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Summer 2011



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Message from the Commodore

George Rhodes



As the days get longer and the temperatures start to rise, summer is just around the corner. That means this will be our final edition of the Soundings before our September issue and so I am pleased to update you on important events taking place here at the Gulf Harbors Yacht Club.

We have recently received a third quote for the refurbishment of our docks. As of this writing, the Docks Committee will be meeting shortly to review the detailed quotes received from Docks Unlimited, Coastal Construction and Marlin Marine Construction. The committee will make an informed recommendation on the best course of action necessary to keep this project moving forward. This will be communicated to the Board of Directors at our next meeting in June. We will of course keep the membership informed through the Members on Board section of our Web site as well as postings on the Bulletin Board in the Lounge.

The latest result of the audit from the Florida Department of Revenue's General Tax Administration has been received and is far worse than we anticipated. As shared with the membership at last month's General Meeting, the audit covered the past three years (2008, 2009 and 2010) and the assessment amounted to \$17,831.33. The local office has waived the penalty, lowering our tax and interest to \$12,402.17. Once we receive the official notice from the State of Florida we have 60 days

to respond. Rest assured we will do all we can to minimize this liability but it is clear that we must make some changes.

In addition to paying state sales tax on all Club purchases made over the internet, we must pay the tax on the selling price for everything. This includes dues, slip rentals, ship's store as well as sales in both the galley and the lounge. Food costs alone have increased dramatically within the past year. Results of our recent internal audit for 2010 showed that our cost of goods sold in the Galley have increased by 8.71% with no corresponding increase in sale prices.

Going forward, the sales tax will be added to all current prices and our members will be given GHYC receipts in both the Galley and the Lounge, whether you pay your charges by cash or by credit card. Once we have the proper systems in place over the summer months, you will see these changes implemented in both locations and across the board in order that our Club is in compliance with current Florida statutes.

Our Scholarship Awards Night of May 12 was a big success during which time we recognized our six \$1,000 award recipients. This is our largest and most important philanthropic activity which, just this year, has been expanded to include a deserving student from Anclote High School. It has been an honor for me, along with members of the Scholarship Committee, to represent the Club at the individual presentations which took place at all six West Pasco County schools. Our scholarships are very much appreciated, not only by the recipients and their families, but by the school counselors and administrators who invariably take time out of the program to thank our members for their generosity.

And now it's our turn to thank the management of Mary's Travel on US Highway 19 in New Port Richey for their decision to aid our scholarship fund. Under a formula shared with the membership at last month's General Meeting, they will donate a percentage of reservation monies received from GHYC members "to make sure that funds to this program grow with each year." We surely appreciate their kindness and ask that you be certain to identify yourself as a Club member when booking any trips with Mary's Travel.

Hats off to our Fleet Captain Phil LaRoche who, along with the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary, helped to host a good kick off to National Safe Boating Week on Saturday, May 21. From 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM a number of different boats were trailered and on hand for display in our parking lot. Members of the auxiliary were also available for various knot demonstrations and vendors were present with items for sale of interest to the boating community.

We recognize that many of our members will be going north for all or a portion of the summer. We will miss you and we wish you safe travels. Because our membership decreases markedly at this time of year, we will be closing the Club on Saturday evenings beginning on June 4. We do however; have an active social calendar for the next three months that is detailed elsewhere in this issue.

On behalf of the Bridge and Board, please accept our best wishes for a healthy and happy summer and when you're in town, please come visit us at the Gulf Harbors Yacht Club.

Social Report

Diane Rhodes

Since this is our "Soundings" summer issue and is comprehensive for the months of June, July and August, the following events are

scheduled for our (year round) members who will be here during this time.

Please mark your calendars for our Jungle / Safari Themed Party on Saturday, June 26th. We have booked "Southern Delight" as our entertainment for the evening. It will be a ticketed event, so please check the posters at the Club for further details.

The month of July is already a busy one, and as such, Social will not be planning any parties for that month. But, the Anchoresses are planning a big July 4th celebration, and the IOBG is planning a Tacky Tourist Party on July 16th during their District Meeting weekend.

On Saturday, August 6th, Social will host a Silly Pajama party, so start thinking about your silly PJ's now☺ Our entertainer that evening will be music by "Dino." Please check the posters in the lounge for the upcoming details.

If you joined us at the Club for May's TGI Friday celebration, with the band, "Rebound" THANK YOU for coming out! They are a three piece band that played Jimmy Buffet music, a little country and a nice variety. The membership turnout that evening was disappointing. Perhaps the lack of participation is due to the snowbirds going North?

We have booked "Southern Exposure" for our TGI Friday celebration on September 23rd. If you missed seeing them in April, they are quite good. They are a five piece band, and the female vocalist is really fantastic. I hope you can all enjoy an evening out with some great food, great music and some great friends!

Many thanks to our members who come to our Club and to our events! Best wishes for a happy and healthy summer!

Birthday Celebrations

Laraine Majka

Hi everyone. This article contains the next three months of Birthday Celebrants. This is the last soundings until our September General Meeting, when we will be back in full force. We wish everyone traveling back north or abroad a safe trip. We will miss you.

The cake tradition will still be held at a Social or the first Tuesday of the month. So keep your singing voices in tune. It will return at the General meeting in September .

So please help me wish the following June, July & August Celebrants a very Happy Birthday.

June Celebrants:

June 1 Sandra Cartwright
June 3 Barbara Karolevitz
June 5 Bud Engvaldsen
June 5 Angela Lombardo
June 9 George Rhodes
June 9 John Lemon
June 9 Dr. Gangaiah Natarajan
June 10 Karen Lawson
June 11 Shirley Bruch
June 11 Steve Sabadosh
June 14 Gary Knudsen
June 15 Kurt Lindeman
June 16 Kristine Rhodes
June 17 Rita Zacarro
June 17 Susan Carson
June 18 Dave Champanois

June 19 Rodger Bubb
June 24 James Shuman III
June 29 Sam Thompson
June 30 Norris Buchtner



This month's cake is donated by Rita & Frank Zaccaro. Rita is always the first person to donate a cake every year. Thank you so much on behalf of your friends.

July Celebrants:

July Kathy Hockenberry
July 5 Diane Rhodes
July 7 Dale Gosney
July 9 Betty Snyder
July 12 Vic Manocchio
July 13 MaryJo Langie
July 13 Ivan Wishard
July 13 Julee Sabadosh
July 16 Alice Conway
July 16 Pamela Coulter
July 18 Marion McClymont
July 22 Camille Jurkovich
July 24 Anna LaRoche
July 25 Dennis Cartwright
July 27 Marilyn Dickson
July 27 William Carson
July 30 Diana Manocchio
July 30 Howard Lacy]

This month's cake is donated by Susan and Bill Carson.
Thank you for your generosity.

August Celebrants:

Aug. 1 Barbara Alber
Aug. 2 Gene Ferrara
Aug.11 Louie Bauza
Aug 12 Jack Stanard
Aug.12 Carol Binford
Aug.13 Curt Kurtz
Aug.21 Renata Rudolph
Aug.23 Molly Stanard
Aug.26 Linda Champanois
Aug.27 Liisa Gilmartin

This month's cake is donated by Molly and Jack Stanard.
Thank you both for adopting your own birthday month.

We wish all our June, July & August members a very Happy
Birthday where ever you are.

If your name doesn't appear on the list and you would like
to be a part of the Celebration please e-mail me at
gudi2shus@aol.com or call at 813 996-2288 and I will be
happy to put your name on the list.

See you around the club. Have a great summer.

Laraine's TLC Report

I'm here just spreading some Tender Loving Care.

Get well cards were sent to the following members:

Joe and Patty King who had bad colds.

Diane Rhodes who was suffering with an upper respiratory infection

Don Melvin who had more surgery on his foot. Poor Don had his own saga going now for about a year with his foot. Hope all is well now.



Dan Bailey's saga turned into a mini series of sorts. Back in the hospital with more surgeries and infection. These past months have been trying for Dan and Barb. They are a wonderful couple and a great team. Thanks to Nurse Barb and Dan's wonderful spirit they have conquered surgeries and hospital stays. Dan is now on the mend again and we wish him the very best. Try to get some well deserved rest, Barb.

Bud Engvaldsen is doing well at the Emeritus assisted living at Casa Grande on Trouble Creek. I hear that he came to the Kentucky Ducky Derby. Glad you came out for the fun.

Dick Bourbonais who had umbilical hernia surgery. Dick boasts that he has a new innie instead of an outie. Now Dick has a new excuse if he doesn't want to do something. He can say "Oh sorry that's the day I have to pick the lint out of my belly button.

Let's continue our prayers and well wishes for Curt Kurtz and Jay Kraus's son, Michael Murphy.

June 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 Open for Lunch and Dinner Anchoresses 1 pm	2	3 Open for Dinner	4
5	6	7 Open for Dinner	8 Open for Lunch and Dinner	9	10 Open for Dinner	11 Card Board Boat Races
12	13 Board Meet- ing 7 pm	14 Open for Dinner	15 Open for Lunch and Dinner	16 Anchoresses Sunset at the Beach	17 Open for Dinner	18
19 Father's Day Barbeque	20	21 Open for Dinner	22 Open for Lunch and Dinner	23	24 Open for Dinner	25 Safari Party
26	27	28 Open for Dinner	29 Open for Lunch and Dinner	30 <i>Lunch served from 12 pm, lounge opens at 5 pm and dinner served from 6 pm unless otherwise noted</i>		

July 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 Open for Dinner	2
3	4	5 Open for Dinner	6 Open for Lunch and Dinner	7	8 Open for Dinner	9
10	11 Board Meet- ing 7 pm	12 Open for Dinner	13 Open for Lunch and Dinner	14	15 Open for Dinner IOBG District Meeting	16 IOBG District Meeting Tacky Tourist Party
17 IOBG District Meeting	18	19 Open for Dinner	20 Open for Lunch and Dinner	21	22 Open for Dinner	23
24	25	26 Open for Dinner	27 Open for Lunch and Dinner	28	29 Open for Dinner	30
31					<i>Lunch served from 12 pm, lounge opens at 5 pm and dinner served from 6 pm unless otherwise noted</i>	

August 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2 Open for Dinner	3 Open for Lunch and Dinner	4	5 Open for Dinner	6 Social PJ Party
7	8 Board Meet- ing 7 pm	9 Open for Dinner	10 Open for Lunch and Dinner	11	12 Open for Dinner	13
14	15	16 Open for Dinner	17 Open for Lunch and Dinner	18 Anchoresses Sunset at the Beach 5:30 pm	19 Open for Dinner	20
21	22	23 Open for Dinner	24 Open for Lunch and Dinner	25	26 Open for Dinner	27
28	29	30 Open for Dinner	31 Open for Lunch and Dinner	<i>Lunch served from 12 pm, lounge opens at 5 pm and dinner served from 6 pm unless otherwise noted</i>		

I would like to thank this month's reporters for keeping me informed about our ill members.

Vic Manocchio, Diane Bourbonais, Diane Rhodes and Linda Champanois (I will miss my #1 reporter. Have fun in Michigan)

If you know of a member who could use some TLC, please contact me at gudi2shus@aol.com or call me at 813 996-2288.

This is my last report until September. I will still be sending out cards to members that need some TLC. We wish all our members, who are going back up north or abroad, a safe and healthy summer. To all our members who live here full time I'll see you around the club. Enjoy the HEAT and stay well HYDRATED.

Independence

Mary Jo Langie, Fleet Chaplain

America is famous for its insistence on individual freedom and Americans to this very day are paying a great price to preserve this gift. We owe deep gratitude to those who have gifted us with their lives. Remember there is no freedom without limits. We truly know freedom not when we get rid personal boundaries, but when we adjust to the boundaries imposed by others who also have a right to freedom.

I cannot be fully free unless you are. On the 4th of July let us truly celebrate the joy of individual freedom by my treasuring your freedom as deeply as I treasure my own.

Thank you Lord for my country's freedom, as well as for my own. May my understanding and experience of my own freedom not result in the impoverishment of the right of others; but in the preservation of the rights of all.

Anchoresses Report

President Karen Shea Lawson

The Anchoresses May 4, 2011 luncheon meeting was very productive!

The Anchoresses approved \$500 for the Lounge for the purchase of glassware, wine openers, etc . We also approved the purchase of 5 cases (180) of bread plates for the Galley for the cost of approximately \$400.

The Fashion Show Chaired by Bonnie Hecock netted approximately \$2300 of which 20% (\$461) will be donated to PACE at our June 1st meeting. Thanks Andrea!

We also approved \$75-150 for the tuning of the GHYC piano which is scheduled for May 25th.

Mary's Travel will donate a portion of their reservation money back to GHYC Scholarship Fund when booking a cruise please mention that you are a GHYC member. The amount donated will be determined by the length of the cruise and cost. It will not include air fare, taxes or insurance premiums as part of the face value.

Monday May 16th was the GHYC Anchoresses Game Day

Fundraiser Chaired by Andrea Crawford. This FUN, FUN fundraiser netted approximately \$600. Thanks Andrea!

The Anchorettes 2nd Quarter Community Service Project , the Pasco County Humane Society is Chaired by Barb Alber. The donation boxes are in the GHYC Storage Room.

The Anchorettes 3rd Quarter Community Service Project is the Volunteer Way whose Chair is Jody Mitchell. The Anchorettes approved to donate a \$200 8"X8" brick for the Path of Hope to help build a warehouse. The Anchorettes will also donate, canned goods & other non-perishable items.

The GHYC Tervis Tumblers Anchorettes Fundraiser initial orders should arrive by June 10, 2011. Orders will be taken at that time. We need some volunteers to take orders for a few hours on the nights we are open. Website orders are in the works.

The 2010 Anchorettes fiscal audit was conducted by Rodger Bubb. He concluded the records were in very good shape with a few minor corrections. Thanks to Linda Champanois!

We currently have 62 Anchorettes members. Our Secretary Lynn Gosney has a membership listing with all names, addresses, phone and e-mail addresses.

We will continue Sunset on the Beach the 3rd Thursday of the month throughout the summer, June 16th, July 21st and August 18th. Come join us !

The Anchorettes will have our Labor Day Celebration at GHYC. Plans are still in the works for a BBQ and some volunteer music from 3:00-7:00pm.

We are also getting ideas to make some day trips so bring all your ideas to our June 1st Anchorettes meeting. Lunch is at

noon along with the PACE presentation at 12:30 and the Anchorettes meeting at 1:00 p.m. This will be our last meeting until Wednesday September 7th.

Have a great summer wherever you are!

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(On all items above, prices are plus sales tax)

Ask about prices for gift boxed sets of 1, 2, or 4 tumblers!
For more info contact Karen Shea Lawson 727-389-0675
ColsheaLawson@tampabay.rr.com or Anchorettes Board members

Scholarship Awards Night at GHYC



Donna Long join the six scholarship recipients in recognition of Commodore George Rhodes, Vice Commodore Vic Manocchio and Rear Commodore these great students academic achievements.



Scholarship recipients, their counselors and families enjoy the dinner as part of the awards festivities, with tables adorned in balloons in their respective schools' colors.



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Classes are one day and offered one Saturday a month from 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. – June 4th, July 2nd, August 6th, September 3rd, October 1st, November 5th and December 3rd.



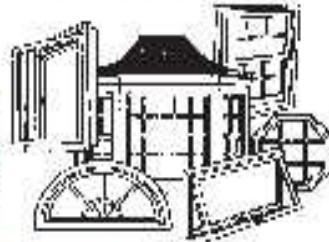
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Fund when you are considering a way to honor the passing of a loved one. Simply make your check payable to the GHYC Scholarship Fund and give it to our scholarship chair, Donna Long or place it in her mailbox. In addition, if you provide the name and address of a surviving loved one, we will send them a note informing them of the donation.



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Dinner 6:30 p.m.
Cash Bar &
Chef Dave's Seafood Buffet
Live Entertainment
Informal Dress &
Best Costume Award
\$30.00/per person



This dinner/dance is being held in conjunction with an IOBG Region 8 meeting hosted by your GHYC and IOBG. Please join in the fun and proudly show off our club to past commodores from other yacht clubs from around the state of Florida. Tickets available from any past Commodore.