

THE NAUTICAL NEWS

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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.

V. Commodore Mike Hall called the meeting to order at 7:30pm with the Pledge to the Flag. 41 members were present. **Amber Herl** read the minutes from the August Board Meeting. Mike Hall introduced our new members Lucky Wells and Yonnie Bartlett and George and Jo Eldridge.

ACTIVITIES –Susan Hutchinson, Chairperson

Susan started out by announcing that there were no activities in August. Marva Kear then reported that the CPR class that was scheduled for Sept 8th has been cancelled due to lack of response and will be rescheduled at a future date. Activities for Sept:

- *Fish Fry – Sept 22nd*- Susan Hutchinson reported. Don Cook will be frying catfish. Please bring a side dish or dessert to share and BYOB. It starts at 5:00pm. It will cost 8.50 per adult and 4.00 per child.
- *Galley Chef Cook Off – Sept 30th*- Pat Wells reported. Prepare an entrée to be judged at 4pm on the day of the event. The competitors are Jim Walker, Bill Barrett, John Valich, and Steve Thompson. It will cost 10.00 per person. There will also be a horseshoe pitching contest.

Activities for October include our biggest weekend of the year!!!

- *Nautical Weekend in Paradise – Key West Weekend – Oct 12th and 13th* – Pat Wells reported. For the whole weekend it will cost \$40 for members and \$45 for nonmembers, per person. Friday only will be \$15 and Saturday only will be \$25. Payments are needed by October meeting at the latest. Rick Fallin will perform Friday evening and T Michael Stavres will perform Saturday. It will be almost the same menu as last year. There will be a silent auction on Saturday “by” Susan Hutchinson. Becky Smith will arrange a scavenger hunt during Saturday’s boat ride. Becky needs gallon jugs for the hunt, please bring clean empty jugs to her before the October meeting. The jugs will have letters painted on them. Each boat will need to “collect” the letters and form a sentence. Pat has asked for help during the event and has provided a signup sheet. So, please we need all the help in making this successful. And please invite all family, friends, co-workers out for this fun and exciting weekend. For more information contact Pat Wells: 299-1310 or pw5374@peoplepc.com

Schedule of events:

Friday Evening:

5:30pm - 7:00pm Dinner
7:00pm - 8:00pm Games/contests
8:00pm Entertainment

Saturday:

9:00Am Continental Breakfast
11:00am- 2:00pm Chain of Lakes Cruise; Lunch at

Harborside

5:00pm - 6:00pm Margarita Cocktail hour
6:00pm - 7:00pm Dinner
6:00pm - 9:00pm Entertainment

Note: Amber Herl will be doing games and needs volunteers:

The name of the game is called "J.B. Wanna B contest" We need you to dress in costume and lip sync to a Jimmy Buffet song. So, she needs 5 people to participate and someone to run the Audio. Please contact Amber for more information and details at 956-4731 or rherl@tampabay.rr.com

- Halloween at the Walker's- October 27th- Phyllis Walker reported. Arrive at 7pm. They will provide the hot dogs and fixings. Please bring a dish to share and BYOB. We normally have a "big" turnout. Clothing required, costume optional!

Activities for November:

- Chili Dinner and Chinese Auction Nov 9th
- Planning Meeting for 2008 events Nov 14th; If you want a say in what the club plans for next year, then be here!!! It is the most important meeting of the year!!
- Thanksgiving Dinner and Club Decorating Nov 18th

Note: Lucille Tremblay reported that she needs payments for the Christmas party (Dec 8th) by the November meeting. The catering company needs an accurate count and prepayment. If you need to send the payment by mail please do so before November 21st.

CRUISES –PHIL HERL, Cruise Leader

September Cruises:

- Melbourne Harbor Cruise – Sept 1st, 2nd, and 3rd – Mavra Kear reported. There were 7 boats and 14 people. Some arrived Friday night and stayed at the Titusville Municipal Marina. The rest met on Saturday and traveled 40 miles to Melbourne Harbor Marina where they were greeted with a Welcome WHNC banner and each boat received a welcome packet. The heat was intense on Saturday. Later that day lightning hit a power pole and they lost power for four and a half hours. Everyone walked to downtown to find a cool place to eat. It was a very busy downtown. On Sunday everyone was pretty much on their own. They met up at a nearby hotel pool and had a small party and ended being filmed by Brighthouse for Melbourne's what to do section on their local cable network. Everyone had dinner that evening at the Charthouse. Monday was a nice trip back. But at the ramp, Cheryl Burgess had an accident. She lost her footing while she was unloading the boat and fell off the platform onto the pavement. She landed on her back and had to be taken to Parrish Medical Center. She will remain there through the weekend because they will need to insert a chest tube to help her collapsed lung. She is in good spirits and really appreciates the phone calls and visits.
- Charlotte Harbor Cruise – Sept 15th and 16th- Punta Gorda – Fisherman's Village cruise has been cancelled.
- Twilight Cruise to Tampa- Sunset Cruise – Sept 29th – Mike Hall reported. Ybor after dark cruise. Launch from Williams Park. Travel the Hillsborough River down to the Tampa Bay Convention Center. Docks are open to the public with no electric or water hook ups. \$1.00 an hour for the slips. \$4.00 for the streetcar to Ybor. Dinner at a restaurant. For more information please contact John Valich.

October Cruises:

- Mt Dora Cruise – Oct 28th- Dick Littrell reported that he will be unable to lead and we will need someone to volunteer to lead.

November Cruises:

- Twin Dolphin cruise – Nov 3rd and 4th – Mike Hall reported. He will provide more information at the next meeting.

RENTALS –DICK LITRELL, Chairperson

There was a last minute rental on August 25th.

Rental on September 16th

Reservation on September 19th

Starting September 20th for eight Thursdays, there will be a rental for the LSPS boating safety course. Lunker Lover's have moved their meeting to September 23rd.

GROUNDS –DAVID SMITH, Chairperson

David Smith thanked Dick Littrell for all of the work he has done. The porch floor looks great.

HOUSEKEEPING –JACKIE LITRELL, Chairperson

Jackie Littrell thanked everyone for helping to keep the place clean.

SUNSHINE –GLORIA WYNNE, Chairperson

- Cheryl Burgess had a fall from the swim platform of their boat and is in the Parrish Medical Center in Titusville. She fell from the platform after the boat was trailered and the results could have been much worse. The x-rays show a partial collapsed lung and she will be in the hospital another day or two. Cheryl is in room 343, bed 1, if you would like to give her a call. The phone number is 321-268-6390. Cheryl was hurrying to get everything out of the boat so no one had to wait on them and was reaching over some things to put the fan on the platform and her foot slipped out from under her. She landed on the ground on her back
- Frank Ingraham recently had surgery.
- Shelby Adams had a triple bypass and is doing well.
- Debby Thompson's mom just had her aortic valve replaced and is recovering at home.

MEMBERSHIP –AMBER HERL, Chairperson

Amber Herl reported we have two new members.

The WHNC web link has been added to the Chamber of Commerce website and John Valich is adding each event to the Chamber event calendar.

WAYS & MEANS –PHYLLIS WALKER, Chairperson

Phyllis Walker reported that the committee plan to meet this Monday September 10th at 6:30pm.

SHIPS STORE –MIKE & NANCY HALL, Co-Chair

Mike Hall reported that S&S Designs requires a minimum order of 288 shirts. Darren's has never heard of WHNC and neither has Ray Graphics. He and John will be investigating Spreadshirt and online custom order store. This way we can provide shirts without having to keep an inventory.

ADVERTISING – RICHARD KEACH, Chairperson

No report

HARBORMASTER – DAVID HUTCHINSON, Chairperson

No report.

TELEPHONE – PHYLLIS WALKER, Chairperson

No report.

YEARBOOK – NANCY HALL, Chairperson

Nancy reported that she needs pictures.

NOMINATING – RONNIE HERL, Chairperson

Ronnie Herl reported that the committee met Tuesday evening (Sept 4). The committee members are Phyllis Walker, Susan Hutchinson, Sue Guyer, and he. All offices are open with Treasurer, Recording secretary, corresponding Secretary in need of nominations.

BUDGET – RALPH KEAR, Chairperson

No report.

AUDIT – TERRY BERGUM, Chairperson

No report

MEMBERSHIP BOOK – BECKY SMITH, Chairperson

Beck Smith reported that she is already working on the calendar for next year and needs pictures preferably digital.

WEBSITE – BECKY SMITH, Chairperson

No report

RECYCLING – FRANK INGRAHAM, Chairperson

No report

New Business:

Mike Hall reminded everyone about the Annual Planning Meeting coming up November 14th at 7pm. Bring suggestions for future cruises and events.

Old Business:

No updates.

50/50:

Frank Ingraham won, with \$33 going to the club.

Space for Rent:

\$5.00 per ad/ per month; Please contact Ronnie Herl (rherl@tampabay.rr.com). Ads submitted within 7 days of the membership meeting will appear in that current month's newsletter.