FROM THE MANAGER

By Elvira Hallinan
Interim Manager of Marinas and Beaches

Hope everyone has enjoyed their summer. It is hard to believe that it is nearly at an end. The events over the past month occurred in our Marine Stadium, which included a large outrigger rowing event, our world-famous dragon boat festival, and don’t forget about attending the historical circle speedboat races on August 2nd and 3rd. Always a fun way to spend a weekend if you are not out on the water yourself.

It saddens me to mention that we recently lost a well-known yacht broker and boat owner Matt Lerner. My fondest memories of Mr. Lerner were our weekly discussions regarding the City’s slow process in acquiring the paperwork to replace the rusty Basin 8 fence. He phoned me weekly without fail until the new fence was installed. The following information was published in The Log.

Matt Lerner, a distinguished yacht broker who was well versed in satisfying a wide spectrum of boat buyers, has died. He was 85.

Lerner passed away on Monday, July 7 in Long Beach when his heart stopped after undergoing lung surgery.

He was an active boater in Southern California where he raced in five Transpac races and owned 11 boats throughout his lifetime. He planned to name his 12th boat, The Dirty Dozen, Comical and Intelligent. Lerner was known for his dry wit, sense of humor and knowledge of boats among the community.

Born July 15, 1928 in New York, Lerner arrived in Long Beach with his mother and father in 1933 — just in time to feel the jolt of the Long Beach earthquake. He went on to attend USC where he was a drummer in the Trojan Marching Band, had a radio show on campus and served as manager of the tennis team.

Lerner graduated from USC with a Bachelor’s in Business Administration and went on to work in his parents’ drapery business for several years before working for another company that provided drapery for big hotel chains. He spent time in Michigan helping a man who built the containers for Yoplait Yogurt, and helped to obtain the patent.

In 1973 he received his Boating Salesman License and quickly became a yacht broker. He operated Naples Yacht Sales in Long Beach from 1973 to 2006 before selling the company to Heritage Yacht Sales where he continued to work as a yacht broker until he decided to step out on his own in October 2013.

“I never want to do anything else,” Lerner reported to The Log in a Nov. 8-21, 2013 article, “I love this business.” He continued to serve customers from his hometown and place of work in the Naples area until the business was closed by his wife following Matt’s death.

Aside from his work as a yacht broker, Lerner was a boat aficionado. His first boat was an Islander, followed by a Columbia 36, a 30 foot Riviera and several other power and sailboats. He also worked for Islander where he helped to design the Freeport 41 and purchased hull number five. He lived aboard that boat for awhile before moving back on land.

Lerner met his second wife, Kathy, after putting out an ad in the local newspaper that showed both his interest and his humor.

“The ad read that he was looking for a nice Jewish girl who didn’t live in the valley because he hated the valley,” she recalled. “I thought it was funny and called him and we chatted on the phone for a long time, we met and it was instant.”

Married for 18 years, the couple spent time playing tennis and golf. He also enjoyed flying.

Matt Lerner survived by his wife, Kathy, three children from his first marriage and four grandchildren.

A burial at sea and celebration of life will be held on Matt’s birthday, Tuesday, July 15.

In Memory - Matt Lerner
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Marine Patrol Emergency 911
or 9911 (Dock Phone)
Non Emergency 562,435,6711
Shoreline Office 562,570,4950
Alamitos Bay Office 562,570,3215

Rainbow Harbor Office 562,570,8636
Maintenance during working hours 562,570,1582
After office hours 562,570,3101

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

Kids Fishing Rodeo
Friday, August 1
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562.477.6820

Long Beach Crawfish Festival
Saturday, August 2
Noon-11 p.m.
Sunday, August 3
Noon-10 p.m.
Rainbow Lagoon Park
For information:
http://www.longbeachcrawfishfestival.com

Long Beach Jazz Festival
August 9 & 10
For more information visit longbeachjazzfestival.com

L.A. Tall Ships Festival
August 20-24
For information:
http://www.tallshipsfestival.ca/

Tiki Beach Festival
August 23 & 24
For more information call Fred Khammer
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Labor Day
September 1

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310-632-4748 or 310-626-3036
marlonseaman1@aol.com

MOVIES ON THE BEACH

Sixteen Candles
Tuesday August 5 - Granada Beach

The Wizard of Oz
Friday August 8 - Mother’s Beach

Cloudy With A Chance of Meatballs
Friday August 8 - Mother’s Beach

Goonies
Tuesday August 12 - Granada Beach

Harry Potter and the Prisoner of Azkaban
Friday August 19 - Granada Beach

Movies start at dusk and food will be available for purchase at both locations.

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From August 20-24, 2014, the Port of Los Angeles will be just one of three west coast ports bestowed with the honor of welcoming these beautiful vessels to their shores, affording visitors the rare chance to catch a glimpse, step aboard, and even set sail on some of the grandest ships of yore. In addition, the historic Battleship USS Iowa and the Victory Ship, S.S. Lane Victory will also be open for tours with your ticket.

Tickets available at TallShipsFestivalLA.com. TicketFly.com or at 877-4FLY-TIX

Tall Ships® Festival Los Angeles will showcase domestic and international ships, including some of the most acclaimed worldwide, including the official Tall Ships of the City of Los Angeles: Irving Johnson and Exy Johnson, The Twin Brigantines.

A Multi-Day On Board Ship Tour Pass is available for $19. The pass provides five-day access to the festival grounds, on board ship tours and countless activities.

In addition to on board tours, Tall Ships® Festival LA will offer the opportunity for visitors to sail on the Pacific Ocean aboard the Schooner Freda B, Schooner Curlew and several others. Each vessel will sail several times daily beginning Thursday, August 21. Cost for each ticket is $85.

Other ticket options include:

* A Parade of Sail which allows purchasers the opportunity to sail into the Port of Los Angeles past Angel’s Gate Lighthouse and into the LA Harbor aboard a Tall Ship for $150 as part of their grand entrance at the beginning of the event.

* A Single-Day Dockside Viewing Festival Pass is available for $7 and free to children 1-4 years old. This pass provides one-day access to dockside ship views and the festival grounds.

*Dockside passes also include access to educational workshops, entertainment and the festival grounds.

Some of the tallest, hand crafted, old and new ships will find their way to the Port of Los Angeles and fill the Long Beach Horizon with unique vessels. One of the most unique will be the West Coast’s debut of the world’s largest rubber duck, The Port of Los Angeles is the first-ever west coast port to host the globally famous Rubber Duck and only the second North American city to do so. The Duck project is the creative effort of internationally renowned artist Florentijn Hofman (The Netherlands).

While getting up close and personal with Tall Ships® is likely good enough for most folks, this unique event offers up plenty more than just playing Master & Commander.

Loads of entertainment will pack the port with an eclectic taste of music that includes rock, jazz, Sea Shanty, Latin, Mexican, Big Band, Country and dance. Basically if it’s a style of music, it’ll be there. And if a slew of great music wasn’t enough, a few Tall Ship’s sails will be creatively used as gigantic movie screens showing entertaining flocks throughout the duration of the festival.

Education and children’s activities will also be a large part of the Tall Ships® L.A. Festival. Cannon demonstrations, authentic privateer encampment, real sword fighting with live steel, knot tying, weapon demonstrations and sail training with real tall ship rigging round out the impressive festival’s learning opportunities. Youth visitors can also try their hand at creating one-of-a-kind treasures and hand made creations with projects lead by the Port of Los Angeles’s own, Crafted.

Of course a festival of this magnitude would not be competetive without a large selection of fantastic fare.

A bevy of local options will be on hand including L.A.’s regional food trucks, California wine tasting and for the beer lovers, San Pedro Brewing Company will provide a curated, full craft brew menu featuring the region’s best brewers. And sampling the regional eats is great because it will give visitors just enough energy to check out the other local, regional, and national crafters. These hand made creations will feature a wide variety of crafts including maritime-themed artwork.

Tall Ships® Festival LA is made possible by the Port of Los Angeles, Draw Events and the event’s sponsors.

Tall Ships® Festival LA 2014 takes place rain or shine. No ticket refunds or exchanges. Tickets are non-transferable. Your ticket does not guarantee access to all ships at all times. Prices include all applicable fees and taxes.
IMPORTANT REMINDERS

Storage on the docks

Each slip in the Long Beach Marinas comes with a dock box to store your boating and maintenance supplies. The weight limit is 200 pounds and if exceeded, could cause damage to the docks. In order to keep our marina looking nice and being safe we must work together so please, be considerate when filling up your dock box and do not exceed the 200 pound limit. If you have items too large to fit in your dock box, they need to be stored on your boat. This includes reverse osmosis tanks. Using a reverse osmosis tank is not a problem however, the tank cannot be stored on the dock. If you see a “red tag” on items around your boat – that is a warning. If the items are not removed they will be impounded by Marine Bureau staff.

Trash

When putting trash in the receptacles, please open the door and toss in your goods. Often times people walk by and toss their trash over the closed door. This will guarantee that the trash gets inside and receptacle and believe it or not we have gotten, reports from boaters who have gotten hit from flying trash bags which we want to avoid. It may take a little more time to open the door, but please be considerate of your fellow boaters by opening the door and tossing your trash in the receptacle carefully.

Painting and Varnishing

Limit the amount of open solvents or paints on the docks to one gallon. Always mix paints and epoxy over a tarp. Always use a drip pan or drop cloth. Spray painting is not permitted within the Long Beach Marinas. Use up remaining bits of paint by spreading on an old board. Do not dispose of paint or solvents in the marina’s dumpsters. Contact marine maintenance at 562.570.1582 for the nearest recycling locations.

WI-FI Service

The City of Long Beach Marine Bureau is currently working with Ecco Wireless USA, Inc. to provide wireless Internet service to our boaters. If you are interested in purchasing a plan option please contact Ecco Wireless USA, Inc. directly at (231)346-7324.

SCRUMPTIOUS SEA-SCALLOP SALAD

Ingredients:
10 to 12 large sea scallops
1 tablespoon butter
1 tablespoon olive oil
4 to 6 handfuls mixed salad greens
1 large avocado
Juice of 1/4 lemon
1 tomato or 8 cherry tomatoes
1/4 cup fresh blueberries (optional)
Fresh mint leaves, to taste

Dressing:
4 tablespoons olive oil
1 tablespoon white balsamic vinegar
1 to 2 teaspoons brown mustard
Fresh ground pepper, to taste
Salt, to taste

Steps:
Heat the butter and olive oil in a sauté pan over medium-high heat. Place scallops facedown in butter/oil and sear for 3 to 4 minutes, or until browned. Flip and repeat on other side. (The oil may smoke a bit). Remove scallops from pan and cool. They should be room temperature for the salad. While scallops cool, prepare salad ingredients. Place salad greens in a large bowl. Pit the avocado and cut into bite-size wedges. (Squeeze on a bit of fresh lemon juice to prevent browning). Slice tomato into wedges, or halve cherry tomatoes. Add to greens, along with blueberries (optional) and mint. Prepare dressing: In a large measuring cup or small bowl, combine oil, vinegar, mustard, salt and pepper. Whisk until emulsified. Add scallops to the salad and dress to taste. Reserve any extra dressing for future use. Toss and serve immediately. Serves two.