



December 2015

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P.I.C.Y.A. Club of the Year in 2015, 2014, 2013, 2012, 2010, 2009, 2008, 2007 & 2006!

Congratulations to the Vallejo Yacht Club, Alameda Yacht Club and San Jose Sailing Club for winning PICYA Club of the Year.

HAPPY HOLIDAYS

Upcoming Events - Sign Up at Club

Lighted Boat Parade

Saturday, December 5, 5 pm – 8 pm

Ladies Christmas Luncheon

Wednesday, December 9, 12 Noon - The Front Room

All yacht club ladies are invited and guests are welcome to join
For further information, contact Toni Borges (925) 451-7231

Kids Christmas Party

Saturday, December 12, 12pm to 4pm

Club Christmas Party

Dinner by Chef Amy

Cabernet Braised Niman Beef Brisket

Roasted Fingerling Potatoes with Garlic and Rosemary Creamed Spinach

Green Salad with Pomegranate Seeds and Meyer Lemon Vinaigrette

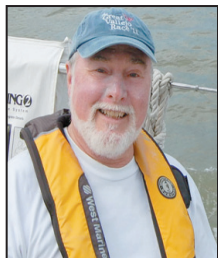
Sourdough Bread and Butter

Molten Chocolate Cakes with Soft Cream and Sugared Raspberries

Music by guitarist Jimmy Glantz and vocalist

Saturday, December 19, 5 pm to 11 pm

New Year's Eve Gala - INFO INSIDE



COMMODORE REPORT John Cole, Commodore

Congratulations!! On November 19th, after a lengthy discussion, the members of the Vallejo Yacht Club made a historic decision. The members decided, with an overwhelming 80% vote, to explore financing an additional debt of \$2.450,000 to rebuild our harbor. This is a big first step to ensure a great harbor for the next 50 years. The Club's membership is also engaged in growing the Club by adding new members and activities.

We had a wonderful wedding reception for Carl and Evelyn Chaker. Our clubhouse was invigorated by the presence of young children and young adults. It was heartwarming to see four generations celebrating together. Congratulations to the bride and groom. We really should be recruiting more young members.

We had a fun cruise-out to Point San Pablo Yacht Club. We partied to blues, jazz and rock & roll. Representing the VYC were Dale & Tammie Jennings, Ken & Heather de Vries, Leon & Jennifer Lucchesi, Bob & Kerry Sorum, Bill & Colleen Thomas, Peter Turner & Carla Garbis, Mark & Charko Lemke and John Cole.

The Vallejo Yacht Club's Halloween Party was a resounding success. Thanks to Connie Milholland and her crew. Halloween Party served 82 for dinner plus guest/partiers. A very successful fun evening with costumes and live music.

PICYA once again has awarded the VYC "Club of the Year" award for developing and maintaining youth programs; community service; boating safety; philanthropy; boating related activities and supporting PICYA sponsored events.

The Marines enjoyed their luncheon at the Vallejo Yacht Club, thanks to Jennifer and Bruce Alexander, Jim Glenn, Arvel Voss, Bill Zerby, Bob Lockhart, Chris Mendonca and many more.

The Marina Managers first Annual Meeting was held at the Club and hosted by Matthew Ceryes. Lunch was served by Jim Glenn, Arvel Voss and Bob Lockhart.

Vallejo Yacht Club's Awards Dinner was held on November 14th. MC and Captain of Sail, Dave Nadolne, did a super job presenting awards. A special thanks to Katie and Richard for serving and busing. Jim Glenn, Arvel Voss, Bill Zerby, Chris Mendonca and many more helped with the

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VOICE OF THE VICE Bob Lockhart, Vice Commodore

Many thanks to all of you who participated in the membership and special meetings of November 19. Congratulations on a resounding vote for the future of the Club.

The Great Vallejo Race Committee will meet on Thursday, December 10 at 7 pm. This meeting will focus on the overall plan, finding sponsors, advertising, and promotion for the event. All interested members are

invited to attend.

There are a lot of holiday events this month, starting with a decorating party on Friday the 4th. The lighted boat parade on the 5th, Christmas parties (kids on the 12th, adults on the 19th), and the New Year's Eve party are all great opportunities for members, new and veteran, to get to know each other. So have a great time this month...see you there.

— Bob Lockhart, Vice Commodore



REAR REPORT Rick Bastien, Rear Commodore

Hello shipmates,

The Crab Feed is set for Saturday, January 30th. So mark your calendars. Proceeds from this event benefit the Learn to Sail Program. Dale Anderson, along with the other Learn to Sail instructors and

myself, will coordinate the auction and dinner. I will be forming a committee to meet and discuss how to make this event run smoothly. I'm looking at Saturday, December 5th. Please contact me if you are interested in helping. We will be serving fresh LIVE CRAB this year so I need volunteers

on everything from cooking, cleaning crab, food prep and serving, table and chair set-up, cleaning between sittings and take down when we are finished.

I will also need volunteers to help with getting donations for Auction and Raffle prizes. At the time of writing this article there still is no 2015 crab season, but rumor has it that it may be around the first of December. So keep your fingers crossed. If there is no crab season this year we will be discussing an alternative plan. You can contact me on my cell 805-710-6384. Hope to see everyone there!

— Rick Bastien, Rear Commodore



Commodore Report continued from previous page

event. A special thanks to the sailors and crews for breaking down the tables and chairs that served 145 people!

The Christmas and New Year's Eve parties are coming up quickly. Contact Connie Milholland and lend a hand.

Arnold Koenig will be preparing a dinner in January for the "Chef of the Year" Cooking Contest. Come enjoy, eat and judge! Our Crab Feed fundraiser for Learn to Sail will also be in January.

On February 20 there will be a Hootenanny plus a prime rib potluck for \$10.00.

We all look forward to Opening Day in April with an open house and boat rides for the public. Great Vallejo Race! We will have the Master Mariners Race from Richmond to Vallejo in September.

An exciting year to look forward to and participating in!

— John Cole, Commodore

BOARD CHAIRMAN MESSAGE

As a classroom teacher for 45 years, as a high school band director for 30, and as someone who has coached baseball from peewee through high school, there is one truism that is common among these groups, or "teams" if you will, -the whole has always been greater than the sum of the parts." In the classroom, teacher and students must work together to be successful with teaching and learning. It's the same in a band or a baseball team or countless other kinds of organizations--everyone works together to have the best performance, the best results. And, it's the same with the Vallejo Yacht Club . . . we work together to achieve the successes of the Club.

With our number of Club members, there is potential for disagreement on the ways to achieve club success, on the way things are planned, done, repaired, cooked . . . anything. Members' opinions routinely differ and we seem to regularly have disagreements. Who is right? Is it in the best interests of our Club to impose our own self-interests on the Club and its members? I believe that NO member really has an agenda to hurt the Club or its members but are we such that we need to impose our own self-interests on the rest of the Club? Do we feel invalidated if something

doesn't go "our way?" What can be done about this wide disparity of ideas and opinions? Can we all reach agreement or see eye to eye? We all know that will never happen.

So what do we do? There is only one answer, only one way . . . we surrender our self-interests for the greater benefit of the Club. Does it really diminish any of us if something isn't done "our way?" Was it so important to us that we would say, "I'm done doing anything more for the Club!" Do we get so angry that we would do something that would, in effect, be detrimental to the Club? . . . We surrender our self-interests for the greater benefit of the Club. We all must understand that we need to respect the rights of all members just as we want them to respect ours, keeping in mind of course, that everyone needs to adhere to the standards of proper social conduct and courtesy. That's what a club does. That's what this club is . . . it is greater than the sum of all its members.

To close my report, I would like to paraphrase Gen. Douglas MacArthur's farewell speech to the Marines . . . and say that our thoughts need to be "for the Club, and the Club, and the Club."

Ken Leslie, Chairman of the Board

New Year's Eve Gala

Fabulous dinner by Chris Mendonca and desserts by Cheryl Lockhart

Stuffed Garlic Bread

Entrée: Choice of Either

Pesto Fish Kabobs w/ Zucchini and Red Bell Peppers on a Bed of Jasmine Rice
(Pairs well with Chardonnay)

Artichoke & Sun Dried Tomatoes Stuffed Chicken Breast
with Roasted Red Potatoes and French String Beans
(Pairs well with Syrah)

Music by Used Blues

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
29	30 Monday Night Football: Food, Friends, Fun & Games!	1 Membership Interviews The Enchanted Woman 10:00 am - 2:30 pm	2 Bluegrass Jam 12:00 pm - 3:00 pm	3	4 XMAS Work Party (to decorate the Hall) Mulled Wine & Egg Nog to be Served Friday Night Dinner 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm	5 VYC RACE: Tiny Robbins Midwinter Series #2 XMAS LIGHTED BOAT PARADE 5:00 pm - 8:00 pm
6	7 Monday Night Football: Food, Friends, Fun & Games!	8 Board of Directors Meeting 7:00 am - 9:00 pm	9 Bluegrass Jam 12:00 pm - 3:00 pm Glen Cove Yacht Club Board of Directors Meeting (upstairs) 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm	10 Coast Guard Auxiliary Flotilla 51 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm	11 Sweitzer Mare Island Reunion 11:00 am - 2:00 pm Friday Night Dinner 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm	12 Kids Xmas Party 12:00 pm - 4:00 pm US COAST GUARD X-mas Party 6:00 pm - 11:00 pm
13 Panama Red's Private Hall Rental	14 Monday Night Football: Food, Friends, Fun & Games!	15 Rotary Club Xmas Party 6:00 pm - 9:59 pm	16 Bluegrass Jam 12:00 pm - 3:00 pm	17 VYC General Membership Meeting w/ Special Meeting and Vote immediately following 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm	18 No Friday Night Dinner to prepare for SAT XMAS PARTY Private Hall Rental Applied Poleramic 1:00 pm - 6:00 pm	19 Club Xmas Party 5:00 pm - 11:00 pm
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VYC Veterans



This article was to be made last month in observance of Veterans Day, but due to the request of Commodore Cole, it was postponed until this month. This article was found in the Oar Power and Sail pamphlet written

by Dr. C. Thomas Hosely.

"World War I received little official attention in the minutes. On April 26, 1917, the Vallejo Yachting and Rowing Club passed a resolution 'transferring to honorary membership all members who have or shall enlist in the military or naval arms of our country with the remission of all dues until the termination of said term enlistment.' Commodore Herman Streichan was called to army service and the Club gave a testimonial dinner on October 3, 1917. He was presented with a watch and guard. Streichan reported to Camp Lewis and served in France until the summer of 1919. He returned and again served as Commodore in 1920."

"World War II came quickly to the Vallejo Yacht Club on December 10, 1941. The Headquarters Battery and Ammunition Train, 2nd Battalion, 211th Artillery (anti-air craft) was dispatched to Vallejo to install and maintain anti-aircraft barrage balloons around Mare Island. According to Arthur Krause, a young Club member at the time, who was at the clubhouse on a rainy night a few days after the troops arrived, the rain-soaked lieutenant in charge of the unit knocked on the door and requested the use of the Club's boathouse to get his men out of their flooded tents. Permission was granted and this was the start of the joint use of the clubhouse by Club members and the army which lasted until May 5, 1943. All of the contracts and correspondence about this arrangement have survived and provide a fascinating glimpse into one small bit of the war. Toney Smith was the Commodore who signed the contracts. He ran a local meat market and was a longtime member who held several offices. For many years he wrote a monthly article in the Club 'Binnacle' about the activities of the members. Smith served as volunteer chef for many functions. The boathouse was improved by the army and the kitchen was jointly used by all parties. The Club

eventually received \$2,063.43 as rent. These funds were used to help dredge and build the new harbor starting in 1952.

The Yacht Club applied to the War Production Board for permission to rebuild the marine way in December 1943. In explaining to the Board the relationship of the project to essential military needs, the application states: 'The marine railway will be used for servicing of patrol craft authorized as an auxiliary U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary Florilla #257 patrolling restricted waters in and about the U.S. Navy Yard, Mare Island Channel, and also for use by regular yacht club members.' A list of materials including steel bolts, nuts, plates and timbers was included with the application. The project was approved after detailed plans and a letter from the Coast Guard supporting the project were submitted.

Some VYC yachts participated in these patrols. The only VYC yacht actually turned over to the government during the war was Dr. E. J. Casper's 'Junemma' which was refurbished and returned at the end of the war.

The financial report of 1944 shows the Club had \$8,000 in War Bonds and \$27.50 in War Stamps on-hand. The 1944 Yachting Yearbook listed eighteen VYC members who were enrolled in the armed services." Joe Schlosser, Arthur Krause and LeRoy Taylor were Yacht Club members on that list.

Note a correction was made in regards to the 211th Artillery as followed: "The statement that the 211th Artillery installed and maintained the barrage balloons is not correct. The 211th was an anti-aircraft Artillery unit which had guns for air raid protection of Mare Island. The barrage balloons were operated by the 309th Barrage Battalion which came from Camp Tyson, Tenn. in mid 1942."

I would like to dedicate this article to the VYC veterans, veterans in the world and to those who gave the ultimate sacrifice for our country's freedom. Thank you for your services and God Bless America.

Have the Merriest Christmas and Happiest New Year in 2016.

Toni Borges - Historian

House Committee Report *"Do what you can, when you can, if you can." —Joe Balocca*



"Tis the season" . . . This month will see many festivities at the VYC. I'm sure that each of us will offer what time we have to help decorate the Club, set up, work at, or clean up for events. More importantly, let's all attend one or more of the great times that are coming. Keep an eye on the Club bulletin board for information.

I have noticed at more than one event that P/C Bill Sweitzer turns into the "busboy extraordinaire" as he cleans off tableware left by

members and their guests. We all appreciate what Bill does (and any others who also bus their tables) but the point is that we are all responsible for clearing our own tableware AND scraping the plates, and returning bar glasses to the north end of the bar. We all pride ourselves on the wonderful volunteer culture at VYC.

There has been discussion regarding redecorating our Club so that it seems more like a nice restaurant for our dinners. I'm seeking input and ideas for new colors, lighting, etc. If you have thoughts or ideas, please contact me.

—Ken Leslie, House Chairman

SAFETY REPORT

As we use our boats a little less during the colder winter months, it's a great time to check on the safety of the boat in its slip. In the Bay Area the winters are less frosty than experienced by boaters in colder climates, and while we really don't require special winterizing for our boats, we should pay attention to make sure our boats are secure at the dock.

Of course, it's always a good idea to check those dock lines. During winter storm surges they tend to get abused. Check for areas of chafing and add some chafe guards out of leather, rubber or old hose material. If need be, replace those old lines with new ones before it's too late.

Below decks, the winter months are a great time to check your bilge pumps. Your primary pump should be wired direct to the battery, able to operate whether the battery switch is on or off. In addition, make sure the float switch is operating by moving the float up to ensure your pump activates. Flush your bilge out with fresh water and soap and make sure there is no debris in the bilge that could clog up the bilge intake.

Check your thru hulls and make sure all of them are opened and closed periodically. You want to be sure that each thru hull is able to shut off when or if needed. Don't force a stuck handle with a hammer or big wrench; you may break off the whole fitting. Try some penetrating lubricant the day before and let it soak in overnight. I also like to get a bag of wooden plugs and either tape or tie a line with the right sized plug at each thru hull. That plug will always be ready if needed in an emergency. Also, check and replace those hose clamps at each thru hull opening. You should have two quality stainless hose clamps at each fitting opening below the waterline. You can buy hose clamps at a

hardware or marine store, but make sure the whole clamp and screw assembly is stainless. Bring a magnet when you buy these. True stainless is non magnetic. You would be surprised at the clamps sold that are labeled stainless and made partially of mild steel!

Be sure to check and tighten your stuffing box for your prop shafts or rudder posts below the waterline. They can drip once every 5 minutes, but much more can be a problem. I have had stuffing boxes that poured out a steady stream before tightening. Be sure to run the engine and turn the shafts after you tighten them for any additional adjustment.

Statistically, most boats sink at their slip, not out in the open water. Two of the biggest causes are excessive stuffing box leaks and hose clamps corroding and failing. Combined with an inoperable or clogged bilge pump and a weak battery to power the pump and you have a recipe for a sinking. Check your boats before you have a problem. You'll sleep better at night knowing you have taken prudent precautions to ensure your boat's safety in the slip!

Any shipmates that may have any questions about thru hulls or stuffing boxes can contact me for advice, if needed. In addition, Club members can always get my help with purchases of bilge pumps, dock lines, wooden plugs, etc., through my wholesale account at West Marine. I'm here to help keep our harbor as safe as we can and help save some money to boot! You can reach me at Oceantrawlers@hotmail.com.

Smooth sailing,

— Bruce Alexander, Safety Committee Chairperson

PICYA REPORT

The November 2nd PICYA Annual Awards dinner meeting was held at the Encinal Yacht Club. VYC Commodore John Cole, VYC PICYA Delegate/PICYA Director Maggie Sabovich and husband Roger Karlsrud represented the VYC at this event, earning the VYC 4 Club of the Year points. 155 PICYA Delegates attended this event.

PICYA Commodore Liz Allison announced that the evening's Awards Dinner was PICYA's 50th Annual Awards Dinner. Commodore Allison also announced the PICYA proposed slate of Officers and Board Members for 2016:

Commodore, Erich Schoenwisner, Alameda Yacht Club; Vice Commodore, Linda Blue, Petaluma Yacht Club; Rear Commodore, Winston Bumpus, Sequoia Yacht Club; Jr. Staff Commodore, Liz Allison, Half Moon Bay Yacht Club; Directors: Kate Aguilar, Floating Realty Yacht Club; Roger Beebe, Village West Yacht Club; David Camp, Bridge Marina Yacht Club; Robert Willis, Ebony Boat Club; Peter VanDerWerff, Coyote Point Yacht Club; Bill Gargan, Sausalito Yacht Club; and Diana Gentry, Alameda Yacht Club.

A motion was made to accept the slate of officers as presented, as long as proposed Director Diana Gentry joined another yacht club, as when the slate of proposed Officers for 2016 was announced, there were two officers from the same yacht club, which is not permitted by the PICYA By-Laws. Proposed Board Director Diana Gentry was told by the Board that she must be a member of another yacht club not already represented by other proposed officers, by January 1st, 2016 in order to serve as a 2016 Board Director.

Four PICYA Scholarships were awarded as follows: two PICYA/Worldwide Boating Safety Group scholarships to Jared Landro, Cal State University, Long Beach, and to Geydy Martinez, Cal State Channel Islands. PICYA Foundation Scholarship to Curtis Daniel Walling, Cal Maritime Academy, and the PICYA/Andy Desin Memorial Scholarship to Jessica Carol Duncan, University of Alabama.

PICYA Director Doug Hipsley announced that The Pacific Coast Yachting Association nomination for this year's PICYA Garrett Horder Trophy is the Half Moon Bay Yacht Club, which was selected because of their outstanding junior sailing program and their dedication to youth sailing. The Garrett Horder Trophy is awarded to a yacht club for demonstrating the importance of imparting knowledge and appreciation of the sport of boating to young people. The winner will be announced at the PICYA Board of Directors meeting on January 16, 2016.

PICYA Annual Awards and Trophies:

Individual Meritorious Service Award to brothers Jimmy and Justin Nguyen.

Club Meritorious Service Award to Crispy Bernt, Bay View Boat Club/Little Venice Yacht Club.

Bay & Delta Yachtsman Public Service Award Trophy to Bridge Marina Yacht Club.

Edwin H. Wilder Yacht Club Newsletter Trophy: 1st place, San Jose Sailing Club, Gottfried Mauersberger, 2nd place, Stockton Yacht Club, Schatzie Haws, 3rd place Alameda Yacht Club, Cindy Daily. Lloyd B. Ryland Historian of the Year Trophy to Paul Anderson, San Jose Sailing Club.

Glen Harter "RBOC Gale Force Wind" Award, to Delta Marina Yacht Club.

Jo Bates Memorial Delegate of the Year Award to Maxine Maas, Napa Valley Yacht Club.

Admiral Chester W. Nimitz, USN Perpetual Trophy to Mariposa Hunters Point Yacht Club/Bay View Boat Club.

Condon Award to Stacy Conner, Tahoe Yacht Club.

Robert S. Olson Memorial Poseidon Award, to Jim and Cheryl Davi, Bridge Marina Yacht Club.

Douglas Boswell Yachtsman of the Year Award to Bob Cain, Stockton Yacht Club.

PICYA Club of The Year Trophy to Alameda Yacht Club, San Jose Sailing Club and Vallejo Yacht Club.

VYC Commodore John Cole accepted the PICYA Award for 2015 Club of the Year on behalf of the Vallejo Yacht Club. The VYC accumulated 20 points more than the 250 points required in order to again be 2015 Club of the Year!

The next PICYA event will be the Annual Commodore's Ball and Installation of Officers on Saturday, January 23, 2016, at the St. Francis Yacht Club. The VYC PICYA Delegate and at least one VYC officer need to attend in order to win 6 Club of the year points for 2016.

The first PICYA meeting of 2016 will be held on February 1st, 2016 at the Coyote Point Yacht Club.

RBOC updates can be found at PICYA.org.

—Maggie Sabovich, PICYA Delegate



THE SHIP'S STORE



Hello Shipmates,

It's hard to believe it is December already. I love it when the Club is decorated for the holidays. The Ship's Store will be ready to help you with your shopping needs for your boat-loving friends and

family. If you need to order something, please come in and do it early so we can have it for you for Christmas.

We have flannel pajama bottoms in Navy Blue Plaid with the Club logo embroidered on them. I ordered one of each size so they can be tried on and if you want a pair, I can order it for you. If I get a lot of interest, I will order them for the store and have several of each size available for purchase. I saw these at the Richmond Yacht Club and they said they cannot keep them in stock. They also come in a range of other colors and in

junior sizes too. Great for lounging around the boat or the Club. The kids even wear them everywhere.

Also new to the Ship's Store this year for Christmas are nautical Christmas stockings. You will love the whimsical Christmas fabrics so come on by and check them out.

Need Christmas stocking stuffers?? We have lots of boating stuff to stuff your stockings!!

Looking forward to seeing all of you this holiday season. Come on in to the store and you might get a little surprise gift just for stopping!! I have extended the great bargains on our sale rack to members until Christmas so come in and check it out.

Smooth Seas and Fair Winds for the Holiday Season!

Respectfully submitted by,

Barbara Brown, Ship's Store Chairperson

PORT CAPTAIN REPORT



This month as new Port Captain we have built one new finger, repaired some head walks and fingers, cleaned up South dock storage sheds, and are in the process of cleaning out North lot of debris. Before building any more fingers, I am waiting for the outcome of the members vote on whether we will secure funds to rebuild the harbor.

Currently, I am reviewing all insurance policies given to Matthew to confirm all members with boats in the harbor have proper insurance. If yours has expired, please get new information to Matthew. Thanks to the many who have kept theirs up to date.

— Ralph Hyde, *Port Captain*

Proposed 2016 Cruise-Out Schedule

February 12-14	Benicia Yacht Club Sweetheart's Cruise (On BYC calendar)
March 18-20	Oakland Yacht Club
April 22-24	San Francisco Pier 39
May 13-15	Alameda Yacht Club
June 17-19	Petaluma Yacht Club (On Petaluma YC calendar)
July 2-10	Delta Cruise
August 19-21	Berkeley Yacht Club Commodore's Cruise
September 10-18	Blue Water Cruise
October 28-30	Point San Pablo Yacht Club Halloween Cruise

Noble Brown, Cruise Director

NEW/PROSPECTIVE MEMBERS

Chuck Hooper and daughter, Nicole Hooper

When my daughter expressed an interest in learning to race singlehanded during a birthday call, I was overjoyed. After retiring as a social science teacher and traveling for several years, this news enticed me to return to the Bay Area. Although I have lived and worked in Benicia and continue to enjoy the challenging sailing in



Irene O'Brien

If I look familiar it's because I have been attending Friday night happy hours and other VYC events sporadically for over 4 years with friends and neighbors. I enjoy the atmosphere, friendly people and of course the spectacular view from the Club.

I am a transplanted New Yorker and have been in Cali-



Paul and Elizabeth Simpson

Paul and Elizabeth have been married for 31 years. Their marriage and Paul's job has moved them to a lot of interesting places in the US and

some not so interesting.

Elizabeth is a native Californian having grown up near San Francisco. She started to learn to sail on small boats on Lake Vasona in Los Gatos. As a young teenager she learned to sail the big boats on the Bay and she was also taught to crew and held the title of Winch Wench. Her sailing career ended when she married Paul and moved with him to Maryland.

the Carquinez Straits, I have many friends in the Vallejo Yacht Club. The comradery, laid back clubhouse atmosphere, access to work space, and competitive spirit of the Club have always appealed to me. I have personally resolved to get out of my various 'ruts' and be more involved and think this might be just what the doctor ordered!

fornia since 1977 when I transferred cross country with AT&T. I retired after 27 years and now can be found at Jacuzzi Family Vineyards on Wednesdays and Saturdays. I am a volunteer at the Marin Humane Society, an Ambassador of the Novato Chamber of Commerce and I'm on city-wide event planning committees.

I have been married to Mike Read for only two years and we reside on B St., along with my son Ken.

I look forward to meeting all of you sporting my new blue badge.

Paul was born in Saint Charles, MO, boating capital of the world. He was relocated to California at the age of 2 and grew up in San Leandro and graduated from Cal Poly San Luis Obispo. After meeting Elizabeth I had to be approved, as were all of her previous boyfriends, by her family and friends. Little did I realize this meant being taken out on a sailboat in the SF Bay and given the wheel out in the ocean with the direction of sail us back in under the Golden Gate! This was my first time on a sailboat and I quickly discovered how much I enjoyed sailing. I must have passed because we are still together. We look forward to being a part of the Vallejo Yacht Club and enjoy the social aspects, as well as we are both looking forward to volunteering, helping out and crewing on boats. We are looking forward to the learn to sail classes.

Thank you very much for the opportunity to join the Vallejo Yacht Club.

FRIDAY NIGHT DINNER MENUS FOR DECEMBER

December 4

Coq au Vin

Potato Gratin

Salad of Greens, Pears, Pecans and Bleu Cheese

Vinaigrette

Ginger Cake with Soft Cream

December 11

Beef Bourignon

Parslied Egg Noodles

Sautéed Broccolini

Big Beautiful Salad with Garlic Croutons and

Dijon Vinaigrette

Orange Pudding Cake with Marmalade Drizzle



December Birthdays

Lisa Kaplowitz	12/1
Denise White	12/3
Jay Chagnon	12/5
Penny Hyde	12/5
Mary Kraybill	12/5
Edward Stohsner	12/5
Ludmir Kyjovsky	12/6
D'Anne Weitzman	12/6
Richard Bastien	12/7
Ken Hall	12/8
William Kreysler	12/8
Woodrow Shiflett	12/8
P/C John Karuzas	12/9
Michael Carr	12/10
Janet Gonzalez-Mena	12/10
Dave Nadolne	12/11
Frank Gonzalez-Mena	12/12
Glen Speckert	12/12
Harry Hemsley	12/13
Nicholas Mournian	12/13
Bruce Alexander	12/14
James Sobolewski	12/14
John Cole	12/15
Jeremy Harvey	12/15
John Marshall	12/17
Cathy Van Vessem	12/17
Jeffery Berger	12/19
Media Medcroft	12/20
Dan Payne	12/20
P/C Robert Luce	12/23
Tuuli Messer-Bookman	12/26
Richard Changus	12/26
Lew Bornschein	12/27
Carl Chaker	12/27
James Hendricks	12/27
Bill Zerby	12/27
P/C Mark Bauder	12/28
Gary Domingo	12/28
Keith Tipton	12/28
Dan Gordon	12/29
Christine Wills	12/30



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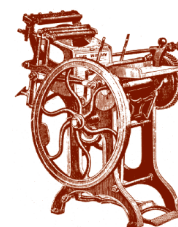
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