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December 10<sup>th</sup>, 2007  
Martins Restaurant

### *Meeting Agenda:*

*Members stood for the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.*

*Feasting started at 1900.*

*Meeting was called to order by President "Ike" Eisenhower at 1945.*

*Absent officers were the Past President, and Guard Cathy.*

*Attendance: 28*

### *Treasurer's report:*

- 1. Checking account - \$2,999.60*
- 2. The raffle brought in \$170.*
- 3. Two (2) new family members: Mike Avery (3) and Stan Gold (3) - \$70.00.*
- 4. Six (6) renewals (5 family and 1 single): Jim Hambley (2); Jeff Rhoads (2); Lucian Montagna (4); Ned Smith (2); John Brown (2); and Carroll Howard.*
- 5. Purchase of four (4) dozen wings from Martin's cost \$77.*

### *Old Business*

- 1. Lucian Montagna reported on the Toys for Tots/Catchin' for Kids Tournament, which was held 7-9 December at Oceans East II. This was quite appropriate as Lucian, with his mate Capt. Mike Beane and crew of four U.S. Marines, won 1<sup>st</sup> Place with a striped bass of 56.88 pounds! The 2<sup>nd</sup> place rockfish was 56.84#, and there were five (5) fish over 50# weighed in! The crew of "Fishin' Fool" had decided before the tournament to return winnings if they placed, so after receiving the first place check for \$3,060, Lucian immediately returned it as a donation to T4T. Way to go, Lucian – we are all proud of you and your crew. (Ed. Note: Lucian kept the 2<sup>nd</sup> day Calcutta money to offset expenses...)*
- 2. NAC placed 2<sup>nd</sup> in the club challenge in the T4T, losing to Portsmouth Anglers Club by about 20#.*
- 3. The "Recognition Banquet" will be held at Martin's Restaurant on the regular meeting date of 11 February 2008. President "Ike" solicited inputs from members on those folks who should be recognized for their contributions to NAC in 2007. It was also noted that only paid members can attend the Banquet.*
- 4. Ike also noted that the 2007 awards, based on length, will be changed to a weight-based award system for 2008 – while still encouraging conservation through catch & release.*
- 5. Members are reminded that all members expire in December, and dues are payable no later than the January meeting.*

### *New Business*

- 1. President Ike announced that he will head the Nominating Committee for new officers in 2008, and solicited inputs from any members interested in serving. The slate will be presented at the March meeting, with elections and officer turnover at the April meeting.*
- 2. Ike noted that Bob Cherry had stepped down as Events Coordinator and thanked Bob for his contributions to NAC.*

3. With the position of Events Coordinator vacant, Lucian thanked Billy Rellos for his work as Assistant Events Coordinator, and asked if he would "fleet up" to the Coordinator position. Billy promised to consider it and let us know... ☺

### Fishing Reports

1. Although hard-pressed to follow up on his T4T report, Lucian reported on a recent offshore trip. They were highly-successful, boating two nice YFT and three BFT. The Bluefins included two medium school fish at 120# and 139#, and their one allowed GIANT BFT for the year, measuring 73-5" CFL and weighing over 200#. Pretty work and congratulations to Lucian and the crew of "Fishin' Fool".

### Presentation:

Capt. Stan Gold was our guest speaker this evening, and the subject was wreck fishing for flounder and black sea bass. Stan noted that fishing for flounder on offshore wrecks is the same as in the Bay, but that you have to first "find the structure". Stan discussed LORAN vs. GPS (w/WAAS), how and why to use dual frequency (hint: beam width), how to find the wreck, how to "expand" your chartplotter, and how to find/mark the lay and shape of the wreck. He noted that the fish may be on the wreck, or as much as 200-300 yards in any direction, and noted that he no longer uses marker buoys. Stan also discussed losing gear ("if not losing, you aren't on the wreck"), as well as his preferred reels, rods, rigs, and baits for this productive and exciting flounder fishery. He clearly demonstrated how to cut strip baits so they would "swim", and noted that bucktails and diamond jigs can also be productive. Capt. Stan closed his presentation with additional comments about the differences in rigs, gear, bait, and technique when targeting Black Sea Bass on the same offshore wrecks. Many thanks to Captain Stan Gold for sharing his knowledge with us.

### Raffle:

The raffle brought in \$170 for the club. This is directly attributable to the FANTASTIC contribution of hand-made lures and other items from "Crazy John" Cevora. We had 43 items to raffle and pulled 43 tickets from the bucket. Almost everyone went home a winner tonight! Many thanks to John and John, Jr. for their contribution.. ☺

New members tonight are Mike Avery and Stan Gold. We welcome both families to our growing club.

Meeting adjourned at 2107.

Minutes of the meeting prepared by Brian Hodson, Secretary.