

SOUNDSIDE LEARNING THIS WEEK ON CORE SOUND

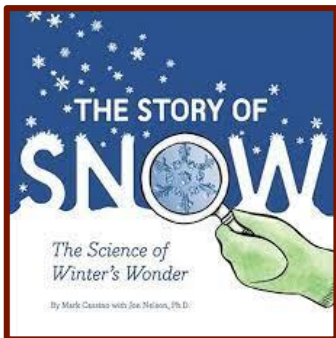


February 6, 2023

JOIN US!

- **February 8:** *Soundside Science & Story Time* for ages 3-5, 10 AM
- **February 9:** *Parlor Talk @ 806, 2 PM:* Connie Mason
- **February 12:** *Sunday Afternoon w/ Heber, 2 PM*
- **February 24:** *Taste of Core Sound, 6 PM;* Click the link to get your tickets!
<https://www.coresound.com/wintertaste>

Sound Reading Material For You



The Story of Snow: The Science of Winter's Wonder
By Mark Cassino & Jon Nelson Ph.D.

How is snow formed? Are any two snow crystals alike? These questions and more are answered inside this exploration of the science of snow, featuring photos of real snow crystals in all their beautiful diversity. Perfect for reading on winter days, this book by a nature photographer and a snow scientist will inspire wonder and curiosity about the marvels of snow. Snowflake-catching instructions are also included for aspiring young snow scientists!

Grades: K-3
Pages: 36



Soundside Science and Stories

On February 1st children enjoyed our first Soundside Science and Story Time of 2023.

While sitting aboard a skiff, our young guests listened to two stories. *Over and Under* included an interactive show-and-tell exploring different animals while *Axle Annie* brought with it homemade snow that cars drove through and animals burrowed into and tracked upon. Youngsters also practiced fine motor skills as they drew shapes and letters.

This creative learning was followed with a tasty snack and some fun social-skill-building playtime. Please, visit this week to learn and grow with us! We will be ready for you and your little ones every Thursday morning at 10 AM.



That One Night on Adams Creek

By Chester Reid Fulcher

I am a sixth-grade English teacher in Kinston, NC, and have the privilege of working with young people each day. One of my students this year is Chester Reid Fulcher. When I spotted "Fulcher" on my roster at the beginning of the school year, I wondered if this young man was part of "my Down East crowd." When Open House was held, of course, I asked. To my delight, he is, and I have enjoyed getting to know him this year. The following essay by Chester Reid shares a beloved family story about his great-grandfather, Homer Fulcher. I hope you enjoy it as much as I did!

On September 17, 1939, my great-grandfather persevered despite a tragedy when he was 18 years old on a cold night on Adams Creek, located on the Intercoastal Waterway. Homer Fulcher, Charlie Fulcher (the captain of the ship and Homer's dad), James (nicknamed Hop), William Henry, and a few other men, were on their way to Morehead City, NC. The ship they were on was called the *Southland*. These men were returning from Adams Creek.

There is a huge port in Morehead City, NC, that imports and exports a lot of cargo. Well, that night the *Southland* was on the way back to Morehead. There were also two tugboats pushing a huge cargo ship into the ocean. The two tugboats had lights, but the *Southland* could not see them since the barge was in the way. Well, after a little while the barge got closer and closer to the *Southland*. Neither of the two saw one another, and the barge collided with the *Southland* destroying the captain's cabin. Homer and William Henry were knocked off the stern of the ship; sadly, everyone else was killed. Homer went back aboard to save his father because he saw him, but Homer could not save Charlie no matter how hard he tried. Charlie was pulled away from Homer due to strong currents.

There were only two survivors of this tragedy, William Henry and Homer Fulcher. Divers have found the wreckage of the *Southland*. Surprisingly, builders have put it back in use.

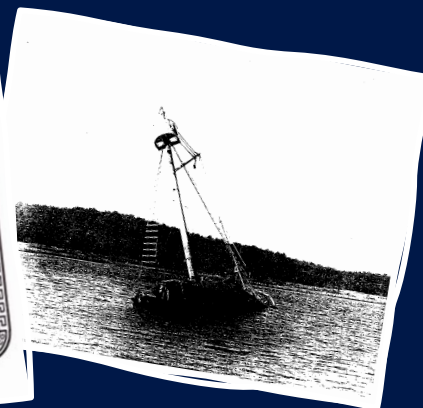
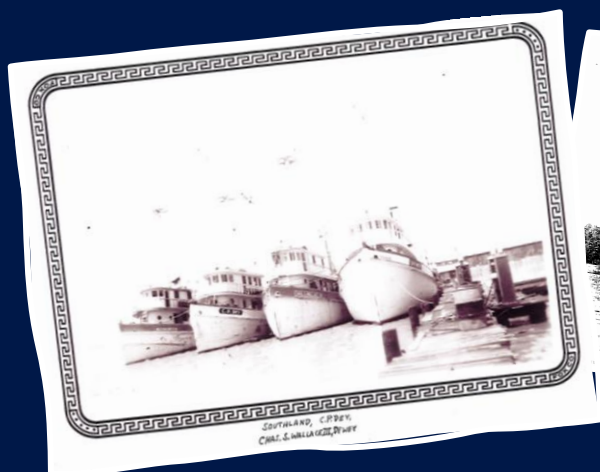
Charlie was my great-great-granddaddy, and Homer was my great-granddaddy. Though I am sure it was difficult for him, Homer went on with his life and got married; they had five kids. He was a decoy carver and the first featured carver of the Core Sound Waterfowl Festival. He worked for many years and continued to be the captain of many ships. The tragedy could have kept him from getting on another boat again, but he did not allow that. Homer died on September 9, 1995. He has inspired me by how he did not let this tragedy get in the way of his life.



Above: Homer around age 20

Middle: Homer and wife Margaret Rosebud Fulcher

Bottom: Homer Carving in June 1995



Above: the *Southland*

Photos submitted by the Homer Fulcher family.