

JANUARY 27-28, 2007, CRUISE IN/DRIVE IN EVENT BY JIM MOORE

THINK YOU CAN'T HAVE AN EXCELLENT 3-COURSE DINNER IN SAN FRANCISCO FOR UNDER \$20 (PLUS WINE)? THINK AGAIN. DESERVING OF A NOMINATION FOR A NOBEL PRIZE IN "ECONOMY" AND A MICHELIN AWARD, RICHARD AND KATHY SMITH (LUNA SEA) AND CATHY ROBIE (G SQUARED) ARRANGED FOR OUR GROUP DINNER AT THE TOWN'S END CAFE AT 2 TOWNSEND ST.(GET IT?), A STONE'S THROW FROM SOUTH BEACH MARINA. DINNER CHOICES WERE PRE-SELECTED TO QUALIFY FOR THE REMARKABLE VALUE AND INCLUDED A CHOICE OF ANY APPETIZER OR SALAD OR SOUP, ANY MAIN COURSE AND ANY DESSERT. A TIP OF THE HAT TO THE TOWN'S END CAFE.

SFBANTA'S FIRST CRUISE IN/DRIVE IN EVENT, JAN. 27-28, 2007, WAS AN UNQUALIFIED SUCCESS WITH ONE TUG A LOCAL, 6 TUGS "GUESTING" AT SOUTH BEACH MARINA AND 4 COUPLES PLUS



1 ARRIVING BY AUTOMOBILE. LINDA FARRIS (BUOY TOY II) ATTENDED SOLO SAYING SHE LEFT WAYNE AT HOME TO CARE FOR THEIR NEWLY ARRIVED QUINTUPLETS BUT THAT'S ANOTHER STORY. SOCIAL HOUR WAS HELD AT SOUTH BEACH YACHT CLUB'S NEW FACILITY, FOLLOWED BY A QUICK STROLL ACROSS THE STREET TO TOWN'S END. A QUICK STROLL BY ALL BUT CAL ROBIE (G SQUARED), JUST LEARNING HOW TO DRIVE HIS SHINY NEW KNEE, APPARENTLY INSTALLED BASSAKWARD REQUIRING THE ASSISTANCE OF HIS PUTTER HELD IN THE INVERTED POSITION. HE'LL BE PUTTERING AROUND BRIEFLY. ALSO IN ATTENDANCE WERE STEVE AND JEAN CUFF, WHOSE JUST COMPLETED NEW NORDIC TUG 37 WAS BEING PREPARED AT THE FACTORY FOR SHIPMENT TWO DAYS HENCE. SPECIAL COMMENDATION TO ED AND KIM KRAMPF (SEA DOG), FOR SURVIVING THEIR DAUGHTER'S 18TH BIRTHDAY PARTY THE NIGHT BEFORE.

LOTS OF CONVIVIALITY ON THE DOCKS AND THE WEATHERMAN CO-OPERATED, SORTA, WITH SOME SUNSHINE, SOME OVERCAST, SOME FOG, SOME RAIN (NIGHT ONLY) BUT GENERALLY AGREEABLE TEMPERATURES AND A BEAUTIFUL SUNDAY MORNING FOR THE TUGS TO HEAD FOR HOME PORT ON AUTO-PILOT. GOD MUST LOVE THOSE NORDIC TUGS!

ARRIVING BY AUTO:

STEVE AND JEAN CUFF (NEW NT-37 ON ORDER)
LINDA FARRIS (BUOY TOY II)
JOHN AND BETTE-JANE FERANDIN (SHAMAN)
JOHN AND MARY MUFF (JEANNE MARIE III)
CAL AND CATHY ROBIE (G SQUARED)

CRUISING IN:

BOB LEE AND PAT BORISON (APOLLO)
JIM AND PHYLLIS HOLMAN (HEY RED)
ED AND KIM KRAMPF (SEA DOG)
SCOTTY AND CAROL SCOTT (THREE JEANS)
BUD AND PAM SHEBLE (ETERNITY)
RICHARD AND KATHY SMITH (LUNA SEA)
JIM AND CHARMAINE MOORE (RILEY)