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# Commodore's Report.



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Ahoy Noble Mariners

Lady Ann and I want to thank you all for your support at the IASYC Bridge Change of Watch Initiation in July at the Imperial Session. We had a fun week of celebration which included a trip to the Charlotte Motor Speedway where after a great dinner we and 32 of our guests were escorted to an air condition skybox to watch the annual Legions auto race, a short concert and a great display of 4th of July Fire Works. Everyone seemed to enjoy the week even with our modified version of a hospitality room. North Carolina Laws and Hotel rules and regulations prevented us from having the traditional hospitality room to meet and enjoy each others company; however the method of acquiring reduced rate drinks from the hotel bar and free use of a meeting room with finger foods purchased from the hotel catering service seemed to work out fine and satisfy our needs.

I personally want to thank PIC III. Sir Ronnie Markham PP and Lady Kelli for installing the Bridge Officers for the ensuing year and PIC Bob Omer and Lady Sarah for a great year. Also I want to make special mention and thanks to the Almas Shrine members who attended the Banquet to support me and Lady Ann; Ill. Sir Ralph Connelly PP and his Lady Connie. Almas Recorder III. Sir Don Ferguson PP and Lady Debbie, Ill. Sir Tony Murray PP and Lady Jennifer, Ill. Sir Royce Watson PP and Lady Christine, Ill. Sir Don Holliday PP and Lady Becky, Almas Potentate Illustrious Sir Ricardo Rodriguez and First Lady Maggie, Almas High Priest & Prophet Noble Luis Cisneros and Lady Ingrid, and Almas Chief Raban & Yacht Club Commodore Noble Rick Hall. Also my personal thanks to Ill. Sir Jim Canterbury PP Khedive Shrine and Khedive Yacht Club Commodore Noble Don Super, PIC Charles Downing and Lady Elizabeth, and PC Bill Hammet. I should recognize Lady Phyllis Wendt and Lady Audrey Dyle who represented their husbands PIC Ken Wendt and PIC Dan Dyle who were in town however too ill to attend the Banquet.

We also owe a great deal of gratitude and thanks to Illustrious Sir Joseph T. Register Jr., Potentate of Khedive Shrine who so graciously invited IASYC Bridge Officers to share and ride on their Yacht Club Float and display our IASYC banners. Also thanks to the Khedive Shrine Yacht Club Members Commodore Don Super, Jim Canterbury, and Bill Hammet for their part in making this happen. I want to welcome and thank Almas High Priest & Prophet Noble Luis Cisneros and his Lady Ingred for so graciously accepting the position as IASYC Chief Aid this year. Their expertise will serve us well in San Juan.

Accompanied by IASYC Bridge Officers VC Don Gortowski and IASYC Fleet Captain Bill Kennedy, Lady Ann and I attended the Annual MAASYC Yacht Clubs Rendveveous the week of July 15th where we presented a check to Commodore Don Super to deliver to Ill. Sir Joseph T. Register Jr. for the Khedive Hospital Transportation Fund on behalf of the IASYC Commodore to thank Khedive Shrine Members for their hospitality during the July Fourth Parade in Charlotte. While we were at the MAASYC gathering at Knapp's Narrows, MD IASYC Vice Commodore Don Gortowski, myself, and Fleet Captain Bill Kennedy took advantage of some free time to have an ad hoc impromptu IASYC meeting to consider some issues we feel need to be addressed this year. Don will be continuing to investigate a method of updating our web site to include an all inclusive calendar schedule for our local yacht clubs; Noble Bill will work with IASYC Rear Commodore Bob Feustel to consider a monthly meeting of the

Bridge Officers via Skype conference; and we all will be involved with membership and my focus will initially be on a jurisdictional map and responsibility of IASYC Ambassadors and Port Captains. Another area I want to consider is a method to reduce our expenses by cutting back on the number of Yachtsman copies mailed annually. We want to increase the number published to four times annually but twice during the year a copy can be mailed and the other two

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There is still time to sign up for the IASYC Mid-Winter Convention in San Juan Puerto Rico in February 2013. If you are interested but have not made up your mind yet I would counsel you to visit the brochure and flyer in this copy of the Yachtsman and get your reservation information and deposit in for the Sheraton hotel and if you want to join us on the cruise you will need to contact the Cruse Line Royal Caribbean to reserve your Cabin. Be certain to reference IASYC when booking with the Sheraton and Royal Caribbean. Please be sure to forward your payment to the Cruise Line no later than November of this year and your reservations to the Sheraton Hotel no later than December 31st. The sign up form needs to be filled out and set to Dave Harris IASYC Sec/Treasurer.

Everyone who attended this years Session claims to have had a wonderful experience and fun week. The same fun filled week will be offered in February. Please join Lady Ann and I and your 2012 IASYC Bridge Officers for a week of South Seas weather and hospitality offered by the ILL. Sir Rafael Acosta, Potentate of Al Rai'e Saleh Shrine Oasis in San Juan Brisk breeze, calm seas, and safe journey; See you all in San Juan

LONNIE RAMOS PP IASYC Commodore



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"We will not go gently into this dark night. For the love we carry will guide the light. And hold our tears 'til the morning's bright.

Awakened again into the night, We will not go gently into this dark night. The day surrounds us without its light, And silence falls, come soon the night.

Where shadows cast past fire's light, we will not go gently into this dark night. The paths before us, the dark, the light. We ask for nothing, we know what's right.

The truth, the glory, it's found its fight. Our strength, our courage, our guiding light. We will not go gently into this dark night, And give our life without the right

To call the sun into the night, and question the question, what's wrong, what's right. We will not go gently into this dark night.

For the love we share will guide the light, And pray someday you find what's right? We pray someday you find the light. We will not go gently into this great night.

The paths before us, the dark, the light. Tomorrow comes and so the fight. Where Heroes fall but still we fight. Their voices call into the night. This war won't end, no end in sight.

We ask for nothing, we fight this fight. We ask for nothing, we know what's right. We ask for nothing. We found the light."

Joseph Anthony Welteroth, U.S. Navy Winter 1945, Iwo Jima "War is Hell" To all those who have served or are serving our country, we salute you.

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Ahoy, to all Yachtsman and Mariners.

First, a BIG THANK YOU to Commodore Lonnie and his first mate Anne for all your hard work and effort in hosting our event in Charlotte. I know that many hours were poured into making our stay, and outings very memorable. The Charlotte Speedway experience was very special.

Secondly, I appreciate the time spent and counsel given to me from Past Commodore Bob Omer. Your comments were very insightful. Best wishes to you and first mate, Sarah. Thanks for a great year.

There were many important topics discussed at our bridge meetings. One of the top issues that resonated with me was membership. In many Masonic organizations throughout the country, membership is decreasing. IASYC is no different. We are fighting to attract the membership of nobles who share our love of yacht club boating and mariner activities. Our mission is simply to provide communication and publication of these activities, while developing fraternal and social relationships among our membership. We are a service provider with opportunities to meet and develop relationships with others all over the country. This is truly a great organization to belong to.

As your Rear Commodore this year, my responsibility is to assisting Commodore Lonnie in the discharge of his duties. In addition...

My goal this year will be focused on growing our fraternal membership. To do this, I plan on working with our newly formed membership committee, reviewing, updating, and improving our benefits package to attract potential new members. Communication and value are key in stimulating and attracting new membership. We will be working diligently to provide that value for our current membership, as well as new member nobles to IASYC. I came away from our bridge meetings with a renewed sense of energy. My first mate can't wait until our next adventure with IASYC in San Juan with the rest of the crew. Your ideas and comments are welcomed. Please contact me. Respectfully,

Bob Feustel

IASYC Rear Commodore 2012-2013

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# 1st Mates Corner



Once again I had the opportunity to participate in the IASYC festivities at Imperial in Charlotte. Much like Denver, I had such a great time and met more new friends. There are so many faces I recognize even if names get garbled from

time to time. This year we spent some time getting to know Charlie and Elisabeth Downing from Norfolk, VA. What a wonderful couple with so many years of dedication to this organization. The Market Place this year was outstanding with many new items to choose from. I had so much fun there I didn't even walk into a store in Charlotte. Ha Ha. I want to personally thank Commodore Lonnie and First Lady Ann, who did an outstanding job planning and executing this huge event with down to the minute detail. Great job! Thanks to Past Commodore Bob and his lady Sarah for being so welcoming during this past year. I enjoyed being with you. I look forward to seeing everyone in San Juan. Can't wait! First mate Gail

#### 1st Mate Vera Gortowski

This was our first time in Charlotte. What a busy town, lots to see. We had a great location, walking distant to a lot of places.

My first time to a motor speedway. And I loved it. The food there was great, especially the desert table. It was a nice touch having the picture booth. Our seats for the races were perfect. What a nice ending with fireworks. Great job Lonnie & Ann.



The women's breakfast is always special because afterwards I love how we get together and talk a little about our life. We leave knowing each other better. Also it was nice to have Ann's mother with us

Can't wait till we get together for the Mid-Winter in San Juan in 2013. Stay healthy Lady Vera



1st Mate Sandy Harris Charlotte NC was a great experience for me. I got to know more of the Ladies that were in attendance. Going to the Imperial was probably the highlight of the summer for me.I look forward to many years meeting new

acquaintances with the IASYC. Sandy Harris

# Why I Like the I. A. S. Y. C.

When I was born a Shriner some 40 years ago, I did not have the time to invest in all of the Shrinedom Clubs and events. I had a family and three kids. That took all my free time, not counting running our own small family business. We were involved with the Blue

Lodge and Demolay, dad advisor, chapter dad, and then there was Rainbow. After all that we also had our own family life, and what we wanted to do. Time is a precious commodity in a young growing family, as you all know.

As you mature and your young adults leave the nest forming there own lives, time reappears. Now you find yourself a little older, grayer, slower, but with this precious commodity, time and what to do with it. Rededicating your self to Blue Lodge, a Shrine Center, a Shrine Club, and maybe a special one of a kind unit like the I.A.S.Y.C.

In my Blue Lodge I can be as active as I choose in many directions, the same at the Shrine Center and Shrine Club. Involvement is from kitchen work to sitting in the chairs, along with committee work. Shrine work is strong on fund raising, unit parades, fund raising, ceremonies, fund raising, anything to do with the kids, especially fund raising. If you are like me you are really busy with your own clubs and units. This serious business, fund rising.

When I joined the I.A.S.Y.C. it was about boats and boating, something I was doing a lot of being on the ocean year round. There are two gathering per year, a Mid-Winter meeting, hopefully some place warm, and the Imperial Session the first of July. The rest of the year you are own your own, unless you're a line officer. The great thing about the I.A.S.Y.C. was we were all interested in the same thing, boats, yachts, and boating all over the country, fresh water and salt water. Strong friendships are made, even if we see each other only once a year, some times, once every other year. Never the less, the bond is strong and very diversified. We all stand together in our dress whites, blue blazers and wearing our Fezzes proudly. You might think we were real Navy personal. The uniqueness of the I.A.S.Y.C. is it is a fun club. Setting aside all the do diligence of our other clubs and units, gathering to enjoy the social, friendly, family type atmosphere. Our ladies look forward to seeing each other because they are special in our club. We are a special club, and our ladies are a huge part of it. Who else would dress us and make sure we look great. We represent our ladies too. Every time we gather lets remember how much of a fun group we are. We are not here for a long time; we are here for a good time.



Bektash Mariners Shrine Yacht Club

Meeting June 24, 2012 at the Home of Noble Don Minor and Lady Judy in Gilford.

The meeting was called to order at 2:00 PM by Commodore, Noble Raymond Desrochers. The invocation was given by Vice Commodore, Noble John Benham. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Ill. Potentate Robert St. Jacques.

The minutes of the May 20h meeting was read by Noble Don Minor and accepted as read by George Hause. Commodore Ray Desrochers introduced plans for a prototype of a BMSYC Burgee to be presented at the next meeting on July 29<sup>th</sup>. The Club By-Laws were handed out for review by the Commodore and will be voted on during a future meeting.

The Commodore also mentioned of the two new members who joined the club as well as four present members have moved on to join the International Association of Shrine Yacht Clubs IASYC.

Guest speaker was Jack Irwin owner of Irwin Marine in Lakeport NH, founded in 1919 by his father. Jack spoke and showed a silent film of the manufacturing and development of Chris Craft wood boats from its inception during the 1920s till 1950s. Jack also showed a second film showing a number of the great wood Chris Craft boats being launched in Lake winnipesaukee at Irwin's Marina during their hay day.

There were over 20 Nobles, Ladies and guests who enjoyed the fine hospitality of the Minor's Burgers and dogs were cooked by Chef Scott Minor. Following the cook-out all attendees made their way to the Minor's docks to observe their beautiful antique GARWOOD boat. All attendees enjoyed a cruise on Lake winnipesaukee by Fleet Captain Noble Ted Dooley and Lady Barbara on their spacious Tug Boat.

The Minor's have a great setting on Governors Island on Lake Winnipesaukee and we are all grateful to have been able to enjoy their hospitality.

The next meeting will be July 29 at 2:00PM. The meeting/ cook-out will be held on Bear Island, Lake Winnipesaukee at the cottage of Noble John Benham and Lady Dot. Future meeting/cook-out will be held on Great Bay, Durham, NH at the home of Noble Chet Dunn and Lady Hope Lee.

Respectively submitted, Richard E. Melvin Secretary/Treasurer



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# REPUTATION & CHARACTER: by William Hershey Davis

The circle amid which you live determines your Reputation; the truth you believe determines your Character.

Reputation is what you are supposed to be; Character is what you are.

Reputation is the photograph; Character is the face.

Reputation comes over one from within; Character grows from within.

Reputation is what you have when you come to a new community; Character is what you have when you go away.

Your Reputation is learned in an hour; your Character does not come to light for a year.

Reputation is made in a moment; Character is built in a lifetime. Reputation grows like a mushroom; Character grows like the Oak.

A single newspaper report gives you your Reputation. A life of toil gives you Character.

Reputation makes you rich or makes you poor; Character makes you happy or makes you miserable.

Reputation is what men say about you on your headstone; Character is what angels say about you before the throne of God. IS THERE NO "ESPRIT DE CORPS"? IF NOTHING ELSE BEING A Member OF I.A. S. Y. C. IS MORE LIKELY TO MEET lifelong friends, as i have, more than in the shrine itself going to a midwinter, or an imperial is the best experience a Shriner can get, to be with other members of the fraternity is so much more rewarding than .a steak fry, or a trip to another shrine center. . i have been to the w.s.a. conventions, and the other shrine centers, but meeting with other shriners who share your interest beats all.

Richo Markson

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**International Association of Shrine Yacht Clubs** Cordially invite you to San Juan, Puerto Rico to participate in the 2013 Mid-Winter Festivities.

Commodore Elect Lonnie Ramos & Commodorable Ann are looking forward to sharing with you the traditional experience of Mid-Winter Meeting, Social Gathering and Cruise.



Mid-Winter 2013 will be in San Juan, PR at the Sheraton Old San Juan Hotel & Casino 100 Brumbaugh Street, San Juan, PR 00901 Phone: 1-787-289-1926 talk to Sue Perez for Reservations or copy the links below to our website for Reservations <u>http://www.starwoodmeeting.com/StarGroupsWeb/res?id=1201139402&key=B375D</u>

Hotel Reservations must be made by January 15, 2013 to avoid penalties for IASYC. All rooms not allocated by then will be returned to the hotel. Please mention IASYC when you make your Feb 14 - 17 reservations for \$189 + taxes per night.

Cruise Reservations must be made by December 4, 2012 to avoid penalties for IASYC. Call Royal Caribbean International at 1-800-465-3595 Mention IASYC and Group # 7294342 when you make your Feb 17 – 24 2013 cruise reservations. A Deposit of \$50 per person is due at time of reservation by June 30, 2012. A \$500 per stateroom is due by June 30, 2012 the final payment is due no later than December 4, 2012. Or you can pay the full amount by or before December 4, 2012. All cabins not allocated by then will be

returned to the Cruise Line.

After your Stay in San Juan Join us aboard the Royal Caribbean Adventures of the Seas for a 7 night Southern Caribbean Cruise



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Dave Harris Secretary/Treasure 19078 Midway Blvd. Port Charlotte, FL. 33948-3601

# IASYC AGENDA February 14 – 24 2013 Sheraton Hotel and Casino, San Juan, Puerto Rico and Royal Caribbean Cruise

<u>Thursday, February 14th</u>	Location	Time	
Lonnie & Ann will arrive	Sheraton Hotel San Juan	2:00 p.m.	
Registration	Sheraton Hotel Lobby & Lonnie's Guest Room	3:00 p.m. Until ?	
Friday, February 15 <sup>th</sup>	Location	Time	
Bridge Meeting	Sheraton Hotel San Juan	8:30 a.m.	
General Meeting	Sheraton Hotel San Juan	9:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.	
Ladies Breakfast	Local Restaurant	9:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.	
Social Gathering	Lonnie's Guest Room	12:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.	
Saturday, February 16 <sup>th</sup>	Location	Time	
Tours	Front of Hotel Lobby	9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.	
(Shrine Center, Masonic Lodges, City, Lunch)			
Social Gathering	Lonnie's Guest Room	4:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.	
Dinner on your own	Local Restaurant		
Sunday, February 17 <sup>th</sup>	Location	Time	
Shopping in San Juan	Old Town San Juan	At your Leisure	
Cruise Departs 8:30 p. m.	Port in Front of Hotel	6:00 p.m.	

This schedule is subject to change if necessary. Another schedule will follow for the on Ship activities.

Lonnie Ramos – Cell – 301-787-5624 Ann Ramos – Cell – 301-448-8880

# 1st Mate Ann Ramos

Greetings from Charlotte! We had a great time at our 138th Imperial Session we really enjoyed the experience of the Legion Car Races. What a great time we all had. I want to thank all 32 of you who joined us in this great Event. Everyone seemed to enjoy visiting with old friends and meeting new members. A good time was had by all. The Aloft Hotel seemed to be a great venue to enjoy Imperial as it was a fabulous location. The Hotel was also in a perfect spot for the parade to be viewed. Charlotte, another Imperial to put in our places that will be remembered as a good time.

Much gratitude to all that helped and a special thank you to Lou and Nancy for helping us with Registration it sure gave me a chance to take care of my Mom. Thank you Lou and Nancy for all you do. A Big thank you to Zoe for taking the time to see that my Mom was taken care of so that I was able to do the things that needed done for IASYC.

I want to thank members of IASYC for giving my Noble Lonnie Ramos the opportunity to serve as your Commodore during the coming year. I know he will maintain the high Standards of Commodores that have served before him and I appreciate the support of the membership for having me as your Commodorable for the up coming year. I will do my best to up hold the standards of the past IASYC First Ladies. Any Ladies with questions or thoughts please share them with me so that we can continue to help IASYC grow and improve. To all the Ladies of the Bridge Vera, Gail, Marie and Sandy I am very much looking forward to working with all of you, if I can be of any assistance please feel free to contact me at any time. Also I think it would be nice if you would add your photo and e-mail address at the bottom of your article. I would like the e-mail address so that I may be able to keep in contact with you throughout the year. To all the Ladies of IASYC if you would like to be included in any correspondence that I write in the near future please send me your e-mail address. I would love to be able to keep in contact with each and every one of you throughout the up coming year. I am very interested in what you are doing and where you are traveling and the happenings of your everyday lives. Please share this information with us.

A little bit about Puerto Rico I am ready to go! We have 20 rooms at the Sheraton for our Mid-Winter Conference. It is located across from the Docks where the Cruise Ships arrive and depart and just around the corner from Old Town and the local souvenir market place. I am hoping we will be able to fill all 20 rooms. For those who have not made reservations as of yet, you still have time. Your reservations must be made no later than December 31st. Don't forget the cruise afterwards we will depart Puerto Rico on February 17th

Our first port of call will be Charlotte Amalie, St. Thomas which is the capital and largest city of the U.S. Virgin

Islands founded 1666 as Taphaus. It is located on the island of Saint Thomas and as of 2004 had an estimated population of 19,000. Charlotte Amalie has many buildings of historical importance and is home to St. Thomas Synagogue the second-oldest synagogue in the Western Hemisphere. Charlotte Amalie features a tropical wet and dry climate. The city has a short dry season that covers from January through March. The city is generally very warm and humid. Average temperatures in Charlotte Amalie are at a near constant, with average high temperatures at about 88°F and average low temperatures at about 75°F.

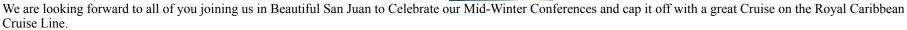
Our next Port of Call will be Basseterre. St. Kitts is the capital of the Federation Indies. The city lies within the parish of Saint George Basseterre and the Basseterre. Basseterre is one of the oldest towns in the Eastern Caribbean. Terre Island. The city of Basseterre has one of the most tragic histories of any by colonial wars, fire, earthquakes, floods, riots and hurricanes. Despite all of restored buildings still exist in downtown Basseterre. Basseterre features a tropical characteristic of cities with this climate, temperatures remain constant throughout the temperatures averaging 80° year-round.

The next Port of Call will be Williamstad, Curacao, Curacao is known for its coral beaches on the south side contain many popular diving spots. An unusual feature of

drops steeply within a few hundred feet of the shore, and the reef can easily be reached without a boat. This drop-off is known as the "blue edge." Strong currents and lack of beaches make the rocky northern coast dangerous for swimming and diving, but experienced divers sometimes dive there from boats when conditions permit. The southern coast is very different and offers remarkably calm waters. The coastline of Curacao features many bays and inlets, many of them suitable of mooring. The year's average minimum temperature is 78°.

Our Last Port of Call before heading back to San Juan will be Oranjestad; Aruba is the capital and largest city of Aruba. Oranjestad is located on the southern coast near the western end of the island country. In the local language, Papiamento, Oranjestad is often referred to simply as "Playa". Located on Aruba's picturesque southern coast, Oranjestad is the historical Dutch capital city where the tall multicolored houses of Wilhelminastraat combine carved wooded doors and traditional Dutch tiles with airy open galleries and sloping, Aruban-style roofs. Along the wharf, merchants come to sell fresh fish and produce right off the boats every morning. All of Aruba's government buildings and main offices are located in the capital city. Oranjestad is also the place to shop or to browse in the marketplace for Aruban art and local handicrafts. Depending on the time of year, you could also find yourself in the middle of Carnival, a summertime festival, the New Year's fireworks, or even a parade in honor of the Queen. At any

time of year. Oranjestad is the bustling meeting place of tourists and locals alike. Wow what a way to end a great Cruise in Aruba !!!!!!!!!



Ann Ramos IASYC Commodorable warramos@aol.com







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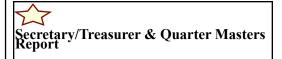
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Brethren,

"Every day you may make progress. Every step may be fruitful. Yet there will stretch out before you an ever lengthening, ever ascending, ever improving path. You know you will never get to the end of the journey. But this, so far from discouraging, only adds to the joy and glory of the climb."

Bro. Winston Churchill

Ahoy IASYC members, summer is about over and the busy season is upon us. Dig out that old yellow yacht club shirt and decide if you want to wear it another season. We have fresh new ones waiting to adorn you.

The first 100 who order one will receive free shipping, just mention it when ordering. The BOGO Sale is still on for the items mentioned in our last column.

PS, The ships store will not be traveling to Puerto Rico. Order your needs now, Christmas is just around the corner Ladies. Get something for your big strong sailor that will make him proud and happy. Your Store Keeper Extreme, Dave

In the last couple "Yachtsman" I pleaded for IASYC delinquent dues payers to please put your 2012 dues check in the mail!

Several of our members have told me that they in possession of a 2012 membership card, therefore they must have paid their dues?

NOT SO, last year we tried something new, we mailed every member a card along with a self addressed envelope to return your dues in. Many of our members did not understand that concept? This lack of compliance has made for many hours of unnecessary work for the office crew at IASYC. Therefore, how about we do this. Check your check register. If you have a record of paying, good. If not please remit! If you no longer wish to be a member of the IASYC, please let us know by mailing , emailing or phoning me with your decision and I can remove you from our roles. Fraternally, Dave Harris Secretary / Treasurer The following picture is a different way to raise money for the Hospital/Transportation Fund. Just empty your pockets when you have a meeting. It's amazing how fast it mounts up.





fellow Mariners!

In my last message to you, we discussed the need to develop a plethora of club promotions that would help to improve our many yacht clubs/units image, attract new prospects to join you and also be personally rewarding. As an example, we discussed the Memorial Day Presentation the Khedive Yacht Club made on a cruise to Bay Creek Marina located at Cape Charles, Va. We asked that all our members send in examples of events they have held that we in turn could publicize in the Yachtsman. Other clubs might want to duplicate the event in their own areas. It would appear that no one read my column as we did not receive a single response. In any case, we will try again:

A few months ago, the KENA Shrine Yacht Club held a Pirate's Costume Ball at their Temple located in Fairfax, VA. It was a real Blast! The event was well publicized throughout the MAASYC Region and was well attended with as many as 50% of the guests traveling from other Yacht Clubs. Khedive sent a contingent of five members with their wives, plus three of the IASYC officers elect : Commodore Lonnie Ramos, Vice Commodore Don Gortowski and yours truly. The libations, food, company and special games like "walking the plank" and costume competitions were great fun. Everyone indicated they would be back for a repeat next year. Incidentally, Don Gortowski had an ample supply of IASYC application flyers with him and your bridge officers made sure they were well distributed.

The greatest problem facing the Shriners in general and clubs in particular is that of an aging membership. We absolutely must attract new members if we are not going to go the way of the dodo bird. Americans are the most creative people on earth. Let's hear from you. Give IASYC the opportunity to take your programs and distribute them to others. We can't hide our light(s) under a bushel basket. So drop me a line. Tell me about the events that you have held that were fun. It doesn't matter how small or big, how simple or complex, how cheap or expensive. We can put them all in the basket and add some salt and pepper, shake them up and generate a fresh new list of events that will blow the socks off everybody and create a new Yacht Club. And, just so you know, the KENA Yacht Club was almost out of business four years ago; however, with the Pirate's Ball as a start they now have one of the fastest, hottest Yacht Clubs in the MAASYC region! How about that?

Well, fellow Mariners all, that's about it for this issue; but, we surely want you to know how much we would enjoy meeting you and, at a minimum, hearing from you. Because you are a Shriner and a member of a Shrine Yacht Club and/or Mariner Unit, we know you have lived a terrific life and we want to know about every detail of it!

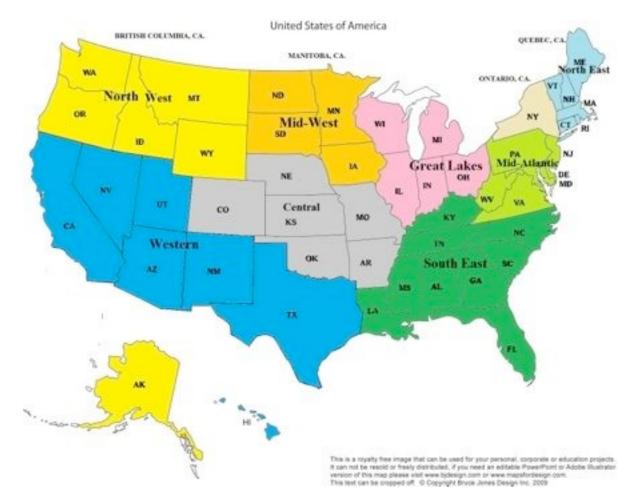
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Photo Caption: Harrrrr, Harrrr! Spike me timbers if that's not (L to R) Pretty lad Don Super, Commodore; Woeful Willie Kennedy, PC; and Crab Crack Jim Canterbury, Rear Commodore, PC, PMC, PP, jolly Khedive thieves all at the KENA Pirate's Ball!



Ahoy Nobles and Ladies We have just past the midpoint in the 2012 bating season and what a memorable time Vera and I are having. The 2012 Imperial Session and IASYC Change of Watch in Charlotte, North Carolina was a great success. Dinner and the Races Commodore under Bob Omer. He has served I ASYC well and continues to do so. Welcome aboard Fleet Captain Bull S. Kennedy and his Lady Betry (Keldive). Many of our regular members missed our summer meeters, we need to recruit new members, members, we need to recruit new members, may seen that this increases membership. Me are presently working on a calendar for our I AASYC web site that would include Shrine Jand, Maryland, 120 were present, what a great time for everyone. Thanks to Fleet Captain Don Wellen and his Lady Donna, (Keran), Rear Commodore Kenneth Norris and his Lady Fileen (Kismet), Vice Commodore	Vice Commodore's Report Wice Commodore's Report Wice Commodore's Report Wice Commodore's Report Wice Commodore's Report Don Gortowski CRESENT Lady - Vera 164 Delaware St Thorofare, NJ 08086 R: 856-848-1408 C: 609-617-4313 dgboat@aol.com	Maurice A Herbert and his Lady Sandy (Almas) and last but not least Commodore Erv Kaucher and his Lady Doris (Lulu) Next stop (MASA) Mid-Atlantic Shrine Convention Virginia Beach, September 6th-9th, 2012 MAASYC Change of watch. Please set time aside for 2013 Imperial Session Indianapolis, Indiana June 30th-4th details to be announced.	
PAGE 13 FALL 2012 WWW.IASYC.ORG	We have just past the midpoint in the 2012 boating season and what a memorable time Vera and I are having. The 2012 Imperial Session and IASYC Change of Watch in Charlotte, North Carolina was a great success. Dinner and the Races at Charlotte Motor Speedway was an enjoyable experience. Our hats off to Lonnie and Ann for their great planning. It was a pleasure to serve on the bridge as Rear Commodore under Bob Omer. He has served IASYC well and continues to do so. Welcome aboard Fleet Captain Bill S. Kennedy and his Lady Betty (Kehdive). Many of our regular members missed our summer meeting due to illness, let us all pray for their speedy recovery. I believe the next few years are crucial to IASYC existence. Membership has suffered due to the present economy and aging members, we need to recruit new members, one way I have seen that works is to invite family, friends and neighbors to our events. I have seen that this increases membership. We are presently working on a calendar for our IAASYC web site that would include Shrine Yacht Clubs by district and include events and meeting dates. This summer Mid-Atlantic Association of Shrine Yacht Clubs rendezvous was held at Knapp's Narrows Marina & Inn Tilghman Island, Maryland, 120 were present, what a great time for everyone. Thanks to Fleet Captain Don Wellen and his Lady Donna, (Kena), Rear Commodore Kenneth Norris and his Lady Eileen (Kismet), Vice Commodore	I hope everyone is enjoying the rest of the summer. Calm seas and blue sky's.	

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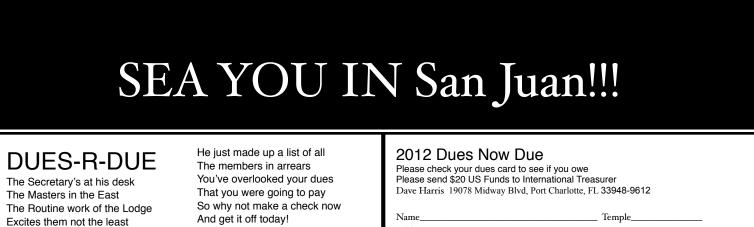
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The treasurer's in tears

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