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**Tell Tales**

**Half Moon Bay Yacht Club**



February 23, 2011

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Welcome to [Tell Tales](#)--the weekly newsletter of events and announcements of the Half Moon Bay Yacht Club.

### What's Happening this Week?

Thursday, February 24, 6-9pm ~ [Knit Happens](#)

Thursday, February 24, 6:30pm ~ [Womens Sailing Meet & Seminar](#)  
"Sailing without Anxiety & with Confidence" presented by John Powell beginning 6:45pm. [See below for further info.](#)

Friday-Sunday, February 25-27 ~ [2011 Winterfest South Lake Tahoe](#)

Friday, February 25, 7pm ~ [TGIF Dinner](#)

Chicken parmesian, buttered noodles, ceasar salad, tomato mozzarella platter & garlic bread. Plus, chef's choice of a Yummy dessert! Only \$15, please RSVP with [gretchenspecialevent@yahoo.com](mailto:gretchenspecialevent@yahoo.com).

Saturday, February 26, 5-10pm ~ [Art & Science Lecture & Dinner](#)

Arts & Science Lecture by Seth Shostak, Senior Astronomer. "Are We Alone?" Dinner at 7pm, including Baked Halibut over a Bed of Vegetables, Buttermilk Mashed Potatoes & Cauliflower, Salad & Bread with Italian Cream Cupcakes for dessert. Contact Organizer, Cynthia Ramseyer at [2blackcats@comcast.net](mailto:2blackcats@comcast.net).

Sunday, February 27, 6pm ~ [Oscar Night](#)

HMBYC watches the Academy Awards Ladies, wear your favorite "Red Carpet" gown & tiara, & Gentlemen, your tux. Please bring a favorite finger food, & share in a glass of champagne "on the house." Be prepared to cast your own winning votes for a "SurPrize!" \$5 donation. Contact person is Cynthia Ramseyer at [2blackcats@comcast.net](mailto:2blackcats@comcast.net).

Tuesday, March 1, 7-9pm ~ [Sailing Committee Meeting](#)  
Chaired by Lucy Gillies. Contact her at [sailing@hmbyc.org](mailto:sailing@hmbyc.org).

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### Future Watch & Hospitality

(Please check the [calendar](#) at [hmbyc.org](http://hmbyc.org) for the latest information)



**Friday, February 25**  
**WO (6-11pm): Jeff Rogers**

Don't stop reading! See the Announcements below.

## Announcements

### **Wanted:**

**Volunteer helpers to assist with serving and hospitality for the PICYA dinner from 5:30-9:00pm on Monday, March 7th. Please contact Clarke at [vcommandore@hmbyc.org](mailto:vcommandore@hmbyc.org). Organization meeting on Sunday February 27th at 2:00pm.**

### ***ARE WE ALONE????***

***Contact [2blackcats@comcast.net](mailto:2blackcats@comcast.net) to attend this great seminar & see.***

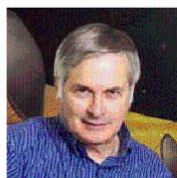


### **Half Moon Bay Yacht Club 2011 Arts & Sciences Lecture Series**

**Saturday, 26 February 2011  
Free Lecture: 5:00 p.m.**

**Dinner: 7:00 p.m. \$15 per person**  
**Guest Chef Phyllis Smith. [Make Reservations at pcsmith@usgs.gov](mailto:pcsmith@usgs.gov)**  
**Menu: Baked Halibut over a Bed of Vegetables**  
**Buttermilk Mashed Potatoes & Cauliflower**  
**Salad and Bread and for Dessert...Italian Cream Cupcakes**

### **SETI: The Search for Extra Terrestrial Intelligence: Fact and Fiction**



**Dr. Seth Shostak**  
SETI Institute Senior Astronomer

Seth Shostak is Senior Astronomer at the SETI Institute, and has been an observer for Project Phoenix as well as an active participant in various international forums for SETI research. He is a frequent presenter of the Institute's work in the media, through lectures, and via the Institute's weekly radio show, *Are We Alone?*

Shostak readily translates the most complex scientific discoveries into terms accessible to the non-scientist. He has written hundreds of articles for newspapers, magazines, and the SPACE.com web site, as well as three books, including a popular textbook on astrobology. Recently awarded the Klumpke-Roberts Award by the Astronomical Society of the Pacific in recognition of his outstanding contributions to the public understanding and appreciation of astronomy, Shostak is also Chair of the International Academy of Astronautics SETI Permanent Study Group. As a practicing scientist personally engaged in SETI observations, his technical expertise—combined with his quick wit and engaging personality—make him a sought-after speaker and writer. His avocations include photography, filmmaking, and electronics.

### **WOMEN'S SAILING MEETING & SEMINAR**

Please make an effort to attend the winter sailing seminar this very Thursday, starting around 6:30pm. This is open to the general membership. John Powell will present his famous presentation on sail boat design, sailing with ease &

**Hospitality (6-10pm):  
Jose Folenta**

**Saturday, February 26  
WO (2-7pm): John Connors  
WO (7-11pm): Morgan Conrad  
Hospitality (6-10pm): William Van peeters 7 Gerrie Linn**

**Sunday, February 27  
WO (2-7pm): Marcus Choy & Beth Lee**

**Friday, March 4  
WO (6-11pm): Godfrey & Jeanne Watson  
Hospitality (6-10pm): Ellen Clark**

**Saturday, March 5  
WO (2-7pm): Kay Burns  
WO (7-11pm): Ray Durazo  
Hospitality (6-10pm): Denise Rundle**

**Sunday, March 6  
WO (2-7pm): Dick & Tami Schubert**

**Friday, March 11  
WO (6-11pm): David Dickson  
Hospitality (6-10pm): Maria Wong**

**Saturday, March 12  
WO (2-7pm): Spencer & Leann Nassar  
WO (7-11pm): Anca Rosca  
Hospitality (6-10): Judy McCarthy**

**Sunday, March 13  
WO (2-7pm): Bill Klear & Mary Corcoran**

### **Weekly & Monthly Events**

**Every Thursday 6:00 - 9:00pm: KNIT HAPPENS ~ A Coastside Fiber Artist Community of Knitters,**

without anxiety, what's it all about regarding sailing etc. in a way that you go AHAH, then breathe a sigh of relief and get out on the water (which is mostly what WS is all about), & have fun with sailing & boats. John is a master sailor & a former HMBYC Commodore, so please be there to fill up the room & listen to his wisdom, knowledge & stores. See you soon, Peggy Ruse.



**Oscar Night at HMBYC!!!**

**Put on your favorite "Red Carpet" Gown & Tiara Ladies, & that Black Tux Gents. Please bring a finger food you like best, & share in a glass of Champagne...on the House! Plan to cast your winning votes for a SurPrize! \$5 donation. Sunday, February 27th. Contact Cynthia Ramseyer at [2blackcasts@comcast.net](mailto:2blackcasts@comcast.net).**



**Mardi Gras! (French for Fat Tuesday) on March 5th**  
Guest Chef, Richard Poncini, owner of "Cooking for Friends," ([www.cookingforfriends.net](http://www.cookingforfriends.net)) & renown Half Moon Bay Chef, will be cooking his famous Jambalaya, along with Guest Chef Kristi Durazo. Don't miss their famous BBQ oysters with Mornay Sauce, Seafood Bisque, Chicken & Sausage Jambalaya, Bread Pudding with Vanilla Bourbon Sauce. All for only \$20 per person. Please RSVP by March 3rd to [mardigras@hmbyc.org](mailto:mardigras@hmbyc.org). Arrive early & enjoy authentic New Orleans cocktails, including Hurricanes & Old Fashions. Masks w/Mardi Gras regalia is desired, but not required. "On va faire la fete!"



**ST. PATRICKS DAY CELEBRATION!!**

Top o' the evenin' to ya! Green ale, green lepricons & pot'o'gold!! Come on down for a bit of the Irish! Saturday, March 12 at 6:00pm. Feed on Irish food & sing the songs of old Blarney. Wear green or you may get pinched or kissed! Only \$12.50 (including tax) will buy'e Corned Beef & Cabbage (what else?). RSVP with [vcommodore@hmbyc.org](mailto:vcommodore@hmbyc.org). B.Y.O.S. (Bring Your Own Shamrocks)!

Weavers, Crocheters, Spinners & Stitches. This group is open to anyone who likes fiber from beginners to experts to hacks! Contact: Leann Nassar; [lnassar@yahoo.com](mailto:lnassar@yahoo.com)

**Every Third Monday of the Month, 7:00 - 9:00pm: A Good Read Monthly Book Club and Social** ~ Member Chrysann Rudig hosts a monthly book club and social. Let's meet each other, talk about what we like to read, and pick a few books to get us through the summer, and see how it goes! Bring something nourishing or fun to share - potluck. RSVP to Chrysann at [chrysann@abundanceskincare.com](mailto:chrysann@abundanceskincare.com) or 650.560.9600.

**Every Third Thursday of the Month, 8:00pm: Dad's Night Out** ~ Jim Stretch hosts Dad's Night Out, a chance for Dads to come together and celebrate fatherhood. Whether you are a new Dad looking to share your baby's first steps, or a veteran willing to share some wisdom, come on down and relax with the guys. We'll mingle about life, kids, work, sports or whatever. Contact: Jim Stretch; [jc\\_stretch@yahoo.com](mailto:jc_stretch@yahoo.com).

**Every Fourth Thursday of the Month, Women Sailing Group** ~ The HMBYC Women Sailing Group meets once a month on the fourth Thursday. In November, we meet at 6:30 on the Third Thursday because of Thanksgiving. We do

**A WARM HEARTY THANK YOU** to the following people for helping out on that rain, cold "clean-up" day on the 19th of February: Ray & Kristi Durazo, Michelle & Robert Dragony, Liz Allison, Lucy Gillies, Karen Flick, Andy, Kelly Pike, Peggy Ruse & doug, Terry Ramseyer, Clarke Simm, Neal Wehtje, Zander Dragony & friend, Sandra Scowen & of course Jay Howell, who coordinated this production. A special thank you to Michelle Dragony for her massive undertaking of steam cleaning all the chairs in the new building. And, don't miss the newly mounted burgee's in the new building. Certainly a fine group of devoted workers!!!



**Bravo!!!**

Youth Sailing Camp

The Youth Sailing Camp details are now on the website. Register early to avoid disappointment@ Tell all your friends and neighbors!!

**Save these dates!**

Sunday, March 13 ~ **General Membership Meeting and 4:30pm Potluck.**

Sunday, March 20 ~ **Midwinter Race #3**

not meet in December, but meet in January, February and March at 6:30 for sailing seminars. From April - October, Women Sailing begins our monthly meetings around 5:30 with only sailing! Afterward, the bar will be open and/or we go out to eat! Contact: Peggy Ruse at 650-465-2664 or [pfruse@earthlink.net](mailto:pfruse@earthlink.net)

Club Hours



Normal Clubhouse Hours:  
Friday, 6pm-11pm  
Saturday, 2pm-11pm  
Sunday, 2pm-7pm

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Club phone & message:  
650.728.2120

HMBYC Photo Gallery



The official [photo gallery](#) for the Half Moon Bay Yacht Club is now on our Club website. If you have a collection of photos you'd like to submit, contact [gallerymaster@hmbyc.org](mailto:gallerymaster@hmbyc.org) to arrange for a handoff.

Saturday, March 26 ~ Curry Potluck Dinner  
Come & eat lots of different currys with friends! Party planners are Michelle Dragony & Adora Palmer.

Sunday, March 27, 6pm ~ Ladies Night at the Movies  
Join Womens Sailing for a night out. Dinner & movie, "Eat, Pray, Love," only \$20. Treat yourself to some wonderful silent auction items. Scrumptious Italian, Indian & Vegetarian dishes. Bring a friend! This is a Women Sailing fundraiser for the Claire Borkert Girl Sailing Scholarship. Please RSVP by March 25th to [sandrascowen@gmail.com](mailto:sandrascowen@gmail.com).

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Please use individual disks or folders for each subject with explanatory folder names, a clear description and date of the event covered, and your name for credit.

Thanks!

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