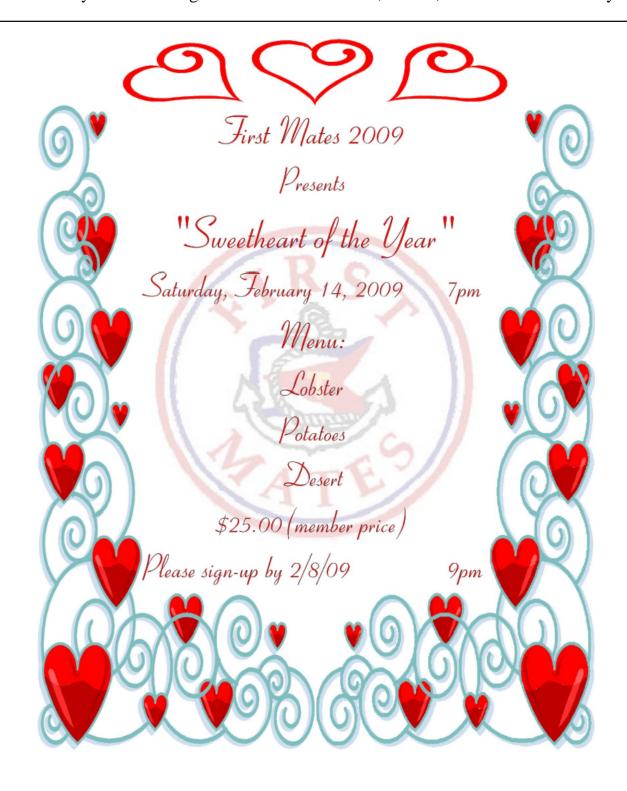
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# Commodore's Corner

**Commodore Martin Smith** 

January 2009 got off to a roaring start! TYC hosted the Poor Man's Yacht Club which the PMYC members enjoyed and so did the TYC members that joined. The next night was the Prime Rib Dinner which brought many accolades. Kyle said, "best I ever had." (I'm told that getting a compliment from Kyle is a rare thing.) Your Commodore also thought it was the best Prime Rib he had ever eaten. Bill and Susan Jobst were right there with compliments. Ann Courrege was responsible for the preparation. Please ask Ann if she might do it again. Red Beans and Rice were on the Wednesday night menu on the 7th followed by Potato Soup and Salad on the 14th.

Your new Board was installed with the Club giving a basket of wine to J.B. (somewhat like taking coals to New Castle.) The Past Commodore was given a Chelsea ship strike clock which he immediately carted off to his car. The Past Commodore passed the Commodore's flag to yours truly. He received the Past Commodore's flag. The Flag Officers and Secretary and Treasurer received the appropriate flags.

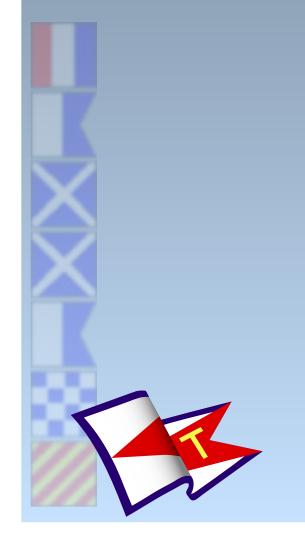
Ron Stewart has been given an Honorary Membership by the Board of Directors. During his cruise to Florida and Dry Tortugas, Mexico, Belize, and Guatemala he will be flying the Tammany Yacht Club Burgee. Have a safe voyage, Ron.

The Board of Directors recommended long time member Ronnie Kole for the coveted Honorary Life Membership. He was unanimously approved by the membership. Harold Pecunia told us of Ronnie's accomplishments, including playing the piano at the Club on many occasions. After the vote the membership was told that Ronnie had agreed to give a concert on Saturday night sometime after Mardi Gras.

Red Beans and Rice or similar will be Wednesday nights Steak and Fish night, last Friday of the month, will be Friday, February 27th.

Not everyone is happy with the SpyGlass being sent by E-Mail. If you would like to receive your copy by regular mail call the Club at 985-649-5222.

The 60-day Guest Membership application has been revised. There are copies at the Club. Please invite someone so that we can have a successful New Members Party on May 2nd which will feature sail boat races, power boat rides, dock party, etc.





Coming on February 7th is the Krewe of Bilge boat parade with many TYC members participating. Tom and Debbie Smith are the proud owners of a 42 foot Jefferson power boat. Your Commodore will be marching on Mardi Gras Day with Pete Fountain's Half Fast Marching Club. As soon as I learn the route it will be posted at the Club. Come to the Mardi Gras!

Martin

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Ron Stewart, our honary member, has begun his journey to Florida, Dry Tortugas, Isla Mujeres, Belise and Rio Dulce in Guatemala. Ron has spent over three years redoing his 37 Tayana, Eowyn, since big K came to visit. Ron refused to leave on Friday since he had tried it twice. First trip from Ft Lauderdale with Nick Cinci and Martin Smith resulted in no wind til Nick left his 46 Beneteau, Club House, in Panama City. The second trip from Isla Mujeres on Good Friday resulted in an incident about 60 miles south of Biloxi. His lifelong friend Zeke broke 3 ribs resulting in evacuation by Coast Guard helicopter. Ron has video of rescue. The beginning of this trip was not the best. Cold front, anchor dragging, and no fun. Hope you get warm breezes, fair winds and sunshine Ron.

Martin Smith

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### **First Mates**



Ahoy from First Mates Corner – Ann Courrege, President

First Mates will have their board meeting on Thursday, February 12th, at 7:00 P.M., at Tammany Yacht Club.

Our board members are:

PRESIDENT: ANN COURREGE – 646-0648

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**CAROL WHITED - 718-4215** 

On February 14th, "Our Sweetheart Dinner" will be served. We are having the following to eat:

STEAMED LOBSTER BOILED POTATOES CORN ON THE COB SALAD RED VELVET CAKE

The cost is 25.00 for Members and Non-Members \$32.00. We hope you will join us and find out who our "Sweetheart" is for the coming year.

On March 12th, we will be having a "General Membership Meeting" at the club, and the meeting will start at 7:00 P.M.

If you should know any mates that would like to join "The First Mates", please let me know.

Ann Courrege



### WHAT IS HAPPENING IN FEBRUARY, 2009

IN THE MONTH OF JANUARY, WE HAVE BEEN HAVING "SIMPLE SUPPERS" ON WEDNESDAY NIGHTS AND THE COST IS \$5.00.

SO FAR IN JAURAY, WE HAVE HAD THE FOLLOWING:

CALI COOKED RED BEANS, SAUSAGE, RICE, SALAD, AND BRENDA MADE THE CORN BREAD MUFFINS.

THE NEXT WEEK, KATHERINE COOKED BAKED POTOTO SOUP AND CALI MADE US A SALAD.

THE NEXT WEEK, BRENDA COOKED MEAT BALLS AND SPAGHETTI, WITH SALAD, AND GARLIC BREAD.

ALL THE MEALS HAVE BEEN DELICOUS, AND WE THANK THE LADIES WHO PUT SO MUCH EFFORT INTO THEIR MEALS.

IF ANY OF OUR MEMBERS WOULD LIKE TO COOK ONE OF OUR "SIMPLE SUPPERS", PLEASE LET ME KNOW AS WE WOULD LOVE FOR YOU TO COOK.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARD 1ST, SUPER BOWL PARTY. THE CLUB IS FURNISHING BRISKET AND EVERYONE IS TO BRING A DISH.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 6TH, BIRTHDAY DINNER AND WE WILL BE HAVING A MEXICAN DINNER.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 13TH, WE WILL NOT BE HAVING A DINNER BECAUSE THE SWEETHEART DINNER IS SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 14TH.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 20TH, THERE WILL BE NO DINNER AS SELENE PARADE WILL BE ROLLING DOWN THE STREETS OF SLIDELL.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 27TH, STEAK NIGHT.

TO MAKE A RESEVERSATION, PLEASE CALL TYC.

PLEASE COME, JOIN US, AND SPEND TIME WITH YOUR CLUB MEMBERS.

"MOMMA DONNA" (ANN COURREGE)



### DON'T FORGET.....

The first Friday night of each month is Birthday Night. If you have a birthday during the month, come on out and let us help you celebrate it.

If you have a birthday this month and you are not on the list, please let Sandy McPeek know.

## February Birthdays

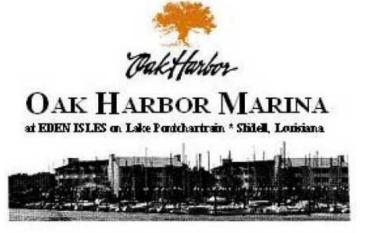
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## Vice Commodore's Report

We're only a few weeks into 2009 and already there's so much going on. Many of you might have noticed that I haven't been around in the past week or two and that's because Becky and I were headed out of town for a cruise down to Mexico. It seems like I'm sailing pretty much every other month out of the year and this was the only month that Becky could pry me away from the cold clutches of my keyboard at work. I know many of our members have taken many cruises, long and short, to so many different ports and it seems like everyone comes back with such great stories. This was my first cruise... All I'm going to say is I spent the first day at sea wandering around the Lido Deck asking every staff member where the mast and control lines were. Sadly, they reported to me that they had everything under control and that my crew work was not needed. So I sadly shuffled off to a lounge chair and tried to console myself with a fruity cocktail. If anyone would like to see pictures (and I have a few good underwater shots from snorkeling in Cozumel) just send me an email at kblank@gmail.com and I'll gladly send you a link.

And speaking of email, we've got some email changes to announce. First off, we will be accepting all submissions for the SpyGlass at the email address, **spyglass@tammanyyachtclub.org**. This should be a lot easier to remember and I encourage everyone to send us something to post,

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whether it's pictures of your latest caper or a funny pirate joke you ran across. If you have any questions for our Commodore Martin Smith, you can email commodore@tammanyvachtclub.org. questions should sent billing@tammanyyachtclub.org and questions House the should be sent house@tammanyyachtclub.org. Also for the ladies (and any guys interested in getting their name on those shorts) can send questions and comments First about the Mates firstmates@tammanyyachtclub.org. These emails will continue to be functional year after year and the forwarding will be updated after each election so the proper people receive your inquiries.

A few other important points to make. We are now having "Get your second drink free" on Saturdays as well as Thursday. The offer is good all day and I think everyone should make a point to come up to the club and take advantage of this offer. TYC doesn't have anything going on in the world of racing for February, but I encourage everyone to think about participating in the Leukemia Cup either on the Northshore or Southshore. Email me if you want details and I'll do the best I can to answer questions. As soon as we can convince the pile driver to come back, our floating dock will be ready for the final touches.

Hope to see you up at the club! Kevin Blank

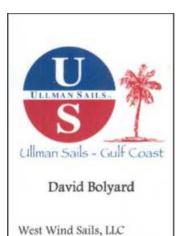












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## **Upcoming Events**

February 2009

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 Super Bowl Party	2	3	4 Simple Supper	5 r	6 Birthday Nigh	7 at
8	9 Board Mtg.	10	11 Simple Supper	12 r First Mates Board Mtg.	13 No Dinner	14 Sweethearts Dinner
15	16	17	18 Simple Supper	19 r	20 Club Closed	21
22	23	24 Mardi Gras Day	25 Simple Supper	26 r	27 Steak Night	28

Make sure the following events are in your calendar. A full listing of all events happening at the club can be found online at http://www.tammanyyachtclub.org. If you would like to submit your event to the calendar, please email spyglass@tammanyyachtclub.org.

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### Random Facts That May or May Not Be True

Here are some facts about the 1500's:

Most people got married in June because they took their yearly bath in May, and still smelled pretty good by June. However, they were starting to smell, so brides carried a bouquet of flowers to hide the body odor. Hence the custom today of carrying a bouquet when getting married.

Baths consisted of a big tub filled with hot water. The man of the house had the privilege of the nice clean water, then all the other sons and men, then the women and finally the children Last of all the babies. By then the water was so dirty you could actually lose someone in it.. Hence the saying, 'Don't throw the baby out with the bath water.'

Houses had thatched roofs-thick straw-piled high, with no wood underneath. It was the only place for animals to get warm, so all the cats and other small animals (mice, bugs) lived in the roof. When it rained it became slippery and sometimes the animals would slip and off the roof. Hence the saying 'It's raining cats and dogs.'

Hence, a bed with big posts and a sheet hung over the top afforded some protection. That's how canopy beds came into existence.





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Monday & Tuesday - Closed Wednesday - Thursday - 5pm to 10pm Friday - 5pm to 11pm Saturday - 2pm to 11pm Sunday - 1pm till 9pm

Club hours may be extended at the discretion of the Club Manager or the ranking Board Member.

Don't forget that on Thursdays (and now Saturdays as well), your second drink is free and hors d'oeuvres are occasionally served. Also, be sure to sign up for Friday night dinners by Thursday evening and cancel if your can't make it to avoid a penalty.

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