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WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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CAPTAIN: MIK SEVERINI

Mik greeted the large crowd at Wednesday's Thanksgiving luncheon, including costumed Pilgrims and Native Americans. She gave a heartfelt tribute to the fellowship we cherish with one another, especially at Thanksgiving. She invited **Nancy Vildibill** to commemorate the holiday, which Nancy did with a thoughtful poem and prayer.

CHRISTMAS CHARITIES: JOY RUDNICKI

Captain Mik Severini, substituting for **Joy**, reminded us that the Salty Sisters Board of Directors has approved five charities for member support this year. We are learning about the charities during the weeks leading to our Christmas party. **Marti Cochran** introduced Debbie Yones, the Executive Director of **Voices of Hope for Aphasia**, one of the charities we're hearing from today. Debbie talked about the effects of aphasia, which can result from accidents, aneurysms, strokes or other conditions. A person's mind still works yet has trouble with audio and verbal processing. Following Debbie, **Joan Stephenson** gave a detailed description of the next charity, the **Christmas Toy Shop**. It is entirely supported by volunteers and has provided gifts and books to underprivileged families since 1921. The late **Ardith Rutland**, a longtime Salty Sister, was a major donor to the **Christmas Toy Shop**.

GUESTS: PC Barbara Watson introduced her friend of many years, Peta Urquhart.

CO-CAPTAIN: AUDREY ORGO

Audrey reported that wind was too light to sail the rest of the Sonar Series. She arranged for **PC Dee Gill** and **Marti Cochran** to have education. The Saltines and Salty Sisters went through Ideal spinnaker sets, and Sonar helm, mainsheet trim, backstay, traveler, and jib.

There will be no sailing on Nov. 26, as it's the day before Thanksgiving. On Dec. 3 we'll have Ideal practice. The second Wednesday in December will be the traditional **Candy Cane Regatta**.

HOSPITALITY: JOAN STEPHENSON

Joan named seven birthdays for the next two weeks.

SOCIAL: PC CHARL HADFIELD

PC Charl noted the number of costumed Pilgrims and Native American Indians at lunch. Awarded first in Pilgrim costume was **Mik Severini**, second was **Juliette Clark**. First in Native American dress was **Gail Falkingham**, second was **Barbara Deininger**.

FWSA: PAT BURROWS

Anna Olecka substituted for the 1st **Delegate Pat**. She reminded us that the holiday Interclub called "Nauti or Nice?" hosted by the Salty Sisters, will be held Dec. 9 at the Sailing Center. A few folks are needed to store Sunfish dollies and retrieve them after sailing. Please contact **Anna** or **Pat** to volunteer. She reminded everyone (sailors, volunteers and spectators) to register on the FWSA website. We need a headcount for lunch.

CRUISE: MARCIA SMITH

Marcia announced that the next land cruise will be an ornament exchange. We'll gather on Dec. 11 from 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. in the Regatta Room. Bring a wrapped Christmas ornament.

CHRISTMAS BOUTIQUE: ANGELA TREINEN, LINDSAY CARTER & PC CAROL HANSEN

Angela updated us on the **Christmas Boutique**, which raises funds for the junior summer sailing program. It will be held on December 2, from 1 pm to 7 pm. The team needs a few more volunteers to help mind booths, sell raffle tickets, and help vendors. **PC Carol Hansen** invited everyone to be a sponsor. Sponsorships can be any amount and you can send her money by check, Venmo or Zelle. They have secured 55 vendors this year.

Mik added: Tell your friends and bring them with you to the Boutique.

LUNCH RESERVATIONS: Use the SPYC website or the app. You may call a dedicated number: **(727) 892-6882**, to reserve your seat. Lunch reservations may not be made by calling the SPYC front desk.

HUMOR QUEEN: PC CAROL HANSEN

Carol had a joke about three brothers and their wives trying to get into heaven.



Audrey Orgo and **PC Dee Gill** demonstrating how to rig a jib on the Sonar



Mik Severini and **KT Trudeau** rigging a spinnaker on a light-wind day.



Period costumes were the order of the day for Salties, including **Juliette Clark**, **Gretchen Tenbrock-Wolfe**, **Connie Smith**, **Gail Falkingham**, **Sherry Welch**, **Barbara Deininger**, **Jill Bridges** and **Mik Severini**.



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