Three Sheets in the Wind



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Commodore's Report



Much has happened for LSFYC members during the past weeks. The Clean the Bay Day, a Wounded Warrior Veteran's cruise to the battleship lowa, (participating with the NYCLB event), and the visit to the Ronald MacDonald house in Long Beach to help out the folks who are caring for the hospitalized kids. Recognition and thanks to RC **Debra Terrell** for making this happen. See the following pages for reports and more photos.

Nomination of new Officers and Directors...

The time has come to nominate new LSFYC Officers and Directors for 2020. As LSFYC Bylaws and tradition dictate, the LSFYC *Five Old Salts* committee have cast their net and hare coming up with the slate of proposed Officers and Directors for 2020. The ballot will be published (via newsletter and email) next month for your vote. At this time, we are in need of a volunteer for **Director**. A Director helps with the operation of the club in contributing input as to best provide the biggest bang for the members' buck!

If you are interested in being a part of the decision making process, please let me know

Catalina Cruise...

Moti is planning a cruise to **Catalina** on **Friday, Nov. 1st and 2nd.**, weather permitting. The plan is to leave Long Beach at 10 am Friday, arriving in Avalon between 2-4 pm. He'll get together on his Catamaran for happy hour and later go to shore for dinner. The next day get on the boat again for breakfast and leave Avalon around 11 am, to arrive back in L.B. late afternoon Saturday.

He would like to know if you are interested in joining the cruise with your boat. He is also chartering a 36' Catamaran that can sleep 6 in two cabins and a large salon. If you would like to join him on the boat and share the cost it will be about \$175 per person if there are 6 onboard.

Al Bordallo is looking for passengers as well on his Catalina 34. He can be reached at a.al.giovanni@gmail.com.

We would like to see more LSFYC folks participate in this cruise...so much so that the club will subsidize 1/2 of your mooring fees for the 2 day stay!

Please contact Moti if you would like to participate in this adventure.

Frank Franco
Commodore

Vice Commodore's Report Moti Cohen Doron



Greetings Little Shippers!

Fall is officially here but even with Summer behind us there are still plenty of good weather days to come! So make sure you take advantage of them and get out on the water. Even if you don't have a boat, just go for a sunset walk in the marina as a nice way to relax. The sunsets lately have been beautiful!

After a lot of planning and coordination, we had another successful **Clean the Bay Day** Sept 21 Saturday. This time we teamed up with our neighbors at Navy YC. Between the 2 clubs we had 26 volunteers and 5 dinghies participate and picked up 75.5 lbs of trash in about 2 hours! This time we used reusable mesh bags instead of the plastic bags the city gave us. This way we are not adding to the problem of plastics and we can reuse the bags for future Clean the Bay Days.

A big thank you goes to Rodney and Joyce Coomber of Navy YC, who organized a BBQ lunch enjoyed by all who participated. Again we had a prize for the most unusual item found, this time it was a bra! A huge THANK YOU goes out to all of the volunteers who came to help in our efforts. Also a special thank you goes out to our new member **Kari Nielsen**, who took some great video and photos of the event. See page 4 for photos.

Jill and I are in the market for a bigger boat. We are both getting really tired of all the work that goes with trailering a boat. With this in mind, we headed over to the San Pedro Boat Show. If you haven't been it's a lot of fun. There are so many boats on display it's hard to decide which ones you want to visit. It's fun to look inside some of the bigger yachts, they are beautiful!

We had a great time envisioning ourselves on some of them, but our bank account is not onboard with this vision! Unfortunately we didn't see any boats that would suit our budget but we had a great time looking around. Afterwards we headed over to Cabrillo Beach Yacht Club for an early dinner. We always enjoy going there when we are in the area. The food is great and the members are always warm and friendly.

On Sep. 8th, Navy YC had their annual wounded veterans cruise to the battleship USS lowa. Three Little Ships Fleet boats (**Frank Franco**, **Al Giovanni Bordallo** and myself) participated in the fleet, taking the veterans in a lineup for a 5" gun salute from the battleship. It is very emotional to see the USS lowa crew and guests standing in salute to our veterans as we were passing by the ship. On our little Whaler my wife and I had the honor to host for the cruise, a friend of our family, a 95 year old WWII Navy veteran who fought in the battles of the Pacific.

We are looking forward to cooking at the Ronald McDonald House on **October 5th**. This is a great charity and we should be very proud that Little Ships Fleet is taking part of this. Thank you **Debra Terrell** for organizing it.

Also upcoming in October is our joint potluck with Navy Yacht Club. This will be taking place on **Friday**, **October 18th at 5:30pm.** LSFYC will supply the food for our members. Hope to see you all out there.

Please let me know as soon as possible if you are planning on joining our cruise out to Catalina on November 1st and 2nd.

Moti Cohen-Doron V.C. LSFYC

Rear Commodore's Report





This past Saturday, a group of 10 LSFYC members prepared a home cooked meal for several very sweet families at the **Ronald McDonald House** in Long Beach.

We definitely had the right crew for the job! This highly motivated and efficient group of Little Shippers (Irene Gray, Roy & Carolyn Queen, Frank & Lara

Franco, Cindy Ramirez, Moti, Jill & Maya Cohen Doron) shopped, hauled, chopped, stirred, served, washed, dried & swept up — all the while having a pretty good time doing it. I especially want these members to know how much I enjoyed spending this quality time with them and how very much I value their friendship. I'm proud of our club members for their big generous hearts and happy can-do attitudes and for their efforts to take a little pressure off some very appreciative people so they can focus on caring for their children struggling with grave illnesses. See page 5 for photos.



In addition to the time volunteered, these same members donated much needed items to the pantry including books & fun activities for the kids staying at the house.

Cooking dinner at Ronald Mc Donald House was a rewarding way to spend a Sunday—hope you'll join us when we do it again next year!

Debra Terrell
LSFYC Rear Commodore

LSFYC Clean the Bay photos

By Kari Neilsen



Dick Martin looks on as folks admire the haul for the day.



Lara Franco, Cindy Ramirez and Steve Cole chow down at after the clean BBQ.



Little Shippers at the end of the day.



Moti and Debra Terrell count and classify the trash items.



NYCLB's Hap at the BBQ



The winner for most unusual item found!

LSFYC at the Ronald MacDonald House



The LSFYC gang of cookers.



Head chef Debra Terrell preparing the quiches



Jill with daughter Maya and the matzo ball soup



Lara Franco chopping the veggies



Irene Gray chopping more veggies



Cindy Ramirez, Carolyn Queen & Debra assembling the quiches.



Roy Queen and Moti trying not to cut themselves



October 2019



SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14 Columbus Day	15	16	17	18 LSFYC POTLUCK AT NYCLB	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31 HOLLOWEEN		



2019 LSFYC Bridge

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Vice Commodore: Moti Cohen Doron Rear Commodore: Debra Terrell

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