



## Commodore Ray Forest

Well, that's a rap folks. 2007 is in the can! I can't believe how quick last year went. The Club success in 2007 can only be attributed to volunteers. This Club is lucky to have so many talented members. It is well balanced with institutional know how and innovation. I want to give a special thank you to everyone who helped with functions last year. It is these types of members that make guiding this Club a pleasure. I would also like to take this opportunity to acknowledge the hard work and careful planning of my wife Tomi. Her help was instrumental in making this year run so smoothly.

Just a quick recap of the final events of 2007. On November 22<sup>nd</sup>, Thanksgiving at the Club was hosted by Darlene and Jim Bren, Phyllis and Dave Rose, and Michelle and Dave Rader. Thank you for a job well done.

On the 24<sup>th</sup>, the Club was decorated by the Onrust and now looks very festive. Their hard work is greatly appreciated.

On November 30<sup>th</sup>, the potluck was hosted by Sandy and Norm Gaedtke. You know potlucks are always among the best meals. The following night the lighted boat parade dinner was provided by Barbi and Pat Carson. We were all treated to authentic New Orleans Jambalaya.

Once again, Onrust did an outstanding job with the Christmas Ball. It was a beautiful evening with a great attendance. The next day Pat and Ken Tighe and Phyllis and Bill Harris hosted the family Christmas Party so the children would have a unique opportunity to meet St. Nick. We are lucky that Henry McKay is such good friend with the jolly old elf and was able to talk him into making a guest appearance. Pat and Phyllis taught crafts to the children and Bill Harris took pictures of Santa. The children's reactions were priceless.

Thank you for letting me serve you the last three years. I look forward to seeing all of you at the Club during 2008.

Once again, thank you for a wonderful year.



## Vice Commodore Norm Gaedtke

Well it is almost over for Ray, and I want to be the first to thank him and Tomi for all the effort, time and money they spent over the last year. We can only hope that Ray buys as many drinks next year as he bought us all this year. Thanks again Ray and Tomi!

I think we have all our positions filled for next year and I want to thank everyone who has stepped up to help. There is still opportunity to host an event or create an event. We intend to have a full calendar and it will take involvement from all of us in order to have another great year. Please check the calendar and if you can help, it will be greatly appreciated. In addition, whenever possible please plan to attend as many events as you can. The more involvement we have the more fun we have. Our goal is and should be camaraderie and fun first! We have a great Club with a great facility and we need to support it.

If any of you have any suggestions, comments or ideas to keep our Club on the right track please let me know; and as always, I look forward to seeing you at the events.

P.S. Remember that at the Change of Watch there will be an hour of free drinks and appetizers on yours truly. As all of you know, I have lots of money so come and take advantage of it if for no other reason. In addition, please plan to attend the TGIF on January 18th and the Poverty dinner and spam contest on January 19th. Let's get this thing rolling!



## Rear Commodore Barbi Carson

OK, here it is a week before Christmas. I spent the weekend of December 8th in Hawaii visiting and holding my new granddaughter who was born on November 29<sup>th</sup>. We came home on Sunday at midnight, emptied the suitcase and reloaded it with warmer clothes, got up the next morning and took a flight to Las Vegas to see my son who was there for a birthday party. We came home on Wednesday night, went to work on Thursday and Friday, went to a Christmas party on Friday night, went to a Christmas party on Saturday night, spent the entire day on Sunday making cookies and candy, went to work on Monday, came home and made more candy then packed them all into stockings for the seven kids and grandkids, went to work on Tuesday, left early to get all the packages in to UPS, headed to the Club to sit with the AT&T DSL installer, left to go home and make dinner, ate dinner then headed to the Club for the board meeting, and who is the first person I see when I get out of the car but Schatzie asking me for my \$%### article for the Bulletin. Well you can imagine what I said to her and it wasn't Merry Christmas. Seriously though, I'm sure that everyone's days are as hectic or more so as mine this time of the year, but let's not forget our Club and the people in it. By the time, you read this it will all be behind us and we will be starting a brand new year and brand new issues. Yahoo!!

I've had a great time as your Rear Commodore and being in charge of the bar was great fun but I'm really looking forward to being in charge of "Vice" next year. That is what the Vice Commodore does, right?

I'd like to thank all the members who helped me at the bar this last year. You all know who you are and I certainly appreciate your support. Oops! I did leave one important person out – my husband, Pat, who was there helping me every step of the way. Thank you Pat, for your support in everything I do – I love you.

I'm looking forward to another great year!



**SUNSHINE**

Steve Ciraolo is home recuperating from surgery.

Our sympathies to Lois Ciraolo for the recent loss of her sister, Carol Young. Carol was a former member.

Our thoughts also to Don Ward for the loss of his mother.

### **Editor's Correction**

In the December Bulletin (picture section) we incorrectly identified the Bay Fleet Captains. They are Stacy and Terry Medeiros.

A lot of hard work and organization goes into planning this 10-day event. My apologies to you both. Thank you for your understanding.



**Congratulations to our new retirees!!**

**Dave Rose  
Renee Yager**

## Message from SYC 2008 Bulletin Staff

The SYC 2008 Bulletin Staff will issue their first publication in February 2008, which is assembled in January. This is a Club publication and it is our intent to make it as professional looking as possible. In order to accomplish that, we need your assistance.

### Officers and Committee Reports

For uniformity, we are requesting the following:

- Type Style: Times New Roman
- 12 Pitch
- Justified Margins
- Block Style (no paragraph indents)
- Column Width: 3-1/4"

### Timing

All written documentation and flyers **must** be received by the **3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday** of each month (Board Meeting). The completed publication is taken to the printer on the Thursday after that meeting so this deadline is critical.

### Event Flyers

Your event flyers may be published two issues in advance. For example, if you have an event planned for March, your flyer must be received by the January Board Meeting to appear in the February and March issues.

### Postage

Postage has gone up significantly. So where possible, we will put several flyers per page. Whenever feasible, the Bulletin will be distributed at the Club if there is a function when the publication is ready for mailing.

### HELP WANTED PLEASE!!!!

The Bulletin Staff is looking for someone who would be interested in overseeing the photography section of the monthly Bulletin. If you are interested, please contact Schatzie Haws (209) 547-1494.

### SYC 2008 Board Meetings



January 15	July 15
February 19	August 19
March 18	September 16
April 15	October 21
May 20	November 18
June 17	December 16

With Gratitude

### EDITOR'S ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

On behalf of the Flag Officers and the Board of Directors, we would like to thank June and Jim Bentz for their generous donation to go towards postage expenses for our Bulletin.

Thank you both for your thoughtfulness.



## What is RBOC?

Recreational Boaters Of California is engaged in a number of key issues that directly impact club members. They are an organization that lobbies for all California boaters. Some of the current issues they are engaged in are:

- A proposed doubling of state boat registration fees.
- A proposal that all boaters obtain a national permit established to address pollution and discharges.
- A proposal to allow county assessors to ignore club lease provisions at ports to increase club property taxes.
- A proposal to require that operators of boats with engines pass a state-approved test and carry a life-time certificate.
- A proposal to build navigational barriers across several popular Delta waterways.

Your January statement for your 2008 dues will have an option for a "voluntary contribution" of \$20. This contribution supports their lobbying efforts for all California boaters. For more information, visit RBOC on-line at [www.rbo.org](http://www.rbo.org).

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YACHTSMAN OF THE YEAR AWARD  
FROM DEDRICK DENISON, PAST  
COMMODORE OF PICYA**



## Onrust Meetings

January 15  
March 18  
May 20  
July 15  
September 16  
November 18

# Birthdays

## Capricorn

- 1 Dean Baker  
Susan Monez  
William Engelhart
- 3 Pam Rubitsky  
Socorro Guajardo
- 5 Lonnie Palmer  
Joe Cox
- 6 Diane Billington
- 8 Beverly Hanley
- 10 Ron Malmquist
- 11 Marilyn Jantzen  
Wayne Smith
- 13 Phil Coddington
- 14 Renae Watson
- 15 Boots Bistline
- 18 Dedrick Denison
- 19 Bill Wilson  
Kris Katzakian



# Anniversaries

- 3 Bess and Ray Farmer
- 6 Patty and Robert Cerf
- 13 Brenda and Mark Galbraith
- 26 Barbara and Don Dynes
- 27 Lee and Al Furr

## Welcome Back Former SYC Members!

Chris and Chuck Armes  
6121 Lawton Avenue  
Oakland, CA 94618  
Phone (510) 655-8197  
Cell (510) 719-0812  
Boat Name: *2nd Wish*

## Aquarius

- 21 Marlene Spoor
- 22 Gary Steere  
Renee Cristler
- 27 Harley Handel
- 30 Bill Hill

### Members Off Probation

Barbara Alley  
Randy Howard  
Tony and Betty DeLaLera  
Bob and Beverly Cain  
John Tulich  
Don and Holly Neri  
Jim and Darline Clevenger  
Tony Kopshever  
Fred and Beth Miller