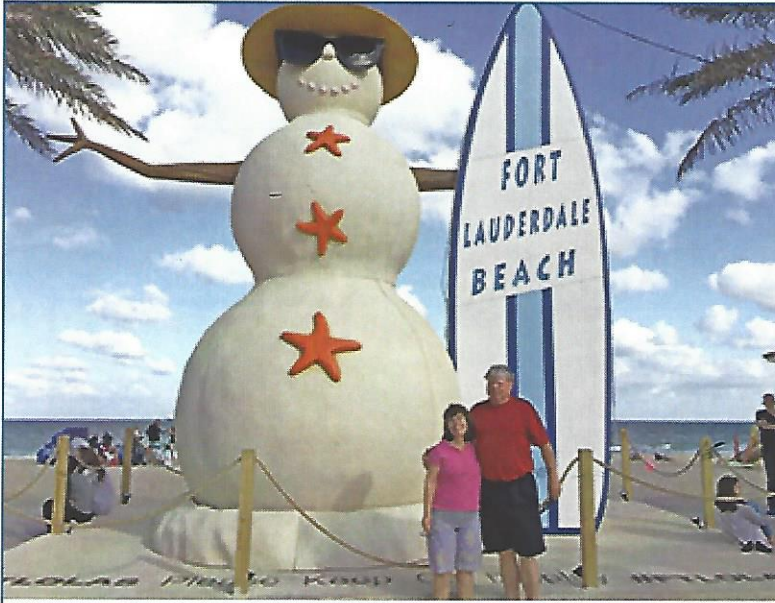


Florida Rendezvous – A Great Success



The Hatteras Classic Club had a great long weekend rendezvous in Ft. Lauderdale February 11 – 14 thanks once again to the planning of our Ft. Lauderdale residents, Andy and Jeanne Dixon and Brad Price and Stu Esack. There was a record turnout of 28 people, with Jackie and Bob Brandon arriving by boat.

The event began Thursday night at The Quarterdeck Restaurant which was featuring "lobster night," and many members enjoyed that special offering. The next day was free to enjoy the beach, go shopping or tour the city by water taxi. At 4:15 the group was shuttled by our hosts from hotels and marina to Brad and Stu's beautiful ocean front condo for cocktails and a barbeque dinner. The condo was on Port Everglades inlet and all were thoroughly entertained by watching the departing cruise ships barely 200' away.



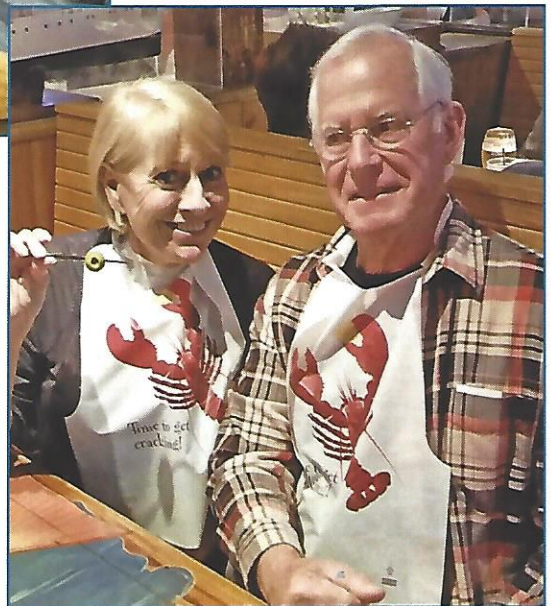
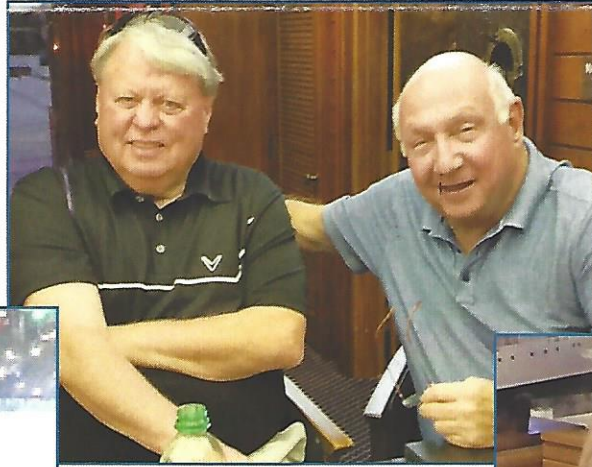
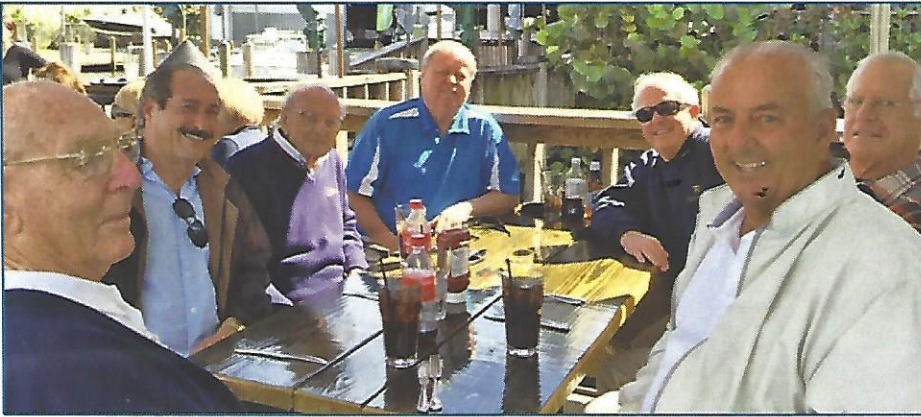
On Saturday some of the men drove to Miami Beach for the Collins Avenue Boat Brokerage Show; the Miami Boat Show, which we were planning to attend (two members did), was very congested due to heavy traffic getting to its new location on Virginia Key. Unfortunately, all the accessories were at the Miami show and all the interesting bigger boats were at the Miami Beach show. Even so, the Collins Avenue show was so massive that all were worn out before they could see everything they wanted.

The same day, seven of the ladies went to the Wick Costume Museum in Boca Raton. They had an elegant lunch and viewed an extensive collection of costumes from famous Broadway productions. It was a great time after a very tedious drive north with many unexpected road closures. Jeanne Dixon deserves a gold medal for yet another difficult drive during a rendezvous!

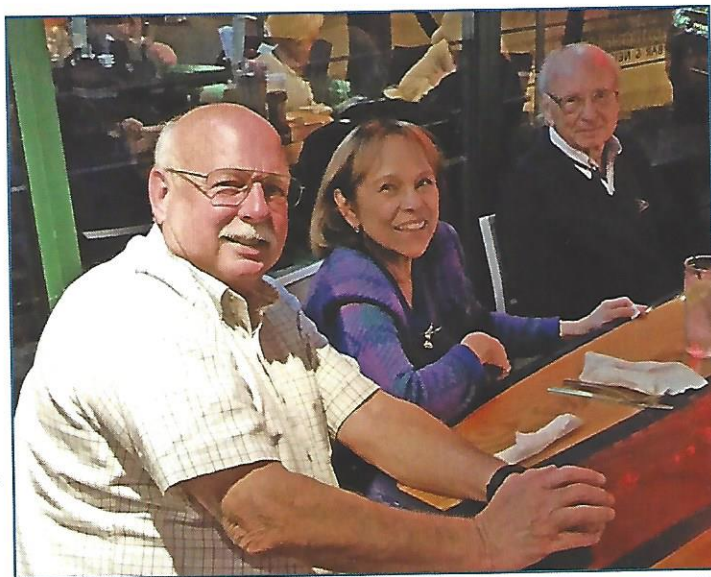


Saturday evening we were again chauffeured to a local Cuban restaurant, Catalina. Everyone had a delicious dinner in the private dining area. The Sangria and wine flowed and many delightful offerings were sampled. Fond farewells, thank yous and hugs were given after dinner since Sunday we all went our separate ways.

It was a wonderful weekend and kudos go to Jeanne and Andy and Brad and Stu for all their efforts and hospitality. Plan to attend the winter rendezvous next year and join the fun!



Florida Rendezvous continued



Jackie and Bob Brandon, the only members to come by boat, found an uninvited guest on their bow in Ft. Lauderdale!



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