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COMMODORE'S CORNER

by David Baily

SYC 2010 Commodore

Wasn't this one of the best boating seasons we have seen in years? Great weather, warm temperatures and many destinations discovered again. I cannot believe the cruising season is over already. It became realistic as I walked along the dock and could see many of the marina's slips are once again filled with our vessels. It wasn't that my fellow boaters are just in for the moment as they refit and restock for another expedition; but for the water filled skiffs and dinghies that brought my attention to how quickly the boating season in the Northwest comes to an end. Don't take this as an omen that we are done for the year; we still have lots of activities and get together still planned. Albeit most will be inside, I look forward to seeing you throughout the autumn and winter as we continue to celebrate life in the Northwest.

See you on the water.



VC's VIEWS

by Chris Lilly Backus

SYC 2010 Vice-Commodore

Why would someone, who says she is happily retired, get up at 0430 to lug a big bag of stuff out into the cold, the dark and the dew? Why to look at heavenly bodies, of course. (No, I'm not talking about those hunky joggers who are out at 0500!) I'm

talking about the moon, Jupiter and Deneb. I want to get there while it's enough dark to see them and light enough to see the horizon.

How come? Well, your Vice-Commodore is working on a attaining her "full certificate" as a student in Bellingham Sail and Power Squadron's Navigation Course. (It sometimes takes students two years to complete this course while others work through it in a few months.) The most time-consuming part is getting the required sights of the sun, moon, planets and stars. I started a year ago and vowed I'd get done by my 65th birthday. One year to go. Stay tuned...

All this celestial gazing reminds me how much I love being out on my boat under a crisp, clear, starlit sky. You know how it is, away from the city-shine, the heavens are dazzling!

We have our own stars right here at SYC. You are the ones who set up (and clean up) the BBQ for Nauti-Fridays, who write for BorderLines, who staff the registration table and who show up for a clean-up day. You are the ones who keep our club fun by attending to the basics, by welcoming a newcomer into our midst. You are the ones who reach out to a member going through a rough time. And you are the ones who step up to lead an event or a cruise. Thanks to all of you.

“Only two sailors, in my experience, never ran aground. One never left port and the other was an atrocious liar.”

—Don Bamfort

Have you flashed your SYC card lately?

WELCOME ABOARD!

By *Chris Lilly Backus, Vice-Commodore*

It is wonderful to welcome all these new members. When you see them please say hello and make them feel welcome.



John and Karen Huffman are from Santa Cruz, CA. John has retired from running a credit information agency, which had been founded by his father in 1927. Karen also worked there until they started a family and their three children became her focus. They are both community minded. John is an active Rotarian and Karen serves on the board of the Santa Cruz Symphony. They also enjoy playing golf. They keep their 46' Grand Banks **Paper Moon** at the Port Sidney Marina, Slip F-11. Their sponsors are Ernie and Julie Dill.

Steven and Renee Dexter

are from Port Gamble, WA. Steve is retired from his work in the Naval Logistics Civil Service and as an Army Reserve Tug Boat Captain. Renee manages the counseling office of Kingston Middle School. She says she enjoys having summers off so they can spend time on their boat. They enjoy traveling, hiking and kayaking. They keep their 32 Nordic Tug **Dauntless** at Semiahmoo Marina, Slip D-7. Their sponsor is Cathie Sackville.



John and Jean Puckering are from Stony Plain, Alberta. John is a retired oil company executive, who enjoys spending summers in our region. Jean, who is also retired, travels back and forth between here and home. They keep their 60' Carver Model 570 **Options** at Port Sidney Marina, Slip F-03. Their sponsors are Ernie and Julie Dill.

Hello fellow SYC Members. This year at our Commodore's Ball we will once again recognize those members who have given selflessly of themselves to our club when we announce our Special Award Winners. One of the duties of the Rear Commodore is the Chairperson of the Trophy and Awards Committee. As the chairperson I am soliciting you for nominations for the following Special Award Winners; Members of the Year and Special Recognition. Please email your recommendations to rcommodore@semiahmooyc.com. See you at the Commodore's Ball November 13th.
—Susan Barlock



"2010 STAR POWER"

The following have recruited new members this year. We now have twenty-two new members. Bring a friend or neighbor to our next event, and let them know why they don't want to *Miss The Boat!*

Good job:

- Andy and Chris Backus**
- David and Pam Baily**
- Kelvin and Patti Barton**
- John Black and Cathie Sackville**
- Bob and Sue Brooks**
- Budd and Louinda Churchward**
- Ernie and Julie Dill**
- Arlen and Sandra Horne**
- Jimmy and Candi Johnson**
- Larry and Katie Northrup**
- Al and Beoma Oakley**
- Lincoln and Patti Rutter**
- Chuck and Margie Simpson**
- Steve and Dianne Smith**

NAUTI-GEAR!

Looking for some cool stuff to wear? How about a boat bag to hold it in? Well guys and gals, look no further! Check out the Semiahmoo Marina Store for a selection of Club Nauti Gear. If you don't find what your heart desires give Kelli a call at Sports Unlimited in Blaine. It is 'THE PLACE FOR NAUTI GEAR'.

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2010 CRUISING SEASON IN REVIEW

This boating season felt like a whirlwind to me. Out for two weeks, home for a week to 10 days and out again for another 10-day cruise. I loved the itinerary this year and Al Oakley and his wife, Beoma, deserve a round of thanks for putting it together.

Equally important, the host for each cruise destination definitely raised the bar for the 2011 season. The kickoff cruise to Sucia Island, hosted by new members, Bob & Pat Webber, got great reviews. The Roche Harbor Marina cruise, over Memorial Day weekend, has always been well attended and fun. And this year's event hosted – for the second year in a row – by Ed & Debra Williams, Larry & Katie Northrup and Stephen Hanson & Carolle Sauro was another big success. Ron & Pat Fleming did a wonderful job on the Otter Bay Marina cruise and the series of cruises hosted by Al & Beoma Oakley from Cape Sante Marina in Anacortes to Rosario Resort & Marina on Orcas Island was a big hit as well. Our intrepid SYC boaters braved the Strait of Juan De Fuca and the rough seas of crossing Haro Strait to reach Harborside Resort and Marina in Victoria, B.C. We were happy to get there safe and sound and were wowed by the warm welcome and fun agenda planned by Jim & Patty Michaud.

Our last cruises, hosted by Ernie & Julie Dill, started in Port Sidney Marina with a Mexican Margarita Social on Friday night and Greek Night (with belly dancers) on Saturday evening. Ernie and Julie also hosted the following cruises to Brentwood Bay & Spa and Telegraph Harbour Marina. Pot luck dinners, social hours and a trip to the Chemiainus Theatre to see “Guys & Dolls” filled out the agenda.

Our final cruise was to Silva Bay on Gabriola Island, B.C. and was hosted by Dick & Colleen Hardman with Ed & Karen Szol. SYC boaters packed the marina at Silva Bay and many other members anchored in the bay. The cocktail party on the Silva Bay dock Friday night was well attended and on Saturday afternoon a crowd of 86 members joined in the Hawaiian luau at the Hardmans'. A heartfelt thank you to all the volunteers who helped with the setting up, cooking, decorating, organizing games and the tear-down. It was a great success and we were so fortunate to have such a perfect location for this event. We appreciate the Hardmans' generosity in inviting us to their lovely summer home.

Well, our cruise season might be officially over, but don't forget that we have one more outing this year. We will be out in the Bay on December 4th for our annual Lighted Boat Parade and Social at Resort Semiahmoo. Make plans now to decorate your boat and participate in this year's Christmas parade of lights. Let's make this the biggest SYC lighted boat parade on record.

—Karen Szol

PORT SIDNEY CRUISE



RECYCLE FOR THE SEA SCOUTS!

In addition to inkjets, laser cartridges, cell phones, palm pilots, iPods and laptops, we are now accepting digital cameras, video consoles (include all accessories), video games and DVD movies in original packaging (no scratches, no laser disks, no burned DVDs, no X-rated or super-value), and working GPS systems, for our Sea Scouts recycling fundraiser. Please drop your items at one of the following locations. If you aren't sure whether or not your items qualify....check out: www.cartridgesforkids.com.

Worried about your personal information? Check online with your devices' manufacturer and see how easy it is to safely donate your laptop, phone, PDA. Please contact a SYC board member if you know of a business, school or church that would like to 'step aboard.' Skipper Angus and First Mate Yvette Pratt, along with the Scouts, have officially 'taken over' the collection of items. Please support this amazing group by dropping your items at the following locations.

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The following is a recap of the amounts we have been able to collect so far from recycling for the Scouts: 2006 – \$374.65; 2007 – \$281.90; 2008 – \$346.70; to date total through Sept. 2009 – \$1408.95. (Other monies have been donated in the past from raffles.) There are monthly Ship's Committee Meetings with **Geoff Stevenson** representing SYC.

Check out their website if you know of a young person that might be interested in joining! Sea Scouts www.sssh4096.info Contact Angus at angus@anguspratt.ca or Yvette at uhaiku2@yahoo.com

Also the Sea Scouts can accept donations of old or spare marine gear such as anchors, pumps, lines, etc., which they can list on Craigslist. Such donations must be in good shape and not require repairs or rebuilds.

SLATE FOR 2011

Our nominating committee has just made their recommendations for our slate of officers for 2011. Thanks to Karen Szol, Colleen Hardman, Pam Baily, Gary Cordrey and Beoma Oakley for serving on the committee. The proposed slate, as of October 10, is:

- Commodore – Chris Lilly Backus
- Vice Commodore – Dick Hardman
- Rear Commodore– Open
- Past Commodore – David Baily
- Secretary – Gerry Heys
- Treasurer – Cheryl West
- Fleet Captain – Ron Fleming
- Port Captain – Stew Armstrong
- Communications Officer – Karen Szol
- Measurer – Cathie Sackville
- Judge Advocate – Curt Epperson

As you can see we have just one position left to fill, which is Rear Commodore. This person is the equivalent of the “second vice president” on the board. He or she assists the Commodore and Vice Commodore in the discharge of their duties and, in their absence, officiates in their stead. The RC has responsibility for scheduling and administering our land-based events. To that end, he or she recruits volunteers to chair individual events and to staff them. (See Article IX of the SYC Bylaws, Section 3, page 185 of the 2010 Annual.) If you would like to be considered yourself for this position (or wish to suggest someone else to be our next Rear Commodore) please let anyone on the Nominating Committee know.

Generally, those members of the slate selected by the Nominating Committee run unopposed. However, if you wish to be considered for any position let a Nominating Committee member know.

At our General Meeting for **Nomination** (not Election) of Officers, on November 19 at Nauti-Friday there will be an opportunity to make nominations from the floor. (You must have that person's permission to make such a nomination.) Want to know more? Job descriptions are written out in the SYC Bylaws (see your *2010 Annual*, pages 185-187). Our General Meeting for **Election** of Officers is December 17 at Nauti-Friday.

David Baily & Chris Lilly Backus



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Happy Birthday MATES!

If you don't see your Special Day here please make sure you email us with you and your spouse/ friend's dates – don't worry we don't need the year....just the date! info@printingforyou.com

September Birthdays

Dwight Drake 9/18	Katie Northrup 9/15
Michael Enright 9/26	Al Oakley 9/12
Roger Farquhar 9/24	Janet Peters 9/09
Mike Fournier 9/12	Bill Prebushewski 9/19
Anne Heys 9/09	John Raczkowski 9/22
Deborah Kroetsch 9/03	Doug Romano 9/22
Charles Lovell 9/10	Rusty Spiker 9/19
Cheryl Ludington 9/13	Kaye Storgaard 9/04
James McClughan 9/23	Bob Teeter 9/21
Geri McTavish 9/26	DJ Wilkinson 9/26
Harvey Nelson 9/21	Connie Willett 9/26



October Birthdays

Barry Albertstein 10/12	Ken Leren 10/4
Chris Backus 10/15	Jim Link 10/21
Brian Beggs 10/18	Catherine Lovell 10/14
Stan Bianchi 10/08	Bob Moffatt 10/16
Harry Bjornson 10/6	Gary Nelson 10/19
Jean Bjornson 10/29	John Osborn 10/07
Cathie Sackville 10/02	Anna Osborn 10/28
William Catterall 10/12	Russ Paris 10/14
Christine Catterall 10/20	Carol Peckinpaugh 10/14
Wendy Duerr 10/01	Richard Rich 10/10
Yvan Fischer 10/16	Cathie Sackville 10/02
Ron France 10/12	Brett Smith 10/07
Bryce Jeffery 10/29	Steve Smith 10/26
Merle Kamin 10/11	Marlin Statema 10/20
Herbert Korthuis 10/23	Jim Willett 10/14
Kip Lachner 10/26	John Wright 10/31



November Birthdays

Leo Apperloo 11/05	Patti Horst 11/02
Pam Baily 11/08	Susan Marshall 11/17
Kevin Barton 11/17	Marcia Oliver 11/13
Charles Bentley 11/17	John Olson 11/10
Lisa Brummel 11/07	JP Perthen 11/18
Margo Clark 11/26	Brenda Prebushewski 11/04
Marnie Creed 11/23	Shirley Rich 11/24
Jimmie Eisberg 11/07	Helen Ross 11/28
Ron Fleming 11/25	Henry Schwake 11/28
Barb France 11/8	Dick Storgaard 11/22
Marion Hickey 11/22	Doug Todoroff 11/27
Cameron Hinman 11/20	Gail Todoroff 11/4
Bob Hinz 11/11	

WHERE IN THE WORLD IS SYC?



SYC members Andy Backus, Tom Dalgliesh, Chris Backus, Penny Dalgliesh with their friend, Dave Barrett (a sailor from Maryland), pause to show off the SYC burgee on a cruise to which northern state? (Look carefully at the building behind them.)

So where in the world are you headed next? Take your burgee along and send us some photos. We will include them in a future issue and add them to our club web site.

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U.S. FLAG

by Candi Johnson,
Past Commodore

*I hope you enjoy reading
and learning about our United States Flag as much as I did!*

Where Does the Word "Flag" Come From?

The word "flag" is derived from the old Saxon or Germanic word "fflaken" or "ffleogan", meaning to fly or to float in the air. The name flag is new generally confined to the pattern which flies from a vertical staff, while the type that happens from a horizontal bar is called a banner. In modern times, the flags currently in use are, in general, confined to the following: banner, standard, ensign, jack, pennant, guidon*(see below) and colors.

*Definition: guidon—noun Military [gahyd-n]

1. a small flag or streamer carried as a guide, for marking or signaling, or for identification.
2. the soldier carrying it.

Oldest United States Flag

A brass plate bears the earliest known depiction of the United States flag. The plate, some two inches wide, may have decorated a sword belt. It was found in the remains of an encampment at Pluckemin, N.J. that was occupied by artillery troops in the winter of 1778-1779. The engraver mistakenly included 14 stripes. ("Scientific American," April 1988, p. 20)

Battle Flags of the Revolutionary War

Perhaps owing to famous paintings such as "The Spirit of '76," "Washington Crossing the Delaware" and "Birth of Our Nation's Flag." It is a common misconception that the Stars and Stripes was carried into battle as a national banner in the War for independence.

The truth is that the Stars and Stripes, as specified by the Flag Resolution of June 14, 1777, was designed for use as a maritime flag. Official correspondence of the Board of War designated it was the "marine flag", and not as a national standard. It was never supplied, nor intended to be supplied, to the Continental Army. In fact, not until 1834 was the Stars and Stripes officially adopted for use in battle by the United States Army.

While it is true that variations of the Stars and Stripes were hoisted during land battles of the War for Independence, they were just that - most likely deliberate deviations of the flag specified in the Flag Resolution for use as regimental standards.

A Vexillologist

A flag expert is called a "vexillologist."

Flag Day

June 14 was proclaimed Flag Day by President Woodrow Wilson in 1916. While Flag Day was a popular celebration in scores of communities for many years after Wilson's proclamation, it didn't receive its official Congressional designation until 1949.

The Half-Mast Custom

The custom of lowering the Flag to half-staff or half-mast is a carryover from the old army and navy practice of "striking the colors" as a sign of submission in time of war. The term "half-mast" may have come from flying the Flag on the mast of a navy ship. As early as 1627, however, the flying of the Flag at half-staff had become a sign of mourning - a submission to higher divine sources. For centuries there were no standards for half-staffing. On March 1, 1954, President Dwight Eisenhower issued instructions stating when, and for what length of time the Flag of the United States should fly at half-staff. Originally the half-staff custom was only intended for persons who did courageous service for their country.

The correct procedure for flying the Flag at half-mast is to raise the Flag to the top of the pole for a moment then bring it down to where the top of the Flag is at a position approximately half way between the top and bottom of the pole. The Flag should again be raised to the peak when being lowered for the day.

Retiring Old Flags

The Flag may be mended when torn and cleaned when dirty. If mended it should not be hemmed (shortened) to the point where its measurements are no longer in proportion."The flag, when it is in such condition that it is no longer a fitting emblem of display, should be destroyed in a dignified way, preferably by burning." See below.

In many American communities, one or more organizations render an important community service by collecting and overseeing the proper disposal of old, worn, tattered, frayed and/or faded U.S. Flags.

For information in your community try the Boy Scouts of America, Veterans of Foreign Wars, or the American Legion. If they provide a flag retirement service the flag can be dropped off and they will take care of the ceremony.

A flag retirement ceremony may also be a family activity. It provides an opportunity to teach and instruct. If retiring the flag as a family, the following steps might be considered:

1. Gather the family around. Raise the flag on the pole or staff or hold it aloft by hand.
2. Call the group to attention, salute and recite the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.
3. The leader might say something like, "This flag has served its nation well and long. It is now worn to a condition in which it should no longer be used to represent the nation. We pay honor to this flag for the service it has rendered."
4. Fold the flag according to procedure:

Folding the Flag

1. Two people face each other, each holding one end of the flag. Stretch the flag horizontally at waist height and fold in half lengthwise.
2. Fold the flag in half lengthwise again; the union (stars) should be on the top.
3. One person holds the flag by the union while the other starts making triangular folds at the opposite end.
4. Continue to fold the flag in triangles from the stripes end until only the blue field with stars is showing.
5. Give the flag to the group leader who will burn it until it is completely consumed.

Officer's MESS

By Cathie Sackville

A few weeks ago, I was walking the docks, and passed a man sitting outside eating the most delicious looking sandwich! It was a crab sandwich on dark rye, and overflowing with crunchy, tangy alfalfa sprouts....I wanted one immediately!



The look of those sprouts was a reminder of all the 'sprouting' I did years ago, so I went to the Food Co-op in Bellingham, and bought the set of lids as seen in the photo. The beauty of these lids is that they are plastic, and can be kept on your boat without worry of rust, and they are small, so do not take up much room.

Now comes the adventure. You are on your boat for 5 days or a month, and there are not many stops where you can access a grocery store for fresh 'greens'. With these lids, a wide-mouthed mason jar (or 2 or 3!), and some seeds, you can quickly grow all the 'greens' you need for sandwiches, stir-frys, or any cooking on board where you want something healthy and nutrition packed. Sprouting is easy, very fast and you can easily have everything onboard that you need for supplying yourself with a continuous supply of fresh 'greens'.

One of our members, Sandy Bowens (SYC Public Relations) has a wonderful website (<http://www.apinchof.com/aboutus.html>) on cooking with herbs (sign up for her monthly newsletter!). Here, Sandy has some recipes on cooking with sprouts, and with her permission, I am including one.

Stuffed Avocado Salad By Sandy Bowens

Avocado Salad

- 6 cups mixed salad greens, cleaned, washed and torn into pieces
- 2 ripe avocados, halved and pitted
- 2 cups chicken salad
- 8 tomato wedges
- 1/2 cup sprouts
- 16 thinly sliced rings red onion
- 4 warmed croissants, if desired

Divide the salad greens between four chilled plates. Using a large spoon, carefully remove the flesh from the avocado in one piece. Place each half, with the pitted side up, in the center of the greens on the plate. Fill each cavity with chicken salad, allowing it to spill over the sides as necessary. Arrange 2 tomato wedges, 2 Tablespoons of the alfalfa sprouts and 4 red onion slices decoratively around each of the avocados. Add a croissant to each plate, if using. Serve immediately.

We have all Fall/Winter to practice growing sprouts, researching recipes (just google 'sprout recipes'), and finding the best sources for all the different types of seeds/grains that we can sprout. Let's share our recipes as we go on this journey!

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AUCTION ACTION AT THE COMMODORE'S BALL

SYC's annual Commodore's Ball is just a few weeks away. As the winter holiday season starts to unfold, this is our chance to dress up and party together. We hope you plan to join us on Saturday, November 13th at the Silver Reef Hotel Casino in Ferndale for an evening of fun and relaxation. Silver Reef also has a great deal to stay overnight there, if you care to.

Watch for that elegant invitation coming soon to your mailbox. Susan Barlock, has been working behind the scenes on everything from finding a great band to choosing a tasty menu.

A "Ball" may conjure up images of Cinderella gliding around the floor with Prince Charming. Yes, we know many of you fit the bill! Be sure to come and keep an eye out for some of our smoothest dancers – the Bailys and the Hornes come to mind right away – and we know they are not the only ones who are a pleasure to see! Come out and let us know who you are!

Then there is the very nice meal to enjoy while you relax with old friends and make new friends. One of the most fun parts of the evening is our Silent Auction – right there at the Ball. We will have gift packets ("baskets") donated by SYC members and advertisers.

Enjoy yourselves as friendly competition heats up during the early evening. It's all in good fun, as we walk away with great values while we support our club. We have terrific items like Semiahmoo Resort gift certificates, home-cooked dinner parties and relaxing cruises; the auction gives SYC members and their guests a fun way to get more bang for their buck.

Here's a sampling of what the 2010 auction will feature themed gift "baskets":

"Blaine Crab Boats" – an original framed watercolor by member and local artist Bob Hogan



Where in the world answer:

They were in Skagway, Alaska, in August just back from a train ride to White Pass.

"Stay Warm this Winter" (organized by Chris Backus with Tracie Garner and Sandi Horne) includes handmade knit hats, an SYC blanket, Semiahmoo Resort gift certificate, and fancy cocoa with peppermint Schnapps



Back by popular demand: **Crabbing trip** with Stan Bianchi and Kathy Stauffer

We also have cocktails, golf, a gourmet dinner, gift certificates from the Silver Reef, and many other things sure to pique your interest.

We know you will want to bid! And we appreciate that. Help make the event even more fun by accepting the board's invitation to contribute your own gifts for one of the baskets. Or,

perhaps you will be inspired to come up with your own idea and put one together.

Need ideas?

- Promote your business
- Share your passion for your favorite past-time
- Show off your handicrafts

We'd love to have your involvement. Or bring in donation from a business you frequent. We welcome your creativity! To find out how to get your donation into the appropriate gift basket, contact any member of the board (see page 12 of this newsletter or page 5 of your 2010 Annual for the listing).

Better yet, contact a few members and put together a "basket" of your own.

And, don't forget to bring your checkbook or cash!





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HEADED NORTH? For Sale: Reference books and guides, NOAA paper charts, Nobeltec Max Pro (version 10) VNS or Admiral with E-charts. Areas covered: Washington State, British Columbia, Southeast Alaska, South Central Alaska. **720-273-8906.**

BOAT STUFF FOR SALE: Paddling Dry Suit, Foul Weather Gear, Fortress FX-23 Aluminum Anchor, Mooring Bridles (two), Marinc 15- and 20-amp male Shore-Power Pigtail Adapters, Marinc 50-foot Phone Cordset, Recording-Drum Aneroid Barograph, Luneberg Tri-Lens Radar Reflector, Solid Bronze Lead Line, Satellite Phone with 1,700 Free Minutes 'til June 2010, much more. **720-273-8906.**

FORCE 10 BBQ FOR SALE: Marine stainless steel, extra clip-on front shelf, bag and rail mount. With the accessories a \$200 value. Can be seen on our boat "Skyhawk" in the first slip on the left at the base of the ramp at Semiahmoo Marina. In excellent condition, \$90 (5% donation will be made to SYC). **John Raczkowski, 425-591-3426 or 360-312-4597. Email: jraczkowski@comcast.net.**

2001 AMERICAN TUG 34 FOR SALE: All-season cruiser with bright, cheery interior. US-built, meticulously maintained. Single engine 370 hp Cummins with 770 total hours, burns 2.5 gph. 6kw generator, 3 kw Inverter/Charger. State-of-the-art electronics include Radar, Chartplotter/Fishfinder,



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Contact Robert Meacham at LaBelle@att.net or 720-273-8906

SECRETARY'S THOUGHTS

By **Cathie Sackville**



The thing I have so enjoyed about all the events this Club has had this year is meeting new people. Some, I have seen over the years, but never had the opportunity to

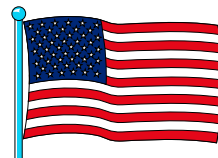
talk to, and others, I have met and talked to for the first time. At the Luau in Silva Bay, I found a woman I went to high school and shared some of the same classes with...what a great trip down memory lane! I also had the pleasure of meeting someone who is related to my best friend as I grew up. I think the most important thing we have to do at all our events, is talk to people we have never talked to before. At mealtime, make a point of sitting beside someone you don't know, as you might be surprised at what experiences or interests you have in common!

The one couple I have had the opportunity of getting to know a little better is Curt and Mary Epperson. What particularly intrigues me is what they have been doing for the last few years. Without saying more, please go and explore their website, and you will understand what I mean. http://www.boativated.com/about_us.htm. Next time you see Curt and Mary, you will definitely have lots to talk about!

On another note, if you are a Facebook user, please take a look at the Semiahmoo Yacht Club Facebook page I put up in the early Spring. So far there are about 20 photo albums, plus other information about our events, and boating in general. I started this page so that we could all share our photos and ideas, start discussions, share links to websites, etc. We are not there yet, however, please come join us, and let's get our yacht club page going. To upload more than one photo at a time, please email me (csackville@yahoo.com), and I will give you the administrator information you will need to do this. Let's keep in touch even during the Fall/Winter via this means... let's share our thoughts, our ideas and plans. For a great look at what Facebook is, and it's relevance in today's communications, please watch this 2-minute video. <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sIFYPQjYhv8>

Is social media a Fad? No....social media is a fundamental shift in the way we communicate.

See you at the Commodore's Ball!



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ODD NAUTI-FRIDAY – Oct. 15

New Member Reception, 'Topside' 5 p.m.
Odd Nauti-Friday at Packers Pub 6 p.m.

BOO AT THE MOO – Oct. 30

Costume Party at Packers Pub, Semiahmoo Resort

NOVEMBER

SYC EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING – Nov. 2

'Topside' at 7 p.m.

COMMODORE'S BALL – Nov. 13

at Silver Reef Casino

ODD NAUTI-FRIDAY – Nov. 19

TBA

DECEMBER

LIGHTED BOAT PARADE & SOCIAL – Dec. 4

at Semiahmoo Marina

ODD NAUTI-FRIDAY – Dec. 17

TBA

JANUARY

SYC BOARD & COMMITTEE CHAIR RETREAT – Jan. 2

ODD NAUTI-FRIDAY – Jan. 21

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