

## Harbor Cruise, TGIT, and more



The temperature was in the balmy 70's and the blanket of fog lifted just in time for the first Harbor Party Boat Cruise that set sail on Monday, January 30. According to second VP and party cruise chair Jerry Reckman, a full capacity of 147 snowbirds boarded the Southern Star for two hours of socializing, drinking, and dancing to the music of Bobby D. All were hoping to catch some friendly dolphins dancing in the waves along with them. The next cruise has been moved from Monday, February 6, to Monday, February 20, so that our newly arriving February snowbirds will have

enough time to settle in and get signed up. Jerry will be selling tickets for that cruise at each Tuesday morning meeting while they last.

Speaking of the Tuesday morning meetings, the Roost has been filled to capacity every meeting since the New Year began. A collection had been taken up for Children in Crisis a few weeks ago, and last week a packed Roost was able to witness President Ruth Becket present a check for nearly \$2,000 to CIC President and CEO Ken Hair.



One reason the room was so packed was because snowbird favorite Todd Herendeen was there to entertain. Todd and his band stayed in town to entertain the afternoon crowd (and I do mean crowd – 222 snowbirds!) at the season's second T.G.I.T. party at Lulu's. The next T.G.I.T. party will be Tuesday, February 7, with Cheryl Jones entertaining.

Tuesday, February 7, will also be the annual snowbird craft show. Creative snowbirds will display and sell their creations in a room next to the general meeting room, from 8:45 until there is no one left in the Roost.

The Mardi Gras trip, scheduled for February 12 and 13, is completely sold out. So is the February 14 Valentine Dinner Dance, the casino bus trip to Biloxi on February 8, and the Todd Herendeen Dinner Theater bus trip on February 9. However, the chairpersons for each event will still be available at the Tuesday morning meetings to take names for cancellation waiting lists.

Tickets may still be available for the Ladies Scrambles on February 6, but chair Brenda Murphy will need to know a.s.a.p. if you would like to play. Her number is 989-860-8741.

There may also be some available openings for the Third Annual Can/Am Cup which will be held on Monday, February 13, at Bluewater Bay Golf Club. American Rick Mettle (740-901-1928) and Canadian Rick Baker (613-794-3060) are the chairpersons to contact for more information. Or come and meet them at the Tuesday meetings.

Storage tickets will go on sale at the Tuesday, February 7 meeting. The cost is \$20 for the storage of a box (18" x 18" x 16" which can be purchased from U-Haul) golf clubs, a bike, or chairs. Call Linda Zukonik at 810-441-7042 with questions.

The Singles Friendship Club will meet at The Longhorn Steakhouse on Emerald Coast Pkwy after Tuesday's meeting.

Finally, tickets are also still available for the ladies' luncheon on Thursday, February 16.

The Destin Snowbird Club is searching for a new Publicity Director. I will be traveling more next season and won't be able to fill the position. It is an extremely rewarding way to get to know a lot of wonderful people from all over the country and beyond. It's also a great way to learn more about the Destin community and all our very generous vendors. The Destin Log editor, Tina Harbuck, has a way of helping any writer look like a journalist, and our webmaster Jack Krasky is also always ready to help. If you are interested in learning more about the position, contact me at 419-250-9377, or Dean Harper at 865-336-0421. Publicity Director is a Board position.

Another open Board position is that of second vice-president. This position offers the ability to climb the snowbird ladder to the top (presidency) but allows two years to learn the ropes.

Those who serve on the board for a minimum of four years, or serve as club president, become Life Members. Any interested man, or woman should contact Dean Harper.