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Newsletter





CAR SHOW-CHILI COOKOFF-BONFIRE

This was the best ever weather for this event. Short sleeves instead of parkas!

Chili Cookoff 1st Place went to Commodore Bob Pattison, 2nd Steve Pfenninger, 3rd Betty Shrout.

Car Show 1st Place John and Lori Cordano, 2nd Bill George, 3rd Cheri Hyde, 4th Art Crowley, and Commodore's Award to Tito Bigelow.

See more Pics and info on page 19.













WE HAVE FUN!

From Your Commodore



Another fun filled season is in the books. We sincerely hope you are enjoying the benefits of your yacht club membership. You may not realize that FSYC is one of the largest Yacht Clubs in the nation. With over 500 members we provide

a social and off shore event schedule that rivals many well known clubs on the coasts. It's a heck of a deal for \$100 per year. Please don't forget to use your membership for reciprocity while traveling.

Our 2014 Calendar of Events has been set and will be announced in early January. It includes Corn Hole and Texas Hold'em Tournaments along with a bus trip to Keenland Race Track in Lexington. We have planned better events that are well funded. Members will notice improved food and beverage quality in 2014.

Our Clubhouse expansion in 2013 is complete. We hope you enjoyed the additional space while attending events and visiting with your fellow yacht club members. As we now have more space, we are amending our guest policy in 2014. You will be able to bring a limited number of guests to our events for a modest per person fee. More information to come.

On January 25, 2014 we will be holding our Commodores Ball and Change of Watch at the Radisson in Covington. Sherill & I hope you will attend this fun event and celebrate with us. Get a group together, get a discounted room, see the boat show with discounted tickets and just play. It's only \$39 per person and includes dinner, 2 drinks, a dance band and an after party-party with food. But wait, there's more.....each attendee gets a free burgee logo beach towel. What a deal! We are just "adults at play" and we do it very well.

Please click here to make reservations:

http://fourseasonsyachtclub.com/commodoresballsignup.html

It has been my pleasure and honor to serve as your Commodore. Thanks to you all for your support and efforts to make FSYC great. We hope to see you on January 25th.

Bob Pattison - FSYC Commodore

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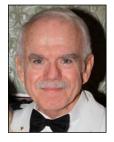
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Dock Captains

D-Dock......Pat Boyle & Mark Evans



From the Vice Commodore



Nothing is as constant as *Change*.

Even as I assemble this last Newsletter of 2013 we announce changes. Next year we will publish three Newsletters to match our Spring, Summer and Fall seasons. We will not publish a Winter

Newsletter as we are all hibernating anyway. To make up for the missing issue we will offer a once a month (May thru Sept) E-NEWS that will allow our sponsors to send you offers, coupons, tips or event news.

It has been an enjoyable adventure publishing the newsletter these last two years. With members that display FUN (think photos) and helpfulness (articles) it was easy.

Next year your editor will be the new Vice Commodore Phil Mayleben. With his great sense of humor it may read more like a comic book. He is one funny guy.

See you at the Commodore's Ball!

Captain Bill Baehr - FSYC Vice Commodore

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From the Rear Commodore



Who decided that the pool stage for the river should be 27 feet? Why is it not 30 feet or 300 feet for that matter? From my perspective more water equals more fun. Imagine if the water level was raised and the seven hills of Cincinnati were transformed. Adams Island could finally have a legitimate yacht club; we could all anchor out in the Auburn Archipelago, travel by ferry to Price

Island for chili, snorkel in Clifton Cay and use Fairmount as our garbage dump. Newport would finally vanish and I guess we would need to do something drastic with the spud poles on the Four Seasons head boat. It's not right that these important decisions be left to incompetent Army Engineers. The Rear Commodore should decide these things.

This summer I learned about the ephemeral nature of inflatable boats. After watching two PVC inflatable dinghy's rot from exposure to UV I decided it would be a good idea to go green and get an inflatable Kayak. I found out that actually I liked the kayak and decided paddling was good exercise. My dog loved to sit in front and stare down at the river creatures while I did all of the work. Simple was definitely better, no messing with heavy motors and gas tanks. On Sunday evenings I just picked the whole thing up and shoved it into the cabin and shut the door.

The inflatable kayak idea worked well for a few months. One peaceful evening while anchored with many of our Four Seasons boating fiends I decided it would be a good idea to paddle around the anchorage and harass the other boats. After several beverages I asked if anyone else would like to ride along. During a weak moment the vice commodore's wife thoughtlessly agreed, and competently hopped inside.

We were quickly on our way to inspect the fleet. I eventually noticed that the effort required to propel the vessel forward was increasing far more than one would expect given the mass of my passenger. The sidewall became limp and we both started to feel some dampness around our feet. It was about that time that my guest turned around and looked at her gondolier with a look of disgust.

Apparently my sturdy river cruiser had snagged a screw protruding from the bottom of the swimming platform. In the quiet of the night we sat listening to the faint sound of air exiting one of the two float chambers. Despite my paddling skills and compromised sense of balance we were able to return to safety without drowning.

The deflated kayak carcass was left tied to a cleat for the rest of the evening. We both learned a lesson that night. Next year I will be sporting a kayak molded from indestructible high density polyethylene and when I ask if anyone wants to ride along everyone will know the correct answer.

Phil Mayleben – FSYC Rear Commodore rearcommodore@fourseasonsyachtclub.com

From the Fleet Captain



Here in River City, another boating season is coming to a close. The harbor is busy with Captains and first mates removing the summer collections of good memories and preparing their vessel for winter. Oil changes, anti-freeze, and canvas covers protect our boats for the next four months,

and before you know it, the March Madness party is on.

The new 2014 schedule has already been set up. All your favorite events, plus some new ones to "rock your boat."

I want to thank all the Dock Captains for a job well done in 2013. Getting up early on Saturdays to serve coffee and donuts, helping serve food at the TGIF parties, and helping with the construction of our floating dock. Most importantly, supporting The Bridge officers to make the best "dam" parties on the river. Without your help, The Bridge officers would not be able to put these events together. Thank you, Dock Captains. Casting Off!

Bob Ware - FSYC Fleet Captain

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The Feilhauers

ello fellow boaters and yacht club family,

For those who do not know Barb and I, we were at FSM for over 16 years. We came there in the 90's with a 1983, 23' SeaRay and started on B Dock. We were not even there a month when we/I found a 1984, 34' SeaRay and moved to A Dock. While we were on B Dock, I became a Dock Captain. A few years later we bought a 42' Silverton and we moved to D Dock. After being a dock captain for several years, I became Vice Commodore and then Commodore in 2008 and 2009. After we sold our Silverton in 2010, we bought a 1973, 36' Chris Craft (fiberglass) and I have been working on it ever since. It is on the hard in Harrison, Ohio, in a heated building. I gutted the vessel when we first bought it, and I'm doing a complete rebuild. Friends keep asking when I will have it back in the water and I keep saying next year, well next year is it. I'm hitting it hard this winter and it looks to be on track.

While away from FSM, we picked up a campsite on the river, west of Cincinnati at North Bend Boat Club, which is in North Bend, Ohio, around mile marker 486. We have our motor home and our runabout there, so if you're down our way, give us a call.

We miss being at FSM, but we also know we are part of the FSYC family. Congratulations to the new Bridge and see you at the ball.

Past Commodore Glenn and Lady Barb Feilhauer "I Got You Babe"





Halloween Party 2013

We really do have some very creative members...just look at the PICS!

AWARDS: Gary and Lois Bolte won peoples choice as BEST COSTUME...Most Glamorous was Sheryl Pattison....Hilarious was Bob and Rheda Harris...Original was John and Lori Cordano...Craftiest was Jo Baehr...Funniest was Bob Ware... Sexiest was Karen O'Brien...Scariest was Elizebeth Murray.... and Spookiest was Bill Murray.







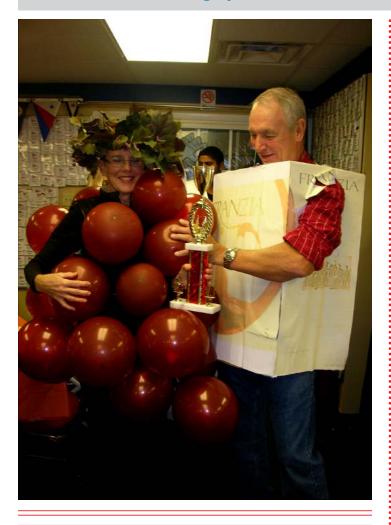








Halloween Party (More Pictures)





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Halloween Party (More Pictures)









Health and Welfare



As most of you know, my duties as your Health and Welfare officer will come to an end in January. I have two words for all of you in our Yacht Club family...

THANK YOU!

You all have been very supportive and it

has been a pleasure working with such an amazing group of people. I have enjoyed every bit of it.

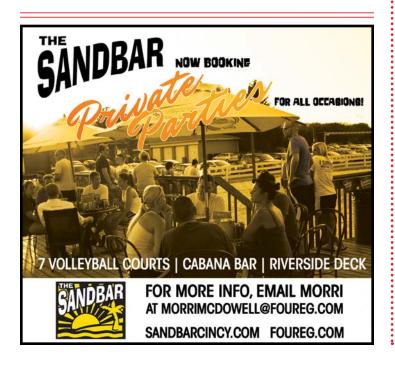
As I transition out of this current role, please welcome Jo Baehr as she assumes the position of Health and Welfare Officer in February. I have no doubt that she will carry out the duties with kindness and compassion.

So I leave you with my last recipe. It is not at all healthy but very yummy. Pair it with a bottle of your favorite red house wine.

Sherill Pattison - FSYC Health & Welfare Committee

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Recipes



Italian Sausage Lasagna

Ingredients:

- 12 lasagna noodles, uncooked
- 2 Tbsp olive oil
- 1 (16-oz) package Johnsonville Italian Ground Sausage
- 1 medium onion
- 2 cloves garlic, chopped
- 1 (24-oz) jar marinara sauce
- 1 pkg cream cheese
- 4 cups ricotta cheese
- 1 large egg
- ½ cup grated Parmesan cheese
- 2 cups fresh spinach, lightly packed and chopped
- 2 cups shredded mozzarella cheese
- · 1 tsp dried oregano

Directions:

- 1. Bring a large pot of salted water to a boil. Cook pasta until al dente. Drain, lightly oil and set aside.
- 2. In a medium saucepan, sauté the sausage, crumbling with a wooden spoon, until no longer pink. Add onion and garlic, and continue sautéing for another 4 minutes until the sausage is cooked through.
- 3. Add marinara sauce to the sausage mixture and set aside. In a medium bowl, blend cream cheese, ricotta cheese, egg, ¼ cup of the Parmesan cheese and the chopped spinach; set aside.
- 4. Coat a 9-by-13-inch baking dish with olive oil, and spread 1 cup of the sauce mixture on the bottom.
- 5. Top with 3 lasagna noodles. Spread ¼ of the ricotta cheese mixture on the noodles and layer on 1 cup of the sauce mixture. Sprinkle ½ cup mozzarella cheese over this. Repeat this process three more times, starting with the noodles and finish with the remaining ¼ cup of Parmesan cheese. Sprinkle with oregano.
- 6. Preheat oven to 350° and bake for 45 minutes until hot and bubbly. Let stand 10 minutes before cutting.

Ludlow Bromley Overnight







This year's overnight destination was new for FSYC. Ludlow Bromley Yacht Club hosted 12 FSYC boats and about 60 total FSYC members attended.

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Membership Committee



We had a great year, adding 55 new memberships! The total for the year was 284 memberships.

A big "Thank You" to all of you who helped to bring in new and returning members.

I also appreciated your clearly filled out Membership Renewal Forms. Let's do it again next year.

I feel very blessed to have made so many good friends since we joined the Club!

Have a safe and Happy Holiday season with your family and friends. We hope to see all of you at the Commodore's Ball in January!

$Member \underline{ship} = Friend \underline{ship}!$

Jo Baehr - FSYC Membership Committee Chair membership@fourseasonsyachtclub.com









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Quartermaster



om and Brenda are enjoying the weather in sunny Florida and they are NOT coming back to SNOW! Well actually they will be with us next Summer till August. But we do need a replacement for Tom as Quartermaster for the 2014 Season.......How bout YOU.

Your club needs you! It's not hard and Tom will train you before he leaves.

Tom Adams - FSYC Quartermaster quartermaster@fourseasonsyachtclub.com

Treasurer



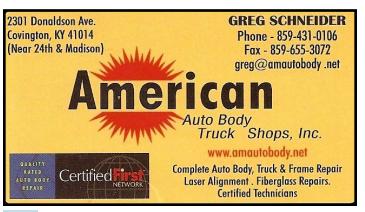
As many of you know Tom and I have purchased a home in Florida and are looking forward to being able to boat year around in the beautiful Gulf of Mexico very soon, with that being said this will be my last newsletter article.

It has been a pleasure to serve the club over these last two and half years and I am looking forward to passing the books onto the next person. My goal when I accepted the post as Treasurer was to help in making the club financially sound and that the books would be in good order for the next person. I do feel that I have accomplished my goal with the help of all of the Members and Host of our events. There is a saying in Scouting "Leave it better than you found it". I hope that I have done just that.

Enjoy your holidays, be safe, be healthy and I am looking forward to seeing everyone at the Ball.

Brenda Adams - FSYC Treasurer

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Education Committee



We need to know what you want for education classes in 2014!

Please email suggestions to us at the address below.

Captain Tim Koch – FSYC Education Committee education@fourseasonsyachtclub.com



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A-Dock News

All is quiet on A dock as we wait for Spring. We did notice a few Winter visitors down close to the gate. We heard they had free beverages.

Tom Adams

Compromise A-52 A Dock Captain

B-Dock News

B-Dock's TGIF was a "TAILGATE PARTY". Enjoy the PICS!







B-Dock TGIF Photos









C-Dock News

We have a HERO!

t was a pleasant and dark Summer night on the dock when......SPLASH......and then a voice calling from the darkness UNDER the dock "Help me"......Don Shrout was going onto his boat and missed a step and joined the FSYC swim club. But this was not funny but very scary. How would you rescue him? Peggy Stanford's daughter's boyfriend Michael Ionna knew the answer "I'm going in!". He dove UNDER the dock, found Don in an air pocket, and said "Take a deep breath and I'll take you out."

Betty was visiting Jo and I when she got the news "He's Ok, but Don fell in.". I won't tell you what she said. So a shower and some dry clothes and it was back to enjoying the evening. Michael Ionna is a brave young man. Thank you Michael!

Captain Bill Baehr

Dancing Baehr





C-Dock TGIF Barbecue







D-Dock News

t is hard to believe that the summer is long gone, fall is fading, and winter is quickly bearing down on us. The weather did make it tough for boating on the Ohio River this year. As I write this, my boat, along with many others from D-Dock, are out of the water and safely on the hard at Washington or Rivertowne, and even a few that have headed south. There are still several boats waiting until the last possible moment to pull out, and still others that are planning to stay in all winter. At least I will know who to "drop in" on if there is a nice weekend.

Although the river was up, it was not enough to deter the majority of D-Dock to head out for the WEBN fireworks. After finally getting everyone anchored and tied up, it was time to enjoy the day, or so we thought. Push off poles got the workout trying to keep boats out of the anchor lines and out of the bows, including the fire department (training opportunity Dave?). We saw many boats have their anchors pulled and set adrift, I think alcohol could have been a related factor in some cases. Once things calmed down, a great day was had by all. The weather was perfect, the fireworks were great and everyone made it back in one piece. Sounds like a successful day of boating in my book. I think I will invest in a bullhorn for next year and try to save my voice \odot .

Over the last several years, the New Richmond Festival has always been great weather and a well-attended event. Several boats headed up river to enjoy the festivities. Some traveled slightly faster and managed to grab a prime spot to watch the races. OK, so I might have burned a little bit of fuel in the process. Again the river was flowing, but everyone did manage to get a hold without issue. D-Docker's were on both sides of the river enjoying the show. Rich was kind enough to sacrifice his Whaler, and my body, to help set multiple boat's anchors in the tight quarters. Andrew also displayed his ability to play ferry captain taking people to and from shore on their brand new Briggs RIB. Good news is that everyone picked up a couple of miles per hour on the way back to the dock.

Past Commodore Rich Mowery proved he is still capable of pulling off a surprise birthday party for Heidi. A large crowd of boaters from multiple docks waited at the newly opened Yesterday's for Rich and Heidi to enter. She was truly surprised and was happy to turn 29 (big wink wink) yet again and again and again...The party made its way upstairs to Pirates where everyone finished the night drinking and dancing. I still have the blackmail pictures that can use at a later date.

Not every weekend was sitting around killing brain cells on the dock. A group of D-Dockers jumped into a few Whalers and visited Goetta-fest. The food was *(continued)*

D-Dock News (Continued)

on pg 16) (continued from pg 15) a pleasant surprise and everyone was amazed what you can now put Goetta into. Many people made it down for a walk through Octoberfest. It was a real shame trying to force down all of those high octane beers. Impromptu visits to Hooters, Ludlow's, Drew's and Skippers were also a nice change of pace. If

you still wanted something to do, there was always Patrice's Houseboat Dance Club on the south side to pass the night away. How many people can fit on the top of a houseboat before the roof gives in?



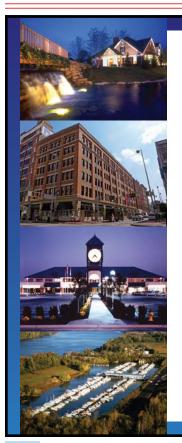
D-Dock did have a nice turnout for what has now become an annual pot luck dinner. The weather did not cooperate, but we did manage to find a sheltered room that was not being used. The food was excellent, including: cheese soup, salad, chili (2x award winning), crockpot chicken, jalapeno poppers, jambalaya, desserts and more.



I did save the biggest, and arguably the best news for last. Mark Evans has volunteered to become a D-Dock Captain. We now have 2 official dock captains. Thanks to Rich, Tom, Mike and everyone else for helping out this season. D-Dock is a big dock with a lot of boats and members. If you are interested in becoming more involved and would like to be a dock captain, just let us know, there is plenty to share.

Hope to see everyone at the Commodores Ball, the boat show, or Champs, and if not, we will see you in the spring.

Pat Boyle & Mark Evans, D-Dock Captains



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Beach Party

What a sunshine-y day for a beach party. SeaDoo races, cornhole, a pirate pinata, great food, Ohio River trivia, and

a bonfire. Like I said, what a great day.
Thanks to all who braved the sand and heat. Congratulations to Jennie Halenkamp and Team Bah's for winning the River Trivia game.
Thank you Jeff Tuke Landscaping for a great beach!



Fleet Captain Bob Ware















1st Annual Dinghy Poker Run

A new event was a huge success. Fifty-one entries, trivia questions, great sunshine, water balloons, Jello shots, kayaks, tenders, whalers, boats, and SeaDoos.

When it was all over, Mark Williams had the best poker hand (three aces and a pair of deuces.) I can't wait until next year's bigger and better Poker Run!

"Get Your Motor Running," Fleet Captain Bob Ware















Car-Palooza 2013 (aka Annual Car Show-Chili Cookoff-Bonfire)

The annual car show saw great weather and of course some really cool cars. Every year this event gets better and better!

1st place: John and Lori Cordano, '61 Chevrolet Impala

2nd **place:** Bill George, '72 Chevrolet Chevelle

3rd place: Cheri Hyde, '06 Harley Davidson Softail Motorcycle

4th place: Art Crowley, '73 Jaguar XKE

The Commodore's Award went to Prescott "Tito" Bigelow and his 1978 Cadillac.

Also at the car show was the **Golf Ball Driving Contest**. The top 4 winners, in no specific order, were Patrick Molloy, Tom Watson, Brenda Adams, and Kirk Himmelberg.

Fleet Captain Bob Ware

















The Fall Raft Up overnight anchorage was at 8 mile which always puts us at ease. 12 FSYC Boats enjoyed the Fine Fall weather and a beverage or two.





Fall Raft Up











