



## Newsletter #3 May 2024

### General Meeting

Our next meeting of 2024 will be on Tuesday June 4 at the Power Squadron on 47<sup>th</sup> Terrace. Please use only the back door from the parking lot.

Kate Rouse ([k.rouse.54@gmail.com](mailto:k.rouse.54@gmail.com), Linda Biancotti ([livelife4@gmail.com](mailto:livelife4@gmail.com)) or Linda Wayne ([linda.j.wayne@icloud.com](mailto:linda.j.wayne@icloud.com)) will be contacting their groups about two weeks prior to the meeting with what your group will be bringing to the potluck if attending. Please respond as quickly as possible, only to your group leader, whether you are coming or not, and what you will be bringing. If you are bringing a guest, let your group leader know. Guests must also bring the assigned dish. Your dish should be enough to feed 8-10 people. We need to know how many people are attending and that we have enough food.

Potlucks and the Pizza Party in August are BYOB, and you can also bring snacks for the table.

When you arrive at the meeting, see Kate at the door and get your table assignment. You must sit at your assigned table, it's a great way to meet new people. Then drop your food with the Galley Crew in front of the kitchen. No one is allowed in the kitchen except the Galley Crew. It is helpful if you include a card with the ingredients with your dish.

### Upcoming Boat Trips

 Rear Commodore Bob Purrone ([Sanibelbob1@comcast.net](mailto:Sanibelbob1@comcast.net))

Bob still needs crew for the May 26<sup>th</sup> trip to the Boathouse. He will be sending the notice out shortly and you can sign up then. You can sign up as Skippers or Crew at the General Meetings or when the notices are sent about 2 weeks prior to the trip. It is essential that members respond to the notices immediately confirming attendance and mandatory that you include your phone number when responding. The calendar for the rest of the year is on page 2.

Also, please note that if there are issues or concerns at any of the restaurants we go to, please address it directly to Bob and not with the restaurant staff.

### Land Activities

 Anne Kiefer ([dr.annekiefer@gmail.com](mailto:dr.annekiefer@gmail.com))

The next Activity will be a dinner at the newly reopened Yucatan on Matlacha on Tuesday July 16. Signups will be available at the General Meeting

### Membership Update

 Marianne Bell ([rbmb2@comcast.net](mailto:rbmb2@comcast.net))

Membership now stands at 122 with two applications pending. If you know anyone who wants to join our fun group, please contact Marianne.

### Galley Crew

 Margaret Dorin ([margaretdorin@comcast.net](mailto:margaretdorin@comcast.net))

The meeting on June 4 is a potluck and the meeting on August 6 will be the Pizza Party, with Papa Johns supplying the Pizzas. Please don't bring anything to the Potlucks that has to be cooked, we can keep food warm but can't cook anything there. Volunteers are still needed to help in the kitchen. PLEASE see Margaret after the meeting.

### COMMODORES CORNER

Summer has certainly arrived!

Boat trips have been wonderful this spring -The trip to Cabbage was especially memorable; the perfect day, and pods of dolphin accompanying us. I also heard of a Flamingo sighting! The trip to the Naples Botanical Garden was also fabulous. The gardens are beautiful, and it was a lovely day to stroll, enjoy the gardens and lunch. If you haven't been, it's a great day trip!

I'm still looking for a member to join the Executive Board as Secretary. The Board meets every other month on the second Monday at 4PM. Please contact me if you are interested.

We still need volunteers on some of the committees, so please don't be shy, and get involved with the club. It's a great way to meet members. Contact me or the committee chair of the one you're interested in joining.

Please let me know if there is anything that you would like included in the newsletters.

Safe Boating everyone!

## Clothing Sales

Peggy Talbot ([PTPEG@aol.com](mailto:PTPEG@aol.com)) and Fran Hoden ([jfhodes13@gmail.com](mailto:jfhodes13@gmail.com)) co-chairs

There are not enough orders to get screen printed shirts as the minimum number is 25 and we only had about 15. We will be returning checks to those who did order them. We have found a company who does high quality iron-on transfers, and we will be ordering logo and flag transfers so members can put them on pretty much any shirt or jacket. It only requires an iron and a little patience. The cost will be about \$7 for the logo transfer and \$3 for the flag. We will have them at the June meeting for purchase. Bring cash or check. Members can also still order shirts with the embroidered flag and your name on the front.

## Compassionate Care

Pat Zeidman ([patriciazeidman@gmail.com](mailto:patriciazeidman@gmail.com))

If you know any members who are ill, having surgery or have suffered the loss of a loved one, please send an email to Pat as soon as you have information.

## Calendar

Friday May 24	Boat House on Route 31
Tuesday June 4	General Meeting at the Power Squadron
Thursday June 6	Lighthouse
Monday June 24	Snug Harbor
Wednesday July 10	Gramma Dot's
Friday July 26	Three Fishermen
Thursday August 1	Drive trip to Breakfast (location TBD)
Tuesday August 6	General Meeting at the Power Squadron – Pizza Party
Monday August 26	Waterfront Restaurant on Pine Island
Friday September 6	Barnacles ?
Thursday September 26	Petey's at Matanzas
Tuesday October 1	General Meeting at the Power Squadron
Monday October 7	Pincers at Edison
Friday October 25	Doc Fords
Monday November 4	Green Flash
Tuesday December 3	Holiday Party at the Standard at Sabal Springs
Friday December 6	Barnacles

As always, trips are subject to change of dates or venues, or changed to driving trips because of weather. If a trip becomes a driving trip it is expected that members and guests who signed up will drive to the restaurant. The restaurants often bring in extra help to accommodate our large group and expect us all for lunch.

**Note: The Calendar on [merrymariners.org](http://merrymariners.org) is always up to date.**