



# KEDGE ANCHOR

The Voice of the Maryland Yacht Club

January 2012

#### MYC Office

Monday thru Friday 8am - 4pm

#### Fuel Dock Hours:

Closed except by appointment.  
Please call ahead to verify fuel availability as we are out of Gas and have limited Diesel remaining.

#### Bar & Lounge

Closed

#### Restaurant Hours

Closed

#### Flag Officers

##### Commodore

Alice Snively

##### Vice Commodore

Jim Gorman

##### Rear Commodore

Andy Serb

##### Treasurer

P/C Arne Reistad

##### Secretary

Gail Thompson

##### Power Fleet Captain

##### Sail Fleet Captain

Larry Korpanty

#### Board Of Governors

##### Members at Large

David Derby  
P/C Bill Fischbein  
Jason Hedges  
Robert Laughlin  
Hal McClure  
Frank Smith  
P/C Marty Weiner

##### Social Member

Carl Treff

##### Membership Chair

Carl Treff

##### Parliamentarian

P/C Dick Love

##### Honorary

Commodore

Ken Valentine

HAPPY NEW YEAR!!!



## FROM THE BRIDGE



2011 was a good year for our club, and 2012 promises the same, (silly Doomsday superstitions aside). Thanks to Carl Lubking, Andy Serb, Ken Valentine, Dave and Charlene Itzel and Marianne Albright for their Christmas boat decorations! They really perked up the scene in the basin.

Thanks, and a big shout-out to those who brought us new members, whether resident, social, transient or looper. A special thank you goes to all who serve in office or on committees without pay, dedicating their time to keep our community together.

The bridge, management, ancillary committees and Auxiliary work diligently to keep our finances in order and promote the club's assets and events. Often they operate in a non-void filled with complaints and gossip instead of "how can I help; what can I do?"

My New Year resolution is this: I challenge all members to participate in the club at any and all levels; offer positive suggestions for changes and improvements, (recognizing that we aren't Wells Fargo Bank!) Moreover, I challenge all of you who remain in the shadows to come forward to help with events, or at least, make reservations by the stated deadlines and to be part of the party, so to speak. Call me . . . 410-360-9062 or e-mail to: [als21122@comcast.net](mailto:als21122@comcast.net)

**PLEASE PLAN TO ATTEND THE GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING ON JAN. 20**  
We will decide the budget for the coming year, as well as dues and fees, and the events calendar.

The club will re-open on Super Bowl Sunday, so mark your calendars and plan to be here for a really great party! When the club calendar is approved in January, locate an event you'd like to help with and/or attend, and waste no time contacting me, the General Manager or the person in charge of the event.

May the New Year bring all of us peace and at least a measure of prosperity!

P.S. . . . we are still in need of a new Basin Director. Please send suggestions to VC Gorman.

Your "Minidore",

*Alice Snively*

NOTE: Food Director, Honorary Commodore and Resident Member Ken Valentine's mother passed away on December 28<sup>th</sup>. He will be a few days late returning from Mississippi. When he does, please be kind to him in his grieving and offer condolences.

Commodore Alice of the Boat with the Red Deck  
[als21122@comcast.net](mailto:als21122@comcast.net); Phone: 410-360-9062  
I strive to always be accessible to the entire membership.

# VICE WORDS



Utterings from our Vice Commodore

Happy New Year to One and All.

I hope the coming year is full of good times for you and yours both on and off the water. Now that the “restful” holidays are over, it is time to get to work on MYC stuff. I hope you can attend our January 20<sup>th</sup> General Membership Meeting. This is an important meeting and the budget for next year will be discussed and approved.

Planning for our Opening Weekend has already started but we are still looking for more help on the Weekend Committee and on the Queen of the Chesapeake Committee. Please consider taking a part in the planning of this fun and traditional weekend. This year’s theme for our Opening weekend is “Life’s a Beach”. There will be prizes for the “Best Decorated Boat” and “Best Decorated Pier”. All piers should have a Pier Captain to coordinate the decorations and to submit an ad for the Queen’s Kedge. More information will be coming out about this in future issues of the Kedge. Let me give you a little advice about decorations. Please Do Not order several tons of sand for your boat, your pier or the parking lot. This is a bad idea and could have disastrous consequences.

I have really enjoyed my past year as an officer of MYC and I thank all of you who have worked to make our club the outstanding one it is. I look forward to working with you this coming year.

Hope to see you soon,

*Jim*

Vice Commodore

## Directors

Basin Director

Andy Serb

Fuel Dock

Dave Itzel

Buildings and Grounds

John Schmidt

Clubhouse and Food

Ken Valentine

Marketing and

Public Relations

Carl Treff

Programs

## **MYC Snow Policy**

Just like any other community, reasonable snow removal policies are in place at MYC. The following are some of the procedures to be aware of when the forecast calls for snow.

The News page of the website will be updated with any closings and will typically follow Anne Arundel County.

As with all bad weather, team up with another MYC member to check on boats and lines. MYC staff does not do this.

We will salt the main walkways including the steps, bathhouse and the hill. We do not salt the piers. If you would like salt anywhere else, you may do so with your own salt.

At 1 inch of snow with continuing snow fall we shovel the walkways.

Keep all ropes and cords off the walk way of the pier, if they become damaged it is not MYC's responsibility.

Remember to put a shovel in your car and on your boat as we do not shovel out cars or finger piers or clean snow off boats.

### **Plowing**

The plow company is called with minimum of 3-4 inches with continuing snow expected. The plow route has been established and will continue to be the same as previous years. Due to the cost, the plow does not do the center of the basin parking lot.

Parking in the upper lot of D pier, please make every effort to have cars parked on just one side of the lot. This will allow the plow better access to that lot.

## **Winter Slips**

IF you plan to take a different slip for the winter it is your responsibility to:

Submit in writing to Andy Serb the basin director, and the office your request for your first choice of slip, Andy will then let you know if that slip is available or spoken for already. Winter slips are approved on a first written notice basis.

Once you have received approval you must notify the office of the date of intended move. Please remember we will be reading both electric meters.

You must vacate the "winter" slip no later than March 31, 2011.

You must notify the office when you vacate the winter slip for your contracted slip.

To notify the office you may email: [Office@mdyc.org](mailto:Office@mdyc.org), and/or [Manager@mdyc.org](mailto:Manager@mdyc.org)

To notify the Basin Director you may email: [barefootsailor35@yahoo.com](mailto:barefootsailor35@yahoo.com)

## A LOOK FROM THE REAR



The great New Year has begun,  
in with Twenty Twelve  
and out with Two Thousand, one, one.

The year has been great and one to remember,  
from our opening weekend with magic,  
all the way through bands in December!

For those who remain, in the basin this season,  
you'll be pleased to know that you all stayed for a very good reason.  
If you have left your boat at the dock and will be back in the spring  
you should ensure that all is tidy and prepared,  
for whatever winter may bring.

The winter may be mild and thus far the winds calm be,  
but make sure you're tied and well winterized for soon you will see,  
a winter of cold and ice, so the caterpillars do decree.

But be thankful this season for the loved ones you have shared  
and remember those promises of boat rides this summer  
for all who have cared.

Now join me in saying Happy New Year to all,  
and I'll see you come 5 February to watch epic football!

While our course and speed we may alter,  
time and tide never falter,  
So here's to all that we hold dear  
and to all a very **Happy New Year!**

"I think in general, traditions, seamanship and customs are what set us apart from a normal, 9-to-5 job," said [US Coast Guard] Vice Adm. Robert Papp. 'Traditions inspire us'. Cmdr. Matt O'Grady of the British Naval Attaché's office in Washington, D.C., acknowledges a rich and lengthy history of maritime verse. Rather than rhyming the New Year's mid-watch log in his country, the British Royal Navy rings bells. O'Grady speculates both traditions might have begun as a way to pass the time on the usually quiet first day of the year, but sees a direct link to the popularity of verse to describe the sea. Like many customs, its point of origin is difficult to document. There is evidence of verse with references to the sea appearing in Chinese, Sanskrit and Middle Eastern logs"

*The Rhyme of the Ancient Mariner  
Story by PAZ Judy L. Silverstein, USCGR*

The tradition of opening the New Year log entry (generally called the mid watch) in rhyme has been long documented although it is difficult to determine exactly where it originated. As a yacht club built on traditions and the lore of the sea I felt it only fitting to follow suit and ring in the new year properly.

Many happy wishes,

**Andy Serb**

Your dutiful Rear (Commodore of course)

### Auxiliary

President  
Carmen Tate

Vice President  
P/VC Lynn Schmidt

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Treasurer  
Pat Serra

Membership/  
Publicity  
Carmen Tate

Members at Large  
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Commodore, Alice  
Snively  
Janice Holt

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R/C Andy Serb

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Captain  
P/SFC Tom Davis

Fleet Chaplain  
P/C Sam Weiner