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Commodore's Comments

Tom Egmore

After three years as an OYC officer, this is my final "official" Daymarker article. Of the four years as an OYC'er, the last three have been as an officer. I started my club politics by running for and being elected Executive Rear Commodore, followed by Vice Commodore and finally as Commodore. I have loved every minute of it and really hate to retire. I guess that I could keep going since there are five officer positions and I have only held three. But, when you have been on the top it is hard to go down the ladder. No, really, I felt it much better to give someone else a chance. Also, a major consideration was keeping up the quality of the Daymarker. After thirty-six articles, I have run out of things to say. I'm sure some of you have noticed my lack of creativity.

I have not been alone these past three years. I have had four fellow Board members whose expertise, dedication and tireless work has helped me do my job. This year as Commodore life has only been possible because of the help and hard work of my Board. I started a new job at the beginning of the season (June 3rd). Not only did I have to jump in with both feet, I received a baptism under fire with two

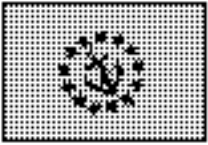
difficult construction projects. Both projects keep me out of town Tuesday through Friday either in Suffolk, Virginia or Washington, North Carolina. Teresa, Dave, Walt and Steve have been great taking up the slack by not only doing their

elected duties but also volunteering to do the many countless things that always come up behind the scenes. We are really fortunate that Teresa, Walt and Steve are returning to the board this year. They will be joined by Janine Washington and Peggy Ball, both great additions that round out what promises to be an outstanding board for 1997.

As the 1996 boating season draws to a close don't forget that there are several more events. There is the last cruise, Hardy Souls to Alexandria, followed by the Santa Cruise to Occoquan and last but not least, the always favorite Holiday Party at Fort Belvoir. I'll see you all there and as a

"civilian" club member and PC. I plan to continue to attend as many events as I can and I may even coordinate an event or two. Thanks for all your support over the last three years.

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Vice Commodore's Comments

Steve Wexler

I want to thank each of the members of OYC for the honor of allowing me to serve as your Commodore during the upcoming year. I am particularly thrilled to have the pleasure of working closely with the board which you elected:

Vice Commodore:	Teresa Sorrenti
Rear Commodore:	Janine Washington
Secretary:	Walt Cheatham
Treasurer:	Peggy Ball

With their support and guidance I am sure that we will be able to continue the OYC tradition of enhancing our members' boating experiences while providing a safety conscious and fun-filled environment.

The OYC Columbus Day Weekend Cruise was capably coordinated through the combined efforts of Rick Sorrenti, Peggy Ball, and Steve Zimpel. A special thanks goes out to PRYCA Commodore Penny DeMarco for making the arrangements with Capital Yacht Club for Saturday night's cocktail party. Peggy organized our attendance at the Arena Stage for a performance of Moliere's "The Miser." And Steve P.J. B-Man (see photo in last month's Daymarker) hosted dessert and coffee aboard The Boat afterward.

Talking about last month's Daymarker...it may have arrived a little late, but after you saw all those great photos, who could possibly say that it wasn't worth the wait? PC Tom always wanted us to treat him with reverence...but a photo of him walking on water next to The Boat was almost too much to take. And who was that Lone Ranger look-alike with The Hula Babe???

And the excitement's not over yet. This year's Hardy Souls Cruise will be to the Alexandria City Docks on November 8th through 10th. Call Mary Jo Worcester to find out if any slips are available. If you want another sighting of Steve Z's little birdie you want to be there!!

Please read the Holiday Party full-page announcement in this edition of the Daymarker. **The annual OYC Change of Command/Holiday Party will be held on December 7th at the Fort Belvoir NCO Club.** Good food, three hours of open bar, awards and dancing—a great time will be had by all—please make plans to attend!!

In addition, the PRYCA Change of Watch Dinner will be held on January 25, 1996 at the Old Colony Inn in Arlington. Steve Donock will be installed as Vice Commodore and Monica Lovell and Jim Ball will continue as Members-at-Large, while John Robey remains as Fleet Captain. Please plan on being there to support PRYCA and our OYC members.

See you on the River.



Exec. Rear Commodore Comments

Teresa Sorrenti

The Other Side of the Boat Show

Well, now that we have spent four days assisting our good friends at Holly Acres at the Annapolis Boat Show, I can truthfully say this is one of those things which have two sides! It is not nearly as much fun to stand on a single boat all day and answer the same questions over and over, compared to wandering around at your leisure. It is even less fun when the cold front comes through and the wind comes off the river straight for you on the aft deck. I felt like I had a bull's eye on me—no matter where I stood, the wind found me. The sun, however, could not seem to locate me at all on those rare occasions when it broke through. It was hard to believe that on Thursday it was actually hot, and on Saturday I had to go buy gloves.

Some of the questions were interesting. Ned, you will be glad to hear that many people touring the 41 Aft Cabin did not recognize what the ice maker was. I was also noticing which people immediately spotted the built-in blender on the wet bar on the aft deck. These were the true party people (if they were local I would have given them OYC applications). There was a mixture of plans for the blenders too: everything from margaritas and pina coladas to mudslides.

The OYC attendance at the show was as strong as ever, and I have to admit, everyone was well behaved, too. Even at the Maxum cocktail party, I did not see anyone trying to eat all of the appetizers, or guzzle the champagne (except maybe me—it was a LONG day). Many of us managed to end up like drowned rats that night when the monsoon came and caught us on the docks wandering through the new boats, but a good time was had by all. I do happen to know where there are a LOT of wet tuxedos that probably haven't begun to dry out yet!

The Boat Show is always a fun event, and even with the "working" and the cold (Seattle's Best Coffee made a fortune!) it was a great place to be. Hope you enjoyed it too. Speaking of unpredictable weather, we look forward to seeing everyone at the Hardy Souls Cruise in November!





Secretary's Comments

Walt Cheatham

Santa in November! Can you dig it? The Occoquan Yacht Club will take have the annual Santa to Occoquan dock party and ferry ride this year on November 30th. That's right, Saturday, November 30th, starting just before noon.

The Occoquan Merchant's Association is in charge of this event, and this year they have made some changes. First the date, and second when I called they told me that Gary Dixon, Captain of the Harbor Lady tour boat, was bringing Santa. I explained that it is an OYC tradition, and they said that Gary is a member of the OMA (being an Occoquan business and all) so I backed off and called Gary. He is an easy going guy looking for a party and was happy to let us tag along in parade fashion. This will work to everyone's benefit because he has the draft and docking facilities to get Santa right where the OMA wants him without running aground, and he was looking for the best place to pick Santa up.

What better place than OHM where we will be enjoying seasonal beverages and goodies and warming up our boats to make an OYC flotilla. Capt. Gary made sure I understood he could not accept any libations, but was looking foward to sampling some of the munchies.

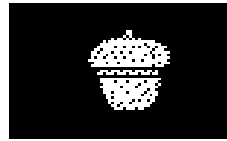
So join with us NLT noon on the 30th for the party. We will cast off about 12:40 for Occoquan because the magic arrival time is scheduled for 1 PM. Bring goodies to eat and drink, and hope the weather is seasonal rather than balmy. We don't want Santa sweating in his heavy red suit.

The meeting place is Ned's / Aaron's / Worcesters' / etc dock at Occoquan Harbor Marina—the one just to the right of the travel lift. I suppose it has a name or a letter (C), but I am a foreigner there. Why actually I am an Yankee from Fairfax (YC) county, and OHM is in the northern end of southern Virginia. But I did do my homework and call Dickie Lynn for permission to have a foreign craft pick up the most northern Yankee of all from the top of the world from his dock; all is set. So be there—and please give me a call if you plan to boat up the river so I can alert the Occoquan river patrol. There is no reason not to have 20 boats. It is November, and no one winterizes before December, do they?

P.S. Do not bring your tux and gown expecting to go straight to the annual OYC Holiday after delivering Santa. That event really is in December—a week later—Dec 7th.

Santa is a Turkey

Walt here again. Just another reminder that we do the Santa deal Thanksgiving weekend. If you would like to volunteer your boat for the flotilla, please call me at 491-3956.



Treasurer's Comments

Dave Moore

As I'm writing this article and realizing it's my last official "Treasurer's Comments," I am reminded of the times well spent this last year with the OYC Board and other members. Doing my small part was fun and rewarding.

I thank my fellow board members for their support and friendship and wish the new OYC Board much success in 1997. Steve, Teresa, Janine, Walt and Peggy will have a terrific agenda planned for next year.

As an update on the condition of *Evermoore*, I can report as of this time she is receiving her winterization ritual and awaiting necessary cosmetic repairs to prepare her for next year's boating season. The trauma of the hurricane damage is over, now it's the trauma of the repair bills! I know the boat will be as good as new, but I am anxious to see the work complete.

I'm also anxious to attend the Annapolis Boat Show this coming weekend. When you read this perhaps some of you will also have been to the show and might even be waiting for the delivery of your new boat! Yes?

Still remaining this year is the Hardy Souls Cruise, Nov. 9-10 and the Holiday Party and Change of Command on Dec. 7. I look forward to seeing many of you at the Holiday Party. Mark your calendars and fill out and mail your reservations. (See article and form elsewhere.)

Hardy Souls Cruise

Mary Jo Worcester

On Saturday, November 9th, the OYC will once again embark on their annual Hardy Souls Cruise to the City Docks in Olde Towne (Alexandria, VA). If you were among the fortunate to make this trek last year, I'm sure you'll remember that it certainly was one for "Hardy Souls."

Steve and I usually try to get away late Friday afternoon (around 5:30) so we can have dinner that evening in Olde Towne. Please let me know if you plan to do the same. The usual 5:00 p.m. cocktail party is customary on Saturday evening. People then go to restaurants of their choice or eat on-board. Sunday is "more of the same," unless we have sleet, hail, snow, etc. (Remember to bring windshield scrapers—HA!) Hard to imagine, isn't it!

The following OYC members signed up for the cruise and I have given your reservation to the dock manager.

Sorrenti, Robey, Donock, Mutnick, Egmore, Breneman, Wexler, Hobson, Ball, Lovell, Rhodes, Coldwell, Zimpel, Jeirles, Jacobsen, Cheatham, Walsh, and Burner

Please let me know, as soon as possible, if you can NOT make this trip, by calling me on (703) 494-2382. Hope to see everyone there!

The Great Chili Cook-Off Caper

Dottie Jacobsen, Coordinator

Regarding the great CHILI COOK-OFF...Did We Have Fun or What???????

Talk about a super day, and the weather was perfect as always for this occasion. Sixty some (odd and not so odd) OYCers attended and made their presence known. Seven OYC boats came down river to attend the festivities including the Coast Guard Auxillary with Mitch Mutnick at the helm! Actually they came to do random food checks and we passed inspection! A boat load of Chili Checkers, to be sure!

Having only two tables at "B" dock did not deter our fun. Several members brought extra chairs and card tables and it all worked out quite nicely! Many thanks!

Even though we didn't have as many entrants as in the past, our famous Chili Chefs out did themselves again! As they say, Less is More!

The Goodie Bakers brought an abundance of decadent delights to tempt all present. Everyone was Oh-ing and Ah-ing and Eating!!!!

The Club supplied the beer, soft drinks, grilled burgers and hot dogs plus the fixin's. The afternoon rolled merrily on!

The OYC "Tent" came in handy as a cover for the photo display just in case Mom Nature decided to test her sprinkling system!

The Chili Judge was Mr. Bergin Howdeshell, Peggy Ball's father who was visiting from Memphis, (Elvisville) TN. As a long time Texas resident he is a superb Chili Aficionado!

His choices were:

- 1st Prize - Jan "Lucky Ducks" Hobson
- 2nd Prize - Tom "Morning Mist" Egmore
- 3rd Prize - Teresa "Sea Duck Too" Sorrenti

Our Bake-Off Judge was Mrs. Marcie Britton who is a local travel agent and ex-Army wife and claims to have Sweeter than Sweet Tooth. Her Choices were:

- 1st Prize - Martha "Martha Jane" Dodd
- 2nd Prize - Pat "Pat & Ray" Steele
- 3rd Prize - Barbara "Morning Mist" Egmore

Last but not least our Photo Judge was Mr. Weldon Britton, who's an outstanding Wildlife Artist, retired Army Pilot and FAA retiree. His choices for each category were:

Landscapes/Seascapes:

- 1st Prize: Bonnie "Happenstance" Fulford
- 2nd Prize: Dottie "Uff Da!" Jacobsen
- 3rd Prize: Tom "Shalimar" Coldwell

People:

- 1st Prize, 2nd Prize and 3rd Prize : Teresa "Sea Duck Too" Sorrenti

Animals/Birds/ Fish Etc.:

- 1st Prize, 2 Prize, 3rd Prize : Dottie "Uff Da!" Jacobsen

Boats & Boat Profiles:

- 1st Prize: Teresa "Sea Duck Too" Sorrenti
- 2nd Prize: Dottie "Uff Da!" Jacobsen
- 3rd Prize: Beth "Mutants on the Bounty" Chaffin

The afternoon was not only lots of fun but a Belly Buster. Whew! I can't thank my fellow and gal OYCers enough for your help and participation. My surprise treat was plastic gloves filled with popcorn and candy corn for finger nails. Just my way of saying thanks for a helping hand! Hand's down, that developed into more crazy fun and a lot of laughs! As the Coordinator of this event, my creative streak went wild. I enjoyed making the decorations and carving the OYC Pumpkins. Little Ashley Walsh was the recipient of the Gourds. As I said before: Did we have FUN or WHAT???

Next year will be our best year yet—don't miss it.

Tom Coldwell, PC
Membership Guy

It's time to renew your OYC membership.

It's true. While you are drifting and dreaming in your boat show and foliage cruise reveries, the 1996 membership year is drawing to a close (December 31), and those zany guys and gals on the 1996 board have nearly used up all of the dues you paid for this year. Lurking in the wings is a fresh new board—all Kitt and caboodle of them—anxious to get their hands on your membership renewal for 1997. So it is our lemming-like job, yours and mine, to gratify this unbounded lust, preferably now before the onset of the holidays.

No increase

The only in-
fun promised
the new crew
T e r e s a ,
Walt, Peggy,
B o n n i e ,
Lynn, Ned and
Jess, and moi.



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for 1997 by
of Steve,
J a n i n e ,
Bill and
Aaron and
Arleen and

As those who were members in 1995 know, this has been a stretched membership year, extended by three months to get us on a calendar year basis. We all got our money's worth this year. So it would be a real big help to the incoming board pay for the extra Daymarkers, restock the gear locker with burgees, caps and shirts and pay other start-up costs without depleting a budget already over extended by three months.

This issue conveniently includes your very own membership renewal form. Please fill it out and fill up an envelope with the form and your check (payable to OYC) and mail to OYC, P. O. Box 469, Occoquan, VA 22125.

If there are no changes in your membership data, just send in the check. Hey, we're easy.

More New Members!

Give a big O-O-O, Y-Y-Y, C-C-C welcomes to our newest members (paid up through '97 yet) to Gordon & Dodie Cawelti, Family membership, aboard their Maxum, Dodie One, hailing from Alexandria City Marina. And the same cheer goes to Paul & Dolores Silverman, Family, aboard Pier Pressure at Tyme 'N Tyde Marina.

Reporter has Cyberspace Address Potomac River Basin Reporter

The on-line version of the Potomac Basin Reporter, available on the Internet on the Chesapeake Bioregional Information Online Service (BIOS) at George Mason University, and at the E2B2 Environment Online, has received much interest. Residents of cyberspace also can communicate with the Reporter and the Commission over the Internet. The E-Mail address for reaching the Reporter is CGY@epaibm.rtpnc.epa.gov. This method of communication is in addition to the Commission's toll-free phone number (for you traditionalists): 1(800)9POTOMA. These routes to reach the Commission are printed, along with our address, on the back panel of each newsletter. Let us know how we're doing!

The Chesapeake BIOS, which includes the Reporter and a wealth of other river and bay-related information, is now supporting a page devoted to the Arakawa-Potomac Sister River Agreement project, and Potomac Superb, an electronic calendar of events in the Potomac basin.

Chesapeake BIOS can be reached on the 'net at the George Mason University web site: <http://web.gmu.edu/bios/potomac>. The E2B2 site which contains directories, news weather maps, and much more can be accessed at <http://www.e2b2.com>, or telnet at e2b2.com.

For Your Information Lifeline, Prince William Yacht Club

I know it's late in the season but let's take just a moment to reach way back under that helm seat, maybe down in that forgotten locker or heaven forbid back at home on the book shelf and pull out the old chart book. NO! NO! not the one made by the local map company or AAA; we're looking for something with NOAA Chart #??? on it. Now somewhere mixed in with all those numbers and pretty colors you should find a warning or two. One of these will suggest you may want to check your "Local Notice to Mariners." This may not be as difficult as it sounds! If you have a computer and an on-line service, it's really easy. The U.S. Coast Guard Navigation Center has just updated its web site, so use a web browser or enter <http://www.navcen.uscg.mil/navcen/htm> for the URL address. The new format is great.

Local Notices are listed by district. Our area is part of district 5 which includes 156,000 square miles of ocean, bays, wetlands and tidal marshes. It encompasses Delaware, Maryland, Virginia, North Carolina and parts of Pennsylvania and New Jersey. It's one of the smallest yet busiest districts in the nation.

This month, the local notice is 28 legal pages long. It may seem overwhelming, so let's look at what's the most important first. Missing, damaged, or out-of-place local markers. Under discrepancies, look for chart numbers 12286, 12288, 12289—these cover the Potomac River. For instance, one item indicates that Occoquan Marker 10 is currently damaged (if you don't know, I am not telling). Other interesting items cover fines for fuel spills or oil discharges; these include many levied on private owners for spilling fuel while refueling or for automatic bilge pumps discharging oil. Remember that next time you refuel, it may just cost you an extra grand or more if you vent a little overflow.

This web site goes on to cover much more including information on GPS, Loran, pollution funds and boating safety. Check it out—for those without a computer, we'll try to post at least a monthly listing on the bulletin board at Riverview.

Computers on Your Boat The Cygnet, Tantallon Yacht Club

What with all the publicity on the Internet, the World-Wide Web, Windows 95, and PowerPC (to mention just a few), one might think that the computer freaks are taking over the world. Well, not quite; but the fact is that computers are becoming more powerful, easier to use and cheaper—and all this is having an impact on boats and how they are operated. Perhaps the most dramatic development is the ability to integrate all the electronics (position and depth sensors, engine and operating data, weather and winds, and charts) into clear and usable displays. In the last Cygnet, the consequences of misuse of these capabilities (grounding of a cruise liner near Boston) was described. Now, I would like to start a look at what's coming up, as an introduction to future discussion. I hope some of the computer experts (those who understand MS-DOS and the PC world) will add some comments of their own.

With the arrival of the Global Positioning System (GPS), chart plotters which show both a chart of the area (including color) and your vessel's location are becoming more available. (A recent article lists eight different manufacturers with prices ranging from \$1,750 to \$5,995. Clearly, your boat has



Early OYC Board Meeting

become an even more efficient absorber of all the spare funds you can find!) At the same time, the price of laptop computers has dropped, and software is available to accept and display all kinds of boat information, including charts, navigation and ship's status. Systems now available include dedicated PCs, displays and compact disk drives (you cannot use this equipment for any other applications); all this stuff has to be shock mounted and is expensive to buy and install. More attractive for use aboard boats are software applications and interfaces which can be installed in laptop computers and still allow the computer to be used for other applications; these use floppy disks and avoid the requirement for shock mounts, etc. In future comments, further information on these systems will be presented, as an aid to evaluating what might make sense for your particular applications.

Another application for on-board computers is performing general home office functions, so that you can keep up with business activities and other interests while you are out on your boat—not too important, perhaps, for short day trips, but useful capabilities for live aboards or extended cruises. These capabilities depend on communications, but cellular telephone and other systems make continuous linkage possible.

One final note to conclude this overview: our own Jim Bonnett's father publishes a newsletter, the "On Board Computing Report" at a very nominal price. For a subscription, contact: H.W. "Hob" Bonnett, Wavetop Technology, Inc., 907 Muirfield Place, New Bern, NC 28560-1832; telephone (919) 633-1223.

Web Walkers Ahoy! **Cobb Island YC Newsletter**

If you happen to be out walking the web try visiting Ed Parson's Cluttered Desk Top at <http://152.120.98.191>. There you can click on Potomac River Life. Cobb Island Yacht Club has gone the whole international route—WE ARE ON THE INTERNET. You will see at least one familiar face come up on your screen—a truly handsome devil if I must say so myself. Additionally, you will have immediately available a wealth of information about restaurants, marinas, and other river facilities for the complete length of the Potomac River.

Send any additions, corrections or deletions to Bernie Williams, who will forward them on to Ed. In this way we could build a truly formidable Potomac River Guide. Ed Parsons is a computer guru friend of Don Thayer's and has kindly made room on his cluttered desk home page for the Potomac River Guide and, from time to time, other Cobb Island Yacht Club information. Thank you, Ed.

Web Walkers might also enjoy a visit to Boat/U.S.'s new home page at <http://www.boatus.com>.



Two Sea Duck Too

Anniversaries

Happy Anniversary to the following couples for the month of November.

Jerry & Marla Armstrong, November 1
Dennis & Joyce Moeller, November 10
George & Barbara Mehrrens, November 11
Peter & Geraldine McNeil, November 12
Ralph & Anna Burner, November 21

Birthdays

November Birthday Wishes to:

Katherine Corley, November 2
Dennis Moeller, November 4
George Mehrrens, November 11
Peter McNeil, November 12
Tim Chaffin, November 15
Henry Lovell, November 19
Dodie Cawelti, November 28
Sande Leathers, November 30



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Articles should be sent to the Daymarker Editor at 2749 North Wakefield Street, Arlington, VA 22207. We prefer typed text (no crayons please) or you may submit your text on a disk in Apple Macintosh format or IBM-PC format (3.5" or 5.25"). Our preferred word processing format is Microsoft Word. Your articles may be faxed to our corporate offices at (703) 812-5072. In addition, we are also on the information highway at milepost_rhodesn@aol.com.

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Occoquan Yacht Club 1997 Membership Renewal

Date: _____

Please print clearly and as you would like to have information appear in the membership roster:

Captain _____
First Mate _____
Address _____
City, State, Zip _____

Home phone: _____
E-Mail _____

Captain's Birthday _____ Mrs. Matri's Birthday _____ Wedding anniversary _____

Membership requested:

- Family \$60
 Individual --\$40
 Associate--\$30
 for OYC Barge add \$15

BOAT DATA:

Name _____ Length & Beam _____
Builder _____ Power Sail
Where berthed _____

Total enclosed: _____

Please make check payable to Occoquan Yacht Club. Mail check and this form to:
Occoquan Yacht Club, P.O. Box 469, Occoquan, VA 22125



**You are cordially invited to the
Potomac River Yacht Clubs Association's
1997 Change of Watch Dinner-Dance
Saturday, 25 January 1997**

Place: Holiday Inn Hotel and Suites
625 First Street, Alexandria, VA 22314

Program:

- Cocktails: 7:00 to 7:45 pm
- Dinner: 7:45 to 8:45 pm
- Change of Watch: 8:45 to 9:15 pm
- Dancing: 9:15 pm to midnight + with the Wright Touch Band

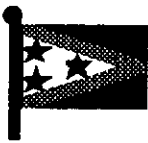
Dress: Winter Uniform or Business Suit - Black Tie Optional

Entrees:

- Roast Beef - Natural Au Jus
- Chicken - Baked with Stuffing
- Flounder - Grilled with Lemon Sauce

Cost: \$40.00 per Person - Cash Bar

DON'T MISS THIS EVENT - MAKE YOUR RESERVATIONS NOW!



PRYCA 1997 Change of Watch Dinner-Dance 25 January 1997

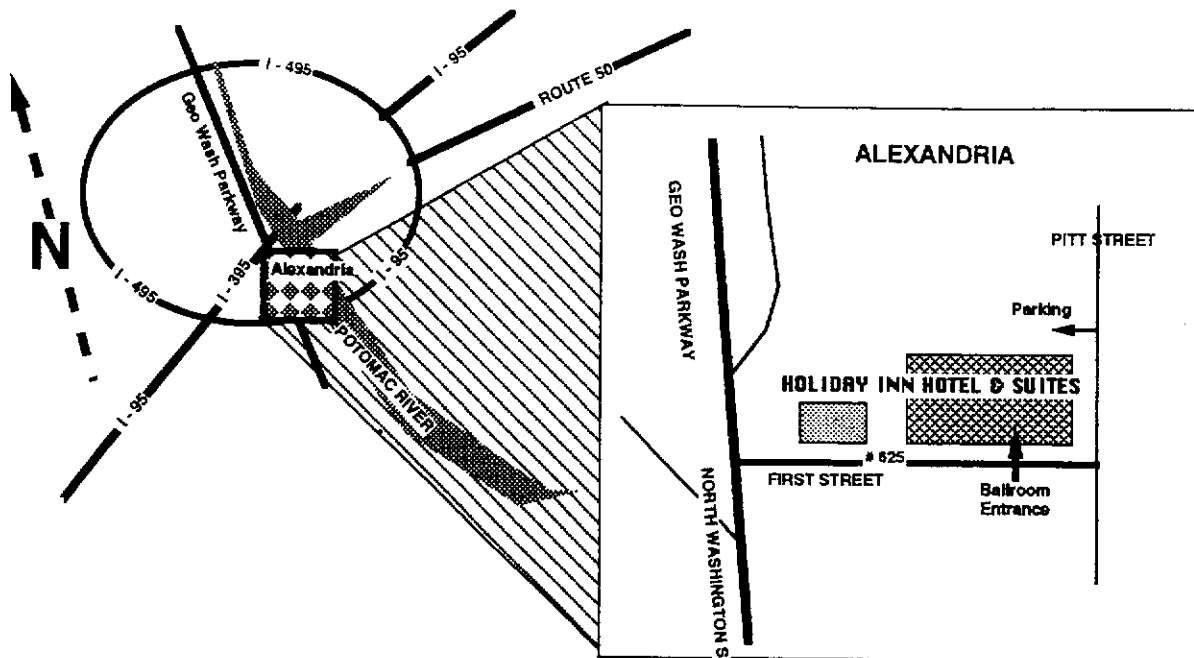
- Name:
- Guests:
- Yacht Club:

• Dinner Selections:	Total Attendees: _____
#_____ Roast Beef; #_____ Chicken; #_____ Fish	
• Payment	Total Attendees x \$40 per person = \$_____



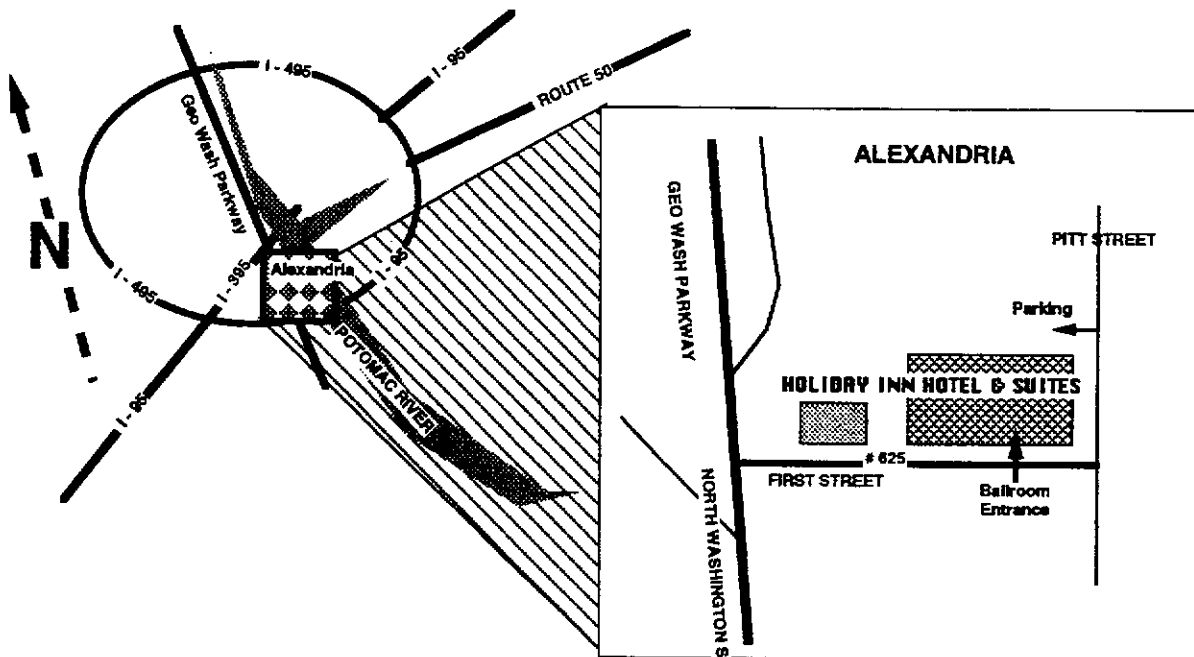
Make Your Reservations NOW!

- **Dinner-Dance Reservations** with Payment must be provided to PRYCA by Wednesday, 8 January 1997. Cancellations after 15 January 1997 are subject to full fare.
- **Room Reservations** are available for those who wish to spend the night. Contact Holiday Inn & Suites @ (703) 548-6300 and ask for the PRYCA rate. Reservations must be made by 6 January 1997; a deposit must be made for rooms to be held past 6pm.



DIRECTIONS TO HOLIDAY INN HOTEL AND SUITES, ALEXANDRIA, VA FOR 1997 PRYCA CHANGE OF WATCH DINNER DANCE, 25 JAN 1997

- From North, take George Washington Parkway South past National Airport to Old Town Alexandria; left on First Street to Inn.
- From East, take I-395 etc to 14th Steet Bridge, then South on George Washington Parkway past National Airport to Old Town Alexandria, then left on First Street to inn.
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Potomac River Yacht Clubs Association News and Activity Summary - Fall 1996

What Have We Here?

As part of a continuing effort to communicate more effectively with our member clubs, this news summary presents the highlights of current and planned PRYCA activities. These highlights have been prepared in a one-sheet format so that it will be easy to reproduce and distribute with your yacht club newsletters. We hope that this will keep our membership better informed and encourage even more participation in PRYCA events and activities. Please send your comments and suggestions for improvement to PRYCA Secretary Ineke Lavoie.

Nominations for 1997

The PRYCA nominating committee has proposed the persons listed below for the 1997 PRYCA Bridge. The nominees were selected to have wide representation among the clubs. The Delegates will act on these nominations at the 4 November 1996 meeting. There are lots of openings for non-elected positions, so don't hesitate to step forward.

• Commodore	Bud Clark
• Vice Commodore	Steve Donock
• Rear Commodore	Mark Viehoever
• Secretary	Ineke Lavoie
• Treasurer	Harriet Douglas
• Fleet Captain	P/C John Robey
• Members	- Jim Ball
-at-Large	- Monica Lovell
	- Michael Strunk

Your ideas, interests and suggestions are encouraged. Tell your PRYCA delegates, or any PRYCA officers. Let us know!

Future PRYCA Activities

• **Calendar.** The PRYCA planning calendar for 1997 appears on the back of this page. These are the same events that PRYCA has sponsored in the past, plus the addition of some planned events in the mid-Potomac. This calendar is being published early so that member clubs can include these events in their calendars and alert their members. Member clubs should send copies of their newsletters and calendars to PRYCA Secretary Ineke Lavoie, so that significant club activities can be included in the PRYCA master calendar.

• **Change-of-Watch Dinner-Dance.**

The first major event on the 1997 calendar is the dinner-dance, which will be held on Saturday, 25 January 1997 in Old Town Alexandria. Don't miss it! See the calendar and flyers for details.

• **PRYCA Future.** To enhance its usefulness to the clubs and individual members, PRYCA is considering:

- Fresh approaches to traditional events: formats, food, music, etc.
- Nautical events: fishing, navigation, predicted log & support of sailing events, etc.
- Activities to support service organizations- youth groups, environment, regional, etc.
- Boat roster improvements.
- Recognition for inter-club cooperation and participation.
- Additional events to better serve all our clubs.
- Emphasis on Boating Safety through competitive events, articles, etc.

PRYCA clubs: Please copy and distribute this summary to all your members.

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PRYCA 1997 PLANNING CALENDAR

• January 1997

**25 - PRYCA Change-of-Watch
Dinner-Dance @
Holiday Inn, Alexandria**

• February 1997

**3 - PRYCA Delegates Meeting
@ Capital Yacht Club**

• March 1997

**22 - CBYCA Regional Meeting
@ Tantallon Yacht Club**

• April 1997

**7 - PRYCA Delegates Meeting &
Commodores Call @
Tantallon Yacht Club**

**26 - PRYCA Safety Day
@ Mt. Vernon YC**

• May 1997

**17 - Pre-Blessing Dinner @
National Potomac YC
(Columbia Island)**

**18 - Blessing of Fleet @
Washington Channel**

• June 1997

**7 - Special PRYCA Delegates
Meeting & Lunch @
The Yacht Club at Swan Point**

• June 1997 (Continued)

**18 - CBYCA Board Meeting @
Tantallon Yacht Club**

**21 - Cobb Island Days @
Cobb Island Yacht Club**

• July 1997

**18 - PRYCA Float-In @
20 Ft. Washington Marina**

• August 1997 Have a fun cruise

• September 1997

**8 - PRYCA Delegates Meeting
@ Mt. Vernon YC**

**19 - End-of-Summer Party
21 @ Tantallon YC**

• October 1997

**5 - Blessing of the Fleet @
St. Clements Island (Cobb
Island & Swan Point YCs)**

• November 1997

**3 - Delegates Meeting &
Elections @ Capital YC**

• December '97 Happy holidays

Details? - contact PRYCA Sec'y
Ineke Lavoie, @ (703) 243-6933

1997 Change of Watch Dinner-Dance

On **Saturday, 25 January 1997** from 7:00 pm to midnight plus --
at the **Holiday Inn Hotel and Suites, Old Town Alexandria**

Great Food and Drink, Ceremony, Band & Dancing, Socializing
Winter Uniform (Blazer) or Business Suit; Black Tie Optional

>> MARK YOUR CALENDARS & WATCH FOR DETAILS <<

Make Reservations through your yacht club's PRYCA Delegate or designated representative.



The 8th Annual Festival of Lights and Parade of Boats

Hosted by the Washington Waterfront Association

**Saturday, December 14, 1996
6:00 PM**

The 8th Annual Festival of Lights is set for Saturday, December 14th, 1996, beginning at 6:00 pm with a parade of boats representing local Potomac River yacht clubs. The parade will be led by Santa Claus himself aboard a DC fire boat.

The parade will begin at the Municipal Pier promptly at 6:00 pm and culminate at the Capital Yacht Club at 7:00 pm. There will be a multitude of prizes for the best decorated vessels, including but not limited to:

Weekend Packages

Event Tickets

Dinner Packages

Cash Prizes!

Entrance Fees are \$10.00

(A charitable, tax deductible contribution to the Anacostia Watershed Society)

**Free slips are available to participants
at either**

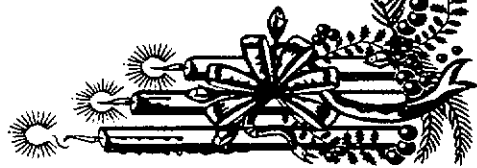
Gang Plank Marina or James Creek Marina

**Merry
Christmas**



**For more information or to register for this event
please call the Washington Waterfront Association
at (202) 363-0565**





*8th Annual Festival of Lights
and Parade of Boats*

Registration Form

Captain's Name _____
Vessel Name _____
Yacht Club _____

If you are requesting a slip please provide the following information

Vessel Length _____
Vessel Beam _____
Amps: 30 2-30's 50
Marina Preference Gang Plank James Creek
(Note: While we will make every attempt to place you in your requested marina, we may not be able to, due to limited slip availability.)

Please return completed form, prior to December 7, 1996
along with \$10.00 entrance fee to:
Washington Waterfront Association
PO Box 71293 SW
Washington DC 20024
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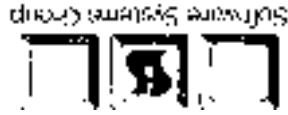
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Red W. Rhodes, CDP
President



Coming Events			
Hardy Souls Cruise to Old Town. Nov 9-10	Santa to Occoquan. Meet OHM at noon. Nov 30	OYC Holiday Party at Fort Belvoir NCO Club. December 7	PRYCA Change of Watch and Dinner. Jan 25

	<h1>The Daymarker</h1> <p>Occoquan Yacht Club P.O. Box 469 Occoquan, VA 22125</p>
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