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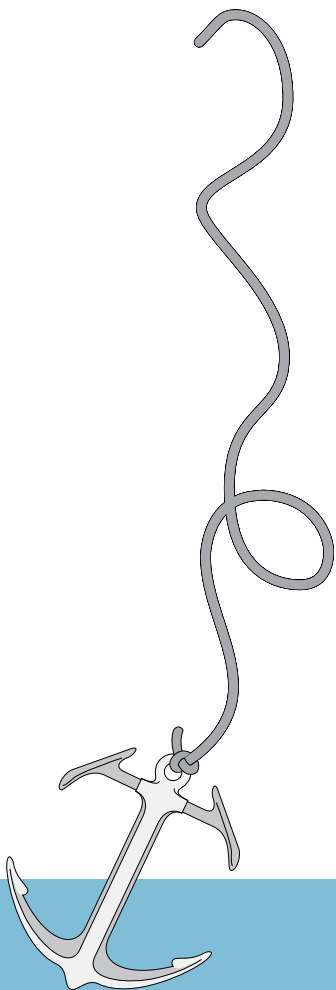
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Membership Renewal

Our membership year runs from the first of June until the end of May. For all of you who have already renewed, we thank you for getting your renewal in early. For the rest, we encourage you to renew your membership by May 31. If you have not renewed by then, you may not get a plastic membership card when you do renew. Also, you will not be included in the new roster which goes to print in June. FSYC is a member of the Yachting Club of America. One of the benefits of this membership is the ability to visit other member clubs. It is a great way to meet boaters in other parts of the country. A list of the clubs and their facilities is available on the internet at ycaol.com. To access the list, you will need club identification (club1040) and a password (y100446c). Note; these are all lower case and no spaces. It is advisable to call a yacht club before you arrive and make arrangements for your visit. If the club wants to verify your membership, please have someone contact one of our bridge officers.

FSYC has a Cooperating Group Agreement with Boat US. If you are traveling on your boat, a Boat US membership can save you money. Many marinas, including some on the Ohio River offer discounts on fuel and dockage to Boat US members. Boat US has excellent boat and towing insurance. In addition, Boat US has won many legislative battles for the boating community. FSYC members can get membership for half price (\$12.50) by putting the group number (GA84331Y) on the membership application. Membership applications are available at the clubhouse. For more information contact Tom Aultz (513 683-7557). We thank all of you for your support to the club and look forward to seeing you at the harbor this year.

Captain Tom & Linda Aultz



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From Your Commodore



Hello again fellow boaters;
This is my last FSYC's Commodore article. The Changing of the Watch was held at the Ball on January 23rd. It was a grand event and if you could not attend, maybe you can attend the next Ball in two years. I would like to introduce you to and congratulate the new Bridge;

- Commodore, Captain Rich Mowery**
- Vice Commodore, Bob Pattison**
- Rear Commodore, Captain Bill Baehr**
- Fleet Captain, Bob Ware**
- Secretary, Mary Alice Koch**
- Treasure, Captain Marianne Mabry**

I will be serving as Past Commodore for the next term as well and looking forward to it.

Barb and I have enjoyed all our time serving on the bridge in several positions over the past years, but of course the Commodore was the best. Barb and I came to Four Seasons Marina in 1997 with our 225 Express. We, like a lot of you, were looking for somewhere to call home and we found it at FSM. We were on B-Dock for a short time (one month) when we bought a 34 Sedan Bridge that was on C-Dock and because it would not fit on B, we moved to A-Dock. Four years later we found ourselves owning our present boat, a 42 Convertible, and you guessed it, it would not fit on A so we moved to D-Dock. We started at D-68, then D-52 and now D-22. We truly call FSM our home away from home, as I know a lot of you do too. It has proven itself to be the best marina and the FSYC has added a great value. By the time you read this, Barb and I will be heading south and hopefully it will be warmer down there than it has been the last couple months. We plan on being back by the last week of March and will be at the April meeting. It's been fun serving the club, meeting all the great boaters and we are looking forward to years of fun to come. The Bridge has been working hard on another year of many popular and new activities throughout the summer. I wish everyone well, be careful and be safe. Boating season will be here before we know it. See you on the docks, or on the water.

Captain Glenn Feilhauer, Commodore

Dock Captains

- A-Dock**..... Tom Adams, Al Heim
- B-Dock**..... Jim Sutliff, Phil Mayleben, Tom Woeste
- C-Dock**..... Captain Joe Frankenhoff,
 Captain David Stanford, Captain Tim Koch,
 Jerry Williams & Loretta Riley
- D-Dock**..... Captain Mike Scherer,
 Captain Tom Dalton & Mark Dawes

2010 FSYC Bridge Officers

- Commodore** Captain Rich Mowery
- Vice Commodore** Bob Pattison
- Rear Commodore**..... Captain Bill Baehr
- Fleet Captain** Bob Ware
- Past Commodore** Captain Glenn Feilhauer
- Secretary** Mary Alice Koch
- Treasurer**..... Captain Marianne Mabry
- Quarter Master** Brenda Adams

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- Social** Captain Bill Baehr
- Health & Welfare** Heidie Mowery
- Membership**..... Jo Baehr
- Newsletter**..... Bob Pattison
- Clubhouse** Bob Pattison
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Safety Tip

We have a lot of dogs on the docks during the summer. And every year, a few find themselves misjudging the leap on or off the boat and becoming canine members of the FSM swim team. I'm not here to remind owners to keep their dogs on a leash. I not even going to suggest you purchase a doggie life vest (available in the ship's store). But, if your child (I mean dog) ends up in the water in the marina around your boat, there are a couple of things you need to remember:

- 1) **Do not panic.** The dog will most likely be able to keep themselves afloat until you can pull them out.
- 2) **Hold them by the collar** to keep them from going under the dock or swim platform until you can get an arm under the dog to lift them out of the water.
- 3) **Yell for help.** You will most likely need assistance keeping the boat away while you pull the dog to safety.
- 4) **Try to get your arm around their backside** to lift them out of the water. Do not lift from the dog's collar; they will be much heavier after being soaked and this could cause further injuries to the animal, or to you. Remember, you won't be able to help your pet if you panic or injure yourself.
- 5) **Hose them down!** This may be the most important thing you do. Most dogs won't care for being hosed down, (except Bailey) especially after just being pulled from the water. I don't think I need to explain the reasons for the hosing. Your dog can easily contract an illness from the stagnant water of the marina. You also do not want your child (I mean pet) back on the boat or to go down below, jumping into your bed before being cleaned.

Captain Rich Mowery

Special Thanks

This being my last issue of the news letter as your Vice Commodore, News Letter Editor, I just wanted to thank everyone who took the time to write the articles for the past two years. We have a great bunch of people who have spent a good number of hours, in their spare time, to keep us all informed with information from dock news to land & water events as well as stories of personal trips. Yes, it's a lot of work to put this news letter together but the real work comes from all of you. I have no doubt that the next news letter editor, Bob Pattison, will continue the efforts of his predecessors and may even improve on its content. Thanks again to all who have contributed.

Captain Rich Mowery, Vice Commodore

Health and Welfare

Many of you have been touched by a card or note when you have had an illness or loss by the Health & Welfare committee at Four Season's Yacht Club. In the past, news of an illness or loss has been communicated by your friends and/or family at the clubs monthly meetings. It is our hope that by sending a kind word of encouragement through a difficult time, it may help speed the recovery of an illness or loss. The members at our club are very special and when an illness or loss occurs, we want to be sure to reach out and touch those in need. For those of you who were not aware of these efforts, we wanted to make sure that you knew that we think of you all as family. Those who have received a card in the past few months include:

Barb Fieldhauer - *I Got You Babe III: For her recent shoulder surgery & recovery*

Marsha Messmer - *Relaxin Knot Taxin: For her recent breast cancer surgery/results*

June Harrison - *Fast Buck V: For her recent fall breaking her ankle*

Don Jacobs - *Nautinuff Time: Get Well Wishes for his recent stay in the hospital*

Judy Robertson - *Navicular : Get Well Wishes for her recent stay in the hospital*

Jim Gibbons - *Tranquillity: Get Well Wishes for his heart related issues*

If you are aware of a member in need of a card or note please feel free to forward the information directly to Heidie Mowery, Health & Welfare Chairperson at JWDJESS@aol.com or call (513) 476-0243. Or you can pass the information along to a Bridge Officer or Dock Captain so that they can bring news to the monthly meeting. Thank you all. You are always in our thought and prayers.

Heidie Mowery, Chairperson, H&W

2010 FSYC Upcoming Events

**The 2010 Schedule of Events is being finalized.
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From the Fleet Captain



It may be cold and dreary outside but the land and water scheduling committees have been sitting by the fireplace putting all your ideas into reality. WOW, we have scheduled over forty events for 2010. A Great Year it will be! All the good old favorites are back and better.

New events have been added, like a road trip to Louisville for an all day event of festivities and fireworks called "Thunder Over Louisville" (April 17th). Other new events include Aquapalooza (July 17th & 18th), Fishing Tournaments, Lighted Boat Parade, A Pirate's Ball and a Dinghy Cruise-Beach Party. Go to our website and check it all out. I would also like to introduce you to your 2010 Dock Captains. These are the volunteers that represent our harbor. They help answer your questions about rules, regulations and events for the Marina as well as the Four Seasons Yacht Club.

A Dock: Tom Adams and Al Heim

B Dock: Phil Mayleben, Jim Sutliff and Tom Woeste

C Dock: Jerry Williams, Joe Frankenhoff, Loretta Riley, Tim Koch and David Stanford

D Dock: Tom Dalton, Mike Scherer and Mark Dawes

These boaters and their first mates are the backbone of this Marina. They attend lengthy meetings, help staff the parties and raise the bar for our great yacht club. Without dock captains, the bridge officers are helpless. Next time you see a dock captain, please say "Thanks" for all they do.

Let's get the new decade underway --- "COMMENCE YACHTING".

Bob Ware, Fleet Captain

From the Treasurer



Winter notes from the Treasurer. BBBBRRRR!!!! That white stuff can go away any time now. I think SNOW should officially be an unwelcome four letter word and maybe we should spell it @#\$%. But, we have made the turn and the days are getting a little longer.

Remind me why I still live in Ohio other than the great friends in the Yacht Club. The club had a good year in 2009 and we foresee another good year for 2010. Thanks again to all members that maintained their memberships and the new members that joined. We were able to have some marvelous parties. Keep spreading the word that "WE HAVE FUN" and get more to join in the festivities. Looking forward to the Commodore's Ball which will have occurred by the time this newsletter is released. It will no doubt be a great time with the venue of the Radisson. Just a reminder, that our club meetings are held on the first Thursday of each month (weather permitting) at the clubhouse on B-Dock. All are encouraged to attend. These meetings usually end up with some social time which is wonderful during these cold winter months.

Stay warm and see you on the docks soon!

Treasurer, Captain Marianne Mabry

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From the Vice Commodore



I have truly enjoyed my term as Vice Commodore and look forward to the next two years as your Commodore. By the time this news letter is published, the Commodores Ball and Change of the Watch will be yet another fond memory. As for me and the rest of the new Bridge, we will be deep into setting up the events for the coming season along with finalizing our budget for the year. I can only hope that things will go as smoothly as they have under the direction of our past Commodore's. It has been quite a learning experience working with Glenn, Jim, and Mike over the past 4 years. A committee of current Bridge members and past Commodores have been working for over 6 months to bring our club By-Laws up to date, under the direction of Commodore Glenn Feilhauer and will be available to the Board of Directors for approval prior to the beginning of the 2010 season. It will be my goal as Commodore, to continue to manage the operations of this club with the level of Integrity that has been set forth by my predecessors'. And all that being said, lets get through these next few months and get back on the water. We really do have fun!

Captain Rich Mowery, Vice Commodore

From the Rear Commodore



Hope you are all wintering well! Rest assured that Spring is just around the corner. The club's Social Planning and Offshore Events Committees met in December to draft our 2010 Schedule of Events. As of this writing, that draft is being finalized and should be published on our web site shortly.

Some of the notable upcoming events include: Captains Courses offered by True Course & hosted by FSYC, A March Madness/St Pat's/1st Day of Spring Party on March 20th, Fleet Captain Bob Ware's "Road Trip" to see the "Thunder Over Louisville" fireworks on April 17th, Our End of Hibernation Party on April 24th, A 12 hr Safe Boating Course on May 8th & 9th, A Marina Fishing Tournament on May 22nd, Boat Safety Inspections on May 29th, A number of Reds games, Family friendly Pizza/Movie nights at the clubhouse. Many member favorites such as the Derby/Hello Party, TGIF Parties & the Bid-N-Buy Auction, Chili Cook-off and Bonfire of course are on the schedule.

We are always looking for members to help host our various events. If you would like to help with the success of your club; please contact our new Rear Commodore for 2010-2011, Captain Bill Baehr.

Bob Pattison, Rear Commodore



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First Mate on the PA Denny



After spending the spring and summer this year as First Mate on the P.A. Denny, a 1930's stern wheeler converted into a floating science lab for area school kids, I was asked to help take the boat to Point Pleasant WV to dry dock for repairs and inspections.

Six crew members left the old Mike Fink dock on a crisp October morning for the three day, 204 mile trip. After casting off, the first order of business, of course, was breakfast, and we all were happy to find out that one of our crew, Captain Frank's brother, enjoyed cooking and was more than happy to prepare breakfast to order that morning as well as all the meals for the rest of the trip. The boat was well provisioned and needless to say, we didn't go hungry.

The second order of business was where to tie up for the night. Making way at only seven MPH makes you plan well in advance. We knew we were going to make the dock wall at Huntington the second night, but there aren't a lot of options for a 100 foot, steel hull stern wheeler between here and there.

Our captain made contact with one of the cooks he knew from the Crouse barge line, and was given the number of their Maysville yard manager. After several long phone calls, we gained permission to tie off to one of their tow boats provided we agreed not to board their boats. Ten hours and sixty-four miles after departing Cincinnati and after a seamless lock through at Meldahl, we arrived at Crouse, were greeted by the manager, and once tied off, were able to relax and enjoy a beer and a meal. Card playing and storytelling were the entertainment for the night. We all turned in early (air mattresses and sleeping bags, not exactly first class accommodations) because the next day was going to be a long one.

We left Maysville at 5:30 knowing that the Greenup lock, four hours away, was under repair and could potentially cause a delay. Capt. Frank contacted the lock master early and was told we would receive priority locking if our timing was right. Frank pushed the throttle to the second notch and we were making a little over nine MPH, but to no avail. When we arrived, we had missed

our slot and were told we had a two hour wait.

We pulled into shore, and I explored it with Tony, one of the summer instructors. A marine biologist, he was a fountain of knowledge about river species, habitat, etc. and was also training to become a first mate. Tony was great to have aboard, and because he is about 6' 6" tall, we let him lasso the bollards in the locks.

After 96 miles on the water, we arrived at Huntington at 7:30, and flawlessly made the dock wall (my training was finally paying off) and almost instantly began to attract the attention of the locals. Another great meal, some beer and of course story telling ensued. As we readied our sleeping bags, Capt. Frank warned those of us who would bunk on the first deck to be ready for possible visitors during the night, but thankfully, we had no trouble.

Capt. Frank let us "sleep in" the next morning since our third day would be short (45 miles) so we didn't leave Huntington until 7:00. Our timing at the Robert C. Byrd lock was perfect, the gates opening almost upon our arrival, and we made our destination, the Madison Coal Company dry dock on the Kanawha River in Henderson, WV at 2:30.

The yard manager came aboard, started making measurements for the cribbing and was soon directing his crew. A very efficient operation, to say the least.

We took the afternoon to explore the Ohio River Museum in Point Pleasant – a very interesting, homey museum dedicated mostly to working boats and paddle wheel history. They also have a huge fresh water aquarium annex. Tony took the opportunity to instruct the curator in the care and feeding of gar, paddlefish, and other species in the aquarium while we examined the rest of the exhibits.

Returning to the boat, our chef prepared gourmet pork chops, mashed potatoes and green beans. The Madison Coal crew was coming on and off the boat and we invited them to stay for dinner, but they declined. At this point, we were all very thirsty and cracked a beer. Capt. Frank came in and asked me what I was drinking and immediately told me (first mate) to put it down the drain because we were probably moving to dry dock that evening.

Sure enough, at 7:30, we were told to fire up the engine and prepare for dry dock. The dock slowly sunk, the Madison Coal crew came on board, and we began backing into the dock. By 8:30 the dock was refloated under the P.A. Denny and we were out, on the dock, amazed at the entire process. These guys are pros, and I felt like

First Mate, cont.

a tourist, taking tons of photos, but so what. I'm pretty certain I won't experience this again and didn't want to miss anything. We spent our last night on the boat (I finally got my beer) playing cards and telling stories (didn't I hear that one before?) in the dry dock.

The next morning one of Madison's crew said we were the only people he knew of to spend the night in dry dock, so I was right in thinking this was a once-in-a-lifetime experience. After breakfast and packing, I spent the morning exploring and taking pictures of the ship yard. The Orsanco company van arrived around 2:00 and we were back at ORSANCO by 4:30. Three days on the water to get there and 2 ½ hours to drive back....Life really did move at a slower pace in the old days.

Captain Tim Koch, 1st Mate, PA Denny



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A-Dock News

Happy Holidays, just like this past summer and our 2009 boating season all is gone, overboard in our wake. There is progress in "A" Docks new board replacement, as of the week of December 14th almost 1/3rd of the dock have already been replaced. They started down by the "A" Sac and are working their way back to the head boat. I am sure many of you will want to pressure wash your fingers this spring. Best to do before you put your boat back into it's slip. I learned this the hard way several years ago. Congratulations to Ms. Laura DeVries and Mr. Mark Horner (A-88 Off Course) on their recent engagement. Mark proposed to Laura this fall while they were on a trip in Hawaii. Sorry to say that Bob Verille and Shirley Potter along with Hans (By George A-14) will not be returning to Four Seasons this summer. They live in Maysville, KY and it is quite a commute to the boat. If you do happen to get up to White Oak Creek, stop by and see them at their new home. Contracts were sent out in December for the 2010 season. If you have not returned your contract and deposit by now you could be in peril of loosing your slip. You need to send your deposit to reserve your slip. The new schedule of events for the club's 2010 season is ready, please check the website for all the dates and times. I would like to thank Coach Al Heim (A-64) for volunteering his time in becoming an "A" Dock Captain. I truly appreciate having the help and Al will be a great resource for everyone. We will need to get Al's boat a name so we can have a naming party. I know we will be getting a few new boats on the dock this spring. Rumor has it that Jerry Maryo's (A- 12 Clocked Out) parents are coming in. Gene Hehemann previous houseboat with new owners is coming in. If anyone from "A" has any news to share please let me know and I look forward to seeing everyone very soon back on "A"

Tom Adams, A-Dock Captain, Natural Disaster (A-83)

C-Dock News

It's winter, it's cold, and it sucks. At least some of the boats are in the water and no ones bilge pumps have frozen. We are all wishing it was summer, but its not. We know its coming but it's just not soon enough. Looking forward to the new season with plenty of fun events scheduled for the coming year. Don't forget about the pirate events if you don't have enough to do. If you get bored waiting for the season to start, oh I don't know, get a tattoo. Have as much fun as you can. Have a party, just don't forget to invite you "good friends". Hang in there. Arggg. Bill and Jo have a "new" DANCINGBAEHR. After 45 days of negotiations and inspections, on Nov 24th we purchased a 1998 4788 Bayliner ' Pilothouse'. She's 54' loa and 15 beam with twin Cummins 370's .We will be proudly showing her at this years Boat Open House event. We are once again two boats owners, but our 40 x 13 1975 Bluewater is for sale.

Jerry Williams, C-Dock Captain

Captain Bill Baehr, Rear Commodore

B-Dock News

Tom Aultz wins the Mobile to Cincinnati Boat Race-

Everyone at FSYC is familiar with Tom Aultz, some know him as an experienced captain, others as a talented engineer but last night after a few beers I was amazed to learn of his competitive nature. I may not have every fact nailed down but evidently Tom convinced Gary Bolte (Inspiration) to sponsor his attempt to win the Mobile to Cincinnati Cruiser Race. Gary graciously provided a nearly new 46 Ft Carver which Tom had specially modified for the event. The boat equipped with twin Volvo turbocharged engines was stripped of its heliport and all safety equipment to save weight. The Jacuzzi was filled with diesel fuel to increase range. During the 11 day rampage the crew of four was forced to wake every morning at dawn. Provisioned only with Slim Jims and Diet Pepsi the unwitting group managed to survive as the scenery along the Tombigbee flashed by at 25 knots. The ambitious schedule took its toll on the boat as well as the crew. Twice the boat was delayed for repairs to the hopelessly overworked engines. Tom raced through the locks with promises of free beer for the lockmasters. Commercial traffic on the Ohio was interrupted briefly as Tom made his final sprint from Green Turtle Bay to Cincinnati. Unfortunately Markland Dam suffered minor damage when the captain "red lighted" and in his haste left a broken lock door splashing to the river bottom in his wake. They concluded their journey in record time arriving on Friday evening December 13 to an admiring crowd of friends and family. After a Champaign celebration the exhausted crew went home for a well deserved shower.

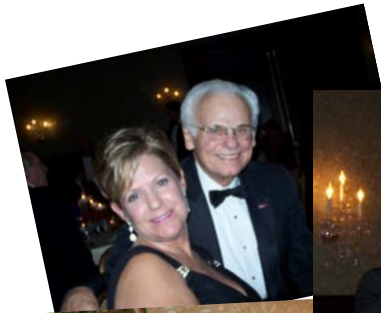
B Dock is currently iced in. Wow, what a cold spell here in January! After drowning our winterization sorrows in eggnog, Christmas cookies, and New Year's champagne, we look toward Spring. The days are getting longer and warm weather is fast approaching. Can't wait to get out on the beckoning Ohio River again! B Dock will be ready and waiting.

Phil Mayleben & Tom Woeste, B-Dock Captains

D-Dock News

Sorry... Everyone is in Florida. See you all soon. Be Safe.

D-Dock Ghost Writer



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