

RIVERVIEW YACHT CLUB NEWSLETTER

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DELTA INFORMATION CENTER

by Frank Beauchamp



MEMBER NEWS...

BIRTHDAYS

11/2 Diane Boal
11/24 ... Frank Beauchamp
11/30 ... Elaine McCormack
12/17 ... Jean Hafelfinger
12/19 ... Christie Kaiser
12/27 ... Lila Stults
12/29 ... Bob Boal
12/30 ... Jerry Olson

ANNIVERSARIES

11/19 - Tom & Helen Moran (1971)
12/30 Leo & Nina McMahan (1981)

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Upon traveling to my boat in Antioch, I noticed some activity going on at the southeast corner of Highways 12 and 160. Then, when a friend gave me a copy of the Spring/Summer 2008 Western Boaters Safety Group News, I found out a Delta Information Center was going to be built on the site with a full educational/advisory venue.

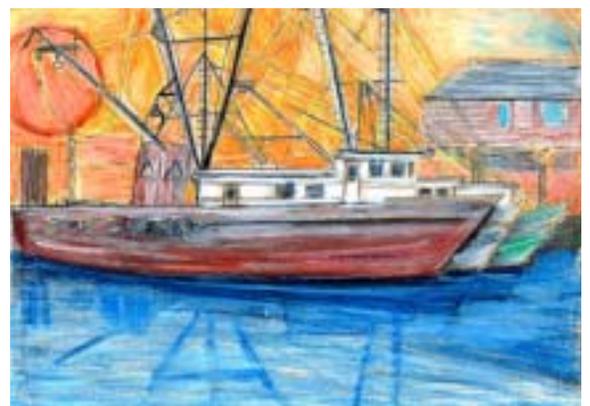
According to the WBSG bulletin and Judy, the current office information person, the facility will provide a thorough expose' of our Sacramento/San Joaquin Delta resources. The 7,228 square foot, two-story center will have exhibits, histories, maps and interpretative, informational displays focusing on the region; even wine tasting and gift shop.

The Dutra Dredging Co. has agreed to move their water tower in Rio Vista to the site and rename it. Natural Gas has been found near the facility and will be used for energy needs.

The project sponsor, a non-profit organization, Discover the Delta Foundation, has gained approval from Sacramento County so, apparently, construction permitting has been resolved. Presently, their office is located next to the River Boat II restaurant. I talked to Ken and he has a wealth of information regarding plans, uses and a build out vision for the Center.

Although all yacht clubs are struggling to stay afloat - pun intended - perhaps some support ideas might evolve to further the completion of the project. The importance of our delta cannot be understated and a project such as this can only emphasize it.

For further information on the center, contact Ken Scheidegger at 916-777-442 or check out the web site, www.discoverthedelta.org.



COMMODORE REPORT

by Sherri Olson



Well, this is my last article as your Commodore. I would just like to let you know, that it has been a pleasure. We have come through some difficult times in the last 2 ½ years. I know I did well in some areas and could have done better in others. Thanks for your patience. I would hope that you will all support Dennis Kazee as your new Commodore.

He will be great!

Our Garage sale was a success as we made \$400 which is pretty good in this economy. Thanks to those who brought items. What wasn't sold went to the Salvation Army.

Cruising has been spotty this year due to the gas prices. Some use diesel and can go farther on the same amount of money. Next year, we will stay relative close by and see what happens. Anyone can set up a cruise and go any week-end they wish. Just let members know.

We still have some work to do on the clubhouse, so please help on work days. We are going to miss some members who, for whatever reasons, aren't with us any longer. To them smooth sailing.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!



AROUND THE CLUB

Ziglers took a six week road trip in their motor home; two weeks going to Alaska, two weeks in Alaska and two weeks coming back home. They said the Alaskan scenery was just spectacular. They did not like some of the prices they encountered while traveling through Canada. They sure are enjoying retirement.

John Howard cruised to San Francisco for Fleet Week the weekend of October 12th. He stayed at the South Beach Marina and met up with members Christie & Russ Kaiser who were with the Sacramento YC. Russ's stint as Commodore of SYC is almost over so we hope to see more of them at our club in 2009.

Joe Collins and Elaine McCormack took a land yacht cruise this summer, picking up a motor home rental in Salt Lake City and then driving on to Yellowstone Park where they met up with relatives who had driven a motor home from Boston. After almost being stampeded by buffalo, they went on to South Dakota and saw Mount Rushmore at the sunset lighting and the Crazy Horse monument which is under construction. Of course, they visited many casinos coming and going and with the cost of fuel, their wallets were much lighter when they arrived home.

The Beauchamps, with daughter and son-in-law, flew to Michigan in September to visit relatives and to attend Joanne's high school reunion on Mackinac Island. The island has no motorized vehicles except for emergencies so everyone gets around with horses, bicycles or on foot. Frank and Joanne drove to Seattle in October to visit their younger son's family...had to get a grandkids fix.

Haflefingers flew to Fairbanks in June and then took a land and water cruise which they really enjoyed. In August, they spent a week with Barkers in Oregon and then in Oct., were back in OR for most of the month at the R Ranch to which they belong.

HOLIDAYS ARE COMING

Being that the first Saturday of November is on the 1st, the 3rd Saturday is on the 15th when we will have our monthly dinner, then everyone will have almost 2 weeks to prepare for their Thanksgiving dinner. In Nov., we ask members to sign up for the food they will be bringing to the Christmas party. If you will not be with us in Nov., you will probably get a call.



Our club's holiday dinner is on Saturday, December 13th. New members need to know that besides bringing food, we ask everyone to bring a gift designated for male or female. Please, no gag gifts. After drinks and the meal, we have the gift exchange. We draw numbers as to the order we select gifts. When it is your turn, you can take someone else's gift or select a new one. A previous selection can only be taken twice. We have lots of fun, so hope everyone can attend.

HAPPY THANKSGIVING & MERRY CHRISTMAS!



There were about eight boats that went to the Pittsburg Seafood Festival the weekend of September 5th. From our club, there were the Olsons, Beauchamps and John Howard. The others were from The Boathouse and Dagmars. The water was like glass going down, what a ride. We docked at the municipal marina on Friday and had a great dinner at the Pittsburg Yacht Club though it's quite a hike to their facility.

Saturday was festival day with some vendors selling their wares while others enticed us with aromas of many types of food. The yacht club also had hamburgers, hot dogs & BBQ tri-tip sandwiches in the afternoon. Everyone was on their own and met later for dock cocktails and food. Charlie Slabaugh made us "rock the baby" tequila cocktails. Goooooood!

On Sunday, Jerry and I left early for our granddaughter's 1st birthday party while others had breakfast at the yacht club. The ones that stayed said the race was ho-hum, due to the lack of boats but the air show in the afternoon was super. Afterwards many left for their home marina but some stayed until Monday. A good time was had by all.

by Sherri Olson



As a result of busy schedules, the lack of a destination and Halloween falling on the "wrong" weekend, the October cruise wasn't a cruise at all. A few of our die-hard members came by car on Saturday, the 25th to the Lighthouse restaurant near Willow Berm and raised a toast to the "uncruise". Cookie Hanlon, John Howard, the Kazees, and long-lost Frank Champion were joined by Frank's friend, Dan, and fellow Willow Berm berthers, Jean and Michael, for dinner. The kitchen and wait staff at the Lighthouse has some bugs to work out, but the fellowship was good, as always. Members present are interested in some unofficial winter cruises to Westgate, Giusti's, or other destinations. Other suggestions are welcome.

by Cindy Kazee



PORT REPORT

I know I spoke at the dinner about a work party coming up. Well, the time is here. So, on the short list is getting the clubhouse ready for the winter months. The main thing here is to get the new siding painted and caulked. We also need to look at power washing the exterior and possibly start painting it. I asked Alvin what the Cliffs' Marina color is and he said it is a custom color, mixed from all of their leftover paints. He said they had a lot of it, so maybe we can get him to see if the marina can provide us some paint.

Notice, I haven't said anything about the interior – the backroom. Well, I know many of you have met Lony Modelas. He's been to a couple of dinners. He helped sheet rock the backroom along with his son, son-in-law and another one of his workers. Recently, he asked if the work on our clubhouse was done yet. Of course, I said, "No." So Lony volunteered to help finish it! He, his son and I met at the clubhouse and proceeded to finish the backroom. The room has a new header across the entrance which has opened the room to the hallway. As of this writing, we have the room completely sheet rocked, taped, and on it's second coat of mud. We will do one more coat and then shoot a texture coat. We should probably pass the hat at our next dinner to cough up some money for Lony and his Merry Men. Lony offered to help with this but I know if he's working with me, he's losing money by not being somewhere getting paid. The same is true for the the other guys, too.

So, we can add interior painting and flooring to our list. **I am scheduling a Work Party for Saturday, Nov. 8th and will be calling to see who will be available.** We will start by painting the new corner and see where that takes us.

by Dennis Kazee

Upcoming Events

NOVEMBER

- 2 Daylight Saving Time Ends
- 4 Election Day
- 8 Work Party!**
- 11 Veterans Day
- 15 Monthly Dinner
- 27 Thanksgiving

DECEMBER

- 7 Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day
- 11 Board Meeting
- 13 Christmas Party
- 25 Christmas

NOVEMBER DINNER

Saturday, November 15, 2008
 Host: Frank & Joanne Beauchamp
 Menu: Garlic Pork Roast, Mashed Potatoes & Gravy, Salad, Bread, Apple Cake
 Bar: 4:30 PM / Dinner: 6:30 PM
 50/50 SPLIT THE POT

DECEMBER DINNER

Saturday, December 13, 2008
 Host: The Club
 Menu: Potluck
 Bar: 4:30 PM / Dinner: 6:30 PM
 GIFT EXCHANGE

FROM THE EDITOR by Joanne Beauchamp

This is my last issue as your editor for the past three years and I could not have done it without the help of my daughter, Lisa. She says to let members know that she has enjoyed helping the club out in this role, but she has a "lot on her plate" in the coming year, so it will be a good time for her to have one less thing to do. I found the hardest part of the job is getting members to submit articles as I do not believe that the editor should have to write a lot of them. The job was a good learning experience for me and thanks for letting me serve in this position.

Cindy Kazee has offered to take the job back. She says it will be much easier since we only have six issues a year instead of twelve. I hope you will all help her out as she is a very busy person, but as the saying goes, "if you want a job well done, give it to a busy person". Anyone can submit an article or information. You do not have to be a good writer or speller as the editor will revise and make corrections.



NOMINATIONS

We will be voting for the 2009 Board at the November meeting. Those who have been nominated our Jerry & Sherri Olson, Frank & Joanne Beauchamp, Leo & Nina McMahan, Dennis & Cindy Kazee and Cookie Hanlon. We still need one more, so someone please step up to the helm.

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