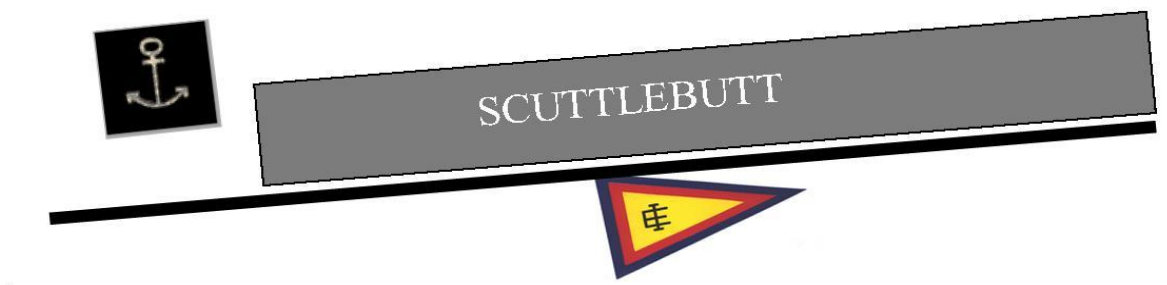


ISLAND ESTATES YACHT CLUB



February 2017

Commodore's Comments

We are now well into February, leaving the Holidays behind us, and embracing the wonderful weather and all that Florida has to offer us. Island Estates Yacht Club is presenting many different events as we head toward Spring. I hope we can all attend most of them. Jan Nagy and her committee are planning a "Trip to Rio" on March 10th at Clearwater Yacht Club. Mark your calendars, and take this trip to South America.

The Starlight Princess set sail on February 4th with more than thirty of our members on board. It was a perfect night with calm waters, good food and nice music. This has always been a favorite of the Island Estates Yacht Club and rightfully so. We are very lucky to live in the Tampa Bay area which has so much to offer.

IEYC may not have a building with a fancy clubhouse, grill and tiki bar, but we have so much more. The friends that we meet and the social comforts we enjoy are more valuable than any building. Don't forget to bring a friend to any of the events. Perhaps they too would like to be a part of IEYC.

Mary O'Connor, Commodore

A Statement from our Butterfly—Social Chair

This is a statement on our StarLite Dinner Cruise. It was a beautiful evening for a dinner cruise our Starlite Majesty. We had 14 guests and 21 members join us. A big thank you to James Moncrieff for collecting the checks, Patricia

Ostrosky and Jan Nagy with their support and assistance. Applause to Mary Reinhardt for graciously making our name tags and delivering them to my door. Many thanks to Vivian Smith for her expertise and mentoring.

There were mixed reviews about the evening. We were seated on the 2nd floor. I understand that previous years we were seated on the 1st floor. We shared the upper level with several loud parties which made dinner conversation difficult. The meal also had a range of reviews from great to not warm enough. SO, depending on who you chat with the reviews will differ. My filet was perfect and I try to live by this Andy Warhol motto, "You have to be willing to get Happy about Nothing."

March Mardi Gras in Argentina!!

For an evening of fun, entertainment, music, dancing, a delicious buffet, and the fabulous company of your IEYC friends and guests—don't miss our great evening planned for Friday, March 10th at 6 pm at the Clearwater Yacht Club.

Invite your friends and potential members to celebrate Mardi Gras the Argentinean way! A Flyer invitation with details will be sent soon. Mark your calendar for March 10th now! See you there.

Jan Nagy, chair

April Event—Dinner at Bonefish Grill and "Kinky Boots"

For "Kinky Boots" tickets, call Adam 727-712-2717 at Ruth Eckerd Hall on April 15th at 8:00 pm. He is holding a block of tickets for us until March 1st—please call as soon as possible. The tickets are

\$125.00 each with no fee. Use credit card and set up how you will pick up your tickets. Dinner will be at Bonefish Grill at McMullen Booth Road and Enterprise at 6:00 pm. Please let Gary and Carolyn Bookout know if you are going to the show and/or dinner. garybookoutphotographer@gmail.com

Mark your calendars with these important dates.

IEYC 2017 Social Events

- March 10th**—March Mardi Gras in Argentina,
Clearwater Yacht Club
- April 15th**—Dinner and Play—“Kinky Boots”
- May 7th**—Kentucky Derby Day, Tampa Bay Downs
Special event
- June or July**—Honeymoon Island Fish Fry
- August 5th**—Pirate Ship, Clearwater Marina
- September 9th**—White Elephant Gift Exchange,
Clearwater Yacht Club
- October 7th**—IEYC Progressive Dinner,
member homes on Island Estates
- November 4th**—IEYC Annual Meeting
- December 1st**—Change of Watch,
Belleair Country Club
- December 9th**—IEYC Memorial Holiday Boat Parade
- January 1, 2018**—New Year’s Day Brunch,
Belleair Country Club



The Island Girls

On Tuesday, January 31, 2017 the Island Girls had lunch at Rumba’s and it was a beautiful day with lots of laughs and great food! It was also Dianne Stebbins’ birthday so we surprised her with a huge chocolate brownie piled high with chocolate, marshmallows and ice cream...and a candle that kept coming on with sparkles.

Those attending were Dianne Stebbins, Joan Landreth, Sandee Pfister, Sheila Taylor, Fay Nicholson, Barbara Loubier, Barbara Gipson, Jean Sanders and Mary Lou Spoto.

Looking forward to another fun time next month. Hope to see you then!

The **February Island Girls Lunch** will be at the NEW Wyndam Grand Hotel on Clearwater Beach on Tuesday, February 28th at 11:30. Valet parking is \$8.00. We may be having a tour also. So let’s plan for a beautiful sunny day together. Look forward to seeing all of you. Contact Sheila Taylor at sheila.taylor.family@gamil.com or 727-447-4420 for reservations.



Birthdays

Shirley Iarrobino	3/7
Tom Smith	3/11
Sue Speck	3/14
Marcia Blum	3/20
Karen Bravo	3/27

The deadline for articles or information for the March newsletter is 18th. Please have your information to Joan Landreth at joanitiredone@aol.com by that date. It is necessary to have all information and the flyer for the next event by the deadline date in order to get the newsletter to you in a timely fashion. Thank you in advance for your compliance to this deadline.