

# Fair Tides

**JUNE 2017** 

#### THE HAVEN YACHT CLUB



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#### **NEXT THYC MEETING**

July 8, 9:00 AM Haven Harbour Marina Our recent Club Opening Day/New Member Event that was held on Saturday, June 3<sup>rd,</sup> goes down as one for the record books in the "Success" column. We got to enjoy great weather, great food and great friends which all added up to a very enjoyable way to spend time together. There are so many people to recognize and thank and I want to start with major kudos to (2) of our Club Governors, Robyn Burkhardt and Janet Foreman, for all of their detailed planning that went into our event and yes, they really know how to through a party.

Thanks to our Educational Chair, Klaus Burkhardt, and to our Club member, Jerry Goldkrantz (USCG Auxiliary) for arranging the Coast Guard Auxiliary to be present on our docks during the morning and afternoon timeframe to perform vessel safety inspections. If you missed this opportunity, you can get up with Jerry or Linda (Grandpa's Toy) on Red 6 to schedule one.

And what would any of our events be without the "First Class" photos taken by or club member Glenn Kenney who graciously gives of his time and talent. The Club photo as well as the "Photo Booth" were big hits. To all of the volunteers that helped set up, decorate and clean up, events like this cannot be a success without you say thank you. And last but certainly not least, a great big Thank you to the Haven Harbour Marina for supporting the Club in so many different ways and this includes Gretta for firing the cannon following the national Anthem. What a Great day in so many ways!

Stay tuned for news updates on upcoming cruises. A lot of work is underway in the planning stages for these so that both sailboats and powerboats can enjoy the trips.

#### **VICE COMMODORE'S COMMENTS**

By: Paul Genereux

What a great start to the 2017 boating season! First a wonderful THYC rendezvous at the Mears Point Marina in Kent Island. The 13 participating boats and "drive down" members enjoyed the generous hospitality of the Kent Narrows Yacht Club. Next was the Opening Day/ New Member Mixer party with a "wear something white" theme. Janet Forman, our Commodore of Fun, and Robyn Burckhardt orchestrated a great event with an artistic touch and decorations to match the beautiful weather. Fleet Captain Tony Capuano added a new tradition to our Opening Ceremonies with a "Blessing of the Fleet" prayer. We all hope for safe season on the Bay. Kudos to Janet, Robyn, Tony and the many club members who worked to make this day a success.

Now we look forward to the upcoming events this summer. The annual Crab Feast on July 8th promises to be a day of fun, food and music. Sign up for the dinghy race, anchor toss and educational round table. The kids are invited for art activities at the gazebo. THYC members who buy their tickets early, by July 1st, get a reduced price of \$45. Member price after that date is \$55; non-member price is \$65.

Stand by for information on additional cruises, the Pirates and Wenches weekend parties and our premier fundraising event in September, the Silent Auction on September 16, 2017.

# **SECRETARY'S SALUTATIONS**

By: Beth Dunn

All email addresses have been updated. If you want to add or change an email address, please contact me at <a href="mailto:bethdunn417@gmail.com">bethdunn417@gmail.com</a>.

The reservation form for our Annual Crab Feast is attached. Please get your reservations in early to take advantage of the members' only discount.

We would like to return to our tradition of including a favorite boating recipe in our newsletter. Please email one that you enjoy.

#### FLEET CAPTAIN'S FLOAT PLAN

By: Tony Capuano

We are looking for interesting venues for future cruises so please let Mitch or me know where you have been that was a great experience or destinations you would like to try.

#### **THYC 2017 Cruise & Event Schedule**

May 20	Season Kick-Off Cruise	
June 3	Opening Day & New Member Recognition	
July 8	THYC Crab Feast	
Aug 11	Pirates and Wenches Party	
Sept 16	Silent Auction	
Sept TBD	Crock Pot Cook-off	
Oct TBD	Fall Dinner	
Jan TBD	Winter Ball at Corinthian YC	

#### SOCIAL COMMITTEE

By: Janet Forman

Our very first themed "wear white" party new member mixer held on Opening Day, June the 3rd was a HUGE success! Over 90 members and their family attended this welcome to summer Gala dressed in white in celebration and in anticipation of the great boating season to come. To Everyone looked marvelous in their white outfits!

The venue was cheerfully decorated in all white, with white flowers on each table. A big thank you to all the members who brought a delicious appetizer to share! The day was made very special, with Fleet Captain Tony Capuano's blessing of the fleet, the national anthem, the raising of The Haven Yacht Club Flag, motivating words from Commodore Mitch Hill and to get the

party started, a big BOOM from the canon, courtesy of Dock Master Greta Sommers!

Music, good food, cocktails and friendship welcomed our old members back, and our newly joined members along with a Special welcome back cake, which was promptly devoured!

This year a highlight of the party was a decorated photo backdrop, where the members captured their memories while having a fun time! Lots of laughs for sure! A BIG Thank you to member Glenn Kenny and his lovely assistant Debbie for volunteering to shoot the pictures! Glenn also took a long overdue group picture for our website that came out fabulous! PLEASE check out our face book page, all picture are posted!

Robyn Burkhardt worked very hard to make sure the event ran smoothly, along with her team of helpers. Thank you all!

I'm looking forward to the annul crab feast on July 8th, and MARK YOUR CALANDERS for our infamous "Pirates and Wenches " dock party, to be held on August 11th at 5:00 under the reception center. More info to follow. Get your best pirate outfit ready Me Matey! We'll be serving grog and grub and there will be plenty of booty and treasure to be had! Arrrrrgggh....

#### **EDUCATION AND SAFETY**

By: Klaus Burckhardt

Dan Bliss has recently joined me as the Safety and Education Committee and has authored the following article. Thanks Dan!

#### **MARRIAGE SAVERS!!**

Martha and I are in the process of moving out of our home of 35+ years and working on building a smaller home in Rock Hall. I expect all of you can imagine the opportunities for disagreements as we try to accomplish each of these. I am hopeful we can minimize the disagreements as we go forward.

Similarly, when one is on the bow and another at the helm there are similar opportunities for disagreements that can be compounded by difficulties in communication. The person on the bow is dealing with wind noise. The person at the helm is dealing with the trusty (but noisy) diesel. We have all probably worked on those hand signals. We use them for a while and then say the h... with it and start yelling to overpower the wind and the engine. I think we have all done this. If you haven't, we have enough to cover for your lack of participation.

For several years Martha and I have had a set of those communication devices usually called "Marriage Savers" on board. Yet for over 75% of our dockings or anchorings those have been in their case down below. So instead we challenge our marriage. In those other 25% of our maneuverings we have used the headsets and literally worked as a great team anchoring and docking even well after dark. They work so well that there is no reason we shouldn't use them religiously.

We have been up and down the ICW 4 times and over to the Bahamas 3 times. 95% of the time you are sitting in the cockpit on autopilot enjoying the day (or night). 5% of the time you need to anchor or dock your boat. To do these maneuvers USE YOUR HEADSETS! They make the job a lot easier. We have always been impressed with how well they worked so have no idea why we don't at times. Lazy? Forget to have them charged? They work well enough that you shouldn't allow excuses to enter into it.

JUST DO IT! IMPROVED COMMUNICATIONS WORKS.

#### "HEARD ON THE DOCKS"

News Tidbits From our Membership

**Yacht Club Engagement.** Congratulations to Mitch and Connie Hill AND Peter and Sheila Wilm Their children, Jordan Hill and Connor Wilm, are engaged!

Also, the Hill's son Joshua was engaged to Katie Leonard. A big month for our Commodore and his family!!

**New Crew Member!** Beth Dunn celebrated the arrival of her beautiful granddaughter, Penelope Ann Schaefer on May 31st.



# THE HAVEN YACHT CLUB Annual Crab Feast/Day of Fun

At Haven Harbour Marina

July 08, 2017

### Schedule of Events – (Members and guests only)



#### 11:00 AM Dinghy Race

Have your dinghy and crew at the dinghy dock by 10:30 and prepared to scuttle the competition as you compete to be the first boat to locate the treasure at the bottom of the sea (OK, the creek). No motors. Chief propulsion resource (rower) must be blindfolded. Crew must navigate, bail, and distract the competition (hint – use creek water). No harm, no foul! Always a blast to participate in or just watch. Prepare to be wet!

#### Immediately following Dinghy Race- Anchor Toss Competition

Come show your prowess at tossing an anchor into Swan Creek. A \$10 donation to the Susan Scovill Memorial Scholarship is required to enter. Prizes for first and second place winners in the men's and women's toss will be given. Plus, bragging rights!!!

#### 12:00 Noon Hamburgers, Hot dogs & fixins

Included in the price of your dinner and served up by your Governors in the picnic area. Just remember to save room for crabs! The beer truck will be open. Sodas and water available, as well.

#### 1:00 PM Kid's Activities

Children's Art Activities will take place at the Gazebo near the dinghy dock. "CRABBY Stencil ART" on T shirts or totes! PLEASE SIGN CHILDREN UP WITH SIZES or AGES by emailing <a href="mailto:bethdunn417@gmail.com">bethdunn417@gmail.com</a> before July 1.

# 2:00 PM Educational Session - "Anchoring Roundtable"

Discussion of best practices and bring your stories of best fails!

#### 6:00 PM THE FEAST

Appetizer: Smoked salmon with cream cheese/crab dip and crackers

Main Dish: Crabs, fried and grilled Italian chicken, steamed shrimp, potato salad,

macaroni salad, corn on the cob, rolls and butter.

Dessert: Cake and Brownies

# 7:00 - 11:00 PM - Band - Vice Squad

Please RSVP by July 1st with this form and your check payable to THYC mailed to:

THYC PO Box 603 Rock Hall, MD 21661

Feast - All inclusive. One Price- \$55/adult members (\$45 if paid by July 1st.) \$65 non-members and guests \$25/child (5-12) Children under 5 are free

All dinners include menu listed above, beer, wine, soft drinks, and bottled water. Hot Dogs and Hamburgers for lunch. All crabs must be consumed in the picnic area. No crabs to be taken back to boats, please.

Name (first and last)	Age (if child)	Feast	\$Amount
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Т	otal (Includes Lunch, [	Dinner and Drinks)	\$
		Final Total	\$(Enclose Check)
Yes! I will pa	rticipate in the Dinghy	Race (please che	ck)
Yes! I will pa	articipate in the Anchor	Toss (please che	ck)

Questions Call Beth Dunn, PC at (443) 282-4383

(Form also available at www.TheHavenYachtClub.com)

Past Members - have you paid your 2017 renewal membership dues? Prospective New Members - there is still time to join before this event!)

