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Blindfolded dinghy races were a favorite.

DENHAM BAY

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It's too recently established to be on the "traditional" list of places cruisers feel compelled to visit. Denham Bay is nevertheless a bright new star in our Pacific Northwest cruising constellation. Due north of Horn Point and slightly west of Dent Rapids and the infamous "Devil's Hole", this tucked-away resort was a highlight of our 2017 summer cruise. Our stay was far from crowded. In mid-August, we were the only boat at the dock until mid-afternoon. We were one of two boats spending the night.

Cruising boats approaching Denham Bay from Dent Rapids should be mindful of Secord Rock, somewhat offshore from the tip of Horn Point.

A log breakwater protects the marina from winds funneling down Cordero Channel. Moorage

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WINSLOW GOES "GILLIGAN" FOR LABOR DAY

Boats arrived at Eagle Harbor with Skipper, Gilligan and guests unharmed. The fearless crews provided appetizers and libations and the fun was off to a great start.

Our cast of characters were all well represented. You won't believe who came to the

costume party as Ginger (check out Lynne Garton's Facebook posts). Gilligan, Mary Ann, The Howells, Professor, and the Skipper were all at the party. Festivities included a coconut pie eating contest, the winner surprised us all and herself.

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OCTOBER 2017 HIGHLIGHTS

October 1	Mayor Candidate Forum
October 3-6	Commodore's Ball Decorating
October 7	POYC Fall Roundup IPBA Race
October 7	Commodores Ball
October 9	Tarette's Happy Hour
October 14	Docks Fun Day
October 22	Burger Bash

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HAVE FUN AND GET THINGS DONE

COMMODORE'S REPORT-

Strange how life throws curveballs. Just when you think life is on a glide path, opportunities spring up to make life spin again at high RPM. I feel that way as I take the helm of Queen City Yacht Club after a twelve year hiatus. I am honored to become the 103rd Commodore of Queen City Yacht Club and thank the membership for this opportunity. The significance of being the first person to be Commodore twice since 1929 is not lost on this student of history. It is truly remarkable and Karin and I promise to make a good showing. We look forward to a fun and productive year for 2017-2018, and ask for the membership's help to make the events exactly that. *Let's have some fun and get things done.*

Queen City is an incredible club. It's been a huge part of Karin's life and my life. We've raised our children in the club

and now they're third-generation members. The members that came before us have handed our generation a great gift. We have, among many things, property and over 225 covered and open slips within a major city; well-placed outstations that, through sound fiscal policy and decision-making, are low cost; a main station and docks that are well-funded and maintained; and a financial structure that ensures we will remain relatively debt-free.

Our generation has taken up the mantle, as well. We honor the traditions of the past, but have kept our eyes focused on the future. Among many things, just a few short years ago we moved forward and recognized the obvious – that spouses deserved recognition as equals in the club. Like multiple generations before us, we indebted ourselves to improve our property and docks with a major electrical



improvement, and structured the debt to be retired quickly. We've added outstations and slips to the main station. We have tirelessly lobbied the state and monitored the pending 520 project to protect our interests. And we have elected our first female Bridge officer. Amazing progress over the past 10 years and yet, we've maintained all the best of the past.

So what will the next generation do for the club? That remains to be seen, but I am confident the new generation we induct will step to the plate when the time comes. For now, how can you help, how can you make QCYC a great club? Get



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involved. You want great events? Get involved. Want interesting dinner meetings? We will provide that, just show up and enjoy. Give us ideas. One of the great lessons I learned from my parents when I joined the club in 1987 is that you get out of it what you put into it. In closing, I promise this: Karin and I will give it our all to the club. I have a tremendous set of junior officers in Mark Reed and Sandy Werner who, along with their fantastic spouses Karleen and Chas, will do the same. Make this the year you give back to the club more than it has given you.

– Scott Grimm, commodore

COMMUNICATION THE KEY FOR THE YEAR

VICE COMMODORE'S REPORT—What a busy summer of beautiful weather, Puget Sound cruising and Queen City friends.

I really enjoyed catching up with our members who live down south in the winter and cruise up north during the summer.

It was also fun to see so many new members not only participate at club events this season, but to also volunteer and even be a host or hostess. As you know, the best way to meet new people and contribute to the club is simply to get involved.

I wish to congratulate my fellow new Bridge Officers on their new appointments. Scott Grimm as Commodore, Sandy Werner as Rear Commodore and Debbie Foote as Treasurer. Also, welcome back to Eric Wood, our Club Secretary.

It is a privilege and honor to have been asked to serve you as your Vice Commodore for the next twelve months. Karleen and I also look forward to another year of representing Queen City for the Grand-14 Class "Nautilus".

As your Vice Commodore, my responsibilities now turn to moorage, docks, house and outstation. My goal is to support these teams and their Chairs in fulfilling their duties as well as to pitch in and swing a hammer, walk a dock and help in the spring Winslow clean-up.

We have many other special projects coming up this year that will benefit all members of QCYC. Stay tuned for more information and details.

The best way for you stay tuned to keep up with all the fun and great benefits Queen City can offer you is to stay in touch. We communicate many ways: at General Meetings, through the Bilge Pump, all-member e-mail Bilge Blasts, the QCYC web site, posters, flyers, etc.

We will do our best to get information to you, but you have a responsibility also. Watch for those e-mails, read the newsletter and attend some meetings. That is truly the only way to make



sure you are up-to-date and informed.

Your input is also very important to the Bridge and assists with the smooth operation of the club. Always feel free to send us your suggestions, ideas, comments and solutions. I promise to read and respond.

By now your boats have been either shut down post summer or have been readied for the winter. The Miramar is cleaned-up, fueled-up and provisioned-up for all the cold weather cruising and club activities we can fit in.

We look forward to seeing you this winter both on the water and at the clubhouse!

–Mark Reed, vice commodore

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REAR COMMODORE'S REPORT —I would like to express my appreciation for electing me as your new rear commodore. I am honored and thrilled to serve as rear commodore for Queen City Yacht Club. Chas and I look forward to the next several years as we progress through the chairs.

I am a third generation born and raised Seattleite. My roots here are strong and I can't think of a more beautiful place to live.

Chas was born in Toledo Ohio but the draw of snow-capped mountains and blue seas pulled him away nearly 40 years ago and he hasn't looked back since. We share our love of snow-skiing and boating.

I began boating as a young girl joining my parents on a 16' aluminum boat that we used to salmon fish from La Push and Neah Bay. Ok, the experience did make me a bit seasick, but I overcame that and while still single, purchased my own 19' Reinell to continue fishing in Puget Sound. Sometime later I met Chas and introduced him to saltwater fishing. We were then introduced to cruising and QCYC by Gary Stevens and his father P/C Brooks Stevens. Our boat "Love Is..." has taken us to many places north where we enjoy fishing, crabbing, shrimping and sharing stories

and experiences with our friends.

We recently attended the Grand 14 cruise-in at Bremerton Yacht Club. Our rear commodores' group has chosen the name "Voyagers". We are honored to be part of this group which will allow us to share ideas and challenges.

As rear commodore, I am responsible for grounds, membership, security and reception. I am thrilled to have Karleen Reed returning to grounds maintenance and Chris Benson

returning to membership. They are both highly capable and will continue to do a fabulous job for the club. Security this year will be chaired by Dick Geving who is also highly capable and familiar with club security issues. I look forward to working closely with

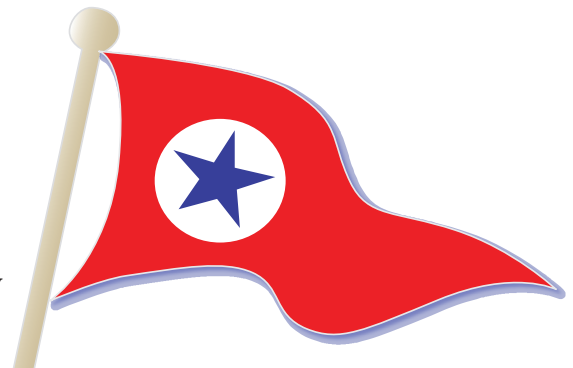


these individuals in the coming year.

This will be a very exciting year! I look forward to working with our new Commodore Scott Grimm and our Vice Commodore Mark Reed. We have already developed a strong bond and are working together as a great team to serve Queen City Yacht Club.

— Sandy Werner, rear commodore

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The current Tarettes leadership, left to right, Trustees Joanie Preusser and Denise Whitaker-Lindholme; Secretary and Representative to the Women's Interclub Council Patti Oberg; Treasurer Shirley Rogers; Vice President Carol Soffel, and President Mary Jo Svendsen.— Photo by Wendy Delaunay

ENGAGING MORE WOMEN AND FAMILIES, STARTING WITH THE MEET AND GREET OCTOBER 9

PRESIDENT'S REPORT — We completed our special Planning Sessions as of September 13 with an overall goal to offer new programs, activities and services to further support and engage more QCYC women and families. We invite all QCYC women to join Tarettes without dues or formal application process. More information on

specific changes and activities will be shared in the next Bilge Pump.

Our next fun social event will be a Meet and Greet Party for all QCYC women on Monday, October 9 beginning at 5:30 PM. Bring a bottle of wine and appetizer to share, and an accessory (such as scarf, earrings, necklace, etc.) to exchange. No need to sign up, just show up!

Our first WIC luncheon of the year will be held at Port Orchard Yacht Club on Thursday, October 12 beginning at 11:00 AM. You are encouraged to dress for a lively Octoberfest theme. Checks for \$18 are due to Patti Oberg by September

27. Patti Oberg is our new WIC representative. Mail to: 1321 Chelsea Walk NE, Issaquah WA 98029. Or call her for possible last minute registration.

And mark your calendar for the WIC luncheon to be held at Tacoma Yacht Club on Thursday, November 1. Exact cost and signup deadline are yet to be determined. We will send out more information soon via Tarettes email or contact Patti Oberg to register.

—Mary Jo Svendsen, president



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Ship's Store is looking for volunteers to work the shop. We open four times a month between September and June, on meeting nights and every other Friday lunch, its about a 2-1/2 shift. We will train volunteers and assign random shifts for anyone who cannot commit to a set schedule. It's a great way to meet new people and have fun promoting QCYC. For anyone who thinks this might be your volunteer calling, please contact Niki Rampe at nikirampe@gmail.com or text or call 925.788.0042



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Mary Anne and the Movie Star

Thanks to Joe and Lisa Sims staging Gilligan's Island at Winslow over Labor Day weekend. Great food, games and a perfect themed event!!! Photos by Lisa Sims



Runners aside, this is not a photo of the metal band Mötley Crüe

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The first prize went to Michelle Bedner who beat out Dave Bedner, Mark Reed, Bill Brunkhorst, all the kids and more. Michelle was a great sport and has quite a competitive streak!
Blind folded dingy races got off to a bumpy start, a few got a bit lost but all the kids had a great time. The "Thurston Howell III Style" dingy race for the

adults- skipper was blindfolded and the navigator held a full martini glass. First to cross the finish line with the most liquid was a tie. Neither Sandy Werner, (captained by Mark Reed) nor Wanda Adams (navigating for Rico) spilled drop!
We made it through nearly every episode of Gilligan's Island and wrapped up the weekend with an outdoor movie. Everyone enjoyed

"Captain Ron".
Of course, these weekends never happen without all the members pitching in and cooking, serving and cleaning up. Thank you to all of you for making this a fantastic end of summer party.
Thanks again for a great weekend!

-Lisa "Mary Ann" and Joe "Skipper" Sims, Cruise Captains

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JOHN MARTIN FRODERSEN

1921 – 2017

A long time and well known member, Captain John Frodersen passed away peacefully on July 24, 2017, after living a long, loving, and active life. At the time of his passing, **John was club number 002!** John was born in Norway on July 30, 1921 and emigrated to the U.S. in 1926 with his parents, sister Anne Marie, and brother Fred. After graduating from Ballard High School, John married his high school sweetheart, Hazzle Witham. He attended the University of Washington and earned a degree in Civil Engineering, joined the R.O.T.C. and then entered the army.

John and Hazzle had four children, Jeanne, Kathy, John Jr., and Paul (QCYC member). They had wonderful family experiences together cruising on their boat with friends, travelling, and more. He was a general contractor, and owner of Farwest Construction Company. John and Hazzle were married 30 years until she passed away in 1968.

John married Marianne Hayden, in 1970. She had two children, John and Julie. John and Marianne had 40 happy years together until she passed away in 2010. John was a well-loved and widely respected man with an abundance of integrity. He enjoyed traveling throughout the world with Marianne, golfing at their home

in Palm Desert, and flying with her in his plane well into his 80s.

John's loving companion, since 2011, was Evie Weaver. They had wonderful fun together until his illness. During his illness, Evie sat by his side, watching over him until he passed away. She was a great comfort to him and to his children.

John's accomplishments were many: during WWII he was the Commanding Officer of Fort Columbia and then, in civilian life, became a member of the "Forward Thrust Committee" which cleaned up Puget Sound by creating the West Point Sewage Plant. "Forward Thrust" was the planning commission for the future of Seattle. He was President of the AGC, Associated General Contractors of the State of Washington, and sat on many of their committees and boards. He instituted and was chairman of the board of the Laborer's Union Health and Welfare Fund, remaining chairman of the fund until 2014, in his 90's. He was one of the original panelists of the American Arbitration Association, formed in 1980, for the State of Washington, where he conducted construction related binding mediations.

John also served on the Board of Ballard Hospital and was a Commander of the Seattle Power Squadron. He was a member of Sahalee Country

Club, The Lakes Country Club, the Masons, and the Shriners.

Captain Frodersen joined Queen City in 1956 and had many friends at the club and enjoyed many cruises with them. John was an active log racer and served as Regatta Chairman in 1961. He became a lifetime member in 1954. John owned five different boats while a member all named "Frode" except for one: The first Frode was a 40' wood Chris Craft, the second "Frode" was a 46' Chris Craft, his third boat was named "Lady Barbara" and was a 53' Matthews, the fourth boat was another "Frode" a 55' Chris Craft powered by CATs, and the fifth boat (fourth "Frode") was a 48' Ocean Alexander with Cummins engines that he purchased from fellow member and close friend Lynn Olason. John's lasting legacy to QCYC is, of course, his son Paul who joined our club in 1988 and step-son John Hayden who joined at the same time.

John was deeply loved by his family, and will be greatly missed. He is survived by his six children: Jeanne (Scott) Satterlee, Kathy (Brian) Claudon, John (Theron) Frodesen Jr., F. Paul Frodesen, John (Liz) Hayden, Julie (Sam) Traff. He had eleven grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

– Ken Klett

QCYC REEL FUN FISHING DERBY

Eagle Harbor Outstation—QCYC anglers gathered at Winslow for the annual fishing derby on Saturday and Sunday after Labor Day. 'Tall Tales' on the dock social hours were followed by excellent dinners in the clubhouse. Anglers brought their 'catch' to the weigh-in station by noon on Sunday. Awards were presented followed by viewing of the Seahawks game.

Thanks to Scott Anderson and his crew for organizing.



WINSLOW/OUTSTATION EXPECTATIONS

Without a doubt, our boats are getting longer and wider. Dock space, especially at Winslow during the summer is at a premium. We all know when visiting our Outstations that we might sometimes need to raft up.

The Bridge and Board have noticed a disturbing trend at Winslow. As boats come and go, gaps appear between boats. Some members tie dinghies and kayaks behind their boats - taking up additional dock space.

As gaps appear between boats, some members are reluctant to move their boats closer together to accommodate later arrivals. Apparently, these members just don't want to be bothered having to untie and retie lines and dock cords once they get set on the dock.

Please remember the following when visiting any of our Outstations

EXPECT to move your boat to consolidate space whenever other boats depart. **This may happen more than once a day.**



Dinghies should be tied up on the dinghy dock, not on the main float.

It might be a hassle but it is necessary.

EXPECT to tie your dinghies and kayaks at the designated dinghy dock. If there is room behind your boat that is a bonus but don't count on it. Remember that you may not use your dinghy or kayak to save room for a later arriving member. Moorage at all Outstations is on a first-come basis

EXPECT that you may have to raft up upon arrival. However, if there is room between boats already on the dock, politely request boats to move closer together to make room for you. If you are already

on the dock, be alert to this and proactively move your boat before someone even asks!

If we all work together, we can make our Outstation experiences even better! Thanks for your cooperation!

*—Jeff Madera
Trustee, QCYC Board of Trustees*



Water toys and dinghies should not be used to reserve dock space for friends arriving later.

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Reminder

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— Pete Delaunay, pete@delalaunay.com

— Sally Macdonald, sbmacd@aol.com, *Bilge Pump* co-editors

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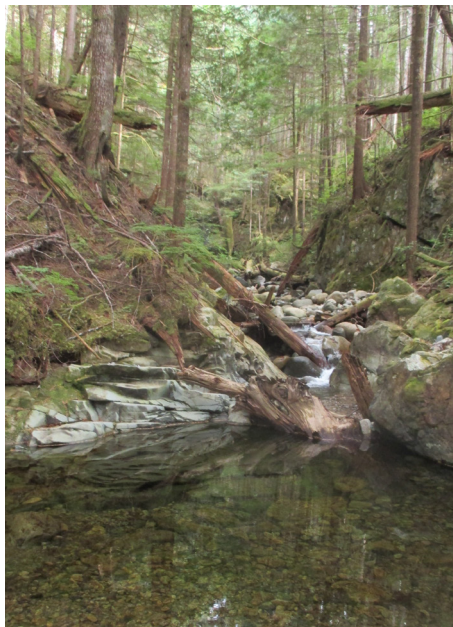
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is available at four floats. There is adequate depth for any vessel anywhere except the inside of the float closest to shore. (Our depth sounder showed 36 feet under the keel, at a lower tide, two floats out from shore). There is no shore power on the floats. Such a volume fresh creek water flows into and overflows from the marina's well and water supply that Denham Bay is an excellent option for refilling potable water tanks. Wi-fi and cell phone coverage can be spotty, or worse, in this area- but we found adequate communications available at Denham Bay. (Signs at the dock implore visitors to avoid streaming and other bandwidth hogging activities).

Everything is spotlessly clean and well maintained. Don't be fooled by the pristine condition of the stainless-steel fish cleaning station at the base of the gangway. It sees frequent use. Some of the

best salmon fishing in world is found within a few miles of the Denham Bay Dock. One of the owners (Peter) is a professional fishing guide with more than three decades local experience. Peter said, "I get called to take charter parties out of Dent Island Lodge, but none of those

excursions depart before 8 AM. I like to get up around 5:30, and go catch a couple for myself." We didn't ask, but we assumed Peter



Picturesque creek and waterfall a short hike from the shoreline

would also be available to guide for cruisers visiting his resort.

Peter's partner, Sarah, has worked as a professional chef.

She's adept at handling lines to assist docking vessels, and greets incoming boats with an infectious smile. She is as gracious a hostess as will be found. Like so many of the charming smaller resorts available to cruisers, the character of the proprietors adds to the positive experience.

Once secure to the dock, options include lazing around on

deck with a good book and/or a favorite beverage. Scenery here is beyond stunning. Greens so dark they run to black define



Beach boardwalk at Denham Bay

the forested crests of steep-sided islands in every direction. The sun sprinkles silver across green churns of swirl water, either destined to be drawn into or recently released from potentially deadly tide rips at Devil's Hole.

An entertaining all-day ballet of boats strategically approaches Dent Rapids. Boats slightly "too early" for safe passage throttle back to dead slow to improve arrival time. Vessels which narrowly missed the window at slack pour on the coal, with nervous skippers looking anxiously at the clock as well as the tide and current tables. Nobody wants to be caught in Dent Rapids when the infamous whirlpool forms around the 6-fathom shoal.

Facilities ashore include 4 rental cabins. There's space for a seaplane at the dock, and the combination of moorage with the cabin accommodations suggests Denham Bay might be a perfect spot for family reunions. Members arriving by seaplane

could rendezvous with clan folk cruising the region.

There are two outdoor kitchens available. One closest to the dock is designated for use by cruising boaters. The boaters' kitchen includes a small BBQ, a base on which to boil a kettle of crabs, food prep space, and a wood-fired pizza oven. The upper kitchen includes a refrigerator, stainless food prep area, a propane range, full complement of cooking utensils, and plenty of seating options. The upper kitchen is intended for use by cabin guests.

With horseshoe pits, hammocks, decks, outdoor fireplaces, and dozens of attractively planted landscaped nooks, it's possible to spend an enjoyable afternoon within sight of the dock. Beaches on either side of the more developed portion of the resort present options for exercising kids, toeing stones in contemplation, or romping with the family dog.

My spouse is dedicated to walking at least 10,000 steps per day. We accomplished most of that at Denham Bay with a brisk walk on some trails and a logging road. Our path began at the far end of the beach to the left of the resort. The footpath merged with a logging road, now seldom used and covered with short grasses. We reached a junction, with a directional side indicating that a waterfall was 10-minutes up the hill to the right. The steady climb was no more than moderately strenuous for a couple in our middle sixties. On an August afternoon, the air was shirt sleeve pleasant- certainly not



Docks are not crowded in August

hot. Jan remarked at the almost unnaturally vivid bracken greens bordering each side of the old roadbed.

I admit to some skepticism regarding distances on directional signs. Is the "10-minutes" to the waterfall on foot, on horseback, or bounding up the logging road on an ATV? In this case, the trek is 10 foot/minutes, even for some of us now past the prime of life. An arrow left of the road points to a

somewhat downslope.

The side trail is well marked, but otherwise unimproved. One walks on soft green mosses, springy as a pillow top mattress, and scrambles over and through rotting windfall. There's a steep section... "let's do this one at a time. It wouldn't be good for the top person to lose footing and take out the lower person in the fall."

We arrived safely at the creek, just below the waterfall. A border of barren rocks defines the upper limit of the spring freshets through this verdant canyon- but the August stream is tame. Deep pools of crystal clear, copper tinted ice water invite a hiker to slake a thirst. Perhaps, between the waterfall and Cordero Channel, some of the salmon that survive the years at sea and the charter fishers from local resorts will spawn a fresh generation of life.

Ready to spawn a fresh perspective and discover a fabulous cruising destination in Cordero Channel? Check out Denham Bay.

—Chuck Gould



Boater's kitchen includes a wood fired pizza oven.

side trail. A sign promises, "water and stuff". In addition to the visual indications, we could hear the gurgling tones of rushing water- apparently just out of sight and

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 Mayor Candidate Forum 1:00 pm to 5:00pm	2	3 Decorating for QCYC Commodores Ball 9:00am House Committee 9:00am - 11:30am Planning & Finance Meeting 8:00pm	4 Decorating for QCYC Commodores Ball 9:00am Web Team Committee 7:00pm	5 Decorating for QCYC Commodores Ball 9:00am	6 Decorating for QCYC Commodores Ball 9:00am Friday Lunch 11:30am - 1:30 pm Ship's Store Open 11:30am - 1:30 pm	7 POYC Fall Roundup IPBA Race 8:00am QCYC Commodores Ball 5:15pm
8	9 Tarette's Happy Hour & Accessory Exchange 5:30pm QCYC Board Meeting 8:00pm	10 House Committee 9:00 -11:30am Docks Committee 6:30pm	11 Ship's Store Open 5:30pm - 7:30pm Pre-meeting Dinner 6:00pm General Member Meeting 7:30pm-9:30pm	12 Past Commodores' Fall Dinner 5:30pm	13 Friday Lunch 11:30am - 1:30pm	14 Docks Fun Day 8:30am Saturday Breakfast 9:00am Private Event - Sandy Kemper 4:00pm
15	16	17 House Committee 9:00 -11:30am Architectural Advisory Meeting 6:30-8:30pm	18 Alt. Wed. Night Dinner 5:45pm	19 SSPS Dinner Meeting 5:30pm	20 Friday Lunch 11:30am - 1:30pm Ship's Store Open 11:30am - 1:30 pm	21 Saturday Breakfast 9:00am
22 Burger Bash (2nd floor) 5:00pm - 7:30pm	23 Office Closed	24 Office Closed House Committee 9:00-11:30am	25 Ship's Store Open 5:30pm - 7:30pm Pre-meeting Dinner 6:00pm General Member Meeting 7:30pm - 9:30pm	26 Private Event - Kim Dales (tentative) 5:00pm	27 Friday Lunch 11:30am Halloween Party 6:00pm	28 Saturday Breakfast 9:00am
29	30	31 House Committee 9:00-11:00am				

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