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SAVE THE DATES!

Tues April 19

Seminar 2—Knots etc.

Thur April 28

Movie Night—5:30 pm

Elizabeth Taylor Tribute

Thur May 5

Seminar 3—Chatham Waters Update

Sat May 7

Kentucky Derby Party

Cultural Center of Cape Cod

Yarmouth

Wed & Thur May 18 & 19

House Party

BYOB (Bring Your Own Buddy)

FROM THE FLAG

by Commodore Julius Lempner

In my last couple of "From the Flag" articles, I included information about taking advantage of reciprocal privileges at other yacht clubs while on your winter "snow bird" trips and vacations. The past commodores advised me that in previous years they would typically have about a dozen requests for letters of introduction to such clubs. This past winter I have written more than double that many. (For one of the clubs in Florida I had so many requests I actually created a form letter specifically for them.) Even though I was kept very busy writing a lot of letters, I am really pleased that so many of our members took advantage of this important Monomoy Yacht Club benefit.

Very shortly after you receive this issue of THE LOG, a new keyless entry system will be installed at the clubhouse. Further details will be provided as soon as the system is installed, and also in the event that you host a club party or an event of your own.

And just to let you know of some behind-the-scenes activity by the Board of Governors, there is a complete review of the club By-Laws in process by the Executive Committee, and the Nominating Committee has been appointed to develop a slate of officers for the next fiscal year.

If you've been spending any time being or even looking outdoors lately, you would never know that spring has arrived. But there are some clues! The docks are already in at several of the local marinas, and if you check the refrigerator card or the MYC 2011

Directory that you received recently, or the website (www.monomoyyc.org), you will see that the first several club seminars are already addressing many spring boating topics.

And if you have noticed in the local papers, we have opened up some of the seminars to the public -- a first for MYC. Come along to get some tips and refreshers, and let's get the boats in the water!

On a final note, you should all be aware that the time on the wait list for membership into the club is currently very low compared to the past. Now is a great time to talk to your friends who have an interest in boating and the local waters, and the associated social activities, about filling out an application. Contact Joan-Ellen Messina for details. ■

Sunshine Committee



Just a reminder to all the members of the Monomoy Yacht Club that Lorraine Ca-

navan is the new chair for the Sunshine Committee. Recently she has mailed several Get Well cards to members who needed a little cheering up to help them return to good health.

If you know someone who should receive a Sympathy card or Get Well card please contact Lorraine at 508-945-2916 or send an email to lorraine-bob@comcast.net. ■



**Postings At
Monomoy**
*For Sale or
Wanted To Share*

Members who have boating or marine equipment to sell (yachts to ropes and fishing gear) or members who want to buy two gallons of bottom paint and can only use 1/2 gallon, for example, now have a place to put the information at the Monomoy Yacht Club. Forms to list your items for sale or to share will be available at the club house and on the website. The forms will then be posted on the club bulletin board and in an issue of **The Log**. Contact the editor for more information. rmcdowell17@gmail.com. ■

Movie Night Continues

Dick Stenberg will be showing a movie for club members and guests on the Big Screen on Thursday, April 28 at 5:30 p.m. Bring your dinners (pizza or burritos, chicken dinners, or hamburgers) with you to enjoy with other movie goers, and a favorite beverage. The Club will supply the popcorn.

This month's movie will be a **Tribute to Elizabeth Taylor (A Surprise Showing.)**

The May Movie Night will feature a chic flick that males will definitely enjoy, especially if they like Helen Mirren and are of a certain age. Information on the date will come by email. The movie is **Calendar Girls**. Stay tuned . . .



Fifteen MYC members heard John Huethner, Assistant General Manager of Outermost Harbor Marina, clear up some of the mysteries about water pumps, ethanol, bottom paint, and hull cleaning. John detailed what boat owners should do before putting their boats in the water for the season, and described the products and procedures that work best.

Boating Seminars

The Club's offering of seminars is off to a great start this year. With 15 attending the first one, and reports of a really good program by Outermost Harbor Marina's John Huethner, our boat owners and members are in for a treat at the next 15 seminars scheduled throughout the season.

The series continues with Captain Dick Hosmer instructing on **Lines, Knots, and Splicing**. This is a hands-on workshop with all materials provided. You will feel that you are back at boy scout camp, only with coffee and donuts. Tuesday, April 19 at 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. at the club house.

The Chatham Boating Update seminar is scheduled for Thursday, May 5 and will feature the Chatham Harbormaster on harbors, inlets, and moorings as well as regulatory and equipment updates. The USCG Station Chatham will present information on boating safety as well. 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. This seminar will be open to the public, and members are invited to bring a guest.

Navigation: Rules of the Road is scheduled for Wednesday, May 11, and is presented for new and experienced boaters by Captain Dick Hosmer. Information learned here may help to avoid confusion and collisions at sea! ■

May 18 & 19 Club House Parties

BYOB (Bring Your Own Buddy)

Prospective Members and Interested Friends are Welcome!

While the official policy is that "guests and persons on the membership list may not attend house parties held at the Bridge Street Club House," guests of members are encouraged to attend the May House Parties this year. It's a great opportunity to mix and mingle, and enjoy the Club House. It is also a great opportunity to have your neighbors and friends who are boating enthusiasts and love the waters around Chatham to preview our club and apply to be put on the waiting list. The list right now is the shortest it has been in many a year.

Membership applications are available online at the MYC website, (For Members Only) or by email from Membership Chair Joan-Ellen Messina, je.messina@verizon.net. The next interview sessions will be held at the end of May or early June.