



# Indianapolis Imperial Beckons

## Bob Omer, Past International Commodore, retires as "Yachtsman" Editor/Publisher.

After many years of service, Commodore Lonnie Ramos announced that Past Commodore Bob Omer has formally resigned the position of Editor/Publisher. In a formal letter, Bob said that "after careful thought he had decided to publish his last issue of the IASYC Yachtsman and live the good life...no more deadlines, no more pleading for stories and pictures, no more fighting with printers, no more anything...just peace and quiet!"



"After six years at the helm, I believe our publication is solid and professional, interesting and newsworthy and now is a good time to turn it over to new personnel with new ideas. It's been a pleasure to serve; and I reserve the right to occasionally participate with an article or two. I hope all our readers will take the opportunity to do the same. Our newsletter should always represent all our readers. Our readers should always be an active part of the Yachtsman!"

## Kennedy Named New Editor!

William S. Kennedy, IASYC Rear Commodore Elect, has been named as the new Editor of the IASYC Yachtsman Newsletter. Recently announced by Commodore Lonnie Ramos, "Bill, worked in the Advertising field for over 40 years, including running his own agency, Kennedy&Kennedy, Inc. He brings not only a wealth of creative experience to this position, but also highly successful market planning. We can look forward to his building on the fine publishing base established by Bob Omer!"

"In addition to representing many of the nation's top corporations, Bill also has lent his time and talent to many civic organizations including The Antique & Classic Boat Society. He and his Lady Betty cruise on a Classic 42 ft. Owens Aruba named Shangri-La. They reside in Virginia Beach, VA."

## Don Gortowski to take the wheel as 2013-2014 International Commodore! He will continue to pursue the efforts established by Commodore Lonnie Ramos PP creating new Yachting Clubs/Units in South America.

On July 1 - 4 thousands of Shriners will congregate to celebrate the installation of the Imperial Potentate, the Illustrious John A. Cinotto (Murat), to become the 139th Imperial Potentate. At the same time, the International Association of Shrine Yacht Clubs will be meeting to install our new Bridge that includes Don Gortowski, Commodore Elect (Crescent); Bob Feustel, Vice Commodore Elect (Araba); Bill Kennedy, Rear Commodore Elect (Khedive); and Ray Desrochers, Fleet Captain Elect (Bektash). The IASYC Installation will take place at the Fairfield Inn and all our members are most welcome to attend. It is hoped that Nobles who live in the Midwest will take advantage of this opportunity to join us.

Don, who originally hailed from Chicago, IL and now resides in New Jersey, is a semi-retired printing equipment executive. He is a former Crescent Commodore and former Mid-Atlantic Association Shrine Yacht Club Commodore. Both he and his wife have been active in the Chesapeake Bay Yacht Club Association and have held executive positions with several upper Bay yacht cruising clubs. He brings strong organizational skills to his new position.

"Because of the hard work of Lonnie Ramos and Commodore Anne, we are now in a position to begin the process of becoming truly International. Shrines are displaying signs of rapid growth both in the Phillipine and throughout central and south America.



We want to make sure we do everything we can to assist them in development of Shrine Yacht Clubs and Mariner Marching Units as well. Enthusiasm is really taking hold, said Gortowski, as we noted in our recent trip to San Juan. The building of the Shrine Temple next door to their magnificent Grand Lodge is underway and we believe we have already laid the groundwork for establishing a Yacht Club there within the next couple of years.

"Also, we are in the process of completing a new CD on the challenges offered to Shrine members to join and grow in IASYC! Isn't this a fantastic time to be a Shriner!?"



### A Special Message:

Keep membership your "number one" priority by promoting family fun, fellowship, and brotherly love."

Alan "Al" Madsen,  
Imperial Potentate

## Six of Nine Regional Ambassadors Appointed by Lonnie Ramos

After literally months of work gathering, sifting and analyzing territories and matching names with geography, a list of strong candidates has been established to become the new IASYC Jurisdictional Regional Ambassadors. Nearly all of them have been tested many times as Club Commodores, Potentates, PIC's and the like. They recognize all the difficulties of helping our clubs build membership and raising funds; but they are to a man, also aware of the incredible opportunities afforded their efforts for the future growth of the IASYC! (A list of these men is shown in this newsletter, along with the contact information you need to get in to touch with them whenever the need arises.)

During the next few months, the Regional Ambassadors will be developing a marketing plan for their respective regions, setting up a selection process for the naming of District Commodores and Port Captains for each yacht club/unit throughout the world. Listen for their call!

# A Message from your Commodore

Ahoy Noble Mariners,

This may very well be my last article as IASYC Commodore, therefore I would like to preface my remarks by thanking all the members for their trust and support for Lady Ann and me to serve this great Organization in the past year. I would give a special word of gratitude for your Bridge Officers and thank them for their hard work, dedication and leadership during my term. With their assistance, we have made great strides to update and streamline the inner workings of the IASYC goals. Our Secretary/Treasurer Noble Harris has worked tirelessly to follow my direction in updating our existing Roster and offering a moratorium to members who have fallen behind in their Dues. All Bridge Officers were involved in a Phone Bank Endeavour to update the current Roster as it relates to deceased members, and a few of our members who have become ill or now reside in an Assisted Living Health Care Facility and no longer have the desire to remain associated with IASYC. Having said that, I am pleased to report that by July 2013 at the Change of Watch, there should be no members carried on our Roster as NPD (Non-Payment of Dues).



I hope you have taken notice of the updated version of our Yachtsman Publication. Through the assistance of a few Past Commodors, namely our Editor Bob Omer PIC, our Publisher Tom Magnason PIC, PIC Ronnie Markham who assisted with our Web Connections, we have been able to attempt a redesign and add information that we feel is of interest to readers. Although it is still in the stage of redesign we welcome all membership input. We are trying to offer a more desirable product, for instance we are offering a more in-depth Obituary Column with a gentle history of our deceased members. Eventually we hope to have a column offering members a place to advertise boating articles they are attempting to sell.

You may have noticed also we have added the Jurisdictional Map which also identifies the location of each Temple and Temple Yacht Clubs in the US and Canada. IASYC Fleet Captain Noble Kennedy and Fleet Captain Elect Noble Desrochers have been heavily involved in identifying and nominating Ambassadors for the 9 Jurisdictions who will in turn attempt to identify a representative from each Shrine Yacht Club so that we can re-connect IASYC with each Club and Member. With the savings that we have realized in the re-design, printing, publishing, and mailing of the Yachtsman we have determined that we are able to physically publish 4 times per year, instead of our initial attempt and decision to publish twice a year and send out electronically twice a year to better serves the IASYC Members.

I am very pleased to report the success of the 2012 Change of Watch Banquet at Imperial Session in Charlotte, North Carolina as well as our 2013 Mid-Winter Convention in San Juan, Puerto Rico. I am attaching the profit & loss financial statements for both events. They are self explanatory and through the assistance and guidance from the PIC Board of Directors, I can proudly report not only did we not lose any money at these events, we realized a small profit. You will note that we had a carry over of approximately \$700.00 from the July Meeting in Charlotte and through the assistance of our Masonic and Shrine friends in Puerto Rico and careful planning, we were able to show a gain of about \$250.00 for both events. If you have any questions subsequent to perusing this information my e-mail and phone number are available and I assure you I will answer any and all interrogatories with full disclosure and on the level.

I would ask that you continue your full support of IASYC and Vice Commodore Don Gortowski, Lady Vera and his Bridge Officers for the ensuing year as you prepare for the Change of Watch in Indianapolis, Indiana in July of 2013. Also please mark your calendar and prepare for the Change of watch in 2014 in Minneapolis, Minnesota in support of your Rear Commodore Bob Feustel and Lady Gail. Lady Ann and I will continue to serve the IASYC Members in the future. I am eagerly looking forward to continuing the programs I have started such as redesigning our Web Connection on the Imperial Site as well as the local IASYC Web Site, pursuing the possibility of paying dues and ordering merchandise from our store via a Pay Pal Account and at the suggestion of PIC Ronnie Markham a further research for a possible Master Card or Visa Credit Card. In terms of the IASYC Web Site, we feel that we can better serve the members by offering a Universal Calendar where each Yacht Club can post and advertise upcoming events and share other information which may be of interest to our Boating Community. By offering the Pay Pal Account, the belief is, it may simplify the method of payment of Dues and ordering merchandise and ease the confusion of individual record keeping for our Secretary/Treasurer. Lastly, the offer of an IASYC Credit Card may afford us another vehicle of earning rewards for each individual card holding member.

If you have any suggestions how we can better serve you or your Yacht Club please contact any Bridge Officer and state whether or not you would like to see your suggestion added to the next Yachtsman Publication.

Thank You for your dedication and service to IASYC,

Lonnie Ramos PP  
IASYC Commodore 2012-13



# Signals from the Bridge

## IASYC Change of Watch, Charlotte, NC 2012 Finance Report

Collections				Payouts								
Line Item	People	Amount	Total	Social Food #1	Social Food #2	Social Food #3	Social Drink #1	#2	#3	Sub Total	Balance	
Social	28	\$30.00	\$840.00	\$170.28	\$130.98	\$130.98	\$282.92	\$220.05	\$265.89	\$1,201.10	(\$361.10)	
Ladies Breakfast	15	\$20.00	\$300.00	\$334.01						\$334.01	(\$34.01)	
Races	32	\$60.00	\$1,920.00	\$1,355.71						\$1,355.71	\$564.29	
Change Watch Dinner	49	\$35.00	\$1,715.00	\$1,119.90						\$1,119.90	\$595.10	
Reimbursement										(\$70.00)	(\$70.00)	
Donation			\$10.00								\$694.28	
Charlotte Balance			\$4,785.00								\$704.28	
Statement Reflects \$704.28 overage carried forward to the San Juan Mid-Winter												

## IASYC Mid-Winter, San Juan, Puerto Rico February 2013 Finance Report

Collections				Payouts								
Line Item	People	Amount	Total	2/14, 2/15, 2/16	Sub Total	Balance						
Social	30	\$25.00	\$750.00	\$501.99	\$501.99	\$248.01						
Ladies Breakfast	17	\$20.00	\$340.00	\$431.80	\$431.80	(\$91.80)						
Bus Tour & Lunch	32	\$35.00	\$1,120.00	\$1,340.11	\$1,340.11	(\$220.11)						
Bus to Ship	33		\$2,210.00		\$2,273.90	(\$63.90)						
Charlotte Balance			\$704.28		(\$330.00)	(\$330.00)						
Balance Mid-Winter Collections			\$2,914.28		\$704.28	\$704.28						
Reimburse to (Lonnie)						\$310.38						
CVS (Plastic Ware, Bowls etc.)						(\$27.52)						
Profit/Loss on San Juan & Charlotte						\$282.86						
Statement Reflects a Profit from both Events												

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## PIC Board of Directors

Harold R. Keene - 1986 - 87  
(Rameses) Ontario, Canada

Vern Beard - 1988 - 89  
(Al Kader) Portland, Oregon

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(Amara) Port Saint Lucie, Florida

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Klaus Reinwarth - 2010 - 11  
(Amara) Stuart, Florida

Robert Omer - 2011 - 12  
(El Jebel) Anthem, Arizona

## IASYC History

IASYC in 1971 started as a club within the Shrine composed of Shrine boaters in Temple Yacht Clubs, ambassadors of goodwill and those affiliated among the boating fraternity. IASYC today represents all of these affiliates. It is a private, self-supporting, fraternal Shrine boating association dedicated to the furtherance of the aims of shrinedom. It has grown and developed since its infancy from the Atlantic seaboard to all areas of the country from coast to coast into Canada and to Alaska and Hawaii. It's growth and expansion continues with no end in sight. We consider ourselves the most family oriented and premier organization in all shrinedom

# Yacht Clubs Throughout the Regions

## Almas Yacht Club

Greetings from Commodore Fletcher and the members of the Yacht Club. At the March meeting we had 28 Nobles and guests including two Past Grand Masters, Our own IASYC Commodore Lonnie Ramos, four Past Potentates and five Past Commodores. Everyone enjoyed a good meal and great conversation. The first social event, the "Shakedown Cruise" is scheduled to take place on June 29th. This will be a 90 minute cruise on the Potomac. Further information will be published in the near future. If you want to enjoy a scenic cruise and have fun with a great group of people, please plan to join us. Bring a friend or two; everyone is welcome.



## Hadi Mariners Trap Shoot

The Hadi Shrine Mariners held their first Trap Shoot May 18-19 of this year, it was our maiden voyage. The weather held out for us, over cast calm winds on Saturday, Sunday was hot and humid and a bit more windy. The shoot was held at the Evansville Gun Club, with Bill Davis as chairman and Steve Vessel as co-chair. The total number of shooters were around seventy five. The shoot was in honor of Noble Edgar Kuhlenschmitt he will seventy five next week, he shot all events both days, F.Y.I. that is six hundred rounds. The Mariners cooking team did a great job cooking, we did get a lot of thank you's for the great food. The shoot start with a thought of how to raise money for the Mariners. Since I used to shoot often the bridge and members SAID go for it, we did and we made money. The trophy's were made by one of are members and we had trophy sponsors that covered more than the cost. I would like to thank Harold and Jimmie Bowers for the use of the club.---NOTE ---Harold was so impressed that he wants to become a Mason and Shriner.

Bill Davis





## A Message from your Vice Commodore



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We are in the final stretch to 2013 Imperial Session and IASYC Change of watch in Indianapolis, Indiana June 30 thru July 4. We will be staying at the Fairfield Inn Downtown, 1 block from the Convention Center. We have only a few rooms left so don't be left out. I would like to thank those who have already signed up. Indianapolis has so many attractions there will hardly be enough time to see a fraction of them.

It is a pleasure to work with our Commodore Lonnie Ramos PP. He and Commodore Ann have worked hard on updating our roster and the district maps of Shrine Yacht Clubs, along with arranging IASYC Change of Watch in Charlotte, NC and Mid-Winter Meeting in San Juan, Puerto Rico and Cruise. They are truly a dedicated team.

We will be posting the IASYC Mid Winter Meeting agenda on the IASYC Website shortly. It will be held in Tampa Florida February 13th through 16th 2014. With a 7day Cruise to the Western Caribbean.

2013 MAASYC SUMMER RENDEZVOUS  
JULY 11 – JULY 14, 2013  
Spring Cove Marina  
Solomons, MD

### TENTATIVE AGENDA

Saturday Evening Theme: "Miami Nights"  
Decorating Theme: "Having Fun Helping Kids"

### THURSDAY, 11 JULY

1300-1600 hrs. Fleet Captain, Dock Master and First Mates Standing by to Greet Arrival  
1600-1800 hrs. Hospitality-Nur, Kismet and Khedive  
1800 hrs. Dinner on Your Own

### FRIDAY, 12 JULY

0900 hrs. MAASYC Captains Meeting  
1100 hrs. Boat Parade  
1400 hrs. R. C. Boat Race  
1600-1830 hrs. Hospitality- Crescent, Almas and Boumi  
1900 hrs. Dinner on Your Own

### SATURDAY, 13 JULY

0900 hrs. MAASYC Summer Meeting (Summer Uniform)  
1300 hrs. Boat Decoration Judging Begins  
1400 hrs. Memorial Service-Open to all-led by Almas  
1300-1600 hrs. Hospitality - Kena and Lulu  
1900 Dinner at the Holiday Inn Banquet Room

### SUNDAY, 14 JULY

0800 hrs. Eye Openers with Fleet Captain in Tent  
1100 hrs. Clear the Docks! Have a Safe and Enjoyable Cruise Home.

## A Message from your Rear Commodore



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Ahoy,

Spring in South Florida, could it get any better? The Mariners and First Mates have been very busy raising funds for the Shriners Hospital Transportation fund. As a team, we worked the "Honda Classic" in February, the Ball Park in March, and hosted a great Fish Fry on Good Friday. During this time, we have increased our membership. We now have 43 members in the Amara Mariners, who enjoy coming to meetings with their First Mates and support our fund raising efforts.

Recently, I attended the FSMYCA meetings being held in Tampa and enjoyed all the festivities. As Commodore of The Amara Mariners, I supported our own Jim Beattie, a member of IASYC, who, at the 'Change of Watch', was installed as Commodore of the Florida Shrine Mariners Yacht Club Association for 2013-2014. He was installed by our own Amara Potentate, Illustrious Dan Dyle, Past Commodore of IASYC, FSMYCA and Amara Mariners. Congratulations Jim Beattie. We held model boat races on the Bay on Saturday, despite brisk winds. What a hoot!

During the conferences, IASYC Sec. Dave Harris and I passed out our new brochures to those in our meetings. We talked about the advantages of IASYC membership and were able to sign 2 new members to the IASYC family.

On this past Saturday, our Mariner unit hosted a Riverboat Luncheon Cruise on the St Lucie and Indian Rivers in the Stuart area. This area is very historical, in the early discovery and exploration of America by Juan Ponce de Leon, 68 Mariners and Mates were aboard the "City of Fredricksburg" paddleboat captained by Capt. Tom Pearson of Virginia. Attendees on the 3 hour cruise included, the Commodore of FSMYCA, Jim Beattie, the sitting Commodore of Amara Mariners and the Amara Potentate, Ill. Sir Dan Dyle. We had an excellent day on the water.

Lady Gail and I are looking forward to seeing everyone in Indy.

Fraternally,  
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Deadline for the next  
*Yachtsman* is August 10th



# Commodore Elect Donald Gortowski & Lady Vera

Cordially invite you to Indianapolis, Indiana to participate in the 2013 Imperial session, July 1-4th we are looking forward to sharing with traditional experience of installing IASYC Bridge Officers for the up coming year.

## At the Fairfield Inn & Suites Indianapolis Downtown

501 West Washington Street • Indianapolis, Indiana 46204 \* **Phone 1-317-636-7678**

**Toll-free:1-866-704-2648**, valet parking based on availability, rates are subject to change.



Hotel Reservations must be made by June 30 to avoid penalties for IASYC. All rooms not allocated by then will be returned to the hotel. Please mention IASYC when you make your July 1-4 reservations for \$130.00 + Tax. Indianapolis lodging includes free Wi-Fi and room service Relax in our Indianapolis accommodations by listening to tunes in the provided iPod docking station. Spacious downtown suites in Indianapolis include LCD TVs, free HBO and premium cable channels. We provide newspaper delivery and express check-out at one of Fairfield Inn & Suites Indianapolis Downtown. To the Convention Center 0.2 mile, Eiteljorg Museum of American Indians & Western Art Nearby 0.1 mile and Indianapolis Zoo nearby 0.8 mile. This hotel has a smoke-free policy.

## Sign Up Form

Temple Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Current Title You Hold: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Nobles Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Lady: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Guest's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Guest's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Hospitality \$30 Per Person # of People \_\_\_\_\_ X \$30 = \_\_\_\_\_

Bus Trip to Indy Motor Speedway \$35 Per Person # People \_\_\_\_\_ x \$35 \_\_\_\_\_

Bus Trip to Scottish Rite Cathedral \$15 Per Person # People \_\_\_\_\_ x\$15 = \_\_\_\_\_

Ladies Breakfast \$21 Per Person # of People \_\_\_\_\_ x \$21 = \_\_\_\_\_

Change of Watch Banquet \$45 Per Person # People \_\_\_\_\_ x \$45 = \_\_\_\_\_

Total \_\_\_\_\_

Send Reservation and Checks To:  
 Dave Harris Secretary/Treasurer  
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**INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION  
OF SHRINE YACHT CLUBS**

June 29 - July 4, 2013 • Indianapolis, Indiana

**Saturday, June 29th**

Donald & Vera Gortowski Arrive

**Sunday, June 30th**

IASYC Registration at Fairfield Inn Hotel

Marketplace (12:00 pm - 5:00 pm)

(3:00 pm) Public Opening, Indianapolis Convention Center

(3:00pm until?) Hospitality

**Monday, July 1st**

Registration at Fairfield Inn Hotel

(9:30 am) Ladies Breakfast (Osteria Proato at the JW)

(9:30 am) IASYC Meeting

(3:00 pm – 5:00) Hospitality

(4:30 pm) Prepare for parade

(7:00 pm) Evening Parade

Marketplace (9 am – 5 pm)

**Tuesday, July 2nd**

(8:45 am) Meet at Convention Center for Bus to Indy Motor Speedway

(9:00 am) Depart Convention Center and travel to the Indianapolis Motor Speedway.

(9:20 am) Arrive the Indianapolis Motor Speedway.

(9:30 am) Indianapolis Motor Speedway “Grounds Tour” departs.

(11:00 am) Indianapolis Motor Speedway “Grounds Tour” returns.

(11:00 am) Time to visit the Indianapolis Motor Speedway Museum and take the ride around the Track.

\* (12:00 noon) Depart the Speedway and return to the Convention Center.

(12:20 pm) Arrive at the Convention Center.

\* (Or 12:30 pm) Depart the Speedway and return to the Convention Center.

(12:50 pm) Arrive at the Convention Center.

\* (1:00 pm) Depart Convention Center and travel to the Scottish Rite Cathedral.

(1:15 pm) Arrive the Scottish Rite Cathedral and enjoy lunch.

(2:15 pm) Tour of Scottish Rite Cathedral begins.

(3:00 pm) Tour of Scottish Rite Cathedral ends.

\* (3:15 pm) Depart Scottish Rite Cathedral and return to the Convention Center.

(3:30 pm) Arrive at the Convention Center

Marketplace (9 am – 5 pm)

**Wednesday, July 3rd**

Marketplace (9:00 am – 5:00 pm)

(11:30 am) Change of Watch Luncheon (at the JW Osteria Proato)

(4:00 pm until?) Hospitality

**Thursday, July 4th**

Leave for Home

Marketplace (9:00 am 12:00 pm)

Schedule is subject to change if necessary.

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## A Message from your Secretary/Treasurer & Quarter Master



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Ahoy out there from sunny SW Florida.

This past weekend Sandy and I attended the Florida Shrine Convention in Tampa Florida. Aside from the beautiful Florida weather, we had the opportunity to have our lodging at the Bay Harbor Best Western. The hotel is located next door to the Imperial Shrine HQ. While visiting the Shrine History Museum, we were greeted by Imperial Sir Jack Jones. On Saturday afternoon we walked to the back of the hotel to the beach, where I competed in the RC boat races that the FSMYCA puts on twice a year. Compete is a bad choice of words. I was not prepared and if higher time counted, then I would have been the winner! Attached to the Hotel is Hogan's restaurant, owned by Hulk Hogan. I'm not a wrestling fan, but the memorabilia display was very impressive, and the food served there was great. The views and ocean breeze are unsurpassed for any visitor. While staying there I received a phone call from IAS.Y.C. Commodore elect Don Gortowski. It just so happens he has chosen this very same hotel to hold the IAS.Y.C. Mid-Winter gathering in Feb 2014. It could not have been a better choice. We are looking forward to seeing all our Shrine friends in Indianapolis in July and once again in Feb 2014 in beautiful Tampa FL.

YITF, Dave

## A Message from your Fleet Captain



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It's hard to believe that in just one year so many changes have come about. New visions are beginning to unfold to help us better meet the challenges of our times. In 2013 we jumped from two to four newsletters (with two of them transmitted electronically), a new website is being created that will be placed as an adjunct on the Shrine site, a new application form is already printed and being distributed that offers prospective members real opportunities for personal growth, a video CD is being scripted for use by our clubs/units to use to attract new members, our membership data bank has been updated, many of our Regional Ambassadors have been appointed, plans are being formulated to aid many Shrines to form new Yacht Clubs and we are looking at ways of creating a new look to our newsletter, The Yachtsman, to make it even more responsive to the needs of our growing membership.

Yes, it's an exciting time. So, climb aboard and hold on!

See you in Indy!

## A Message from your Fleet Captain Elect



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Greetings from the Fleet Captain Elect! This July, in Indianapolis, IN, I will be installed as Fleet Captain of IAS.Y.C. I feel at this time you should know more about me. I was born in 1939 in the small town of Franklin, NH. I graduated as an Electrical, Mechanical Engineer from University Lowell in Massachusetts and worked in the electronics industry until 1965 when my career changed after purchasing a wholesale/retail florist and plant growing business. In 1970, I changed my career once again and joined the insurance industry as a General Broker, and in 1975 I became a Regional Manager covering the Northeastern States. At the age of 55, I am semi-retired as a Financial Advisor.

My Masonic affiliation started in 1998 at the Mount Lebanon Lodge #32 in Laconia NH. I was raised in March of that year.

*Currently a Member in good standing of: Craft Lodge:*  
1998/Mount Lebanon Lodge #32 Laconia, NH, 2012 /Meridian Lodge #60 Franklin, NH

*Shrine Club:* 1998/Bektash Shriners, Concord, NH

*OTHERS:* 2005/Rameses Shriners Yacht Club Toronto, Canada  
2005/IAS.Y.C., 1998/Scottish Rite in Valley of Concord, NH,  
1998/Scottish Rite in Valley of Nashua, NH

*Currently:* Commodore Bektash Mariners Shrine Yacht Club (founder 2012), Port Captain Rameses Shrine Yacht Club Toronto, Canada.

My boating career began when I purchased my first boat in 1971. Since then I have logged over 34,000 nautical miles, have been a member of several Yacht Clubs and have served as Commodore twice, Ambassador for 17 years, and Dock Master for 15 years.

My First Mate Betty and I have had many hours of pleasure, exploring the northeast waterways as Captain and First Mate of our own vessel, a forty foot, 1973 Pacemaker, which we have enjoyed refurbishing from stem to stern. We call her "Touch of Class." Over the years we have traveled to Cape May, New York City, Nantucket, Martha's Vineyard, Block Island, Erie Canal, Lake Champlain, Montreal, St. Lawrence River, Quebec City, Lake Ontario, Toronto, The Rideau Canal, Ottawa, The Trent Severn Waterway, Georgian Bay, Lake Huron and now in Lake St. Clair, MI. We enjoy looking at our written logs and years of video and reminisce about the wonderful adventures we have shared.

Fleet Captain Elect, Ray Desrochers

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**Yachtsman** is August 10th

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# Sweet Signals from the Ladies of the Bridge:

Commodorable  
Lady Ann Ramos  
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**Wow! What a great ride!**

I do not know what to say except this has been quite an adventure, which started a year ago in July 2012. Our Change of Watch will be an event I will cherish forever. There is nothing like spending it with our IASYC Family.

After Charlotte we hit the ground running. So much to do in just a year what great changes we made for IASYC. It has been a pleasure working with my husband Lonnie, your Commodore and Dave Harris, your Secretary/Treasurer, in updating our roster. You, the members, were very helpful in this endeavor. I am proud to say the Roster is looking very good. I have also helped the Commodore, along with Bill Kennedy your Fleet Captain, design a new publication of "The Yachtsman" which has been really fun and challenging. Now we have a fresh new look with new ideas and articles. The Editorial Staff for this issue were the Bridge Ladies and boy, did they do a fine job! Thank you Ladies for the help and the hours you spent reading this issue before it went to publication.

Well! Well! Well! San Juan -- what another adventure! But what great fun we had. I was truly ready for this event -- all work and no play makes a very dull day. Commodore Lonnie and I were accompanied by about 40 IASYC members and guests for this Great Mid-Winter meeting and Cruise. I had the time of my life and made so many memories of IASYC that I will never forget. Thank you all for making our Mid-Winter a time to remember and cherish throughout the years to come.

Of course, after San Juan it was back to work for IASYC, with a continued effort of updating the roster, collection of NPD's, working on the newsletter and much more. I have thoroughly enjoyed working with the Bridge on these projects.

To Don and Vera, we Love you and will be there for you no matter what. If you should ever need us we will be there for what ever reason. Your year will be GREAT! I know it will. Just cherish each and every moment and do not let what ever you do stress you out. Have fun and enjoy your year, and Thank You for everything you have done for us



1st Mate  
Lady Betty Kennedy  
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I am fairly new to IASYC having only experienced two winter conventions and one Imperial last year, but they were all great! From the beginning Bill and I were welcomed with open arms and made to feel right at home. From the delightful Lake Cruise in Scottsdale, AZ, to the mid-winter convention in historic San Juan, PR, followed by the fantastic cruise to the Caribbean Islands, I soon began to get to know many of the IASYC ladies. Many thanks go out especially to Ann Ramos who was always beside her husband, Commodore Lonnie, ready to help organize, lead and bring us all together. She is a great mentor.

It is a way out there, but Bill and I are already looking to the future with tentative plans for the winter convention 2015/16. We are quite excited about the proposed location in fascinating historic New Orleans, situated midway between East and West. We hope you will set your sights for the future and hold that time for the home of jazz the Mississippi steamboats, the Mardi Gras and the famous cuisine of the Bayou.

Schedule now for the first week in March of 2016.

Happy Sailing to all!

First Mate  
Lady Sandy Harris  
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As you know, it is only a short time until we meet in Indianapolis and I am really excited about that! I always enjoy the people and camaraderie at our IASYC events. The schedule for this Imperial is exciting. Dave and I returned yesterday from the Florida Shrine Mariners/Yacht Clubs Association Convention. We stayed at the beautiful Best Western at Bay Harbor in Tampa. Even the Fitness Center had a lovely view of Tampa Bay! The ladies luncheon was really fun and was well represented by IASYC. Besides myself in attendance were, Lady Zoe Shearer, Lady Gail Feustel and Lady Audrey Dyle. We will not be driving to Indianapolis in our RV as was originally planned. Duchess, our sweet Doberman, was a naughty girl while we were in Tampa! She tunneled herself out of our backyard and ran all over the neighborhood, lost her harness and dog tags and really upset our wonderful neighbor lady that was caring for her while we were away. So now Duchess will be staying home with a dog sitter. WOOF WOOF from Duchess!

Sea You Soon,  
Sandy Harris

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1st Mate  
Lady Vera Gortowski



I have been going to the openings around the Chesapeake Bay. Red Eye Yacht Club is where we keep our boat. They are having their opening this week-end.

Looking forward to seeing everyone in Indianapolis  
Vera

First Mate  
Lady Betty Hovey - Desrochers  
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Attending the IASYC Mid-Winter Meetings in San Juan, in February has given Ray and me a greater perspective of just what it means to be an officer of IASYC. Since Ray was nominated as Fleet Captain for 2013-14, we have become involved with many Mariners and Yacht Club members throughout the US and Canada.

We enjoy visiting other clubs and making new friends. I am looking forward to meeting the ladies who share a love for boating, while supporting their spouse in their effort to expand membership and enjoy the pleasure of boating through brotherhood.

Now, that the summer season is upon us we will be leaving the State of NH for the next few months to board our boat "Touch of Class", a beautiful 40' 1973 Pacemaker on Lake St Clair, MI. We plan to cruise Lake Erie for a stop in Cleveland OH. We hope to be meeting IASYC Yachtsmen and their ladies at that time.

During the summer we enjoyed our motor trips back to NH for monthly meetings and cook-outs with our regional IASYC Club at Bektash (BMSYC). Our summer meetings were held at various water front homes and cottages, followed by a boat trip and cook-out. Our first meeting for 2013 will be held on April 28, at Bektash Temple in Concord, NH. I will be speaking on canaling through the Erie Canal and Canada's Trent Severn Water way. We will show a brief video of meetings and boat trips that were held last summer and discuss upcoming events for 2013.

First Mate, Betty Hovey-Desrochers  
Bektash Temple B.M.S.Y.C.

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### Imperial - IASYC Business Sessions

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2014	Minneapolis, MN	July 6-10
2015	Houston, TX	July 5-9
2016	Tampa, FL	July 3-7

### IASYC Mid Winter Sessions

Tampa	February	2014
St. Augustine	February	2015
New Orleans	March	2016

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# HEAR YE! HEAR YE!

## Welcome New Noble Yachtsmen!

Welcome Aboard! we are really looking forward to meeting all of you. We hope to see you all in Indianapolis for our Change of Watch and in Tampa for our Mid-Winter. I know our paths will cross, you will get out of IASYC only what you put into it. Welcome!

Richard Melvin	(Bektash)	William Knickman	(Mahi)
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Richard "Ted" Dooley	(Bektash)	Randy Becker	(Al Bedoo)
John Godwin	(Bedouin)	David Meyers	(Hadi)
Donald G. March PP	(Bektash)	Dan Schuler	(Hadi)
Luis Cisneros	(Almas)	Howard House	(Sahib)
Thomas Casey	(Pirates/Mahi)	David Neal	(Lake Co. Mariners)
John Bull	(Khedive)	Darren Foster	(Hadi)
Fred Eden	(Araba)	Henry Nolin	(Moslem)
Richard Newman	(Amara)	Joe Merem	(Moslem)
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**Illustrious Samuel Joseph Thompson** 33°, of Indianapolis, died Saturday, January 19, 2013; he was 74. Sam was Vice President of Thompson Marketing at the time of his passing. He became a Master Mason on June 4, 1966 at Hosbrook Lodge No.

473. Sam was a Past Master of Zion Lodge No. 197, Charles F. Frank Lodge No. 760 and he is a member currently at Calvin W. Prather Lodge No. 717. He was a member of the Prather York Rite Bodies, the Order of Quetzalcoatl, and he was very active at the Murat Shrine Temple. Sam was a dedicated member of the Scottish Rite, Valley of Indianapolis. His dedication and commitment to the Valley of Indianapolis was recognized when he was crowned an Honorary 33rd degree Mason in 2005 at Grand Rapids, Michigan.



**Ill. Sir Hans W. Gerlach**  
Deceased January 28, 2013

**Sid Thompson**  
Deceased March 1, 2013



**Robert D. Gornall, Sr.**, of Erie, passed away Sunday, December 23, 2012. He was born in Erie, August 5, 1930. He worked at Welch Foods in North East for over 25 years, where he was the plant

accounting manager. He served as Master of Perry-Keystone Lodge No. 392, F.&A.M. for two years. He also was a member of York Rite College and received The Red Cross of Constantine. He served as Thrice Potent Master and Commander-in-Chief of the Scottish Rite, Valley of Erie. He was coronated a 33rd Degree Mason. He was a very active member of the Zem Zem Zailors, where he served as their Secretary.

**Wesley Hunter Allison Sr.** of Shell Point Retirement Community, Fort Myers, FL passed away on April 29, 2013 at the age of 92. Wes was a WWII veteran who served with the 3rd Marine Wing as a navigator and aerial photographer in the Pacific with the transport squadron VMR953. His was an Instrument Engineer at the Sun Oil Company in Marcus Hook, PA. After a rewarding 37 year career, he retired to Fenwick Island, DE where he enjoyed boating and served as Commodore of the Fenwick Island Yacht Club. Wes was an active Mason. He was a Master Mason of Concord Lodge #625 of Pennsylvania and a 32nd Degree Mason, Scottish Rite-Valley of Wilmington, DE. While living in the Mid-Atlantic region he was a member of the Nur Shrine Temple, DE. After moving to Fort Myers, he was active at Araba Temple where he was Commodore of the Mariners and enjoyed activities of the Royal Order of Jesters. He was Past Commodore of the Mariners and a member of the International Shrine Yacht Club.

## Deceased Past Commodores

1971-73 Karl Benning, Jr.	LuLu
1974-75 Warren Benser	Boumi
1975-75 Edward Penberthy	Crescent
1976-77 Dr. T.A. Miller	Mahi
1977-78 Walter Faust	LuLu
1978-79 Clarence Cooper	Nur
1979-80 Harry W. Bendall	Kena
1980-81 Jerry Bigelow	Amara
1981-82 Saul "Bud" Steel	LuLu
1982-83 Philip Le R. Loomis	Almas
1983-84 Harold "Hal"	Aahmes
1984-85 George A. Frohlick	El Jebel
1985-86 Wlado C. Hersom, PP	Azan
1987-88 Martin Wiener	Zenobia
1990-91 Dennis Swarmer	Sahib
1991-92 Art Nystrom	Al Bahr
1994-95 Frank Wyble, Jr.	Almas
1995-96 James H Woods	Hadi
1997-98 Ron Gilbert	Rajah
1996-97 Dr. Robert S. Bodenstein, 33°, PP	Al Koran
1999-2000 Ottmar Bobsien	Gizeh



### Colonel Noble Leslie Beck

Retired USMC Of Indianapolis, Indiana, died on November 27, 2012. He was 91. Noble was born on October 1921 in Johnson County to Ruth and Scott Beck.

He enlisted in the Marine Corps in 1942 and served as a parachutist before being commissioned as an officer in 1944. Noble served during three wars: World War II, where he was involved in campaigns on Guam and Iwo Jima, the Korean War, and two tours during the Vietnam War. He belonged to the Marine Corps League, the American Legion, the Service Club, the Columbia Club, MOAA, Scottish Rite and Shrine and other military-affiliated organizations. He received the Distinguished Hoosier Award and the Sagamore of the Wabash, and numerous other personal recognitions. He was lovingly referred to as "The Colonel," and he firmly believed, and loved, his kin, Corps, and country.

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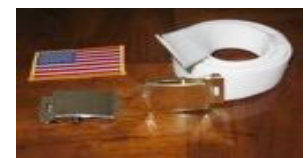


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The Secretary's at his desk - the Commodore is at the helm - the Routine work of the Bridge excites them not the least but here's the picture - not so good the treasurer's in tears. He just made up a list of all the members in arrears. If you have overlooked the dues that you were going to pay, why not make a check now and get it off today!

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