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The newsletter s a couple of days late this as I was waiting to include the information from the 25th Anniversary Commodore's Ball held on Saturday, April

29th at the Shores Resort in Daytona Beach. The gala was attended by many of our members and guests. We started with a cocktail hour outside on the deck. The weather was beautiful and the company entertaining.

Following the cocktail hour we moved up to the top floor of the resort and met in the Atlantic Ballroom which looked out over the ocean. The Frank Saffie Band provided dining and dancing music until way after my bedtime.

I do want to offer a couple of special "thank

you's" to the people who make this event a special night. First I must apologize to Tom Donaghy. I forgot to mention Tom and Rene's effort in chronicling the years of our clubs history with pictures of every current and past commodore. Tom also had a picture of the first meeting of the club. I am bringing both of these to the June meeting to share with the rest of our members. Luckily Len Dignard caught my oversight and saved me by honoring Tom for his efforts.

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| | 2003 | Pat Slattery | 2011 | Rich Franco |
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| | 2004 | George Barnett | 2012 | Greg Hansen |
| | 2005 | Pete Poole | 2013 | Randy Meyer |
| on | 2006-2007 | Mike Cocchiola | 2014 | Len Dignard |
| | 2008 | Claudia Towne | 2015 | Bob Jaeger |
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I also should have also said thanks to Denise who I forgot to mention. She was a big help in the planning and setup of the room earlier in the day.

Again I need to thank the Jaegers for printing the names plates and program for this year's event. Bob and Linda also took pictures of all the members dressed in the finest evening wear.



The most difficult time for me was of course recognizing the Past Commodores. This was to be PC Joe Lindholm's Ball and I need to thank him for all the preparation. Although Joe could not be with us, Patty accepted his Past Commodore pin and burgee which the club had had framed. I don't think there was a dry eye in the room.



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Last month it was brought to my attention that the minutes from the 2017 meetings had not been posted to our website. That has been corrected and the minutes through April are now on the site.

May is a busy month for the Club with a three day boasting event at the Halifax Marina including lunch at 3PM on Saturday May 13th and a Social at the Daytona Beach Kennel Club on the 31st. Look for sign-up sheets at the May meeting which is being led by Bob and Lou Thousand with a Luau theme.



Don't forget the annual dues are due by the end of June. The renewal is \$100.00.

Happy Boating,

John



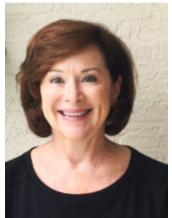
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Vice Commodore – Cindy Franco

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Here we are in May and what a great year we have had so far. I would like to extend a big thank you to Carol Sposato and Len Dignard for a fantastic April. All enjoyed the evening with the Ten Tenors and they hosted a delicious after theater desert party. Their Wine Tasting general meeting was a great success with a beautifully decorated hall, many selections of wine to savor and delicious snacks. Thank you to Carol, Len and their

volunteers for another fun filled evening.



Our April Commodore's social at Baynes Barbeque was well attended with over 54 members. The owners Bayne and Megan enjoyed themselves as well and invited us back for future events. Thank you for their great service and delicious food.



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Calling all volunteers for our annual 4th of July parade entry. We hope to have our club well represented for our 25th year. Rich Franco (386-283-7313, yes he really does have a cell phone) will be our lead. He is in need of a few decorators and marchers.

We will also try to offer rides for those of you unable to march but would like to participate. Joyce O'Meara (386-439-0371) will be in charge of golf carts this year so please contact her if you would like to join in the fun.

Our friend Jamie from the Beach Front Grill has reserved our tables again this year. Plan on joining your fellow club members following the parade to celebrate our nation's birthday.



The next Commodore social will be Wednesday, May 31st at the Dayton Racing and Card Club. Dinner starts at 6:00 p.m. but all are welcome earlier for drinks and cards. We have 40 members signed up so far. Your cooperation has been greatly appreciated this year so if you have not already signed up please give me a call. Keep up the good work.



Our May general meeting will be Thursday, May 18th with a Luau Theme hosted by Lou and Bob Thousand. Dig out those coconuts and grass skirts or your favorite Hawaiian shirt and be prepared for another fun evening with lots of laughter, plenty of good food, and maybe some fire dancing and hula skirts.

Aloha, Cindy



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It's hard to believe we've turned the page on yet another month on the calendar. April certainly ended on a positive note for Laura and I after we attended the FBYC 25th annual Commodore's Ball. I may have to make a motion at the next board meeting to change our club motto from Fun, Friendship and Boating to Fun Friendship, Boating and Dancing. Our club members certainly showed the moves out on the dance floor and it was so great seeing everyone having a wonderful time. There is so much involved to pull off a success event like this and a big thank you goes out to everyone who had a hand in making it a great evening.



Inducted at our April meeting were Ed and Liz Caisse (non-boat owner) and Peter and Carolyn Marich (boat owner). Ed and Liz are sponsored by Rick and Cindy Franco. They have been friends of the FBYC for several months and are known to many of you.

Pete and Carolyn Marich are sponsored by Fleet Captain Alan Hendry and his wife Janet. The Marichs are neighbors of Alan and Janet.

Approved but not available for the



April meeting were Mike and Lydia Torres. They will be inducted at the May meeting.

The Board has approved four additional new people, who will be announced and inducted at the May General Meeting. The addition of these members will put the club at its 150 membership cap, but the club will continue to accept applications with the understanding that applicants know that they must wait for a vacancy to be considered.

Please remember to take a few moments at a meeting or social event to introduce yourself to our newest members. There will be a star on the new members name badges.



Dues are due by June 30th. \$100 per membership.





Alan Hendry and Marsha Barry, Fleet Captains

The annual Blessing of The Fleet took place on April 8th in Cimmaron Basin. It was a beautiful sunny day, perfect for the blessing. Former Fleet Captain Mike Triano worked the vessel line up and there were 16 vessels blessed by our very own Christine Passiglia. Thank you Mike and Christine.



Following the Blessing there was a gathering and Luncheon at Hidden Treasure in Flagler Beach. There were approximately 70-75 members in attendance. Again the weather was perfect. The staff did a good job of taking care of such a large group.



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Ken and Pam Miller were the leads for the Blessing and lunch. Thank you both for a great day.

Attention All Captains

The speed zones for the protection of Manatees go in effect May 1. Slow down to idle speed in the speed zones. Also, please keep a vigilant watch for Manatees when not in a speed zone.

The following is a list of Maritime events we have planned for the next three months.

Halifax Marina, May 12-14, Thurs-Sat, Frank Ruffalo lead. The Marina is walking distance to restaurants on Beach Street a revitalized section in Daytona. There will be a late lunch at the Marina View Restaurant at 3:00 PM. As the name implies the restaurant overlooks the marina.

Treasure Hunt & Steak Bake, Wednesday June 21. Cost for members is \$6.00 and guests are \$10.00. Ray Oakes is the lead for this event.



The treasure Hunt will start in Palm Coast and will end by the Route 100 Bridge in Flagler Beach. The questions will be emailed to the Captains that signed up the night before the event. Captains can determine their own start time in order to arrive at Hershel King around noon. Boaters can take their boats home or tie up at Hershel King. There is room for about eight boats.

The Steak Bake will be at Hershel King Park at the Pavilion. Mem-

bers should not arrive until about 12:00 unless you are a Event Volunteer. Steak and corn will be provided. Please bring a side to share (i.e. potato salad, Macaroni salad, etc).



Subs on the Beach at Mantanzas, Friday July 14th, 11:00 am - 2:00 PM (high tide is at 1:18 PM). This will be at the same location on Rattlesnake Island as the Steak Bake has been for the past couple of years. The cost will be \$6.00 for members and \$10.00 for guests. Subs and side salads will be provided. Please bring a snacks/munchies to share. As always, bring your own beverages. This site is on Federal Parkland and consumption of alcohol is not permitted. Please be discrete in you choice of containers and store any extra on a boat.

Safe Boating Guide: For All Occasions

Nothing can compare to taking a boat out onto the clear blue water and sailing away your stresses. With warmer weather comes greater responsibility. Boating, like any activity involving a driver behind the wheel, is accompanied by proper licensing and most importantly avid precaution. All Aboard - With Your Boating License

Never lose sight of the small stuff, this is particularly important to stress to anyone on board. Like any other boating activity overlooking a small detail can create a much larger problem in the end.

Some small tips can include:

- Cleaning up messes immediately to avoid any slipping or falling on the deck.
- Keeping any equipment organized and out of harm's way.
- Always be prepared hats, sunglasses, sunscreen, extra clothes in case the weather changes.
- Lifejackets or Personal Flotation Devices (PFDs) must be available for everyone on board.
- Each passenger should know how to properly use and maintain their PFD and wearing it at all times is of course recommended.

Boating Regulations, PCOC

Keep in mind boating regulations like:

- Having your Pleasure Craft Operator Card on board at all times; also referred to as a Boating License.
- Never operate a boat while under the influence of drugs or alcohol. Please check your provincial regulations for the alcohol laws in your area.
- PFD's must be available for every person on board, and don't forget about the kids a properly sized life jacket or PFD is required.

Lastly, always think ahead – have an undocking plan and go over the details with everyone so there is absolutely no confusion.

S.O.S : Boating Safety in High Stress Situations

Boating accidents can happen – being prepared ahead of time is what will guide anyone to stay calm and know exactly what to do. Keeping a survival kit on board is number 1. No matter the severity, this will aid you in getting through the issue at hand.



March 2017 Calendar of Events

May 12th-14th Halifax Marina Trip Lunch at 3PM

May 16th Board of Directors Meeting @ 6:30

May 18th General Meeting & Luau @ 6:30

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May 31th Commodore's Social at the Daytona Beach Racing and Card Club @ 5:00

For more information including directions, visit the Events section of the FBYC website. Click on Calendar and then the event you wish to access.



Hoist a Tankard of Grog to This Month's Birthday Pirates

| Jeanne | Nix | 1-May |
|------------|-----------|--------|
| Pam | Miller | 5-May |
| Dee | Cocchiola | 6-May |
| Dennis | Kilduff | 6-May |
| Bill | Moya | 6-May |
| Joyce | O'Meara | 6-May |
| Mary Ann | Landolina | 10-May |
| Mary Ellen | Mumper | 13-May |
| Barry | Hester | 29-May |







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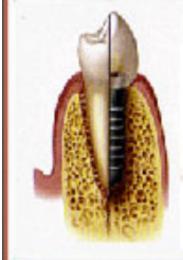
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