The USS Constitution Scuttlebutt – a place of congregation and casual discussion. Water for immediate consumption on a sailing ship was conventionally stored in a scuttled butt: a butt (cask) which had been scuttled by making a hole in it so the water could be withdrawn. Since sailors exchanged gossip when they gathered at the scuttlebutt for a drink of water, scuttlebutt became Navy slang for gossip or rumors.

Veterans - come join the Scuttlebutt!

Enjoy the comradery of your fellow sailors and soldiers.

Share sea stories and other personal experiences.

Learn and discuss the Military history of the month.

Enjoy guest speakers and historical movies.

Where: Pleasant St. Senior Center, Reading.

When: 1st Thursday of each month, beginning on September 3.

Time: 10:00 followed by lunch at noon.

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