



THE CAPTAIN'S LOG

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Flag Officers		Board of Governors		Ex-Officio	
		One Year	Two Years		
COMMODORE.....	Shelda Jones			Fleet Surgeon.....	Dr. David V. Larosa
Vice Commodore.....	Julie Noble	Freddy Welch	Lawrence Simpson	Fleet Chaplain.....	George Leonard
Rear Commodore.....	Tom Stokes	Dana Burke	Patti Steagall	Auxiliary President.....	June Wiggins
Fleet Captain.....	Holly Murray	Dick Urban	James Hancock	Newsletter Editor.....	Joe Fleming
Past Commodore.....	Shelda Jones	Bill Caraway	Phillip Whitsitt	Secretary.....	Shirley Steen

FROM THE BRIDGE

SHELDA JONES, COMMODORE

Happy New Year! December began with moving the beer cooler into the clubhouse....Linda was ecstatic.

Thank you, George Leonard, Vance and Heather Sprague, Dick Urban, Philip Whitsitt, Ken Price, Barry Skellie, Ain Rajala, Tim Bourgeois, and Holly Murray for making numerous trips up and down the "LBYC Stairmaster" to bring the furniture and supplies to the bar. We even cleaned and straightened the deck. Work inside and outside the club continues as we still have things to finish. We now have running water, bathroom facilities, a beautiful bar, a flat screen TV (thank you to Dick Urban and Ken Price for the installation).

Your flag officers for 2009, Vice Commodore Julie Noble, Rear Commodore Tom Stokes, and Fleet Captain Holly Murray have already taken their positions and are hard at work. This year's Board of Governors serving two year terms are James Hancock, Patti Steagall, Lawrence Simpson, and Philip Whitsitt, and continuing on the board are Dana Burke, Dick Urban, Bill Caraway, and Freddy Welch.

Shirley Steen has agreed to continue as Secretary and Linda Johnson will remain as our fantastic bartender. Thank you both.

We have a wonderful group of members who have agreed to continue as Committee Chairs for the 2009 year. Dick Marx is our House Chair, June Wiggins is Entertainment Chair and Ladies Auxiliary President, Howard Kapp is Building and Grounds Chair, Tom Stokes is Docks and Piers Chair, Joe Allen is the Insurance Chair, Kathy Burns is the Membership Chair, Joe Fleming is the Newsletter Editor, and Gay Irby is our Website Manager. George Leonard is our new Fleet Chaplain and Roy Burke is our new Race and Sail Committee Chair. We still need a power boat chair and juniors activities chair so if you are interested please call or e-mail me.

We are going to keep your dues for the 2009 year at the 2007 rate. Your \$600 will be due by February or you can choose a payment plan of \$200 due by February and \$50 per month for eight months. The initiation fee has increased to \$350.

The club will be open for New Year's Eve with fireworks by Freddy Welch. Be sure to join us for a grand start to 2009.



VICE COMMODORE

JULIE NOBLE

December has been a busy month and we have been able to enjoy our activities inside our new building and we now have bathrooms - inside!!! No more trips to the "little blue thing" in the parking lot. If you haven't seen the new building, please come down to see how great it is.

Santa made a visit to the club on Thursday the 11th and made the little ones happy (and some of the grown-up ones too!) Thanks so much, Eddie. The Ladies Auxiliary had their semi-annual Bunco on the 17th and those in attendance had a good time. As usual, there was a lot of wonderful food provided by several members. Thank you to June Wiggins and everyone else that contributed. Merle Hammack won the "Lucky Lady" and she and Tom donated the money back to the club - thank you much! Our Christmas Party was on Saturday the 20th and talk about a spread - we are so fortunate to have the best cooks on the coast! Everything was absolutely wonderful. Dirty Santa was a lot of fun (how many gifts of liquor can you pick Chrissy?!!) Thank you June (again)!

I would like to thank our Commodore, Shelda Jones (who also doubles as our Treasurer and keeps a tight reign on our finances), the Flag Officers, Board Members, Secretary, Committee Chairpersons and everyone that has helped make our club a tremendous success. A lot of work has been done - some you see and there is much that is done behind the scenes. A huge thank you to our bartender, Linda, for all of her hard work as well. She has worked in the heat, rain, freezing cold, wiiiiinnnd and never stopped smiling! You are truly an asset to our club. I have been honored to serve as one of your Flag Officers and look forward to serving you again next year. May you all have a Happy, Prosperous, Healthy and Peaceful New Year!

And, as always, we look forward to seeing you at your club....



CLUB DUES FOR 2009

PATTI STEAGALL

HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL!! It's that time of year. Dues for 2009 are reflected on your December statement and are due by **February 15, 2009**. Yearly dues are as follows:

Resident Regular - \$600 Military (Active Duty) - \$450 Non-Resident - \$300
Junior - \$35

You have two options concerning payment of your dues. They are:

1. Pay dues in full by February 15, 2009
2. Elect the payment plan

If you choose the payment plan, please let me know by **sending in a note** with your December payment. Payment plan schedule is shown below.

Resident Regular Dues - \$200 due 2/15/09; then \$50 a month for 8 months (total of \$600)

Military Dues (Active Duty) - \$150 due 2/15/09; then \$37.50 a month for 8 months (total of \$450)

Non-Resident Dues - \$100 due 2/15/09; then \$25 a month for 8 months (total of \$300)

Junior Dues - \$35 due 2/15/09 (total of \$35)

Remember, in order to be considered a LBYC member in good standing, all 2008 club charges must be paid in full, and you must pay either full dues or the payment plan amount by 2/15/09. You will be sent a new 2009 membership card after your payment is received.

You are expected to pay your outstanding 2008 club charges IN FULL with your December payment and by January 20, 2009.

If you have any questions, please contact Patti Steagall at 228-864-3459 or Shelda Jones at 228-380-6851. THANK YOU ■

ENTERTAINMENT COMMITTEE

JUNE WIGGINS

Well folks- what a December the club has had! We finally have working bathroom facilities, the bar is beautiful, and we have a great new flat screen above the bar! Things are coming along. We have had a Bunco night and the Christmas party in the last week. Fred and Christy Welch are hosting a New Years eve party at the club to close out the year.

The next major event is the Commodore's Ball! Mark this down on your calendars! January 24th!!! You don't want to miss this!

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REMEMBER

COMMODORE'S BALL- JANUARY 24TH!!!!!!

MEMBERSHIP

KATHY BURNS

Welcome aboard to our new members: *Varnum Sheldon* and *Lee & Jane Taylor* both of Diamondhead; *Sandra & Pat Rich Shaver* of Waveland; *Blake & Pam Walker* of Biloxi; *Gwendolyn Canon* of Pass Christian; *F.T. Richardson*, and *Irving & Donna DePierre* all of Gulfport. Welcome back Thomas "Darry" & Debbie Davis of Shaw, Mississippi. They were reinstated at the Board of Governors meeting in December.

Thanks to everyone for your recruiting efforts during 2008. It was a year of unpredictable events. But our belief in "better things to come" prevailed. I believe that 2009 will be our best year ever. We have many events planned and your continued support will bring many more members "on board". Some of you may be unfamiliar with the process, so here is a brief example of what to do if you know someone who has an interest in joining LBYC.

Have the "interested person(s)" fill out an application. The applications will be available at the club, or they may "download" an application from our website www.longbeachyachtclub.com. Either way, the completed application needs to be turned in at the Yacht Club or handed to any board member. It will then be placed on our bulletin board for all to review. An "initiation fee" of \$350 should be turned in with the application. The application will not be processed until this (one time) fee is obtained. The application will be presented at the next board meeting and will appear in the next Newsletter. During the following month, the application will again be presented to the "board" for final approval. If approved, the applicant will receive a letter of notification and a membership card. They will then be billed for their "membership dues".

Our Membership Dues are \$600 per year, or \$50 per month. Of course, the lump sum is the preferred method of payment.

Speaking of Membership Cards.....New cards will be issued as soon as your 2009 dues are paid. So please be patient during this bookkeeping process.

SEE YOU AT THE CLUB !!!!!



Thank you so much for my
Christmas; it was wonderful!
Linda Johnson