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Commodore's Corner

Dear WYA Members:

Well, January has passed and we are in the middle of winter. Remember, in about two months, we will begin to open up our boats and start a new boating season. By the time this newsletter comes out, our planning meeting for club events will be finalized for our 2015 boating season. I am excited about our events for the coming year. So look for the published



events calendar in the newsletter and emails from the bridge. Think of warm

weather and longer day's ahead of us!

All WYA members should be proud of your club. We had a great turn out of club members at the PRYCA Change of Watch "COW" January 17, 2015. I want to congratulate Bob Blunt, Phil Rogers and Carey Bolin as the 2015 Commodore, Vice Commodore and South MAL, respectively. I know they will represent our club well and do a fine job on the PRYCA Bridge. Phil Bolin did a great job as MC of the COW with Ruth Lovelace swearing in the new Commodore and Bridge. My wife Donna sang the National Anthem and knocked it out of the park. I want to thank Shannon, Sue, George, Polly and

2015 Bridge

Commodore – Bill Bukevicz Vice Commodore –Shannon Ritter Rear Commodore - George Cajigal Secretary -Katherine Smith Treasurer - Anita Elmore Immediate Past Commodore – Bob Blunt

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Katherine for helping in setting up and running the hospitality Suite at the COW. It was a great success. Also, I want to thank the members who came to the COW for the weekend. We ate, drank, danced and socialized the nights away!!! This is why we have a GREAT CLUB!

Signing Off,

Bill Bukevicz, Commodore

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Plan Fest ... from the Rear Commodore George Cajigal

The Plan Fest is 31 January 2015. Some of you will see this just after the event but I hope many were able to attend. It was held at Bayside Marina in the Captain's Lounge, starting at 1 PM. Food, drinks and fun. And you get to plan the year's activities

Boating Stories

You can watch Peggy and Diane's adventures on their Facebook page. They are on the west coast of Florida and headed to Key West then up the east coast. If you are not Facebook friends, friend them now and see the rest of their adventures.

You can watch Carey and Phil's travels to the Bahamas at their web site, www.yachtapolonia.com. They are now at the West End of the Bahamas at Old Bahama Bay Marina, Grand Bahama Island enjoying their first stop of the Bahama trip. Gary and Nancy Vineyard are with them enjoying the adventure.

Quarter Master Items

Remember the WYA apparel web site. Many cool items for sale. Put it in your favorites tool bar! Order now to get yours.

http://wya.logosoftwear.com/



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Birthdays & Anniversaries

We wish Steve Andrews Happy Birthday on 2/14. And on that day, 2/14, we wish Bob and Norma Blunt a Happy Anniversary. That's all for this month.

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Member's Page

Remember that on the member's page of our web site (www.wya-va.com) you can view our bylaws and the membership roster. You can also get the WYA Group account number (GA85097Y) that gives you 50% off your BOATUS membership or renewal. If a password is asked for use phil my first name all lower case.

Boats for Sale ... Just a quick look!!!



Fun to watch ... an 81' twin engine 800 hp engine boat for \$892,000 dollars. Do I wish I could buy this?



A 50 footer for \$660,000. What next.

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2003 80 footer for 3.3 million. I do like my boat just fine, don't I?

Boaters Have Something To Do By the Fireside This Winter: Improve Their Game

ANNAPOLIS, Md. January 13, 2015 -- When cold weather conspires to keep boaters off the water, it's time to move inside by the fire and take one of many online boating safety courses offered by the BoatUS Foundation for Boating Safety and Clean Water, US Power Squadrons and Offshore Sailing School partners. Accessible by computer, tablet or smartphone, the series of no-cost and tuition-based courses – now discounted for 2015 – give boating families time to brush up on their boating knowledge, get more confident, meet their state's boating safety course requirements or even qualify them for a boat insurance discount. In addition to 33 individual, no cost, state-approved boating safety courses, BoatUS offers:

Weather for Boaters: Have you ever had the weather ruin your weekend on the water? What if you could anticipate the weather changes and understand what your observations really mean? From learning to recognize the early signs of changing weather to the basics of understanding storms, squalls, fog and wind shifts - the newest course from the United States Power Squadrons will help you to make an informed decision about weather to go or stay. Cost: \$24.95 (formerly \$35).

DSC-VHF Radio Tutorial: What is Digital Selective Calling VHF radio, how does it work, and how can it save lives by working seamlessly with the new nationwide rescue system, "Rescue 21"? This video tutorial, at BoatUS.org/dsc, will show you how. Cost: \$0.

It's easy to start and stop any of courses at anytime, working well with today's busy schedules. To see the courses available, go to: BoatUS.org/courses.

Signing Off for another month!