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COMMODORE'S COMMENTS

Fifty-some of our members and prospective members attended our pot-luck social and Plan Fest at the Fairfax Yacht Club on Sunday the 13th. I know your Commodore and my First Mate enjoyed the afternoon, the schedule of events was firmed up and interest was shown in the various cruises and land events. For those who missed the fun, **Please** review the schedule and contact the appropriate coordinator for the cruises you have interest in...**we need to hear from you so slips can be reserved.** Schedule has been sent in a broadcast.

A word about reserving slips. The Club has been finding it more and more difficult to get a large number of slips at many of the marinas along the Potomac River Basin to support our cruises and sometimes impossible if not done early in the year. If OYC, as a Club, is to continue to maintain a good reputation and the ability to reserve slips, it is imperative that our coordinators manage reservations and cancellations actively. **To do this our membership needs to commit early for scheduled cruises.** Cancellations can often be handled better than seeking additional slips late in the planning cycle. Your Board and coordinators thank you in advance for your support.

The early boating season is about to get underway and I want you to know

that your Board and Staff members have been working hard to make this a great year with some changes from past activities. We welcome your ideas. Looks like there will be some additional socials, probably some Captain & Mate coffees' and a change in venue for our annual Holiday Party and Change of Watch. Mark your calendars and join in the fun.

Legislative Items. Note that Maryland law, which applies to Potomac River waters up to the Virginia shore, requires PFD's on children 13 and under. HB 1250, currently in the VA House of Delegates, would impose a \$250 fine on operators of a boat under 21 feet in length if they permit children under the age of 12 on board without a Coast Guard approved personal flotation device. The bill has been referred to committee, there are exceptions and it's not law...suggest you practice MD law. Virginia's new boating education law regulations are expected to be published later this spring and begin taking effect for PWC operators 20 or younger on July 1, 2009. For information on boating education and meeting requirements, see website: dgif.virginia.gov/boating/education/faq.asp.

Our next board meeting is scheduled for Thursday, 6 March. All members are welcome to attend and encouraged to forward items for board consideration. Call to get location/time of the meeting.

Cheers, Joe



Vice Commodore

Harry Croft

THE DARK DAYS OF WINTER

No football, no baseball....just that game where giants stuff a big orange ball into a metal circle with a net attached and that other sport where they hit a puck in between fist fights! But most importantly there is no boating! EEK! "Heavens to mergatroid!!" as Bugs Bunny would say.

However, there are some boating related things that you can do to pass the time: pull out the chart book and start identifying places and ports that you want to visit; go over the OYC schedule of cruises and activities and block out all the cruise dates on your calendar; make that important decision that it is far better to have cruised and lost salary than to have not cruised and lost your sanity!

There are many other equally useful things to ponder during the dark months. Make a list of things that you want to fix or modify on your boat. For instance, based on last year's popularity of my margaritaville machine, I plan to install a weatherproof AC outlet on the inside transom of the "Bay Dreamer". That way I can run the machine without tripping over the extension cord from inside the cabin...and as it turns out, I'm more prone to tripping after an hour of machine operation. This simple fix then becomes a safety improvement! Wow, just when you thought drinking margaritas on a hot day was a bad thing, along comes a great boating safety idea! This is such a good idea that



Here's a picture of me indicating my concern over the safety of the set-up of the margarittaville machine.

I'm thinking of sending it to the maker of the machine so that they can add an AC outlet box, wiring, and a weatherproof cover as a safety feature along with every machine and bottle of tequila.

The point here is that during the dark months you can think of and plan many good things to improve your boat so that when the bright months finally arrive, you're ready to start cruising. For those who cruise with us this year, the good people, you can sleep soundly knowing that your safety is my number one priority! Cheers!!

ORMA BLESSING OF THE FLEET

Mark your Calendar. The Blessing of the Fleet on the Occoquan River is scheduled for Saturday, the 10th of May. Boats will be blessed from 1100 to 1400. Sponsored by the Occoquan River Maritime Association, the procession of Fire & Police vessels will assemble on a VIP Boat at the Prince William Marina and proceed down river. Down river vessels are requested to join as the VIP Boat proceeds down river past the Blessing Vessel, Sea Duck Too (OYC's Captain Rick and Commodore Teresa Sorrenti) stationed at the Belmont Marina's fuel dock. Look for an ORMA news release and CG NOTAM for additional details.

Communications: Hailing Channel 9 and Working Channel 71. Police vessels will maintain control...request participating boats continue down river well past the Blessing Boat before turning back up river to avoid congestion and accidents. FYI. Mother's Day is on the 11th so invite your Mother for the weekend. Can't make this Blessing, the Port of Washington Yacht Club will sponsor a BOF on the DC Washington Channel on 17 May. Come and enjoy this Mariners tradition.

The Daymarker

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The year is 1986. The Occoquan Yacht Club is on a cruise to the Sand Dunes, an island of sand up a meandering course through the marshes of Mattawoman, and where the club went on its first overnight cruise in 1984. The sailing vessel is Commodore Aaron Martin's 28 foot Morgan.

(Please send photos or anecdotes of the club's history to Nabil Dubraque at dubraque@aol.com)



Secretary

Pat Croft

A PICTURE IS WORTH . . .

Anyone who viewed the photo montage presented by our historian, Nabil Dubraque, at the Plan Fest last month can attest to the value of memories stirred by photos from the past. Nabil's montage included pictures from so far back, only a few current members could identify the people and events depicted. Most of the images were of more recent activities, and elicited cries of recognition or sighs of nostalgia from many in attendance. The pictures offered clear documentation that OYC has achieved its mission – we eat, drink, and have a great time at every possible opportunity! (Of course, we also promote boating safety, and some of the pictures indicate that a few of us are still working on that.)

The pictorial history of the club is made possible only by the generous contributions of our

members, who provide copies of their personal photos of boating adventures to the historian. In the interest of motivating that generosity, the Club sponsors a photo contest, held every year at the March General Membership meeting. This year's membership meeting is scheduled for Saturday, March 15, 1-4 p.m., at Fairfax Yacht Club. If you have any photos depicting OYC events or cruises and the people who enjoyed them, bring copies of those pictures to the March membership meeting and enter them in the contest. You might win a prize, but, more importantly, you'll be enriching the OYC archives. Nabil will continue to add to his project; the DVD will be released sometime in the future. It won't be available in any store near you, but we will tell you how you can get your very own copy . . . stay tuned.

Nabil is also adding photos to the Membership Directory, which will be distributed at the Flag Raising Ceremony in April. The directory will only include the listings of current members, so if you have not sent in your membership renewal check, get it in the mail NOW so that your name will be in the directory!

The Datemarkers

Birthdays

Sharman Harris, 3/1	Lucy Dubraque, 3/4
Kris Butera, 3/4	Frank Spikes, 3/4
Bill Gamble, 3/6	John Cunney, 3/12
April Dehanas, 3/12	John Corley, 3/13
Martha Jane Dodd, 3/13	Allen Jorsey, 3/15
Kimberly Newman, 3/16	Bill Francis, 3/20
Theodore Zsirai, 3/20	Duane Jeirles, 3/24
Lynanne Jorsey, 3/30	Jennifer Krieger, 3/31

Anniversaries

Kathy and Brian McCormally, 3/13
Carol and Eric Belcher, 3/22
Judy and Jim Dooley, 3/24
Cindy and Mike Hollingsworth, 3/28
Anne and Alan Gorenstein, 3/29

Welcome New Members

Ralph Mason and Kris Butera of McLean. They keep their 40' Sea Ray, *Party Time*, at Colonial Beach.

Brian and Kathie McCormally of Fairfax Station. See article later in this issue.

Ray and Cindy Kelly of Alexandria. See article later in this issue.

The Early Bird Cruise

by Terry Mattke

FLASH ! HOLD THE PRESSES !

Due to late migration of caribou, "early bird" cruise not so early--delayed one week: new dates are 26-27 April.

As you can see from the photos, cruises to Alexandria in April can be challenging. The struggle uphill against moon spun tides, late breaking ice, dancing polar bears trying to lure environmentalists close enough to share for lunch, are among the hazards reported between the Occoquan and the end of the Great River at Great Falls. Can it be worth it? Can the risks of chilly water and hull smashing, prop devouring logs (always be suspicious of chorus lines of birds standing placidly, in a neat row on top of the water).

Well, let me tell you, next to Everest, the Early



Bird Cruise is about as bold an adventure as you can expect in an Election Year. Notwithstanding the risks, this year's foray to the Alexandria City Marina, led by Prince Terry the Navigator, and his mate, Princess Pocahontas, may include 13 (interesting number) or so OYC boats. As we plan to arrive Saturday, the 26th of April and depart Sunday the 27th, our greatest challenge may be "booking." No reservations will be accepted before 9:00 AM on the 12th of April. Attempts to beat the deadline by early mailing or emailing requests will be summarily returned to sender, so the only sure thing is to appear in person at the marina with your VISA or MasterCard in hand. If you are a risk taker, you can wait and reserve by telephone beginning April 14th, sending your completed docking application and VISA or MasterCard payment via fax or PDF. Helpfully, the City will provide a partial refund of deposits if you cancel two weeks prior to your reservation date. You do the math.



All necessary addresses, rates and arrival/departure times can be found on the Web: <http://alexandriava.gov/recreation/marina/marina.html>. We will be at the dock waiting for survivors to arrive by noon, that Saturday. So that we get the rum ration right, would you let us know when you receive your confirmation from the Marina. Our email address is TTMATTKE@aol.com. Will follow-up with additional information next month but "mark the date"!

P. S. Don't let the Polar Bears Bite

On the Internet

Occoquan Yacht Club:
www.OccoquanYachtClub.org *

Potomac River Yacht Clubs Association:
www.PotomacRiverYachtClubs.org*

Occoquan River Maritime Association:
www.ormaweb.org*

and Chesapeake Bay Yacht Clubs Association:
www.cbyca.org

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The Old Man and the (V.S.) Sea

An Ernest Tale by Nabil (Hemingway) Dubraque
Historian

The old man with the long white beard looked down at the Vessel Examiner, spiffy in a new pair of shorts in spite of the pouring rain now filling his deck shoes.

"Yo," he said, for though he was rough, he was also slightly hysteric, and the commotion on deck was throwing him off his stride. "After all this and you're still gonna flunk me?"

"Sorry, guy," Steve replied, torrents flowing off his Coast Guard Auxiliary cap and directly into his shoes. Noah shuffled wearily from one foot to the other.

"Marine Sanitation Devices? You know how much poop just one of these guys can produce? In an hour? In a day?"

As if to prove his point, a nearby hippo did one of those twirly, territory-marking things with its tail that it had learned the other night watching a cable channel when nothing else was on, and most of the other animals applauded. The elephant and the zebra did not.

The elephant, just having joined the Screen Actors Guild, was in a huff at working for peanuts after having been conscripted as the vessel's "Sound Producing Device." Steve and Noah had taken turns pulling its tail, producing one second and four-to-six second blasts, stopping only when Dumbo threatened a flatulent blast of indeterminate length not specified in the NAVRULES.

The zebra, on the other hand, was giving the performance of its life, its method acting aided both by flashbacks of *Animal Kingdom* and by the lioness munching on its gut (its ok, kids, no animals were *really* hurt in the production of this article).

"And what about my Navigation Lights?" Noah asked. He really wanted the Vessel Safety Check on his boat before venturing into his once-in-a-lifetime cruise.

"You gotta replace them."

"But you just stepped on and squashed the #*\$@# things!" said Noah, pointing to the crushed firefly remains gracing Steve's size elevens.

"Sorry," said Thompson, wiping the miniature glowing carcasses on something furry, while its mate hungrily eyed his leg. "Thought they were roaches."

"Yo," muttered Noah, "What we do in the name of boating safety."

Remember, folks, the club at the Float In with the most VSCs wins a zebra steak for forty-six, so make arrangements to get your decal soon. And don't forget to check with Harry Croft about the PRYCA Safe BOATR program: good training, and great fun.

The Memorial Day Cruise to Colonial Beach

by Bill Hamp

Memorial Day is fast approaching. Before we know it, the cold weather will be just a bad memory and spring time work on our boats will commence. The de-winterization, bottom paint, zincs, and other cleaning chores usually get stretched over a couple of weeks so Memorial Day is usually our first cruise of the year as is the case for many others.

If you were at the Plan Fest and signed up for the Colonial Beach cruise, your information has been forwarded to the marina. As of right now, there are 21 boats signed up. The marina has room for a few more but they will need to know by 3/15/08 because they have another club coming in as well. We will be on "A" dock, same as last year. Also, the marina will **NOT** have any splitters to loan out. "A" dock is mostly 50amp service, therefore if you require 2/30 amp you will need to have your own splitter. I will be there Thursday evening and would request that upon arrival, call me on the radio (Daddy's Harley) instead of the marina to get your slip assignment. With the marina hosting another club I told them we would not require much of their staff.

We're looking forward to the same activities as in past years with the wine trip, cookout, putting contest, happy hours and plenty of eating and drinking. Also, bring your kids or grand kids, there will be dinghy and jet ski rides courtesy of Kenny Harris (Darn Toot'in). Please call me or e-mail before 3/15/08 as to get final conformation from Colonial Beach Yacht Center.

Thanks, Bill Hamp 571-259-0403

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Occoquan Yacht Club Social

by Bob Wilson

Timed just right to give you a break from your recommissioning chores, Lynn and Bob Wilson look forward to hosting a casual OYC get-together on Sunday, 13 April from 1:00 to 4:00 PM at their home at Fort Myer, VA. **Save the date** for a fun afternoon.

Look for more details, to include directions and parking, in next month's newsletter and in club email broadcasts.

The Yacht Show at National Harbor®

May 1-4, 2008



United States Yacht Shows is proud to announce the premier showcase for large luxury yachts, The Yacht Show at National Harbor®. This inaugural event has been selected to be the finale of the much-anticipated grand opening of the \$2-billion, 300-acre National Harbor resort community. The Yacht Show will feature new, brokered and charter yachts of 60 feet and more in length.

Tents and land space will highlight presentation of services, materials and equipment for large yachts. Exhibitors will include manufacturers of engines, electronics, propulsion systems, interior designers, yacht designers and companies providing maintenance, provisioning, and much more. A unique section will provide a boutique of opulent personal items for the discriminating yachting lady and gentleman. Tours of adjacent historic Alexandria will be available as an option.

BALTIMORE FOR THE 4TH OF JULY!!!!

By Shane Hatton

I know it seems far too early for making reservations, but already many marinas are booked for the 4th of July. This is especially true in Baltimore. So, right after reading this article, I want you to call me or my co-conspirator, Harry Croft, for information on reservations. We will have sent out an itinerary to those who signed up at the Plan Fest, along with the reservation information. Check your schedule of activities that lists all the people

that initially signed on. When you see all the good people who will be coming with us, I just know you will want to join us! The Mid-Bay cruise this year will start on the 27th of June and end on the 6th of July. Right now the itinerary is Cambridge, Rock Hall, Baltimore, and St. Michaels. I hope to tie in with the Cape May cruisers in Rock Hall. For golfers, bring your clubs for an impromptu game in Cambridge. Bring your wallets for St. Michaels, and just relax in Rock Hall and enjoy its charm. There is so much to do in the inner harbor Baltimore; visit the aquarium, shop, eat at great restaurants, visit the 19th century sailing ship the “Constellation” and watch the spectacular fire works!!

In addition, for those that don’t have to work for a living, like my co-coordinator, there is an extra day on the front end, the 26th at Dennis Point, and 2 days on the back end on the way back to the Occoquan. You will have fun, I guarantee it!

Libations 101

by Sue Thompson

Boating season is almost here. It’s time to think about all those great drinks we share on our many outings. These recipes are not only great on a hot summer day but they’re good for you too.

Peach Pink Lemonade Punch (serves 6)

- 1 – can pink lemonade concentrate
- 2 – 20 oz bottles peach flavored green tea
- 1 – cup Fresca
- Garnish with fresh lemons

To give it a little kick, add 1½ cups vodka

Peach Bellini (serves 2)

- 1 – 20 oz bottle peach flavored green tea
- ½ – cup Sprite
- ¼ – cup frozen peaches (instead of ice)
- Garnish with a fresh peach slice

Don’t forget the kick – ½ cup Peach schnapps

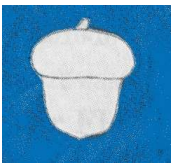
Remember the OYC motto eat, DRINK, and have a great time!

OCCOQUAN YACHT CLUB

2008 SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES

Jan 27	Pre Plan Fest	H. Croft, 703-451-9147, hpcroft@verizon.net
Feb 10	Plan Fest	Fairfax YC 1-4 PM, H. Croft
Mar 15	General Membership Meeting	Fairfax YC 1-4 PM, H. Croft
Mar 17	St. Patrick's Day Social	Need a coordinator
Apr 13	Wilson Social	Bob Wilson, 703-516-4420, lynn@lynnwilsonrealestate.com
Apr 26-27	Early Bird Cruise	Terry Mattke, 703-690-3966, ttmattke@aol.com
May 3	OYC Flag Raising @ OHM	Joe Livingston, 540-373-9203, joseph.livingston@verizon.net
May 10	ORMA Blessing of the Fleet	Joe Livingston, 540-373-9203, joseph.livingston@verizon.net
May 24-26	Memorial Day Cruise to Colonial Beach	Bill Hamp, 571-259-0403, bhamp@comstockhomebuilding.com
Jun 7	Dinghy Regatta-Shrimp Fest @ Hoffmasters	Al Jorsey, 703-850-2888, aj727sr@yahoo.com
Jun 13-15	Cobb Island Days	John Heinze, 703-765-2380, jheinze@johnadams.com
Jun 21 to Jul 6	Cape May Cruise	Larry Freedman, 703-855-1826, lfreedman@ccpace.com
Jun 28 to Jul 6	Mid-Bay Cruise	Shane Hatton/Harry Croft, 703-451-9147, hpcroft@verizon.net
Jul 4-5	DC Fireworks	Al Jorsey, 703-850-2888, aj727sr@yahoo.com
Jul 19-20	PRYCA Float-In @ Port Kinsale	Harry Croft, 703-451-9147, hpcroft@verizon.net
Jul 20-27	Onancock-Cape Charles Cruise	Joe Livingston, 540-373-9203, joseph.livingston@verizon.net
Jul 26 to Aug 2	North Carolina Cruise	Ned Rhodes, 703-741-0861, ned@softsysgrp.com
Aug 6-10	Dogs Day Cruise @ Colonial Beach	TBD, H. Croft for information
Aug 23 to Sep 2	Crisfield Crab Races	Mark Schall/Larry Freedman, 703-451-7309, mschall1134@aol.com
Aug 30 to Sep 2	Labor Day Cruise @ St. Mary's	Shane Hatton/Harry Croft, 703-451-9147, pcroft@verizon.net
Oct 11-13	Columbus Day Cruise	Joe Livingston, 540-373-9203, joseph.livingston@verizon.net
Oct 18	Membership/Election Meeting	Board
Nov 8-11	Hardy Souls Cruise @ National Harbor	Ned Rhodes, 703-741-0861, ned@softsysgrp.com
Nov 29	Santa Cruise to Occoquan	Walt Cheatham, 703-243-2430, cheathamwalt@comcast.net
Dec - TBD	OYC Holiday/Change of Watch	Trish Mattke, 703-451-9147, hpcroft@verizon.net

Raft Ups & Other social opportunities scheduled whenever someone is willing to coordinate the event.
OYC will broadcast an e-mail for such opportunities to general membership!



Treasurer

Trish Mattke

THE WASHINGTON BOAT SHOW

Many of the things I learned, reviewed, refreshed and re-discovered at the boat show last week could be described in one short sentence. Boating, especially new boating, is "wish fulfillment". This is especially true if you bring along your Captain. What you want and what you buy is determined more in how you see yourself in your boat. Just look around at the crowd and their faces and it's the boat, not the price or even the quality that really counts. If the boat happens to have one of those grills that fit nicely in the cockpit area right next to the refrigerator and ice maker, that's all the better.



If it was easy to see the momentum of the upcoming boating season starting to build. It only takes a couple nice days in February to make you want to tear off your shrink wrap and start being boaters again. We had the pleasure of bringing our neighbors who just purchased their first boat and promptly joined OYC at the plan-fest. Their excitement is contagious and they are looking to take their boat out next weekend for a sea trial even if they have to break up the ice chunks. Now that's enthusiasm.

Thank you all if you have sent me a check for your membership dues or gave me your 2008 dues at the plan-fest. Your dues pay for monthly meetings and activities, a well done newsletter, reciprocity to other yacht clubs as you cruise or travel, support for safe boating courses, fellowship and friendship of old and new members and endless advice on what you should or should not be doing. We are hoping to have a banner year for membership and have many wonderful trips planned with experienced, adventurous cruise coordinators.

Hope to see you all at the March Membership meeting. Thank you again for your support and commitment to OYC.

ANNUAL PHOTO CONTEST / MARCH MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Saturday, March 15, 1 – 4 p.m., at Fairfax Yacht Club

The **March Membership Meeting** will once again feature the **OYC Annual Photo Contest**. Photos may be entered in four categories: **People**, **Places**, **Pets**, and **Phantasy**. The overall theme must be nautical, and the photographer must be an OYC member. The photos must have been taken during the past year; they may not have been entered in a previous OYC photo contest. Pictures can be any size, and should have a caption on the back denoting who, what, where, when, etc. All photos will be kept for the OYC historian to add to our archives, so be sure to have your own back-up copy.

Photos will be processed for entry and displayed throughout the Meeting. Members will vote for their favorite photo in each category.

The categories include:

People: pictures of people on boats, on docks, in the water, on an OYC outing or land event, etc.

Places: pictures of landscapes, waterscapes, sunrises, sunsets, marinas, towns visited on a cruise, etc.

Pets: pictures of dogs, cats, iguanas, waterfowl, your pet on a boat, your friend's pet on a boat, etc.

Phantasy: pictures that you have electronically enhanced, modified, or created, using whatever digital means of which your computer is capable – just be sure to keep in mind the nautical theme. And, gentlemen, this is the fantasy-photo category, not *your* fantasy!

Prizes will be awarded for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place photos in each category.

The **Membership Meeting** will be held in the clubhouse at **Fairfax Yacht Club**, from **1p.m. to 4p.m.**

Members should bring a dish to share. The club will provide table service, soft drinks, water, and ice.

The meeting will include a brief business agenda, the photo contest, and time to eat, drink, and enjoy good company!

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

By Ilona Zsrai OYC Membership Chair



Tom and Donna Lensis of Manassas – New to OYC since May 2007. They keep their 48’ Sea Ray Sedan Bridge “Copy Cat” at Southport Marina in North Carolina, and currently cruise from Grande Dunes Marina in Myrtle Beach to Southport. They also have a slip at Port Kinsale, VA and Occoquan Harbor Marina. They are planing to bring their boat back to this area in the spring, so they can enjoy boating in the Chesapeake Bay this summer.



Cindy and Ray Kelly of Alexandria – New members since February, 2008. They keep their 46’ Silverton “RayCin III” in Baltimore Marine Center in MD. Welcome to OYC!



Eric and Carol Belcher of Alexandria – Proud owners of “Time 2 Play” at Fairfax Yacht Club, they joined OYC in October, 2007 and are looking forward to participating in as many of the summer and fall cruises as they can fit into their schedules.

Both Eric and Carol are new to the northern Virginia area and are enjoying the opportunity to meet new people, all while living near some of the nation’s most prominent historical landmarks.



Kathie and Brian McCormally of Fairfax Station – Joined OYC in February, 2008, with a Rinker 330 Express Cruiser. They will dock their boat “Jayhawker” at Occoquan Harbor Marina. They are looking forward to boating together with our group.

If you found “(2007)” on the address label of this issue of The Daymarker you may not have paid your dues for 2008. Please contact the Membership Chair. She will coordinate with the Treasurer to ensure your payment is properly recorded. Otherwise, this may be your last issue of the newsletter.



OCCOQUAN YACHT CLUB STATEMENT FOR 2008 MEMBERSHIP DUES

Renewal Membership Dues are annual and payable as of the 1st of January. First time (new) members who joined on or after 1 October 2007 are deemed paid for the 2008 year. **Please update personal data and renew your membership now:**

***** Clip and Return with Payment *****

Captain's Name _____ Home Phone _____

First Mate _____ Cell Phone _____

Address _____ Email _____

City, State, Zip _____ Child(s) Name _____

Boat Data:

Name _____ Captain's BD (mo. /Day) _____

Builder _____ Power ____ Sail ____ First Mate's BD (mo. /Day) _____

Where berthed? _____ Wedding Ann. (mo. /Day) _____

Family Membership (\$60) _____

Please make check payable to Occoquan Yacht Club.

Individual Membership (\$40) _____

Mail check and completed statement to:

Associate Membership (\$30) _____

Occoquan Yacht Club
P.O. Box 469
Occoquan, VA 22125

OYC Burgee (\$20) _____

Total Enclosed _____

Occoquan Yacht Club

March 2008						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Cheerleading Safety Month National Frozen Food Month National On-Hold Month						1 Peace Corp Birthday
2 Namesake Day	3 National Anthem Day	4 National Grammar Day	5	6 Name Tag Day	7	8
9 Daylight Savings Time Starts	10 Napping Day	11	12 Girl Scout Day	13	14 Pi Day	15 * OYC Mbrship Mtg at FWC
16 Palm Sunday	17 Saint Patrick's Day	18 National Biodiesel Day	19 Act Happy Day	20 Snowman Burning Day	21 Good Friday / Purim	22 International Goof-off Day
23 Easter / National Puppy Day	24	25 Pecan Day	26 **	27 Kite Flying Day	28	29
30 Pencil Day	31 Bunsen Burner Day	* True Confessions Day/Ides of March ** Make Up Your Own Holiday Day				
April 2008						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Couple Appreciation Month Jazz Appreciation Month Straw Hat Month						
		1 April Fool's Day	2 National Day of Hope	3 Pony Express Day	4 World Rat Day	5 National Birding Day
6 Teflon Day	7 No Housework Day	8	9	10 National Sibling Day	11 Barber-shop Quartet Day	12 Walk on Your Wild Side Day
13 OYC Social at Ft. Myer	14 Pan American Day	15 Income Tax Pay Day	16 *	17 High Five Day	18 World Amateur Radio Day	19 Passover
20	21 Astronomy Day	22 Earth Day	23 Secretary's Day	24	25 Arbor Day	26 Early Bird Cruise to Alex.
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Membership

Meeting at

Fairfax Yacht Club

Harry Croft

March 17th

St. Patrick's Day

Social

Place and Time TBD

April 13th

OYC Social at the

Wilson's at

Fort Myer

April 26-27

Early Bird Cruise to

Alexandria

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