FEBRUARY 2005



FROM OUR COMMODORE DARLENE DAWSON





For those who couldn't attend the Installation Dinner, I thought you might like to have a review of the evening's events.

So many members of Sportsmen YC helped to make the 2005 Installation of Officers and Directors an evening to remember for me and, I hope, for all who attended. Camping at the Sausalito with me for two weeks were Jim, Amy, and my two "bookends" Sheri Horton and Sherry Lively. Everyone helped with clean-up, but none were as diligent as Jim, Dave MacDougall, and Dave Davidson.

Behind the bar we had **Dave Davidson**, Alice Gibson, Dan & Sherry Lively, John Perryman, Dan Lynch, and Len Adkerson. Thanks to all for your help.

Erik & Jean Sieben traveled from 80 degree weather in Huntington Beach to be with us and Erik used his "candid camera" throughout the evening. Perhaps now that you have that luxurious, rolling, home away from home you will join us more often.

Kathy & Robert Kaiwi (Waikiki YC)

traveled 2700 miles from 80 degree weather on Oahu to be at the dinner. Robert honored us with a touching invocation that had just a "hint" of Hawaii.

Master Sergeant Robert E. Williams, Jr., U.S. Army, proudly represented our military men and women and led us in our Pledge of Allegiance.

Gloria Batchelor-Salas sang *The Star Spangled Banner* as only she can do. At the end of the evening, she also sang an inspiring rendition of "Climb Every Mountain."

We enjoyed a delicious dinner prepared by Chef Worrell and his crew of Wednesday Nite "Boys" - George & Yvonne Brayton, Paul & Kathy Larosee, and Tim Lamb. They also had some non-member helpers: Trella, Sandy, Jenny, Kelly, and Donnie. These great friends of Sportsmen shopped, hauled, chopped, cleaned, and did whatever was needed to make our dinner a success. Alice Gibson and granddaughter Tanisha served coffee and cheesecake by Julia as well as helped out wherever needed. Some of us ladies remember the first pot of coffee Robert Lozier ever made. It tasted good, but it took me three hours to clean the pot. with the help of Dave

MacDougall, Robert managed to brew up another delicious pot of coffee, this time with no mess! Robert and his friend, Jimmy, also made an emergency run and thanks to the efforts of Manuel Munos at Carpaccio's Ristorante, in Antioch, no one ever knew we had even run out of salad! We thank them for their delicious "Insalata Di Ferro" salad and their excellent service.

Special thanks to **Becky Camp**, Manager of the Bakery at WinCo, for making each and every dinner roll by hand! They were each a work of art and it was overheard by some of the servers that people were very possessive of their rolls!

Our servers for the evening were Jessica Powers, Tanisha Camp, Sari Sabella, and Dereck Massey. They donated their time to professionally serve each and every one of us.

Our **2004 Commodore Dave Selvy** expressed his sincere thanks to all who so unselfishly gave of their time and talent during his year as Commodore.

Past Commodore Paul Scannell administered the oath of office and recalled that 20 years ago another Dawson (Jim) took the oath of office on the very same spot.

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SCHEDULE OF UPCOMING EVENTS

February

- 4 Club Meeting
- 5 Work Party
- 6 Super Bowl Party
- 12 Annual Crab Feed
- 19 Cruise-Out to Pittsburg YC
- 26 NCPCA Delegates' Meeting

March

- 4 Club Meeting
- 5 Work Party
- 12 St. Patrick's Day Party
- 26 Easter Egg Hunt & Brunch

April

- 1 Club Meeting
- 2 Opening Day
- 9 Work Party



FROM OUR VICE COMMODORE CHUCK CARROLL





Our January Work Party was so well attended, I can't even begin to list everyone who participated! Thank you to everyone who came

and worked so hard! Now, let's keep it going. I hope to see all of you at the February Work Party on February 5th.

That will be a busy weekend at the Club with Meeting Night on the 4th, then the Work Party on the 5th, and the Super Bowl Party on the 6th. So, come and plan to stay the weekend!

Our Installation Dinner was great. Kudos to **Commodore Dawson** and the crew who helped her get the Clubhouse ship-shape for the party. It seemed like every time I came to the Club, there was another improvement that had been made. My compliments to **"Chef" Bill Worrell** and the crew who helped him prepare that delicious dinner.

Our 2004 Commodore had some really nice comments for everyone who supported him throughout the year. Now, he says he is going to relax and enjoy the Club!

Just prior to the Installation Dinner night, we had an emergency crew who came out to fix the main sewer line near the Area 2 ramp. An emergency Work Party was called and everyone quickly came out to help. Thanks to Dave Beckert, Paul Larosee, Jerry Fitzgerald, Dave MacDougall, Dave Davidson, Jim Dawson, Tim Doolin, and special thanks to Gary Mills who got in the ditch! That was a dirty job!

In addition to our other February events, don't forget our **Fleet Captain Lawny Chapman** has scheduled a cruise-out to Pittsburg YC on February 19th. It would be great to see as many boats go as possible. Of course, members are also welcome to go by "land-yacht" too.

Happy Valentine's Day!



In Memory Of

Honorary Member Mary Amaral has passed away. She and her husband were active at the Club during the 60s and 70s. They especially enjoyed fishing and cruise-outs. Although she was small in stature, she "packed a punch!" She had been a truck driver and was known for her great sense of humor and quick wit.

Newsletter articles are due by the 20th of each month. Flyer information is requested by the 15th. Send Newsletter information to: Freda Lucido e-mail lucidos@pacbell.net phone 228-3609 February Happy Birthday Wishes



Feb 03 Chuck Kotecki

Feb 04 Barbara Chapman

Feb 07 Bob Saunders

Feb 07 Rosie Fernandez

Feb 07 Virginia Minick

Feb 08 Jean Sieben

Feb 10 Chuck Trombetta

Feb 10 Sharon Goldsmith

Feb 11 Michael Carroll

Feb 12 Amy Hammer

Feb 14 Dorothy Welch

Feb 14 Evonne Sterud

Feb 15 Tim Lamb

Feb 16 Bob Wallen

Feb 16 Victor Campo

Feb 18 Carol Lawhorn

Feb 18 Ken Corippo

Feb 21 Bert Landes

Feb 23 Edith Crisp

Feb 23 Winky Scannell

Feb 25 Gene Buchholz

Feb 28 Lita Masters



Upcoming Events

Mar 7

Feb 7 Delegates' Meeting at
Discovery Bay YC

Mar 5 Leadership Conference at
Pittsburg YC

Delegates' Meeting at Aeolian YC

Apr 4 Delegates' Meeting at Ballena Bay YC

In accordance with our By-Laws, Article V, A-4, this notice will be posted in this Newsletter monthly:

The regular meetings of the Board of Directors are held on the first Friday of each month, following the General Membership Meetings. If the first Friday is a holiday weekend, the meetings are held on the second Friday of that month.

FEBRUARY 2005



FROM OUR REAR COMMODORE TONY CHAPMAN





February of each year is important since it marks a s u c c e s s f u l transition from one calendar year to the next did accrue. It seems

even more important since that whole Y2K Bug thingy that threatened to bring life, as we knew it, to a halt a few years back. This February for Sportsmen marks the successful transition of leadership from Past Commodore Dave Selvy Commodore Darlene Dawson. This was celebrated at a wonderful evening of dinner, dancing, and fun thanks to Commodore Dawson's crew of party planners and preparers. Thank you all for a wonderfully executed event! And speaking of thank you's which Past Commodore Selvy did, and earnestly did, and sincerely did, and magnanimously did until he was sure he had thanked everyone in attendance. I, as a Sportsmen, want to thank him for his untiring service to this Club as an officer and as Commodore!

This February also marks the passing of our first Board of Directors' Meeting. Let me congratulate Sportsmen members for your reservoir of talented people who are willing to step up and serve as your directors. At the January meeting, we welcomed three new directors to the Board Room: George Greer, Tim Nerby, and Sherry Lively. Based upon first impression, Sportsmen, "ya did good" because these three jumped straight in to the Board with both feet moving. And you

can truly expect their leadership to take this Club to new heights.

You, as the General Membership, can get the most from "The Board" by communicating with us, notifying us of new circumstances, reminding us of past practices, and keeping important issues moving toward resolution.

An effective board will be one that can hash through the issues and present the general membership with practical, well investigated, success minded proposals. An effective board will hold your confidence in them in high esteem thus insuring you that all things have received fair hearing and treatment, for the betterment of Sportsmen YC in general, protection and well-being of the membership in particular.

February brings the bounty of the sea to Sportsmen in the form of the Annual Crab Feed. I hope all who desire tickets will get early reservations.

I also want to encourage all Sportsmen members to spend some time at the Associates Show Case, at the north end of the shuffle board table. You will need a new large black book to get all the names, numbers, and faces logged in! With so many associate members in our midst, you can enjoy meeting someone new each time you come aboard. Help them meet you. Come out, shake a hand, sit down, and get to know each and every one of them now. ...'Cause meeting long time members for the first time is less Sportsmen like?

PARTING SHOT: If swimming is good for your figure, how do you explain whales?

HISTORIAN NOTES KATHIE HAMMER



At our January meeting, I mentioned visiting the San Francisco Ferry Building that opened last year after renovation.

The Ferry building originally opened in 1898. In that century, it witnessed an era of history from horse and buggies, parades, victory celebrations, earthquakes, plus the daily coming and goings of thousands of people.

The renovated building is worth a visit and remember, it is back to the way it looked in 1898. There are many shops and restaurants. If you have time you can board a ferry to Sausalito, Tiburon or Larkspur.

Consider a visit to the San Francisco Ferry Building. Take a step back in time and feel what it was like over a hundred years ago.

Attention:

Bids are currently being accepted for Wes Hesson's boat and trailer. The deadline for turning in bids is Friday, February 4th, at 8:00 p.m.
Please contact Harbor Captain Lonnie Gibson if you have any questions.

Visit Sportsmen YC's Website



- ...to view pictures of recent Club events
- ...Calendar information for the year
- ...lots of other Club related information & links

www.sportsmenyc.org

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Past Master Dick Wallis, Antioch Masonic Lodge #175, closed the evening's ceremonies with a beautiful benediction.

Several members and guests enjoyed a cabin and museum tour led by Historian Kathie Hammer and Keith Hammer.

The Romano Marchetti Orchestra and Vocalist Sue Dragon entertained 'til the wee hours. Romano remarked that people (at Sportsmen) were "dancing like they never have before." SYC's "Rockettes" performed a special rendition of *New York*, *New York*.

Past Commodore Dave Selvy was so excited about his new position that the "No Host" Brandy Bar turned out to be hosted by none other than "himself!"

All in all, it was a fun-filled evening. Thanks to everyone who made it possible!

The January General Membership Meeting was well attended and we are thrilled to have four more new associates join our Club. Welcome to each one of you! **Nancy Olsson** has graciously come forward and volunteered to be our 2005 Quartermaster. Thank you, Nancy, for filling this necessary position.

Thanks to Jim & Terri Arnold and Carl & Emmy Swenson for the wonderful pasta dinner prior to the January meeting. It was delicious!

Our January Work Party was a huge success. A phenomenal amount of work was done inside and outside the Ferry. Thanks to everyone who came out. The Work Party lunch was prepared by Elaine Rasmussen, Audrey Coach, Shari Horton, Sherry Lively, Emmy Swenson, Diane Chapman, Marina Chapman, and Debra Beckert. They used leftovers from Friday night's dinner and the lunch tasted great!

To bring you up to date on the Mooring & Sanitation Ordinance discussed at our previous General Membership Meetings, a workshop was held on Wednesday, January 12th, at our Club. In attendance were over 60 people representing our Club, RBOC, PICYA, Dept. of Boating & Waterways, several marinas, independent boaters, and other yacht clubs. Thanks to the efforts of Kathy Dameron, secretary at Driftwood YC & Sheryl Alvernaz, Harbor Master at Beacon Marina, a letter was drafted and emailed by 10:33 that same evening to the concerned parties. This resulted in a large group of boaters attending the Contra Costa Board of Supervisors Meeting on January 18th, where the amended version of the ordinance was being presented to the Board of Supervisors. The Board of Supervisors voted to pass the amended version. This is a living document that may be amended. From the comments made by the attendees of the meeting, it was decided an association of harbor masters, yacht clubs, and boaters should be formed to keep an eye on this ordinance. Accolades were given to Deputy Powell and the supervisors for their concern for the Delta.

It was an honor for us to have **Mr. Phil Frank**, from the Sausalito Historical Society, who came to interview our **Historian Kathie Hammer** on January 22nd. **Jim** and I were happy they chose

to do the interview in our wheelhouse cabin. We look forward to hearing details of the interview from Kathie at the February meeting and in next month's Newsletter.

The proposed Budget for 2005 will be presented at the February Board Meeting. Following the Board's approval, the Budget will be presented to the Membership.

Thanks to Pat Brown for all her work in getting the Budget prepared.

At this writing, the Audit Committee was scheduled to meet on Saturday, January 29th, at 10 a.m., to review the 4th Quarter records. The committee members are: Chris Stubberfield, Belynda Zobb, and Tony Chapman.

We are looking forward to the Super Bowl Party, our Annual Crab Feed, and a cruise-out to Pittsburg YC in February. In March, we will have our St. Patrick's Day Dinner and Easter Egg Hunt. Details of these events are in this Newsletter, so please mark your calendars!

Thanks again to all for your support!

Saturday, March 26th

Easter Egg Hunt & Brunch

Our Menu

Bunny Frittatas Ducky Pancakes Orange Juice Coffee Porky Pig Ham Fresh Fruit Milk

Don't Forget! Bring Hard Boiled Eggs for Your Children to Color

\$6 Ages 13-Adult \$4 Ages 6-12 Children Under 6 Are Free For Reservations, Please Contact Audrey at 686-1167 or

Elaine at 766-6675



PORT CAPTAIN COMMENTS JIM DAWSON



The old ferry looked great for the Installation Dinner. The dance floor was waxed thanks to **Chuck Carroll** & **Lonnie Gibson**. The photo album

area has a new look with new photo albums in numerical order by year, well lighted and decorated superbly by **Sheri Horton**. The stage area also went through a transformation and looks great through **Sherry Lively's** efforts. The Bulletin Board was recovered by **Sheri Horton** and it too looks fantastic.

Sheri Horton also had the show case glass repaired. She then organized and displayed all our trophies. It looks great!



Boat Pictures
will be taken on
Saturday
February 26th
and March 5th
1:00 -3:00 p.m.

(Weather Permitting)

As most of you know, **Freda Lucido** took some new boat pictures and they have been framed and placed on the walls. We still have several to update and Freda will be scheduling in March and April to get the rest of our fleet pictures.

Dave Davidson and I have patched many spots on the roof in an attempt to stop the leaks. We will know after the next rain how successful we have been. If we still have leaks, we will be back on the roof!

As always, anyone who can sign up as a Relief Caretaker, please do so. The signup calendar is on the Bulletin Board.

Meeting Night Dinners are set up through April. Anyone who would be willing to sign up for May or after would be appreciated. It's limited to 50 persons; you prepare what you want and set your prices accordingly. Last year we had dinners all 12 months and with your help, I'm confident we will do it again this year.

The secret's spreading...
Our Club is growing...
Let's keep it going...

FEBRUARY 2005

YES!

Dinner will be served before our February Meeting!

Our Menu

Meatloaf And everything that goes with it!

Prepared by
Chuck Carroll
and Mike Dameron

\$7.50 per person

We are limited to 50 reservations, so contact Audrey (686-1167) or Elaine (766-6675) as soon as possible

Come join us!

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Welcome New Associate Members

Gene & Michelle Buchholz 1546 Larkspur Court, Oakley 94561 628-1726

Casey & Diane Curry 805 Basalt Way, Antioch 94509 776-4276

Gary Mills, Jr. 2401 E. 18th Street, Antioch 94509 325-6936

Pat & Mary Sebers 1501 Maríe Avenue, Antíoch 94509 778-0812

Invite your friends to join Sportsmen YC!



Member Information Corner

- Dorothy Carroll fell in December. She was able to attend our Installation Dinner. It was good to see you, Dorothy, and we hope you're completely healed soon.
- Ed Collins had surgery on his shoulder. He is recovering but his golf swing is out of commission for a while! We wish you a speedy recovery, Ed!
- Monica Greer has also been ill and was unable to come to our Installation Dinner. We sure do hope you're up and around soon, Monica!
- Maggie Murphy, our Sunshine Lady, has been "under the weather" lately (no pun intended)! We hope you're Sunny Side Up soon, Maggie!
- Dee Pacheco has been under the weather and is feeling better. We know your thoughts were with us at the Installation Dinner, Dee, and we missed you and Larry. It's good to know you're feeling better!



ARTICLE XIII

A. FEES AND DUES

1. Any change in initiation fees, quarterly dues, and

all other fees for Club members shall be recommended to the General Membership by the Board of Directors and shall be published in the Club bulletin and posted on the bulletin board for at least fifteen (15) days prior to a General Membership meeting. Such recommendations may be approved or rejected by a majority vote of the Membership present and eligible to vote.

- 2. The appropriate initiation fee, current quarterly dues and gate key deposit shall accompany each application for Associate Membership at the time the application is presented to the Club Secretary.
- 3. All Club fees and dues are payable at the beginning of each quarter. (For example, January, February, March dues are due January 1st.) Members may pay

more quarters in advance if they so wish. It is the MEMBERS

RESPONSIBILITY to make sure his/her dues and fees are up to date. See Article IV A-2.

ARTICLE XIV

A. HOLD HARMLESS CLAUSE:

1. Use of facilities: Each and every member of the Club, by using any of the Club facilities or by exercising any right or privilege incident to membership in the club, thereby agrees to relinquish all rights of liability against the Sportsmen Inc. Yacht Club from any and all loss, damage, or injury of whatsoever kind or nature sustained by said member or his or her guest.

ARTICLE XV

A. ORGANIZATION:

This organization shall be strictly non-political, non-partisan and non-sectarian in its deliberations and activities. The only digression from this rule may be in matters of legislative reform or measures relative to the purpose for which this Corporation is organized.

ARTICLE XVI

A. IMMUNITY OF MEMBERS AND DIRECTORS:

1.Neither the Members and/or Directors of this Club shall be held personally responsible for any debts, liabilities or obligations of the Club, nor shall they be liable for their actions while performing their assigned duties as Officers, as Directors and/or as Members of the Club unless said actions are willful, negligent or unlawful.

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So, you're still there! ...fine.

You folks have really improved things and this old Ferry is getting to look ship-shape!

I just about have enough time to tell you about the **Major Player** in the rescue of the leaky boat last month and how he made fun of it all and laughed and giggled and such

...WELL ...Guess who had his boat towed back to the Club under the cover of fog last month???

Yep, Mr. Seamanship his-self!!

It seems to me, that when one goes to sea in a boat that hasn't been running in a while, one should check the components that make the engine run...gas, plugs, oil... Seems to me anyway.

The New Year's Party was a mixture of laughter, good food and music along

with a table full of all kinds of food that makes a perfect potluck.

Music... games? This seems to be catching on for some of the Ferry parties and for an old ghost like me... Well, it keeps me up! 'Cuz I don't want to miss anything!

I was in the boiler room galley this month, eating dried eggs and bait guts; this, on a foggy morning with nothing to do, so I decided to float up to the lower deck to see if anyone was there.

Nope, so I went to the main deck and ...Nope, so I went to the weather deck (roof of the ferry for you landlubbers) and what to my surprise? The phone rang.

In the bar below, a husband talking to his bride...on one of those small little phones... "no dear, you have to hang up and call me on the gate phone and then I can open the gate...hang up!"

The phone rings again... "OK, now hang up. HANG UP!!...I CAN'T open the gate unless you HANG UP! ...I AM NOT YELLING...please hang up."

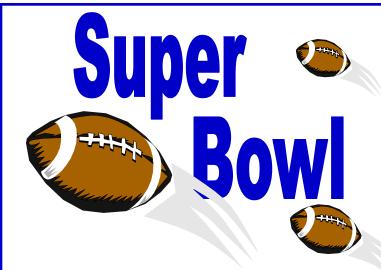
"Huh?" (to someone else) "She has to be on the phone when I key in the open code?...oh no, she hung up!"

"Maybe she'll call back."

The phone rings... "Hi...yes, don't hang up...darn it...she hung up. Huh? Well now I can't get a dial tone." Used to be, we would have a key.

You folks at Sportsmen sure know how to party and that Installation Dinner and Dance was no exception! It took me a couple of days to recuperate from that one. In fact, I haven't been the same since....so I'll have to wait until next month to tell you MY version...
I'll see YOU at the Ferry!

- Ghost



Sunday, February 6th

Pre-Game begins at 1:00 p.m. Kick-Off begins at 3:15 p.m.



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See Neal Essary for our fun
Sideline Activities!
Bring your favorite finger
food to share
Ham with all the trimmings
for making sandwiches will
be provided

THE 2005 SPORTSMEN YACHT CLUB'S ANNUAL FISHING DERBY IS UNDERWAY!

Neal or Diane Essary will collect your entry fee for this year's Annual Fishing Derby, which runs from January 1, 2005, through December 31, 2005. This year's fee is \$15.00 and covers all three (3) categories.

- All entry fees MUST be paid to Neal or Diane Essary at least 24 hours prior to weighing in any fish in the 2005 Fishing Derby.
- ◆ If you are going to fish at all this year, <u>PLEASE</u> enter the Derby <u>AS SOON AS POSSIBLE</u>. If you don't see us at the Club, mail a check (made out to Neal Essary) to:

Neal Essary 360 Kingston Avenue Martinez, CA 94553

- No entries will be taken by phone.
- The Fishing Derby rules are posted at the Club.

We would like to thank all the participants in last year's Fishing Derby and to congratulate all the winners. We have lots of new members, so let's try and get some new winners this year! Good luck to everyone!

Thank you, Neal & Diane Essary

RESULTS OF THE 2004 SPORTSMEN YC ANNUAL FISHING DERBY								
STRIPED BASS	WINNER'S NAME	WEIGHT		DATE CAUGHT	PRIZE WON			
1st Place	John Hunter	41 lbs.	4 oz.	20-Nov-04	\$85.00			
2nd Place	Jim Dawson	36 lbs.	0 oz.	20-Feb-04	\$51.00			
3rd Place	Jim Dawson	35 lbs.	4 oz.	24-Nov-04	\$34.00			
4th Place	Jim Dawson	26 lbs.	7 oz.	20-Feb-04	Paid 2005 Entry Fee			

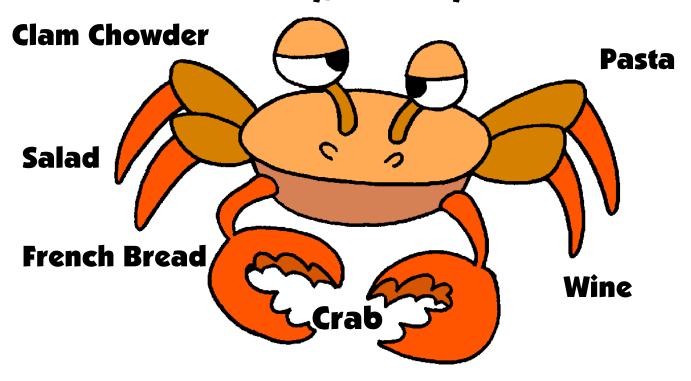
Sturgeon	WINNER'S NAME	WEIGHT		DATE CAUGHT	Prize Won
1st Place	Carl Rasmussen	70 lbs.	5 oz.	29-Dec-04	\$80.00
2nd Place	John Hunter	66 lbs.	12 oz.	27-Mar-04	\$48.00
3rd Place	Steve Nicholas II	63 lbs.	0 oz.	16-Feb-04	\$32.00
4th Place	Chuck Larosee	49 lbs.	12 oz.	14-Dec-04	Paid 2005 Entry Fee

Catfish	WINNER'S NAME	WEIGHT		DATE CAUGHT	Prize Won
1st Place	Chris Yarbrough	9 lbs.	8 oz.	25-Jul-04	\$82.00
2nd Place	Chris Yarbrough	7 lbs.	8 oz.	25-Jul-04	\$50.00
3rd Place	Steve Fernandez	4 lbs.	6 oz.	25-Nov-04	\$33.00
4th Place	Mike Carroll	4 lbs.	1 oz.	18-Sep-04	Paid 2005 Entry Fee

SportsmenYacht Club'sAnnual



Saturday, February 12th



Prepaid reservations for members and guests must be received by February 5th

\$30 per person

Dinner served At 7:00 p.m. For Reservations
Please Contact
Elaine Rasmussen
at 766-6675
or
Audrey Coach
at 686-1167



Saturday March 12th



\$15.00 Per Person 6:15 p.m.

Beer Drinking Contest

7:00 p.m.

Corned Beef & Cabbage Dinner

It's sure to be a lot of fun And a chance to meet new friends!

Send Your Prepaid Reservations To

or

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Phone: 686-1167

Elaine Rasmussen 3700 Hillsborough Dr. Concord, CA 94520

Phone: 766-6675

