

NAUTI-NEWS

HOMESTEAD YACHT CLUB

NOVEMBER 2006

FROM THE COMMODORE:

Oktoberfest was a **huge** success, thanks to Dee Riley & Ted Newlan, Bill & Sandy Zinn. The 44 members who attended were greeted with a German tradition of a bagel on a ribbon by Deiter Heber who even wore his authentic German attire. There were all kinds of good food and 'grog'. German dancers put on some great shows and we all had a wonderful time--...some kept going until they closed the doors, I hear. Thanks Dee & Sandy, Ted & Bill for such a swell time, you did great!!!

I want to wish each and every one of you a Happy Thanksgiving. With such an active hurricane season I believe among all the things we are thankful for this is year is that we all came out of it safely. I'd like to pass this along to you, I hope you enjoy it.

EVERYDAY THANKSGIVING

Even though I clutch my blanket and growl

When the alarm rings each morn,

Thank you, Lord, that I can hear,

There are many who are deaf.

Even though I keep my eyes tightly closed

Against the morning light as long as possible,

Thank you, Lord, that I can see,

There are many who are blind.

Even though I huddle in my bed

And put off the effort of rising,

Thank, Lord, that I have the strength to rise.

There are many who are bedridden.

Even though the first hour of my day is hectic,

When socks are lost, toast is burned, and tempers are short

Thank you, Lord, for my family,

There are many who are alone and lonely.

Even though our table never looks like the pictures

In the magazines and the menu is at times unbalanced,

Thank you, Lord, for the food we have.

There are many who are hungry.

Even though the routine of my job is often monotonous,

Thank you, Lord, for the opportunity to work,

There are many who have no job.

Even though I grumble and bemoan my fate from day to day

And wish my circumstances were not so modest,

Thank you, Lord, for the gift of life.

This is an article I found in the Macon Telegraph many years ago.
I hope it touches you as much as it did me.
If anyone is offended with the word "Lord", it's your option to replace it.

At times in our lives, I think we all tend to lose our perspectives. I try to
keep my perspectives in line with this proverb:

**"I complained because I had no shoes, until one day,
I saw a man who had no feet."**

HAPPY THANKSGIVING TO EVERYONE!

Commodore Charlene Powell

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS:

Bob Brent & Marty Ardren "Techno Cat" C-2
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EVENTS:

December 11, 2005. (Sunday 3-5pm) Wine Tasting @ the Schnebly Winery, 30205 SW 217 Ave. in the Redlands 305-242-1224 along with hors d'uvres. Sponsors are Anna & Dave Guilliani. The cost is \$8.00 per person for 20 or more people. Members will only pay \$4.00 with advanced registration (this includes a glass which entitles you to return anytime with your class for free tastings). Please send your \$4.00 to Dave/Anna Guilliani, or they will be collecting at the General Meeting, Monday, Dec. 5th.

COMMODORE'S BALL will be January 14th at Redlands Golf and Country Club. We need a decorating committee: There will be prizes for table centerpieces:
1) Most Innovative 2) Most Nautical

Our Ship's Store Committee, Charlotte Burgess was not available for the General Meeting this month. While hunting in Georgia, Jerry Burgess broke his pelvis in three places and cracked the large hip bone that goes into the joint - he spent a

week in a hospital in Albany GA – he had to be flown home and is recuperating well, keep it up.

Ed Pratt was in the hospital again last week, they were afraid he had another stroke but test came out okay. Ed is also recuperating.

We wish you both a speedy recovery.

**HOMESTEAD YACHT CLUB
GENERAL MEETING MINUTES
Monday, November 14, 2005**

Meeting called to order. 7:35pm

Opening-Thank-you everyone for coming.

Minutes- Approved

Treasurer's Report-

Beginning Balance:	\$4919.63
Income:	\$ 0.00
Expenses:	\$864.55
Ending Balance:	\$4051.98

Note: The October Event cost to HYC was \$404.77, 44 members participated.

Guest Speaker-Steve Vasquez the Homestead Marina dock master

1. Thank you to Dave Guillian for the containment room.
2. Thank you to everyone who pitched in with the storms. There were no injuries @ our marina.
3. E-mail will begin again. Please communicate to Steve any important safety issues.
4. Some dock cleats are loose. There were 15 found. Please check yours, as they can be replaced.
5. Dock watch is posted. If there is any boat that does not belong, contact Steve. This is your marina. There were props lost in the last storm. Once again, communicate problems and concerns to Steve.
6. Steve attended an international seminar and relayed these concerns:
 - Please be prepared and informed on insurance and hurricane plans. There continues to be a large problem if you do not have a plan. Insurance is rising and there are fewer brokers.
 - Make sure you have fire extinguishers and know where they are and educate everyone on how to use them.
 - Include in your hurricane plan pictures of what you did to prepare your boat.
7. George Mayer asked if they could separate the sail boats from the other boats due to damages received by the power boaters. Steve answered that he could not guarantee this.
8. The waiting list for the marina is 2 ½ years long. There are 1800 slips on a waiting list for Dade County.

Committee Reports-

- 1) Membership-**(Dwayne)-56 paid memberships
Guests of Dawn and Tim Kressly- Wayne and Susan Oliver. Gustavo from " B" dock who plans to become a member.
New members introduced:
Bob Brent & Marty Ardren "Techno Cat" C-2
- 2) Park Liaison-**(Buzz Stranhagen)- As you renew your stickers, 2 car passes per each contract. No registration=0.
- 3) Roster-**(Sandy Zinn)-As you fill out new applications for 2006, please identify who's phone number you are giving and submit it to Sandy Zinn or the Commodore. Also, please provide MMSI #'s.
- 4) Ship's Store-**(Charlotte Burgess)-Not present.
- 5) Sunshine** (Jan Mayer)-Barbara Haddon had pneumonia and was sent flowers. Ted Newland received a stint last week. Teddy received flowers and is better than ever, he's patched up and recovering.
- 6) Telephone/Meeting** (Suzie Snipes) -Great job, everyone.
- 7) Newsletter** (Annabelle McDermott) Please contact Annie for any e-mail changes or sale item ideas
- 8) Web Master** (Larry Roesch)

Events-

November-Paella Party was cancelled.

December 11, 2005. (Sunday 3-5pm) Wine Tasting @ the vineyard in the Redlands. Sponsors are Anna & Dave Guillian. The cost is \$8.00 per person for 20 or more people.

A motion was made that the club pay. George Mayer 1st, George McDermott second. An amendment was made by Ted Newlan that the club not pay, seconded by Claire Stranhagen, reasons discussed were that when the club pays we have no-shows without cancellations and club still had to foot the money. The majority voted for the club to pay half. Further information and directions will be e-mailed.

Unfinished Business.

New Business –

Nominating Committee Spokesperson, Ted Newlan presented the bridge for 2006.

- Charlene Powell-Commodore
- George Mayer-Vice Commodore

- Sharon Roesch-Treasurer
- Annabelle McDermot-Secretary

The membership accepted the Nominating Committee's recommendation.
This is your new Bridge for 2006.

Announcements-

- Committee people are needed for the new year. Committees are groups of people, it isn't just one person so please let the Commodore know what committee you would be interested in working with. Committees are the workings of the club, the club needs you to participate and do your part.
- Membership dues are due the end of December, Sharon is taking money.
- Next meeting is Monday, December 5, 2005

50/50 Drawing for \$47.50 - the winner is Sonya Espineira.

Meeting Adjourned 8:45p.m.

Please remember:

- 1) Speak to new members and make them feel included and welcome.
- 2) Remember...this is your club; we function on volunteers and participation
- 3) For security purposes...close the gate.

Respectfully Submitted
Secretary,

Dawn Kressly

Charlene Powell, Commodore
Homestead Yacht Club
Miami, FL
Money will buy a fine dog
but only kindness will make him wag his tail!