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Hello Member

Commodore's Message:

That was the month that was!

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As I write this the impact of the Coronavirus is still unclear, however as it pertains to Marco Bay Yacht Club, the impact has been significant since, in an abundance of caution, we've cancelled or postponed most of the great activities that were scheduled for March and, as we go into April, everything from Board Meetings to Cruises have been cancelled or postponed. There will be no Monday Madness this April.

Our first full-page ad heralding the expansion of our boundaries to welcome residents of Hammock Bay and Fiddler's Creek has run. At this point, it's hard to evaluate the impact of the ad since so many of these communities are primarily seasonal and so many are changing their Florida schedule in order to make sure they can get home and boating might not be a top priority.

On a more positive note, thanks to the efforts of Marianne Mulligan and Dianne Kernan for the Welcome Aboard Party at the Island Country Club! It was a huge success with 71 attendees. All the comments have been highly positive, including those about the food and service; we have more events scheduled at the Island Country Club.

Although our April schedule was full, all is not lost as our Cruise Captain, Brent Cook, has already put together our fall and spring schedule and I urge you to check the calendar on our website.

It is somewhat ironic that Marco Bay Yacht Club is so social, yet with social distancing getting together with our friends is out of the question. However, some have found that some websites, especially ZOOM.com offers a great way for multiple people to conduct screen-to-screen visits simultaneously!

Please, let's everyone stay healthy!

Larry Sacher

Past Event Articles:

see all of the Event Picture Portfolios on the website

Circumnavigate Marco - Paradise Found Party



On March 4th, a perfect boating day, 59 MBYC members and 13 boats converged on Paradise Found for lunch camaraderie with our fellow club members, and dancing to our wonderful MBYC DJ, V/C Bob White. The food was bountiful and the company even better. This was the largest turnout for a Day Fleet event this season.

Many boats completed a circumnavigation of the island led by P/C Frank Mulligan.

Thanks to event leaders Elaine and John Hardy for making this event happen.

Welcome Aboard Party



A turnout of 71 members welcomed our newest Members: Herb & Ginny Jermanok, Paul & Susan Schneeberger, John & Nancy Taylor, Bruce & Debbie Boyer, and Steve and Linda Miner (in absentia). The Island Country Club did an outstanding job with the food and service, while Vice Commodore and part-time DJ Bob White had virtually everyone up and dancing the night away!

Articles, Announcements, & Club Notices:

Desiderata

Go placidly amid the noise and the haste,
and remember what peace there may be in silence.

As far as possible, without surrender,
be on good terms with all persons.
Speak your truth quietly and clearly;
and listen to others,
even to the dull and the ignorant;
they too have their story.
Avoid loud and aggressive persons;
they are vexatious to the spirit.

If you compare yourself with others,
you may become vain or bitter,
for always there will be greater and lesser persons than yourself.
Enjoy your achievements as well as your plans.
Keep interested in your own career, however humble;
it is a real possession in the changing fortunes of time.

Exercise caution in your business affairs,
for the world is full of trickery.
But let this not blind you to what virtue there is;
many persons strive for high ideals,
and everywhere life is full of heroism.
Be yourself. Especially do not feign affection.
Neither be cynical about love,
for in the face of all aridity and disenchantment,
it is as perennial as the grass.

Take kindly the counsel of the years,
gracefully surrendering the things of youth.
Nurture strength of spirit to shield you in sudden misfortune.
But do not distress yourself with dark imaginings.
Many fears are born of fatigue and loneliness.

Beyond a wholesome discipline,
be gentle with yourself.
You are a child of the universe
no less than the trees and the stars;
you have a right to be here.

And whether or not it is clear to you,
no doubt the universe is unfolding as it should.

Therefore be at peace with God,
whatever you conceive Him to be.
And whatever your labors and aspirations,
in the noisy confusion of life,
keep peace in your soul.

With all its sham, drudgery, and broken dreams,
it is still a beautiful world.
Be cheerful. Strive to be happy.

Desiderata is Latin for "Things to be Desired."

This poem has an interesting history. According to a well-referenced posting at <http://www.fleurdelis.com/desidera.htm>, "The author is Max Ehrmann, a poet and lawyer from Terre Haute, Indiana, who lived from 1872 to 1945. It has been reported that 'Desiderata' was inspired by an urge that Ehrmann wrote about in his diary: 'I should like, if I could, to leave a humble gift—a bit of chaste prose that had caught up some noble moods.'

"Around 1959, the Rev. Frederick Kates, the rector of St. Paul's Church in Baltimore, Maryland, used the poem in a collection of devotional materials he compiled for his congregation. (Some years earlier he had come across a copy of 'Desiderata.')

At the top of the handout was the notation, 'Old St. Paul's Church, Baltimore A.C. 1692.' (The church was founded in 1692).

"As the material was handed from one friend to another, the authorship became clouded. Copies with the 'Old St. Paul's Church' notation were printed and distributed liberally in the years that followed. It is perhaps understandable that a later publisher would interpret this notation as meaning that the poem itself was found in Old St. Paul's Church, dated 1692. This notation no doubt added to the charm and historic appeal of the poem, despite the fact that the actual language in the poem suggests a more modern origin.

"The poem was popular prose for the 'make peace, not war' movement of the 1960s. When Adlai Stevenson died in 1965, a guest in his home found a copy of 'Desiderata' near his bedside and discovered that Stevenson had planned to use it in his Christmas cards. The publicity that followed gave widespread fame to the poem as well as the mistaken relationship to St. Paul's Church."

Events Calendar :

***Go to the Events Calendar on the website with live links,
then click on Event date to open the Event info & Flyer
Flyers opened from the website Calendar will be printable.***

2020	
May, 2020	Monday Madness at CJ's :: Monday, May 18, 2020
October, 2020	Extended Cruise to Legacy Marina :: Wednesday, October 21, 2020 Extended Cruise to Pink Shell Marina :: Sunday, October 25, 2020
November, 2020	First Mates & Spouses Mini Golf :: Friday, November 06, 2020 Welcome Back Party at Bistro Soleil :: Tuesday, November 10, 2020 Extended Cruise to Faro Blanco :: Thursday, November 12, 2020 Extended Cruise to Key West :: Sunday, November 15, 2020
December, 2020	Holiday Ball at ICC :: Sunday, December 06, 2020



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