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NIGHTMARE BEFORE CHRISTMAS



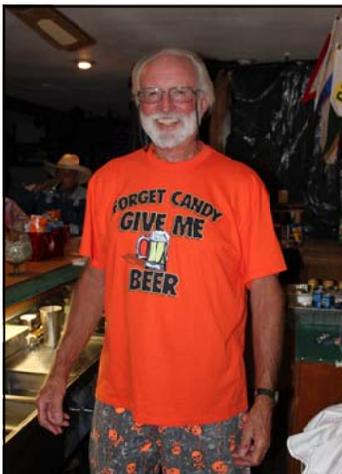
Jack, Sally, and the gang from the movie “The Nightmare Before Christmas” made an appearance at the River View– Caliente Isle annual yacht club Halloween party. The music was loud, the dance floor was crowded, and the chili was spicy! Oh, and the barge? Transformed! Thanks to all of you who pitched in to help make this party a big success, and all the guests who dressed up from the silly, to the scary, and even those a little off-color (and you know who you are!).

A critter race was held, but thank heavens the critters were either stuffed or carved. Dinner was served—three pots of chili, one pot of minestrone, dozens of potatoes and too many pans of cornbread to count, and then the music



started. CIYC raffled off a number of fantastic baskets, and the drinks were cold and refreshing. We are so fortunate to have such good friends in our “sister” club to share in the planning and the partying (and the clean up!).

After two years of heading up the decorations, Joe has announced that he looking for someone to take over, so please let him know if you are interested. Planning is already underway for October 2013...



DATES AHOY:

NOVEMBER

12.....Veteran’s Day Holiday

17....Dinner & Meeting 4:00 PM
Meeting at 4:30 PM, dinner at 6
*Gary and Mikki Dalleske’s home
In Elk Grove*

22.....Thanksgiving Day Holiday

DECEMBER

16....Holiday Party
2 PM at Peter’s Steakhouse in
Isleton. RSVP required!

25....Christmas Holiday

Birthdays

Nov 24 Frank Beauchamp
Dec 20 Robert Poston
Dec 30 Jerry Olson

Anniversaries

Nov 19 Tom & Helen Moran (1971)
Dec 30 Leo & Nina McMahan (1981)

COMMODORE'S REPORT BY CINDY KAZEE



A few years ago, our club celebrated its 50th birthday. We should be proud of the fact that we are one of the oldest clubs in the PICYA, especially when you look back at our history and all the hardships we have overcome. (Be sure to take the opportunity sometime to talk with Leo and Nina McMahan about their 25 year tenure as members and officers of RVYC!)

The club originally maintained its headquarters aboard a paddle boat river steamer, the Cherokee, and the old ship's wheel is mounted in the main room of our barge in her honor. To say that we are fortunate to meet aboard another vessel with a rich history like the Elkhorn Ferry is an understatement! We are grateful for the opportunity to continue to use the barge after it was sold, and appreciate the generous terms of the lease provided to us by Kevin and Sean and Holland Riverside Marina.



It was, however, no more evident than at the Halloween Party that the club is not defined so much as the building which houses it, but by its members and affiliations. I am convinced that Joe Collins and Kim Owens could make art from a shoebox, and convert a walk-in closet into a masterpiece! Their vision and dedication into turning the clubhouse into scenes from the movie "A Nightmare Before Christmas" was incredible. The planning was truly a team effort between our clubs, and it would not

have been possible without Jo Mitchell and Colette Curtis-Brown from CIYC. Thank you to all the dinner cooks, including Colette, Frank & Joanne Beauchamp, Cookie Hanlon & John Luna, Shari & Dave Peck, Mike & Cindi Holt, Rob Mariano, and Jerry & Sherri Olson. All the help in the kitchen and clean up on Sunday morning was greatly appreciated as well. I know I have missed shouting out to all those who made the event possible, so please accept my apologies if I did not mention you by name.



A special thanks goes out to Jerry & Sherri for tending bar all night long, and for all the hard prep work that took place before the party. The Olsons come early and stay late at every event to make sure things are in order and are tireless in their efforts.

Hillary Clinton may have said that it takes a village to raise a child, but we know that it takes a boatload of people to run a club. As we transition into 2013, please consider ways that you can actively participate in our club. We need dinner hosts and cruise captains, as well as volunteers to open and close the clubhouse for dinners. At the November meeting, we will be filling a couple of open board positions, so if you are interested in a nomination, please let me know. It is going to be a great year for cruising the Delta with all of you!

IMPORTANT NEWS FROM THE BARMASTER!

By request, call brand liquor and specialty mixers are now stocked at the bar! The cost of call mixed drinks and beverages with two or more mixers (items other than fruit juice, tonic, soda, etc.) will be \$4, effective in October.

AROUND THE CLUB BY JOANNE BEAUCHAMP



- Besides being at our Club's Halloween party, Cookie and John hosted a Halloween event for their camping group and put on a carnitas dinner while staying on Cookie's boat...Later in the month, they will head to Pismo Beach for their annual Thanksgiving week. Life is good!!
- In addition to having the club's November dinner at their home, the Dalleskes are hosting a Thanksgiving dinner with Mikki's daughter and sister's families. The sister is the one who had the double lung transplant last year and is a graduate of the Culinary Academy and with Gary being in charge of the turkey; it should be a fantastic meal. They are not sure where they will be for Christmas as the daughter and family will be in Maine with other relatives.
- On another note, Yummie will be 14 on November 14th and is still able to jump around which is amazing with all the medical problems he has endured.
- Joe Collins is going to see a heart transplant specialist on the 15th of this month so he can get on their radar. We hope you will let us know the results, Joe. For Thanksgiving, he is leaving the state and spending time with friends in Texas where there will be lots of good food and lots of shooting!!! (Guns or Tequila?)
- The Olsons love having fun with grandkids, Allie and Chase, as often as they can. They will be spending the holidays with family but not sure where as of this writing. They want to thank some folks that helped with the Halloween Party...Joanne for helping serve in the kitchen and with her friend, Kay, cleaning the kitchen and hallway floors. Also, thanks go to Cookie and Cindy for their help with breakfast and other things. Also, "Thanks" to Joe and Kim for excellent decorations. The party was great and the food "super". Also, a big "Thank You" to you, Jerry and Sherri, for all you do in preparing the clubhouse for the events we have there.
- Guess where Leo and Nina McMahan are spending Thanksgiving? They are going on a 15 day cruise to Hawaii where they will be making stops at the various islands. Aren't we all envious? Aloha and may you have calm seas! For Christmas, they hope to travel to their grandson's new home in Temecula. His wife is Japanese and it is a custom for them, when they buy a new house, to invite all of their family to spend Christmas with them.
- John Howard will be spending both holidays with nieces and nephews in the Bay area.
- Kaylee Kazee is playing basketball on the middle school girl's team this winter She is one of two 6th graders to be drafted, and is the shortest one on the team. Zak recently passed the ham radio license test and joins his parents and his grandpa in the hobby. He has great ideas about how ham radio can be used by scouts on hikes and in response to emergencies. The Kazees are looking forward to camping with Cookie and John for the first part of the Thanksgiving week, and to Cindy's dad's annual visit at Christmas.
- The Beauchamp family has been busy getting some of Frank's old trucks, tractors, and other farm items ready for an auction on November 10th in Sacramento. Joanne hopes it is successful enough to take them on a trip to Hawaii. Thanksgiving will find them at Joanne's niece's home in Fair Oaks and at their older son's home for Christmas dinner. They are so glad that the next generation has taken over these festive occasions.
- P.S. I sure wish you new members would share some of your family news with us!



Follow a journey on the road to Alaska by RV through Steve Zigler's weekly email musings:

ON THE ROAD—WEEK 5



So, we're back on terra firma. I forgot how much fun it is to drive all day,.....everyday,..... in the rain! I guess we signed on for this, can't stop now. We forgot how *&!##* the roads are in the Yukon Territory, lots of gravel and mud. We seem to make really good time travelling when "you know who?" is driving. (rhymes with Laura) MPG? Everywhere we go, it's "don't feed the bears," "don't feed the moose," "don't feed the bald eagles." Geez, too many rules around here! Cheer up Steve, you could be at work. So, I'll bet none of you have ever participated in a sourdough pancake toss? Jealous, aren't you? We happened to stop at the North Pole on the way to Fairbanks. That's right, the town of North Pole, AK. Stopped by Santa's house, not home today. We also celebrated 23 years of wedded bliss last week. Maybe that's why I'm so cheerful. (that's a joke, Maura). On our anniversary, we stayed at Chena Hot Springs, outside Fairbanks. They have an ice museum there, completely made of ice inside. Four bedrooms (you can rent overnight), wedding chapel, bar, fireplace and lots of ice sculptures. A must see, if your in the area. Denali National Park was a stop for us yesterday. The fall colors are quite striking. Didn't see any frickin bears or moose, thank god! Stopped by Sarah and Todd's house in Wasilla yesterday, but they were out hunting moose, not home. It's moose hunting season and everyone hunts moose. You can shoot them, but don't feed them! Today, we are in Palmer, AK and the Alaska State Fair. Can't wait to see the plastic bag crochet exhibit and the baby pig race. As you can probably tell, this RV is getting smaller and smaller, but we are still having fun. (right, Maura?). She concurs. So until our next show, remember....."Bertram's your Butler"

ON THE ROAD—WEEK 6



Well, we have been on the road now for over six weeks (6K mi.) and we finally turned the Ballpark Express around and are headed towards home. It's kind of funny how the direction you are travelling can dictate your mood. Maura is happy, Steve is happy, Lily is happy...Let's all be happy! The last thing I remember was going to the Alaska State Fair. Let me put it this way, if you are planning the make the trip to Palmer, AK for the fair, don't bother. I'll send you pictures of the dog show, a 200 lb. pumpkin and the lumberjack show. That's it! And it was pouring down rain...perfect! I missed the Reno Rib Cookoff for this? So, after an exciting time at the fair, we headed south to Seward, AK., starting point for the Iditarod dog sled race. Lily wasn't too interested. Then it was down to Homer on the southern tip of the Kenai peninsula, home of the famous Salty Dawg Bar. The fishing here is great during the summer, but it is fall and no one is salmon fishing now. This was our turn around point. We pressed on northwards to Kenai (old Russian town) on the mouth of the Kenai River. It's starting to get cold now and rainy! So, from here, we are backtracking towards Canada. We stopped in Whitehorse, YT and visited Maura's cousin. She owns the Whitehorse Star newspaper. We can't go anywhere without seeing somebody we know! We also stopped in Watson Lake, YT and placed our sign in the Signpost Forest. (2,489.1 mi. to So Lake Tahoe). It has over 70,000 signs from all over the world. A soldier working on the highway in 1942 put up a mileage sign to his home town, and others have followed. Oh yeah, I forgot the best part. We are currently getting 93 cents for every US dollar while we are here and diesel has been as high as \$7+ in remote areas, and don't even think about buying beer here! Note to self: "Do not stop for fuel in remote parts of the Yukon." But, on the plus side, we are in a frickin wild animal drive-thru zoo! The other day we saw moose, big horn sheep, mountain

goats, buffalo, caribou, grizzly bear and even wild horses all within about 100 miles. On that same subject, Maura had some trouble with the authorities on a fuel stop. She was caught feeding the moose (see pic). I guess she didn't read the last email. Well, we must be off, remember.....who's your daddy?



ON THE ROAD—WEEK 7

So, after over seven weeks and almost eight thousand miles, we arrived home yesterday safe and sound. The Ballpark Express made the trip without a hitch, although we did rattle a few things loose along the way. Once we turned around and headed for home, there was no stopping. The problem was, it takes a couple of weeks to get here. Probably the "highlight" on the trip home was the border crossing into the US from Canada. The customs agent pulled us over to be searched because we had some firewood on board. Then the interrogation began. We forgot we had some limes in the ice chest and were "Busted for Limes." Technically, a \$300 fine for not reporting it. After an hour of reprimands and degrading interrogation, we were let off with a warning and a cheerful, "Welcome Home." Well, I don't need to tell you, we were very upset with the attitude of the customs agent and the way we were treated. We must be the Lime Smugglers! It's a good thing they didn't find the Mexicans hiding under the bed! Well, the rest of the trip was pretty uneventful. We visited some good friends in Gig Harbor, WA (Lisa and Russell) for a couple of days. The rest of the trip we tried to stay off the major highways and did, for the most part. Got to visit with Maura's brother and wife in Klamath Falls, OR. Jeez,...we can't go anywhere? Had a great visit. We want to thank all of you for coming on our trip with us. We enjoyed the comments and feedback. We'll do it again.....probably next summer. Until then, adios, para Esteban y Maria!

2013 HOLIDAY PARTY AND CHANGE OF WATCH



Sunday, December 16
2:00 PM–5:00 PM
Peter's Steakhouse
203 2nd Street, Isleton



Please bring an unwrapped gift for a child. Gifts will be donated to St. Johns Shelter for Women and Children

RSVP Form

Meals include baked potato, vegetable, house salad, bread and butter. Soft drinks, coffee and tea are also included.

Entrées	Quantity		Member Cost	Total
8 oz Prime Rib	_____	x	\$15	\$_____
10 oz NY Strip Steak	_____	x	\$15	\$_____
Chicken Breast	_____	x	\$15	\$_____
Salmon Filet	_____	x	\$15	\$_____
Vegetarian	_____	x	\$15	\$_____
<u>Kids Meals:</u>				
Chicken Strips	_____	x	\$7	\$_____
Cheeseburger	_____	x	\$7	\$_____

TOTAL ENCLOSED: \$ _____

Member name(s): _____

Please return to Cindy Kazee no later than December 7: 1236 41st Avenue, Sacramento, CA 95822. Questions? Call (916) 207-8632.

Non-member cost is \$27 for entrées, \$13 for kids. Make checks payable to *River View Yacht Club*.





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River View Yacht Club was first recognized by the PICYA in December 1955. The old Sacramento River steamer "Cherokee" was our original home until deteriorating conditions led to its demise in 1967. RVYC currently hosts meetings and events at the clubhouse moored at Holland Riverside Marina in Brentwood and other locations in the Sacramento and Delta region. Our club meets monthly for dinner and meetings on the third weekend of the month, and cruises April through October on the fourth weekends. Guests are always welcome aboard!

NOV 17—SATURDAY DINNER & MTG

At Mikki & Gary Dalleske's home

Meeting at 4:30 PM

Dinner served at 6:00 PM

RSVP to John Howard, (916) 961-8502

DEC 16—Holiday Party & Change of Watch

2 PM @ Peter's Steakhouse in Isleton

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