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Barry Franzino Jr., Commodore

Welcome Mariners,

August continues to bring on the heat and The Mariners continue to stay active with cruises and social events. The good part is we're half through the season the bad part is

we're half through the season. Just remember cool is coming.

The Four Points Sheraton has agreed to host our social on Wednesdays in the library. MJ and Don will be our hosts and provide us outstanding service. Join us and your fellow Mariners on Wednesdays at 5 PM for great conversation and adult beverages. Always good to catch up.

Stay cool and stay safe on the water.



Paul Baird, Cruise Director

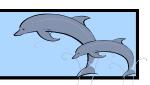
Mariners were busy in July with summer travels and activities. We did have one completed cruise to the Riviera Bar and Grill on July 28. Although it was a very hot day, they had a great time.

Looking forward to cooler weather and more cruising!









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General Membership

PGICA, 2001 Shreve St.

4th Monday at 7 p.m. (except **December**)

Board

PGICA, 2001 Shreve Street

4th Monday at 9 a.m. All members are welcome.

If you or anyone
you know is ill
or in need of some
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please contact
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August Birthdays

8/1 Greg Julian
8/1 Dennis Barkow
8/4 Christine Czajkowski
8/7 Bruce Edgecomb
8/8 Frank Scharpf
8/10 Tom Martin
8/14 Mary Brown
8/16 Richard Northrup
8/18 Barry Franzino
8/21 Bill Rissel
8/26 Michele Sharp
8/27 Gordon Hadley
8/28 Crystal Mankin



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Education Director Mike Guler

September 25 General Membership Meeting

Jim Lanza will be the Mariner representative at the upcoming Active Shooter Training Course conducted by the Punta Gorda Police Department. Jim will pass on the lessons to the rest of us at the General Membership Meeting on September 25.

October 23 General Membership Meeting

Tom Little and Harris Bowers will present the history of the Punta Gorda Christmas Boat Parade and let us know how to get involved.



Splice the Main Brace!



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Social Director Cindy Verhoven



The Mariner Lunch With The Ladies continued to be a popular event in July. Approximately 15 ladies met at Tamiami Tavern for lunch and laughs. The food and service were outstanding. Thanks to Carol Goldenberg for hosting the event!

July's record-breaking heat kept a lot of the Mariner ladies away from the Friday morning Harborwalk. The Mariner Walkie Talkies will continue to hold the walk each Friday morning at 9 despite the heat should anyone care to join us.

The Mariners did manage to cool it down and still get our exercise by attending two water aerobics sessions in July. Thank you, Phyllis Williams, for hosting the Merry Mermaids! We all had a splashing good time! We will be continuing the water aerobics every Tuesday at 11. Watch for the news in your Monday Blast!

The Mariners also had a private wine tasting event in July at the Gilded Grape Winery in Port Charlotte. The owner and

The Mariners also had a private wine tasting event in July at the Gilded Grape Winery in Port Charlotte. The owner and bartender, Paul and Lisa, kept the delicious wines flowing for lots of fun and laughs. Thank you, Debra Kalitan, for hosting a wonderful event!









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Mariners Cruising













_Upcoming Cruises

Riviera Lunch Cruise, Aug. 4, 2023 ***

Riviera Lunch Cruise, Aug. 11, 2023 ***

Pelican Bay Anchor-Out, Aug. 12, 2023 ***

Village Brewhouse Lunch Cruise, Aug. 14, 2023 ***

Laishley Crab House Lunch Cruise, Aug. 23, 2023 ***

Riviera Lunch Cruise, Aug. 25, 2023 ***

Burnt Store Marina Overnight Cruise, Aug. 26, 2023 ***

Last Sunday of the Month Sunset Lake Raft-Up, Aug. 27, 2023 ***

<u>PLEASE NOTE</u>: " *** " after the name of the cruise = Need Cruise Leaders

(More cruises to be determined)....





_Upcoming and Reoccurring Social Events

Happy Hour every Wednesday at 5:00 p.m., at Four Points Sheraton Library

Pickleball (summer hours) every Tuesday & Thursday at South County Park from 8:30-10:30 a.m. Contact Mick Whitney

Outdoor Social Gathering at Gilchrist Park, Thursday at 5:00 p.m. Contact Dennis Barkow

Boys, Bullseyes, Breakfast, Tuesdays at 9 a.m. Contact Jim Lanza

Mariner Walkie Talkies every Friday at 9:00 a.m. at Fishermen's Village to walk the Harborwalk.

Don't forget your bottled water and sunscreen! Call Cindy Verhoven with any questions.

Dinner for Eight

Aerobics on the Water, Aug. 8, 2023

Lunch with the Ladies, Sept. 7, 2023



Membership Director

Suzanne Martin



Happy August Mariners,

Well all is quiet on the waterfront...no new members to report.

I would like to thank the following members who volunteered at the June and July meetings, as well as to Bobby, they made it possible for things to run so smoothly.

June meeting was taken care of by Chuck and Betsy Pohle as well as Ann Gordon. Thank you!

July meeting was led by Janet Leach and Bruce and Patty Edgecomb. Thank you!

See everyone in Sept.

A guy went out on a date with a girl who worked at the zoo.... he said she was a keeper 🚱

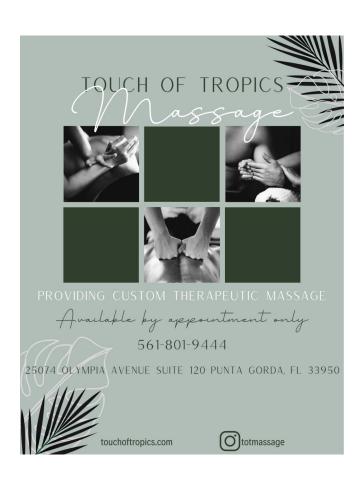
Does your "View the Crew" photo need updating?

Let us know, and at the next general meeting we will have a club photographer available before the meeting to take updated photos of our members. Just email nneditor@marinersofpgi.org.

If your photo needs to be updated, stop by and have a new one taken!









Wine tasting at The Gilded Grape Winery, July 20

Deb Kalitan













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Lunch with the Ladies, July 10

Carol Goldenberg

The August Lunch with the Ladies was at Tamiami Tavern hosted by Carol Goldenberg. We didn't see Mike or Jess, but the food and service were superb!

The August Lunch with the Ladies was at Ichi Hibachi hosted by Joan Erickson on August 3.

Also be sure to catch the September Lunch with the Ladies hosted by Patty Edgecomb at Nan's Thai Noodle in Port Charlotte on September 7.





Water Aerobics on the Harbor

Phyllis Williams







Walkie Talkies, June and July

Cindy Verhoven

Join us next Friday at 9:00 at the entrance to the Harbor Walk at Fishermen's Village.









Riveria Lunch Cruise, July 28



Wow, looks like everyone had a wonderful time! I believe Carlo San Giorgio took the wonderful group picture.











Wednesday Happy Hour, August 2





