

The Harbor Report

Newsletter of Florence
Harbor Marina and
Restaurant

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October 2007

What's Happening



Mark your calendar for the **Parade of Lights!** December 8th, Saturday night, pull your decorated boat up to the fuel dock at 6:30 pm and join us for a short cruise down the Tennessee River. The boat with the best decorations will win either a \$100 cash OR a month free slip rent.

Watch for the Rental Pontoon boat in the City of Florence Christmas Parade, December 7th. The Harbor won first place last year and officials said it was the first time a boat had ever entered the parade!



The East City Docks were recently used by the Bass Fishing Tournament as transient slips. Thanks to Terry and Dan, the boat batteries were charged and ready to go each morning! Dan Lawson and Killen Duran provided overnight security watch.

The Harbor Restaurant will close for the season beginning October 29th and reopen in the Spring of 2008. Thank you to the staff and lan for a successful summer.

WELCOME NEW SLIP HOLDERS

"A" DOCK

Skip Binkley

"C" DOCK

Wes Richardson



"D" DOCK

Charles Twitty

Ronnie Clanton

Scott Patterson

Troy & Sharri Beaver



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OTHER NEWS

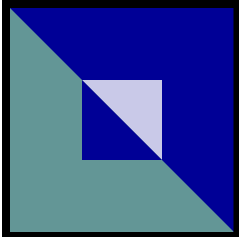
Attention Slip Renters:

Tighten dock lines to eliminate boats from moving the dock. Keep an eye out for other's boats. Recently a good sole noticed my boat sinking!

Our insurance carrier and the City of Florence Fire Marshall have again warned the marina about individuals being observed carrying gas containers to fuel boats. This practice must be stopped.

If you want to hand fuel your boat, we suggest you pull to the west city courtesy slips in McFarland Park to fuel. The potential hazard to you and the surrounding boats on the dock should an accident occur would be devastating.

This is not an effort by the marina for you to purchase fuel from us, but mandated by our insurance carrier and the City of Florence Fire Marshall. As a slip holder, you are required to adhere to this RULE.



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THE LOOPERS

The end of the summer found the harbor very busy. While the loopers enjoyed a rendezvous at Joe Wheeler State Park, many spent several nights along the way at our transient dock. America's Great Loop is the continuous waterway that circumnavigates the eastern portion of North America — along the Atlantic Seaboard, across the Great Lakes, through the inland rivers, and around the Gulf of Mexico. It is sometimes referred to as The Great Circle Route. The Great Loop website gave me the following information:

Where are other low bridges that may affect the routes I take? Tennessee River/Tenn-Tom

Waterway: 52 feet vertical clearance. Bridge heights are not guaranteed, so boaters must know their vessel dimensions and actual clearance before planning a trip. Operators should also be aware that the height of their boat, when fully loaded and underway, in various weather conditions, may differ considerably from the clearance listed in the manufacturer's literature.

What are the channel depths on the various waterways? Tennessee River/Tenn-Tom Waterway:

Channel maintained at a depth of at least 9 feet. Water depths are not guaranteed so boaters must know their vessel dimensions and actual draft before planning a trip. Operators should also be aware that the draft of their boat, when fully loaded and underway, in various weather conditions and in fresh (vs. salt) water, may differ considerably from its advertised draft.

Are there posted speed limits on the waterways? Tenn-Tom Waterway: Don't rock the other guy's boat.

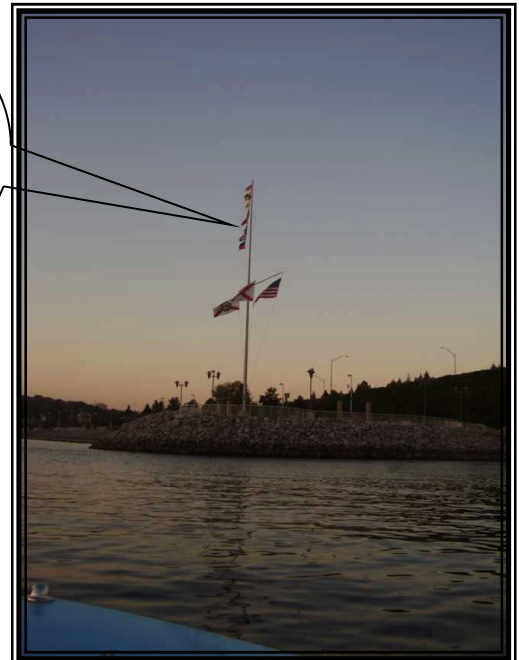
They can get pretty mad about that.

THE RESTAURANT WILL BE CLOSED
NOVEMBER 2007 THROUGH FEBRUARY 2008!
JOIN US ON THE BALCONY IN THE SPRING!!

Helpful Phone Numbers

Marina Office:	256-768-1299
Restaurant:	256-768-1721
Marina After Hours:	256-710-5133
State Troopers Post:	256-383-2923
Florence Police:	256-760-6500
Florence Fire Dept:	256-760-6475
Florence Park Police:	256-760-6416
Duke Equipment:	256-766-1020
Emergency:	911

What do
the letters
on the flag
pole spell?



First slip holder to call the marina office
and identify the flags on the pole entering
the harbor, gets 2 free
Florence Harbor T-Shirts!!!