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**JANUARY 4th, 2023** 







GUEST SPEAKER: MARK KANUCK -

"BAREBOAT SAILING ADVENTURE IN THE GREEK ISLANDS"

BY ELLEN HENDERSON; PIX: ARCHIVES

At a previous SHBC meeting in the fall of 2019, **Mark and Ann Kanuck** were our guest speakers. They gave a presentation on: **"Alaska & Canada"**. **Mark** was also guest speaker at our March, 2022 meeting on their **"FALL FOLIAGE ADVENTURE"** So, **Mark** is back with a **new topic:** 

Plan to attend our SHBC Monthly Meeting on Wednesday, 04JAN2023.

#### Acropolis and Parthenon in Athens

#### Sailboats at Anchor





## SHBC BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES - JAN., 2023

By ELLEN HENDERSON, PIX: ARCHIVES

Congratulations to all of those SHBC Members, whose Birthdays & Anniversaries are ringing in the New Year in January. It seems we have multiple members, who were born on the same day!

#### Birthdays:

- 1-5 Leslie Sindt
- 1-7 Nancy Farina
- 1-8 Ellie Curran
- 1-13 Dick Greenhalgh
- 1-14 Emily Wagner
- 1-16 Skip Meadows
- 1-16 Wendy Pioquinto
- 1-21 Peter Ubillos--→
- 1-24 Virginia Stein
- 1-25 Connie Pope
- 1-25 Debbie Roberto
- 1-26 Tom Potter
- 1-26 Bob Sullivan
- 1-27 Joe Rezendes
- 1-29 Alice Rezendes
- 1-31 Dianne Stebbins



1-2 Jack & Bonnie Box-







# MEET OUR NEWLY ELECTED 2023 SAFETY HARBOR BOAT CLUB OFFICERS



By ELLEN HENDERSON; PIX: ARCHIVES

We had elections, per our bylaws, at our December 7<sup>th</sup> Club Meeting. So here are the **NEWLY ELECTED** SHBC Officers for 2023:

**Commodore: Joan Marzi** 

Vice Commodore: Ron Carew with John Viverito & Ron Poirson Assisting

Secretary: Linda Maksel and Marion Ruuge-Aronson

**Treasurer: Linda Brandt** 

Commodore: Joan Marzi - Joan Marzi will be completing her 9th year as an SHBC member.



Joan was previously the Club's Commodore for two terms and Club Secretary, (Scribe) plus 4 years as Club Treasurer. Joan initiated the Halloween Costume Party contest to coincide with the Club's annual Chili Cook-off. She also was a big help with our various parties' food set up and assisted in the party decorations process, as well as organizing the Decorating of the Club Float in the SH Annual Holiday Parade.

Vice Commodore: Ron Carew - Ron attended our Club's Feb. 2022 Monthly Meeting and was



introduced to the Safety Harbor Boat Club by receiving an email letter from our former SHBC Officer Mark Kanuck, who is the retired Commodore Emeritus. Ron joined SHBC in March 2022. In May Ron was the Co-Chair of our annual SHBC Memborial Day Party.

Assisting Vice Commodore: John Viverito, a semi-retired Pediatrician, was one of the



founding members of SHBC and most recently is still Race Co-Chair. Other Officer positions held by John were Commodore, Vice Commodore several times plus he filled in as Co-Scribe for 2019-21. In addition, in the pre-covid years, John & his wife Renee organized Summer fun events: Trivia Nights at JACK WILLIE'S & GRIND HOUSE + Taco Tuesday @ Bar Fly plus Pinellas Trail Bike Ride to Johnny's Tap House in Tarpon Springs plus a recent Bike Ride in the SH area. John also participated in the Cruise to the BAHAMA BREEZE Restaurant, MEMORIAL DAY POTLUCK PARTY and a previous HALLOWEEN /

CHILI COOK-OFF PARTY.

Assisting Vice Commodore: Ron Poirson, who has been a SHBC member since 2008 and was formerly the Club's Treasurer, Vice Commodore and had 3 terms as Commodore. Ron has participated in Pinellas Trail Bike Ride from Dunedin to Tarpon Springs and he raced his former sailboat, a 1989 Pearson 27 ft sailboat

"Wanderlust" for several seasons.



Treasurer: Linda Brandt joined SHBC IN 2015 and participated in our Club's TOUR OF PORT



**TAMPA BAY** that year. In 2016 **Linda** was elected to her first term of office as our Club **Treasurer**. **Linda Brandt is a CPA...**has spent 18 years in accounting and has been the Finance Officer for 7 years for the Coast Guard Auxiliary - Flotilla 74, which is an appointed position over 6 Flotillas. **In 2018 Linda** was elected as **Vice Commodore**. **Linda** will also continue on as one of our SHBC Club Photographers/Videographers.

Co-Secretary, (Scribe): Marion Ruuge-Aronson will be taking "pen in hand or computer at



fingertips" again for her **2nd year** during our 2022 Club's Meetings. Marion has been in the Club since March 2020. **Marion** had previously participated with SHBC on the Port Tampa Boat Tour on the Hillsboro River and the Sun & Fun Fly-In at the Lakeland Linder (International) Airport as a member of Friendship Force. **Marion** originally sailed on a Sunfish with her first husband on a lake in Upstate NY. She's now retired, but she had been a Professional Designer of Children's Clothing and had also worked in Computer Graphics for Dillard's in

the Advertising Dept. (Marion designed our Commemorative Program Flyer for our Safety Harbor Boat Club-20th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION). Marion studied Fashion Design at the Fashion Institute Technology (FIT) in NYC. She also has a degree in Computer Graphics. She grew up in Queens, NY. Marion has lived in Florida for 25 years and she also has a home in the mountains of Tenn. Among her hobbies are Kayaking (she wants to sign up for our Club's next Kayak Trip). Marion has been racing with SHBC and has crewed (preCovid-19) on "John Marie", "Incentive" (now "Green Eyed Lady") and "Pegasus".

Co-Secretary, (Scribe): Linda Maksel attended our Club's 2022 Annual Change of Watch



Party and was introduced to the Safety Harbor Boat Club by Marion Ruuge-Aronson, her SHBC Co-Scribe. Linda joined SHBC in March 2022. She is looking forward to participating in upcoming SHBC Sailboat Cruises, Kayak Trips and future Party Events. Over the Summer Linda joined us for both the July & Aug. SHBC TRIVIA NIGHTS AT OUTPOST 611. She assisted as Co-Scribe over several months in 2022 and was Event Co-Organizer for our participation in the SH HOLIDAY PARADE.

Many thanks to our 2022 officers for a job well done:

**Commodore: Vacant** 

**Commodore Emeritus: Mark Kanuck** 

**Vice Commodore: John Viverito (+ Co-Race Chair)** 

**Treasurer: Joan Marzi** 

(Scribe) Marion Ruuge-Aronson and Linda Maksel

Other Future Committee Heads (It takes a Village) during 2023:

**Newsletter Editor & Webmaster: Mikey Hembrey** 

**Facebook Manager: Paula Taylor** 

Co-Race Chair: John Viverito, Ron Poirson & Chris Dollin

SH Christmas/Holiday Parade Float: Bonnie Monroe; Mark Kanuck(Reservations);

Organizer: (TBD)

Guest Speaker Recruiter & Head Party Decorator : Ellen Henderson

**Cruising Chair: Brian Garry** 

Liaison to Safety Harbor Public Library: John Viverito

Club Merchandise Manager: Linda Brandt

Party Hosts: TBD

Club Photographers & Videographers: Linda Brandt, Dick Greenhalgh, Debbie Irving &

Renee Viverito and Paula Taylor

SHBC FREE "SURVIVAL AT SEA" CLASS: Brian Garry

Funerals at Sea Organizer: Dick Greenhalgh

Trips Organizer: (FREE BOAT TOUR OF THE PORT OF TAMPA, FUN 'N SUN

INTERNATIONAL FLY-IN & EXPO): Ellen Henderson

**TOUR OF Cortez Maritime Museum, etc. TBD** 

Liaison to City of Safety Harbor: TBD Kayaking at (to be determined): TBD

# **HAPPY NEW YEAR!!!**

To all our SHBC Members. May you and your families have a healthy and prosperous 2023! - Safety Harbor Boat Club



# THE DEATH OF 4 BELOVED GREAT HORNED OWLS IN Safety Harbor

BY JOHN HERRICK



JOHN HERRICK HAS PETITIONED THE EPA re: the deaths of at least four beloved great horned owls in Safety Harbor. The EPA may restrict certain rat poisons

The federal agency has proposed a new way to limit damage to wildlife.

This is a reference to an Apr 2022 news story. Here is a link to the original story.

https://www.tbnweekly.com/clearwater\_beacon/safety\_harbor/article\_0011e584-bcf2-11ec-9388-d3fa8bcb72c4.html

# REMEMBERING SHBC MEMBERS WHO PASSED AWAY DURING 2022

From Archive with edits by ELLEN HENDERSON; PIX - ARCHIVES

Unfortunately, we lost some beloved SHBC Members during 2022: DALE CUDDEBACK, JUNE HOROWITZ, BOB MEADOWS and LANCE HEMBREY.

#### MEMORIAL FOR DALE CUDDEBACK - TUE. - NOV. 8, 2022

BY ELLEN HENDERSON; PIX: ARCHIVES



In Memory of Dale Cuddeback 1933 - 2022 Dale Eugene Cuddeback, 89, sadly passed away on October 30th, 2022.

Dale was born in Manitou, Oklahoma on October 28th, 1933 and he passed away at his home in Clearwater, Florida just 2 days after his 89<sup>th</sup> Birthday.

He is survived by his wife, Elizabeth, his brother Harold Cuddeback, his sons Douglas and Gary Cuddeback, as well as

numerous grandchildren, nieces and nephews. He will be deeply missed.

A memorial service was held in his honor at the Veterans Memorial Marina Park at the Safety Harbor City Marina, 110 Veterans Memorial Lane, Safety Harbor, FL 34695 on Tuesday, November 8th at 1:30 p.m. Pastor Douglas Poole, from Cypress Meadows Community Church, who is also a sailor and fellow member of SHBC, officiated the service. An anonymous \$100 donation made to SHBC for Rev. Poole was matched with \$100 from our SHBC Club account.

Over 50 friends, relatives and neighbors attended the Memorial and several spoke lovingly of Dale's many kindnesses. He certainly earned his place in Heaven. From his sons Gary and Doug, we learned about Dale's soccer coaching for many years and on how Dale became a sailor. Dale was one of the Founding Members of SHBC IN 2000. When Dale was SHBC Commodore in 2009-'10, he was completely supportive of the Boat Club's inaugural "Bikini Cup" Regatta, which produced 18 entries of women sailors in its second year. Dale filled his boat "Incentive" with "Bikini Cup" female racers, which he coached.

# In memory and honor of Dale Cuddeback a fellow sailor and a founding member of the Safety Harbor Boat Club. May he enjoy fair winds and calm seas. Anonymous

Safety Harbor Boat Club

Please accept this donation in memory of our first real friend in Safety Harbor, Dale Cuddeback.

I first met Dale as he helped me guide my boat into slip 21 Looking back maybe he was just trying to protect all the other boats from my poor boating skills. Nevertheless we became friends when I mentioned we lived just 5 minutes from a small MY town named Cuddebackville We always talked about Dale visiting us in MY and touring Cuddebackville but regretfully that never happened.

Special thanks to Daug Paale for his words of faith and hope and to Dick Greenhalgh for overcoming obstacles of lawn equipment and wind in order to give all of us an opportunity to remember this great friend.

Mike Hornbuckle Gan Muller

#### IN MEMORIAM: JUNE HOROWITZ

**PIX: ARCHIVES** 



June Horowitz, wife of Marty Horowitz, (a long time SHBC member and former officer and race chair) passed away on August 22. The Safety Harbor Boat Club wishes to offer our condolences and prayers to Marty and the family members June left behind: her Brother Robert and his family in Seattle. June was a steadfast crew along with Marty on "Incentive" with DALE. Before moving to Safety Harbor June & Marty sailed their boat off Long Island. They then sailed their boat down the East Coast and sailed/raced for many years in Biscayne Bay.

# In Memoriam..... SHBC MEMBER BOB MEADOWS HAS PASSED AWAY

By Ellen Henderson; Pix: Archives



With sadness, we are sorry to have announced the passing of **BOB MEADOWS** a formerly active

member of SHBC. Skip Meadows has lost her husband after a short stay in a local nursing home.

Some Club members will remember Bob and Skip as active members of the Club over several

years. They became less active in our activities as Bob became ill. He was 83 and he passed away on March 31, 2022.

Among Bob & Skip's activities, in which they participated was when our SHBC then Cruising Chair, Mark Kanuck organized four Club sailboats for his planned cruise to St. Pete over the 3-day weekend. Mark K. and his crew: wife, Ann K., plus Bob and Skip Meadows departed from the Seminole St. Marina on their Endeavor 33', "Rum Line".

Bob also led our Club on a tour of Honeymoon Island, as he was very active in promoting their education center.

In addition to a Funeral Mass at St. Michael's Roman Catholic Church in Dunedin on Monday, May 2nd, SHBC Member **Bob Meadows' life** was also celebrated at our **SHBC Memorial Day Party** on Monday, May 30th. For all of us who knew him and his indomitable spirit in the face of great odds and his love of boating (and sailors), he was a joy to be around.

## OBIT: IN LOVING MEMORY LANCE DERRICK HEMBREY -

August 9, 1988 - July 12, 2022

BY ELLEN HENDERSON; PHOTOS: Sylvan Abbey Funeral Home



**Mikey Hembrey's** son **Lance** passed away just a month before his 34<sup>th</sup> Birthday in the hospital on the morning of July 12, from a fall, resulting in a brain bleed.

Many current & formerly active SHBC Members attended **Lance's** Memorial service, which was held on Friday, July 15 at Sylvan Abbey Funeral Home in Clearwater. Our hearts go out to Mikey, his other son Jason, his Daughters-in-Law, teen, pre-teen, and toddler Granddaughters and other extended family members and to many of **Lance's** friends who attended his **Celebration of Life**.

Lance was a night shift manager at Burger King and working towards his Accounting degree. His favorite saying was, "It is what it is."

## **SAVE THE DATE:**

Mardi Gras / Valentines / Change-of-Watch Party SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 18

1:00PM

Under the Pavilions at the Safety Harbor Marina Veteran's Memorial Park, Safety Harbor, Fl







# 2022 SAFETY HARBOR HOLIDAY PARADE - SATURDAY DEC. 3rd

By Ellen Henderson; Pix: MARK MONROE + Archives

The City of Safety Harbor Holiday Parade is one of the highlights of the year for the Safety Harbor Boat Club (SHBC). Proposed plans for floats, marching bands and other parade entries are submitted to the city for approval on application forms released by the city using email. The city approves the applications and assigns parade positions by email also. This year Mark Kanuck downloaded the parade notice, obtained the application papers and filled them out immediately, vying for an early position in the parade. We were given permission to decorate the Sunfish Sailboat, again donated by SHBC Member Bonnie Monroe, who also provided all of the amazing boat and truck decorations this year. We were in our usual place in the marina parking lot and awaited the start of the parade.



At precisely 9:59 am we were summoned into our parade assigned spot. We had been surrounded by the Classic well preserved Muscle Cars, such as Corvettes, Ford Thunderbirds, etc. Most of these cars were from the 1960's and many identified as being from other states. The engine roars always sent out chills of excitement when the drivers really open them up. Our Parade neighbors were also authentically Uniform Clad Revolutionary War Soldiers plus vintage Jeeps and other Military Vehicles.

Nineteen SHBC members and Freedom Boat Camp employees and guests turned out to decorate the float and walk in the parade. The members were: Club Co-Secretary/Scribe Marion Ruuge-Aronson, who was the Club's Parade Coordinator this year. The Float Driver was Meil's son, who is still on his quest for a spot on the US Olympic Sailing Team.

Sunfish Sailboat provider Bonnie Monroe, her son Mark and five other members of her Freedom Boat Camp handed out hundreds of beads that they brought. Vice Commodore John & his wife Renee Viverito, Event Co-Organizer/Club Treasurer Joan Marzi, Linda Brandt, Club Co-Secretary/Scribe Linda Maksel, Ron Carew, Ellen Henderson, brand new Club Member Kim Brenden-Price all showed up to participate. When the decoration squad finished, we all stood in front of our float and posed for group pictures snapped by Mark Monroe, who was the day's photographer and he came prepared with a tripod. The decorators finished early and so we had time for pictures of all who helped.

Since the parade started early again this year at 10:00 am, lunch was postponed until after the completion of the Parade. Several members dressed in Christmas costumes, while others sported SHBC T-Shirts. The club officers wisely decided not to pass out candy. Instead, we doubled the number of beads, which the parade watchers seem to enjoy more anyway. **Ron Poirson** again made his purchase of the beads from his previous source in Lutz. We had cautioned ourselves not to over-distribute the beads at the beginning of the parade, so we would have some left for the kids at the end of the parade route down Main street. However, we still ran out of beads at about 90% along the Parade Route, which worked out pretty well this year. Our Club Banner carriers were **John V., Ron Carew** and **Marion Ruuge-Aronson,** who were in front of the float towing vehicle and that worked out well.

SHBC had participated in the parade for many years. Our first parade entry was in 2002 (best



guess) and the SHBC float entry has always been a sailboat heavily decorated by Christmas ornaments (bubbles, bobbles, bangles and bright shinny beads). Our SHBC parade walkers sauntered along in front of, beside and behind the float while distributing the handout strings of beads. The boat float looked great and might have even stood out in a Key West parade. Somehow, we detected a large measure of flair and pride in our float. The weather was delightful with temperatures climbing to the low eighties with a light intermittent breeze.

Bonnie Monroe again came to the rescue by providing her Sunfish, which she uses with her Freedom Boat Camp. The Sunfish's Lateen Rig tacked several times during the Parade as the wind shifted. Most of us were exhausted at the end. At the parade end we hurriedly undecorated the boat and took down the mast. Bonnie then towed the boat back to her home. Most of the decorators went to the Whistle Stop Restaurant, where the World Soccer Cup was being

broadcast. We were able to observe the rest of the Parade that was behind us from this vantage viewing spot. It seemed that the most popular character this year was the **Grinch**, of which there were many this season. Of course, the Star of the Parade at the end of all the entrants is always **Santa** and he didn't disappoint us.

It was a great parade for such a small town as Safety Harbor. A wonderful time was had by all. A special thanks and a "job well done" to all those members and guests who participated. Yeah, our Safety Harbor Boat Club is the best!!! A few members chose not to walk in the parade. They instead decided to mingle among the parade bystanders and wave and cheer for our SHBC entry.

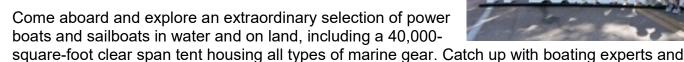
P.S.: A shout-out and special recognition goes out to our club officers and several others who donate significant time and efforts throughout the year.

See a short YouTube video at this link from the 2019 Parade: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DeLGcbHrtqc&authuser=0

# ST. PETERSBURG POWER & SAILBOAT SHOW - January 19-22, 2023

BY ELLEN HENDERSON; PIX: ARCHIVES/INTERNET

The **45th Annual St. Petersburg Power & Sailboat Show** is the largest boat show on the Gulf Coast! The show takes place **Thursday, JAN. 19 through Sunday, JAN. 22, 2023** at the Duke Energy Center for the Arts, Mahaffey Theater Yacht Basin and Albert Whitted Park in St. Petersburg, Florida - 400 1st Street South, St. Petersburg, FL 33701.





learn about the latest features and innovations in the marine industry. Show-goers will be excited to find hundreds of power boats and sailboats including family cruisers, runabouts, fishing boats, magnificent sailing yachts, personal watercraft and so much more! Make sure to attend the **FREE SEMINARS** on various topics including boat maintenance, fishing, and the cruising lifestyle.

Captains and experts in a wide variety of sailing-related concepts will give presentations, do demonstrations, and provide sage advice about undergoing various passages around the world. There will be different speakers, topics, and demonstrations each day. Among these seminars is HOOK THE FUTURE!, a free Kids' Fishing Clinic open to all children between the ages of 4 and 16. They feature marine life experts who teach kids basic fishing techniques through entertaining and educational stations hosted by Captain Don Dingman.

New to the St. Petersburg Power and Sailboat show program are the **Annapolis School of Sailing On-Water Training Courses**. They consist of hour-long training courses where attendees will have the opportunity to learn different aspects of boating safety from U.S. Coast Guard Licensed Captains from the Annapolis School of Seamanship.

#### **SHOW SCHEDULE JAN. 19-22, 2023**

- Thu. JAN. 19, 10am 6pm
- Fri. JAN. 20, 10am 6pm
- Sat. JAN. 21, 10am 7pm
- Sun. JAN. 22, 10am 5pm



#### **IMPORTANT: NO PETS ALLOWED**. GENERAL ADMISSION

Adult: \$21; Child (15 and under): FREE "Kids Experience" Free admission for all children 15 and under. Veterans and Active-Duty Military: Simply show proof of military service for a free ticket. [**Ed. Note:** If you have "VETERAN" on your FL Driver's License, you have proof of your Veteran status and do not need a copy of your DD-214 document.]

FOR MORE INFO - VISIT: https://www.stpeteboatshow.com

### WELCOME NEW MEMBER: KIM BRENDEN-PRICE

BY ELLEN HENDERSON: PIX BY KIM BRENDEN-PRICE



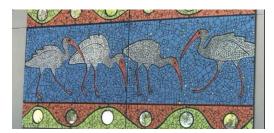
KIM BRENDEN-PRICE was born in Minnesota. She acquired a Degree in Business Administration with an EMS Management focus. Kim also graduated from a 2 year Paramedic Hospital Program. She's a Technical Trainer in which she trains medical staff on how to document patient care in a software program.

She moved to FL in 2019 for a new job. Kim's previous athletic endeavors included: playing soccer, basketball, softball and tennis. Kim grew up sailing small boats: sunfish/phantoms plus small catamarans and she went canoeing on Lake Champlain in upstate NY. She spent time last Jan - July cruising and racing out of Gulfport FL.

Kim currently has no pets. Her hobbies are: Sailing, kayaking, gardening, and DIY projects.

# ARTISTS SOUGHT FOR Safety Harbor MARINA MURAL

ARTICLE: PALM HARBOR BEACH; EDITED: ELLEN HENDERSON



For those of you who are artistically inclined, the SAFETY HARBOR Public Works Department and the SAFETY HARBOR PUBLIC ART COMMITTEE are seeking proposals for a storm drain mural to be painted on the concrete viewing pad of the new baffle box observation hatches at Marina Park.

The Deadline for submission is JAN. 31. For more information or application procedure, visit: cityofsafetyharbor.com/53/Public-Art-Committee.

The baffle box viewing pad is just South of 110 Veterans Memorial Lane, Safety Harbor.

## Freedom Sailing Camp Needs Volunteers

By LISA LANZA & BONNIE MONROE, EDITED BY ELLEN HENDERSON; PIX: ARCHIVES

SHBC Member, Bonnie Monroe, who provided the Sunfish Sailboat for the SH Holiday



Parade in both 2021 & 2022, also heads a non-profit organization called Freedom Sailing Camp of Florida, Inc. This camp runs from early June to the end of July, 9 AM to 1PM. Over the years Bonnie and other educators have developed a program geared to teaching sailing to high functioning autistic children ages 8-18. The



program is **recognized by U.S. Sailing**. She too needs volunteers. So, she asks SHBC Members

to consider maybe splitting their time between the City of Safety Harbor and Freedom Sailing Camp. Bonnie Monroe Freedom Sailing Camp of Florida, Inc. freedomsailingcamp@gmail.com

If you want to learn more about individuals on the Autistic Spectrum, there's a current **Documentary: "In a Different Key"**, which discusses those Autistic individuals, with interviews. It's currently being broadcast on PBS.

## **Spring Break:**

Freedom Sailing Camp will again have their Spring Break Sailing Dates are March 13th until 17th, registration is open for 18 spots. 10am until 2pm at Philippe Park, Safety Harbor.

#### Freedom needs Volunteers to:

- 1. Take trailers to and from the boat ramp each time we are out to sail.
- 2. Volunteers to tack up the sailboats and help when we finish for the day. This would be a great time for our continueing sailors to learn a new skill.
- 3. Fundraisers ideas and volunteers to run the fundraisers.
- 4. Volunteers for promotion events.
- 5. Summer Camp volunteer training, March 4th, 9am.

#### News for 2023

Weekend sailing will start back up on March 4,2023.

Spring Break Camp will be on March 13-17,2023

Our Annual Come Out and Meet Us event will be on May 20th 10am-2pm.

Summer Camp programs will start in June, running through July 28th

We are looking for sponsors if you know anyone that would like to help a wonderful autistic youth and adult summer camp and sailing program. Please have them contact me at freedomsailingcamp@gmail.com

## Your Power Bill Money at Work

By Mikey



Ever wonder what the power company is doing with the bills (money) you pay to them? These enterprises are considered a Monopoly, so they have restrictions on the profits.

But, are there restrictions on what they can do to reduce the reported profit? Apparently **not**.

I ran across this article and being the Poo Stirrer that I am, I could not resist sharing this one.

https://www.npr.org/2022/12/19/1143753129/power-companies-florida-alabama-media-investigation-consulting-firm

# SOUTHERN CARIBBEAN CRUISE - ABC ISLANDS ON THE CELEBRITY EQUINOX - 10/06-10/15/2022

**ARTICLE & PIX MARION RUUGE-ARONSON** 

It was my first-time cruising on a **Celebrity Ship**. I was very impressed with the ambiance, entertainment, cuisine and safety protocol. Almost perfect weather, though we got a bit wet during our stop in **Bonaire**. I hadn't had the opportunity to visit there before and enjoyed experiencing flamingos in their natural habitat and the salt mines.

The first port of call was **Grand Cayman** where we visited a rum factory and spent time with the dolphins. Next up was **Aruba** with its amazing beaches.

**Curação** is always one of my favorites with the colorful buildings, swinging bridge, old fort and of course the shops. A few of the highlights of my trip were, glassblowing on the 14th deck, where I created a flower, the silent disco, line dancing to ABBA in the atrium, and participating in a flash mob performance on the pool deck. As you can tell, I had a great time.

Glass blowing aboard the ship





The Celebrity Equinox









Taking it in Aruba













#### **Bonaire**





Pics from Curacao







## KAYAKING DURING THE HOLIDAY SEASON

JOHN HERRICK: LINKS & CAPTIONS



With a lot of sunscreen on, we went kayaking. It was windy and took a lot of effort to paddle. I took my camera that will take movies. It only recorded the last seven minutes of the three-hour trip, Here are the videos it did record:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RivFOtxzkT4 Egrets

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0p6BK nRrJM Dolphin swimming after breakfast

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=P1ZRCc44kZQ lbis

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=b2AN1cPn3zY Flamingos! Fun Flamingo Facts for Kids

## A BEAUTIFUL DAY KAYAKING!

By: KIM BRENDEN-PRICE; PIX: KIM BRENDEN-PRICE + INTERNET

Last Friday I broke the mold and took a much-needed day off from work and spent the morning doing one of my most favorite activities – **kayaking**.

**Joan Marzi** and I had planned to do a tandem kayak event that ended up being much more involved than either of us was comfortable enough with out, so we went out for a bit of practice first. I have only used a sit in single kayak and never been on a sit on or in a tandem and Joan had been out in a tandem kayak only once before. Today was our first practice day!

We put in at **Dunedin Causeway** (shout out to **Sail Honeymoon** for the easy, friendly rental process) and spent a beautiful morning practicing paddling, getting in sync with each other and getting the feel of using a tandem kayak. We kayaked for 2 hrs. and it we stayed on **St Joseph Sound** area. The kayak rental was \$45.00 for 2 hrs.

We could not have asked for a better day with full sun and light wind and light boat traffic on the water! I think we are ready for many more kayaking adventures!!







## Jazz, Blues & Beyond

ARTICLE: ELLEN HENDERSON; FLYER: SAFETY HARBOR LIBRARY

Join us for another FREE JAZZ CONCERT on THURS., JANUARY 19 @ 7:00 PM at the SAFETY HARBOR LIBRARY

Thursday, January 19, 2023 7:00pm - 9:00pm Meeting Room A/B

Age Group: Adults



#### **Program Description:**

Swing with "Terez and her Fireband" to classic and modern jazz numbers.

There are many artists and genres that have influenced Terez Firewoman's signature writing, vocal and performance style over the years, so the best way to bottom-line her identity as an artist is to say that all she writes and presents carries with it:

- The fire of rock-n-roll
- The raw expressiveness of blues, R & B, and soul
- The varied textures of jazz & international music
- The honesty of country
- A "good vibe" angle and empowered take on life

Beverages for donation to support the Safety Harbor Public Library Foundation.

Safety Harbor Public Library 101 2nd St North Safety Harbor, FL 34695 (727) 724-1525

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