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Commodore's Comments

Mary Lynn Snowman

I have always watched the winners of an award with great interest. They stand up before millions of people and go into this long list of who to thank and then they always forget someone. Well, I have such a list too! And I know I'm going to forget someone, but I have many more articles to write and officially thank those that I forget.

I can't get by without first thanking God. My first reaction to most any request is to always say "no," just ask my family. I used to always say "yes" but then that got me into being much too busy and neglecting my family. So saying no gives me time to weigh everything, think things through and then change my mind to yes if I want. (I have

found that it is far easier to change a no to yes than it is to change a yes to no.) Therefore, I thank God that he has given me the ability to say no but also the ability to realize that maybe no was the wrong answer.

Then I must thank Candy Clevenger who has done a tremendous job this past year. Who has helped me realize what mistakes I shouldn't make again this year. And who has promised me that she will stand beside me this year. I need to also thank Tom Coldwell for speaking up (when no one else would) and suggesting Rick Sorrenti for Vice Commodore.

It was an awesome suggestion. Thanks too to Ned Rhodes for nominating Eugene Brown for Secretary. Don't forget to read Eugene's article for a recap on the membership meeting.

A special thanks goes to Candy and whoever else that had Becky Wellhouse, Rear Commodore; Steve Thompson, Treasurer; and Susan Thompson, Quartermaster committed and ready to go.

I would be remiss if I didn't thank the new board members for their willingness to serve this year. This club is not possible without the volunteers. And thanks too to those of you who said you couldn't serve on the board but would be more than willing to help out. Don't wait for us to call—volunteer. If you see something you don't like, volunteer to help make the change. Get to know someone new. Show us your talent. Maybe you are a great cruise coordinator—you just don't know

it yet. Key here—get involved with your club.

I'm really excited about the coming new year. We have new members on the board as well as some seasoned ones (I hate the word OLD). A great balance. Actually, now that I think about it, we have quite a WILD bunch. think about it, we have quite a WILD bunch. I'm not sure how wild the Thompsons are but I have confidence that the rest of us will volunteer to help them make the change if necessary. Keep your eyes open and expect some things old and some things new.

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Last but not least I have to thank those of you who told me “no” to serving on the board. (Boy, did you miss out.) Your repeated “no” gave the opportunity for someone else to say “yes”! BUT if you ever change your mind and want to say yes instead of no, please let me know.

Oh, yes, and I almost forgot. Special thanks goes to my family: to my husband who said that he would support me in my decision; to my kids who have given to you some of their time with me; who says kids can’t volunteer; and to my parents who have kept their smiling mouths shut tight, knowing full well that I am too busy but that I’m happy! See you on the water, or wherever.

The Datemarkers

BIRTHDAYS

Bill Dalgetty 12/3	Gordon Cawelti 12/5
Judy Thompson 12/7	Jon Irwin 12/14
Cynthia Martin 12/24	Susan Thompson 12/26
Jim Johnson 12/27	Mark Evans 12/27
Patricia Garverick 12/28	

ANNIVERSARIES

Richard & Denise Michael 12/20
Ned & Arleen Rhodes 12/21
David & Shahin Hodge 12/23

Welcome New Members

Alan and Anne Gorenstein of Vienna. They keep their 27' Wellcraft, no name yet, at Tyme 'n Tide.

On the Web . . .

Occoquan Yacht Club:

<http://www.OccoquanYachtClub.org>

Ned Rhodes, Webmaster

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<http://www.PotomacRiverYachtClubs.org>

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Vice Commodore

Rick Sorrenti

Let's Make it Happen

Vice Commodore. Not a title I remember aspiring to as a child, in fact I am not sure I knew there was such a thing, except as a vague “Navy-type” word (my apologies to our editor). After 22 years in the Air Force, I understood a Commodore to be General Officer rankings, never had the opportunity to meet a Vice Commodore, but I guess they must be pretty good at driving boats along with the Commodores.

When asked why I wanted to be Vice Commodore my only answer was no one else felt compelled to volunteer.

Lets talk about volunteering. When Teresa and I joined this club in 1992, or even in 1993 when Teresa was convinced that she could/should be Secretary, I was amazed at the amount of work I had to do so she could be Secretary. It never stopped even when she became Commodore.

My consent to be Vice Commodore was NOT due to the multiple margaritas before dinner and the red wine with dinner that Teresa had prior to accepting her nomination. I guess I was just at the wrong place at the wrong time and seeking to put a boat in every slip or is that garage? I'm hoping that we not just take advantage of the cruising, eating and partying, but to pitch in and help make it happen. I hope that any of you who are wondering if you could do more will take a look at some of the events and let your new Board know if you want to chip in. We have a Cruise Coordinator's Handbook, logbooks from previous years and lots of “old hands” that can help you through it. For many events we can also use helpers if you aren't ready to be a Coordinator.

We want to thank Ned Rhodes for his great FIRST job as the Hardy Souls Cruise coordinator! Ever minute was planned with clockwork precision. I understand from those who walked the four miles each morning with a cast of thousand hounds (I mean household pets), it was a thing to behold.

Let me see if I have some of the story correct: Dogs and masters walking in the muddy Potomac shoreline in search of the surveyor's corner marker? What a thrill it must have been to find it. I can't wait until next year! Those of you who wimped out missed a great time. It is always an event that separates the wheat from the chaff and this year was no exception, the real boaters showed. On the other hand, no self-respecting OYC-er will miss an opportunity to party, as can be proven by the difference between the numbers of folks on *Impulse* for Saturday happy hour compared to the number of OYC slip-holders! The Old Town parking garages appreciated our business as much as the marina.

I know there is long winter ahead with no cruising, but we do have several events scheduled, so keep reading the Daymarker. In fact, sometimes the Board and the Editor get their most creative during the winter months when there is no boating to write about, so don't skip an issue, you never know what you might find. Certainly you will want to know about the Planfest at Gecko's in January, where we go over the

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2002 agenda (while eating and drinking, of course). As members of the Potomac River Yacht Club Association, we are invited to their annual Change of Command in January—a great event with a live band for dancing but not so stuffy to prevent OYC from throwing napkins and doing the O-Y-C-A for all to see.

If we don't see you at this party, we hope you have a happy and safe holiday season, and look forward to making it happen in 2002!



Training for the 2002 Olympics—With the boating season finished, OYC women now practice ashore, shown here executing a precision maneuver in their synchronized swimming routine.



Rear Commodore

Becky Wellhouse

It all started during the Labor Day Cruise to Port Kinsale. The weather was perfect and we had an event free trip on the way down (aside from that pesky little reprimand that we received for cruising too close to Dahlgren). We headed down a day early to enjoy an extended weekend, and brought some of our closest friends along with us for even more fun.

The marina was quaint and the atmosphere perfect for our young children. We spent lots of time in the pool and even enjoyed a zesty wacky pool-noodle session with Tom and Mary Ann Coldwell. At one point, the locals yelled at us for having too much fun (who goes to bed at 11:00 PM? Geez!) The cocktail cruise aboard *Shalimar* was gorgeous and unforgettable.

It all started the evening of the OYC cookout at the pool. I was enjoying a nice dinner of chicken and fruit salad with my family, friends and fellow OYC members. And then I was summoned. I was told that the Commodore wanted to have some words with me.

Oh no! As I walked over to Candy, my dear friend, Mr. Bruce, gave me a mischievous hairy eyeball, the first sign that I was in for trouble. I believe the question from Candy was "have you thought about being an OYC board member?" From that point on, it's all a blur. I do remember that Commodore Candy thoroughly explained the duties and in's and out's of being a Rear Commodore for OYC, and she patiently answered all of my questions. Thinking that being a board member would be the perfect way to become more active in the club and make more friends, I e-mailed Candy and asked her to put me on the slate.

And so my adventure as an OYC board member begins. I appreciate your votes and confidence and I look forward to serving you during 2002. Please don't hesitate to call upon me if I can be of any assistance.

In closing, I do have one burning question. What is this Kool-Aid that I'm supposed to be drinking? I don't even like Kool-Aid!



Secretary's Comments

Eugene Brown

As the challenge of service as the Secretary of the Occoquan Yacht Club becomes a reality, I would like to thank those who supported my long and arduous campaign and those who voted for me. With the slogan: "It is better to keep your mouth shut and thought a fool, than open it and remove all doubt." With that quote firmly embedded in my mind, I want to thank my campaign manager Ned Rhodes.

Thanks to my predecessor, outgoing Secretary Liz Kalweit, for these minutes of the Membership meeting:

Commodore Candy Clevenger Called to order at 2:45 p.m. and then:

Thanked Walt and Susan Cheatham for hosting us at FYC.

Recognized the current board. She would have recognized Mary Lynn, but ML was stuck in traffic on the Beltway. Also recognized OYC administrators--Webmaster Ned Rhodes, Historian Susan Von Schaack Brown, Daymarker Editor Tom Coldwell, Membership Chair Randy Snowman, and PRYCA delegate Joe Livingston.

Mentioned upcoming cruises and events—Hardy Souls Cruise, Santa Cruise, Holiday Party, PRYCA Change of Watch, which PRYCA delegate Joe Livingston discussed.

Asked for a vote on the amendments to the bylaws. Motion was made by Tom Coldwell to approve the bylaws, seconded by Ned Rhodes. The motion was carried.

Asked for a vote on the membership fee increase for new members. Motion was made by Gary Linck to approve the increase, seconded by Rick Sorrenti. The motion was carried.

Thanked Quartermasters Duane and Jan Jeirles for staying on even though they moved from the area, and introduced the new Quartermasters Steve and Sue Thompson. Piggybacking on the "spend your money on OYC stuff" theme, Rick Sorrenti offered floor mats for sale with the club logo and your boat's name.

Introduced the nominees for the 2002 board and asked the club for nominees for the two remaining positions, Vice Commodore and Secretary. After brief negotiations, Rick Sorrenti agreed to serve as Vice Commodore, and Eugene Brown agreed to serve as Secretary. Therefore, the duly nominated and elected 2002 OYC Board is as follows:

Commodore: Mary Lynn Snowman

Vice Commodore: Rick Sorrenti

Rear Commodore: Becky Wellhouse

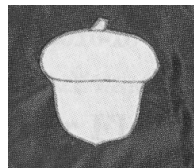
Treasurer: Steve Thompson

Secretary: Eugene Brown.

Announced the Chili Contest winners: first place: Tom Shank, second place: Ilona Zsirai, third place: Arleen Rhodes; and thanked the chili judges: Myan Shipley, Barb Swengel and Ron Tilmon.

Announced the Dessert Contest Winners: first place: Mike Czop, second place: Linda Bozoky, third place: Beckie Heinze; and thanked the dessert judges: Dave Moore, Rob Grant and Becky Wellhouse.

Meeting adjourned at 3:30 p.m.



Treasurer's Comments

Steve Thompson

I would like to thank Nabil for his excellent guidance and help he provided me in my new position as your treasurer. He's done an excellent job. However, I would like to make one correction to last month's Daymarker; I am NOT under a Grand Jury investigation. The Special Prosecutor assigned to the case is still digging around for more evidence. I'm sure they'll never look in Nabil's new motor yacht. (Do you get the feeling there might be some sort of collusion occurring here?)

One of my first acts as your treasurer was to go out and buy, with OYC funds of course, a special pair of glasses to help me focus on all the red print I've come across in the accounting books. I briefly thought about writing over the red with a black pen and putting a minus sign in front but I'm not sure if I want to be OYC's treasurer on my 82nd birthday. As a result I made a decision to do my best and put what funds were left to good use. To that end I consulted the best there is in the financial investment field, a distant relative of Captain Kid's First Mate, my wife. The decision was to bury what was left and, in a couple hundred years, dig it up again. If the value of the Atocha treasure is any indication of the average interest rate we would all become millionaires.

Actually, I've looked over the books and would like to thank Nabil for keeping the club's books in line. Although we currently enjoy a sound financial status, that could change without your help. The club runs on member's dues. And it is that time of year when dues are due. In the ten months that I have been a member of OYC I have participated in many events, met countless new friends, and had loads of fun. Those events counted heavily on OYC funding. Let's keep the friendships and fun going by making sure we get our dues in.

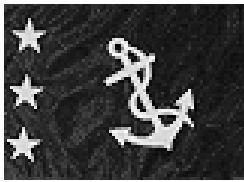
Thanks, and I'll see ya on the river.

A hackneyed pitch, but too, too true..

Dues 'R Due, Dude

Dues are due. Without your dues, we cannot do what we do, especially true, in... 2002. Do do your check—\$60 for family membership, \$40 for individual membership—payable to OYC, mailed to OYC, P.O. Box 469, Occoquan, VA 22125.

So, please, do your due dues, else we'll be in deep do-do. And you will be, too, if you still want to be true to the old red, yellow, white... and blue.



Past Commodore

Candy Clevenger

Wow, what a great final 2001 cruise we had Veterans Day weekend. The weather couldn't have been better this year for the annual Hardy Souls cruise to Old Town Alexandria. Thanks to Ned Rhodes who did a fabulous job of planning and coordinating our weekend activities. And thanks to the staff of the Alexandria City Docks for fitting us in this year.

By the time you read this Daymarker, OYC will have once again taken Santa by boat from OHM to the Town of Occoquan and with any luck this weekend we will make it through security and onto the Fort Belvoir military base for the OYC 2001 Change of Watch and Holiday Party.

It has been a pleasure to serve on the OYC Board. I won't get all mushy, but I would like to thank the 2001 Board for all of their hard work this year. I also would be remiss if I didn't thank Peggy Ball and Tom Coldwell for all of their help and guidance this year. OYC is a volunteer organization. We don't exist without the efforts of all of our club members. So a big THANK YOU to all of you who have helped out this year by coordinating events, coming earlier to help set up and staying late to help clean up after one of our get togethers. Mary Lynn has some great ideas for the coming year, so stay tuned and be ready to give her and your 2002 Board needed assistance.

It looks like winter is finally upon us. Almost everyone we talk to has either winterized already or started the process. Allen worked on Oasis 2 over the Thanksgiving weekend. Why does he have time to start winterizing our boat? Because now that the cold weather has arrived our master bath remodeling project (in our home) is finally done. And yes, in the future we will think twice about tackling a major home project in the middle of the summer.

Happy Holidays to all and if we missed you at the Santa Cruise or the holiday party then hope we will see you at the PRYCA Change of Watch, Saturday, January 26th. If you haven't signed up, contact Joe Livingston, 703 250-8765.

February Getaway Approaching, and you can bring your dog

by Candy Clevenger, Immediate Past Commodore

HO, HO, HO! I know its not even Christmas yet, but the 2002 OYC Board is already planning, events for the New Year. OYC will take its annual trek to Ocean City, Maryland over the President's Day Weekend. The Sheraton where we have stayed previously is now a Clarion Hotel, and yes, they still allow pets. Room rates will remain the same as last year, \$89 for a room with two double beds and \$119 for a king studio room. The hotel is normally booked for the President's Day Weekend, so if you are interested email me, Candy Clevenger, alclev@hotmail.com, early to ensure you have a room. There will be more information on this OYC land cruise in the January Daymarker.

Quartermasters' Report

by Steve Thompson

Sue and I would like to thank Jan and Duane Jeirles for their hard work as OYC's Quartermasters. We all understand the difficulty they endured coming all the way from Richmond to make available all those goodies for fellow members. After all, where else can you get a nautical watch for five bucks (minus battery, but we're working on that)? The next time you see Jan and Duane give them a nice pat on the back for a job well done.

With the new board and Quartermasters in place there may be a few changes in making items more readily available for members. We'll probably have further news on this in the next Daymarker. In the meantime, if you would like to purchase something from the Quartermaster supplies, or just want to know what is available, please give Sue or me a call; or seek us out at any OYC or other function. We will be happy to talk with you and work out any sales and deliveries.

We are also interested in knowing what items you, the customer (and of course good friend), would like to see bearing our OYC logo. Your board makes decisions on what to purchase (and what not to purchase) but you, the member, get to tell the board.

Please let your ideas be known.

Letter to the Editor

Just to let you know that a fine old OYC tradition is being carried on, Mary Jo and I just coordinated and completed our first Southern Hardy Souls Cruise with the Cape Fear Power Squadron down here in North Carolina. On November 3rd, we made the 20 mile trip up the Cape Fear River to downtown Wilmington, NC, where we docked at bulkhead slips for the weekend. An interesting note is that the city has a full time dockmaster and reservations are required but if you are only spending the day (not remaining overnight) there is no charge.

The weekend weather was fantastic, hitting a high of 89 degrees F. on Saturday. We had eight boats on Saturday, with many other members choosing to drive up. Part of the activities (besides shopping and some economy stimulation at several of the local watering holes) included a buffet luncheon at the Hilton Wilmington Riverside hotel, which is right on the riverfront and was about 150 feet from where *Saint 'n Sinner* was docked. OYC Past Commodore Ron Tilmon, and wife Jean, were our guests being in recovery mode from their boat buying trip up in Occoquan the previous weekend.

When I compare the trip to Alexandria, VA, and Wilmington, NC, the challenges are a bit different. While both the Potomac and the Cape Fear River have shipping channels, shoaling is very rapid outside the shipping channel in the Cape Fear, as opposed to the more gradual nature of the Potomac. There is a tidal variation between 3 and 5 feet, depending on the moon phase. Overall, the Cape Fear is much more narrow than the Potomac so the current is greater, especially downstream on an outgoing tide. It is comparable to the current going through Kent Narrows up on the Chesapeake.

The Cape Fear has a large an active deepwater port at the southern edge of Wilmington, so there is a lot of heavy

shipping. Another challenge is the project to widen the Cape Fear Shipping Channel. Nearly every day the channel is closed for a few hours while underwater blasting is conducted. That schedule varies based on conditions. What it means is there are some extremely large dredges, some two and three decks high, and many, many tug boats you need to watch out for. At one point, on the return trip, *Saint 'n Sinner* had a tug boat with 90-foot crane barge a half mile coming from astern, a VERY LARGE ocean freighter going up river about 300 yards to port, a three-deck dredge which a tug was moving to a different position about 100 feet to starboard, and a tug boat and barge 400 yards ahead coming up river. All this was compounded by an outgoing tide and 20 knot wind from astern. I can't begin to tell you just how narrow that channel began to look. Needless to say, nobody else was much worried about the piddly little pleasure boat stuck in the middle of all that except us on board. I asked PC Tilmon if he had any advice or suggestions, and he sagely observed "Don't hit anything." I remember the forgiving nature of the Potomac with a great deal of fondness at times.

Anyway, just thought I pass a note on about the southern Hardy Souls Cruise, although it doesn't take much hardiness to endure sunshine and 89 degrees.



Hardy Souls in Dixie—Ron and Jean Tilmon (l.) and Mary Jo and Steve Worcester brave harsh weather at a Cape Fear River marina. Sunglasses were issued to all participants.

Steve and Mary Jo Worcester
*The Worcesters hold the longest duration
membership in OYC—Ed*

Potomac River Yacht Clubs Association 2002 Change of Watch, January 26th

Occoquan Yacht Club members are cordially invited to the PRYCA change of watch dinner/dance. The PRYCA has arranged a beautiful evening to kick off 2002. The Change of Watch is a great way to start the New Year and share an evening of camaraderie with boating friends.

When: Saturday, January 26, 2002

Place: Sheraton Crystal City, 1800 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, VA.

Time: Cocktails and hors d'oeuvres: 5:30PM to 6:45PM
Dinner: 6:45PM to 8:00PM
Change of Watch: 8:00PM to 8:30PM
Dancing: 8:30PM to midnight

Dress: Winter Uniform or business suit (Black Tie optional)

Dinner Entrees choice of:

Roast Prime Rib
Chicken Roma or
Salmon Florentine

Cost: \$50.00 per person (includes tax and gratuity)

Underground Parking: Complimentary

For hotel room reservations, call 703 486-1111.

Make your party reservations (with payment) no later than January 6th through OYC's PRYCA delegate Joe Livingston, jlivingston@ft.newyorklife.com, or call him, 703 250-8764, or Give Joe your name, guests' names and entree selections, and send your check payable to OYC to Joe Livingston, 9716 Church Way, Burke, VA 22015.



Hardy Souls Confer—The Rhodes', Wexlers, Sorrentis, Burnetts, Shipleys, Bozokys, Burners, Simpsons, Rhodes and several others gathered for "productive talks" and a "frank exchange of views."

Cruise to Alexandria

The Hardy Were Hearty

by Ned Rhodes, Cruise Coordinator

After all was said and done, the weekend was not about getting or not getting a slip (we all did), it was not about being a Veteran (they were hard to find, but we toasted them when we found them), it was not about shopping (and much was done) and it was not about walking (lots of that as well). It was really about the flag patrol.

Contained in the event package was information on how to fly your American flag correctly and most people took note of the guidelines. So much so that whenever we were out, we examined each American flag we saw and verified that it was being displayed correctly. The funny thing was the number that were not correct (union to the left as you face the flag).

And so another Hardy Souls Cruise to Alexandria is now history. The cruise included eleven boats (*Impulse*, *Sea Duck Too*, *Nextasea*, *Miss Vivian*, *Lizzie Bitz II*, *Hot Schatz*, *Abominable Snowman*, *Gail Lynn II*, *Oasis*, *Steele Away*, and *Sourcer-R*), numerous walk-ins (Fulfords, Moore, Wexlers, Burners, Noori, Hollingsworths), six dogs (Abby, Corky, Abbey, Skipper, Ginger and Nikki) and two scavenger hunts.

Most of the fleet chose to arrive Friday night after a beautiful cruise up the Potomac. After cocktails from 3-7, we all went on the Southern Ghost Tour. We saw many a sight, but no ghosts. Dinner was on your own in small groups.

The Saturday Dog Walk to the Drooler was attended by three dogs, three owners and Glenn From New Jersey (not sure how to classify him) [How about with Abby, Corky, Abbey, Skipper, Ginger and Nikki?]. Saturday was also the day of the shopping and bar hopping scavenger hunts.

The rules were simple. For the shopping scavenger hunt, you had to save your receipts and then be able to produce them at the Saturday night cocktail party. The bar-hopping scavenging was a little more involved as you needed a signed and dated cocktail napkin or drink coaster from each bar.

Around 7:30 at the cocktail party aboard *Hot Schatz/Impulse* the winners were announced. For the lowest single shopping receipt of \$8.14 (book for granddaughter) the winner was Gail Livingston. The winner who had the largest receipt (sorry Rick, that watch repair estimate did not count) was Candy Clevenger. The actual value of the receipt is confidential (so that Al won't know), but Candy beat out Linda Bozoky's \$209.

We had hoped that there would be greater participation in the bar-hopping scavenger hunt, but only two teams entered. Team Jersey was only able to come up with one signed bar napkin (I guess we should have actually visited more than one bar). The ultimate winner was Team Laslo that turned in 22 coaster/napkins. Upon closer examination, the judges determined that the Austrian drink coasters were probably not procured in Old Town and since there are only 18 bars in town, there was a possibility that a few were bogus. But since they only needed two coaster/napkins to win, they were declared the winners. It is also interesting to note that one of their napkins had the words "I will never serve these people again!" Team Laslo was proud to have spent \$400 in that afternoon, and their \$10 prize bottle of Bloody Mary mix was well worth it.

Dinner on Saturday night was the usual for Old Town (lots of people) and it is rumored that some actually had Ben & Jerrys for dinner and spent a lot less than some others.

The Sunday morning dog walk went to Jones Point to visit District of Columbia Boundary Stone #1 that is hidden behind a grate at the base of the lighthouse. The people delighted in the muck and slippery rocks while the dogs enjoyed a brief swim (don't tell Arleen).

After the walk, our group wound up at the Virginia Beverage Company for their brunch of Cajun Turkey, omelets made to order, waffles and BACON!

In closing, let me make a few suggestions to those wanting to attend the Hardy Souls Cruise next year.

1. Get your reservations in early.
2. Don't make your own reservations with the Alexandria Dockmaster. This is a Club trip and all reservations should be handled through one person. If you make your own reservations, then don't call the Cruise Coordinator. [A good policy for all cruises.]
3. Don't call the cruise coordinator and say you are coming without knowing what days you will be attending, when you are arriving and how long your boat is.
4. Did I mention the one about getting your reservations in early?

See you next year.

Inside...

The new board steps up to the challenge
and fun of 2002,

Minutes from the General Meeting,

Last call for the Festival of Lights Parade,

OYC swimmers train for Olympics,

Sign up now for the PRYCA COW (whatever
that is),

If you haven't renewed your membership,
we'd just ***love*** to hear from you.

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Holiday Party &
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December 8
Festival of Lights
Parade in
Alexandria and D.C.
Details inside.

January 19
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January 26
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