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From Your Commodore

As your Commodore, I hereby declare March 1st to be the 1st day of Spring!

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We hope you are all wintering well. Warm weather will be here soon.

At the Yacht Club, we have a fun 2013 planned for you and your family with some new changes. As you likely know, we are expanding our clubhouse patio space by over 1000 sq. ft. that will seat over 70 members comfortably. The new "Afterdeck" should be ready by our 1st Clubhouse event, the March Madness Party on March 27th. Please stop by the marina to see the progress as the weather improves.

In addition, we have significantly increased the budget for our TGIF Parties. This means better food and drink for all along with a new and spacious patio to socialize and dine with friends.

This will be the year of our 1st Members Golf Tournament, an "In Harbor" Dinghy/PWC Poker Run & a Members Pool Party. Many of your favorite events remain.

Please Click the Link Below to View Our 2013 Calendar of Events: http://fourseasonsyachtclub.com/images/FSYC-2013CalendarofEvents-Revised-1-2-13.doc

Many Members have expressed a willingness to increase the dues a bit to improve our facilities and event funding. As such the Board of Directors has approved an increase in our annual dues to \$100 for 2013. We know nobody wants to pay more, but be assured, it will be worth it.

2013 looks to be another great year. See you on the Docks Soon!

"We Have Fun"

Regards, Bob Pattison FSYC Commodore

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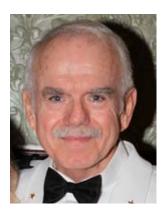
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From the Vice Commodore:

Newsletter:

Welcome to our first ever 100% "Published In-House", *digital only* FSYC Newsletter. I hope you enjoy it.

Editor / Publisher, Capt. Bill

Clubhouse Expansion:

Besides knowing how to "have fun", we know how to work as a team. Our **team effort** is giving us a HUGE addition to the Clubhouse. Thank you to all who helped make this a reality. See the photos below and elsewhere in this newsletter.

Capt. Bill Baehr, Vice Commodore



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From the Fleet Captain:

Old Man Winter really stinks! I'm sitting here today watching the snow fall outside my office window. If only my day -dreaming would come true. Blue water, sugar white sand and blazing sunshine is what I need!! Oh well, someday soon I hope....

The Spaghetti Dinner helped break up cabin fever. A great time was had by all who attended. Once again, proving what we do best..having fun!

The future of our great yacht club depends on our memberships. The 2013 schedule is filled with events for the whole family. please send in your membership dues and urge others to become a part of our elite boat club. The friendship and fun will be priceless... I promise you. Enjoy life by the Journey

Bob Ware, Fleet Captain







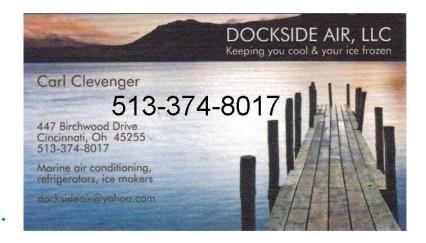
From the Rear Commodore:

The 2013 event was again held at the Radisson in Covington KY. Fortunately last year's hotel manager found another job but he forgot to tell the new guy that we were trouble. After a little arm twisting the Covington police department decided to let us back into the city. This year there were no issues with farm animals in the vice commodores suite, and the board of health reopened the swimming pool after I agreed not to wash my socks in the hot tub. Approximately 115 guests attended this poorly concealed excuse to have a party. The food and service was great, and the band had almost everyone up and dancing. Steve Mabry impressed the crowd with his trademark Heidi Klum inspired dance moves. The waiter thought he was having a seizure and asked the hotel manager for a popsicle stick. For those still standing after the main event an after-party party was held in the adjacent room. The band ate all of the ham and roast beef but we were happy making pickle and mayonnaise sandwiches and listening to more of our favorite summer boating songs on the Thanks to Laurie Mayleben for basically doing everything and to Commodore Bob Pattison for his wisdom, advice, and free beer.

Phil Mayleben, Rear Commodore















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A note from the Quartermaster:

Welcome to the 2013 Boating Season. A few items for the clubhouse. Coffee and donuts for Saturday mornings worked so well we will continue as last year. We have contracted with Servatii's Pastry to have fresh donuts delivered on Saturday mornings. They will be delivered to the clubhouse between 8:00/8:30 am. Milk and juice will already be there in the refrigerator. If your dock is planning a special breakfast like pancakes you need to give me at least a 2 week notice so I am able to cancel that weeks order. The driver will leave you a receipt which MUST be given to myself or Brenda for immediate payment. Please, Servatii"s asked that we do not tip the driver

Breakfast runs from 8:30 to 10:00 am, remember to take only 1 or 2 donuts till all are feed. No carry out orders.

We will continue to have Sam Adams and Yeungling on tap. Along with Bud Light and Miller Light. Please remember to clean and wipe up the overflow trays after any event. The small keg-o-rator was giving us problems last year so we now have a new one.

Our clubhouse deck expansion is on. We purchased 4 used docks from Rivertowne last November. We are working with Four Seasons to get them connected into their new home. Then we have fencing, deck plates (transitions) to be installed. New patio furniture is already here, tables, chairs and umbrellas. We will not have a seating problem anymore.

We go to a lot of trouble when it comes to stocking and maintaining the clubhouse and its supplies. Often I make multiple trips into stores to BUY items on sale and save the club some cash. It is by doing that which allows us to purchase better items and expand the quality of our parties. It is very hard to keep all of the over 500 members totally satisfied. Some people like Coke, some Pepsi. If we do not have a particular item please let me know. Just remember that the "Needs of the Many, outweigh the needs of the Few or the One"

Tom Adams, Quartermaster



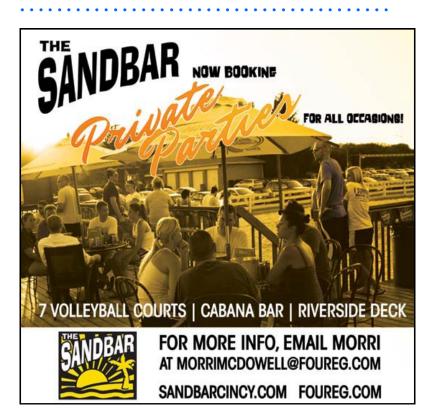
Treasurers Notes:

Happy New Year! I do hope that everyone has had a good winter so far and that it will be over soon. As I look out my window and see a sea of white, it only makes me long for summer and a new boating season to begin.

Even though it is winter, the Bridge has been very busy finishing out the 2012 year and planning for the 2013 season. To close out 2012, a yearend audit was conducted on the books. I would like to personally thank the audit committee for their hard work and dedication to the club for performing this very important task. The committee consisted of, Mike Scherer, Mary Alice Koch, Tracy Cole and Phil Mayleben, I was also in attendance to answer any questions that the committee might have. I am happy to report that the books were found to be accurate and in good order.

Looking forward to seeing everyone very soon on the docks, Stay warm, safe and healthy,

Brenda Adams, Treasurer





From the Education Committee Chairman:

Captain's Class:

As I write this, our 7th annual Captain's Class is underway at Harbour Towne Marina with frigid temperatures and three inches of snow on the ground, not to mention a river that will crest at 49 feet (hopefully) halfway through the course (and a frozen water main, but that's another story). The Harbour Towne class room is already listing due to the high water. On February 10th we will have graduated another ten Captains (2 women and 8 men), and then on to Lebo's for the Captain's Party. This is an intense program, but well worth the effort. True Course has a great group of instructors who make the days enjoyable, while packing a lot of information in a relatively short amount of time. Give next year's class some consideration....you won't be disappointed. Check out **truecourses.com** for updates on next year's classes.

Mini Courses:

We have scheduled three mini courses this year on May 11, July 13 and August 10 immediately following coffee and doughnuts in the clubhouse. These are informal discussions / presentations....not formal class work by any means, so stop in and try one out. As always, the education committee is looking for suggestions for topics that are of interest to club members. Please email me at tim.koch@fuse.net with any ideas. Some thoughts for this year are "Filing a Float Plan", "Stray Current Electrolytic Corrosion" and "Waste Management". Also, if you have any interest in leading a discussion let me know. Hope to see you at one of this year's courses.

River Sweep / Adopt-a-Stream:

The education committee is also making plans for River Sweep this year on June 15th from 9:00 to Noon (sign up begins at 8:00, work boat leaves at 9). This year's T shirt design contest was won by Abigail Taphorn, a 12th grade student at Colerain High School. Her winning design, as well as the other winning and runner-up designs can be seen at www.orsanco.org. Everyone participating will receive a free T shirt. This event is open to the public, so invite your friends to join our efforts and enjoy a ride on someone else's boat (the FSM work boat). We would also like to develop a more formal program with our Adopt-a-Stream affiliation. More on that later.

Women in Boating:

Women in Boating will be hosted this year by Captain Tracy Cole on July 20. You may already know this, but Tracy is rebuilding her classic Kingscraft house boat. Actually recreating it would be a better word. Check out her blog at "aboatreborn". The boat is going to be awesome. I don't want to speak for Tracy, but this event will probably be held, at least partially, on her boat

Boat Safety Check:

The boat safety check will be held a little later this year on June 1 so that there are more boats in the harbor. Spring flooding in years past hindered many from getting into the harbor in May, thus the move to June. It can be frustrating waiting for the inspectors to come to your boat, so this year we added a Dock Garage Sale hosted by Greg and Mary Kuntz. Clean out your dock box and/or garage of boating related items and look at fellow boater's treasures while you wait for your safety check.

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Education Committee, Continued:

Recycling:

We've long wanted to develop a recycling program at FSM, and had a few discussions with management a few years back regarding aluminum, glass and paper recycling. This would take close coordination with FSM and FSYC. Maybe the time is right for this to happen, after all, this year's Waste Management Phoenix Open diverted 100% of the waste generated from the tournament from local landfills. If you have a passion for this, please let me know.

Tim Koch, Education Committee Chairman

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Dear Boaters,

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Icy waters, slick roads, cold winds and chilling temperatures.. I know I'm not the only one disliking the winter season. Soon, we'll be able to cheer on the Reds, swim, suntan and eat good grub in the sun! So, instead of being lazy river logs, we'll be having fun in the sun acting like the "normal" river rats we truly are! So, please summer, come and breeze on in because we're waiting to let winter blues melt away. Summer here we come!!!

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FSYC Health & Welfare

February is a month full of holidays...Groundhog's Day, Valentine's Day and The Chinese New Year to name a few. But probably one of the most long awaited holidays is Mardi Gras.

Mardi Gras, which literally means Fat Tuesday, is the last day for merrymakers to partake in wild, boundless celebrations before Ash Wednesday and the beginning of the Lenten Season.

The ancient tradition of Mardi Gras dictates that responsible men and women dress up in outlandish chicken colors, consume copious amounts rich food, excessive amounts adult beverages and overall indulge in reckless abandon. (*No wonder that this holiday is embraced and so well loved by people all over the world.*) Unfortunately, as your Health and Welfare Chair I dare not encourage such careless unhealthy behaviors.

However if your heart's desire is to taste the spice of Mardi Gras, you can add a little Creole flavor of your own. This Cajun Shrimp recipe may do the trick. To complete the experience, pair it with a light white wine, or try it with Beaujolais Noveau – a light red wine which pairs best with spicy dishes.

Sherill Pattison, Chairman, Health & Welfare

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- · 2 tablespoons olive oil
- 4 garlic cloves, minced
- 2 large onions, chopped
- 2 stalks celery, chopped
- · 1 green bell pepper, seeded & chopped
- · 1 teaspoon cayenne pepper
- · 2 cups water
- · 1 (28-ounce) can diced tomatoes
- · 1 tablespoon, or to taste, Worcestershire sauce
- · 1 teaspoon, or to taste, hot sauce
- · Kosher salt and freshly ground black pepper to taste
- · 2 pounds large shrimp, shelled and deveined
- 4 green onions, sliced for garnish

Directions

- 1. Place a large pot or Dutch oven on a burner and turn the heat to medium high (6 on a scale of 10) then add the olive oil.
- 2. After the oil has heated up add the garlic, onions, celery and green bell pepper. Cook until softened (3 to 5 minutes).
- 3. Stir in the cayenne pepper and let the mixture caramelize (approximately 10 minutes total for the two steps).
- 4. Add the water, tomatoes, Worcestershire, hot sauce, salt and pepper. Simmer for 30 minutes. Add more water, if necessary, during this step.
- 5. Add shrimp and cook about 4 or 5 more minutes until they are bright pink.
- 6. To serve: Place a scoop of fresh-cooked rice in the center of a bowl and ladle the Creole over the rice, then garnish with green onion.



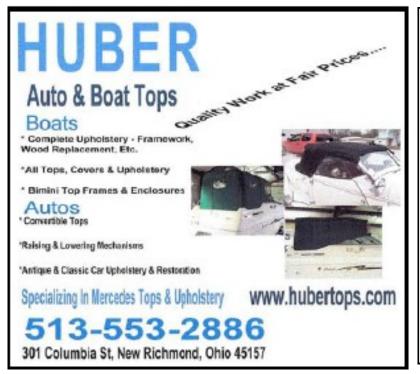
2013 Membership News:

What an exciting time for our FSYC members! As you probably know, we have acquired new docks to add more deck space to the Clubhouse. This will alleviate the crowding at TGIF's and, I am hoping will encourage more of you to attend these and other functions there. I am anxious to see it finished with new fencing, umbrella tables and chairs.

Due to the expansion, the Board has voted to raise our annual dues to \$100 per family. It will still be the best value for entertainment in town! So, get your Membership Application in early and be ready to "Party on the new Deck" this Spring!!

Jo Baehr, Membership Chair

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D-Dock News:

All is quiet on D-Dock. Everyone is hibernating and going to boat shows.

Pat Boyle, D-Dock Captain





2013 Spaghetti Dinner

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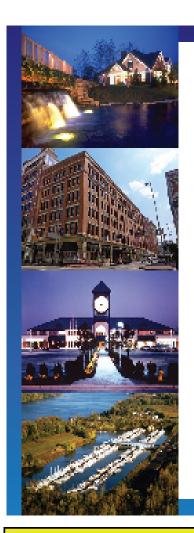






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A-Dock News:

The holidays have passed, Spaghetti Dinner is over, and a great affair it was. A- Dock had 40 people at the dinner. What a great turn out and fun had by all attendees. All I can say if you did not come, sorry you missed it. A better than expected winter so far this year. Hoping spring will come early and dry so we can all go boating. Not much happening at the dock. Fewer boats in the water than previous years.

There was a boat that sank in early December on A-dock. Not sure who they are. The 22' hardtop fishing boat came into A-55 one late afternoon. A day or so later the owners had been seen carrying fuel to the boat via cans. A few days later I saw Washington with their larger work boat putting air bags under it to re-float it. Next day, the boat was gone.

The yacht club has added 2 new events to our 2013 schedule. These events were suggested by A-Dock members. They now get to host these events. Thank you to Mark Horner for his Golf Outing suggestion. This event's details are in the works and is scheduled for Saturday September 7th. Mark will also be getting help from the big hitters, Mary Kuntz and Brenda Adams. June 1st, which is Boat Inspection Day, will now also be Garage Sale day. Thank You to Greg Kuntz for the idea and hosting. Clean out your dock boxes and boating supplies from home. We all collect things we thought we would use, and never do. However, someone else may be in need. There are sure to be many treasures!

We have 1 new member to the dock so far for 2013, he is coming over from the fuel dock. He saw how much fun we have.

We look forward to seeing everyone at The March Madness Party. Our work continues on the dock extensions for the club. It's as bad as buying a new house. It is something new everyday.

Tom Adams, Compromise, A-52





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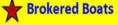
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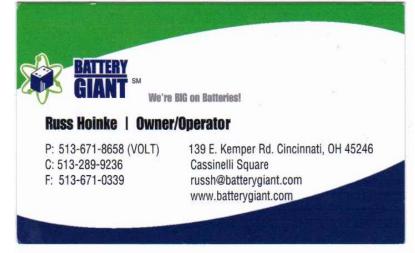
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There's Big News down the River! The Rising Sun Yacht Club (RSYC) had their Christmas Party and Change of Watch at Hueston Woods State Park December 1, 2012. What's the big news? A past commodore of the FSYC, yours truly was sworn in as Rear Commodore of the RSYC. Instead of two-year terms, the RSYC has one year terms. That means I will be Commodore in 2015. We had a great time at the Christmas party; great meal, music, gifts and many toys were donated to needy children in Dearborn County.

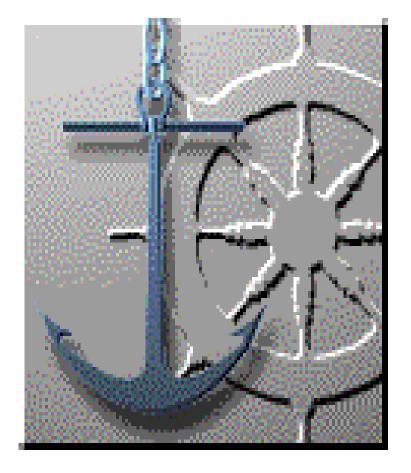
You may recall my cardboard boat last year featured a three foot tall picture of Bob Pattison's face. I pulled a similar stunt on the new RSYC commodore. As Kyle Kieper and his officers were being sworn in, one foot tall pictures of Kyle's face started popping up throughout the audience.

October 13th, the Carmen Ohio II set sail for River Watch in Lawrenceburg for the RSYC chili fest. The docks were full, so I had to tie up to the handrail of the outside dining area. On board were Roy & Carolyn Push, Jeff & Jill Gramke, Ken Marcotte and Barb Kroell, and Debbie and me. I love chili and this event is one of my favorites. Debbie and I made chili, but we did not win this year.

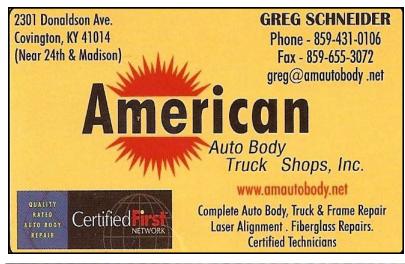
Debbie and I are looking forward to seeing everyone at the Spaghetti dinner.

Mike Hoffer, Past Commodore FSYC













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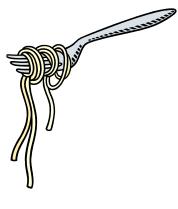
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