



Fleet 5



April 3, 2011

Spring Meeting at the home of Marie Genteale & Chris Nitzsche April 3rd, 2011

APRIL 3, 2011, GREENWICH, CT

Fleet 5 members and guests were warmly greeted by our hosts, Chris Nitzsche & Marie Genteale (*Spirit*), in their Greenwich, CT home. Surrounded by Marie and Chris' art and clock collections, guests were treated to savory dishes prepared by Marie herself. Appetizers included smoked salmon on wheat breads with cream cheese and shrimp. Some members also provided assorted crudité's with dips. The main meal consisted of chicken oreganato, sausage, peppers & potatoes, filet of flounder sautéed with butter & lemon, and baked penne with ricotta & mozzarella. The fresh fruit, carrot cake and raspberry filled chocolate cake were a hit with the members when it was time for dessert.

The meeting was called to order at 2:18 P.M.

Captain E.J. Hodes began by thanking Chris & Marie for hosting and reminded the membership



Our hosts Marie Genteale & Chris Nitzsche



Tom, Charlie & Sue

that the hosts would receive their \$30 membership fee refund for hosting today. E.J. also welcomed our guests, Sue & Charlie Dietrich, owners of a Catalina 270, (*Lovewater*), and Mark Bancroft of **Wildoats Marine**.

There were 32 people in attendance today. Members present were Joe Abbagnaro & Bernadette Brugman (*Full Circle*), Joe & Joanne Albano (*mystic sea*), John & Marybeth Amante (*Benedica*), Pete & Joyce Arentzen (*Joy Ride*), Pam Bercian & Rick Bunting (*Kallipygos*), Bob Clark (*Snowflake II*), E.J., Shayna, Gigi & Jason Hodes (*Precipice*), Marie Genteale & Chris Nitzsche (*Spirit*), Tom & Joyce Lanzilli (*Ithaka*), Leslie & Stewart Napoleon



Jason, Shayna & Gigi



Joyce A & Joyce L

(*Desiree*), Keila Quintaes & Richard Toth (*Mai Toi*), John & Linda Reilly (*Shenanigans*), Cheryl & Elwin Schwartz (*Enchanté*), Grif & Carol Walling (*Paramour*), and guests, Sue & Charlie Dietrich (*Lovewater*) and Mark Bancroft of **Wildoats Marine**.

There was a motion to accept the minutes from the 2011 Winter meeting as published on the web site. The motion was seconded and accepted.

Officers Reports

Captain E.J. Hodes opened the floor for any 2-minute stories. Elwin Schwartz warned members to watch for shoal areas in the outside anchorage at Sag Harbor. Joe Albano and Grif Walling also shared some humorous anecdotes.

Vice Captain Tom Lanzilli had no report.

Secretary Joanne Albano said that discussion of the upcoming summer cruise to Provincetown and the



Peter & Grif

20th Anniversary Party planning were the highlights of the 2011 Winter meeting.

Grif Walling said that there were about 20 Fleet 5 members in Florida who gathered for a February unofficial winter meeting.

Treasurer Dot Salzberg sent in a report that stated a January balance in the treasury of \$4077.35, in March, \$5188.07, and April, to date, \$5640.50.

Membership Chair Keila Quintaes reported that we have lost four members and three others have not yet renewed. To date we have 48 paid members. E.J. encouraged all members to talk about Fleet 5 with potential members. Also it was suggested that Catalina dealers be contacted to promote Fleet 5 membership with new boat owners.

Webmaster Tom Lanzilli reported that he is still trying to obtain a vendor for a clothing line. There is



Keila, Carol, Elwin & Cheryl



Tom & Richard



Leslie, Cheryl & Stewart



John A, Joe Albano & Stewart

still no progress with this idea.

Old Business

Joe Abbagnaro reported on this year's summer cruise to Provincetown. The dates for the cruise are

July 2 – 16 beginning in Stonington with a dinner at the Stonington Yacht Club. From there the group will head to Bristol for the July 4th celebration. Thus far 11 boats are signed up for the cruise with 5 of these committed to doing the entire cruise. Members are encouraged to call and reserve their moorings in advance. More information is available on the Fleet 5 web site and also on facebook.



Rick & Pam

Photography by: *Pam Bercian*

Carol Walling brought us up to date on the 20th Anniversary Party which will be held at the Officers' Club at the USCG Academy on September 10, 2011. Currently the committee is obtaining the music and menu. Invitations will go out by mail. Marie Genteale has offered to print the invitations. Elwin Schwartz will work with the committee to arrange moorings at Thamesport Marina for those who wish to arrive by boat. Local hotels will be listed for members who need overnight accommodations.

There will be a Memorial Day gathering for Fleet members in Greenport, LI. Thom Reeves & Doug Smith and Fred & Marilyn Sprigman are arranging the details. Exact date to be determined.

Stewart Napoleon will act as the Fleet 5 liaison with LISCA and OSCA for the Catalina Yachts East Coast Rendezvous, July 29 - 31, which will be held in New Bedford. He will report back to Tom and or E.J. and the information will be added to the Fleet's web site.

Get in touch with John Reilly if you are interested

in volunteering with SCAP (Sail Connecticut Access Program) on June 18, 10:30-2:00 at Pilot's Point Marina. This is the sixth year Fleet 5 has hosted a SCAP day.

The September Officers' Meeting will be rescheduled. It had been scheduled for Sunday morning following the anniversary party.

The Dietrichs thanked the members of Fleet 5 for inviting them today and extended an invitation to the LISCA event at their home in Guilford on April 10. Contact Marie Genteale if you wish to attend.

Joe Abbagnaro will host the November Fleet 5 meeting.

Richard Toth said \$90 was collected today from the sale of burgees and a hat. Keila Quintaes collected \$127 for the raffle. Winners were: Joyce Arentzen, winch maintenance kit; Carol Walling, winch maintenance kit; John Reilly, Embassy Cruise Guide book; Joyce Arentzen, winch handle; Carol Walling, Kato Marine gift certificate for 10% off a purchase; and Joe Abbagnaro, \$100 gift certificate from Landfall.

The meeting adjourned at 3:34.



Following the meeting Mark Bancroft gave a presentation on Spring Commissioning. He gave us a very thorough list of things to check from bow to stern, inside and out. He also answered members' questions.

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Tom Lanzilli