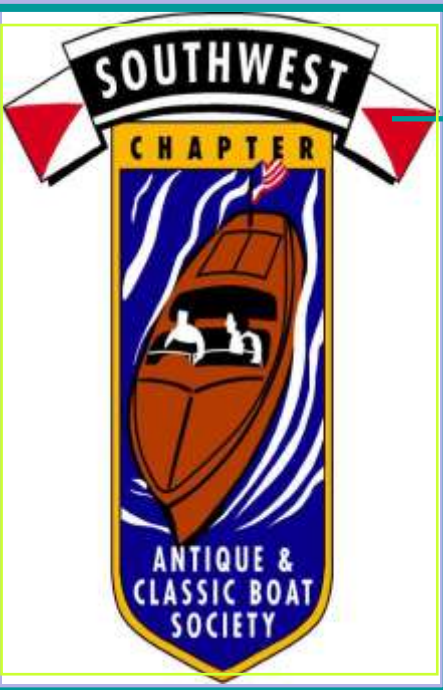




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*The Southwest Chapter-Antique & Classic Boat Society
serving Arkansas, New Mexico, Oklahoma, and Texas.*

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A message from your SW Chapter President

Greetings Southwest Chapter Members,

The Spring Show season is behind us, and summer is in full swing.

The Sunnyland Festival in March was well attended. The Keels & Wheels Show in April was very successful, and the weather was great. We had a good crowd of visitors both days to see the many excellent cars and boats on display. Heartland Chapter's show in Hot Springs, Arkansas in May was great fun. And I'm told that the WBA's Eagle Mountain Lake show the following weekend had a good turnout as well.

The ACBS International Show in Port Huron, MI is coming up September 13-20. Registration is now open on the ACBS website.

The Lake LBJ Show is scheduled for the weekend of October 10th. We will be back at the Horseshoe Bay Resort again this year. I will send out more information and registration very soon. If you can come early, we will have runs up the lake on both Thursday and Friday.

Planning for next year's Keels & Wheels Show is well underway, and the date has been set for April 24-25, 2027. Start making your plans to attend. I will send out notices when registration opens.

Here's hoping you have a great summer and fall boating season. Be safe out there and remember to stay hydrated ... and apply that sunscreen often!

Lindy Robinson



Keels and Wheels in pictures....2026



















A huge
THANK YOU
to all the vol-
unteers be-
fore, during,
and after the
show. In
these photos
you see some
of the Young
men and
women volun-
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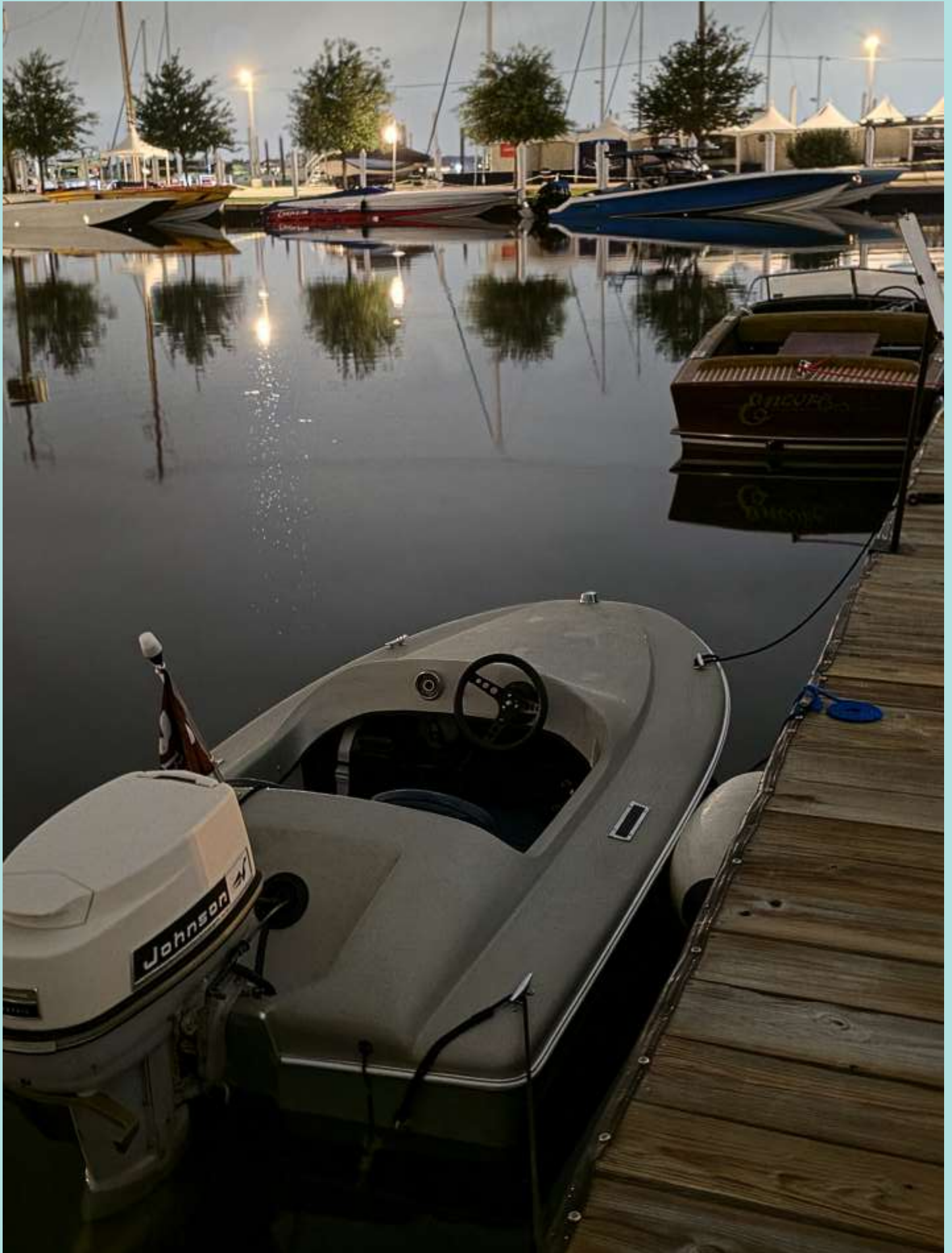














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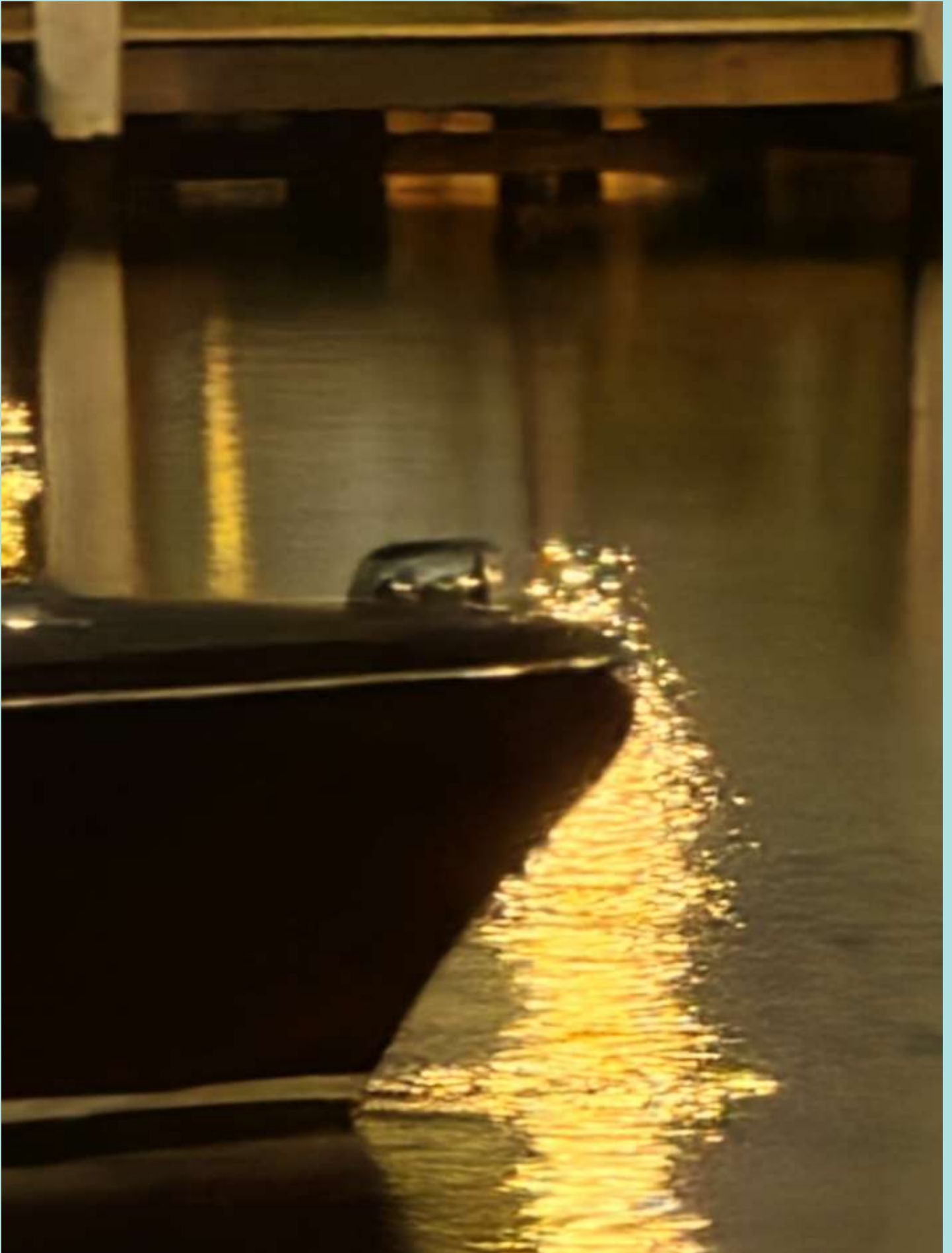




Nothing like taking photos on a calm night. Not a creature was stirring.















The Big Dogs!



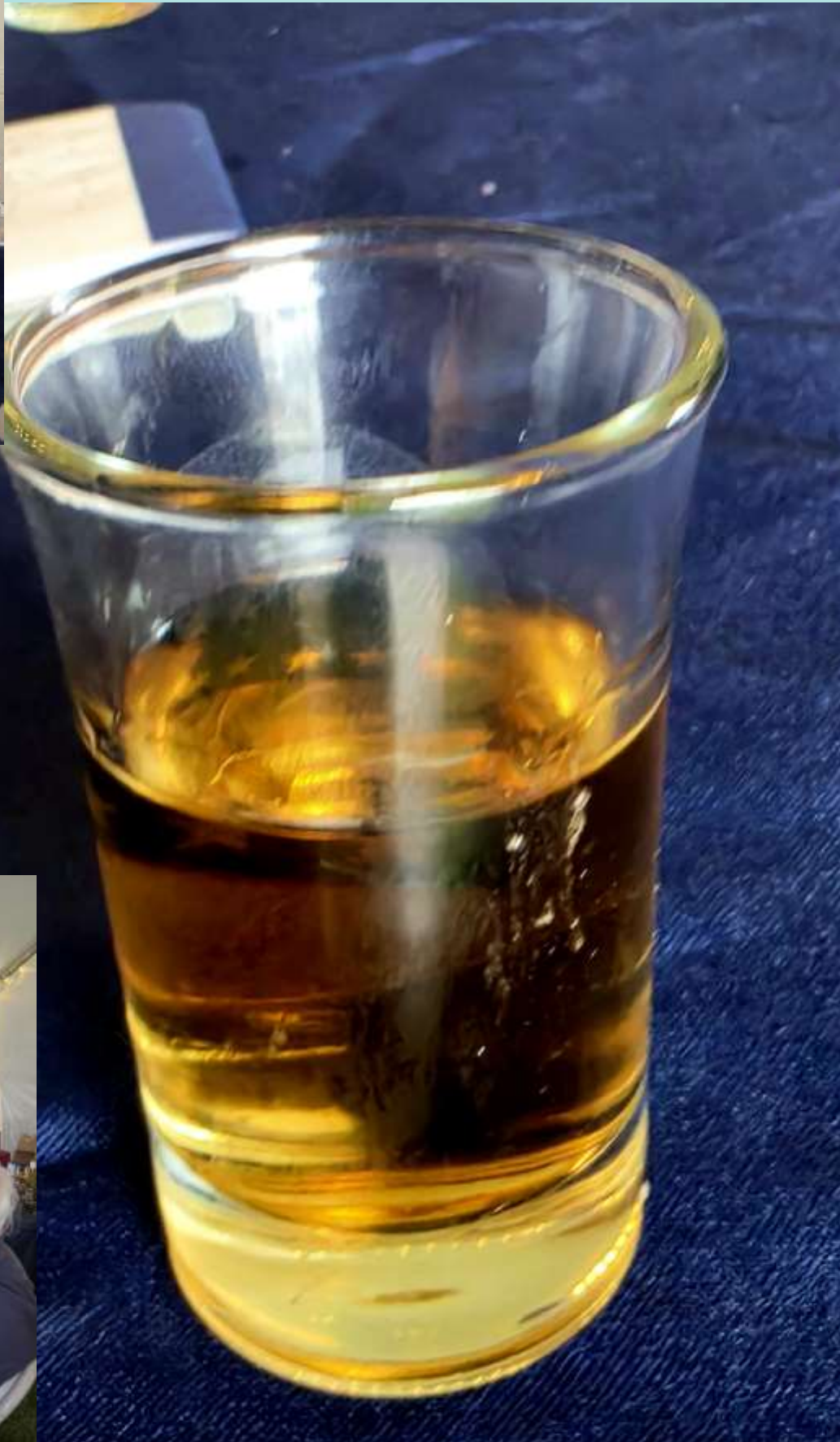








The final Salute: Striking the bell eight times for a deceased mariner meaning their earthly duties are finished and they can rest.







Southwest's Safety Corner

By Craig Stanfield

So, a friend of mine did a google search recently.

“The number one unspoken rule on a boat?”

#1....more prevalent than any others. The biggest worry or expense. And the

answer was **WAKES!**

“The Number one unspoken rule of boating is to own your wake, meaning you are entirely responsible for any damage, disruption, or safety hazard caused by the waves your vessel produces.”

Legal Liability: Legally, the person at the helm is responsible for any damage **caused by their boat's wake. If your large wave smashes a docked boat, flips a kayak, or injures someone moving around on another vessel, you can be held legally and financially liable just as if you had directly collided with them.**

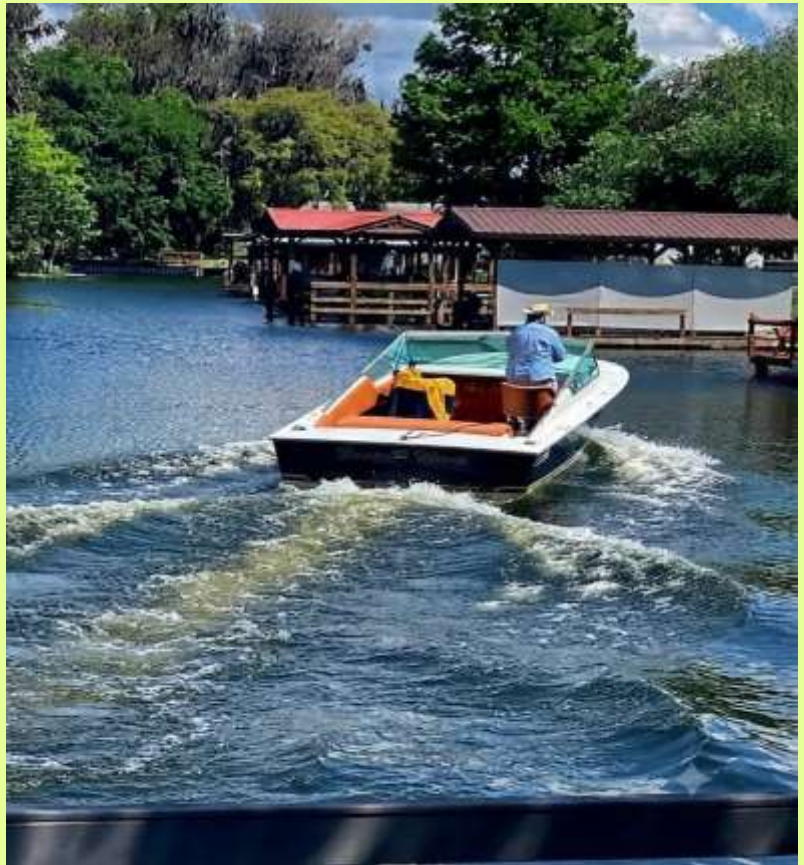
Safety Hazards: A sudden, unexpected wake can throw passengers off balance, send someone overboard, or cause severe back injuries to people sitting in smaller craft.

Property Damage: Large waves batter moored boats against docks, tear lines loose, and erode fragile shorelines.

Social backlash: On the water, breaking unspoken etiquette ruins the peaceful environment, earns you hostile horns, angry gestures, and a ruined reputation among local boating communities.

Personally, the more conspicuous the boat I'm in, the more careful I am.

Be kind, rewind.



Neighbors just could not empathize with the importance of conducting this scientific study.



Upcoming Events

**September 13-20, 2026*

ACBS International Show

Port Huron, Michigan

**October 8-11, 2026*

Lake LBJ Rendezvous

Horseshoe Bay Resort

**March 18-21, 2027*

Sunnyland Boat Festival

Tavares, FL

**April 24-23, 2027*

Keels and Wheels Concours

Lakewood Yacht Club, Seabrook, TX

**As always, please confirm with a board member. These are tentative dates, especially those furthest away.*

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Musings from the editor...

*Roses are red,
The SuperSport is Blue
Im ready for LBJ
How about you!*

*But the newsletter
We need some meat
Im out of ideas
On recruiting your sheets!*

Craig

