THE BYC Spray

December '17 | January '18

Children's Christmas Party
Holiday Dinner with Caroling
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Commodore's Message

Ho,Ho,Ho! Christmas is upon us,

We just came off of a very successful November. Many thanks to P/C Ken and Liz for a great job on the Bull roast; large turnout and great financial numbers
The parade of lighted boats was a fantastic time. Over 200 guests in the house, great dinner (looks like the buffet set up is going to have to be on the porch if we keep up these numbers)
Many thanks to Zach, Scott, Jake and staff for handling large crowds!

The club is all decorated and ready for our Christmas visitors, come on down and check it out. Fleet Captain Lenny and Fleetress Barb surprised us all with an old time Christmas garden, very nice. Looks like we are expecting big turnouts for our December events so make reservations early. Speaking of early, check out our new early bird specials starting on meeting night with low low prices and a free drink for those who make earlier reservations

Our tri fold will be reprinted in January with some corrections. The new secretary will be added and the dates for the cruise have been changed from July 14-21st to the 7th - 14th. It was originally scheduled pending the fireworks which are now going to be on June 30th.

The cruise is booked and the first 2 nights will be at Great Oak Landing at Fairly Creek. The next 3 nights St Michaels marina and the last 2 at Haven Harbor at Rock Hall. Again book early. Also there is NO NEW YEARS EVE PARTY AS IT STATES IN THE TRI-FOLD. It was just too much to try to bring everyone down here on that particular night.

Finally before closing and sticking with our theme Legends and Memories, each month in the Spray after my article I will include the same month's article from my grandfather when he was Commodore in 1956. I also will include some articles and advertisements from Spray issues from the 50's, 60's, and 70's. Look forward to the Officers Cocktail Party when we will show you more about the history of our club.

From my family to yours I would like to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy and safe boating New Year

Yours in Yachting
Commodore
Mike Bruns

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The Commodore's Message

The usual thing for a commodore to do in this space is to thank a committee for a job well done. This is to the oyster roast committee. Hats off to my chairmen, Bill Irwin and Ben Markley. Fellows, you did a swell job of getting 430 people on the island, including a few actual B.Y.C. members. I think the chairmen are entitled to a better turnout than that from the membership, don't you. Please, lets all try to patronize our club. Those of you who are seldom seen at the different affairs at the club are helping to break down our percentage of active members which is about 25% of the total membership. The schedule of events published in the Spray give you ample time to make arrangements for you to patronize your club. Let's make the New Year's Eve Party a gala affair.

I want to thank the club members, who worked so long and so hard to make the Commodore's Ball of 1955 the outstanding success that it proved to be.

I also want to thank the club employees.

And finally I appreciate the participation of so many friends in the festivities.

ALBERT BRUNS,
Commodore.

THE COMMODORE'S BALL–1955

The Commodore's Ball, in honor of our new Commodore, Albert C. Bruns, Jr., was held at the Lord Baltimore Hotel, November 23.

A cocktail hour preceded the dinner and the festivities.

A large number of people were present; the majority, of course, were from the B.Y.C., their friends, members of other Yacht Clubs and the Sue Island operating personnel made up the happy throng.

The meal was unusually good. The ice cream carried an odd foreign name, but it tasted just as good.

P/C Paul Tignor Emceed the party and the ceremony in a very smooth and most accomplished manner.

P/C Norman Parslow invested Commodore Bruns in the Commodore's Office. Then Commodore Bruns invested V/C Libertini and R/C Harmon in their respective offices. Commodore Bruns announced his appointment of Arnold F. Petersen to the position of Fleet Captain. This was well received, both by those who had guessed and those who had not guessed the action.

Bouquets of roses were presented to Gertrude Parslow and to Helen Bruns, the wives of the retiring and new Commodores.

One of the high points of the evening was provided, when P/C Tignor presented the paid up mortgage to P/C Cromwell, who forthwith set fire to the paper, signalizing the fact that the B.Y.C. is now mortgage free.

Captain Ellwood Gary sang the Star Spangled Banner in his own flawless and spine tingling manner.

Howard Smith's Orchestra played for a long and fine dance. His music brought a few of our old moss backs to the dance floor with the "young stuff," and kept them there.

I want to compliment the tasteful decorations; the smoothness with which the entire affair was run; and the simple and dignified program.

—o—

Wishing you a great Yule Tide
Commodore Mike Bruns & First Lady Stephanie

Season Greetings - Looking forward to another
wonderful year with friends at BYC
Vice Commodore Bill Morgan & Lady Sandy

We want to wish everyone a joyful Holiday Season
& a wonderful New Year from us both.
Rear Commodore Joe Vislocky & Lady Ruthie

Wishing everyone Happy Holidays and
a fantastic New Year!
Fleet Captain Len Stielper & Lady Barb

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all of our BYC family.

PC Wayne and PFL Debbie Penczek

Season Greetings: Wishing everyone a great holiday.
Looking forward to a terrific year.
Pat Hodges & Virginia Eisely

Wishing all of our friends at BYC
Merry Christmas - Happy New Year
From the Lots A Luck

Wishing you a Merry Christmas
filled with all the things you love.
P/C Ken & P/FL Liz

Merry Christmas!
Bill & Karen Ortman

We wish you a Merry Christmas and a
Happy New Year.
P/C Al Cody & Lady Becky

Wishing you a boatload of fun this holiday season!
Merry Christmas!
P/C Frank & P/FL Sharon

Happy Holidays & Merry Christmas
From Nina, Aubrey, Brooke, Rachel, Chris, John

Seasons Greetings from Summer Breeze
We hope you have a happy & healthy Holiday Season.
Tom & Robyn Strobel

Happy Holidays and don't forget to floss!
Fleet Surgeon Dr. Berry Cohan & Lady Adele

Merry Christmas!
Darren & Tracy Coder

Best Wishes for a Safe & Happy Holiday.
From the Crew of Shifty Business
P/C Frank & P/FL Patty

Merry Christmas from the Malones
Tom & Gladys Malone

Merry Christmas
Don & Pam Kaelber

Merry Christmas & Happy Hanukkah
P/C Conrad & P/FL Margaret

Hope your Holidays are Jus' Fine
P/C John & P/FL Laverne

Merry Christmas & a very Happy New Year from the
"Lilly Pad" final addition
P/C Bob & P/FL Pat

Wishing you a bright & joyous Holiday Season!
Craig & Brenda English

Vice Commodore's Message

The Holiday season was ushered in with a bang starting with our annual Bull Roast in November. This is always one of best attended and exciting events of our season and this year was no exception. This year we had a new chairperson step up and take the controls for this big undertaking and IPC Ken Gasior and Liz did a great job. The event again packed the house and everyone had their fill of food and a great time. Thank you P/C Ken and Liz for all your efforts with this great event.

Things are starting to look pretty festive up on the hill. We had a great Saturday for the club house decorating with wonderful weather and a great turnout. It is always one of my favorite things about the club when everyone gets together and pitches in to create such a wonderful display for the holidays. I would like to thank everyone that helped out, the club house looks great! Sandy and I decided to break from our previous years' tradition of decorating our tree with a Ravens theme; there are a couple of reasons behind that, but we won't go into that. Anyway, Sandy came up with the idea of the Snow Man tree, and with the creative talent of Robin Smith, the Snow Man tree was created. It looks beautiful! Thank you, Robin! While I am on the subject of creative, how about that beautiful Christmas Garden created by our Fleet Captain and Fleetress. What a gorgeous addition it makes; great job, Len and Barb! But Saturday was not all work either as this year our club was treated to a visit by the Middle River Lighted Boat Parade. What a great event and a wonderful evening we had at BYC watching it. Lots of activities are always happening on the hill during the holidays so watch your email or check on our website or Facebook for events coming up.

On the personal side, as if going up the line of a Yacht Club was not enough to keep Sandy and me busy we brought a puppy into our household. A home is not a home without a dog, and after we lost our beloved Cedar the home just seemed too empty. Well I have always wanted a pure-bred German Shepherd, and so Sandy's Christmas gift is a German Shepherd puppy. Having kids that are all grown up I almost forgot how much attention a new addition needs. She is a handful. I hope to train her well and have her with us next season on the boat.

Till next month, see you at the club,

V/C Bill Morgan

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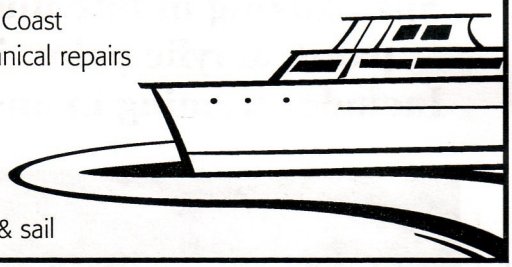

Rear Commodore's Message

Ho Ho Ho and a bottle of rum, an amalgam of the holidays and what I've often heard about yacht club members - Drinkers with a boating problem. Yes folks, the holidays are upon us and we have much to be thankful for- a vibrant and beautiful club, boats, a fun and eclectic membership, the resources to belong and participate and so much more- all that with immediate access to the Chesapeake Bay! It really doesn't get a whole lot better than this.

As many of you are aware, Ruthie and I are in the process of moving to Baltimore- Essex to be exact. Needless to say, anyone who has experienced a move in recent memory understands the work and nail biting that's going on with us. Between two settlements scheduled a day apart, physically packing and then moving everything down (in process) to a storage unit(s) until the new place is habitable and then moving into the new place (yet to come), needless to say, we've been stretched! All this to explain why my article this month will be brief.

The new slip committee which looks a lot like the old slip committee will be meeting before the end of the year to get organized for the new year. The next thing in the queue which is a sure sign of the coming spring, existing slip holder contracts will be mailed in January.

The basin has really emptied out in the last few weeks but for those of you still enjoying the Club, please note the work that the Holding Corp is doing around the island. Please observe signs that have been or will be placed regarding areas where work is being or will be completed over the next month. It's important that we abide by the regulations we agreed to in the permit acquisition process. The spit and McCollum Point are two particularly sensitive areas.

I can't wait to cut my drive time from two hours to ten minutes. I'll finally be able to make a Thursday night at the Club! I look forward to seeing everyone on the hill!!!

Rear Commodore Joe Vislocky

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Baltimore Yacht Club's Children's Christmas Party

Sunday, December 3rd
1:00 pm – 4:00 pm

1:30 – 2:30 Children's Holiday Entertainment
Presenting entertainment by Silly Goose and Val Smalkin,
Puppeteer and Ventriloquist

2:30 – 4:00 Santa, Princess Dorothy, and the Elves
Bring your own camera for the special picture with Santa
Activities and Crafts while waiting for Santa
Santa will have a gift for all the good little girls and boys!

4:00 – 6:30 Buffet Dinner

Children's Buffet (10 & Under) $7 ++
Chicken Tenders, Hot Dogs, Grilled Cheese, French Fries, Spaghetti with Tomato Sauce, Apple Sauce

Adult Buffet $20 ++
Salad Bar with Assorted Breads and Whipped Butter
Chicken Scarpariello (Marinated Grilled Chicken, Artichoke Hearts, Sautéed Mushrooms, Italian Sausage, Capers, Grated Romano Cheese, Rigatoni Pasta, Lemon Caper Butter Sauce)
Teriyaki Glazed Salmon with Fried Rice & Baby Bok Choy
Herb Crusted Beef Top Round with Roasted Shallot Red Wine Sauce
Cheese Potato Gratin, Sesame Scented Green Beans with Baby Mushrooms

Both Buffets include, Iced Tea, Lemonade
and a Sundae Bar for Dessert

Please call the BYC Office at 410-682-2310 to register
for the party and for dinner reservations, by Saturday, November 25th
***** IMPORTANT NOTE *****
NO RESERVATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED AFTER NOVEMBER 25TH IN ORDER TO ENSURE THAT SANTA'S ELVES CAN MAKE GIFTS FOR EACH CHILD

When registering children, please remember to include:
age, gender, and first name of all children attending
This event is aimed at children 0-10 years old.

Commodore Mike Bruns and First Lady Stephanie
F/C Len Stielper and Lady Barb
Chairperson: Nora Rueter

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Fleet Captain's Message

These first two months have flown by and Christmas is a mere five weeks away as I sit here writing this December report for *The Spray*. I guess it helps that there has been so much going on at the Club.

The annual Bull Roast was superbly handled by our Immediate Past Commodore, Ken Gasior and former First Lady Liz. The turnout was excellent and after dinner, the Night at the Races event was as lively as ever. We had a capacity crowd and almost all the horses were purchased and the betting was robust. The enthusiasm and excitement made you feel like you were at the track cheering on your favorite steed.

The weather for Pier Winterization Day was actually very nice and, except for a slight hiccup in the beginning waiting for the air compressor to arrive, all went smoothly. It just gave us more time to drink coffee and eat more donuts. Sadly, you definitely feel the season is behind you once the water on the piers is turned off.

That same day, the Mates held a very successful Fall Bazaar while the piers were being winterized. Hand-painted crafts, jewelry, clothing and decorations were just some of the items that were being sold in the Island View Room. I know a lot of members got a jump on their Christmas shopping that morning.

Now, looking ahead, the holidays are upon us and all the fellowship and camaraderie with friends and family that comes along with them.

Speaking of which, the Thanksgiving dinner saw one of the largest turnouts in recent years. Chef Zach's buffet holiday dinner didn't disappoint and everyone enjoyed the day with their friends and loved ones.

There was plenty of help on hand to help Trim the Clubhouse the Saturday after Thanksgiving. Commodore Mike's theme, Legends and Memories, is perfect for the holiday season. Who doesn't relive their past and remember the good times they had as youngsters helping decorate around the house. It's that magical, whimsical time of year. Thanks to all those helpers, the clubhouse looks terrific! I hope you enjoy the special surprise Fleetress Barb and I placed in the front window this year. Again, it just harkens back to my youth when I would visit the local firehouse and marvel at their displays.

To top off the day, the Middle River Lighted Boat Parade passed right by Sue Island this year. The Captain's Lounge sold out early as everyone wanted to get a great view of the many stunningly decorated boats. Over 200 people were at the club to view the spectacle. Let's hope this tradition continues for many years to come.

But the best is still to come. On December 3rd, the Children's Christmas party is always a highlight of the season. Many thanks to past First Lady Nora Rueter and P/C Frank Wojciechowski for making this a special event for the kids. The day will start off with a performance by Silly Goose and Val Smalkin, puppeteer and ventriloquist. There will be some crafts for the kids to do while they are waiting for Santa. Princess Dorothy, Santa and his elves will have a gift for all the good boys and girls. A buffet dinner will follow.

On December 17th, BYC will hold its annual Caroling and Christmas dinner. We will have a strolling group of carolers entertain us before dinner along with a bell choir performance, as well. After dinner, Don Teasdale will lead the members in Christmas carols as we make merry and enjoy the final event of the year.

In closing, I'd like to add Fleetress Barb's and my own sincere wishes that your holidays be filled with love, laughter and all the joy and blessings of the season. We're looking forward to seeing you all in the New Year and wish you all the best health and prosperity in 2018.

F/C Len Stielper

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Mates President's Message

Thank you to all who visited the Mates Fall Bazaar, we are already coming up with ways to improve this event to make it bigger and better for next year. Thank you to chairperson Colleen Smart for getting the event together on such short notice.

As the holiday's approach the Mates are collecting gently used coats, hats, gloves, scarfs, after-school snacks and twin bed sheet sets (new and gently used) for the folks at the homeless shelter near Franklin Square Hospital. This is also the place Patty Garey takes the toiletries and such that are collected in the club house. This time of year is usually our busiest as we also receive requests from Deep Creek Elementary for children's clothing and coats once the cold weather really sets in. Deep Creek Elementary has several homeless families within their school each year that request our help. After the New Year please keep a lookout for emails from the Mates with such requests.

The Mates wish Past Mates President and current Recording Secretary Sharon Schepers a speedy recovery, hoping to see you at the January Meeting!

As always I would like to invite all Mates of BYC to join us during our monthly meeting, held the same time as the General Meeting the first Friday of the month at 8:30pm in the Island View Room, our door is always open to new members and new ideas. Come see what the Mates are doing in our community and for the better of BYC.

On behalf of the Mates we would like to wish all BYC families a happy, healthy and prosperous holiday season

Lori A. Ostendarp
BYC Mates President

A Message from the Princess

This has been a great fall! Thanks to the Mates, officers, and Baltimore Yacht Club leadership, staff and members for all you have done to support me in my roles as your Princess. Everyone has been so supportive and helpful and I cannot thank you enough, especially Commodore Mike and First Lady Stephanie.

I'm looking forward to December to decorate the clubhouse and join Silly Goose for the Children's Christmas Party.

Hope to see all of you soon,

Princess Dorothy

Island Christmas

Thursday, December 7th

Dinner Service 6:00pm to 8:00pm | Steel Drummer 6:00pm to 9:00pm

Thursday Night Dinner Special

Conch Chowder

Fish Tacos

2 Flour Tortilla's Stuffed with Pan seared Mahi Mahi,
Cilantro, Pickled Red Onions, and Warm Pineapple Salsa
Served with Caribbean Jerk Spiced Jasmine Rice and Black Beans

Key Lime Pie

$15

Featuring Steel Drummer
Andrew Broadwater

Please Call the Club for
Reservations at 410-682-2310

A & B Pier Report

As silently as the wind whips throughout the basin so it does through my email! Apparently no one on A or B pier has anything to share or celebrate this month.

I was a big winner at the Annual Bull Roast, winning Most Original Hat in the hat contest! Congratulations to the other winners, job well done. Great job to P/C Ken & P/F/L Liz for chairing the bull roast.

If you are on A or B pier and don't receive my monthly emails requesting spray worthy info, please send me an email to the address under my signature requesting I add you to my list. I also use this list to remind about the Memorial Day & Labor Day cookouts and any other pier events we may have throughout the boating season.

On behalf of A & B piers I want to wish everyone at BYC a wonderful holiday season! Please make sure to spend time with your families and friends to celebrate the season and make someone's day bright. Also, keep those less fortunate in mind as we rush around to complete our shopping and wrap our gifts, a little goes a long way

That's all for now,

Lori A. Ostendarp
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Holiday Dinner & Caroling Sunday, December 17th

Join us for a fun evening of music and memories
Eggnog will be provided while caroling
for the benefit of all involved

Schedule of Events:

3:30pm - 5:30pm

Holiday Performances
by Joyous Voices Quartet
& St. John's Hand Bell Choir

4:45pm - 7:00pm

Dinner Service

7:00pm - Until

Caroling
Led by Don Teesdale

Dinner Menu

Chicken Madeira $22
Pan Roasted Airline Chicken Breast, Madeira Wine Sauce, Broccoli, Creamy Alfredo Baked Macaroni Pasta

Shrimp Scampi $23
Jumbo Shrimp Sautéed in a Zesty Garlic Wine Butter Sauce over a nest of Angel Hair Pasta

Salmon $25
Ginger Garlic Soy Reduction, Sticky White Rice, Sesame Green Beans, and Mushrooms

14oz Prime Rib $31
Roasted Garlic Mashed Potatoes, Caramelized Baby Carrots

Crab Cake Single $29 | Double $38
Fresh Thyme & Rosemary Red Bliss Potatoes, Grilled Asparagus

All entrees include Caesar Salad, Dessert, Coffee, Tea, Rolls & Butter

Call the BYC Office at 410-682-2310
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Entrée selections due at time of reservation

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The Officer's & Board of Governors
of the Baltimore Yacht Club

Invite You to Attend the
Membership Cocktail Party

Sunday January 7, 2018
2:00pm – 4:00pm

Featuring the following
Hors d'oeuvres

Baked Brie Display
Charcuterie Board Display
Whole Poached Salmon
Carved Beef & Turkey
Crab Toast
Tomato Bruschetta
Pork Pot Stickers
Brownies
Cookies
Assorted Miniature Pastries
Warm Berry Crisp

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Recommended Dress: Semi-Formal

Commodore Mike Bruns & First Lady Stephanie
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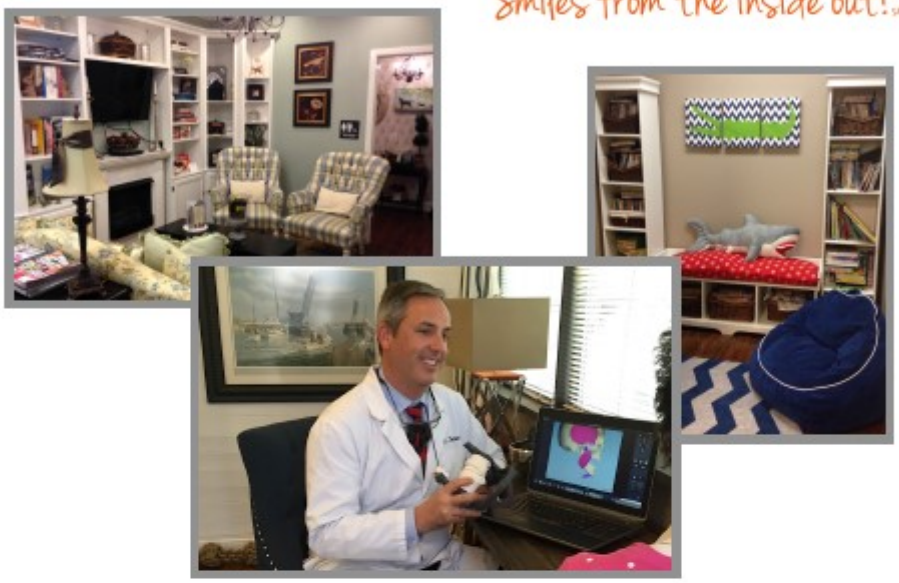

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D-Pier Report

Ho Ho Ho There! The lights are up and the clubhouse looks great while D Pier sits quietly waiting for Spring. Meanwhile, the D Pier residents who have been good all year are on the lookout for a flying sleigh pulled by eight reindeer.

Unfortunately, P/FL Sharon Schepers will not be doing any Christmas jigs this season. She slipped and fell while walking down the stairs at home and fractured her right ankle. As of the submission of this article, she was scheduled for surgery on Dec. 1st. She will be laid up for eight to ten weeks. There is never a good time for an accident, but right before the holiday season is especially tough. Please keep Sharon and Frank in your thoughts and prayers.

Congratulations to Linda & B/M Ed Gerner who celebrated the birth (incorporating a boatload of babysitting by Grammy Linda) of their 6th grandchild, Brendan Andrew Gerner, weighing 8 lbs., on November 7th. This makes 5 boys and one (their favorite granddaughter) girl plus their favorite three-legged boat loving dog, Compass.

On the travel front, Bernie Toohey, along with Jay, Chrissy & their kids spent Thanksgiving week in Paris and traveling around France.

For those traveling to Florida this winter, the BYC South Brunch is on Sunday, Feb. 18 in Punta Gorda, Fla. This is for all current and former BYC members and has become quite an "off-season" gathering. If interested call Sylvia Stump at 410-746-8525 or e-mail @ sestump1941@gmail.com.

Congratulations to P/C Andy Adkins on celebrating his 80th birthday! We understand that Andy has spent almost all those years fishing and belonging to BYC. Oddly enough he has had the same boat too! We all hope at that age we can be as fit as Andy.

Speaking of fishing, anyone interested in joining the Liars and Cheaters Fishing Tournament, to be held on June 7-10, 2018, should please contact Andy Adkins or Frank Sauer if interested. The home port this year will be Knapps Narrows.

Last month I wrote about the Sterns' boat JOINT VENTURE heading to Treasure Cay in the Abacos. I am happy to report they made it once again. Ron Stern sent some pictures of their current circumstances "to give us an idea of how difficult things can be down there in the winter time".

Honey, We're not on D Pier anymore!

May you all have the Merriest of Christmases, the Happiest of Holidays, and a Wonderful New Year!

Until next time, see you on D Pier!

Joe Hellner

Kilroy

Even though the official first day of Winter is December 21, I refuse to believe it. The wind is up and the temperature is down. That favorite cocktail of the BYC captains has been flowing freely…the Minus 50 Shooter. A couple of shots of Grey Goose in a lowball, topped off with pink propylene glycol. This simply proves what I've always maintained; if you put enough Grey Goose with anything, you've got yourself a dang fine drink.

The Commodore and Fleetie pulled off another yuk of a video for the Bull Roast. If you haven't been tuning in to Facebook for these, you gotta' check 'em out. They're a real hoot.

Oktoberfest happened. Wow! Great time. The BYC männer and frau were in their finest lederhosen and dirndls. Even Scott and the crew got in on the act and were decked out for the occasion. The Warsteiner was plentiful and food was awesome as usual. While no Germans were permanently injured in the making of the Oktoberfest, there were some slow movers the next morning as a result.

Sadly, but with that excitement of new adventure, Peggy and Ken Horne have taken flight to the lower reaches of Florida. There's been rumor of a winter BYC South gathering happening somewhere in Florida. Wouldn't that be something? Ken and Peggy will take the lifelong friendships they forged at the club with them and they will be sorely missed. If Ken gets homesick, he can simply whip up a batch of Minus 50 Shooters.

A good time was had by most at the light parade. There was however, a rumor of a mishap at River Watch getting ready for the parade. You've heard the phrase "use it or lose it", right? It's said that you lose proficiency quickly once you stop boating. A mere two weeks after selling their boat, a certain young BYC gal decided to take an impromptu plunge from the back of a boat at River Watch getting ready for the light parade. All humor aside, I think we can all agree that there's little more frightening than taking an unexpected dip in the icy bay. Thankfully, she was not hurt.

In the last Spray edition Sue Island Sue mentioned that one of the officers' wives was trying to "take-out" mashed potatoes in a very unconventional manner. This last month at the Thanksgiving dinner it was rumored that our very own Commodore was attempting to smuggle turkey stuffing from the dining room in his jacket. Now I've worn my share of marinara, but I think this may be a whole new trend. Maybe we'll need to talk to Zach about stocking up on take-out boxes.

Part of this whole Kilroy gig is keeping an ear to the ground on the club happenings. These days of course social media is a never-ending litany of interests, shenanigans, and the like. I have especially enjoyed keeping an eye on Bloody Mary Barry. I swear, aside from the drink in his hand, this guy could be confused for the Travelocity roaming gnome. He's everywhere. Until now, I figured he would go unchallenged. Recently though I've seen a series of posts by an unlikely contender. Our own PC Jay Bird Hurd has mounted a serious threat to Barry as the king of the bloody Mary. If Jay is going to catch Barry, he'll need to up his game. Beware, Barry, Jay is a fierce competitor. Sure, it's all fun and games until someone gets Tabasco sauce in their eye.

That's a wrap on this month's Kilroy. It's time to polish off this last bit of single-barrel, close the fireplace doors, and make sure my puppy is tucked in. Here's wishing you and yours a healthy, happy, and safe holiday season.

Keep that winter wind at your back,

Kilroy

Sue Island Sue

November brought preparations for our boat's long winter nap. The pier's pipes and bath house were pumped with pink stuff for it would be a blue, blue, Christmas without it. Family and friends gathered to feast and give thanks.

It's the most wonderful time of the year with so many ways to rock around the Christmas tree. With children laughing, people passing, greeting smile after smile. The clubhouse, with its frosted window panes, candles gleaming inside, and painted candy canes on the tree, is ready for all the holiday festivities.

Do you hear what I hear? Santa Claus is coming to town! The BYC Children's Christmas Party will host the biggest celebrity of them all, Old Saint Nick! You just can't miss the tiny tots with their eyes all aglow with anticipation.

The holiday party season is upon us. Laugh, eat, and drink the night away. Let the sugar plums dance in your heads, just be sure to call Uber for a ride home.

The Lighted Boat Parade was just plain elfin' magic. Except I hear one little elf took a swim in the frigid water. We heard her exclaim as she rode out of sight: baby it's cold outside.

You know Dasher and Dancer and Prancer… but do you know Bill and Sandy Morgan's puppy Gretchen? She may be small now, but she's lively and quick. We'll see in a moment, she'll weigh as much as Saint Nick.

In the words of tiny Tim, God bless us, every one.

Sue Island Sue

Fleet Chaplain's Message

"Rejoice! It is the holiday season which should bring our families closer together."

For For many, the Christmas season can be filled with distractions and anxiety rather than the joy of peace it is supposed to bring, taught by our Savior, Jesus Christ. The Christmas holiday is a celebration of family: God's family, our own, and the diverse Baltimore Yacht Club family. Many friends and family from our club share faith and Christmas tradition. We laugh together, we grieve together. We support each other with love and compassion. We offer proof that the best way to overcome hurt and loneliness, is to reach out to our comrades who may be hurting and lonely, too.

This is the time of the year that we set aside our religious beliefs, opinions, religious denominations, political affiliation and national origin. We are all people of God, with the same needs for peace, family values and the pursuit of happiness.

Savor the Christmas memories, to share with loved ones, and to create new memories and traditions, that will be passed down for generations to come. "*Isaiah 60:1 says - Arise, shine, for your light has come, and the glory for the Lord shines over you."* Pull out your memories that made Christmas special. The sights, sounds, and smells of your childhood memories. Our parents always emphasized to us that Christmas was about celebrating the birth of Jesus, our savior. They taught us that when we commit our lives to Him and do our best to honor God, it gives more meaning not only to this holiday, but to our daily lives.

We are also reminded, that while Christmas is fun for giving and receiving gifts, giving to others should be a year-round activity for those in need. We, in our Yacht Club family, are blessed and more fortunate than most people, to have the camaraderie, friendship and love for one another. We all know that our unity is not a hobby or just something to do, but this is a "way of life" that we all choose and cherish.

Christine and I pray that you have Christmas filled with joy and peace with lasting memories. Celebrate our Savior Jesus Christ! His ultimate sacrifice is the reason we have peace, joy and success in our lives. This Christmas season, consider attending a church of your choice and celebrating your peace, blessings and the pursuit of happiness for the upcoming year!

Let us pray:

"Heavenly Father, you hear our prayers, allow us to receive these Christmas gifts from friends and family with appreciation. Allow us to never forget those less fortunate, and allow us to be generous to those sincerely in need, during this Christmas season. We never forget the soldiers and servicemen, who are sacrificing their lives, to give us our freedom this Christmas season.
In God's holy name." **AMEN**

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Chris Minnich
Chaplain

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Manager's Message

Season's Greetings!

The Club is decorated for Christmas and we are preparing for the holiday season events. This year we have already seen increased attendance in all of our Club events. In November we had a packed house for the Bull & Oyster Roast. We had the most guests we have had in five years for the Thanksgiving Dinner, and if you were here for the Middle River Lighted Boat Parade, you saw that we sold out. The atmosphere is jovial and welcoming here on Sue Island!

As we look to honor the Club's traditions throughout this year of "Legends and Memories", you will see, hear, and read some of the many reasons this Club's history is so rich. It never ceases to amaze me when I get a chance to thumb through old pictures and read through old Sprays and notice that, while something things have changed, there's much more that hasn't. This Club has multiple generations of families that have helped build and keep it strong to this day. I am happy to be a part of this tradition and to help in honoring this year.

So take time this season and enjoy the Club with your family and friends. We are full of events and activities throughout this month and I am looking forward to the addition of the "Island Christmas" Thursday Special. The Children's Christmas Party will be full of smiling faces as we welcome Santa to Sue Island and our Caroling Night is always a great time to get the family together for a nice dinner before the hustle and bustle of the holiday itself.

So in closing, Happy Hanukkah, Merry Christmas, enjoy the New Year, and just remember that in the next Spray we will be reminding everyone to get ready for Slip Assignment Day!

Cheers,

Scott Lockwood
General Manager

Sick and Welfare

Get well wishes go out to our Fleet Surgeon Barry Cohan & Joyce Gray who are currently fighting against cancer.

Please keep both of them
and their families in your thoughts and prayers.

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3 Bar Opens 12:00 **Children's Christmas Party** *See flyer for details*	**4** **CLUB CLOSED**	**5** **CLUB CLOSED**	**6** **CLUB CLOSED**	**7** Bar Opens 6:00 Dinner 6:00 – 8:00	**8** **Board Meeting** Bar Opens 6:00 Dinner 6:00 – 8:00	**9** Bar Opens 12:00 Lunch 12:00 – 2:00 Dinner 6:00 – 8:00
10 Bar Opens 12:00 Lunch 12:00 – 2:00 Dinner 5:00 – 7:30	**11** **CLUB CLOSED**	**12** **CLUB CLOSED**	**13** **CLUB CLOSED**	**14** Bar Opens 6:00 Dinner 6:00 – 8:00	**15** Bar Opens 6:00 Dinner 6:00 – 8:00	**16** Bar Opens 12:00 Lunch 12:00 – 2:00 Dinner 6:00 – 8:00
17 Bar Opens 12:00 **Christmas Dinner & Caroling** *See flyer for details*	**18** **CLUB CLOSED** **Office Closed**	**19** **CLUB CLOSED** **Office Closed**	**20** **CLUB CLOSED** **Office Closed**	**21** **CLUB CLOSED** **Office Closed**	**22** **CLUB CLOSED** **Office Closed**	**23** **CLUB CLOSED** **Office Closed**
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31 **New Year's Eve** **CLUB CLOSED** **Office Closed**						

DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

1 P/C Jerry Smith
2 Theresa Fowler
Debbie Cearfoss
Andrea Sauer
3 F/C Joe Vislocky
Joan Lauenstein
Jennifer Mullen
Christopher Johnson
4 Laura Penza
5 Philip Shaffer
Isabella Sabatino
6 Henry Waida, Jr.
Aileen Kammer
7 Fred Schwing
8 Luigi Toto
9 Chris Franki
Robyn Strobel
Sarah Coard
10 Lori Ostendarp
11 F/Chap. Chris Minnich
Ernestine Rudolf
12 Stephen Hock
13 Philip DePamphilis
Susan Gephart
Maggie Diller
Bill Parham
14 Danette Toner
15 Aaron Phelps
16 David Grove
Kitty Canavan
Rebecca Johnson
Mary Hall
Ruthie Block
Libby Horne
17 Charlie Myers
18 Richard Snellinger
Don Hunter
Jennifer Dalgarno
19 Don Kaelber
Keith Wrightson
20 Hugh Calkins
P/C Al Cody
Joseph Dvornicky
Jennifer Bruns
23 Kathy Schlee
24 Phil Mount
Henry Rudolf
George Harrison, Sr.
Susan Saffer
25 Nicholas Pugh
26 Walter Neese
Aida Roig
27 Tracy Coder
28 Pat Brennan
William Mazurkevich
Pamela Wolff
Karen Goloboski
Deanna Hollar
29 Brendon Mellinger
30 Ernest Shea
Scott Slocum
Connie Barry
Edith Wenzlaff
Matthew Miller
31 Sandy Puhl
Thomas Brooks
Lisa Holsinger

DECEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

2 Charles & Mary Whittaker
4 Jay & Sandy Puhl
5 Andy & Diane Kowal
Sean & Aileen Kammer
10 Gary & Brenda Braightmeyer
11 John & Kathy Filar
17 Ricardo & Cecilia Yazigi
19 P/C Leo & Brenda Maenner
22 Joe & Bev Zappala
26 Rich & Liz Curtis
28 George & Marian Mosburger
29 Daniel & Michaela Koch
30 Chris & Jody Coder
Todd & Jodi Taylor
Jim & Colleen Smart

SPECIAL CONGRATULATIONS

George & Marian Mosburger - 66 years
Rich & Liz Curtis - 55 years
Charles & Mary Whittaker - 45 years
Jay & Sandy Puhl - 35 years
John & Kathy Filar - 30 years
Sean & Aileen Kammer - 15 years

BALTIMORE YACHT CLUB — JANUARY 2018

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1 **CLUB CLOSED**	2 **CLUB CLOSED**	3 **CLUB CLOSED**	4 **CLUB CLOSED**	5 **General Membership Meeting & Mates Meeting** Bar Opens 6:00 Dinner 6:30 – 8:00	6 **CLUB CLOSED**
7 **Members Cocktail Party** *See flyer for details*	8 **CLUB CLOSED**	9 **CLUB CLOSED**	10 **CLUB CLOSED**	11 **CLUB CLOSED**	12 **CCC Ball** **CLUB CLOSED**	13 **CCC Ball** **CLUB CLOSED**
14 **CCC Ball** **CLUB CLOSED**	15 **CLUB CLOSED**	16 **CLUB CLOSED**	17 **CLUB CLOSED**	18 **CLUB CLOSED**	19 **Board Meeting** **CLUB CLOSED**	20 **CLUB CLOSED**
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JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

1 Bowen Weisheit, Jr.
Kate Mitchell
Evan Steele
2 John Peters
3 Stephen Busky, M.D.
Dennis Morgan Sr.
4 David Lutz
Sophia Hayes
5 Lilia Heisley
Dorothy Lee Underwood
7 Dr. Dan Dietrick
B/M R. Scott Cost
8 Jean Troy
Eugene Kibbe III
9 Linda E. Stank
Allison Toohey
Gladys Malone
10 Bill Corun
Thomie Kibbe
11 Deb Patterson
12 Pat Cooke
13 Gil Cooke
Peter Curro
Sue Cameron
Cathy Maule
Karen Underwood
14 Mary Beth Shane
Linda Filling
Joshua Diven
15 Jay Puhl
Peggy Horne
Kathy Filar
Elisa Castellitto
16 Deb Hutson
Bette Holloway
Kelly Slocum
17 Sharon Sundstrom
Rich Curtis
Henry Wright Jr.
18 Jeanne Miecznikoski
Cynthia McCabe
19 Ed Mora
Gina Krause
20 P/C Frank Schepers
John Betzko
Alyce McCrystle
21 Joey Connor
Diane Kowal
Linda Carroll
Charline Chambers
22 Don Mellinger
Wanda Lessner
23 P/C Ellsworth Wiegand
Max Pfeiler
Bill Ortman
David Steele
24 Alexandra Niedoba
Karen Ortman
Loretta Williamson
25 Ed Hoke
Jake Conn
26 Trish Redding
Brenda English
Henry David Wolff
Colin Toner
Jacob Benhoff, Jr.
27 Charlotte Wilson
28 Sue Campbell
J.P. Toner, II
30 Chris McCarthy
Gerry Stank
Mary Ann Kolbe
Nina Scheppske
31 P/C Jim Paluszynski

JANUARY ANNIVERSARIES

5 Pat & Rosalie Brennan
6 Faye & Joe Broseker
8 Albert & Jennifer Bruns
10 Wendell & Charlotte Wilson
11 Dan & Bonnie Russo
16 Jim & Terrie Fowler
19 Claudius & Mary Klimt
20 John & Kathy Schlee
William & Donna Mazurkevich
22 Michael & Diana Reinhard
25 Steven & Jennifer Dalgarno
31 P/C Jay & Lisa Weitzel

SPECIAL CONGRATULATIONS

Pat & Rosalie Brennan - 55 years
John & Kathy Schlee - 50 years
William & Donna Mazurkevich - 45 years
Claudius & Mary Klimt - 45 years

BALTIMORE YACHT CLUB			FEBRUARY 2018			
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4 **Super Bowl Sunday** **CLUB CLOSED**	**5** **CLUB CLOSED**	**6** **CLUB CLOSED**	**7** **CLUB CLOSED**	**8** Bar Opens 6:00 Dinner 6:00 – 8:00	**9** **Board Meeting** Bar Opens 6:00 Dinner 6:00 – 8:00	**10** Bar Opens 12:00 Lunch 12:00 – 2:00 Dinner 6:00 – 8:00
11 Bar Open 12:00 Lunch 12:00 – 2:00 Dinner 5:00 – 7:00	**12** **CLUB CLOSED**	**13** **CLUB CLOSED**	**14** **Valentine's Day Dinner** *See flyer for details*	**15** Bar Opens 6:00 Dinner 6:00 – 8:00	**16** Bar Opens 6:00 Dinner 6:00 – 8:00	**17** Bar Opens 12:00 Lunch 12:00 – 2:00 Dinner 6:00 – 8:00
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FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

1 Greg Davis
Chris Coder
Craig Hollar
Mary Phillips
2 Ann Marie Price
Estelle Jenkins
3 P/C Dick Bruns
Ed Zimmerman
David Maule
Edwin Hale Jr.
Susan Hlavin
4 Bill Balaban
Thomas Flowers
Sarah Tennyson
Susan Mannel
Patrick Wallace
6 Stephanie Ross
7 Jim Smart
John Toohey III
8 Barry Siegel
9 P/C Wayne Penczek
10 Amanda Wyatt
11 P/C Stanley Bennett
12 David Edwards
Donald Durham
Pamela Helmstetter
13 Erin Niedoba
Tyler Bruns
14 Peggy Parr
15 Sean Kammer
Danny Jones
16 Linda Fowble
Janet Sauer
Susan Longo
Taylor Reed
17 Ed St. John
James McCabe
Lauren Ensor
18 Steve Angelos
Angie Bands
19 Patricia Frederick
Juanita Harshman
20 Leona Wallis
Sharon DePamphilis
21 Hoa Cost
Christian Jenkins
Jerry Focas
22 Barb Taylor
23 Raymond Schiff
Warren Carroll
P/C Richard Bussey
Alice Goodall
Barb Conn
Carl Ebeling
24 Walt Stanislawski
Linda Gerner
25 Michael Darenberg
Silvia Busky
26 Lynn Hannon
27 P/C Bob Sappe
Joyce Bauer
Sharon Reed
Gary Blankenship
Leonard Logue
Crosby Castellitto
28 Keith Lessner
Christi Benhoff
29 Charlie Winchester

FEBRUARY ANNIVERSARIES

2 Louie & Darlene Sauer
5 Charlie & Betty Winchester
6 Fred & Mary Schwing
10 Doug & Patty Wargo
12 Jim & Becky Johnson
14 Roy & Angie Bands
William & Jane Bissell
20 Reese & Loretta Williamson
24 John & Dawn Bronushas

SPECIAL CONGRATULATIONS

Reese & Loretta Williamson - 63 years
Fred & Mary Schwing - 53 years
William & Jane Bissell - 50 years
Charlie & Betty Winchester - 35 years

Baltimore Yacht Club Committees 2017-2018

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D Pier - Kim Bosley &
Shari Zakielarz
E Pier -

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