# SOLOMON SEZ





Solomons Island Yacht Club Newsletter

"One of the Friendliest Yacht Clubs on the Bay"

December, 2018



## Commodore's Corner

Carol and I really thank V/C Gary & Brenda Knight and all the volunteers who put on such a wonderful Commodore's Ball, as well as all of you who came out to enjoy the evening with us. We, and our family, really enjoyed the party and the hospitality of our members. Special thanks for the beautiful flowers and floral decorations, the great photos and club decorations, the hospitality suite, and the check-in hostesses.

Many thanks to F/Capt Tony Baratta for the Veterans Day photo tribute to our members and their families who proudly served the country, and to Social Chair Susan Smith for arranging the special Sentimental Journey musical show remembering WW II. It was wonderful to have our own WW II vets Kermit Dyke and Jack Estridge join us for the evening.

Once again SIYC will be one of the hosts for the Solomons Island Christmas Walk Lighted Boat Parade on Saturday, December 8. The boats will start at Solomons Yachting Center and finish at SIYC for awards and soup. Decorate your boats, or at least join us to view the parade. Wear your Ugly Sweaters and bring your favorite soup to share!

We have a special treat on Wednesday, December 12, when the St. Maries Musica choral group will serenade us with their joyous Christmas and holiday music. Dinner will be topside at 6pm and the show will start at 6:30. We're also looking forward to our annual New Year's

Eve dinner and celebration featuring some lively DJ dance music. As is our usual tradition, we will welcome the New Year on Atlantic (island!) time so you have the opportunity to "get off the island" before the other crazies! Stay tuned for menu and other details.

Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays to you all.



## **Vice Commodore's Corner**

Well, we honored the Commodore and his Lady in style at the November 3 Commodore's Ball. Thanks to the 20 members of the club who had a substantial role in ensuring the event was a success. Thanks also to the 145 members who attended and, by their attendance, made the ball a fun and exciting evening.

The next thing on my plate is the New Year's Eve celebration. While Marge and I work out the special menu for that evening, we anticipate that the entertainment provided by the outstanding DJ with Dreamscope will keep us dancing until the very last second. There may be some other surprises for you, as well.

Everyone is encouraged to come down to the club for the Christmas Light Parade on December 8. Bring your crock pot of soup and your ugly Christmas sweater and have a great time!





## Rear Commodore's Corner

November has passed us by very quickly. I would like to thank V/C Gary Knight and Brenda for orchestrating the 2018 Commodore Ball honoring our Commodore Mike Snapp and Lady Carol. It was truly an awesome evening had by all. Also a huge thank you to all the volunteers that put their time and effort into making everything come together so smoothly.

The following morning we had a great turn out for the Pancake Breakfast. In November we hosted six dinners, one travel presentation and thanks to Susan Smith, a very memorable Veterans Day Celebration honoring our WWII veterans Kermit Dyke and Jack Estridge and attended by 125 members and guests. As the Holiday season approaches, please be careful if you are traveling and always remember those that are less fortunate than us.



## Fleet Captain's Corner

The 2018 cruising year is almost at an end. The last event of the year, the Boat Parade followed by our traditional soup dinner, is on December 8<sup>th</sup>. Those interested in decorating your boat and participating are asked to complete the form on the display case and turn it in at the Captain's meeting to be held at the Solomons Yachting Center. Details on the boat parade are posted at the Club. Since we ask that the participants dock at the Club after the parade, we could use some dock hands to assist. If you can please send me an email so I can coordinate with you.

The 2019 Cruise schedule is complete and will be posted along with signup sheets by January 1<sup>st</sup>. I look forward to seeing you all on one or more of our cruises.

Lastly, thanks to the efforts of Al Redfield, Dennis Lawson, Wayne Joy, and Dennis Chandler, the pier is now winterized. Thanks to all of you who helped out and made this an excellent cruising season.



## Fleet Surgeon's Corner

An Aspirin A Day......Maybe Not

Over the years, 81mgs of aspirin a day has been recommended to prevent cardiovascular events. Many of us have been taking this health preserving advice and this daily dose.

The thinking has changed with the most recent research though. Daily aspirin for primary prevention doesn't seem to decrease cardiovascular events in most people. The benefits have actually been offset by the risk of serious bleeding. Daily aspirin is actually an even greater risk for people with a diagnosis of a previous GI (gastro-intestinal) bleed, people who are on anti-coagulant medication, those taking daily NSAID (non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs, think Motrin or Aleve), and anyone with uncontrolled high blood pressure.

Now, if your provider has had a discussion with you, and together you have decided that daily aspirin use is indicated for you, please take it. Some of the indications for daily aspirin use are a previous MI or stroke, a coronary <u>stent</u>, peripheral artery disease or angina. In these cases the benefits clearly outweigh the bleeding risks.

If you have not had a discussion with your primary care provider about daily aspirin use, please initiate one. Also, remember that bleeding risks increase with age. Here's to the privilege of getting older and to your good health. Emalie



#### SIYC 2019 Yearbook

## Yearbook Co-Chair position available

I would love to have a co-chair join me in the creation of the new 2019 SIYC Yearbook. If you would like to learn how to create a beautiful, resourceful, yearbook, and contribute some volunteer time to the club, please contact me. Time duration: December – April. Duties: editing Microsoft Word documents, emailing, and proof reading. Thank you, Kat Tyrrell. <a href="ktyrrell2@comcast.net">ktyrrell2@comcast.net</a>

#### **BURGIES UP!!!!!!**



Wycomoco Yacht Club, in the final throws of their rebuild.



Everything you ever wanted to know about Spain by P/C Craig Wilson.



SMILE Holiday Donations

Once again, our Mantel for December will be made up of Christmas

and Holiday cards from SIYC Members. Please consider enclosing a donation to SMILE Ecumenical Ministries in thanks for all they do to support our less fortunate neighbors. Let's beat last year's record donations of \$2370! Cards should be sent to the club, attention Commodore, before New Year's, with checks made out to SMILE.

#### **NOVEMBER BIRTHDAY BABIES**





Need Holiday gift ideas? SIYC has the solution! Shop now for the best selection in sweatshirts, polo shirts, denim, hats, t-shirts, etc. Merchandise comes in a variety of colors and sizes and proudly displays the SIYC logo. SPECIAL ORDERS WELCOME. Want something that is not stocked? Need a special size or color not available? Please email me your needs at smerrbach@gmail.com and allow 2 weeks for processing. Happy shopping, and Happy Holidays! Sharon Hayden, Quartermaster SIYC.









# Light Parade, Soup Night & Ugly Sweater Contest December 8, 6:30pm



PLEASE BRING A CROCKPOT OF SOUP OF YOUR CHOICE AND A LADLE AND WE WILL SERVE HOT DOGS TO GO ALONG WITH THE SOUP. PLEASE ALSO LABEL YOUR SOUP SO WE KNOW WHAT WE ARE EATING. THANK YOU.





































DECEMBER 3, 5:30-7:30 PM TRAVEL PRESENTATION



SOUTH AFRICA / TRAINS, THE CAPE, WILDLIFE, VICTORIA FALLS AND MUCH MUCH MORE PRESENTED BY SUZIE & RON WILLIAMS AND BETTY & DON KILPATRICK THIS IS A POT LUCK DINNER SO PLEASE BRING A DISH TO SHARE IF POSSIBLE. TOPSIDE!!!

#### SOCIAL COMMITTEE REPORT

November we had a very enjoyable presentation by Craig Wilson on Spain. Thanks Craig! Thanks to all who brought your delicious appetizers to share too.

HALLOWEEN Dinner Party was a lot of fun and Marge and Paula once again made some fun dinner items. Our members had a great time trying to impress us with their creativity in their costume choices.

**COSTUME - Categories and Winners were:** 

Scariest - Lucy Tonacci

Silliest - Nikki Goodman

Most Unique - Jerry Budnick

Best Single - Kat Tyrell

Best Couple - Bobbie & Rick Sass

Booby Prize (Minimalist Costume) was Gary Knight

We ALSO went BOBBING FOR ALCOHOL instead of apples and it wasn't as easy as they thought. We almost had a few drownings but they comforted themselves with the miniatures they retrieved.

I added a pie eating contest to the mix and had 5 volunteers that I coerced into eating my homemade WORMY PIES! Hey, they were organic worms!!

Our contestants were TOM SIDELICK, KATHY HOSKINS, JIM SHEPHERD, CRAIG WILSON & SKIP HOSKINS

Our WINNER was KATHY HOSKINS. Look at the picture!!! Too funny.

I gave away \$200.00 in donated restaurant gift certificates, one bar chip, and a bunch of miniature alcohols.

Veterans Day Celebration was a bit over the top with us celebrating all of our veterans and honoring our two oldest and only WWII Veterans, Kemit Dyke and Jack Estridge. We want to thank so many for coming and joining in the festivities. We went down memory lane with Jennifer Cooper and Carl Reichelt performing *Sentimental* 

Journey. What a show! We all either hummed or tapped our feet and clapped our hands to familiar songs of the WWII era. Marge cooked us an All American meal with an apple pie that is hard to forget. Our own Tony Baratta led our evening out with a fantastic slide show of all our veterans and their families. This was a lot of work, because he continues to add to a perfect show already, with new pictures we come across of our veterans. Thanks Tony for all your efforts.

December 3rd, 5:30pm (NEW TIME) our next Travel Presentation will be on SOUTH AFRICA and other Stops, Trains, The Cape, Wildlife, Victoria Falls and much much more! This will be presented by Suzie and Ron Williams and Betty & Don Kilpatrick. This will be TOPSIDE and it will be a 2 hour presentation. We will make this a pot luck dinner so we will eat first, see the first video, and take an intermission. We will then refill our drinks and plates and watch the 2nd video. It should be a fun evening.

Please bring a POT LUCK DISH to share if possible.

REMEMBER, it starts a half-hour earlier than usual. This is being done by our own in house National Geographic Team!!!

December 8th is the LIGHT PARADE. That means it's soup and hot dog night. Please make a soup and bring it for us all to enjoy!!!

THIS IS NOT A CONTEST!!!

HOWEVER, I still have some gift certificates to give out, so I thought we would also make it an UGLY SWEATER CONTEST NIGHT.

BUY OR DECORATE YOUR SWEATER FOR THE HOLIDAY AND GET JUDGED!!!

December 12, WEDNESDAY we will be having ST MARIES MUSICA to preform for us TOPSIDE. We will start with dinner, and then their performance. If you saw them last year, they are very enjoyable!!

Dinner at 6pm performance to follow.

Hope to see you all at your SIYC EVENTS! Susan Smith



## 2018 Commodores Ball





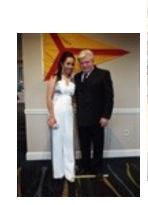




























Happy Birthday P/C Craig Wilson





Past



Future



Present



Yes Gary. You're next!



## Veterans Day Sentimental Journey









## Origin of the 21-Gun Salute

Perhaps you noticed that at 11:00 am on the 11th day of November (the 11th month) churches nationwide rang 21 Bells of Peace to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the end of World War I. 21 signifies the nation's highest honor. That's why military funerals have a '21 gun salute'. Ever wonder why 21? Well I did; and here's what I found:

In the Anglo-Saxon Empire, seven guns was a recognized naval salute, seven being the standard number of weapons on a vessel. Because more gunpowder could be stored on dry land, forts could fire three rounds for every one fired from sea, hence the number 21. (In that day, powder of sodium nitrate was easier to keep on shore than at sea.) In time, when the quality of gunpowder improved by the use of potassium nitrate, the sea salute was made equal to the shore salute; 21 guns as the highest national honor.

The 21-gun salute was not formally adopted until August 18, 1875. This was at the suggestion of the British, who proposed a 'Gun for Gun Return' to their own 21-gun salute.



















## Brain Teaser: How many of each species did Moses take on the Ark with him?

Answer will be in next months Solomon Sez.

The first person to give Susan Smith <a href="mailto:susanmogansmith@yahoo.com">susanmogansmith@yahoo.com</a> the correct answer gets a bar chip for a drink!

#### Last month's WINNER was Jerry Budnick.

The question was: I am a solitary word, 5 letters long. Strike my first letter and I am still the same. Strike my next letter and yet I am still the same. What word am I?

The Answer is: Alone lone one.



### **SPECIAL THOUGHTS**

The Bridge, Board of Governors and General Membership would like to extend our condolences to Brenda Knight and her family for their loss of her brother, JT. We extend get well wishes to Cynde Redfield, Suzie Williams, John Zalusky and Rex Miller. Rex is now at the Solomons Nursing Center on Dowell Road and would welcome visitors.



## ARTIST WALL

The art wall will continue for December with winter scenes. The mantel will change to a Christmas theme with club members' cards sent in with SMILE donations.



Happy Birthday to incoming
Rear Commodore Brenda





## FLEET OFFICERS & COMMITTEES

#### **2018 LINE OFFICERS**

Commodore: Mike Snapp

Vice Commodore: Gary Knight

Rear Commodore: Michael Stanton

Fleet Captain: Tony Baratta

Secretary: Rita Gerred
Treasurer: Robin Langfeldt

#### **2018 FLEET OFFICERS**

Fleet Surgeon – Emalie Gibbons-Baker

Fleet Chaplain – Jane Connelly

## **STANDING COMMITTEES**

Audit - John Wagner, Chair

Beautification - Nancy McCabe,

Judy Okay, Co-Chairs

Budget & Planning – P/C Robert Kuzmick,

Chair

Facilities Improvement – Dennis Lawson,

Chair

House – Rick Sass, Chair

**Landscape** – Peggy Whilden, Chair

**Membership** – Susan Rork, Chair

#### **OTHER COMMITTEES**

Bits & Bytes – Mike Snapp, Chair

Tony Baratta, Back-Up

ByLaws – Tom Gagnon, Chair

Curator of Burgees – Carol Snapp Parliamentarian – Regis Johnston

Photographer – Barbara Bates,

Jane Crawford

Sunshine - Carolyn Keefe, Chair

Solomons Sez - Kate Wilson

**Historian** – Mary Gott

**Quartermaster –** Sharon Hayden

SIYC Vehicle Tags – Dennis Lawson

Social - Susan Smith, Chair

Website - Jerry Budnick, Chair

Mike Snapp, Back-Up

**Yearbook –** Kat Tyrrell

**Brenda Knight Co-Chairs** 

If you have any recommendations, information or photos that you would like to see published in Solomon Sez, please forward them to Kate Wilson at:

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## **BAR ETIQUETTE**











Tip big on the first round. In some circles it's common practice to leave a large tip on the first round. Depending on the bar, leave between 50-100% to make a good first impression—and build up the pot for the annual Volunteers Party. Some bartenders might think you want special treatment for leaving such a large tip. Don't act like the bartender owes you anything, and don't make a big deal about leaving a good tip.

#### Don't ask your bartender to slip you a little extra

Tip according to the drink. If you order a beer or a glass of wine, you can usually get away with tipping \$1. If you order a cocktail, tip a little more. The longer your bartender spends making your drink, the more you should tip them.

#### Don't hold your money at eye level

**Leave a tip for every drink.** If you're paying in cash, make sure to leave a tip for every drink. A good rule to follow is about \$1 a drink.

Don't call the bartender "pal" or "chief"

Be patient. Bartenders have a lot of customers to serve, and they have to give each one their full attention. Don't wave money at the bartender to get his or her attention. Just take your place in line, and wait your turn.

Don't follow the bartender down the counter

Order your drinks the right way. When the bartender approaches you for your order, be ready. Don't hold up the line trying to decide what you want.

When ordering a mixed drink, start your order with the type of liquor you want. If you have a brand preference, say so. Don't say, "Can I get a Whiskey and Coke with Jack Daniels." Instead, say, "Can I get a Jack and Coke?"

Don't say: "Surprise me"

Oh! By the way, did I mention that **WE NEED BARTENDERS**? Especially now, when so many of our members are crisping in Florida. It's fun. It's a great way to get to know fellow members. The on-the-job-training is free. Plus, you get one complimentary drink for your efforts.

## Most importantly—drink responsibly!





## December, 2018



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						Staff Bartender Bog
						Prime Rib. Sign up required here or in the Lounge by 28 Nov.
Staff Bartender	Laurie & John Ford	Don Kilpatrick & Bob Davis	Mike & Carol Snapp	Bill Brier	7 Solomons Christmas Walk	s Staff Bartender
	Travel Presentation On South Africa		Chicken Fried Steak		Staff Bartender	Solomons Christmas Walk
						Lighted Boat Parade
						Soup & Hot Dogs
	40		40	40	**	Ugly Sweater Contest
Staff Bartender	Mark & Lucy Tonacci	Bob & Carol Lightstone	Dee Peters & Dennis Lawson	Curt & Judy Larsen	Staff Bartender	Staff Bartender
			Wednesday Dinner TBD - Topside			Cream Of Crab Soup
			Christmas Music By St. Maries Musica			
Christmas Breakfast	Curt & Judy Larsen	Bill Brier	Kat Tyrrell & Jerry Budnick	Mbr Bartender	Staff Bartender	Staff Bartender
Staff Bartender	Laisen		Taco Night			
23 Staff Bartender		Club Closed -	28 Mbr Bartender	Tony &	28 Staff Bartender	29 Staff Bartender
	Merry Christmas	Christmas	No Dinner Tonight	Barbara Baratta	Maryland Stuffed Ham	
				December Birthdays	Sandwiches	
30 Staff Bartender	Staff Bartender					
	New Years Eve Party - Pre-pay with the V/C required					



## **DECEMBER, 2018 MENUS**

December 1, 7:00 pm, BOG \$20.00

Prime Rib

**Baked Potatoes** 

Asparagus

Salad

Rolls

**Blackberry Cobbler** 

December 5, 6:00 pm, \$10.00

Chicken fried steak

Mashed Potatoes and Gravy

Broccoli

Dessert

December 8, Lighted Boat Parade

Soup

**Hot Dogs** 

December 12, 6:00 pm, \$12.00

Meatloaf

Mashed Potatoes with Gravy

Dessert

December 15, 6:00 pm, \$12.00

Cream of Crab Soup

Caesar Salad

Dessert

December 16, 8:00 - 10:00am, \$12.00

Christmas Breakfast

December 19, 6:00 pm, \$8.00, Taco Night

Tacos

December 28, 6:30 pm, \$15.00

Cheif's Stuffed Ham Sandwiches

Potato Salad

Dessert



## Setting Sail #2

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## ACROSS

- 1 Composer Johann
- 5 Church recess
- 9 Hatfield foe
- 14 With skill
- 15 Quit a poker hand
- 16 Wear away, like a beach
- 17 Liquor made with honey
- 18 Walked heavily
- 19 Assistants
- 20 Things to keep covered
- 22 Indicates with a digit
- 24 Little devil

- 25 Final Grand Slam tennis tournament (2 wds)
- 27 Paid sailors, for short
- 31 \_\_\_\_submarine warfare
- 32 Perceive with the eye
- 34 "And so forth" letters
- 35 Cola or coffee
- 38 Time in SLC
- 40 LA Boater's destination, Catalina Island
- 42 Splitting wood
- 44 Fabled North Pole resident
- 46 Wicker fisherman's basket

## **Setting Sail**

47	Common throat infection	12	Keats creation
48	El	13	Progressive rock band out
50	Lopsided		of London
51	Furious wrath	21	Center of our solar system
52	Red or Black body of water	23	Compass pt.
55	Like your nose in cold sailing	26	Brain funct.
	weather	28	Make a boat registration
57	Zilch to Zorro		current
59	Sullen look	29	Playful freshwater mammal
61	Start of a Scottish sailor's name	30	Like a fish
64	Turn ship broadside to heavy	31	Famed diarist Frank
	seas	33	Computer key
66	sayer	35	River feature
68	Warm winter drink	36	Very minor actor
71	Line of stitches	37	Made public
73	Do model's work	39	Loving letters
74	Above deck	41	Man from the Middle East
75	Cabbage cousin	43	Boater's locator, for short
76	Operates	45	Second largest living animal
77	Author of 'The Inferno'		(2 wds)
78	Fresh	49	Like unpaid slip fees
79	Something to take at a	53	Freudian concept
	meeting	54	Home to Bristol Bay
		56	Married woman's title
DO	OWN	58	the beam
1	Storybook deer	60	"Motion of the"
	Right angle to a ship's length	61	54 Down native
	Jewelry fastener	62	Cruising the Caspian (2 wds.)
	Chicago boater's Park on Lake	63	Buried treasure container
	Michigan	65	Sound of waves breaking
5	Toward the back of the boat	67	'Bloom County' penguin
6	Sea hog	68	Scoundrel
7	Single-masted sailboat	69	Pie mode
	Returning tides	70	Dishonorable artist?
	Potato's partner	72	Kitten's cry
	Like a new bill		

11 Liver oil source

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