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FROM THE BRIDGE

By John Humphreys, Commodore



Opening Day on Saturday, April 10, is rapidly approaching and I am looking forward to seeing as many of you as possible, as this marks the official start of our boating season. Opening Day is always a great event with the parade of our members' boats all spruced up and decorated for the occasion, followed by the Opening Day ceremony and dinner. Our Junior Staff Commodore, Ray Nagele, and his wife, Jan, have been working hard to ensure this is a memorable event.

Speaking of Opening Days, Margaret and I were invited to Opening Days of seven Yacht clubs in Marina Del Rey during the weekend of the March 13 & 14. It is always interesting and informative to attend other clubs Opening Days, apart from being good PR. We attended three events on Sunday. We attended the South Coast Corinthian Yacht Club which is a fairly small club founded in 1932, the Pacific Mariners Yacht club, where half of their members wore Viking helmets to honor their Swedish Commodore, and the Del Rey Yacht club, which has an amazing facility. We were all ferried between the clubs on the Sheriff's launch, a very good idea after all that champagne. Two were all volunteer clubs and the other had a fairly large permanent staff, but they all shared the same goals, love of boating, camaraderie and hospitality, so we had a terrific day.

At this time of year we also get many open invitations from Yacht Clubs all over Southern California for all of our members to use their facilities. This could even include free overnight slips based on availability. Tom Worden has posted these clubs on our website, so check them out.

The Murder Mystery dinner is coming up on Saturday April 24° and is titled "Bumped Off in Bourbon Street." The murder takes place during Mardi Gras in New Orleans, so that will be our theme. We already have a script and we are looking for additional volunteer actors to play the suspects in a murder. The remainder of our guests will follow clues to ascertain the actual culprit. It should be hilarious.

Our annual cruise to Avalon is May 14 - 16 with Friday night at the Catalina Yacht Club, so mark your calendars and watch out for more news on these great events.

Smooth Sailing, John

FROM THE VICE

By Les Kelly Vice Commodore



With Opening Day now just off our bow and a full schedule of exciting events ahead, SeaGate Yacht Club members can expect a fun-filled 2010. Participation is the key to enjoyment of the many benefits associated with membership. We always welcome new members from Seagate residents with no waiting period. Be on the lookout for your neighbors who may not be members and encourage them to join us as we sail full speed ahead through a spectacular year of events.

A further thought for my fellow travelers. With the popularity of online posting of images by local newspapers, readers are showing where in the world they may be, I thought that it might be interesting for our members to show their Burgee wherever they may travel. This could be to another Yacht Club in the area or somewhere else in the world. As a starter, I've included an image taken in February in Kirkenes, Norway, on the Barents Sea at the border with Russia . The air temp was a cool zero degrees and I am not certain when their opening day kicks off but it will likely be much later in the year.

Travel with your Burgee and send the image to Joel for publication in the the Burgee.

Good Sailing, Les

Oh Where Oh Where Has Our Lil' Duck Gone?







NEW FEATURE

When you are traveling, get a photo of you and the Burgee on your trip, send it to me and I'll publish it like the ones below. Be creative, get some identifying background, have fun.

Send your photos to Joel Lander at jl101@socal.rr.com



Cindy Shaw participating in a Burgee exchange with La Marrianna Yacht Club in Oahu, Hawaii



Vice-Commodore
Les Kelly on a recent trip
to Kirkenes, Norway.
This sure ain't
Hawaii

FROM THE REAR

Dale Giali, Rear Commodore



"At sea, I learned how little a person needs, not how much."
- Robin Lee Graham-

We live on the water's edge. We have a slip. We simply had to have a boat (it was 2005 – does anyone think like this anymore?) We had never owned or shopped for a boat before. But my wife and I are experienced consumers. We weren't going to rush into anything. We were going to visit several dealers, look at several styles of boats, new and used. We were going to make a smart decision. We figured we were all set. Who were we kidding?

The SeaRay dealer – our first stop on what we thought would be a long journey - had us at "longterm financing" and, believe it or not, the "integrated coffee maker." Yes, I was pretty sure we were beyond the point of no return shortly after setting my eyes on the one-piece microwave/coffee maker unit set perfectly in its custom-sized cubby in the galley cabinetry with its shimmering integrated coffee pot. It doesn't really hold much coffee – the pot is half the size of a conventional one – but it is very cool, very custom and very built-in. And, most important, it's on a boat! Things on a boat seem so much more special than the same things in the home. Between the coffee maker and the other built-in gadgets, we were outmatched. We were signing papers weeks (months, perhaps) before we had planned to. What can I say – we bought a beautiful new boat with a built in coffee maker, and the "first" of the proverbial "best two days of our life" came earlier than planned.

Well, that coffee pot lived up to our expectations, serving us well for several years. Then, on a cruise over to Catalina a year ago, we forgot to secure our precious little integrated coffee pot. It flew out of its custom slot, bounced around the salon a few times and broke. Is it any surprise that the only place to buy a new replacement custom, integrated coffee pot was through SeaRay, and that the cost (for just the pot!) was \$160?

Looking forward to leaving port often and enjoying a fresh-brewed cup of coffee aboard.

Superiori 2010



Hosts:
Maryann & John
Boryszewski,
Linda & Jerry Cassidy.
Jean & Tom Worden,
Lari & Rick Thomas

Wasn't it a great football game between the Saints & Colts? We had over 50 SGYC members attending, a good turnout for this fun event. Along with the brats & hot dogs, members brought delicious appetizers and desserts. The Chili Cook-off featured five outstanding chilis. The winner of the Chili Cookoff was Pat Jenkes with her *4 B's Chili* and Jeff Haas took second place with his *Mountain Retreat Chili*. The Colts/Saints Trivia quiz was a very close contest. Jeff Haas won and Jim DeClerck came in second. Tom Worden kept us entertained with his announcements on the Super Bowl pool winners. Bob McCormick won the 1st quarter, and there were two \$200 winners - Merle McCormick won both the 2nd & 3rd quarters and Jean Worden won the final game prize

The event was a huge success and is such a fun event to host. If any other SGYC members are planning or thinking of planning an event, take it from the hosts of this event, it takes a "village." With four couples as hosts, each couple took on specific roles making it much more enjoyable to plan, share ideas and put on the event. We highly recommend the more the merrier.

Thanks to the members who attended our event and a special thank you to the members who stayed after the game to help with clean-up. It was appreciated by the hosts.

By: "Who Dat"Fan, Lari Thomas



SeaGate Yacht Club Members at a recent HHYC Sunday Brunch.

Huntington Harbor Yacht Club offers a tasty brunch the first three Sundays of each month. Seagate members are welcome. It's fun, reasonable (\$12/person) and makes for a great Sunday morning cruise.



Jay & Sherry Ferns

Sherry and Jay Ferns are happy to be off the wait list and new members of

SGYC. Jay has to be one of SGYC's first "second generation" members. Jay's mother, Angie, has been a member for several years and Jay has been to events since 2003.

Jay and Sherry live and work in Temecula. Jay is a doctor specializing in family practice. Sherry is a 6th grade school teacher. Married since 2006, they share six children between the age of 16 and 25 plus granddaughter, Mikayla.

Besides boating, Sherry & Jay ride bicycles and are runners. They keep a boat in Huntington Harbour near Peter's Landing. It is a 2006 Meridian sedan appropriately named "Knot on Call." Their favorite SGYC event is the Avalon Cruise. Favorite destinations are Ensenada, San Diego and Catalina. Their motto is they "we would rather be on anchor than anywhere else." Welcome, Sherry and Jay.



Don & Jackie Sands

Jackie & Don moved to SeaGate when they got married 20 years ago.

They have a beautiful home on the lower lagoon.

They are now, both retired. Don was a manufacturing sub-contractor and Jackie held a management position at PacifiCare. They have four grown children, seven grand-children and one cat named Norman.

Jackie loves to read in her spare time. Don is usually found on the computer, working on their boat (his "cave"according to Jackie) or his 1970 Chevy Monte Carlo. Their boat is a 38 foot Mediterranean named "Here's How." Don loves to offshore fish. Jackie claims if they ever divorce she'll get the boat and rename it "Her's Now."

We hope you see Don & Jackie at some SeaGate Yacht Club functions soon. When you do, give them a hearty welcome!



Michael & Marguerite McEntee

Michael & Marguerite are thrilled to be part of SGYC. They met at a church social and married 19 years ago.

They moved here from West Los Angeles and have lived in Huntington Harbour for 11 years

Mike is a retired patent attorney. He practiced in Beverly Hills for 20 years and still volunteers at

www.inventorsforum.com each month. He teaches inventors how to search patents and write their own patent applications. Mike also enjoys volunteering to help run the Boat Parade. Marguerite is retired from a career in the oil trading business and later as a real estate broker. Marguerite enjoys volunteering for the HH Newcomers and CHOC's Little Mermaids.

They both love to travel but also love to come home because they think "Huntington Harbour is heaven on earth." They feel fortunate to have many friends in SGYC and consider the Commodore's Ball, perhaps, their favorite event.

Please give Marguerite & Mike a special welcome next time you see them.



Jim Childers

Jim grew up in the "Harbour" and graduated from Marina High School.

Jim and his wife sold their home on Trinidad Island in 2007 and moved to SeaGate. Jim has two daughters, Corrine & Brittany, and a cat named Sox.

Jim is a mortgage banker and previously owned his own company.

Jim has owned power boats in the past. But at present he owns a Duffy named "Watt a Doozie."

Besides boating, Jim enjoys skiing. He is a member of the Huntington Harbor Ski Club.

He is also a member of the Elks Club in Newport Beach.

Jim is looking forward to becoming more active in SGYC. Welcome to SGYC, Jim.



Richard & Kaye Verry

Richard & Kaye have been married 35 years this year. They are both California natives. Kaye grew up in

Long Beach and David in Manhattan Beach. They have lived in Huntington Beach since 1988 and bought their beautiful SeaGate home in 1996. Kaye is retired from a career in property management. Richard is retired from a career in financial services and the corporate world.

They own a 19-foot Bayliner bowrider and love cruising in Huntington Harbour with a snack and a beverage.

The Verrys love to travel and together have seen most of the world. Some of their favorite destinations were Istanbul, Argentina, China, and Australia/New Zealand. Richard and Kaye admit they joined SGYC thanks to a little pressure from their friends, but are looking forward to getting their burgee and becoming active members. Please welcome Kaye and Richard to SGYC when you see them at the next event.



David & Roni Fell

David and Roni have been married for five years and enjoy living in SeaGate. Together they share four

children and 3 grand children.

Roni is a native of Southern California growing up in West L.A. She retired from a career as a health care consultant. She loves to read and cook. David was born and raised in Baltimore, Maryland. Now semi-retired, he helps his son run a precious metals refinery that David founded several years ago.

David has enjoyed a variety of water sports but mostly loves to sail and RACE. He owns a 49-foot FARR racing sloop "Javelin" which is kept in Long Beach. ." The Fells also own a Duffy named "Sparky," which is currently for sale.

They say SGYC was "too convenient not to belong." They find our events a great source of fun. Welcome to SGYC and congratulations, David & Roni.



Rho & Ping Chao

Rho & Ping are just completing the expansion and remodel on their SeaGate home. The home

was originally bought for his parents and has a beautiful view of the SeaGate channel. They recently sold their home in the Brightwater in order to make SeaGate their home.

Rho & Ping were both born in China and emigrated to the U.S. They will be celebrating their 40th wedding anniversary, this year. They have raised twin boys that both reside in New York.

Ping spent spent 30 years as a flight attendant with Delta Airlines. She says she must be a gypsy at heart because she misses the travel. But, she has a lot more time, now, to enjoy her arts and crafts, and gardening. Rho says he is one-half retired. He works three days a week at his dental office on Beach Blvd.

Rho loves to golf in his spare time. Together, they love to travel and ballroom dance. They are looking forward to the completion of their home and attending upcoming SGYCevents. They have found SGYC members a "surprisingly fun group". Editor's note: No surprise, there. Welcome Rho & Ping to SGYC when you see them.



<u>Seagate 2010 Roster</u>

Correction

The photo on page 38 next to Shannon & Colleen Vinson belongs one place above and is a photo of Richard and Kaye Verry Our apologies to both parties

Magic Night

Originally scheduled for Saturday, June 19th Is now scheduled for

Saturday, June 12thPlease change your calendars
accordingly



NEW MEMBERS BRUNCH

Hosts: Jim & Lyn Senske

by Joel Lander

It was another outstanding turn out for the "New Member Brunch" in February presided over by Commodore John Humphreys. We had almost 90 members and guests make the trip to the Long Beach Yacht Club via boats and cars. We were also especially graced with the presence of Sandy and Dewey Rudolph, two of our founders. Their son Ben came along for the event.

Special thanks go to the skippers who year after year volunteer their boats for this event. They were Dick & Judie Kappes on "Lucky Change II," Clement & Linda Amie on "La Fortuna II," Floyd & Mira DeAngelo on "RO III," Greg & Kathy Lee on "Kathleen," Jay & Sherry Ferns on "Knot on Call" and Robin & Jean Clark on "Fintastic." This is just not a get-on-the-boat and take-off drill. Remember, it is the middle of the winter season so our skippers have to spend Saturday doing clean up and mop up from the winter storms before their guests come aboard. Thanks again to all the skippers and first mates.

Besides all of us having a great time, we had several prospective new members in attendance who seemed very interested in our special group.

Our sincere thanks to Jim and Lyn Sense for their efforts in handling all the logistics and arrangements at the docking facility and the Long Beach Yacht Club. This was their 22nd year of being the event hosts and we are told also their last year.



ANNIYERSARIES

Robin & Jean Clark	2/14
Nat & Susie Pendleton	2/5
Barry & Sally Wasserman	2/6
Clement & Linda Aime	2/11
Merrill & Karon Walstad	2/13
Anton & Dianne Flecklin	2/14
Jim & Jeanne Woods	2/14
Patrick & Parvaneh Carter	2/19
Dennis & Kathy Kreil	3/6
John & Tricia Pratto	3/9
Wayne & Lynne Sawka	3/15
George & Laurel Stanford	3/16
Doug & Sharon Fuhrman	3/16
Robert & Joanne McCormick	3/21

OPENING DAY

SEAGATE YACHT CLUB SATURDAY APRIL 10

Parade starts at 1:45 sharp See your fiver for details

BRAND NEW SEAGATE LOGO ITEMS WILL BE AVAILABLE

LADAYS

FEBRUARY

Stelle

Duncan

Larry

Donald

MARCH Lyn Senske 1 Carolyn Platt Wasserman Gary Dixon **Barry** 1 Susie 2 Ginger Healer Pendleton Jean Worden Katy Laney Maryann Boryszewski 5 Dick Scholl Martha Fee 6 Grea Lee Wainer 6 Elliott Stephanie Thomas Edith Mondello 6 Michelle Bartlett Mitchell John 11 Monroe 16 Lina Karon Walstad 13 17 Dwayne Lund Wasserman Sally 14 Conrad Platt Meier 15 Sandy Jeff Specht Linda Cassidy 16 Harry Stevens Arlene Dixon 17 Jeannie Celeketic 26 Bob **Bromley** 21 26 Dewey Rudolph Giali 23 Dale Colleen Vinson Ellen Martin 24 Tomas Pitti Roger Wilhelm 25 Hermelin Sue 25 MARCH Clement Aime 26

Margaret Humphreys

Aime

Linda

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ATTENTION BOATERS

Huntington Harbor Yacht Club Is offering a comprehensive boating seminar

Saturday April 17 9AM to 4PM

Classes will include:

Basic Navigation, Knot Tying, First Aid, Coast Guard, V.H.F. Radio, Anchoring & Picking up a mooring wand in water

Special price for SGYC members is \$65 per person \$50 per person (couples) **Including Lunch Graduation Certificates**

For more info/ signup: **Contact Vice -Commodore Paul DeSalvo** 760/559-5395 or pauldesalvo @ yahoo.com

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UPCOMING EVENTS

OPENING DAY
SATURDAY APRIL 10

MURDER MYSTERY DINNER
SATURDAY, APRIL 24

AVALON CRUISE
MAY 14-16

MAY 14-16

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