

THE NAUTICAL NEWS

March 7, 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. 45 members were present. **Amber Herl** read the minutes from the February Board Meeting. David Smith introduced new member Bobby Robertson and his girlfriend. Also introduced was Mash Green who came to know about the club from Jim Walker while he was cutting the grass. Dick Littrell introduced our honorary members Roger and Sandy Scott from the Daytona Beach Boat Club.

ACTIVITIES –Susan Hutchinson, Chairperson

Ladies Day Out – February 11th – 11 AM – Margaret reported that the 12 ladies who signed up for this event enjoyed a great afternoon. Brenda Smith from Ridge came with 12 students so each lady had her own manicure and pedicure person. Margaret thanked our great waiters for this event, David Smith, Jim Walker and Bill Barrett. We had a profit of \$120 after donating to the VICA organization at Ridge the amount of \$182.

Mystery land Cruise – Feb. 25th – Nancy and Mike Hall was our cruise leaders for this land cruise. We departed Perkins Restaurant in Bartow about 8:40 AM. We had 6 cars and 22 people attend this event. We arrived at our first destination about 90 minutes after leaving Bartow. We arrived at Desoto National Memorial Park in Bradenton on the Manatee River. The Park rangers dress in period costumes and give 3 informative presentations about Hernando Desoto. We all enjoyed a picnic lunch at the park and took a walk on the nature trail we some of the ladies collected shells. Our second destination was to Sneed Island to Emerson Park. After climbing a large mound we enjoyed a wonderful view. After considering climbing some other mounds, it was decided we would head for home. Everyone had a great time. Thanks to Mike and Nancy.

St. Patrick's Day – March 17th –Phyllis Ingraham distributed a flyer for this event. It will start at 5:30 PM and the cost will be \$10 for Adults and \$4 for children under 12. Our meal will be Corned Beef or Ham served with Cabbage, Potatoes, Carrots and Irish Soda Bread and a green dessert. If you attend, please wear green for a chance at a little extra green. If you were not at the meeting and are planning to attend, please give Phyllis a call on 967-1768. Phyllis did indicate that Frank has not been feeling well and if he needs to go into the hospital, this event might need to be cancelled. If so, the telephone committee will call everyone. If you don't get a call the event is on.

Cake Decorating Class – March 19th – Becky Smith will be conducting this class starting on 3/19 and running for several weeks. The cost will be \$15 for all classes. The class will run between a 1 to 1 ½ hr each week. The project is making an Easter Basket Cake. Each week you will need to bring a cake with sides. The class will start at 7 PM. If interested in attending, please give Becky Smith a call on 968-0338.

Yard Sale – March 31st – 8 AM – Pat Wells advised the membership that the yard sale will be advertised in both the Lakeland Ledger and Newschief. The cost will be \$10 per table and we will have one table for the club. She would like everyone to donate one item to the club table to be sold. We will have tables in the club house, on the porch and out side. Pat thanked Susan and Rosemary for their donations to the club table. Marty and Wes Kidwell will be manning our club table. If you were not present and would like to reserve a table, please give Pat a call on 299-1319.

Orange Cup – April 14th & 15th – Mike Hall and Phil Herl are co-chairs for this event. This is a fundraiser for both the Lakeland Power & Sail and our club. **Mike & Phil** asked that if we each could just volunteer for a 2 hour shift for either Saturday or Sunday it would help. A sign-up sheet for both days was passed around and if you were at the meeting and would like to sign up, please give either Mike or Phil a call.

A Taste of Italy and Fashions by Jacqueline – April 21st – 6 PM – Joanne distributed flyers about her annual Italian dinner. The meal is be: Home cooked Spaghetti with meatballs, Tossed salad, and dessert. Her co-chairs will be Arlene Adams & Gloria Wynne. After we enjoy this great meal, we will be able to view fashions by our famous designer Jacqueline. As of now she is not revealing her line for this show. You will just have to come and see what she has designed. The cost for the dinner will be \$7.50 for adults and \$3.75 for children under 12.

Fun Fest Weekend at Daytona Beach Boat Club – May 18th – 20th - Roger Scott explained that this was a weekend jammed packed with a lot of fun things to do from cruises, entertainment, meals, water born scavenger hunt, door prizes and lots more. The cost for the entire weekend is \$60 a person or Friday for \$25 a person or Saturday for \$40 a person. Daytona has always been a club that has participated in our annual fundraiser, so lets return the favor. Let's mark our calendars.

CRUISES – Phil Herl, Cruise Master

Hontoon Island – Feb 17th & 18th – Bill Barrett advised there was a total of 7 boats that participated on this cruise. Four boats left on Friday and 3 left on Saturday. Once all the boats had gotten their slips at Hontoon, 2 boats loads left for an early dinner at Capt. Cove Rest. It took awhile to get there as we needed to travel thru several slow zones. After arriving back after dinner, Mike Hall built a fire and we had a dock party on Saturday night. Since Sunday turned out to be COLD, it was decided to have breakfast in Mt Dora. So after getting all the boats loaded, we headed for Perkins in Mt. Dora and had breakfast in a warm restaurant.

Caladesi Island – March 10th & 11th – Bill Barrett – He requested that if you were going to attend to please give him a call on 965-7629.

Capt. Hiram's – March 24th & 25th – John Valich – He advised that there are some slips available, but dockage is limited. Some of the details are as follows: leave Love's at 8 AM on Saturday and depart from Kennedy Point to avoid the no wake zones. The hotel there is Key West Inn. He will be sending out a separate e-mail with further details, be on the look out.

Catfish Festival Cruise – April 7th & 8th – Jim Walker cruise leader – See Flyer attached for all of the details.

Mt. Dora – April 22nd – Phil Herl is looking for a cruise leader for this trip. If you are interested in leading this cruise, please give him a call on 956-4279.

Palm Island – June 9th & 10th – Mike Hall – ask that you start thinking about this trip as Palm Island will deal only with the cruise leader and Mike would like to have everything in order to give to the people there.

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

WAYS & MEANS – Joanne Cook, Chairperson

The Thomas Kincaid picture was raffled off. The winner was Sandy Scott. We made a profit of \$75.
Thanks to everyone who participated

SHIP'S STORE – Mike and Nancy Hall, Chairpersons

Mike explained about a new vendor, Williams & Williams in Lakeland. They will do embroiding on your own shirts. We will also continue to use our present vendor for the shirts we have today. If you are interested in placing an order, please give the Halls a call

GROUNDS – David Smith, Chairperson

David has gotten some motion detector lights donated to the club and will be installing them on Saturday.

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. 3/18 is reserved by a member and we have a rental ½ 3/23 and 3/24.

HOUSEKEEPING – Jackie Littrell – Chairperson

Jackie asked that everyone please clean-up after yourselves.

RECYCLING COMMITTEE – Frank Ingraham, Chairperson

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

SUNSHINE COMMITTEE – Gloria Wynne, Chairperson

Frank Ingraham was in the hospital, but is now back home.

PHONE COMMITTEE – Phyllis Walker, Chairperson

Phyllis thanked all the members of her committee for the great work they are doing.

ADVERTISING COMMITTEE – Richard Keach, Chairperson

No report

YEARBOOK – Nancy Hall

Need pictures

MEMBERSHIP BOOK – Becky Smith and Joanne Cook

Joanne and Becky distributed the new membership book information.

WEBSITE – Becky Smith, Chairperson

No report

BUDGET COMMITTEE – RALPH KEAR, Chairperson

Report to be given at April meeting

OLD BUSINESS: NOTHING TO REPORT

NEW BUSINESS: Don Cook informed the members that there is a new county law that will not allow us to park boats, RVs, utility trucks, trailers, etc in the front of our houses. He advised that there will be a meeting on Tuesday, March 13th at 9:30 AM and if you can attend we need to be there to voice our options about it. It was a very quiet item with little or no advertising about it.

Richard Emery advised the group that Marine Supply will be having a Boat Sale sometime in April and we are invited to have a table to promote membership in the club.

Also, Project Eagle is scheduled for April 28th. This is a project that helps to clean-up the lakes and lakes fronts on the chain. Joanne Cook will try to get more information for the April meeting.

50/50 MARCH WINNER WAS LAMAR MIDDELTON - \$34.00

CLASSIFIED AD \$5.00. SEE JOANNE COOK

FOR SALE:

2001 REGAL 2660 CRUISER,

T-V6 VOLVO PENTA 190 HP SX OUT DRIVES, A/C –HEAT, FULL CAMPER CANVAS,

GALLEY, PUMP OUT HEAD/SHOWER

TAMDEM TRAILER

ASKING \$42,000

PLEASE CALL BILL BARRETT ON

(863) 965-7629 OR (863) 206-7451

FOR SALE:

1999 CHEVY TAHOE

GOOD TIRES, 4 X4, WELL EQUIPPED, AND CLEAN

99,000 PLUS MILES AND RUNS GOOD

HAS A HITCH AND IS A GOOD TRUCK FOR PULLING A BOAT

ASKING \$7,500

PLEASE CALL JIM BISE ON

(863) 665-3277 OR (330) 853-4947

**CATFISH FESTIVAL CRUISE
APRIL 7 & 8, 2007**

**The Catfish Festival is held each year
at Crescent City
on the first Sat. of April**

**It features a parade,
food and arts & crafts in the park.**

Departure: 7:00AM, April 7
Love=s Truck Stop, I-4 & SR559

Launch: Crow's Bluff, Deland

Itinerary: Cruise north on the St John's river, to Dunns Creek, to Crescent City on Crescent Lake. Watch the parade and enjoy the food and arts & crafts. Mid-afternoon, return to the boats and cruise to the Quality Inn Riverfront in Palatka. Sat evening, dinner at the hotel restaurant. Sunday AM, breakfast in the restaurant, cruise to Crow's Bluff.

Accommodations: Please make your own room reservations **as soon as possible. Be sure to tell them you are with the Winter Haven Nautical Club.**
Quality Inn Riverfront, Palatka 386-328-3481
Streetside rooms are \$84.00, riverside rooms are \$94.00

Slips: \$70.95 if you do not have a room, free with a room, according to Doreen at the hotel.
They are 'first come, first served' and have electricity and water.

IF YOU WILL BE ABLE TO JOIN US ON THIS CRUISE, PLEASE CONTACT JIM OR PHYLLIS WALKER 967-7672