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Calling All members: we will have a **SHBC meeting**



Wednesday 5 August 2020

via Zoom @ 6:30 pm

our guest speaker will be Chris Parker.

He will present:



" Marine weather and cruise planning"



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The Zoom - Where It Happened

By Linda Brandt

On Wednesday, July 8, the Safety Harbor Boat Club held its first virtual gathering of members. It was well-attended, and Joan Marzi hosted the event. Also aboard were John and Renee Viverito, Ann and Mark Kanuck, Chris Garill (although mostly in spirit!), Marion Ruge-Aronson, Mr and the newly Mrs Jack Youra, Mikey Hembrey, Patricia Coyle, John Herrick, Ellen Henderson, Skip and Bob Meadows, Patrick Whelan, Tim Kim, and Linda Brandt. Mark and Ann were visiting us from their sailboat in Pensacola while Marion logged in from Tennessee. Ellen and Linda were in the same house on different screens practicing their social distancing!



Tim recounted his personal experience with CV19 which surprised us all. Not many people know someone who has actually contracted the virus. We are all happy he was well enough to share his story. And, of course, no Boat Club gathering is complete until we hear a good sailing (motoring in this case) yarn. **Cue Patrick.** Patrick regaled us with his tale of a trailing anchor as he tried to leave the marina. **Cue Ken Bamberg, Larry, Pritchett, Dale, and Linda to the rescue.** You could almost hear someone whistling "Anchors Aweigh" on shore. Either that or Linda has borrowed Dale's literary license! 😊



John and Renee are safely harboring (Safety Harboring?) at home while Mikey keeps busy "Hamming" it up. The Youras are remodeling a new home and John (aka Jack) has gone to the birds! Just kidding – he's taken some wonderful photographs of these beautiful creatures as the

birds are taking advantage of our cleaner air. Patricia and Linda are embracing their days without schedules and Joan will be ready to sit in on a jam session with her newly acquired drum skills when we emerge from this pandemic. Bob and Skip are catching up on TV shows. Ellen will try to find a speaker via ZOOM for our next gathering and we're hoping to see more of our members when we do this again. We miss all of you!

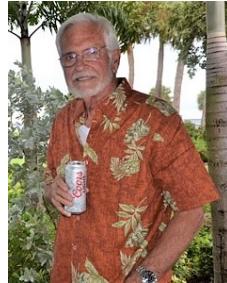
SHBC BIRTHDAYS

BY ELLEN HENDERSON, PIX from ARCHIVES

Congratulations to those SHBC Members, who's Birthdays fall in the Month of **AUGUST**.

Birthdays:

8-8 Bruce Gotts
8-15 Patrick Whelan----->



If we missed your special day, it's because you didn't let us know it. So send your Birthday & Anniversary dates to:ellenmaehenderson@hotmail.com

Memoriam – Dusty (Fox) Dumond

Dear SHBC Members,

I spoke with fellow officers yesterday regarding the passing of Barry's daughter and we decided to send flowers to Barry's home here in Safety Harbor. I delivered those yesterday afternoon and left them under his covered front porch. As many of you know, Barry is not home often, however they will be a reminder to him wherever he sees them that SHBC still cares. On behalf of the Club, Ellen Henderson is putting a sympathy card in the mail. For those few who do not know Barry, he was a great sailor and pillar of the Club for many years.

Sincerely,

Mark Kanuck
Commodore

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IN MEMORIAM:

Dusty Dumon, Barry & Linda Fox's daughter, has passed away. We will all miss Dusty very much. She suffered for many years with Chron's Disease. It is with great Sympathy that we offer our condolences to Barry, who previously lost both his Wife & Son.

Dusty did not want a funeral nor a memorial service, so Barry will be scattering her cremains privately sometime in the future.

We fondly remember when Barry & Dusty did the "Thriller" Dance at our SHBC HALLOWEEN Party. They both had Great Costumes! We imagine Dusty is dancing in Heaven! Dusty was a beautiful soul...now she dances with her mother, Linda. Take care Barry

SHBC MEMBERS IN SICK-BAY

By: ELLEN HENDERSON; PIX: SHBC ARCHIVES



Long time SHBC Member and former Race Chair **Marty Horowitz**'s health has declined so much, that he is now completely confined to home. He's using a Hospital Bed and a chair that lifts him to get up, as his wife of 48 years, June injured her back when she tried to help Marty out of his chair. Marty's neighbors are assisting by doing his grocery shopping for them, as June no longer drives.



Our former Perennial Cook at our Annual St. Patty's Day Parties, **Mike Mintz** has Progressive Supranuclear Palsy and is now living in East Lake Manor 722 EAST LAKE ROAD S. TARPO SPRINGS

(Sorry, no pix, reported by phone to Ellen.)

Former SHBC sometimes Racer and enthusiastic Cruiser **Sandy Barry** has had a 2nd Stroke & is currently blind in one eye. We suggested that she should see an Ophthalmologist to get a 2nd opinion if it's operable. Stay tuned for the outcome.

Musings by Mikey

By Mikey, of course!

I am back, and you were warned!

Due to Covid-19, my summer is going to waist!

FUND THE POLICE, unless you intend to call a demonstrator when you need a cop.

Segway... One Prez candidate is claiming the other said he approved defunding the police. In fact, there are a couple of nasty blurbs on TV about this subject. If you want to research some of these claims, there are a couple of sites that can be trusted. One is WWW.FACTCHECKER.COM (NOT dot org) and another is WWW.SNOPES.COM (my favorite).

"Stay at home" equates to "work on your yard", right? Not in Florida! This morning (pick any of them) it was 85 degrees and 85% humidity at 9am. If you do not have a chart, that computes to "feels like" 104 degrees. In 15 minutes, I am soaked in perspiration. That is barely enuff time to get the mower out. Only reason I mow the yard is because the neighbors mow theirs.

"Wear a mask to protect others." Dumbest thing I have heard since the last POTUS report (I warned you). Most people don't care about others, so telling them to wear the mask for that reason is a wasted effort. I wear my mask to protect **ME**. That should be the message. Then maybe more will wear them, properly at that. Your nose is a dust filter, not a germ filter. It should be covered too. I realize I am preaching to the choir (sailors are more savvy than most), but maybe you can help me spread the message.

WHY should the hospitals send Covid-19 statistics to the White House instead of the CDC? That sounds just plain wrong to me.

Gasoline is the cheapest it has been in 17 years, but where can we go?

I love dogs and hate dog owners. Why do they think it is okay to kill my grass instead of their own? I have a plan, but it will not hurt the dog. Or the owner. Not going to reveal the plan, but I will say don't pee in the yard of a certified geek!

Where in the world is Jill Lunt? Stuck in New Zealand, that is where. You remember Jill, right? British lady that loves to hug and kiss you on the cheek. She called because she is getting a special 2 cents per minute phone rate and I figure we talked about 50 cents worth. She called me to ask about how were doing here in the Covid-19 mess. There, there are "Level 1" and have a lot more freedom to move about now.

She was supposed to go to the Philippines, but that got put on hold because she is not a native. They closed the borders just like everyone else. She is living with her daughter, near Auckland, N.Z., for now, but looking forward to living with her son when possible.

Jill did ask that I confirm her email address is still in our distribution list. She enjoys reading the Newsletter.

Kenzzi vs. Capella – TV commercials. Both use red laser diodes to do their magic. Now I know lasers are fantastic, but give me a break! One product claims to remove hair and the other claims to grow it back. There is nothing special about red laser diodes if you ignore the fact that they are just LEDs in a special circuit. Just like a laser pointer. My question is how are you going to know if you are getting the right kind of magic? Aren't you risking the rest of your hair falling out or getting sasquatch-hairy legs?

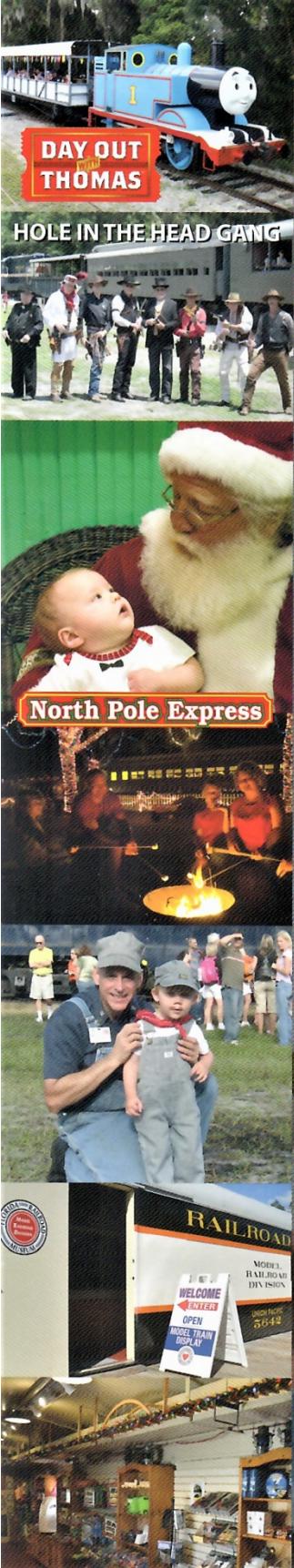
Ellen and I had a lively discussion about including a person's detailed medical information in the Newsletter (see the section about Sick Bay). I was saying stuff like HIPAA and PII regulations and she was saying "So what?" Well..... after researching State and Federal regulations for about 3 hours, it turns out she is right. It is okay to repeat the medical information told to you by someone else. HIPAA regulations do not apply if not a medical service provider or affiliate. I am going to say two things: [1] a club member went ballistic after I printed some information they thought should be private, and [2] if you want something to remain private, be very careful who you tell. Be very careful who you tell (I thought that was worth repeating).

I am finding it hard to believe global warming is a "**HOAX**". I saw a news report (not fake news, it was on FOX) that said there was a recorded temperature of 38 degrees Centigrade north of the Arctic Circle. That 38c converts to **100.4 Fahrenheit**. That is hotter than the highest ever recorded temperature in Pinellas County! I estimate that if half the glaciers and ice caps melt, versus it all melting, sea level will rise about 100 to 120 feet. If that does not scare you, I hope you know how to swim.

<https://e360.yale.edu/digest/temperatures-exceed-100-degrees-f-north-of-the-arctic-circle>

More





The museum is located 25 miles north of Sarasota and 35 miles south of Tampa off Interstate 75 at exit 229. Visit our depot at:

12210 83rd St East
Parrish, FL 34219

941-776-0906
www.frrm.org

The Museum is open Saturday and Sunday from 10 am to 4 pm, year-round. An hour and a half excursions on historic rail equipment depart from the Parrish Depot at 11 am and 2 pm.

Special events are scheduled throughout the year featuring themed train rides. For special events, tickets and train times, check our website.

THOMAS is in Florida!

As soon as I can go out without wearing a mask, I am checking this out!

Mikey

Lunch With First Responders

By Dick Greenhalgh

In order to show our support of our local police, Patrick, Tony and I treated our local deputies (Deputy Anthony Alimenti and Deputy Heather Harris) to a meet and greet lunch recently. We enjoyed lunch with them at the Fountain Grille in the Safety Harbor Spa. Our purpose was to thank them for their contribution to protecting our community and our marina. We also presented them with certificates of appreciation (Example attached). We had a great lunch and we got to know each other on a more personal basis. We also discussed the parking situation at the marina and it's challenges.

Our conversation included references to our Boat Club. They indicated that they would enjoy speaking to our members at one of our meetings sometime soon. We suggested that we would keep that in mind as soon as we are able to meet again in the library without Covid-19 restrictions. This would be a great way for us to all connect with them and to solidify our relationship with those that protect us and our property.

I have passed this on to our Club to keep you informed and to encourage a meeting with them at a Club meeting sometime soon.

We would welcome any thoughts you might have and you may use this information in any way that would benefit our membership.



LIVING IN THE TIME OF CORONA VIRUS

John Herrick

When Ellen asked for information on what our members were doing with their free time, due to the social distancing mandate, John responded with an interesting hobby. It appears photographing and identifying birds is a serious pastime with John.

With the help of John's website, http://www.herrickhomepage.com/florida_birds.htm , I was able to determine that I had photographed a Male Downey Woodpecker trying to drill the second floor aluminum window frame at the doctor's office.

Rather than include all the pictures John sent us, I am including a couple of samples to peak your interest. John's website is definitely worth a visit.



Osprey

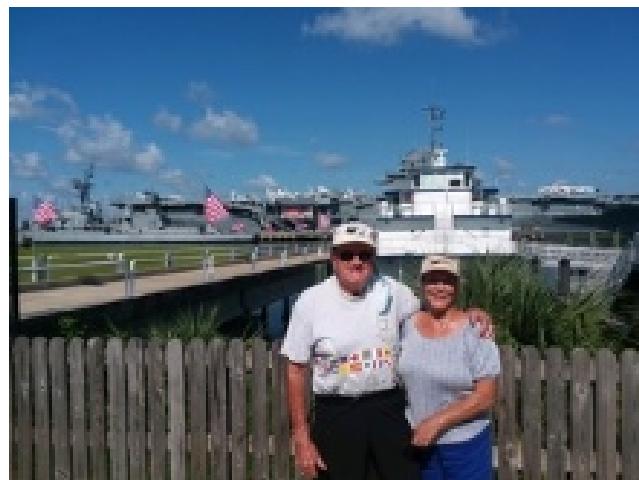


Skimmer

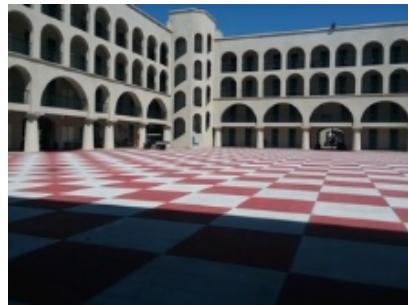
Brian and Phyllis Garry

Do they ride horses? Brian Garry looks like he's ready for a Dressage Competition or Cross Country Steeple Chase Jumping w/ his Riding Crop. Tally Ho!

Brian & Phyllis Garry in front of the USS Yorktown in Charleston, SC



Brian & Phyllis Garry at the Citadel in Charleston, SC



SHBC "SNOWBIRD" SERIES:

Marion Ruuge-Aronson

Beautiful dock to spend a hot July afternoon.



Evening kayak with friends on Douglas Lake in East TN.



Karen Sparks

This is me in May kayaking
on Lake Hamilton in Hot Springs, AR

Lake Hamilton



Lake Hamilton Canal



Another Lake Shot



Greg Winston

I'm having a great birthday with my sister up in NH.



Loretta Maul



TROPICAL STORM "FAYE's" EFFECTS UP NORTH Loretta

Maul, who has been crew on "Incentive" during the Dale C. years, spends part of the Winter in FL. She lives in Cardiff near Atlantic City. "Tropical Storm Faye did a lot of damage in parts of New Jersey and here we had over 4" of rain & some trees were downed. I have water in my cellar, which I've never had in my 43 years here! Today is a beautiful, sunny, warm summer day."



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