



# The Bowfin Inquirer



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## Bowfin Block Party

At noon on Sunday, August 21<sup>st</sup>, about a dozen Bowfin families convened -- as we'd been doing for many years until that abrupt interruption in 2020 due to Covid -- to celebrate the summer with conversation and tasty Round Table pizzas and homemade main courses, salads, and desserts.

Thanks to all who came to make this a fun afternoon, and special thanks to Palu Dedhia (308) and Gaurav Keswani (349) for helping with planning, set up and clean up!

*Eve took some snapshots of the event, all of which will be found on our website, [bowfininquirer.com](http://bowfininquirer.com) – and most of which are printed in this issue.*

## Eve's Latest Needlepoint



It's oddly shaped, but when folded together and filled with fiber, these beautiful sections are going to form an exceptionally pretty jack-o-lantern!

Purchased at  
**Old World Designs**  
727 Santa Cruz Ave, Menlo Park, CA 94025

## Aaron's Answers

**Question:** What is a "tidal basin"? I've heard that term before and assumed it has to do with a coastline. Is it a general kind of landform, a specific place (in which case - where is it?), or is it both?

-Jerry

**Aaron's Answer:** A tidal basin is a type of landform. It's essentially like a bay but because it is cut off from the ocean or other bodies of water, it is only accessible during high tide, because that's when the water is high enough that boats can make it over the divide separating the basin from the other body of water. It can be anywhere near another body of water and it can be man-made or natural.

*Editor's additional note:* The expression is also used as a proper noun, as I found this about one near our nation's capital:

The **Tidal Basin** is a man-made reservoir located between the Potomac River and the Washington Channel in Washington, D.C. It is part of West Potomac Park, is near the National Mall and is a focal point of the National Cherry Blossom Festival held each spring.

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