

# SHELTER COVE



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... and the seasons,

*They go round and round*

While reviewing last year's newsletter for October, I was struck by how many of the articles were still applicable one year later. Here are some quick "re-caps" of October news-worthy items:

The end of Summer and beginning of Fall almost always involves high winds in San Diego County. Here's an important reminder to regularly check the lines on your vessels and dinghies... (and for your neighbor's boat, as well, especially if you share a slip!)

## FOR NAUTICAL VISITORS TO MEXICO

**ALL** persons entering Mexico by sea for sport fishing and/or tourism **MUST REGISTER** at the **FIRST PORT OF ENTRY** and obtain their individual Immigration Visa (FMM). FMMs can be obtained via internet at: [www.inm.gob.mx](http://www.inm.gob.mx)

If you are taking your own boat to Mexico, a temporary import permit may be required – visit [www.sat.gob.mx](http://www.sat.gob.mx) for more information. For visitors wishing to engage in sport fishing activities, go to [www.conapesca.gob.mx](http://www.conapesca.gob.mx) for information on tournaments, off season dates, capture limits and nature protected areas. To obtain a Mexican fishing license before leaving the U.S.A., see [www.conapescasandiego.org](http://www.conapescasandiego.org) or call (619) 233-4324.



**OCTOBER** is **FIRE PREVENTION**

month... Don't forget to have the fire extinguisher on your boat inspected and serviced annually.

Enjoy your beer at  
**OKTOBERFEST**  
but **NEVER**  
drink and drive!!!



## iWatch My Bay

A collaborative effort between citizens, the Harbor Police and the Port of San Diego to keep our Bay safe



- **"See something, say something"**
- **Trust your instincts** "Something isn't quite right here..."
- **Use your smart phone** to snap photos or video clips of suspicious people and/or activities, but **don't** confront someone or try to handle a situation on your own

For non-emergency situations, call **(619) 686-6272** or e-mail info to: [sdhpiwatch@portofsandiego.org](mailto:sdhpiwatch@portofsandiego.org)

**LIVE ABOARD TENANTS:** Take down the name and/or CF# of "rogue" boats that arrive in the darkness of night and leave before sunrise.

# ONE YEAR LATER...

We are still in a severe drought in San Diego. Please don't leave your water hoses **running** on the docks. The City of San Diego Public Utilities Department will supply you with a shut-off nozzle for your hose, if needed; contact Chris Robbins (619) 533-4203

Also, don't keep the faucets on your boat (or in the marina facilities) **running** while brushing your teeth, shaving, washing, etc. and watch the amount of time you spend in the shower.

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**On a related note, never leave pressurized water turned on at the pedestal while you are gone from your boat... We had numerous calls last month from concerned tenants re: boats that were listing, and the majority turned out to have a valve that was leaking or had broken – *this occurs quite frequently with toilet bowl valves!* If you notice your toilet bowl is filling up with water to the point of over-flowing, that's a sure warning sign that you have a problem with your valve. Left unattended over a period of time, that's a sure-fire way to sink your boat!**

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Who can figure out this equation?

$$A105 + A112 = 3A07$$

(HINT: Read the "sum" upside down)

ANSWER = Live aboard tenants

Mary Cate O'Malley (A105) &  
Jim Peterman (A112) are *ENGAGED!*

CONGRATS, U 2 😊



Our slip vacancies continue to be filled quickly, and we remain at approx. 94% capacity coming into October (before the arrival of our pre-Baja Ha Ha guests!)

- B124 – Jeffrey Shearer
  - B202 – Gary & Reiko Ellis
- B212 – Will Anderson & Pam Ewing
  - D107 – Lee Hinsley Jr.
- D208 – Tom Kelley

A REQUEST FROM OUR  
**DOCK  
AMBASSADOR**  
(AKA JESSE):

*Please remove all items (excluding boat steps and mats) from dock fingers... This means bicycles, dinghies, kayaks, plants, surfboards, and especially chemicals, fuel cans and furniture! (Don't be surprised if you wake up to find these items mysteriously moved onboard your vessel...)*

Nautical Term of the Month  
*courtesy of 20 year tenant*  
**TONY BURNETT**

**spin-na-ker** *'spi-ni-kər*

A **spinnaker** is a special type of sail that is designed specifically for sailing off the wind from a reaching course to a downwind, i.e. with the wind 90°–180° off bow. The spinnaker fills with wind and balloons out in front of the boat when it is deployed, called *flying*. For this reason, the spinnaker is often called a *kite*.

A purported etymology of the word **spinnaker** has the first boat to carry this sail being a Cowes yacht named *Sphinx*, from which "Sphinx's Acre" and eventually "Spinnaker" were derived.

Another suggestion is that the idea for the sail was conceived in 1865 by William Gordon. He wanted to name the sail after his racing yacht, but a crewman's comment, "Now there's a sail to make her spin" became 'spin-maker' and eventually spinnaker.