



Tell Tale



January 2020

The Newsletter of the The Shreveport Yacht Club, 2905 Municipal Pier Rd., Shreveport, LA 71119

Commodore's Comments



Happy New Year! 2019 is history and it was a wonderful year topped off with the eventful month of December. The tree trimming party created a beautiful Christmas tree for all to enjoy, and the children really enjoyed creating their gingerbread

houses. The Commodores Ball was also another successful event and Chef John and company were up to the challenge. If you were not there, you missed a great party and some amazing food.

A big Thank You to the 2019 Board of Directors and outgoing members Chris Lamberth and Don Olson. And welcome to the new members of the 2020 board, Brenda Graves and Brian Fulco. The New Years Day brunch followed by the Board swearing-in ceremony has become a new tradition!

It's great to see all the progress on D-Pier. I am excited to see what 2020 has in store for the Club! I invite you to join a committee and be part of the excitement. See you around the club!

Steve Durham, Commodore

Manager's Message



Another year has come and gone. The seem to be going faster each year. I hope everyone enjoyed their holidays as much as I did. The Commodore's Ball, Santa Brunch, and gingerbread house event were all fantastic events with great

member participation. As always, many thanks to Chris and Melissa Lamberth for all they do to ensure that these events are decorated nicely and go off without a hitch. We could not do any of this without them!

I am sure that many of you have seen the progress on D-Pier. We are all very excited to see Derek Ford's completed project and to finally have enough boat stalls to accommodate those who wish to utilize them. It appears as though the clubhouse expansion should begin in the fall of 2020 and we are very excited about that as well.

We have several events in January that I want to mention. First, we will welcome John Kretschmer to the club for a wonderful program on January 8th. See page two for details. This event is filling up fast so be sure to make reservations soon if you plan to attend. We will also be offering a classic Sunday brunch each Sunday in January. This is a perfect time to bring guests and show off your club and our fabulous chef. If LSU is good enough to be in the national championship game on January 13th then we will open on that Monday so everyone can come to the club and cheer on the Tigers!

Finally I wanted to give a huge "thank you" to Don Olson and Chris Lamberth for their service on the board of directors for the past several years. These two are going off of the board this year and will be greatly missed in the meetings. They have done so much for the club on a volunteer basis and we can't thank them enough. Looking forward to a great 2020!

Rick Hutson, General Manager

Welcome New Members!
Please join us in welcoming the following new members to SYC:

- Jeff & Camille Weeks
- Walter & Rebecca Netherton

A Special Night With John Kretschmer



***Please Join SYC in Welcoming World Famous Sailor John Kretschmer!
Wednesday, January 8th, 2020. Dinner at 6:00 pm, Program at 7:00 pm***

John Kretschmer is a professional sailor and writer and an accomplished ocean voyager, having logged more than 300,000 offshore miles. He led a long ago record-breaking voyage from New York to San Francisco by way of Cape Horn. He has made 26 transatlantic crossings, and numerous long passages in all the world's oceans. To put that into perspective, his sailing miles translate into about 10 trips around the world, or sailing to the moon and a 1/3 of the way back.

He has blended his passion for history with sailing by organizing voyages that helped clarify the first landfall of Columbus, retraced the route of Odysseus, followed in the wake of the clipper ships and examined the maritime heritage of the Maya.

He has written seven books and hundreds of articles. His book, *Sailing a Serious Ocean* was an international sailing best seller, and *At the Mercy of Sea* was chosen as one the best nonfiction books of 2007 (US). *Flirting With Mermaids* is an enduring favorite among sailors and has just been republished as a Lyons Press Maritime Classic. He has been a contributing editor to *Sailing Magazine* for 25 years.

John's latest book, *Sailing to the Edge of Time*, was just released by Bloomsbury. "This is the book I have been writing my entire life," he writes, adding, "sometimes it seems like it took that long to finish it." It's a memoir that mixes sea stories and sailing insights. It's a deeply personal account of what it means to go to sea, to be at sea and features hard-won lessons about making the most of our lives. The premise is simple, it's all about time, how we spend our time defines our life. Time spent sailing, especially deep ocean sailing, is time well spent. At sea we find out who we really are, and what we are capable of, far from the shackles of land we find an elusive place where time changes shape – days may merge into one another, but minutes are memorable.

John has conducted over 130 offshore training passages and has introduced hundreds of people to ocean sailing. He continues to take people to sea each year by captaining challenging offshore sailing passages. He also conducts workshops and lectures all over the world. He has given entertaining presentations at venues ranging from the US Naval Academy, the Explorer's Club in NYC, and Royal Cork Yacht Club in Ireland, the world's oldest club, the Royal Geographical Society in Hong Kong, and the Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club amongst many other venues. To live adventurously is to live more fully, and that is the life John Kretschmer lives.

A Mexican buffet will be served at 6:00 pm. Cost is \$18.00 per person for the buffet. Attendance to the speaking engagement is complimentary. Reservations are required for the buffet. Reservations are also suggested for the program to ensure adequate seating, as the event is filling up very quickly.

Sunday Brunch Buffet, Every Sunday in January!

11:00 am to 1:30 pm

Menu to Include:

- Omelette and waffle station • Bacon and sausage • Smoked salmon with mini bagels and toppings • Jumbo boiled shrimp • Garden salad bar • Fried chicken • Fresh fruit

Entrees, sides and desserts will vary from week to week.

Adults \$16.00 • Children 4 - 8 \$8.50 • 3 and under free

Captain's Night Bon Voyage Ball Commodore's Ball 2019



Harbormaster Update

We still have about 20 trailers in the Annex that are not permitted with SYC stickers. All of the members that are being billed for storage in the Annex but have no equipment with permits present, have received letters and permit stickers by mail. We ask that you identify your equipment immediately. Those trailers in the Annex that are not permitted on February 1st will be considered abandoned and disposed of appropriately. If you have questions please let me know.

Tom Hadel, Harbormaster

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2019 Board of Directors

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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