# NAPA VALLEY YACHT CLUB NEWS



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# NAPA VALLEY YACHT CLUB'S COMMODORE'S REPORT

**GREETINGS, HOPE EVERYONE IS STAYING** HEALTHY AND WEARING THEIR MASKS AND GLOVES. I SURE MISS OUR FRIDAY NIGHT DINNERS SEEING ALL OF YOUR SMILING FACES. OUR LAST GET TOGETHER WAS MARCH 13TH FOR ST. PATRICK'S DAY, THE DECORATIONS WERE BEAUTIFUL-THANK YOU GLORIA ATKINSON AND JANIE SALINGER AND LORI FULTZ. THE MEAL OF CORNED BEEF & CABBAGE WAS GREAT! SOME PICTURES OF THAT EVENING ARE IN THIS NEWSLETTER. I WANT TO THANK KATHY ARCHER, STAN BLOUGH, AND NANCY LINDAAS FOR ARRANGING US TO PICK UP MEALS ON FRIDAY NIGHTS. ON GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 10TH, WE HAD A DELICIOUS SALMON DINNER.

### CONTINUED: COMMODORE'S REPORT



EVERYTHING OF COURSE, IS CANCELED INCLUDING THE PICYA MARCH 21 CONFERENCE AS WELL AS OPENING DAY ON THE BAY WHICH ABOUT 16 OF US HAD PLANNED ON GOING TO THE EVENT. BOB WEEKS, PATSY SCARCELLI, AND I ATTENDED THE ZOOM PICYA MEETING. PICYA IS GOING TO HAVE A ZOOM MEETING ON WHAT WAS OPENING DAY ON THE BAY APRIL 26. YACHT CLUB'S ARE ASKED TO MAKE A LITTLE MODEL BOAT AND DECORATE IT TO BRING TO THIS MEETING. WE WILL GET COTY POINTS FOR THIS PARTICIPATION. SEVERAL BOATS WOULD BE GREAT. CALL OR EMAIL ME IF YOU CAN MAKE A BOAT MODEL. ON APRIL 7TH, I HELD A ZOOM BOARD MEETING AND IT WAS WELL ATTENDED AND WAS GREAT TO SEE EVERYONE'S FACE (ON THE SCREEN). I HOPE BY NEXT MONTH MID-MAY WE CAN MEET IN PERSON BUT WE ALL HAVE TO WAIT AND SEE AND PRAY. EVERYONE TAKE CARE AND WEAR YOUR MASKS AND WASH YOUR HANDS

OFTEN. TAKE CARE SALLY CRAIG, COMMODORE



#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

May 11, 2020 – Delegates Meeting & Opening Day Awards – Virtual Zoom

May 18, 2020 – Board of Directors Meeting – Virtual Zoom

June 1, 2020 – Delegates Meeting – Village West Yacht Club

June 15, 2020 – Board of Directors Meeting – Aeolian Yacht Club

June 19-21, 2020 – Lipton Cup Regatta – South Beach YC & Encinal YC

July 6, 2020 – Delegates Meeting – Location TBD

July 20, 2020 – Board of Directors Meeting – Aeolian Yacht Club

August 3, 2020 – Delegates Meeting – San Rafael Yacht Club

August 17, 2020 – Board of Directors Meeting – Aeolian Yacht Club

## <u>"CRUISING THE NAPA</u> RIVER"

By VICE COMMODORE, NANCY MUELLER

ON A BEAUTIFUL EVENING CRUISING DOWN TO THE NAPA RIVER FRONT FOR AN EVENING OF DINING AND FUN WE CAME TO AN ABRUPT STOP. OUR ELECTRIC BOAT, WHICH BY THE WAY ONLY DRAWS 26 INCHES, CAME TO AN IMMEDIATE STOP WHEN WE HIT A SAND BAR THAT GOES ACROSS THE RIVER ON LOW TIDE, RIGHT BEFORE THE CURVE AT ANGELE'S RESTAURANT. WE WERE ABLE TO ROCK AND ROCK AND ROCK THE BOAT OFF OF THE SAND BAR AND THEN IMMEDIATELY TURNED AROUND AND WENT BACK HOME.

OUR RIVER NEEDS DESPERATE DREDGING BUT NO MONEY IN THE CITY OR FEDERAL GRANT COFFERS TO DREDGE . WE WOULD LIKE TO SUGGEST IN THE MEANTIME TO AVOID GOING TO TOWN ON LOW TIDE UNLESS YOU'RE ON A KAYAK OR ROW BOAT. NOT ONLY IS IT UNSAFE YOU CAN HARM YOUR BOAT.

TO BE CONTINUED ON HIGH TIDE ONLY.....



VICE COMMODORE, NANCY MUELLER

# Welcome to the Pacific Inter-Club Yacht Association Established in 1896

#### A BRIEF HISTORY OF THE PACIFIC INTER-CLUB ASSOCIATION BY THE P.I.C.Y.A. HISTORICAL COMMITTEE

THE PACIFIC INTER-CLUB YACHT ASSOCIATION WAS FORMED IN SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA MAY 12, 1896, WITH CHARLES G. YALE (SAN FRANCISCO YACHT CLUB) AS ITS FIRST PRESIDENT. FOR SOME TIME PRIOR TO THIS, THE MAJOR SAN FRANCISCO BAY YACHT CLUBS WERE CONSIDERING AN ORGANIZATION FOR INTER-COMMUNICATION, UNIFORM RACING RULES AND TO ENCOURAGE YACHTING. THE FIVE CHARTER CLUBS and the year they were founded were: California Y.C. (1893), Corinthian Y.C. (1886), Encinal Y.C. (1890), Pacific Y.C. (1873) and the San Francisco Y.C. (1869). None of the still existing CHARTER CLUBS HAS MAINTAINED CONTINUOUS MEMBERSHIP IN PICYA. SOUTH BAY Y.C. FOUNDED IN 1888 JOINED PICYA IN 1897 THE FIVE ORIGINAL CHARTER CLUBS THE CALIFORNIA Y.C. CLUBHOUSE WAS ORIGINALLY LOCATED ON THE WEST SIDE OF THE WEBSTER STREET BRIDGE ON THE OAKLAND ESTUARY IN ALAMEDA. IT WAS DUBBED THE "OAKLAND NAVY" AT THE BEGINNING AND THIS "STUCK." DISSATISFIED WITH THE PROBLEMS ASSOCIATED WITH THE LOCATION, IT TRIED TO COMBINE WITH ENCINAL Y.C. IN 1901 WITHOUT SUCCESS. THE CLUBHOUSE WAS MOVED TO BROOKS ISLAND IN 1907. THE LOGISTICS OF TRANSPORTING PEOPLE AND SUPPLIES PROVED TO BE TOO GREAT AND THE CLUBHOUSE WAS MOVED TO KEY ROUTE BASIN IN 1916-1919. ATTEMPTS TO COMBINE WITH OAKLAND Y.C. AND AEOLIAN Y.C. AT A NEPTUNE BEACH LOCATION DID NOT WORK OUT. THE CLUBHOUSE GRADUALLY DETERIORATED AND THEIR MEMBERS GRADUALLY JOINED OTHER CLUBS. THE CLUB MAINTAINED A LISTING AND VARIOUS MAILING ADDRESSES UNTIL 1933 IN LLOYD'S REGISTER OF AMERICAN YACHTS. J. PORTER SHAW WAS THE LAST COMMODORE OF RECORD. BEFORE 1919, THE CLUB HAD DROPPED OUT OF PICYA AND EFFORTS TO GET IT BACK INTO THE FOLD PROVED FRUITLESS. THE SECOND RICHARDSON BAY Y.C. HAS ADOPTED ITS BURGEE. THE CORINTHIAN Y.C. HAS OCCUPIED ITS PRESENT SITE AT CORINTHIAN ISLAND SINCE 1886. THE ORIGINAL CLUBHOUSE BURNED DOWN. THE PRESENT BUILDING HAS BEEN IMPROVED OVER TIME AND A HARBOR ADDED. IT CENTENNIAL PUBLICATION WAS 1986. THE ENCINAL Y.C. CLUBHOUSE WAS COMPLETED IN 1891 AT THE SOUTH SHORE OF GRAND AVENUE, ALAMEDA. THE PROPERTY WAS SOLD IN 1956 AND THE PRESENT CLUBHOUSE, ON THE ESTUARY IN ALAMEDA WAS BUILT IN 1960. THE CENTENNIAL PUBLICATION OF ENCINAL Y.C. WAS PUBLISHED IN 1994. THE PACIFIC Y.C. CLUBHOUSE WAS IN "OLD" SAUSALITO AT "Hurricane Gulch." It was disbanded in 1899. Benicia Y.C. adopted its burgee. The first San FRANCISCO Y.C. CLUBHOUSE WAS LOCATED ON A LONG RAILROAD WHARF OR "LONG WHARF" AT MISSION BAY IN SAN FRANCISCO UNTIL 1877. AFTER TEMPORARY LOCATIONS, A CLUBHOUSE WAS LOCATED IN "OLD" SAUSALITO ABOUT 1877. THIS BURNED DOWN IN 1897 AND WAS REBUILT. STORM PROBLEMS AND OIL POLLUTION MAINLY CAUSED THE RELOCATION TO ITS PRESENT BELVEDERE SITE. THE ORIGINAL SMALL CLUBHOUSE HAS DEVELOPED INTO THE PRESENT ONE AND THE HARBOR WAS BUILD. ITS CENTENNIAL PUBLICATION WAS ISSUED IN 1969 AND A SUPPLEMENT WAS ISSUED IN 1994. ON JUNE 24, 1903, SOUTH BAY Y.C. DEDICATED ITS PRESENT CLUBHOUSE. ALTHOUGH THE BUILDING HAD BEEN MOVED, SPRUCED UP WITH SOME ADDITIONS AND PAINTED; IT IS STILL THE ORIGINAL BUILDING WITH ITS FIRST MEETING TAKING PLACE AT THE NEW LOCATION ON APRIL 11, 1985. A COMMEMORATIVE PLAQUE WAS ERECTED IN FEBRUARY 1994. THE PICYA BURGEE THE ORIGINAL FIVE STAR BURGEE OF PICYA IS STILL USED TODAY.

**OPENING DAY ON THE BAY** THE LARGEST SINGLE PICYA EVENT IS "OPENING DAY." THIS WAS A TERM USED IN THE EARLY 1890'S WHEN IT WAS ASSOCIATED WITH THE FIRST ACTIVITIES OF INDIVIDUAL YACHT CLUBS CELEBRATING THE SPRING SEASON. IT GRADUALLY BECAME IDENTIFIED WITH THE MANUAL OPENING OF THE BRIDGE AT CORINTHIAN ISLAND, MARIN COUNTY. THIS WAS AN EVENT VIEWED BY YACHTSMEN AND LOCAL RESIDENTS AS SAILBOATS AND "ARKS" PASSED THROUGH. THESE HAD BEEN STORED IN TIBURON LAGOON TO PROTECT THEM FROM THE RAVAGES OF WINTER. INDIVIDUAL CLUBS HELD THEIR OWN "OPENING DAY" CELEBRATIONS EITHER INDEPENDENTLY OR JOINTLY. THE FIRST PICYA SPONSORED COORDINATED EVENT WAS HELD IN 1917 AT THE SUGGESTION OF GUS DORN (CYC). THERE IS AN ANNUAL "THEME" FOR DECORATED BOATS WITH MANY TROPHIES AWARDED ALONG WITH THE "BENHAM" TROPHY, WHICH IS A COMPETITION FOR YACHT CLUB PARTICIPATION BASED ON BOATS AND DISTANCE TRAVELED. AMENDED IN 1968.

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS OR ADDITIONAL MATERIAL TO BE REVIEWED, PLEASE CONTACT PICYA MARITIME HISTORICAL CHAIR DONNA DUNCAN. WWW.PICYA.ORG.

# FRIDAY NIGHT AT THE YACHT CLUB





LORI FULTZ, SARAH MONTAGUE, NANCY MUELLER

GREG FULLER



SCOTT BROWN & JIM SOULE



JANIE SALINGER & TARY SALINGER







SCOTT BROWN & AL MUELLER

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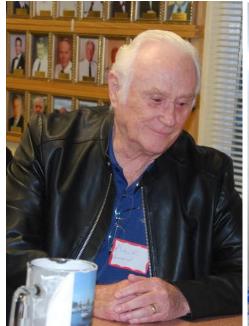
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SALLY & PHILLIP CRAIG



ART LEWIS, RICHARD GENSEL





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DEAN STAHR, SYLVIA & JERRY GUSTAFSON, EVELYN SILVERI



NANCY LINDAAS



SARAH MONTAGUE, LORIE FULTZ, JANIE SALINGER



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#### THE BEGINNING OF COVID-19 WITH THE INTRO OF THE ELBOW BUMP



ANGELA LEWIS, CAROL VARNU, MARIANNE SOULE, SALLY CRAIG, SALLY GENSEL



CAROL VARNU, DEAN STAHR, EVELYN SILVERI



MARIANNE & JIM SOULE, GLORIA & TOM ATKINSON

#### ST PATRICK'S DAY DINNER THE LAST OF OUR FRIDAY NIGHT DINNER'S TILL SIP IS OVER



SALLY CRAIG, CARL GONZALES, NANCY SCHLEICHER, ART LEWIS, ANGELA LEWIS, SALLY GENSEL



SALLY CRAIG



CAROL VARNU, KURT STAHR, DEBRA PHAIRA, DEAN STAHR, DOMINIQUE STAHR

#### FRIDAY NIGHT DINNER CURBSIDE PICK-UP Thank You Nancy Lindaas for providing a delicious salmon dinner for pick up





















Easter Day Parade at the Napa Yacht Club -social distancing parade and partying-







# FRIDAY NIGHT DINNER SOCIAL DISTANCING CRUISE IN





























By Raylene Thompson

#### A HIGHLY EDUCATED FELLOW: ART LEWIS

IF YOU WANT TO FIND ART LEWIS ON A FRIDAY NIGHT WHEN THE CLUB IS OPEN, LOOK TO THE FAR LEFT, WHERE ART WILL USUALLY BE SEATED AT THE BAR ON HIS FAVORITE CORNER STOOL. FROM THERE HE CAN MEET FRIENDS, NURSE A GLASS OF WINE AND PASS AN OCCASIONAL SMILE TOWARDS HIS FAVORITE BARTENDER, ANGELA.

BUT LET'S GO BACK TO THE BEGINNING. ART WAS BORN IN SWANSEA AND LIVED IN WALES UNTIL HE WAS 15 YEARS OLD. IN HIS YOUTH, HE ENJOYED SPENDING HIS SUMMER HOLIDAYS ON THE GOWER PENINSULA, ON A FARM WITH ANIMALS AND WITH A NEARBY BEACH. HIS FATHER WAS IN THE SHIPPING BUSINESS, WITH ROUTES FROM WALES TO



DURING WORLD WAR II, HIS FATHER'S BUSINESS WAS FORCED TO END AND THE FAMILY MOVED TO IRELAND, WHERE HE SECURED NEW EMPLOYMENT.

ART ATTENDED QUEENS UNIVERSITY, BELFAST, OBTAINING A BSC AND PH.D IN CHEMISTRY. IT WAS THERE THAT HE ENJOYED CREWING. HIS CREW DISTINGUISHED THEMSELVES WHEN THEY WON THE IRISH NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP IN 1956 AND THEY WERE ALSO PLEASED TO ROW AT THE HENLY ROYAL REGATTA.

FROM THERE, ART WENT TO CORNELL UNIVERSITY, WHERE HE DID RESEARCH IN CHEMISTRY. HE HAD NO VISA, SO RETURNED FOR TWO YEARS TO OXFORD AND THEN BACK TO NEW YORK, WHERE HE DID 5 MORE YEARS OF RESEARCH SYNTHESIZING NEW ANTI-INFLAMMATORY AND ANTIBIOTIC COMPOUNDS, TESTING IN MICE.

DID HE WORK ON ANYTHING LIKE THE CORONAVIRUS? NO, HE SAID HE "DIDN'T DO VIRUSES." HE DID FILE 11 US PATENTS DURING THAT TIME.

IN 1974, ART MOVED TO SAN FRANCISCO, TO THE INTERNATIONAL DIVISION OF MCKESSON CORPORATION, PROBABLY

THE LARGEST PHARMACEUTICAL DISTRIBUTOR IN THE USA. THE INTERNATIONAL DIVISION MANUFACTURED AND MARKETED GENERIC PHARMACEUTICALS IN CENTRAL & SOUTH AMERICA. ANGELA ALSO WORKED THERE, BUT HE SAYS HE DIDN'T REALLY NOTICE HER FOR THE FIRST FOUR YEARS. THEN ONE DAY SHE APPEARED IN A DROP-DEAD, GORGEOUS DRESS FOR A WEDDING SHE WAS ATTENDING AND HE WOKE UP WITH A JOLT. HOW LOVELY SHE WAS!

HE WORKED AT MCKESSON 40 PLUS YEARS AND RETIRED AS PRESIDENT OF THE INTERNATIONAL DIVISION. JP MORGAN WAS HELPING THEM SELL THE CENTRAL AMERICAN OPERATION AND ART WAS ASKED TO OBTAIN 20 MILLION FOR IT. BAYER PAID 40 MILLION IN CASH! WHEN HE LEFT 2 MONTHS LATER, ART TOOK ANGELA WITH HIM.

ART, SOMETIMES WITH ANGELA, VISITED 40 PLUS COUNTRIES, HAS BEEN TO PERU A LOT (ANGELA IS FROM PERU) AND HAS TWO APARTMENTS THERE. ONE IN LIMA AND ONE BY THE BEACH IN MIRAFLORES. BOTH ART AND ANGELA HAVE BEEN TO MACHU PICHU MORE THAN ONCE.

ANYTHING ELSE? WELL, WHILE IN SAN FRANCISCO, ART OBTAINED AN MBA IN MANAGEMENT AND AN MS IN FINANCE FROM GOLDEN GATE UNIVERSITY. ART LATER TAUGHT INTRODUCTION TO INTERNATIONAL MANAGEMENT THERE.

They went to live in Marin, had a home in Mill Valley. During that time, the two used to drive around the area on weekends. One weekend in 2000 they saw the house in the Napa Yacht Club where they live now. They bought it but continued to live in Marin for a while before settling in Napa for good. ARK ANGEL is their 21' Duffy.

ALL THIS TIME, ART CALLED HIMSELF A WELCHMAN. BUT A RECENT DNA TEST HAS REVEALED A LONG-AGO IRISH ORIGIN TO THE FAMILY, WHICH REALLY ASTONISHED ART.

ANGELA, WHO HAS SERVED ON MERCHANDISING AND DECORATING COMMITTEES, ALONG WITH HELPING AT THE BAR, TEASED THAT HER HUBBY IS, " THE MOST EDUCATED PERSON SHE EVER MET, BUT WITH THE LEAST COMMON SENSE."

BUT HE HAD THE GREAT GOOD SENSE TO CHOOSE HER, AFTER ALL.







#### APRIL BIRTHDAYS

ТОМ	ATKINSON
TERESA	BICKFORD
DIANE	BROWN
MIKE	CROMWELL
JENNIFER	HENN
ELIZABETH	HORTON
ADAM	MUTO
MARY	ROCCA
JEFF	RUSSELL
AVI	Strugo
APRIL	DUGE

#### MAY BIRTHDAYS

JOSEPH	ALLEN
TAMMY	BLANCHARD
CRAIG	BURGESS
Charles	CLEVLAND
GERRY	CLOSS
CRAIG	EASLEY
KRISTINA	FISCHER
Sandi	FUNSETH
ТОМ	HILDRETH
ANNE	JACOBSON
DELMA	ROGERS
DOROTHY	Salmon
KURT	STAHR
ELLEN	VARTAN
NILES	VENGE

#### JUNE BIRTHDAYS

CHARLIE	AGNEW
KATHY	ARCHER
SHIRLEY	JONES
MARK	LESSLER
SCOTT	LOCKER
linda	PARZYCH
Sharon	PHILLIPS
LEWIS	RODGERS
PAT	Scarcelli
NANCY	SCHLEICHER
NICKY	SUARD
NANCY	WEEKS
WALLY	WORTMAN
CHUCK	YOUNGSON

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LOIS & RUFFIN APPERSON FRAN & RICHARD BROZAITIS SUSAN & TOM KENNELLY MAIRIANNE & JAMES SOULOE DOMINIQUE & KURT STAHR

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JENNIFER & MARIN ASH TAMMY & ROSS BLANCHARD DIANE & SCOTT BROWN SHARON PHILLIPS & DONALD BURESH ROSEANNA & RICHARD GOODFELLOW SHAWNA & GLEN TERRY

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THANK YOU CAROL VARNU FOR THE BEAUTIFUL FLOWERS



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