

THE NAUTICAL NEWS

January 3,2007

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WINTER HAVEN NAUTICAL CLUB meets the 1st **Wednesday** of every month. Potluck dinner at 6:30 PM. Bring a dish to pass. Regular membership meeting begins at 7:30 PM at the Club, 695 Avenue K SW.

Commodore Valich called the meeting to order at 7:35 pm with the Pledge to the Flag. 42 members were present. **Amber Herl** read the minutes from the December Board Meeting. John Valich introduced our guests – Susan & Otto.

ACTIVITIES –Susan Hutchinson, Chairperson

Winter Haven Nautical Club's Christmas Party & Installation of Officers – December 9th – Phyllis reported we had 55 members attend this event. The food, friends and entertainment were great. Mark your calendar for next year's.

December 16th Caroling at the Walkers – Jim explained they had 17 people attend and everyone enjoyed singing, even if there was little response from the people where they traveled. David Smith was our Santa for the night. After the wonderful caroling was over, everyone enjoyed Hot Dogs and other good food. It was a great night with good times.

Citrus Parade – January 20th – Mike Hall volunteers to enter his boat and tow vehicle for the parade. We will meet around 8 AM to decorate Mike's boat and to gather for those who would like to ride. The Hutchinson's have beads for us to throw to the crowd. Come and join us for a fun morning.

Mexican Fiesta Night – January 20th – 6 PM – Pat Wells spoke about our first Mexican Fiesta. We will be enjoying some "South of the Border" foods. The Sangria will be flowing and Frivolity to follow dinner (Siesta for some). The fun will begin at 6 PM and the cost is \$10 for adults and \$5 for child 7-12, 6 and under is free. Pete and Debbie Savage, who are members, will entertain us. Come and enjoy yourselves.

Belly Dancing lessons – January 8th – 7 PM – Margaret reviewed with us that Rosemary Krencisz will be teaching some of our ladies on how to belly dance. The lessons will be for 6 Mondays at the cost of \$15.

Ladies Day Out – February 11th – 11 AM – Margaret explained to us that we again will be doing Haircuts, manicures and pedicures for our services and we will have brunch. If you would like 2 services the cost will be \$27 and 3 services will be \$37. Margaret is trying to arrange to have a guest speaker also. If you know of anyone who might like to speak to our ladies, please let Margaret know. A list was passed around as to who would like to attend and we have a waiting list only at this point. If you were not present and might like to attend if there is a cancellation, please give Margaret a call.

Mystery land Cruise – Feb. 24th or 25th – Nancy and Mike Hall will have a definite date and more information at our February meeting.

Relay for Life – April 20th & 21st – will be held at Winter Haven High School. Survivor's Lap begins at 7 PM. Please contact Debby Thompson at 293-1121 X7521 or by e-mail at Debbyski@tampabay.rr.com if you are interested in participating.

CRUISES – Phil Herl, Cruise Master

New Year's Eve Cruises – Jim Walker there were 5 boats and 10 people who participated in the cruise to Hontoon Island. It was a very restful and relaxing time. One day several people tried their hands at taking a canoe trip and unfortunately they lost a few items in the St John's River. Maybe we will find them when we go on Red Flannel.

The second cruise will be to Captain Hiram's in Sebastian. Bill Barrett reported that a total of 7 boats were planning to go on the trip. 4 boats left Love's and unfortunately only made it a few miles till Frank Via and his trailer and truck had some problems on I-4. After getting both repaired, the rest of the trip was uneventful. Dick Littrell and John Valich left on Friday and sorry to say both of these boats didn't make the trip. John had engine problems and Dick lost some equipment off the boat. For those who made the trip, we must remember there is a very long slow zone and it took 3 hours to get to Captain Hiram's.

Red Flannel Cruise January 13th & 14th – Palatka – We will meet at Love's and leave for Deland at 8 AM and go up the St. Johns to the Quality Inn Riverfront. The slips are \$35 for the night. Rooms are: \$75 for City side and \$85 for Riverview. John canvassed the members who will be attending this cruise about doing a buffet at Gator Landing's for dinner on Saturday night. He advised he would be getting information out by e-mail in a few days. If you are planning to attend and didn't get his e-mail that was sent out on Sunday, please contact him.

Gasparilla Cruise – January 27th – Jim Walker will be doing a one-day cruise to see the ship come in on Tampa Bay. If you are interested in doing this cruise, please contact Jim on 967-7672. Also, Tampa-Cruise-Cade is doing their annual Gasparilla event on 1/26, 1/27, and 1/28 at their location in Tampa. The entire weekend is \$75 a person. If you are interested, detailed information is posted in the clubhouse.

Remember if you do not have a boat, but would like to ride along on a cruise, contact the cruise leader.

John reviewed with the membership new chairpersons for 2007.

WAYS & MEANS – Ralph Kear, Chairperson

No report

SHIP'S STORE – Open, Chairpersons

No report

GROUNDS – David Smith, Chairperson

No report

HARBOUR MASTER – David Hutchinson, Chairperson

No report

MEMBERSHIP – Amber Herl, Chairperson

No report

RENTAL COMMITTEE – Dick Littrell, Chairperson

The Bass Club meets the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of every month.

HOUSEKEEPING – Open – Chairperson

No report

RECYCLING COMMITTEE – Frank Ingraham, Chairperson

We need more aluminum brought in for recycling we are behind last year.

SUNSHINE COMMITTEE – Gloria Wynne, Chairperson

Becky Smith reported on Pat Brixley's condition. She is doing better. Got home from the hospital on Christmas Eve.

PHONE COMMITTEE – Phyllis Walker, Chairperson

No report

ADVERTISING COMMITTEE – Richard Keach, Chairperson

No report

YEARBOOK – Nancy Hall

No report

MEMBERSHIP BOOK – Becky Smith and Joanne Cook

Becky has calendars for sale. Cost is \$7 with \$5 going back to the club.

WEBSITE – Becky Smith, Chairperson

No report

OLD BUSINESS: John reviewed with the membership the meeting he and Dick had with the company who will be doing the spraying of our lakefront. They reviewed which plants need to stay and which can be sprayed. They will make a report and we have the permits necessary to start. Also John reported on our Swiftmad re-certification process. He placed a call on will met with the company who will be doing the inspection on 1/23. Once this is done we are good for 18 month.

NEW BUSINESS: Lakeland Sail and Power Squadron will be doing a Boat Safety class starting 1/18 thru 3/8 at Michael Holley Chevrolet in Lakeland. Also, the week prior 1/11 John will be conducting a GPS class at the Lakeland Sail & Power Squadron's building in Lakeland. This class will start at 7 PM. If you are interested in attending either or both of these classes, please contact Dick Littrell on 295-9788.

David Smith spoke about a doing a fundraiser with the Lakeland Sail & Power Squadron and us in Haines City on Lake Eva on 4/6, 4/7 & 4/8. This is similar to the one we do with them for the Orange cup, which is around the end of April. He asked that we think about it. He will get additional information and report back to us at the February membership meeting.

50/50 JANUARY WINNER WAS ARLENE ADAMS FOR BRITTNEY DODD - \$20.00

CLASSIFIED AD \$5.00. SEE JOANNE COOK