARY was the first Cap'n Billy under organized charter. Current Krewe membership is 165, plus former Cap'n Bowlegs who automatically become members of the SOCIETY OF BOWLEGS,



and the Krewe

otherwise affectionately known as the SOB's! Membership in the Krewe is limited by the Krewe's Constitution and By-Laws and there is always a waiting list.

Hours of volunteered time and talent, plus sizeable sums of money
are expended each year on colorful floats, impressive decorations
and gaily colored costumes worn by the Krewe during the parade,
pageant and ball. The beautiful floats which the masked Krewe
ride, allow the members to throw showers of souvenir trinkets and
gold doubloons to the thousands lining the parade route. (ALL
KREWE EVENTS ARE PAID FOR FROM KREWE ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP DUES). Each
year Cap'n Billy is selected by secret ballot; he, in turn, choses
his queen, first mate and ten-man honor guard.

All past queens belong to an organization known as the SOCIETY OF QUEENS. Among other things, they sponsor an annual punch party for graduating senior girls, daughters and/or granddaughters of Krewe members. These girls are presented at court during the coronation pageant each year. In colorful costumes, they also assist the pirates during their annual raid on the city.

Up until 1970, the coronation ceremonies were on a small, informal scale with homemade costumes and props. JIM KENDRICK, Cap'n Billy Bowlegs XVI and a member of that early group of JAYCEES who had the dreams, vision and enthusiasm needed to keep that "spark" going each year, also conceived the present elaborate coronation pageant as we now know it, inviting the general public to share with the Krewe a wonderful evening's entertainment, always with a few surprises in store for all!

Tonight, as we celebrate the Krewe's TWENTY-NINTH CORONATION PAGEANT, the infamous Cap'n Billy (alias Gene Smith), his lovely queen, Wava Ruckel, his trusty First Mate, Bill Nelson and his lady, Tina, and his ten-man honor guard and their comely wenches assemble around their campfire for a final POW WOW before blasting off on their quest for further adventures into the far reaches of space in this year's "extra-terrestrial" space shuttle. For the next hour, come join with us as Cap'n Billy and his merry band of pirates bold travel through time via a magic time machine that takes them from the early days of civilization; to the royal barge of Cleopatra; to the idyllic and legendary Camelot; tilting at windmills in Spain with the chivalrous Don Quixote and his faithful squire, Sancho Panza; to the grandeur of Napoleon's court; a visit with modern royalty; then on to the ultimate adventure a journey to outer space!

Please settle back, let your imagination run wild as we open the BLACKHAWK's log and blast off for another mythical journey of the KREWE OF BOWLEGS!









Captain Billy Bowlegs XXVIII and his Queen

**Refere Smith, the twenty-eighth Cap'n Billy Bowlegs, a native of Bradenton, Florida, has been president and chief executive officer of Smiths' Town Shop, Inc. since its founding in March of 1962. Smith graduated from the University of Florida with a BS degree in marketing and was a member of Sigma Chi Fraternity. He is married to the former Gloria Roberts of Andalusia, Alabama, and they have two children, Gigi, 17, and Greg, 13.

During the 21 years Smith has lived in Fort Walton Beach, he has become involved in almost every aspect of the town's civic life. He was mayor from 1975-79 and president of the Greater Fort Walton Beach Chamber of Commerce in 1981. In 1976, he was

named the 17th annual West Florida "Businessman of the Year" and was president of the Eglin Chapter of the Air Force Association in 1978-79. He was president of the Rotary Club in 1964 and was twice honored as "Rotarian of the Year" in 1975-76 and 1978-79.

In addition to holding most of the Chamber of Commerce offices, Smith is past chairman of the Military Affairs Committee, founder and first chairman of the Ambassadors Committee and past chairman of the Advertising Committee. He is presently serving as chairman of the chamber's Host Committee and the Blue Ribbon Committee on Planning. He is a member of the board of directors of the Committee of 100 and past director of the Okaloosa County Industrial Development Council.

His board affiliations include the University of West Florida Foundation and General Hospital. He directed the county March of Dimes campaign in 1976 and has been the United Fund Chairman for Fort Walton Beach. Smith is a member and past president of the Downtown Merchants Association and is chairman of the Planning Committee for the Downtown Redevelopment Association. He was also a Governor-appointed director of the Okaloosa County Hospital Association.

A member of the First Baptist Church, Cap'n Billy was a director of the Christian Businessmen's Association and has been active on the Spiritual Affairs Committee of the chamber.



Wava Dyer Ruckel is a native of Bar Harbor, Maine, the youngest of eight children of the late Mr. & Mrs. Dana O. Dyer, Sr. Her husband, C. Walter Ruckel (Cap'n Billy Bowlegs XXVI) is chairman of the board of the Valparaiso Bank & Trust Co. The Ruckels live in Rocky Bayou, Niceville, with their two daughters, Mimi and Sharon. They also have five sons - Stephen, Marty, Jim, Chuck and Greg, and nine grandchildren.

Wava is a graduate of Eastern Maine Academy of Beauty Culture, and studied advanced hair styling in Austin, Texas. She is a licensed real estate broker and vice-president of Ruckel Properties, Inc., in Valparaiso.

She is a past speaker for the American Cancer Society and past chairman of the March of Dimes for Niceville-Valparaiso.

Wava has a private pilot's license for single engine aircraft. She is a member of MENSA, John Birch Society, Rocky Bayou Country Club and the Fort Walton Yacht Club. She is a sports enthusiast and enjoys water sports, sailing, tennis, golf, skiing, modeling, dancing and reading.

The Ruckels attend Forest Lake Bible Church in Niceville.









First Mate... William D. Nelson, Sr. is a native of Mobile, Alabama and has lived in Fort Walton Beach for the past fifteen years. He is Chief of Programs Branch in Civil Engineering at Eglin Air Force Base.

Bill received his degree in civil engineering from Auburn University in 1962 and served in the United States Air Force for four years, including a tour in Korea.

He is a Master Mason and a member of Alpha Lodge No. 172 F&AM in Fort Walton Beach; Scottish Rite of Freemasonry in Panama City; the Fort Walton Beach Shrine Club; and is founder and past-president of the Jubileers Hospitality Unit. Bill currently serves as the Assistant Rabban on the Divan for Hadji Shrine Temple in Pensacola and will be the Potentate of his Temple in 1985. He is President, Okaloosa County Auburn Alumni Association, a past-president of the CBC Property Owners' Association, a member of the Elks Club, a previous member of the County Planning & Zoning Board and a recent member of the Host Committee, Fort Walton Beach Chamber of Commerce.

Bill has been a member of the Krewe for the past nine years. He is a past member of the Honor Guard and has also served on the Krewe Executive Board.

Bill's wife, Tina, is also well known as an active force in community affairs serving as an officer and board member of many civic, professional and charitable organizations. She is also a native of Mobile and is now working in the Protocol Office for the Armament Division Command Section at Eglin.

The Nelson have two children, Teresa and Doug, and are members of the Shalimar United Methodist Church.

Honor Guard ... these good and sturdy, loyal ten who served as "inside men" of Cap'n Billy's Krewe, are here x listed alphabetically so that, among their peers, all are equal and should be given due recognition along with their comely wenches ...





Harry Barr is a partner in the law firm of Chesser, Wingard and Barr and has lived in Fort Walton Beach for eleven years. The Lexington, Kentucky native earned a B.S. degree in industrial engineering at the University of Alabama where he later received his Juris Doctorate in law. Prior to law school, he was a pilot in the US Air Force for six years, based at Hurlburt Field before serving in Vietnam.

Since returning to this area he has been active in many civic organizations including the Fort Walton Beach Chamber of Commerce, the Okaloosa Island Leaseholders board of directors, the Florida Bar Grievance Committee and the University of Alabama Alumni Association. He is currently serving for the second time as president of the Okaloosa County Legal Aid program, and has served as president of the Okaloosa-Walton Bar Association.

He is married to Virginia Glynn Barr, a native of Westchester County, New York, who earned a B.A. in sociology & education at the University of West Florida and who holds a master's degree in social work from Florida State University. She is currently the director of the Geriatric Residental Treatment facility at the Okaloosa Guidance Clinic. Virginia is also national president of the University of West Florida Alumni Association and is on the University of West Florida Foundation board executive committee. She is a member of Mardi Gras Club, past-president of the Legal Auxiliary and past-president of the Junior Service League of Fort Walton Beach.

Dr. Philip W. Blumer, a native of Lexington, Kentucky, attended the University of Kentucky and graduated from Auburn University's School of Veterinary Medicine. He served as a captain in the USAF at Perrin AFB in Texas, Eglin AFB and in the veterinary pathology residency program at the Armed Forces Institute of Pathology at Walter Reed Army Hospital, Washington, D.C.

The Blumers returned to this area in 1973, when he became a partner in Friendship Veterinary Clinic.

Phil was a director in the Fort Walton Beach Jaycees and has served as president, vice president and secretary-treasurer of the Northwest Florida Veterinary Medical Association. He is a member of the American Veterinary Medical Association and was recently named area director for the State of Florida for the American Animal Hospital Association. He is also a member of the Society for Aquatic Veterinary Medicine.

He has served as treasurer for Cub Scout Pack 512 and on the Krewe board of directors. He is an avid scuba diver.

His wife, the former Jean Potts of Olive Hill, Kentucky, attended the University of Kentucky where she was a member of



Alpha Chi Omega sorority and a Kappa Sigma Little Sister. She is past-president of the Fort Walton Beach Alpha Chi Omega Alumnae club and Fort Walton Beach Mardi Gras Club. Jean enjoys tennis and scuba diving.

The Blumers live in Shalimar and have two children, Heath. eleven and Erin, six.

Dr. Robert N. Braswell is Director of Computer Science at Eglin AFB. He is a member of the U.S. Senior Executive Service, appointed by the President. In the late 1950s and early 60s, Bob was a member of the original U.S. Missile and Space team. He was an engineering professor and department chairman at the University of Florida from 1964 to 1972.

He is originally from Boaz, Alabama, and was an engineering major at the University of Alabama. He received the Ph. D degree in engineering from Oklahoma State University.

Bob served as president of the Gainesville Rotary Club and as president of his professional engineering organizations. In 1968, he was selected by the Florida Jaycees as one of the Five Outstanding Young Men of Florida, "FOYM, 1968". He is a veteran of the Korean war.

Married to the former Nona Chambers of Boaz, Alabama, Nona is an Interior Design major from the University of Alabama. She served as the 1981-83 president of the Miracle Strip University of Alabama Alumni Association. Nona was selected as "1983 National President of the Year" and her club was selected as "Outstanding Club of 1981-82". Nona is president of her own interior design and linen businesses, Custom Interiors and Name Brand Linens of Fort Walton Beach. Bob and Nona have two sons, John and Jeff, both seniors at the University of Florida in Gainesville.

David Gibson is a native of Fort Walton Beach. He attended Okaloosa County schools and graduated from Choctawhatchee High School in 1959. He attended Marion Military Institute and received a degree in business administration from Auburn University where he was a member of Sigma Alpha Epsilon. He was a stock broker and commodity analyst for five years before returning to this area.

He is now in the real estate and land development business and a former charter boat captain. Presently, he is manager of the Okaloosa Island Pier.

David is married to the former Pat Sponsler. She attended Auburn University where she was a member of the Phi Mu fraternity. She is a member of the Junior Service League and enjoys playing tennis. The Gibsons have two children, David, Jr., 16 and Ginny, 12. They are members of the First United Methodist Church.



George William (Bill) Gross was born in New Jersey and raised in Owensboro, Ky. He graduated in 1962 from the University of Kentucky with a B.S. in electrical engineering. He worked with Westinghouse Electric Corporation for 18 years. Bill then accepted a job with the USAF at Eglin's Tactical Air Warfare Center. This year, Bill was honored with TAWC's "Award of Excellance", a prestigious civilian award.

Recently Bill was Commodore of the Fort Walton Beach River Rats. Other affiliations are: Elk's Lodge 1795 and the Association of Old Crows. His hobbies are boating, computers and ham radio.

Bill and his wife, Susan, have lived in the area since 1967. They are communicants at Saint Simons-on-the-Sound Episcopal Church. Danny, Margaret Ann and Timothy are their three children.

Susan holds a B.A. in elementary education from the University of Kentucky. She is active in Beta Sigma Phi, Shalimar Extension Homemakers Club, Mardi Gras Club and enjoys her work with the Saint Simon's Church School education department.

Lealis Hale, a native of Monroe, La., is affiliated with the White-Wilson Medical Center as an Ophthalmologist. He has lived in the Fort Walton Beach area for eight years.

He earned a mechanical engineering degree at Cornell and his M.D. at Tulane. After interning at New Orleans Charity Hospital, he served as a submarine medical officer and diving doctor in the U.S. Navy. His tour included two patrols under the Pacific as the medical officer of the USS Tecumseh, a Polaris nuclear submarine, and shore duty as a submarine squadron medical officer at Pearl Harbor, Hawaii.

Discharged as a lieutenant commander, he completed a three-year residency in ophthalmology at Victor Smith Memorial Eye Clinic in New Orleans, including work directed by the Massachusetts Eye and Ear Infirmary, and a year as chief eye resident at Mobile General Hospital. His board certification in ophthalmology dates from 1976.

He is past-president of the General Hospital medical staff and president of the Northwest Florida Ophthalmological Society. He is a fellow of the American Academy of Ophthalmology, a diplomate of the American Board of Ophthalmology, and a member of the American Medical Association, numerous regional and area medical groups and the local Chamber of Commerce.

His wife, the former Jacqueline Champagne of Baton Rouge, La., received her home economics degree from LSU and was a home economist in Cleveland and in New Orleans. She is a member of Pensacola Junior League and the Ft Walton Beach Junior Service League.



The Hale's son, Christopher Lealis, was Captain Billy's medallion bearer in 1979. They also have a daughter, Courtney Champagne, and the family attends Saint Simons-on-the-Sound Episcopal Church. Their hobbies are tennis, sailing, fishing and the beach.

John Michael Howard, a native of Bessemer, Alabama, moved to Fort Walton Beach 10 years ago from Tuscaloosa, Ala. He earned a degree in business statistics from the University of Alabama. He served in the U.S. Army with the 101st Airborne Division, Fort Campbell, Kentucky.

He is executive sales director of Mike Howard & Associates Financial Planning Services. He is a graduate of LSU's Institute of Insurance Marketing, a Life & Qualifying Member, Million Dollar Round Table, member of Fort Walton Beach Life Underwriters Association and the National Association of Security Dealers. He is also a member of Alabama Alumni, Indian Bayou Country Club, Ducks Unlimited and a board member of Southern Sportsman, Inc. in Livingston, Ala. His hobbies include hunting, fishing and boating.

Mike's wife, the former Jewel Patterson of Northport, Ala., is also a graduate of the University of Alabama where she earned a degree in physical education and became a member of Alpha Chi Omega sorority. She is a past president of the Junior Service League, a non-resident member of the Junior League of Tuscaloosa, a member of the Fort Walton Beach Panhellenic and Alabama Alumni.

The Howards have two sons, Mike and Patt, and are members of the First Baptist Church.

Paul D. Lambrides hails from Maryland. He attended Wake Forest College and the University of Maryland. He was graduated from the latter in 1956, selected for "Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities." He was a highly decorated Air Force fighter pilot and commanded the 58th Tactical Fighter Squadron at Eglin. Upon retirement in 1976, he founded Auto-Marine Enterprises, Inc. He is presently affiliated with Computer Security Network.

Paul is a member of the Fort Walton Beach Rotary Club, the Chamber of Commerce Host Committee, ADPA and AFA. His hobbies are golf, handball, bridge and boating.

He is married to Adele Sparkes Lambrides, a former coed model for "Madamoiselle" magazine, 1956, and Golf Champion in 1964 at England AFB in Louisiana. She is currently the sales manager for Shoreline Realty of Destin and a Kappa Alpha Theta member of Panhellenic.



The Lambrides are long-time members of Cinco Baptist Church. They have two sons, Paul, Jr. and John, and one daughter, Elizabeth. They reside at 950 Don Drive in Fort Walton Beach.

Jerome Miller is a native of Fort Walton Beach and a partner in the law firm of Etheredge and Miller. A Choctaw graduate, Miller received his B.S. and J.D. degrees from Florida State University. He is a past director and past secretary of the Krewe of Bowlegs. He is a member, past director and past vice-president of the Fort Walton Beach Chamber of Commerce and received the president's award in 1979.

Miller is past president of the Estate Planning Council of Northwest Florida and a member of the American, Florida and Okaloosa-Walton Bar associations. He is a Fort Walton Beach city councilman and past director of the Okaloosa County Gas District.

Jerry is a member of Omega Lodge 380 F&FM, York Rite Bodies, BPOElks 1795, Playground Kiwanis Club, Sertoma Club of Fort Walton Beach and the Gulf Coast Democratic Club. He and his wife, Caroline, and children, Ashley, 10, and Alison, 6, are members of First United Methodist Church.

General Shelly, a native of Alabama, has lived in Fort Walton Beach for 22 years. He graduated from Choctawhatchee High School in 1970 and received a degree in business and finance in 1974 from the University of South Florida. He was a member of Pi Kappa Alpha fraternity.

Glenn is president of American International Moving Corporation and vice-president in charge of operations at A&A Transfer and Storage. He is a member of the Northwest Florida Movers Association, the Sertoma Club of Fort Walton Beach and serves on the YMCA board of directors.

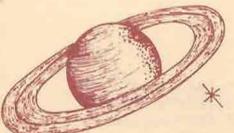
Glenn's wife, Susan, is also a native of Alabama. She graduated from John T. Morgan Academy, Selma, and received a B.S. in special education from Auburn University in 1977. She was a member of Alpha Gamma Delta sorority. She is a special education teacher at Combs New Heights Elementary School. Susan is a member of the Fort Walton Beach Panhellenic, the Fort Walton Beach Junior Service League and the Council for Exceptional Children. The Shelleys attend Cinco Baptist Church.

Children of the Court

Attending the Queen are: KRISTIN REBECCA RUCKEL

KRISTIN REBECCA RUCKEL KATHLEEN NOEL RUCKEL WAVA RAYE RUCKEL

(...granddaughters of Queen Wava and C. Walt Ruckel ...)
CAP'N BILLY'S attendants are: GREGORY RUSSELL SMITH, son of
Gene (Cap'n Bowlegs) and Gloria Smith, and JARRETT GREEN MELVIN III,
son of Jerry and Pat Melvin.

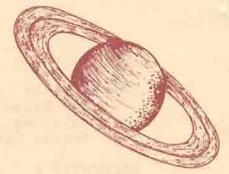


Twenty-Ninth

Dien	OVERTURE Okaloosa Community Band Mike Jones, Conductor
	GREETINGS Jo Yeager, Don Anchors
	INTRODUCTION OF CAP'N BILLY BOWLEGS XXVIII, H. GENE SMITH and his QUEEN, WAVA RUCKEL
	"Indian Love Call" Hope Gaither
	ROLL CALL 1982-83 Executive Board
2	INTRODUCTION OF Children of the Court
	INTRODUCTION OF FIRST MATE, WILLIAM.D. NELSON, SR., and his wife FIRST MISTRESS, TINA NELSON
	INTRODUCTION OF 1982-83 COURT The Honor Guard & Wenches
	(ceremonial tribute to all assembled)
	"Cherokee" Greg Smith, Linde Hamilton
	PROLOGUE Tribal Salute, Winter Guard
	Sheila Hembree Carol Colton Marnie Johnson Valerie Gilbert Dwuna Ebel Rhonda Huggins Mary O'Grady Ann Love Marna Messer Jeanne Block Miranda Semmes
	FINAL POW WOW Medicine Men: "Feather Head" John Price "Eagle Eye" Jimmy Gilmore "Big Bear" Gene Hudgins Squaw #1: Sharon Russell Squaw #2: Lisa Beasley
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5	QUEEN'S AWARDS FOR BEST COSTUMES Queen Wava
Port	FIRST MATE'S AWARDS FOR Bill Nelson, First Mate BEST DECORATED BOATS
	PARADE AWARDS Bob Gates, Parade Chairman
I	SPECIAL BOWLEGS' AWARD Gene Smith, Cap'n Billy XXVIII

Coronation





PRESENTATION OF THE PRINCESSES

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... daughter of Mr. & Mrs. H. Gene Smith

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... daughter of James R. Stokes and the late Katherine Stokes

... "When You Wish Upon a Star" ... Brooke Miller ...

STRANGE ENCOUNTERS OF THE XXVIII KIND

ENCOUNTER I CAVE KINGDOM ...

King Oop: Gene Hudgins Couple I:

His Lady: Joelle Tintle Cave He - Brandon Siebenaler

Lady Work: Peg Gunnels Cave She - Tracy Rattigan

Lady Wait: Jeanette McShera Couple II:

Cave He - James Antone

Cave She - Sarah Merwin

ENCOUNTER II EGYPTIAN ROYAL BARGE ...

Marc Anthony: Marc Story Julius Caesar: Gene Copeland
Cleopatra: Kelly Austin Slave: Lisa Beasley

Singer: Cathi Parrett

ENCOUNTER III CAMELOT ...

King Arthur: John Guzalak

Guinevere: Laura Gadow
Merlin: Joe McPherson
Knight: Lou Dodson

ENCOUNTER IV SPAIN ...

Don Quixote: Walter Richardson Dulcinea: Sarah Merwin Sancho Panza: Joe McPherson

ENCOUNTER V FRENCH ROYAL BALLET MINUET ...

Napoleon: Brandon Siebenaler

Josephine: Peg Gunnels Dancers: Brenda Hutchison

Glenda Moerscher

Todd Allen

... Ft Walton Beach Ballet Company, Bernadette Clements,

Director

ENCOUNTER VI BRITISH ROYAL FAMILY ...

Queen Mother: Tracy Rattigan Queen Elizabeth: Joelle Tintle Prince Philip: Greg Stillman Prince Charles: Jimmy Gilmore Princess Diana: Robin Davis Princess Margaret: Cathi Parrett

Princess Anne: Kelly Austin Prince Edward: Gene Copeland Prince Andrew: James Antone Koo Stark: Prue Tippins The Photographer: Martin Cohn

ENCOUNTER VII SPACE BAR ...

Bartender: Martin Cohn Darth Vader: Lisa Beasley Luke Skywalker: Sharon Russell Han Solo Rushell Smith Space Lady Laura Gadow

Barettes: Robin Davis, Prue Tippins

Creatures: Gene Hudgins, Gene Copeland, Lou Dodson

E.T......Greg Smith

... TWILIGHT ZONE, by the Academy of Fine Arts

Lou Ann Pulliam, Director Tracy Amiel, Heidi Lee, Alison Hicks,

Kathleen Gorman, Elizabeth Ward, Linde Hamilton, Emily Ankeney, Tina Smith, Tasia Davis, Alana Davis, Tommie Pulliam, Ashley Hood, Angi

Douglas, Angie Reiper, Jay G. Melvin, Sonia Adkinson & Heather Rynearson

ENCOUNTER VIII ... INTRODUCTION OF 1983-84 SPACE CREW COURT ...

HONOR GUARD

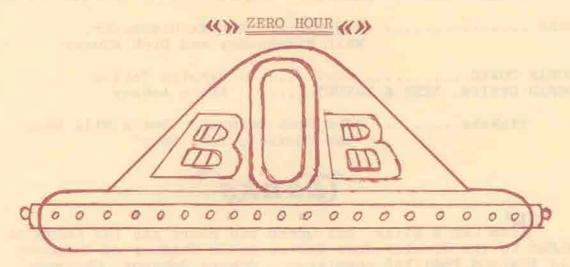
beam aboard THE CHILDREN OF THE COURT

FIRST MATE & MISTRESS

FINAL COUNT DOWN

... Special Space Tribute to Cap'n Billy Bowlegs XXIX and his lovely Queen ...

"WAYOUT" welcome routine CUU CUU YOU . Tracie Voytek, Ashley Weldy, Linda Odum & Andrea Valentine .



WELCOME! ... CAPTAIN BILLY BOWLEGS XXIX AND HIS QUEEN

Coronation guests are cordially invited to "beam up" to the stage to meet Cap'n Billy Bowlegs XXIX, his Queen and Court following the ceremony. It has been an exciting trip for us and we hope you have enjoyed our encounters in this year's Twenty-Ninth Coronation Pageant!

credits

CICUITS
CORONATION PAGEANT COORDINATOR Bill Nelson
CORONATION PAGEANT DIRECTOR/SCRIPT Jo Yeager
SET DESIGN Jim Kendrick
Prop Mistress
gown decorations & sceptre The Queen •First Mistress & new Honor
Guard Ladies' costumes Fuji of Beal Parkway *Children of the Court
costumes
and Honor Guard
Pensacola, Fla

• Set Construction Chuck Shoff, Chairman

Darrell Ankney, Phil Blumer, Charlie

Born, Bill Fagan, Ralph Fallin, Bill

Gross, Lea Hale, Dutch Kleinhelter,

Bob LaMotte, Jerry Miller, Bill Nelson, Glenn Shelley, Gene Smith, Randy

Stokes, Dick Sluman, Walt Simshauser,
and Alex Trum

USHERS Bud Foster, Ken Mathiasmeier, Walt Simshauser and Dick Sluman

PROGRAM COVER Carolyn Taylor PROGRAM DESIGN, TEXT & LAYOUT Alyce Ankney

Tickets "The Book Harbour", Dot's Mill Ends", and "Smith's Town Shop"

Chanks*

From Cap'n Billy, his Queen and court and the KREWE OF BOWLEGS to the Greater Fort Walton Beach Chamber of Commerce BILLY BOWLEGS FESTIVAL committee - Johnny Johnson, Chairman, assisted by Sid Rosenbaum, Stephen Johns, Bill Dreadin, Nancy Kenaston, Logene & Bob Solberg, Jean Luciana, with Betty Dunlap as coordinator for the Chamber; to Mayor Kate Bagley and the City of Fort Walton Beach for their continuing support and assistance; to Peggy May and THE PLAYGROUND DAILY NEWS; to Bob Gates, Parade chairman and Randy Stokes, Float chairman for the Krewe; and the many others too numerous to list who did so many things to help put everything together and make it work - who gave so much of their time and talents in helping to make FESTIVAL WEEK such a good time for all along our beautiful MIRACLE STRIP!

... and again, to all the musicians and singers; the technical crews; the costumers; and to all Jo's, Bernadette's and Lou Ann's "kids" - it was indeed an encounter to remember!





