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# Three Cheers to the Commodores!



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# Commodore's Corner



**Commodore  
Richard  
Libonate**

**WARMER WEATHER IS** here and that brings many more things to enjoy at our Club. That includes pool time on weekends and enjoying meals on our patio both during the day and in evenings.

As you are making your plans, don't forget the Blessing of the Fleet, a Time-Honored tradition at our Club on April 6th. Our very own Club Chaplin, Fr. Bob, will be here to bless all our members boats.

Also, make plans to be part of the festivities surrounding the Kentucky Derby at CYC on May 4th. On May 12th, we "honor" our mothers with our wonderful Mother's Day Brunch. It always sells out fast so please make your reservations early. Following that, we have our Memorial Day weekend festivities, with music and fun activities all weekend long. Be on the lookout for these and so much more, every day. You can stay updated with the monthly calendar which is attached to every email as well as the "Week at a Glance" sent out on Mondays.

If you are thinking of having an event, party, company function, or whatever, think of CYC first. Between the newly renovated Main Dining Room and lower level, as well as our patio and pool deck, we have areas that accommodate your needs. However, as we move into graduation season, CYC is a great place to have your graduation celebration.

Our goal every day is to assure our members are happy and meeting your expectations. When you are not pleased, neither are we. Let us know when we need to improve and it's also great to hear when we meet your expectations. Please don't hesitate to contact me for any reason, whatsoever, at [rilibonate@gmail.com](mailto:rilibonate@gmail.com) or (813) 541-8171.

# BOARD HIGHLIGHTS

**By Carey Sauer, Secretary**

The BOD took the following actions at the March 21 meeting:

The Board approved several items including:

- The Long-Term Planning Committee report was presented to the Board. The LTPC is recommending the creation of a new, larger Tiki bar and some building modifications that would allow for more seating inside, consolidating the offices together and a deck accessed from the Grille. After some discussion it was concluded that the Committee would proceed to generate more detailed information before the May meeting.
- The Board approved an additional \$2300 for lights atop the new pedestals at the entrances. It also pays for an additional license plate camera and the landscaping around the bases of the pedestals.
- The new Membership campaigns have been successful, despite some issues with the emails reaching the intended recipients. The Upgrade program resulted in six movements from Social to Full members. The Winback program saw two former members rejoin us. Once the new server is in place, the Winback emails will be sent again. Overall, we have a net increase of six new members this month!

Carey Sauer 703-930-1806

The next meeting will be held on April 18 at 6 pm. All members are welcomed to attend.

## POLICIES

### Friendly Reminder



#### THE CLEARWATER YACHT CLUB

does not permit the use of any Tobacco product (cigarette, cigar, pipe, vaping, chewing, etc.) anywhere on the property of the Club. This includes on any boats in close proximity to the patio, Tiki-Hut and pool.

✓ The only exception is designated smoking areas on the west end of the boardwalk by "C" Dock and the Southwest corner of the pool area or when the pool area is occupied, the Southeast corner of the building.

We ask that all Members and their guests respect this policy even when no other Members are present.

*Thank you for your compliance and understanding.*

## 2024 OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, APPOINTMENTS & TRUSTEES

### CYC Officers

Rich Libonate	Commodore
Joan Carter	Vice Commodore
Rod White	Rear Commodore
Keagan Pennycuff	Treasurer
Carey Sauer	Secretary
John Minton	Fleet Captain
Curtis Wold	Immediate Past Commodore
Jim Coats	FCYC Director

### Board of Directors

Amie Crosby	Phyllis Nordman
Rick Broom	Don Reynolds
Jim Hannigan	Richie Shaw

### Board of Trustees

Jim Coats	PC Dick Kidd
PC Collin Heimensen	Phil Shaw
PC Robert de Vos	PC Tish Wold

### Appointments

Fr. Bob Wagenseil	Fleet Chaplain
Don Collins	Fleet Surgeon

# Waterside



**By John Minton  
Fleet Captain**

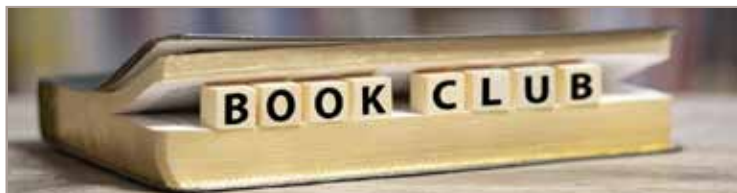
## GREETINGS FROM NORTH OF THE SEA WALL!

The pump out project led by Guy Kreps continues to make good progress. Guy has received two bids by the primary companies who install these systems throughout Florida. Price discussions are ongoing, and we are hoping to reach a final recommendation over the next 30 days.

We are beginning the administrative task of applying for the Federal grant that pays 75% of the project and is managed by the State of Florida. The application process is a tedious one, but members of the Waterside Committee are prepared to get it done. The timing on the overall project is contingent on completing the docks and before the parking lot is resurfaced.

Regarding the marina our contractor, Erwin Electric has been proceeding through the permitting process with the City of Clearwater. We have run into a few snags in satisfying the city's requirements, but we feel rather strongly in our position. We are trying hard not to allow the desire to finish the project force us to agree with something that is over burdensome and costly to the club. Hopefully by next month's Compass we will have the work permit and will proceed with getting work started.

Recently we implemented a new contract amendment concerning slip holders' engagement with the Club. The desire of our leadership is that we don't have slip holders that use the marina as a place to simply store their boat and not support the Club. As many of you know we have quite a few very active members that have been waiting on slips for far too long. Additionally, our Waterside Committee promised to not allow members to park their boats to die in our marina. Lastly, we hope to have a vibrant marina with active boaters and a place we can be proud of. ➡



**By Diane Switalski CYC Book Club Leader**

**THE BOOK CLUB** meets the third Tuesday of every month at 6 pm in the Captain's Quarters (formerly the Board Room). All members and their guests are welcome to join our stimulating and fun-filled discussions. If you enjoy reading, this is the place to be! Many of us stay for dinner. If you plan to do so, please make reservations with the office at (727) 447-6000. All books are predetermined by the members prior to discussion. Our upcoming meetings will feature the following:

**April 16**

*REMARKABLY BRIGHT CREATURES*  
**by Shelby Van Pelt**

**May 21**

*THE BERRY PICKERS*  
**by Amanda Peters**

# HOUSE and GROUNDS

**By Joan Carter,  
Vice Commodore**



**WELCOME TO SPRING!** We are continuing to spruce up the club and the latest improvement you will notice are the new entry pedestals. We will have four pedestals, two at each entrance to the parking lot. These pedestals should be installed by the time you read this. Beautiful lighting for the tops and landscaping for the bottom area will follow shortly. This is the first of many improvements to the "curb appeal" for our club.

We will continue working on landscaping after the new parking lot is installed. I still don't have a time frame for this as we are waiting on the docks and a couple of other items we need to do before putting it in. We are trying to be sure that all the conduits that need to go under the parking lot are completed before the new one is installed.

One of the less glamorous projects on our list is a new dumbwaiter. You may not know that the old one fell in January when the cables broke. This has been very difficult for our staff, and we are working hard to replace it.

The H & G committee is deep into the process of finding a flood mitigation system to protect our dry dock and clubhouse from flooding in the future. We should have specifics soon and a great resolution to this problem. We will keep you all informed as we proceed with this very important project.

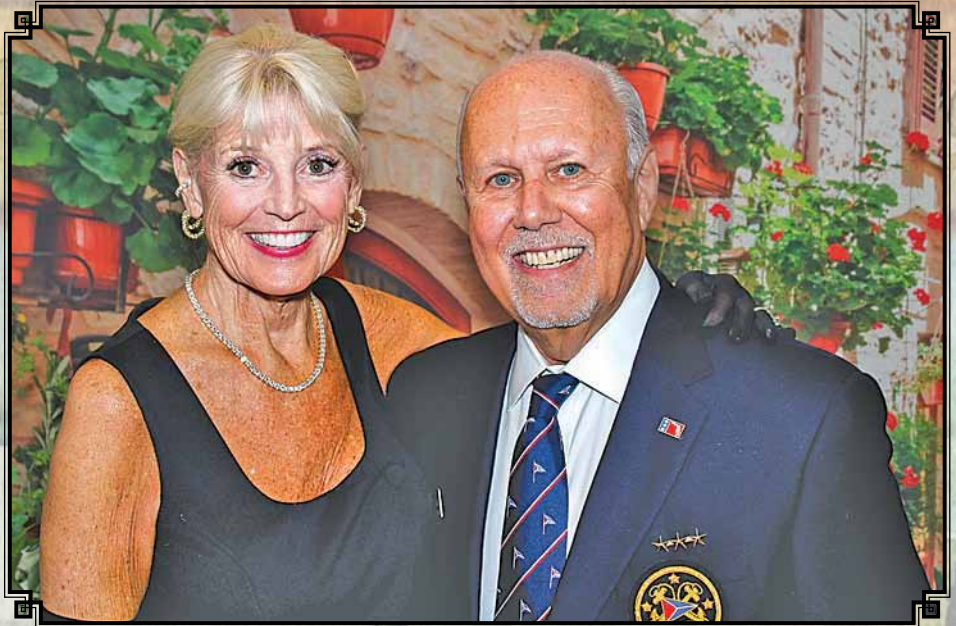
As a friendly reminder, the campus of CYC is non-smoking. Smoking areas are designated at the west end of the marina near "C" dock. Seating will be installed as part of the new landscaping projects after the parking lot. The other area is the SW corner of the pool when people are not swimming and alternately, the SE corner of the building outside of the fence. This information can be found in our policy as well. From time to time, the BOD may approve other times when smoking is allowed at the Tiki area, outside. One example was after our Bourbon dinner at the end of March. Thank you all for respecting the club policy.

**Cheers!**

## BURNING OF THE SOCKS

**FRIDAY, APRIL 12TH  
5 PM TO 6 PM**

# COMMODORE'S BALL





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# COMMODORE'S BALL

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# Vintner's Club

By Aubrey Posey-Hitchcock

**THE VINTNER'S CLUB** took a break in March for members to attend the Commodore's Ball which was an amazing, fun-filled evening with beautiful décor, fabulous food and a chance to mingle with friends.

We are back to our regular schedule of wine dinners in April and looking forward to the dinner on April 25 featuring Orin Swift wines. Created by Dave Phinney, best known as winemaker of the Prisoner, Orin Swift wines have achieved a cult following. Known for not only their fabulous taste,

but also for their interesting stories and creative bottle labels, you won't want to miss this dinner and opportunity to purchase Orin Swift wines. While the Prisoner was long ago sold, Vintner's Club members will experience a white wine and several unique red wines expertly paired by Chef David at the dinner on April 25. The Vintner's Club now has a waiting list to join. If you are interested in placing your name on the list, contact Steve Hitchcock at [cycvintners@gmail.com](mailto:cycvintners@gmail.com).



# TrueNorth

By Kurt Greissinger, Co Editor

**AI, OR ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE,** is routinely reported in the news today with mixed emotions. Fears of job losses, safety, and security in “a brave new world” are contrasted with increases in productivity, machine learning, and the automation of mundane tasks. In an effort to see if AI has a place in the Compass, I tried both image and text generators for this month’s issue. The Copilot in Microsoft’s Edge browser created photos of some new yacht club “members” found elsewhere in this issue. I also asked ChatGPT to write a paragraph on the current state and future of CYC. I had it generate two different responses and chose this one to publish as-is:

*The Clearwater Yacht Club, nestled along Florida’s stunning Gulf Coast, continues to thrive as a beacon of maritime excellence. Boasting a rich history dating back to its founding in 1911, the club has evolved into a vibrant community hub for sailors, boating enthusiasts, and socialites alike. With its prime location offering access to pristine waters and world-class amenities, the club remains a coveted destination for both seasoned sailors and newcomers to the sport. Looking ahead, the future of the Clearwater Yacht Club appears promising, with plans for expansion and modernization to further enhance member experiences. From hosting prestigious regattas to fostering a welcoming atmosphere for all who share a passion for the sea, the Clearwater Yacht Club is poised to continue its legacy as a premier institution in the world of yachting for generations to come.*

**Thoughts? Agree or disagree? I’ll let you humans be the judge.**

## Yachting

By Gerard Kane and  
Ron Kratzke, Yachting Chairs

**IT’S ALWAYS BUSY** in Florida this time of year, when the “lovely” weather up North and the gentle Florida days collaborate to migrate visitors to our backyard. To that end, Yachting has been busy, hosting a major regatta and also co-sponsoring other events. The Pass-a-Grille Race, co-hosted with Dunedin Boat Club, featured 10 big boats racing from Clearwater to PAG with an awards dinner at SPYC. CYC boats placed well with “Red Sky”, “Riva” and “You know Who” taking top spots.

If you follow sports, you know the Olympics are being held in Paris this summer. What you may not know is that some of the sailors who raced in Clearwater over the past few years will be representing the US. We have one of the best (Top 5) sailing venues in the US and it’s a real privilege to challenge all these athletes with the diverse conditions in our backyard.

Planning is now underway for the 2025 season. Why not come to the next Yachting meeting to find out what all the buzz is about!



## Compass Points (and Counterpoints)

To commemorate the upcoming release of Chef David’s new handheld menu, we asked members of the club their favorite hot dog toppings.



**Kurt G.**

Chicago style! It doesn’t get much better than a char-dog “dragged through the garden” with all 7 toppings .



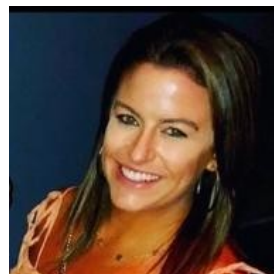
**Willow T.**

As a vegan, I like to top my carrot dogs with lentil chili, cashew cheese and alfalfa sprouts.



**Salty S.**

Who needs hot dogs? A hard tack bun and canned sardines in mustard sauce will suffice if that’s all there is in the galley.



**Brittani C.**

A good chili cheese dog with onions. Oh, and cheese. Did I mention the cheese?



**Reginald M. III**

Pardon me, do you have any Grey Poupon?

# ENTERTAINMENT

**By Jim Hannigan & Christy Crist**  
**Entertainment Co-Chairpersons**

**GREETINGS CYC MEMBERS.** The month of April is upon us, Spring is in the air, and socializing awaits us at the Club. We hope everyone had a great March and had the opportunity to take part in the activities at the Club. The weather should be perfect for this month and welcoming to all to enjoy the offerings of the Tiki Bar, as well as the MDR and the Grill. Our awesome staff and Kitchen eagerly await the opportunity to serve you and offer you a wonderful CYC experience.

March featured an incredible "March Magic" event; blood drive; bingo; a lively "Dueling Pianos" evening; an exciting Gulf Coast Regatta Sailing competition for the ILCA division; Cruisers adventure to Downtown Tampa; a festive "St. Patrick's Day" dinner and party; trivia; our annual "Commodores Ball" honoring Rich And LJ Libonate; music bingo; Bourbon pairing; Celebration of Yachting; Breakfast with the Bunny, and our traditional Easter buffet.

We hope everyone had a chance to fill out those College Basketball brackets for "March Madness", starting on Thursday, March 21, and going through early April. A fun and challenging competition each year. Good luck to all those who participated.

April brings us the celebrated "Blessing of the Fleet (4/6); bingo (4/9); Mixology Night (4/11); Burning of the Socks (4/12); Cruisers long trip (4/19-5/3); trivia (4/18); music bingo (4/23); Vintner's Club dinner (4/25), and the Grand Brunch (4/28).

Please hold the dates for the following events at the Club. Kentucky Derby (5/4); Cinco de Mayo (5/5); Mother's Day (5/12); Memorial Day Weekend (5/24-5/27); Island Day Away (6/8); Poker Run (6/22); July Fourth Weekend (6/28-6/31 & 7/4); Rock the Dock party (July-TBD), and the White Party (August-TBD).

Thanks again to all you wonderful members who support our great Club and participate in our scheduled events. Please continue to make those reservations when visiting the Club, even for just a refreshing cocktail or a delicious appetizer. They are very much appreciated.

The next CYC Entertainment Committee meeting will be on Tuesday evening, April 9th, at 6:00 pm, in the downstairs Board Room. All members are welcome to attend and be a part of this group. All suggestions and potential ideas are most welcome for future events or musical acts. We are always looking for hosts and chairpersons to lead various events. Have a great month ahead and we look forward to seeing you all at the Club.

Cheers! 🏆

*Jim Hannigan/Christy Crist*  
jhannigan@sgws.com  
727-215-5418

## Chaplain's Log

By Fleet Chaplain Father Bob Wagenseil

### Tradition, Remembrance, Family and Friends...

**PLEASE JOIN WITH** us as we gather to observe one of the most ancient celebrations among "those who go down to the sea...". You do not need to own a boat, and on the morning of the 6th of April, we will continue the tradition of asking God's blessing upon our boats and our members. This event is meant for our entire CYC Family as we honor our past giving thanks for members and family who have died, celebrate our present at the official start of our boating season, and look to the days ahead with joyful expectation of blessings and wonderful memories yet to come.

I look forward to being with you for this day of Tradition and Remembrance, and wish you "fair winds and many blessings" for all the days to come.

Fr Bob Wagenseil (727) 510-6153 frbob.wagenseil@gmail.com

**BLESSING OF THE FLEET**  
**SATURDAY MORNING, APRIL 6<sup>TH</sup>**



## APRIL

# FUN & GAMES

**Tuesday 9 - REGULAR BINGO** 7 pm

**Thursday 18 - TRIVIA** 7 pm

**Tuesday 23 - MUSIC BINGO** 7 pm

**Come and Join In on all the Fun!**

# **ILCA 2024 Gulf Coast Championship Regatta**

**LAST MONTH CYC** ran the Gulf Coast Championship, with over 125 U.S. and International boats converging on the Club. Our volunteers, both landside and waterside, helped pull off two great days of sailing in the Gulf in what turned out to be some very challenging conditions. The event was a team effort and our thanks to key CYC staff members for their assistance — with a special shout out to Austin, our Dockmaster, for the early mornings and support during the event.





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# **ILCA 2024 Gulf Coast Championship Regatta**

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**By Anne Grace and Christy Poorman**

## Happy Spring!!

Our latest house party was hosted by Cathy McNally which was lovely. The Bow chasers enjoyed a bevy of appetizers, desserts, and libations in a beautiful setting. The highlights included a fun pool game and our 50/50 Raffle. Thank you, Cathy!!

Several of the Bow Chaser Crew members volunteered for the ILCA Gulf Coast Regatta held in early March. Anyone interested in more involvement with CYC please talk with any Bow Chaser about upcoming regatta events.

Join the BowChasers! Camaraderie, laughs, and new memories are waiting for you at all our member events. Event information is sent to all paid members.

April 2nd - Hosting Interclub Regatta and luncheon at CYC. Come down to the docks and route for the Bowchasers!

April 25th - Night on Cleveland Street in Clearwater at Dueling Pianos, 7pm.

Change of Watch and Welcome Back Party will take place in the fall. Details to follow in an upcoming Compass.

## Sailing Activities:

Bow Chasers is about a lot of fun and sailing. CYC's Clearwater Prams in friendly races and skills sessions lead by Ned Covell. We want to thank Willis Grey, Bruce Poorman & Kevin Grace for helping and coaching on the support boat.

Co-Captains Christy Poorman and Cathy McNally represented the CYC Bowchasers in an Interclub race hosted by the Broad Reacher's in Pass a Grille on February 23rd. The wind was mighty, and the races had to stop. But the racers continued with lunch and libations with ladies from the other FWSA clubs.

The Bow Chasers will host a FWSA (Florida Women's Sailing Association) regatta at CYC on April 2nd followed by a luncheon. Activities begin at 9:00am.

We sail on Tuesdays at 9:15am, weather permitting. Join us for Boat Rigging and races & stay for lunch. If you are interested in sailing with us, please contact Cathy McNally at [cathymcn@gmail.com](mailto:cathymcn@gmail.com)



## Water Aerobics:

Remember CYC offers free water aerobics in the CYC pool every Tuesday and Thursday morning at 10:30, weather dependent. Classes are taught by BowChaser members. Contact Judy Umeck to get notices of the class schedule. [umeck@yahoo.com](mailto:umeck@yahoo.com)

## Membership:

To join the BowChasers please contact Judy Umeck ([umeck@yahoo.com](mailto:umeck@yahoo.com)).

Annual Dues of \$25 helps to support BowChasers activities including party supplies, hostess gifts, and charitable contributions. ➡



# GULLS CHATTER

By Marcia Nichols  
Gulls President



Our March 10th Fashion Show Luncheon was a huge success! We had over 80 members and their guests at this event. The entire Dining Room and part of the Grill was filled with sophisticated, smart and attractive ladies. Our clubhouse never looked so good!

**Citrus Styles** in Dunedin was a wonderful way to put a little "New Flair" into our day.



The ensembles were sophisticated and very classy. I received a lot of positive feedback from the attendees and I was glad (and to be honest, relieved) to hear all the compliments for the fashion show. Our CYC Ladies, as always, looked fabulous. (Madonna's song "Vogue" was resonating in my ear as I watched our models posing in those outfits.)

Many thanks to our members who volunteered to be models: **PC Mary Kay Delk, Carmen Marsh, Patti Morrison, Lynne Shackelford, Richie Shaw and Gail Stone.**

This fashion show luncheon would not have been possible without our CYC members stepping up and volunteering to put this together and they all deserve recognition:

**Arleen Roche** who stepped right up and volunteered to coordinate and pull together this wonderful fashion show.

**Helen Correia, Phyllis Cardosi, and Moira Turner** for contributing and putting together the gorgeous gift basket.

**Shelly Robbins and Shirley Robbins** for selling the 50/50 and gift basket raffle tickets. They always do such a great job.

**Evelyn Garner and Mary Jane Lundholm** for manning the sign-in desk (that in itself can be quite daunting.)

Congratulations to our two raffle winners:

**50/50 Winner – Karen Watson**

**Gift Basket – Trudy Schmalz**

And finally, to all you lovely CYC Ladies and their guests for attending and making this a super turnout. Without you, there would not be any luncheons and the Gulls would just fade into the sunset.

## Next Luncheon Coming Up:

**Please Note: This is our last Ladies Luncheon before we take a Summer Break.**

**Our next one will not be until October 9 — so let us have a super turnout and show Mr. Cato that we are a great and supportive Ladies group!!**

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# Gull's Spring Fashion Show





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# Gull's Spring Fashion Show

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## GULLS CHATTER

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**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 10**

**"ONLY IN FLORIDA" Presented by Chris Cato, News Anchor, Fox13, Tampa Bay**

Mr. Cato is the Curator of the "Only in Florida" segment on Fox13. These are amusing and interesting video clips that occur only here in Florida. This will be followed by a Q&A Session.



I have attached a link to one of his videos so you can get a feel for what his segments are like. Enjoy.

<https://www.fox13news.com/video/1415991>

Mr. Cato is the News Anchor for the 4 O'clock and 11 O'clock News. He has been honored with an Edward R. Murrow Award, two Emmys, and numerous Associated Press Awards for his reporting and anchoring. He is definitely an asset to Fox13 News.

Before joining FOX13 in 2015, he worked at TV stations in Philadelphia, PA, Greenville-Spartanburg, SC, and Panama City, FL.

He is extremely personable with an engaging and funny personality, and I know you will enjoy his presentation.

**GILDA SAYS:**



THESE ARE SOME "4 LETTER" WORDS THAT WE ALL SHOULD HAVE IN OUR VOCABULARY:  
**HOPE, LIVE, LOVE AND WISH**

Please read the Gulls Compass Monthly Articles and look for the email announcements when they are sent out.

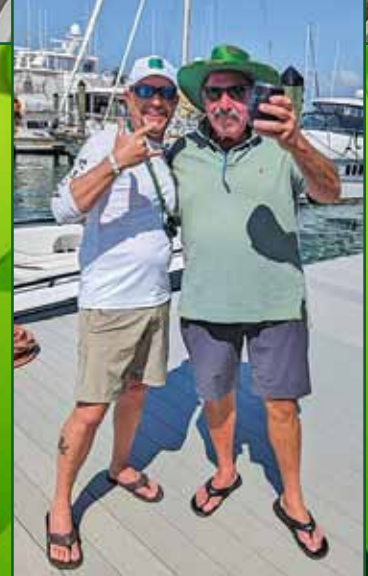
We welcome more CYC Ladies to join us on the Wednesdays that we do not have scheduled luncheons. We meet downstairs in the recently renamed Board Room "Captain's Quarters" (formerly known as the Gulls Nest) around 10:30 a.m. to plan and coordinate future fun events/luncheons. We also play games, such as dominos (otherwise known as "Chicken Foot"). We are also open to doing crafts such as quilling on paper, or any other craft that you may want to learn or teach. Please join us for a lot of chatter and fun. We then go upstairs for lunch (and more chatter) around 12 noon.



Our main goal is to plan new exciting, fun events, interesting speakers, topics, and entertainment. Please email me at [marcia50422@yahoo.com](mailto:marcia50422@yahoo.com) with any suggestions, comments or ideas for future events.

**See y'all soon.**

# CYC EVERYONE IS IRISH PARTY



# BREAKFAST WITH THE BUNNY







By Karen Watson

## St. Paddy's Day Trip to Tampa

**CLEARWATER YACHT CLUB** sent

15 Cruiser boats to Tampa Bay Convention Center for a fantastic St. Patrick's Day weekend to feast on local favorites with fellow yachties and friends. Cruiser hosts Frank and Terri Giardina worked overtime to earn golden star status. Frank busied himself assisting new arrivals on the dock while Terri generously poured drinks as everyone greeted each other this side of the bay. The bridge of their boat provided a delightful start and plenty of lounging space to watch downtown's many distractions. Nothing but smooth sailing this weekend with this duo at the helm.

Thursday night 45 cruisers walked to Amalie Arena for a Lightning game against the New York Rangers. Terry and Frank coordinated a special buffet and exclusive bar for the cruisers preceding the game. Trekking to their sky-high seats, CYC fans found free t-shirts and bird's eye views of all the action. Initially, the game commenced with caution and many cruisers found their way back to their personal bar where a special cruiser raffle winner would be selected to win a signed hockey puck by Tanner Jeannot. The game gained velocity in the last half for a rousing finish and exciting win by our home team.

The next day, the women Ubered their way to Hyde Park Village for shopping and lunch at Forbici Modern Italian



restaurant. The men went by foot and landed at Yeoman's Topgolf downtown for British-inspired surroundings, beer and games.

Later that night our crew gathered for dinner at Harpoon Harry's pirate-themed bar but not before wedging in a bit of St. Paddy shenanigans of cocktails, games and (wearing) green glory on the Giardina's boat.

Saturday, the city's official St. Patrick's Day festivities began (after, of course, Bloody Mary's, Mimosas and doughnuts).



It's a sight to see the city turn the river green and there are many vantage places to view this phenomenon. The group split up to choose their favorite viewing spot along the river walk and then gathered for dinner later in the evening.

Sunday topped off the international tastes of Tampa weekend with traditional Cuban fare and coffee from La Segunda. This gave cruisers the green light to return home to enjoy the actual day of St. Patrick's on their own home turf.



# Happy Anniversary

## MEMBERS CELEBRATING YEARS WITH CYC IN APRIL

### 38 YEARS

Richard & Roberta Kidd

### 21-29 YEARS

Annette Brawley

Tom & Sandy Guinand

Betty Ra Ivey

Andy & Elise Spetz

Ed & Jacquie Rachel

### 10-12 YEARS

Bryce & Christine Krueger

Steve & Susan Warner

Dave & Sherril Yoder

### 6-9 YEARS

Gerard & Judy Ackerly

Mary Lou Dean

Glen & Paula Wienkoop

Craig & Catherine Bleakley

Gerard & Michelle Kane

Kevin & Sheralynn Poster

Marian Kapusta

Mike & Amy Long

Lynne McCaskill

Steve & Janis Schroeder

Rick & Ann Tetrack

### 1-5 YEARS

Steve & Aubrey Hitchcock

Dave & Barbara Roberts

Kevin & Wendy Ambrose

Ken & Gina Burchenal

Frank & Terri Giardina

Ben & Brenda Hastings

Mark & Shirley McClearnon

Tom & Linda Smith

Larry Steele

Michael & Devon Mirmanesh

Atlas & Jennifer Lake

Stewart & Genevieve Fortunato

Alan & Neyrissa Bodnar

Jim & Lynn Smith

Jim Mullen

Brad Cooper

Don Chilton

Donald & Lesley Pratt

Michael & Samantha Haworth

# CYC EVENTS Save These Dates

## Club Dining Hours

Tuesday-Thursday 11:30 am - 9:00 pm  
Friday & Saturday 11:30 am - 9:30 pm  
Sunday Breakfast 10:00 am - 1:00 pm

## Tiki Bar Hours

Tuesday-Thursday 5:00 - 10:00 pm  
Friday 2:00 pm - closing  
Saturday & Sunday 11:00 am - closing

### MONTHLY MEETINGS

### MONTHLY COMING EVENTS

#### April Events

##### Tuesday - 2<sup>nd</sup>

Bow Chasers Sail 9:15 am  
Friends & Family Night 5:30 pm  
Landcruisers Meeting & Dinner 5:30 pm  
House & Grounds Meeting 6:00 pm

##### Wednesday - 3<sup>rd</sup>

Gulls Social 10:30 am  
Cruisers Meeting 6:30 pm

##### Thursday - 4<sup>th</sup>

Lady Cruisers Bunco 10:30 pm  
Membership Meeting 6:00 pm

##### Friday - 5<sup>th</sup>

Prime Rib Night Live Music by **Peter Kern**

##### Saturday - 6<sup>th</sup>

**Blessing of the Fleet 10:30 am**

Private Party MDR 6 pm

##### Sunday - 7<sup>th</sup>

Breakfast Buffet 10:00 am - 2:00 pm  
Tiki Bar 11:00 am - 7:00 pm

##### Tuesday - 9<sup>th</sup>

Bow Chasers Board Meeting 5:00 pm  
Friends & Family Night 5:30 pm  
Entertainment Meeting 6:00 pm

##### Bingo Night! 7:00 pm

##### Wednesday - 10<sup>th</sup>

Gulls Luncheon 10:30 am

##### Thursday - 11<sup>th</sup>

**Mixology Night 5:00 pm**

Waterside Meeting 5:30 pm

##### Friday - 12<sup>th</sup>

Prime Rib Night Music by **J.R. Connections**

**Burning of the Socks 5 pm to 6 pm**

##### Saturday, April 13<sup>th</sup>

**Movie by the pool**

##### Sunday - 14<sup>th</sup>

Breakfast Buffet 10:00 am - 2:00 pm  
Tiki Bar 11:00 - 7:00 pm

##### Tuesday - 16<sup>th</sup>

Bow Chasers Sail 9:15 am  
Friends & Family Night 5:30 pm  
Book Club 6:00 pm  
Yachting Meeting 6:00 pm

##### Wednesday - 17<sup>st</sup>

Gulls Social 10:30 am  
Finance Meeting 6:00 pm

##### Thursday - 18<sup>th</sup>

Board of Directors Meeting 6:00 pm  
Trivia Night! 7:00 pm

##### Friday - 19<sup>th</sup>

Prime Rib & Live Music by **Daryal Erdem**

##### Saturday, April 20<sup>th</sup>

**Low Country Boil**

##### Sunday - 21<sup>st</sup>

Breakfast Buffet 10:00-2:00 pm

Tiki Bar 11:00 am - 7:00 pm

##### Tuesday - 23<sup>rd</sup>

Bow Chasers Sail 9:15 am  
Friends & Family Night 5:00 pm

Trustees Meeting 6:00 pm

**Music Bingo Night! 7:00 pm**

##### Wednesday - 24<sup>th</sup>

Gulls Social 10:30 am

**Sailors Table! 6:00 pm**

##### Thursday - 25<sup>th</sup>

Vintners Dinner 6:30 pm

##### Friday - 26<sup>th</sup>

Prime Rib & Live Music by **Chello Hollyday**

##### Sunday - 28<sup>th</sup>

Grand Brunch 10 - 2 pm

Tiki Bar 11 - 7 pm

##### Tuesday - 30<sup>th</sup>

Bow Chasers Sail 9:15 am  
Friends & Family Night 5:30 pm

#### May Events

##### Wednesday - 1st

Gulls Social 10:30 am

##### Thursday - 2nd

Lady Cruiser Bunco 10:30 am  
Membership Meeting 6:00 pm

##### Friday - 3rd

Prime Rib Night Live Music by **Peter Kern**

##### Saturday - 4th

Private Party MDR 12:00 pm  
**Kentucky Derby Party 2 pm**  
**Sunday - 5th**

Breakfast Buffet 10:00 am - 2:00 pm

Tiki Bar 11:00 am - 7:00 pm

**Cinco de Mayo 2:00 pm**

##### Tuesday - 7th

Friends & Family Night 5:00 pm  
Landcruisers Meeting & Dinner 5:30 pm  
House & Grounds Meeting 6:00 pm

**Bingo Night! 7:00 pm**

##### Wednesday - 8th

Gulls Social 10:30 am  
Cruisers Meeting 6:30 pm

##### Thursday - 9th

Waterside Meeting 5:30 pm

##### Friday - 10th

Prime Rib Night Live Music by **J.R. Connections**

##### Saturday - 11th

**ARC Day 11:00 am**  
Private Party MDR 6:30 pm

##### Sunday - 12th

**Mother's Day** 11:00 am & 1:30 pm Seating  
Tiki Bar 11:00 am - 7:00 pm

##### Tuesday - 14th

Friends & Family Night 5:30 pm  
Entertainment Meeting 6:00 pm

##### Wednesday - 15th

Gulls Social 10:30 am

# WATER AEROBICS IS BACK!



CYC offers free water aerobics in the CYC pool every Tuesday and Thursday morning at 10:30am, weather dependent. Classes are taught by Bow Chaser members. Contact Judy Umeck to get notices of the class schedule. [umeck@yahoo.com](mailto:umeck@yahoo.com)

#### Intimate Candlelight Dinner Concert 6:30 pm

Finance Meeting 6:00 pm

##### Thursday - 16th

Board of Directors Meeting 6:00 pm

Private Party DD/Tiki 6:00 pm

**Trivia Night! 7:00 pm**

##### Friday - 17th

**Cruisers Cruise In**

Prime Rib & Live Music Daryal Erdem

##### Saturday - 18th

**Cruisers Cruise In**

##### Sunday - 19th

**Cruisers Cruise In**

Breakfast Buffet 10:00 am - 2:00 pm

Tiki Bar 11:00 am - 7:00 pm

##### Tuesday - 21st

Friends & Family Night 5:00 pm

Book Club 6:00 pm

Yachting Meeting 6:00 pm

Trustees Meeting 6:00 pm

**Music Bingo 7 pm**

##### Wednesday - 22nd

Gulls Social 10:30 am

##### Friday - 24th

Prime Rib & Live Music by **Ezra**

##### Sunday - 26th

Grand Breakfast Buffet 10:00 am - 2:00 pm

Tiki Bar 11:00 am - 7:00 pm

##### Tuesday - 28th

Friends & Family Night 5:00 pm

##### Wednesday - 29th

Gulls Social 10:30 am

**Sailor's Table 6:00 pm**

##### Thursday - 30th

Vintners Dinner 6:30 pm

##### Friday - 31st

**Blood Drive 2:00 pm**

Prime Rib & Live Music by **Peter Kern**

# From the Front Office

By Peter Jutis, General Manager

**WITH ANOTHER GREAT** month in the books, we look forward to an amazing April. We have some music starting on Saturdays and Sundays. Please look for musicians and the time they will be playing at the tiki in your emails and calendars.



I want to thank all the volunteers who helped with the regatta; Susan, Kathy, Steve, and Gerard (sorry if I missed anyone). It was an amazing turn out. Also, my first one ever being a part of, thank you and I look forward to the next one.

St Paddy's Day was a great turn out. Jen Howard, Christy Crist and Amy Greissinger thank you for all the hard work on making it the best St Paddy's Day we have had at the club, sorry if I missed anyone.



There's one employee this month that has gone above and beyond from the yachting committee to other yacht club's coming in and telling me how great he is at what he does. Austin Danner our dockmaster. Thank you for all the hard work, keep it up. Don't let these get to your head big guy.

We have some great events coming up this month from blessing of the fleet to a mixology class with Sam.

**Thank you!**



## IN THE SPOTLIGHT *employee of the month*



**Dockmaster Capt. Austin Danner**



### CYC New Members

At the March 21 Board of Directors meeting, the following memberships were approved:

**Brady & Abby Buynack**

**Don Buynack**

**Steven & Rita Swope**

**Alice Jones**

**James & Heisa Bouchard**

**Jeff & Colleen Glass**

**Tom & Raelyn Jeter**

**Dale & Michelle Merrill**

**Jeffrey & Anna Pennycuff**

**Richard & Sharon Romanski**

**Jeff & Editia Salmeri**

**Christine DiNicola & James Melton**

If you see the Clearwater Yacht Club burgee on a table, please introduce yourself and give our newest members a warm CYC welcome!

## KENTUCKY DERBY



SATURDAY, MAY 4TH  
3 PM IN THE TIKI DECK



### ADMISSION IS FREE!

Kentucky Derby themed food and drink specials will be available for purchase!

### FEATURING

Live Music by Ray Boucher from 4 to 8 PM

\$10 Blind Horse Draw

Best Derby Hat Contest



RSVP to the CYC Office!



# MIXOLOGY NIGHT

*With Sam*

Learn how to make and mix drinks like a pro with CYC Bartender Sam!

Thursday  
April 11th in the Grille  
5 to 7 PM



WEDNESDAY, APRIL 10TH STARTING AT 11 AM

## LADIES LUNCHEON SPONSORED BY THE GULLS

\$23 DOLLARS PER MEMBER  
GUESTS ARE WELCOME!



HUMOROUS VIDEO VIGNETTES THAT HAPPEN "ONLY IN FLORIDA"  
PRESENTED BY CHRIS CATO, NEWS ANCHOR, FOX13, TAMPA BAY  
FOLLOWED BY A Q&A SESSION.

ENTREE CHOICES ARE COMING SOON!

LIVE

RSVP BY APRIL 8TH



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Michelle Geis

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Capt. Austin Danner

Dockmaster

Holly Fulmer Communications & Membership Manager

Dan Geis

Maintenance Supervisor

## CYC Committees and Organizations

### COMMITTEES

Entertainment, Jim Hannigan & Christy Crist

Finance, Rod White

House & Grounds, VC Joan Carter

Long Term Planning, PC Mary Kay Delk

Membership, Mike Sauer

Nominating Committee, IPC Curtis Wold

Policy, Commodore, Richard Libonate

Waterside, Leader Development, John Minton

Yachting, Gerard Kane

Communications, VC Joan Carter & Carey Sauer

### CYC ORGANIZATIONS

Bowchasers, Cathy McNally & Lynne McCaskill

Cruisers, Gary & Sondra Newcom

Gulls, Marcia Nichols

FCYC Delegate, Jim Coats

Vintner's Club, Steve Hitchcock

### COMPASS

Editors, Brittani Canals & Kurt Greissinger

Art Design & Production, Randy Gdovin

Photo Credits: Terri Bignotti Giardina, Christy

Crist, Jeremiah Efird, Randy Gdovin, Kurt

Greissinger, Joe Lane, Gerard Kane, Sondra

Newcom, Karen & Ken Watson

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## COMING NEXT MONTH



Saturday, May 11  
11 am-2 pm