

THE SIREN



Commodore
Judy Peschio

Commodore's Log

February was a whirlwind of activities with great events including a well-attended parking lot concert, a terrific Valentine's Day Dinner Dance, the first Skipper's Table presentation in some time and a host of committee meetings. Thank you to all who supported the events and to the member volunteers who offered their ideas and their time to enhance the work of the committees—all of which adds to the benefits of membership to VBYC.

Looking ahead, there are some exciting things on the horizon. The bathroom remodel project (budgeted to occur in 2022 but postponed until 2023 because of the patio bar project) is moving along. Stay tuned for more details. You will soon notice that the patio wait staff will carry hand-held POS

tablets to take your food and beverage orders. This is part of a server upgrade project designed to increase the efficiency of getting orders into the kitchen and save a few steps for our staff.

You may be wondering what happened to Friendship II and why the slip sits empty. Unfortunately, the pontoons were not painted properly when she was purchased, and now need to be replaced. The dealer is taking full responsibility and has offered to replace the pontoons, which would have meant a two-to-three-month delay, or buy back the boat. The decision has been made to take the refund and purchase a similar boat with a fiberglass hull, because our club boat is an amenity that so many of you enjoy. So again, stay tuned.

As we head into March, check out the calendar, as there are many events scheduled. Your participation is greatly appreciated.

I look forward to seeing you at the club to raise a glass and tell some stories!

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SHIPMATES

A SMALL ACT OF KINDNESS THAT MAKES A BIG DIFFERENCE

The Shipmates organized the annual Teddy Bear Drive in December for longer than anyone can remember. Thanks to the support of the entire VBYC membership, this drive always was successful and appreciated. Originally the drive was set up to donate bears to the Sherriff's Department, the Fire Department and Cleveland Clinic - Emergency Room. Now, bears are being donated to Cleveland Clinic Emergency Room and Toys for Tots.



The movement is contagious! Mert Anderson, a long-time supporter of the Teddy Bear Drive, engaged her women's group to participate and every year they donate bears to our drive. Mert was not alone: Other members of the Shipmates, including Carin Fedderman, Milley LaCanfora, Helga McCahan, and the late Mary Neville felt this drive was very important to our community outreach program.

Janet Leh's grandchildren started a bear drive at their high school in support of their grandmother's hospitalization during Covid, and the comfort of a bear on her windowsill.

What might seem so simple has far-reaching effects.

When Janet and I delivered Bears last year to the Emergency Room, a child was admitted who was quite stressed. Erin Miller, communications and PR specialist/marketing at the Cleveland Clinic ER immediately grabbed one of the bears that we were delivering and gave it to the child – the tears dried up!

Cleveland Clinic feels so passionately about these donations that an article will be published in their national newsletter featuring the VBYC and their Teddy Bear Drive.

Erin recently wrote me a note, "Thank you and the Shipmates for your continued support for our hospital and the community. We can't even begin to count how many children (and adults) your donations have helped."

Sometimes the smallest acts of kindness have the biggest impacts.

Be kind.

Mary



ON THE WATERFRONT

VBYC KAYAK GROUP OUTING

Saturday March 11 at 9:00 a.m.

Destination: Turkey Creek in Palm Bay.

Kayak along this picturesque creek to a bird sanctuary. If you are new to kayaking, we will teach you! Contact Toby Jarman, jarmantoby1@gmail.com, if you are planning to attend. Email Maddy of Adventure Kayak Tours for kayak reservations: madelynrussell12@gmail.com.



SPOIL ISLAND CLEANUP - Saturday March 25

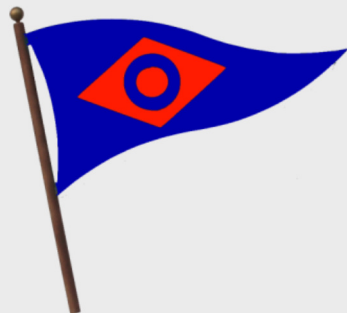
10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

If you'd like to participate, please email Connie Dominianni, connie.dominianni@gmail.com, by Monday, March 20 to reserve your spot. All are welcome!



VBYC MEETINGS – MARCH 2023

All members are welcome to attend committee and board meetings as a guest. The March schedule is listed below. Please check the website for additional information.



Fleet - Tuesday, March 7 @ 4:30 p.m.

Publicity & Publications - Wednesday, March 8 @ 10 a.m.

Activities - Tuesday, March 14 @ 11:00 a.m.

Planning - Tuesday, March 14 @ 9:30 a.m.

Membership - Tuesday, March 14 @ 4:30 p.m.

House and Grounds - Tuesday, March 14 @ 9:30 a.m.

Board of Directors – Tuesday, March 21 @ 9:30 a.m.

CONCERT IN THE PARKING LOT



VALENTINE'S DAY



BURGEE EXCHANGE



Presque Isle Yacht Club in Erie, PA.

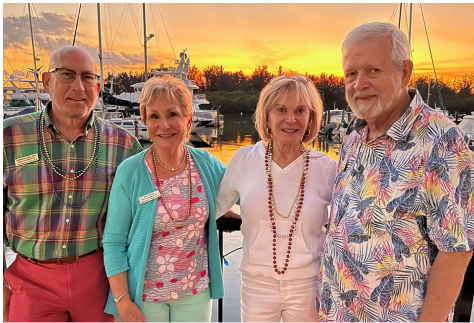


A Welcome to members of the Camden, Maine Yacht Club
VBYC already had their burgee, so we sent ours home
with our visitors.

ONCE AROUND THE CLUB



9 & Dine Winners



February Trivia Winners



Check the photo album on the VBYC website for more photos. <https://verobeachyachtclub.com/photos>

CONCERT IN THE PARKING LOT

RED CORVETTE

A PRINCE TRIBUTE BAND

THURSDAY, MARCH 9



\$30.00

SHOWTIME - 8:00 PM

RED CORVETTE IS THE NEWEST Prince Tribute Act on the scene. Its members have been honing that signature Prince sound for over fifteen years with more than one thousand Prince Tribute shows, touring the world several times over.

The band plays all the hit songs & Donny delivers all the classic Prince moves! Red Corvette is committed to honoring the legacy of Prince & his music. You owe it to yourself to take a ride with the RED CORVETTE.

COMMODORE'S BALL

Saturday, March 4

Cocktails & Hors d'oeuvres
6:00 - 7:00 p.m.

Elegant Dinner to Follow

Entertainment: Stereo FM

\$60 ++

Reservations Required

Jacket & Tie/
Cocktail Attire



St. Patrick's Day

IRISH BUFFET - \$40.00 ++

FRIDAY, MARCH 17

- 6:00 - 8:00 PM -

APPETIZER MENU ALSO AVAILABLE

VBYC MEMBER ART SHOW

March 24, 25, 26

GRAND OPENING
Friday 5:00 p.m.

GALLERY HOURS

Friday & Saturday
5:00- 9:00 p.m.

Sunday
10:00 a.m.- 1:00 p.m.

Art display in the
Commodore Room



DJ DANCE AND DANCE HOSTS

**HAPPY HOUR
DRINKS
ALL NIGHT**



FRIDAY, MARCH 3

**MUSIC
7:00-10:00 PM**

**APPETIZER MENU
5:30-8:30 PM**

**REGULAR DINNER MENU
5:30-8:30 PM**



MEMBER MIXER

**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 1
5:00-6:00 PM**

COMPLIMENTARY HORS D'OEUVRES

ITALIAN WINE DINNER

Wednesday, March 29



Greeting @ 6:00 p.m.
Dinner @ 6:30 p.m.

Presenter Stephen Dormer of Antares

\$100.00++
\$80.00++ Dinner Only

Wine & Food

MUSIC TRIVIA

Thursday, March 16

Music Begins @ 6:00 p.m.
Music Trivia 7:00-8:00 p.m.
Regular Music 8:00-9:00 p.m.

Tappas Buffet \$25.00++
Limited Dinner Menu



FRIDAYS STARTING AT 4:00 PM

**JOIN US FOR
HAPPY HOUR**



Happy Hour Drinks All Night
Appetizer Menu 5:30-8:30 p.m.
Regular Dinner Menu Available

PASTA-TRIVIA

Thursday, March 23

Pasta Station Opens @ 5:30 p.m.
Trivia Begins @ 7:30 p.m.

\$25.00++
Limited Dinner Menus



TRIVIA NIGHT

Live Music
on the patio



WEDNESDAYS
6:00 - 9:00 PM

March 1 – Anna Ivanova
(Violin)

March 8 – Carl Lewis
(Saxophone)

March 15 – Kent Brown
(Piano)

March 22 – Dave Bialos
(Guitar)

March 29 – Todd Jones
(Guitarist and Vocalist)

SATURDAY NIGHT BANDS



COMMODORE'S BALL
STEREO FM
MARCH 4

JOHNNIE NICK
MARCH 11

FUNFEST
MARCH 18

HAYA & THE HITS
MARCH 25

SHIP STORE SALE

FRIDAY, MARCH 17
5:00-6:00 PM




INTRODUCTION TO DUPLICATE BRIDGE

In an effort to establish a sanctioned duplicate bridge game at VBYC, we thought it would be useful to offer a session entitled "Introduction to Duplicate." Janice Woodbury, our fellow club member and proficient bridge player, has offered to provide this session to introduce our member bridge players to duplicate; she has conducted this class at various clubs in Indian River County.

This complimentary introduction will take place on April 27 at 2:00 p.m. at VBYC. Please contact Susie Kintner to sign up, susan.kintner2@gmail.com.




BOOK CLUB  **Wednesday, March 29 @ 4:00 p.m.**

The March book club selection is *Our Missing Hearts* by Celeste Ng. Contact Kathy Kinasewitz, kkinasewitz@hotmail.com, for additional information.

Twelve-year-old Bird Gardner lives with his father, a former linguist who now shelves books in a university library. His mother Margaret, a Chinese American poet, left without a trace when he was nine years old. He doesn't know what happened to her, except that her books have been banned. Then one day, Bird receives a mysterious letter containing a cryptic drawing and is pulled into a quest to find her.

Our Missing Hearts is an old story made new, of the ways supposedly civilized communities ignore injustice. It's about the lessons and legacies we pass on to our children, and the power of art to create change.





The golf group will be teeing off Fridays...

March 10 and March 24

For more information and to register, contact
Madesta Stevens at Madesta212@gmail.com

SUNDAYS AT 9:30 AM

IN THE EAST PARKING LOT

PICKLEBALL



FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT **BOB JONES**
AT ROBERTMEADEJONES@GMAIL.COM



Thursday, March 2

7:45 p.m.



This month's Skipper's Table will feature an enlightening discussion on "Markets in Perspective and Economic Outlook 2023." Our own Dave Osgood, senior vice president/resident director at Merrill Lynch will host an interactive discussion with Paul Peterson, regional vice president at First Trust Portfolios. Their timely insights will focus on "The Road Ahead - Navigating Inflation, Rising Rates and Volatility."



HURRICANE PREPAREDNESS

Thursday, March 30

7:45 p.m.

Kate Wentzel with the WPTV First Alert weather team will join us to discuss hurricane preparedness; a subject we all probably could learn more about.

Kate graduated from Mississippi State's broadcast meteorology program in 2002. Since then, she has earned both the American Meteorology Society Seal of Approval and the National Weather Association Seal of Approval. She has spent time in multiple markets around the country and now is happy to be living in South Florida, the only truly tropical climate in the continental United States.



*Save
THE
Date*



Thursday, April 6

Birds of Indian River County
featuring VBYC's own Joe Pescatore



Be sure to ask for a
free libation during
your birthday month.

MARCH 2023

Reservations Required ~ 772-231-2211

Lunch: Wednesday through Friday: 11:00 a.m. ~ 1:30 p.m.



















Sunday Brunch: 10:00 a.m. ~ 1:30 p.m.

Wednesday Night on the Patio: Music: 6:00 p.m. ~ 9:00 p.m.

Dinner: Tuesday Through Saturday: 5:30 p.m. ~ 8:30 p.m.

Saturday: Jackets are recommended but not required

Saturday: Music: 6:30 ~ 9:30 p.m. (main dining room)

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
APRIL HIGHLIGHTS Skippers Table ~ Thursday, April 6 Easter Brunch & Dinner ~ Sunday, April 9 Concert in the Parking Lot ~ Thursday, April 13 Seafood Buffet ~ Wednesday, April 19			1 Lunch  Anna Ivanova Dinner	2 Lunch MAHJONG  SKIPPER'S TABLE Dinner	3 Lunch BRIDGE Happy Hour Dinner 	4  Commodore's BALL Stereo FM
5 Pickleball Brunch	6 Club Closed	7  Dinner	8 Lunch Carl Lewis Dinner	9 Lunch MAHJONG  CONCERT IN THE PARK(ING LOT) Dinner	10 Lunch BRIDGE 9&DINE BLUE GAVEL Happy Hour Dinner	11 Kayak Outing Johnny Nick Dinner
12 Pickleball Brunch	13 Club Closed	14  Dinner	15 Lunch Kent Brown Dinner	16 Lunch MAHJONG  MUSIC Trivia Tapas Buffet Limited Menu	17 Lunch BRIDGE SHIPSTORE Happy Hour  Saint Patrick's DAY Buffet	18 Fun Fest Dinner
19 Pickleball Brunch	20 Club Closed	21  Dinner	22 Lunch Dave Bialos Dinner	23 Lunch MAHJONG  PASTA Trivia night Limited Menu	24 Lunch BRIDGE 9&DINE  art show Happy Hour Dinner	25 Spoil Island Cleanup  art show Haya & the Hits Dinner
26 Pickleball Brunch 	27 Club Closed	28  Dinner	29 Lunch  B Club  WINE PAIRING DINNER Todd Jones	30 Lunch MAHJONG  SKIPPER'S TABLE Dinner	31 Lunch BRIDGE Happy Hour Dinner	