From the Manager

Thanks for joining us at the Chicken and Waffles Breakfast celebrating the completion of our 13-year journey to rebuild the Alamitos Bay Marina. The project has received a lot of press lately, however, the true champions throughout this process, have been all of you. As I mentioned in the Friday, speechifying event, the boat shuffle associated with each construction phase was successful because of your cooperation and flexibility. My favorite memories will always be that of community/friendship groups within ABM requesting that you be relocated together and that of those of you loving it at Shoreline so much you chose to stay!

This project has taken so much of my time that I hadn’t had a moment to take a breath. So, I took some time this week and finally opened a file cabinet in my office that I hadn’t touched in four years. I’d like to share a “Facts Sheet” I found dated November 1978: The Long Beach Marina is built on 158.2 acres, of which 66.8 acres are land and 91.4 acres are water. The Marina was built at a cost of $14 million. This includes the jetties and the entrance channel to Alamitos Bay, and cost approximately $6 million. The first basin opened in February 1957, and an additional three basins were completed and all slips assigned by November 1960. The fifth basin was constructed in 1965. The five basins provided berthing for 1,847 privately-owned pleasure vessels which have a total value in excess of $15 million. Marina docks are constructed of wooded decking supported by fiberglass pontoons. The handrails and gangways are made of anodized aluminum. Water and electricity services are included in the rental fee, and restroom and showers are provided for the boatowners. Dinghy racks are available. Limited living aboard is permitted. Guest berthing is limited to 15 consecutive days in any one calendar month. There are several thousand applications on the waiting list for slips in the Marina, and a waiting period of more than five years.

As I read this, I marveled at how amid the social, economic, and environmental changes over 50+ years, some things haven’t changed. We have dinghy racks, utilities are included in slip rents, and the 15-day guest rule still applies. Why mess with perfection? I am hopeful that thousands on the waiting list will again become a reality.

Enjoy your summer.

Elvira Hallinan
Manager, Marinas and Beaches

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1 F 6:10 -0.3 5:05 2.5 -- -- 12:53 3.3
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4 M 8:26 0.4 8:01 3.0 12:34 4.3 3:58 3.4
5 Tu 9:20 0.6 9:52 2.9 1:29 4.0 4:51 3.6
6 W 10:13 0.7 11:22 2.4 2:47 3.6 5:30 4.0
7 Th 11:03 0.9 -- -- 4:20 3.4 6:02 4.3
8 F 12:23 1.9 -- -- 5:43 3.4 6:32 4.7

Low Tide

High Tide

LBMBO Association General Membership Meeting
May 31
For info: sharon.eshett@lbmboa.org

Boat Auction
June 9
For info: vilma.hernandez@longbeach.gov

Flag Retirement Ceremony
June 10
For info: Joan Palango: (714) 894-2777

Muni Band Summer Concert Series
June 28 - August 2
For info: https://bit.ly/2undk9s

Weekend Navigation Class
June 19, 8 week course
For info: bobnflip@aol.com

Charity Regatta Swap Meet
July 7
For info: Kelly Walsh: (714) 865-4585

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Cutting the ribbon to open the Alamitos Bay Marina Rebuild are L-R: Jim Puder, General Manager, Bellingham Marine Southwest; Rick DuRee, Marine Advisory Commissioner; David Thornburg, Chair, Marine Advisory Commission; Nina Moussavi, District Director – Office of Councilwoman Suzie Price; Pat West, Long Beach City Manager; Elvira Hallinan, Manager of Marinas and Beaches, and Eric Noegel, Manager of Project Development, Bellingham Marine Southwest.
With summer just around the corner I thought I would highlight a few of our upcoming events so you can mark your calendar. More event details will be given in July issue.

**Long Beach Municipal Band Summer Concert Series**
The Long Beach Municipal Band is one of the most distinguished Municipal Bands in the United States. The players in this wonderful ensemble include the best Southern California symphony, studio recording and jazz performers. This diversity of talent provides Long Beach audiences with impressive concerts of jazz, movie, musical and light classical literature. The Band also combines with talented guest vocalists weekly to guarantee that your family's summer evening in the park will be the highlight of the week.

We hope you and your family will join us in a musical expedition as performed by one of the nation's great cultural treasures - The Long Beach Municipal Band.

Unique to other locations, Marine Stadium allows you to listen to the band while either sitting in the park or on your boat. On Thursday evenings from June 28, 2018 – August 2, 2018, performances start at 6:30PM at Marine Stadium. On Thursday evenings the waterways at Marine Stadium will be reduced to 5mph at 5:30PM so vessels of any size can come in, anchor and enjoy the music!

**Fourth of July Activities**
The Fourth of July is generally a time to barbecue, enjoy time with family and friends, watch fireworks, and celebrate our independence. If you are still in the planning stages take a look at some options offered in our City.

Back by popular demand will be the 3rd of July "Big Bang Block Party." This is a spectacular night to celebrate with a vintage fly over, sky divers, and pyrotechnics blasting off from the middle of the bay, giving spectators a close-up view from the bay's shores, along the Peninsula, Naples and, most festively, from the Big Bang Block Party and around The Boathouse on the Bay.

Festivities continue on the 4th with the ever popular Queen Mary Fireworks Extravaganza. The Queen Mary will be hosting a family fun day aboard the ship. Celebrate Independence Day in style, come early and spend the day on the Queen Mary. Explore the ship, listen to live music, enjoy family-friendly entertainment and get front and center to the giant fireworks display. 4th of July aboard the Queen Mary (2-11PM) is a Southern California tradition unlike any other. For a list of activities visit: http://www.queenmary.com. The fireworks extravaganza begins at 9PM and is expected to last about 18 minutes.

July 4th Alfredo’s Beach Club will be hosting “Parties on the Pier.” The event hours are from 2-10PM. Belmont Veterans Memorial Pier will be the location for tasty food, drinks and a DJ Dance Party. In addition to the entertainment on July 4th the pier is also a great viewing location for the downtown fireworks extravaganza. For additional information visit www.alfredosbeachclub.com.

**Long Beach Dragon Boat Racing**
The 2018 Long Beach Dragon Boat Festival will be held at Marine Stadium on July 28-July 29. In addition to hosting one of the largest dragon boat competitions in California, there will be Chinese traditional art and dance demonstrations, Chinese Acrobats, hip hop, music and martial arts performances. Come join us for all the fun, food and excitement!

**The Annual Powerboat Racing Classic**
Top sprint boat racers from around the country descend on Marine Stadium August 4–5, for their chance at glory by winning a National Championship at the spot where boat racing began, Long Beach Marine Stadium. This all ages event is fun for the whole family.

**Catalina Ski Race**
The historical Catalina Ski Race will feature powerboaters and waterskiers from around the world to compete in the 70th annual event on July 21st hosted by Long Beach Boat and Ski Club.

The annual event, which features fast powerboats working waterskiers from Long Beach to Avalon and back, will start at 8:53AM. between Island White and Island Grissom in Long Beach Harbor. There will be a split start, with 21-foot and smaller boats starting first, and larger boats up to 43 feet starting at 9AM. Continued on page 4

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The US Coast Guard Auxiliary is offering an eight-week class to teach you where you are and how to get where you want to go on the ocean, which is set to begin on June 29 at the historic Long Beach Fire Station in Belmont Shore.

Topics to be taught include dead reckoning, plot courses, fixes and positions, running fixes, estimated positions, double the angle on the bow, true north, magnetic north, variation, deviation, determining distance, speed and time, along with some GPS, among others.

Instruction by USCG Auxiliarist Robert Vatz is free, but materials such as chart and text cost $40. Also, parallel rules and dividers will be necessary for the class. Students can buy them at a retail store, or from the USCGAUX at $20 for dividers and $12 for parallel rules.

The eight-week class will be held Fridays from 7 PM-9 PM. Fire Station No. 8 is located at 5365 E. 2nd St. For further information, call Vatz at 562.493.3479; or e-mail him at, bobnflip@aol.com.

Boat Auction at Alamitos Bay Marina Office, June 9
Registration at 8AM, bidding begins at 9AM.

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Boats will tow skiers to Avalon’s Descanso Beach before heading back to the finish line in Long Beach, off the Queen Mary’s bow. The 62-mile challenge includes 19 different classes for participants—ranging from novice to expert and masters (age 60 or older) to junior (age 15 or younger).

This is a fun event, unique to Long Beach, and definitely worth watching. If you choose to watch from the water, please be aware of the safety zone and obey all race committee and law enforcement rules.

Shoreline Park is also a great viewing location if you prefer to stay on land. Shoreline Park is located at 200 Aquarium Way. For additional information please visit: www.catalinaskirace.net.
The Yacht clubs of Long Beach present The Charity Regatta Swap Meet on Saturday, July 7, 2018, 7AM-1PM benefitting The Children’s Clinic of Long Beach. The Yacht clubs of Long Beach are celebrating!

Check out your boat, dock box, garage and your storage unit for items that will make someone happy! Spread the love and share your stuff. Better yet – sell your stuff! All of our fundraising activities, the annual Charity Regatta Swap Meet included, benefit The Children’s Clinic of Long Beach.

Held in the parking lot at Seal Beach Yacht Club, the address is 255 N. Marina Drive, in Long Beach. It is the place to be on Saturday, July 7 from 7AM-1PM. Be sure to come out early for all the super deals! Join us for breakfast and lunch, too. Shopping is free. Selling will cost you $35 and all the proceeds go directly to the Clinic. Spaces are currently available and may be available on the day of the event however, last year we sold out. Call to make your reservation now: (714) 865-4585. Whether you’re buying or selling this is a great opportunity to support a local charity.

Marina Yacht Club will be cooking a delicious pancake breakfast with sausage, juice and coffee from 7AM-10:30AM. Traditional grilled hot dog lunch with snacks and sodas will be on the menu for lunch from 11AM-1PM. Proceeds from these meals will also be donated to The Children’s Clinic. Come on down, eat, sell or shop – it’s for a great cause!

The Children’s Clinic, “Serving Children and Their Families” (TCC), was founded in 1939 by a group of physicians and community leaders who recognized the importance of access to healthcare for all children, particularly those who are from low income families. Since then, TCC has grown from offering weekly well-child care to daily, full service health care with primary care services for children, adolescents and adults. TCC is a unique leader in our community. There are now 8 locations serving the greater Long Beach area. Come on out and support them.

Remember, there is no charge for shoppers, and chances are you may find some great bargains! Pre-registering is not required, but very helpful, especially if we sell out this year. Please call if you have any questions. Cost is $35 a space. Clean out your garage and put some spending money in your pocket while helping out a great program. Let’s reuse, and reduce! Mark your calendars and come on down. For info contact Kelly Walsh at (714) 865-4585.
The Corsair Yacht Club enjoys a rich tradition that dates back to its incorporation on August 14, 1937 and is a haven for those who prefer being on the sea rather than a clubhouse, who prefer bare feet to yachting clothes, and the company of others who enjoy spending their leisure time in an active boaters’ environment. The club’s facility is located on the West End of Catalina’s beautiful setting, Corsair Cove at Emerald Bay. Official Club cruises are held at Corsair Cove about nine times a year.

The Club limits its membership roster to 75 to ensure an “everybody knows everybody” environment. The composition of our members is equally divided between sail and power. Membership is open to owners and operators of vessels of sufficient size which are properly equipped for safe weekend cruises to Catalina Island.

To access Corsair Cove, you must be willing to get your feet wet. There is no dinghy dock, everyone lands and hauls their dinghy right up onto the beach. Terracing up from the beach, Corsair Cove offers a breathtaking view. Included at the Cove are picnic tables, fire and BBQ pit, showers, restrooms, and a kayak shed.

Official Club Cruises at the Cove are set around a themed dinner and the traditional serving from the infamous "Punch Bowl" hosted by past Commodore. The menu ranges from hamburgers to steak and lobster. After an evening of hor d’ourves, dinner and socializing, the events usually end with a late night of singing and dancing around a camp fire. Each season the Corsairs "Dinners at the Cove" are over the top and have hosted up to 200 on holiday weekends.

Corsair Yacht Club membership means participation in our Ashbridge sailboat race, kayak races, fishing competitions, dive trips, island tours, hikes, an annual Dinghy Poker Run, murder mystery dinners, costume parties, cook off’s, organized children’s activities and more! We hold cruises to other Catalina coves and monthly dinner/brunch meetings are held on the mainland at a local restaurant around Long Beach.

We are members of the Southern California Yachting Association (SCYA) and hold one sail boat race a year at Catalina Island. We enjoy reciprocal privileges with many of So Cal's Yacht Clubs. Participation in a minimum number of club events, including work parties, is required to maintain membership status.

Corsair Yacht Club supports the Catalina Island Conservancy and created the annual Catalina Conservancy Ball in 1995 which it continues to actively support and give back to the island we love. Millions have been raised since the Ball was inaugurated. Corsairs also actively support the island community with our Two Harbors Easter Egg Hunt, a Corsair tradition for over 50 years.

Although our Corsair bylaws limit membership to 75, we encourage any boater interested in learning about how to become a prospective member to contact Rear Commodore, Warren Stone @ Wstone81@live.com.