

Commodore: Terry Foren
Vice Commodore: Judy Oxborrow
Secretary-Treasurer: Bob Phillips

December 2004



HOLIDAY GREETINGS

COMMODORE'S LOG

Exciting news: Hanna Bigelow has been named the Daughter of Neptune for 2005. She was unanimously elected to this position at the last Board Meeting. This exciting sixteen-year old has a long list of accomplishments.

At long last, we have an ice machine. A thanks goes to Cork Inman for his generous donation. It will be placed in the storeroom next to the electrical shed. It stores 800 pounds of cocktail ice, producing about 200 pounds each day, and will be up and running by spring. This should satisfy all those thirsty iceboxes.

It has been a busy month for membership changes. Otto and Lois Gaither and Roy and Maxine Ciappini have asked, and were granted, membership changes from Life Members to Inactive Life Members. In addition, the Board accepted the resignation of John Archer and Frank Colistro.

The breakwater situation has continued to take up the Board's time. It is failing, or at least the dolphins holding it in place are failing, and they need to be replaced. We are in the process of selecting an engineer to determine what

we need in the way of replacement piling. The new piling must meet both our immediate and our future needs. Someday down the line we would like to replace the log breakwater with a concrete breakwater similar to the new East Dock on Government Island.

My time at the helm is rapidly coming to an end. It has been a very good year for me. We accomplished weathering through the ice storm and the Columbia River Yacht Club moorage fire and its effects on us. Best of all was the fun, all of the parties and all of the cruises. A special thanks to all of the committee chairs whose help and dedication made this year a success.

The CRYA Awards banquet was a success. This was due solely to the support given by Rose City members. Next year Dick Dyer will be the president and will need your support. He is in need of people to help him with Opening Day and is also looking for a new Father Neptune. It's time to volunteer.

Mark your schedule for the Christmas potluck. Linda Belshaw has included details on the date and time elsewhere in this newsletter.

The new officers and directors are in the starting gate, chomping at the bit to be set free. The changing of the guard will be held at the next General Meeting.

Terry Foren, Commodore

Christmas Decorating of the Clubhouse

Want to have some fun and get yourself into the Christmas spirit? Put Sunday, December 5 at 3:00pm on your calendar and come down to RCYC to help put up Christmas decorations. All the ornaments and lights are at the clubhouse, so all we need are some willing hands. Come to help, bring a libation of your choice and perhaps a snack to share, and we'll have it done in no time.

Linda Belshaw, Activities

MOORAGE MATTERS:

Dredging is complete on Walks 1, 2 and 5 in the places that needed more depth. All boats are back in their slips and the dredge, aka "Old Slurpy," is parked and winterized.

The subject of trailer parking in the parking lot comes up regularly. Each resident household has permission to temporarily park a small runabout boat and/or trailer. The Club has two trailers for our workboats. We let one regular dock repair contractor use our lot to store his trailer while he works on our moorage or on nearby moorages, because he has rendered yeoman service to RCYC for several decades, always for reasonable cost. The Club does NOT allow long-term storage of member trailers. Nope. Not even for a fee. The Board discusses this just about every year, and has kept the policy unchanged in the 13 years since I joined. As a courtesy, members are allowed to temporarily leave their boat and/or trailer in the lot. We have always been very flexible about how many days constitute "temporary." Beyond a month, however, we are well out of the allowed time period.

At present, at the west end, there appear to be two sailboat trailers parked there. The owners need to contact me soon to discuss the departure date of their trailers. In the future, anyone temporarily leaving their trailer in the lot must let the Port Captain or a Resident member know, and give the dates of arrival and departure of their trailer.

Thank you so much.

Safety on the docks: From now on, the river water will be getting colder -- a lot colder. Whether you are walking on frost or snow on the concrete docks or striding along the moldy-green wood on Walk 5, be very aware that if you slip and fall in you need to get out in minutes. Hypothermia is speedy in the winter season; i.e., if you stay in very long you will die. Don't be quiet to protect your pride. Yell loud and often. There are fewer members wandering about the facility in the dark months of winter and they may not be nearby.

Loren Beach, Moorage Chair

Here come the Christmas Ships again.



They will be forming up in front of Salty's at 7:00 to head up river. A great view to be had from Walk 1.

This event is for the entire family including your little "apprentice adults." Bring a dish (salad, entrée, or dessert). Also, bring your choice of drink. Your committee will provide the ice, mixers and soft drinks, coffee, tea and Christmas smiles.

Entertainment will be our ever so popular and traditional ("steal a gift from your fellow boaters") gift exchange. Please bring a new or close-to-being-new wrapped gift around a \$5 or so in value, per person or per family—your choice. (The elves ask you to save your truly white elephant treasures for another event.)

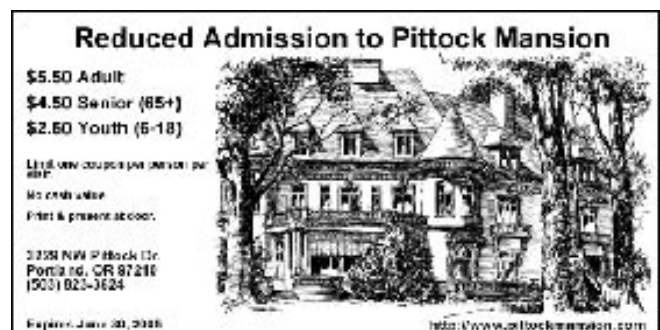
**CHRISTMAS
SHIPS POTLUCK
FRIDAY, DECEMBER 17
6:00 P.M.**



FLUTE & HARP MUSIC AT PITTOCK MANSION

"A CHRISTMAS WISH BOOK"

Come hear Duo Arpeggio (Jas. Adams, flute & Dianne Ensign, lever harp) perform captivating holiday music on Sunday, December 26, 2004, from 12 to 2 pm, in Pittock Mansion, decorated by Finnegan's Toys, Pendleton, Kathleen's of Dublin, REI, etc. Admission to Pittock Mansion is \$5.50/4.50/2.50 using the coupon shown, below.



Vice's Vagaries

Final work hour summaries have been tallied. The results may be found on the work hour clipboard at the back of the clubhouse. This year has been a busy one. The club racked up 6,124.5 work hours performed. And, with dredging season done early, there probably won't be too many hours tallied between now and the first spring work party. Hopefully, our dredge crew won't suffer from work party withdrawal symptoms. In reviewing the final tallies, I noted that there are a core of people who make themselves and their talents readily available for work projects at the club. They are as follows: (1) Over 100 hours accumulated – Pat Adams, Loren Beach, Terry Foren, John Flenniken, Doug Hepburn, Mike Oxborrow, Mike Pick, Ken Purvine, Dick Royce, and Pete Unger; (2) Over 200 hours accumulated – Jim Douglass, Paul Glynn, Mike Godsil, Bob Phillips, and Tom Stringfield; (3) Over 400 hours accumulated – Bob Fellman and (drum roll, blare of trumpets) (4) Over 500 hours accumulated – Larry Corderman. The work hours performed by these individuals account for 3,415.25 of the hours worked at the club during the entire year. In addition, life members (who have no work hour obligations) have performed 525.5 work hours. These are Roy Ciappini, Wade Cornwell, Don Eudaly, Don Ferrell, Smoke Fischer, Jim Hackley, Dick Hewitt, George Kent, Carl Neilsen, Jerry Randall, Stan Reynolds, Larry Roberts, Vic Smith, Pete Unger, Dave Walker, and Roy Whitman. A hearty thank you to all!

At the November Board meeting, the Board should finalize the new clubhouse rental agreement. Only RCYC member sponsored events will be permitted. Parties sponsored by RCYC members for outside organizations to which they also belong will require Board approval. The charge for Corinthian meetings and not for profit educational programs was raised from \$25 to \$35 per event. Other fees remained unchanged. A refundable cleaning deposit of \$200 will be required for all events. We have clarified the responsibilities of the sponsoring member. Cleaning requirements are spelled out in the rental agreement, and we have instituted a walk-through policy for the morning following the event to assess whether the facility was left clean. And, we will track all events for adherence to policies, cleanliness, etc., to determine whether future usage of the club would be permitted. These changes should eliminate past problems.

With your December billings you will also receive, for completion and return with your payment, the annual form to update the yearbook and emergency contact list. Please promptly review the information and return the form so we can get an early completion of the yearbook in 2005. Also, attached to the form will be the 2005 membership cards.

And, finally, thank you for electing me Commodore for 2005. It is an honor to serve the club as Commodore and I look forward to a great year:

*Judy Oxborrow,
Vice Commodore*



Clubhouse Stewards Needed for 2005

Sign up now to be a RCYC Clubhouse Steward during 2005. You can satisfy your work hours requirement for the year by signing up for one of the months in 2005. (Of course, then you also have to actually perform the clubhouse duties that month!)

Clubhouse duty can be done on your own schedule at your convenience. If you are interested, there is a sign-up sheet in the Clubhouse or you can contact the RCYC Clubhouse Chair, Jas. Adams, at: 503-349-0840 (c) or jadams@teleport.com.

Many thanks to the Clubhouse Stewards for 2004: John Runyan, Ethan & Natasha Vanmatre, Kevan Kendrick & Brenda Cloutier, Chuck Fisher & Karen Jacobson, Covert Bailey & Lea, Anne & Jim Campbell, Janet & Lee Tapper, Jim & Pat List, Barb Hutchinson & Larry Beck, and Chuck Stuckey & Katie Pool.

Jas. Adams, Clubhouse Chair

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RCYC EDUCATION 2004-2005

A **Coastal Navigation** class presented by Hans Geerling will resume Thursday, December 2nd, with the third class being held on Thursday, December 16th.



Note: During late winter and the early spring doldrums is a good time to stimulate your mind by learning the skills of boating. I invite anyone with an idea or request for a particular class to contact me at 503-805-1213 or e-mail me at normnjan@sprynet.com

Norm Gustafson, RCYC Education

RCYC UPCOMING EVENTS MEETINGS, AND FUNCTIONS:

December 2004

- 2 Navigation Class, 7:00 p.m.
- 4 CRYA Banquet at PYC
- 5 Decorating for Holidays, 3:00 p.m.
- 15 General Meeting, 7:30 p.m.
- 16 Navigation Class, 7:00 p.m.
- 17 Christmas Ships Potluck
- 27 Board Meeting, 7:00 p.m.
- 31 Informal New Year's Eve Party

January 2005

- 1 Soup and Sail, 11:00 a.m.
- 19 General Meeting, 7:30 p.m.
- 31 Board Meeting, 7:00 p.m.

Happy New Year to you all!

- *Please check the Web site for updated club dates.*
www.rosecityyachtclub.org

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If you or someone you know would benefit from placing an advertisement in the RCYC Yearbook for 2005, please contact Cathy or Tom Nelson at 503-284-4560.

The ad lasts 12 months and provides the opportunity to present your product or service at one of our monthly meetings. In addition, a brief article about your advertisement will be placed in one issue of the FOGHORN.

*Tom and Cathy Nelson,
Yearbook Advertising*