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BUILDING COMMUNITY THROUGH COMMUNICATIONS



Over one inch of rain fell on Longboat Key on July 4th; but it failed to dampen the spirits of those still in residence at LbH. Seventy-three people, maybe more, arrived at the recreation hall to the sounds of patriotic music. The room was dressed up in red,



white and blue with flags flying all about, a fitting mood setter for our celebration of America.

After the crowd had their fill of appetizers and tequila slush, we then paid tribute to all veterans present followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and the Star Spangled Banner. Lexie and Margo Schnapf (Maggie's granddaughters) lead the crowd in patriotic songs and, later in the afternoon, entertained with their hip music and dance.

The chefs, **Bob Winter** and **Ken Comeforo**, called everyone for dinner. Burgers, sausages and hot dogs plus many wonderful dishes brought by those attending, were enjoyed by all. Then came the desserts - peanut butter pie,

apple pie, cookies, fruit tart and even ice cream cones were consumed with delight.

Joe Longtin (who celebrated his 75th birthday and was honored) closed the evening with the singing of ``God Bless America`` and ``God Bless the U.S.A.`` The party was well received and a good time was had by all.

My thanks go to **Christina, Margaret, Lil, Donna, Beverly, Ken, Bob, Charlie, Joe** and my daughter, **Amy** and granddaughters, **Lexie** and **Margo**.

Without their help this party would not have happened. Also, my thanks to many of you who stayed after the party and helped with the cleanup.

I look forward to seeing all of you again in October.

Maggie Edger

There are lots of pictures of the July 4th Celebration and other events on our web site.

Please go to :

*www.longboatharbour.net
and click on "Photo Album"*



GET READY TO

On November 6th, a 1950's Welcome Back Owner's Party will be held in the Recreation Hall beginning at 6:00 p.m. An appetizer to feed 6-8 people will be your admittance



fee. Wine will be purchased from funds that were wagered but not won at the derby gathering. We hope to see all of you there as we

get the new season off to a rockin' start.

It is recommended (but not mandatory), that you dig in those trunks this summer for pegged pants, school sweaters,



Have a healthy summer!

Rec. Committee



Thank You One and All

I want to thank the members of the recreation committee who honored me with a Distinguish Service Award in April. To receive an award from your peers is indeed special and I will cherish it always.

At this juncture in my life I believe everyone should try and have a little fun each day and share a laugh or two.

This is what I have tried to accomplish and it has been my pleasure to serve, in my own small way, the very special people who reside at LbH. Thank you everyone.

Maggie Edger

Recreation Photographer



The Recreation Committee has appointed **Christina Filkins** as "Official Photographer" of Recreation events.

Christina, a keen photographer, has been recently chronicling events. The committee felt that, as she was generally in residence throughout the period when recreation activities were scheduled, she would be available to record them. She is given a stipend to cover out-of-pocket costs.

The committee encourages all owners to take photos for inclusion in the INFO, space permitting, and for use on the web site.

In Appreciation

The support and prayers for Maryellen and me during her long illness and the overwhelming kindness to our family after her death is deeply appreciated"

To all those who attended the Mass and joined in the celebration of Maryellen's life, I thank you.

I am especially grateful to so many friends who helped with the preparations for the celebration of Maryellen's life.

A special thanks to Donna and Bob Winter in particular for doing such a great job of organizing the reception.

To all of Longboat Harbour, thank you.

Ken Comeforo

IN MEMORIAM

Maryellen Comeforo April 8, 2009

Ruth Malone April 23, 2009

Terry Crutchfield June 14, 2009

All will be greatly missed.

PRELIMINARY 2009-2010 Calendar

Longboat Harbour Recreation Committee
Revised as at July 24, 2009

DAY	Time	Event
June	TBA	Music Concert
Sat Jul 04	5:00pm	Independence Day Picnic
Fri Nov 6	5:30pm	Owners ONLY 50' S Party
Nov TBA	11:30am	Yacht Club Rendezvous
Fri Nov 13	TBA	Coed Golf Outing
Sat Nov 28	10:00am	Deck The Hall
Tue Dec 8	6:00pm	Lighting of Docks & Reception
Wed Dec 9	Noon	Harbourettes Holiday Lunch
Thu Dec 31	TBA	New Years Eve
Sat Jan 02	TBA	Take down Seasonal décor
Wed Jan 13	Noon	Harbourettes Birthday Lunch
Sat Jan 16	6:00pm	"Change of Watch" BKYC
Jan TBA	TBA	Tampa Downs Race Track
Feb TBA	Noon	Fashion Show
Sat Feb 13	6:00pm	Valentine Dance
Feb TBA	TBA	Yacht Club Rendezvous
Sat Feb 27	6:00pm	Italian Night
Sat Mar 13	6:00pm	St. Patrick's Celebration
Wed Mar 17	Noon	Harbourettes Spring Lunch
Thu Mar 18	2:00pm	Fleet Review & Reception
Mar TBA	TBA	Tennis Club Exhibition & Social
Mar TBA	7:30pm	Play Reader's Finale
Mar TBA	7:30pm	Bingo Finale & Social
Tue Apr 06	6:00pm	Owners' Party
Wed Apr 14	Noon	Harbourettes Installation Lunch
Fri Apr 16	TBA	Golf Outing
Thu Apr 22	6:00pm	Pizza Party

Board Meetings every third Wednesday

Play Readers Mondays, starting Jan 4

Bingo Tuesdays, starting Jan 5

Thu Apr 08 - Passover Starts

Fri Apr 9 - Good Friday

Sun Apr 11 - Easter

WATCH

CHANNEL 57

or 795 (for Comcast box users)
for changes and updates

SPRING GOLF OUTING

In the past, only 20 people would participate in the semi-annual golf outings. Now golfers number more than ever with foursomes of men only, ladies only, and mixed groups.

This season's spring event, organized by **Bill Holland**, was held April 17th at "The Groves" at The Meadows Golf and Country Club, attracted 36 golfers. Using nine tee times, groups started out at 8:30 a.m. under partly cloudy skies and building winds.



The lowest net score was recorded by the foursome of **Richard Pellegrino Bob Winter, Ken Comeforo and Joe Longtin**, .



Fred Schwing was honored to receive the "Rookie of the Year" award. He happens to be the oldest rookie to ever receive this award, and the only rookie who ever required 2 years in order to qualify for this award.

Predicting a team's score is something of a raffle, but saying in



advance they would score 79, the team of **Dick and Sheila Cyr, Pat Marschke and Bart Wassmanskorf** were closest. They came within one of the target and claimed that prize.

Closest to the pin was Sherry Cutchal.

When the golfers arrived back at Longboat Harbour for lunch, they found **Denis McIvor** already preparing the food. Some 70 golfers and guests enjoyed hamburgers, sausages, brats and hot dogs, washed down with soda, beer and wine.

Joe Longtin purchased the food and beverages and acted as master of ceremonies. Assisting were **Joe Callahan, John (always there) Bock, Bob Winter, Richard Pellegrino, Ken Comeforo** and a host of others.

As usual, **Bill Shelton** acted as Gate Keeper and money changer.

Galina Kraus

"We would worry less about what others think of us if we realized how seldom they do."

- Ethel Barrett

CALL 911

In the November-December 2007 issue of the *INFO* it was reported that, in the case of an emergency, cell phone users should not use 911, but another number that was said to be more effective. This was based on a column by Jim Brown that appeared in the Sarasota Herald Tribune. We repeated most of that column urging everyone to use not 911, but a land line calling the Longboat Key Police Department directly.

More recently, some doubt has arisen as to whether this was factual. Barbara Hulyk pursued the matter and has confirmed that the report by Jim Brown was erroneous, or at least is not correct today.

No less an authority than the police chief, Julius E. Halas, has said the following:

IN THE CASE OF ANY MEDICAL EMERGENCY CALL 911.

The area code of the phone itself is immaterial. If an out of district phone makes a 911 call the system will nevertheless find its location through cell tower triangulation.

Note: If immediately available, use of a land line is still preferred since the address of the incident is more readily determined.

According to the Police Chief:

First choice – land line
Second choice – cell.
Either way – dial 911.

Remember: This INFO and six years of back issues, formal documents, photos of social events and much more are available on our web site:
www.longboatharbour.net

WANTED . . .

“book ‘n’ buddies”

**January to April
(or year round?)**

“We read to know we are not alone.”
C.S.Lewis

- Would you like to meet your neighbors and share a good read?
- Would you like to be part of a book club at Longboat Harbour?
- Do you think the name above is apropos of what you think a book club is all about? (Any “name” suggestions are welcome)
- Where would you like to meet?
- When would you like to meet? (bi-weekly/ monthly) (a.m./p.m.)
- What genre is your favorite?
- Do you have a favorite author?

If you are interested, please call me OR send me an email OR a note to my home with your name and unit # along with your answers to the above. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to ask.



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*“Tell me and I'll forget;
show me and I may remember;
involve me and I'll understand.”*
(Chinese proverb)

*The dictionary is the only place
you will find
success before work*



For more pictures —
Go to: www.longboatharbour.net/
and click on "Photo Album"

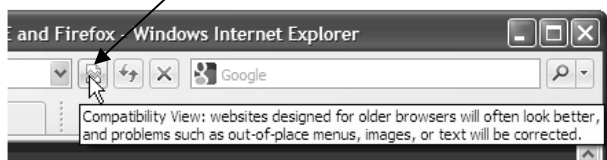
Web Site Usage

The Longboat Harbour web site was instituted at the request of Past President, Bob Twyman six years ago. At the time, he agreed that the site would be based on a “static” format. That is, it would not be frequently updated and revised. And, the system has worked well. Your “web master,” it must be revealed, had absolutely no experience in web design, but was quite prepared to start learning. At the time, web design was more of less in its infancy and it was possible to use text based programs such as Microsoft’s “Publisher” to prepare the pages which were then converted to a format which could be read on the internet.

Over time the web has become more sophisticated and standards have changed. What’s more, the virtual universal use of Microsoft’s Internet Explorer is changing. Mozilla’s “Firefox” and Google’s “Chrome” are now being used by many.

We now find that our website sometimes does not work with these new browsers. Even Microsoft’s new Internet Explorer version (IE8) has trouble with our site. All versions of Internet Explorer prior to version 8 will work well. If you have IE8 installed (it comes with the latest version of Vista), you are able to adjust by clicking on the “Compatibility” icon as shown here.

If a user spots a problem they can click on the compatibility mode button in IE 8:



If you prefer using other browsers, please use Internet Explorer temporarily when going to our site.

Meanwhile we will try to adapt to the new standards. It would be a big help if one of our owners skilled in web design would step forward to help.

Some people are always grumbling
because roses have thorns;
I am thankful that thorns have roses.

Alphonse Karr

Dockwork Complete

It wasn't the Last Spike but it was almost as important for Yacht Club Members. The pile for the last of the docks to be rebuilt was driven into place on May 4th, marking the conclusion of an important remedial project that restored the seawall in Phase I as well as remedial repairs in Phase II. All of the docks were rebuilt as well.



Your editors are indebted to the many individuals who contribute articles and photographs for the INFO. We, as editors, are compilers; most of the stories that appear are created by others.

More individuals are needed to report on events held in this very active community. We urge those who are responsible or chair any event to appoint someone as a reporter for the occasion. We will appreciate submissions, if possible, via email at jmwass@rogers.com . The INFO depends on the contributions of others.

As well, we would be happy to receive creative writing efforts.

To all those who helped make this issue possible we extend our thanks.

Bart & Jean Wassmansdorf
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