

Lindy S. Johnson



March 29, 1961
October 23, 2010

For good

I've heard it said
That people come into our lives for a reason
Bringing something we must learn
And we are led
To those who help us most to grow
If we let them
And we help them in return
Well, I don't know if I believe that's true
But I know I'm who I am today
Because I knew you...

Like a ship blown from its mooring
By a wind off the sea
Like a seed dropped by a skybird
In a distant wood
Who can say if I've been changed for the
better?
But because I knew you
I have been changed for good...



Nancy & Lindy -- 2008

Courage

It takes strength to feel a friend's pain,
It takes courage to feel your own pain.

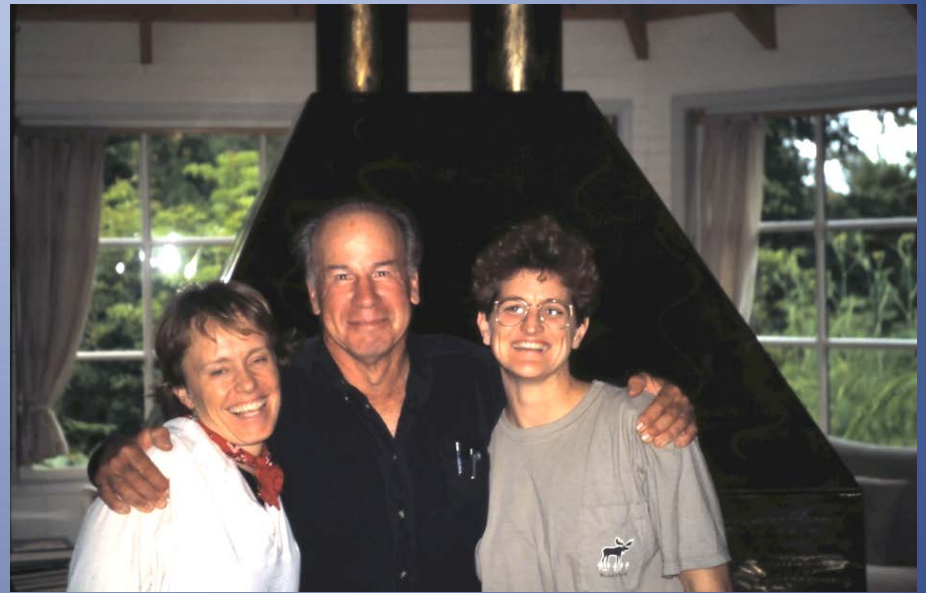
It takes strength to stand alone,
It takes courage to lean on another.



It takes strength to love,
It takes courage to be loved.

It takes strength to survive,
It takes courage to live.





And constantly exhibit a tireless devotion to all that's good in the world!

Thank you for your unfailing,
Incredible positive energy

There's always enough Happy
To go around!



Miss you

Camp Asbury – Hiram, Ohio





There are oceans to protect and love...



**...kayaking and yoga to be done,
fun to be had,
and friends and family to love.**



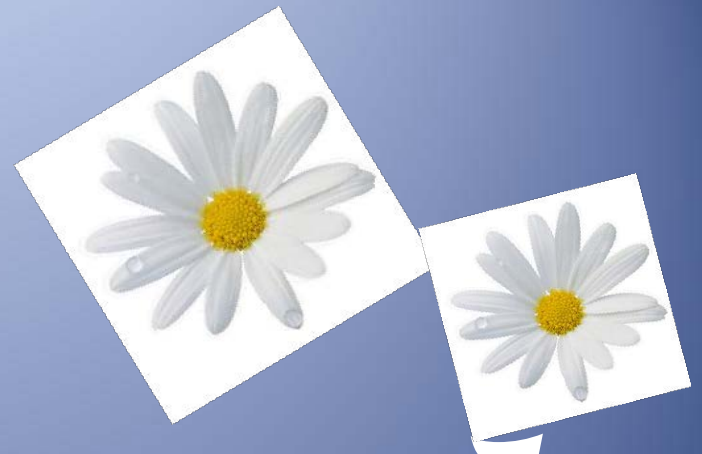


HOTS

(Hari Om Tat Sat, of course) and hugs.

Remember, live life large, okay?

Lindy



Lindy

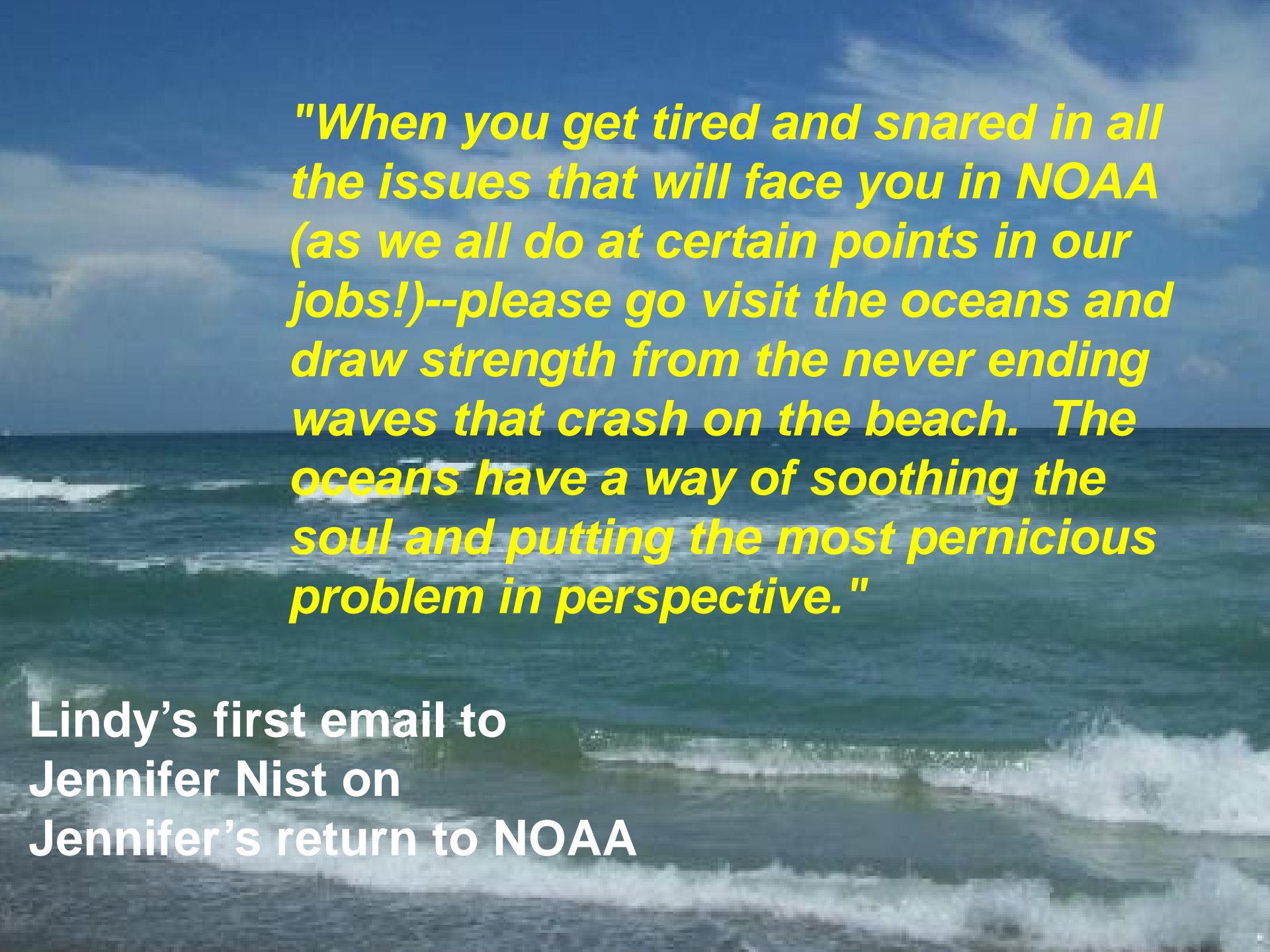
*Light-filled, beautiful,
loving, encouraging,
inspirational...*



From Caroline

Some of us here in Central America had a chance to know Lindy a little bit, but that bit was enough to realize her presence, her knowledge, her smile and her energy. Lindy, your energy has not left us, it is still here and will remain with us forever.





"When you get tired and snared in all the issues that will face you in NOAA (as we all do at certain points in our jobs!)--please go visit the oceans and draw strength from the never ending waves that crash on the beach. The oceans have a way of soothing the soul and putting the most pernicious problem in perspective."

Lindy's first email to
Jennifer Nist on
Jennifer's return to NOAA

A Little Gift for Lindy

*For whatever we lose (like a you or a me)
it's always ourselves we find in the sea.
- e.e. cummings*



Lindy was a most rare and
exquisite person.

She was one of the most
influential mentors in my life.



*Twenty years from now you will be
more disappointed by the things that
you didn't do than by the ones you
did do. So throw off the bowlines.
Sail away from the safe harbor.
Catch the trade winds in your sails.
Explore. Dream. Discover.
- Mark Twain*

Lindy hired me as her student law clerk, and within a few weeks she began to call me her **Little Gift from the Universe** because I took over a project that needed to be completed, but no one had time to work on.

Forever after she'd call me **Little Gift**, or **LG**.

This moniker and her mentorship instilled in me the confidence to be the best I could be, professionally, personally and spiritually.



Not only did Lindy set me on a path to become an ocean attorney, she taught by example that it is possible to be a **kind, funny, vibrant, soulful woman,**

and also

an incisive, tough, and effective lawyer – especially one who fights to protect marine life from the many threats of our highly industrialized life.



We ourselves feel that what we are doing is just a drop in an ocean. But the ocean would be less because of that missing drop.

- Mother Teresa

An underwater photograph of a coral reef. The reef is covered in vibrant red and orange coral. Several fish are swimming around the reef, including a prominent yellow-striped bass in the center. The background is a deep blue, suggesting the open ocean.

Lindy was fearless and warmly honest.

In the office one day she told me that she was a *fish* in her past life. I completely believed her.

It made perfect sense when she said:
“I can’t eat fish, they’re my clients!”

Lindy was a treasure. I will miss her and remember her always.

*My soul is full of longing
For the secret of the sea,
And the heart of the great ocean
Sends a thrilling pulse through me.
- Henry Wadsworth Longfellow*

With Great Love,

Leila Monroe

Ocean Attorney, Natural Resources Defense Council





*What Lindy
means
to me...*

L = love for life
I = inspiring
N = nurturing
D = dedicated
Y = youthful

*...all my love,
Lani*













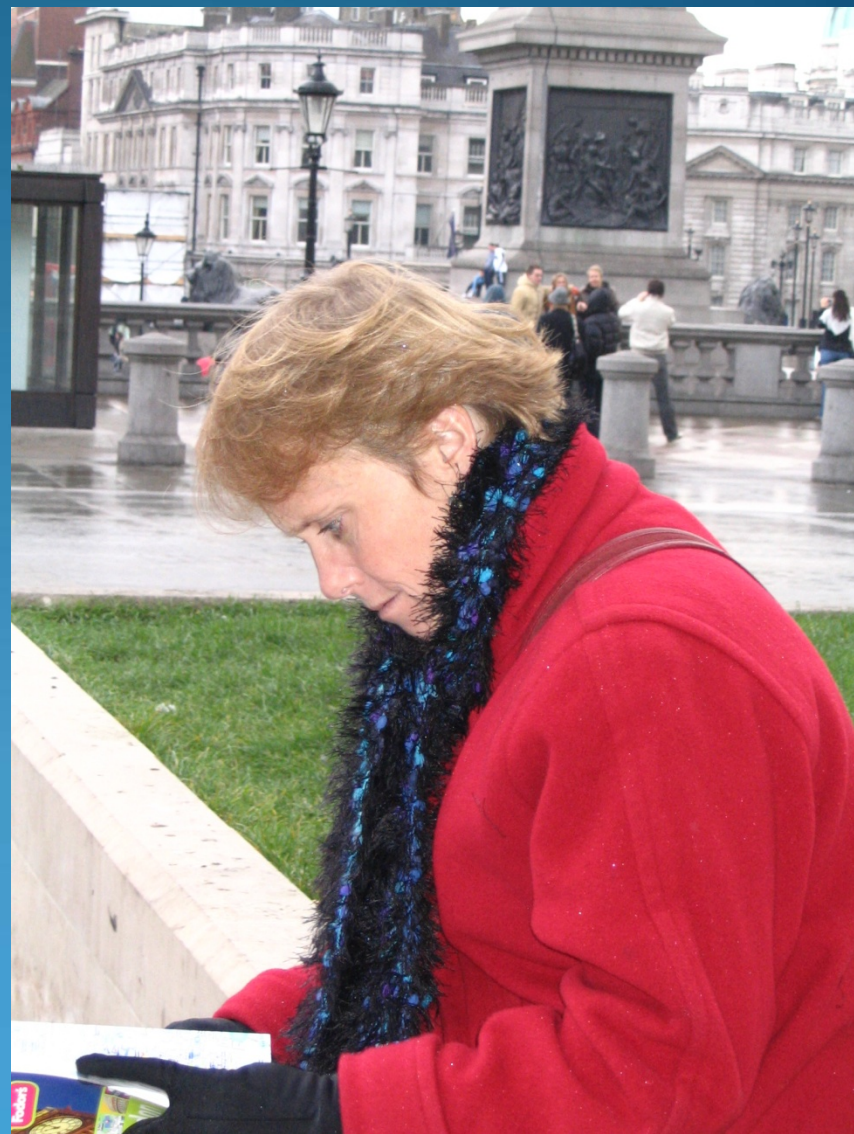






ཨོཾ་མ་ཎི་པདྨ་པུ་ཨོཾ་







"Grand Teton"
Right Whale # 1145
Age: 40+

Mother of Seven, Grandmother of Four



"Lindy S. Johnson"
Right Whale Champion
Age: 40+
Mother of Ocean Protection

Grand Teton and Lindy Johnson
Two remarkable gals making right whale recovery happen!



If North Atlantic right whales could talk,
they'd probably say something like

"Way to go!"

"Yesss!"

"Yeah!"

"Right On!"

"Yeeshaw!"



The International Marine Organization (IMO) recently approved a change in boundaries for shipping traffic in the Bay of Fundy. A mere 5.5 kilometer shift will reduce the chances of ship/whale interaction by 80 per cent.

We've been supporting right whale conservation efforts and behavioral research since 1998 through a unique partnership with the New England Aquarium and participation in several government sponsored working groups. When New England Aquarium research showed that moving shipping lanes in the Bay of Fundy could protect the North Atlantic right whale, we responded enthusiastically to the findings and are now helping to implement the recommendations.

As the largest operator of ships in the Bay of Fundy, we're excited about being part of the solution to protect the endangered North Atlantic right whale.

