

## FISHING BAY HARBOR MARINA

### The Pirates of Fishing Bay Return



Once again, Fishing Bay Harbor Marina was overrun by pirates on the eve of November 1st! Many thanks to everyone who participated. Special thanks go out to Sandy Crowe (*Crowe's Nest*) for organizing, Linwood and Kathy Parrish (*Stingray*) for providing the cook pot and recipe for the Brunswick Stew and all those who donated ingredients! Congratulations to the winners of the Best Costume Contest: Women's—Misty Armstrong (*Sea Bastion*); Men's—Ed Bischoff (*Fish Bonz*); Children's—Nathan Cook (*Rockin & Reelin*). A new category was invented this year, "Other" for Steve Hinrichs (*Great Bear*) who could have won in either the Men's or Women's! Check out additional photos which will soon be posted to the FBHM website.

### FYI

- The water to all docks will be turned off for the season on Monday, December 8th.
- Both A & B Dock bathhouses will remain open throughout the winter.
- Boats may be docked at the back bulkhead temporarily to use the faucet by the Maintenance Building.
- The faucet on the walkway side of the pool fence will remain on while weather permits, otherwise it can be turned on during Ship's Store hours by request. For additional convenience, hose will be run to the faucet on the half-wall at slip A-31.
- The pump-out system will remain operative throughout the winter.

### Winterizing Your Boat

According to Boat U.S., more freeze-related claims occur in the more "temperate" states than in the "deep freeze" states. Here are some suggestions to help you prepare your boat for the winter months.

- When storing boats in the water, all thru-hulls, with the exception of the ones for cockpit drains, need to be protected by closing seacocks and gate valves.
- Engine block damage due to freezing is generally not covered by boat insurance. It is important to make sure that your engine is winterized properly. Improperly done, engines may also sustain damage from moisture and corrosion.
- Be sure to winterize all freshwater systems, water heaters, heads, and air conditioners.
- Be sure to use the proper type of antifreeze solution for the specific application.
- Top off all fuel tanks to minimize the possibility of condensation which could lead to corrosion.
- Remove all flammable material such as cooking fuels, charcoal, etc. All can be fire hazards.
- Food stuffs and bottled goods should be removed from the boat. Frozen goods can burst and damage interiors.
- Winter covers will generally help keep canvas, gelcoat, and paint lasting longer. Be sure any framework allows for air circulation and not pooling.

Winter Ship's Store & Fuel Dock Schedule: **Monday—Sunday 8 a.m.—5 p.m.**