

CLASSIC TIMES

Classic Yacht Association, Southern California Fleet

December 2004

2005

**CHRISTMAS
CRUISE
Dec. 18 Naples**

**January 15 & 16
2005 NATIONAL
CHANGE OF
WATCH**

**March 12th
OPENING DAY**

**April 23
AFFILIATES'
BARBECUE
&
LANDLUBBERS'
AUCTION**

**May 21
NAPLES CRUISE**

**June 23
PREDICTED LOG
RACE - LA. Harbor &
Long Beach**

**JULY 23 & 24
OLD FASHIONED
DAY IN THE PARK**

**AUGUST 21
MARINA PACIFICA**

**OCTOBER 24
COMMODORES
CRUISE**

**NOVEMBER 5
SC FLEET
CHANGE OF
WATCH**

**NEXT MEETING
THURSDAY
Feb. 17 2005
LONG BEACH Y.C.**

Change of Watch 2004

The 2004 Change of Watch was held at the Long beach Yacht Club on November 13th. The event was a great success with many members and friends in attendance. The evening began with cocktails and appetizers aboard the CYA boats. Thanks to Vicki Kirsch for the great appetizers. The Change of Watch was opened with the pledge by Bill Erving and the Invocation was given by Don Lang. Dinner was served on the Bridge Deck, overlooking the water and lights of the harbor. The tables were decorated in red and white with little origami boats to give the event a festive feel. A special thanks to Christine and Elissa for the decorations. The evening Master of Ceremonies was our National Commodore Peter Riess, who kept things moving. Our guest speaker was the Manager of Long Beach Marina, Mr. Mark Sandoval who shared with us some of the plans and direction for the Long Beach harbor.

After dinner, awards were presented. Anne Blayden was the recipient of the Heather Perloff award. Linda and Scott Robinson received the Yachtsperson of the Year Award. Last but not least, I believe we have lost count as to the number of times this recipient has received this award; the 2004 BIRD ROCK AWARD went to Richard Gardner.

Commodore Dennis Ballard recognized the hard work of his bridge by thanking them and presenting each of them with a gift. Anna Erving presented outgoing Commodore, Dennis Ballard with a gift from the Southern Fleet, and thanked for all his hard work during the past year.

The evening ended with the presentation of the new Bridge for 2005; Rear Commodore Christine Rohde, Vice Commodore Scott Robinson and Commodore Anna Erving. Our Secretary for 2005 is Cathy Yatch, and once again our Treasurer is Anne Blayden. We are also excited to have as our newsletter publisher Don Lang. Missing from the picture is fleet captain Rick Olson. Rick was busy taking pictures which can be seen on page 8 & 9.

The 2005 Southern California Fleet Classic Yacht Association Bridge



STUFFED SWEET DUMPLING SQUASH

Christine Rohde

(or apples) Serves 8 to 10

A holiday dinner special treat. Individual spiced sweet potato boats.

10 small, sweet dumpling or acorn squash, (about 12 oz. Ea.)
(or Fuji or red apple also is very tasty) $\frac{1}{2}$ C + 2T light brown sugar

1 t finely chopped orange zest (2 oranges)

1 t ground ginger

Orange Ginger Sweet Potato Puree (recipe follows)

2 T unsalted butter

6 T granulated sugar

1 pt. Fresh kumquats

10 fresh sage leaves

1. Heat oven to 400° Remove and discard top 1/3 of each squash, pulp, and seeds (or top 1/3 of apple, and core out center cavity)
2. Coat inside of each squash with 1 T brown sugar, sprinkle with orange zest and ginger. Bake on parchment lined pan until tender, about 30 minutes (15 minutes f or apples). Can be prepared a day ahead to this point.
3. Fill each squash with about $\frac{1}{2}$ cup orange-ginger sweet potato puree. Bake in 350° preheated oven until puree is heated through, 15 to 20 minutes.
4. Melt butter and granulated sugar in skillet over medium heat. Stir until sugar has begun to caramelize. Add kumquats; cook until glazed, 3 to 4 minutes. Add sage leaves; mix. Garnish squash with kumquats and sage.

Orange Ginger Sweet Potato Puree

(makes about 5 cups puree)

3 $\frac{1}{2}$ # sweet potatoes (about 7 medium)
(or 1 large and 1 small can cooked sweet potato) $\frac{1}{4}$ C solid vegetable shortening

3 T unsalted butter, room temperature

 $\frac{1}{2}$ C light brown sugar $\frac{1}{3}$ C fresh orange juice $\frac{1}{2}$ t salt $\frac{1}{2}$ t ground cinnamon $\frac{1}{8}$ t ground nutmeg $\frac{3}{4}$ t ground ginger

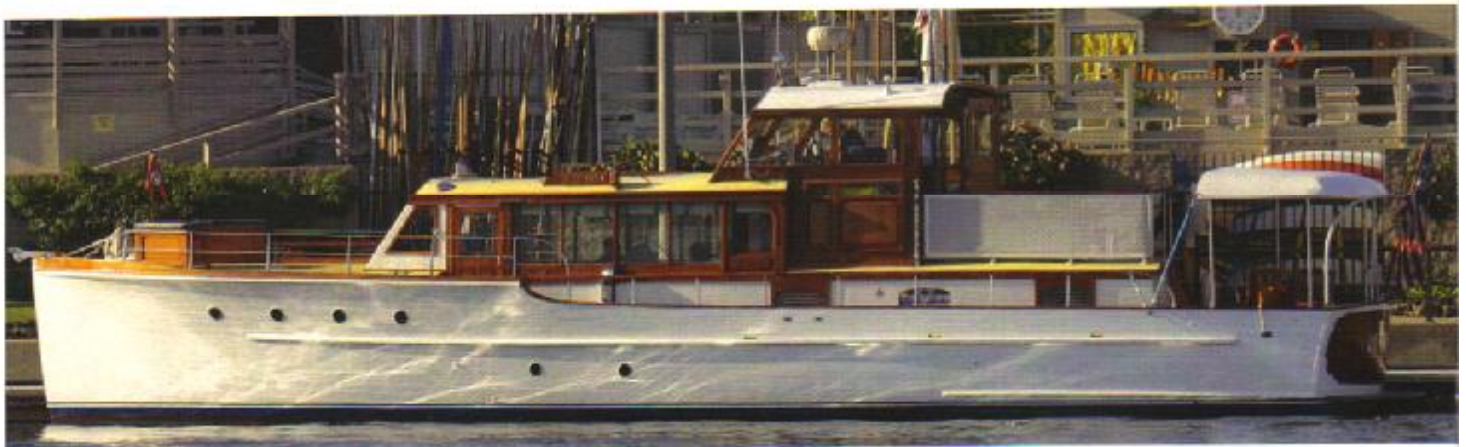
2 t chopped crystallized ginger

1 t grated orange peel

1. Heat oven to 375° Wash and dry potatoes, cot skins with shortening, baker until potatoes are tender, about 1 hour.
2. Peel, discard skin, and transfer flesh to electric mixer. Mix on medium speed until smooth, about 2 minutes. Remove and discard any stringy fibers from paddle. Scrape sides with rubber spatula. (or use canned pumpkin).
3. Combine butter and brown sugar, mix about 30 seconds. Add remaining ingredients, mix until combined.



Rear Commodore Christine Rohde would like to share some of her favorite recipe's with other CYA members



A Message from Commodore Anna Erving....

I cannot tell you how excited I am to be the Commodore for 2005. I am looking forward to an exciting year, and hope to see all you at the events. You have a great Bridge and Officers who are going to make 2005 a super year. Your bridge is only part of what it takes to make this year a success, we need the support and participation of all members. You are all invited to attend the monthly meetings and bring ideas to make our Fleet even better. Bring your family and friends to the events. The more we share our love for our boats the more others will understand and want to become part of this great family.

The calendar of events for next year has been set. Please make your calendars so you will not miss an event. There is always room for more events, so if you have and ideas please let us know. If you are interested in helping with an event please let us know, we need your help.

I wish you all a Happy Holiday Season and a Wonderful New Year. Anna

January

January 14, 15, 16
National Change of Watch,
San Francisco

February

2/17 Board Meeting, LBYC.7pm

March

3/19 CYA SC. Fleet Opening Day –
LBYC
3/24 Board Meeting, LBYC.7pm

April

4/21 Board Meeting, LBYC.7pm
4/23 Affiliates BBQ/Auction – Cali-
fornia Yacht Marina,
Wilmington

May

5/19 Board Meeting, LBYC7pm
5/21 Naples Duffy Cruise and Dock
Party

June

6/16 Board Meeting, LBYC.7pm
6/18 Predicated Log Race and Dock
Party

July

7/21 Board Meeting, LBYC.7pm
7/29-30-31 Marina Del Rey Event –
Burton Chase Park

August

8/18 Board Meeting, LBYC.7pm
8/19-20-21 Marina Pacifica Event

September

9/15 Board Meeting, LBYC.7pm
9/24 Commodores Cruise
Aboard a Cruise Ship 3-4 days

October

10/15-16 Long Beach Harbor Event

November

11/5 Change Of Watch Dinner,
LBYC
11/17 Board Meeting, LBYC7pm

December

12/17 – Holiday Naples Cruise



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Right—Sobre Los Olas stateroom berth, freshly painted and varnished.

Opposite - shot of the new galley stove and crews quarters with all the Douglass Fir bulkheads striped and resealed

The Sobre Story below submitted by Jeff



“Sobre Las Olas”

As most of you would probably have thought, wow, who are the suckers that are going to buy that boat at the end of the docks at Newmarks that no one is taking care of? How crazy they must be. Right? Well, you are right. We are crazy but we like to think of crazy as “passionate”. As the first time owners of a boat, and being glutens for punishment, we went full steam ahead and purchased what we thought was a boat with tremendous potential, and beautiful lines; all buried under what a few have had the experience to see on board. A non-working galley, dry-rot damage galore, no functional heads, hardly any properly working electrical; just to name a few and that is not to mention the unmentionables.

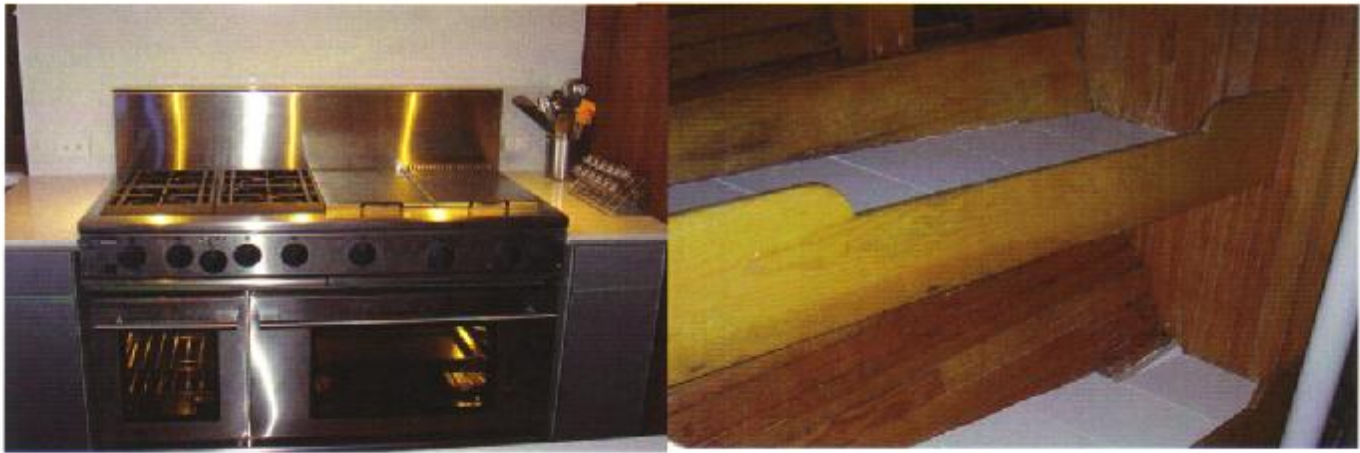
As some of you have personally seen and the few that have strolled on by to take a look at the progress and to see the crazy two people who actually bought this mess, it is with great pleasure that I give you our update and progress report.

After owning this stranded vessel for just over one year, Sean and I finally started the re-building, re-structuring, and re-furbishing of what we have seen all along.....this knock down absolutely beautiful wooden sculpture, what we love to call “*Sobre Las Olas*.”

If I were to write everything that we have done so far to get to where we are today, I would have an incredible short, possibly long story to tell, so I will condense as best I can.

When we first started the work on “*Sobre*” we couldn’t believe our eyes and what we started to see. Under all the un-kept work upon work that has been done throughout the years to keep “*Sobre*” functioning, we have chosen to go down to the roots of what really made “*Sobre*” so special. With all new electrical, new plumbing being put in, layer upon layer of paint being stripped and then even more paint being stripped, her lines are beginning to shine again.

As I write this, her decks are being stripped and restored, and after one process, the decks look absolutely spotless! They are beautiful and to think that they are not even done, just thrills us. As of the today (10/14/04) the dining salon (which has been completely stripped and sanded down to its original wood) is getting its first full coat of varnish on all the walls ...and they are beautiful!! The dining salon is our first glimpse into how “*Sobre*” looked in 1929 in its full glamour period. The thought of all the special people that have been aboard this vessel when under the ownership of J. Paul Getty, can only be visualized, however, I am sure the list is impressive.



The crew quarters have been stripped down to their natural wood and sealed with a clear finish and looks amazing. The forward master cabin has been completed stripped as well, except for the head. But after stripping down the cabin from probably 5-6 layers of paint, all the original mahogany that was covered has been restored and brings such a historical look, that makes this cabin such a joy to sleep in. All the original locks have been chromed. The look of the forward master cabin and dining salon have set the precedence on how we have to keep the look of "Sobre" to the best of its original style. The galley has been installed with all new appliances, flooring, plumbing etc and serves as a very functional modern day galley.

I have attached some current pictures for everyone to enjoy as we are enjoying seeing the life being brought back to such a nostalgic classic. With our excitement growing every day with the progress, we can't tell you the joy we are going to have to host our first Classic Yacht Association get together on "Sobre". Keep your fingers crossed for early next year. It is with great pride and joy that we are the new owners of "Sobre Las Olas".

Sean and I must now take note here to thank and recognize two very special people as none of this would be possible without their help and knowledge. To Peter and Dennis and finding an organization such as CYA and what you two have done for not only us, but the organization is very commendable, so, from us to you, "Thank you." Jeff Ganter and Sean Connolly



A new sink and counters adorn *Sobre's* new galley .
 Jeff and Sean aspire to have *Sobre* looking better than she did in this old photo below.





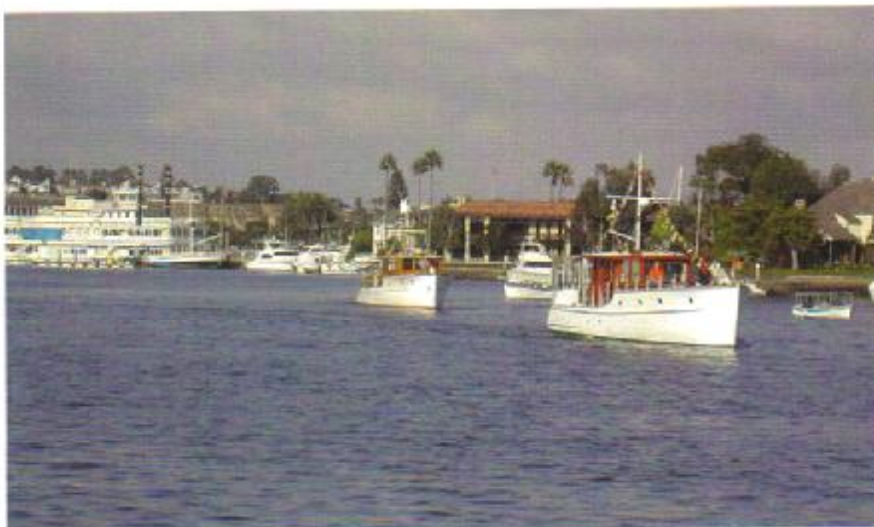
2004 Commodore's Cruise to Newport Beach

The Bahia Corinthian Yacht Club was the host this year for the SC Commodore's Cruise. The boats participating were *Riptide*, *Sea Dog*, *Alura II*, and *Comocean*. Page four of the Newsletter has a photo collage of the event and boats from our club.

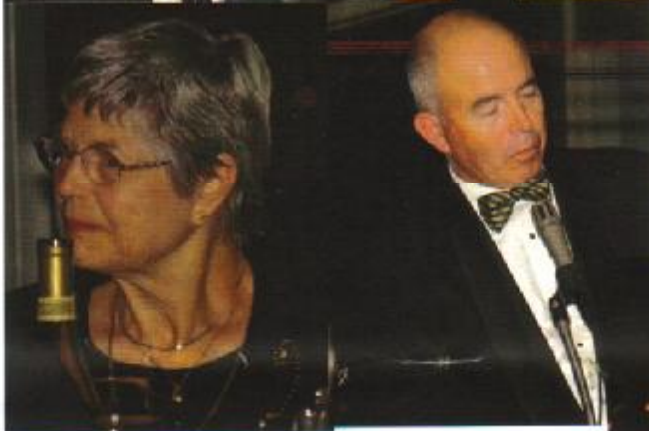
Friday morning at first light, the journey began as *Riptide* and *Sea Dog* met at Angels Gate. After meeting up with *Alura II*, a smooth cruise awaited the boats all the way to Newport. After some space allocation upon arrival, we docked 4 Classics together with *Riptide* and *Alura II* rafting and *Comocean* right behind them. *Sea Dog* found the long dock close by, as our boats caught the attention of both club members and others from nearby marinas. After drinks were served on the boats, a "skippers meeting" for all the boaters participating in the parade gave all of the vessels their position was in the group. During the Meeting, National Commodore Peter Riess presented the yacht club with a CYA Photo Album in appreciation of their hospitality. The book was a great success with the yacht club members; many asked to purchase them afterwards. The purpose of the parade was to celebrate the 100th anniversary of Corona Del Mar. After the meeting, 14 of us were served dinner in our own private dining area at the Club, and had a wonderful meal.

Saturday morning we all collected on *Riptide* for an early breakfast of blueberry pancakes and sausage. Soon after, many members of the Bahia Corinthian Yacht Club came aboard our boats, were given tours, and got a taste of our true CYA hospitality. As 3 PM approached, we all gathered in Newport Harbor, and as the sun burst through, we formed a parade line for all of Newport to witness. For the next 2 hours we paraded in grand style, culminating at the entrance to the harbor and a beach party of hundreds of onlookers. We each passed by a reviewing stand where the history of each vessel was read out loud to the beach party. Upon our return, the yacht club hosted a wonderful cocktail party that served as dinner for our group, and we all were graciously received by the hosting group. After dinner most of us ended up again on *Riptide* for dessert and coffee. Upon settling in for the night on our boats, the wind started picking up and the rain began to pour.

Sunday greeted us with bad weather and rain in the forecast. Ron and Cathy Yatch started out the breakwater and after a short pounding in their Chris Craft, *Comocean*, radioed all of us of their return. As the 54' *Alura II*, along with the 55' *Sea Dog* and the 53' *Riptide* decided to take on the "Huntington Swells", we all pondered if this was truly a wise decision. Water over our bows and some awesome wind waves made for a miserable return trip to our home ports. We all planned tacks that would keep us from a beam sea and stayed in contact all the way home. *Comocean* made her way home later that week when the seas were calmer. Except for the wild ride home, a great weekend was had by all.







Awards,
Good
Friends
&
Great
Fun
For ALL

Both Pages—SCENES FROM THE COCKTAIL PARTY ON THE BOATS AND THE DINNER AT L.B.Y.C..



Treasurer Anne Blayden bids member Yvette Gulick goodbye at our November Change Of Watch. Yvette has served at almost every position of office in the SC Fleet, and will be missed as she has decided to move on to Florida. We all wish her well in her future endeavors, and hopes she keeps in touch.

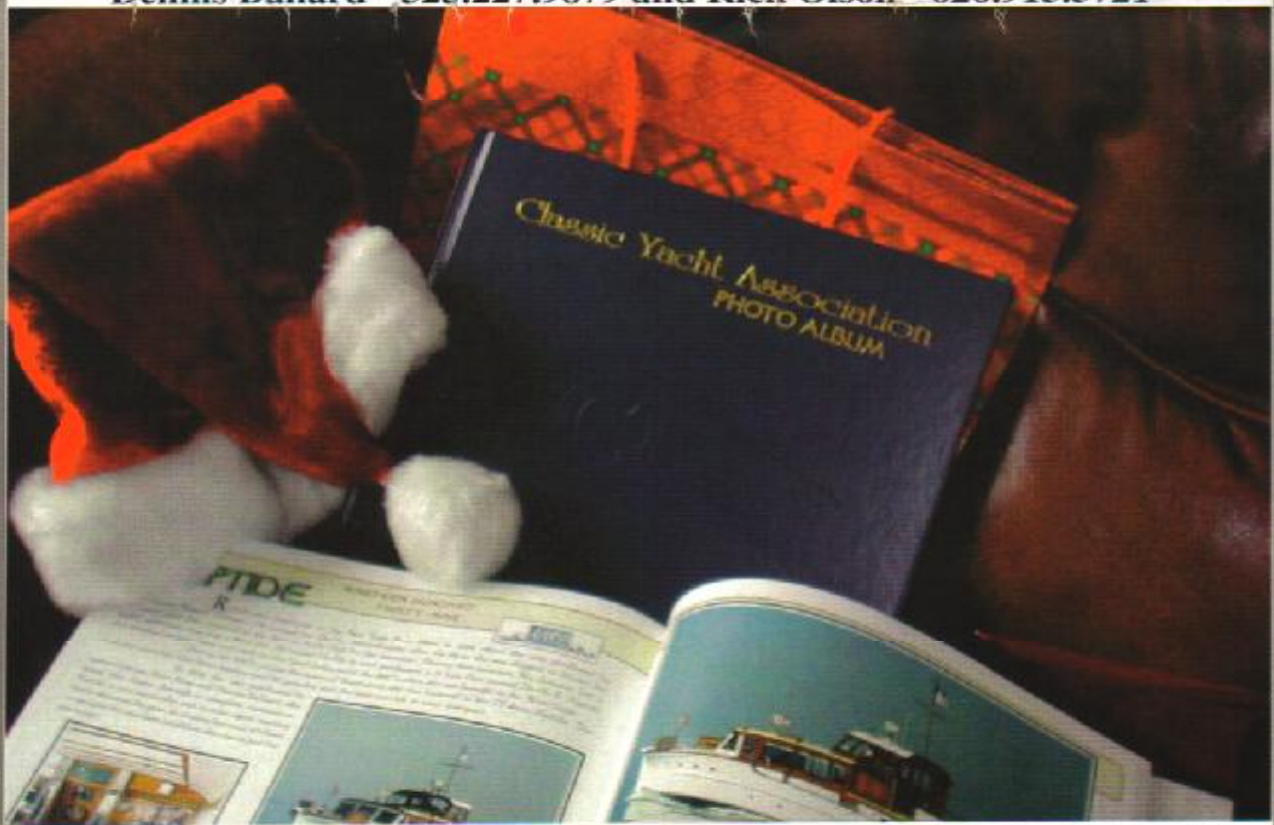
Good Luck Yvette!



Photo Albums make a great Christmas gift!

**These albums are available through Staff Commodore Dennis Ballard
and Fleet Captain Rick Olson**

Dennis Ballard - 323.227.9879 and Rick Olson - 626.915.5721





New York Cheesecake

Crust

1 cup sifted flour
 1/4 cup sugar
 1 tsp grated lemon
 1/2 cup butter
 1 beaten egg yolk
 1/4 tsp vanilla
 Put first three ingredients together then cut in the butter until crumbly, press in pan cook 400 degrees for 8 minutes.

Filling

5 8-ounce cream cheese
 1/4 tsp vanilla
 3/4 lemon grated
 1-1/3 cup sugar
 3 tbsp flour
 1/4 tsp salt
 1 cup (4-5 eggs)
 2 egg yolks
 1/4 cup whipping cream

Beat cheese until creamy. Add vanilla and lemon peel. Mix next three ingredients (sugar, flour salt). Gradually blend into cream cheese. Add eggs and egg yolks one at a time beating after each just to blend, gently stir in whipping cream. Turn into crust pan. Bake at 450 degrees for 12 minutes. Reduce heat to 300 degrees and bake 55 minutes. Remove from oven and cool 1/2 hour, separate sides from pan with knife. Don't worry; this is a really low calorie recipe.

This delicious recipe is offered by our new Secretary
Cathy Yatch

**Naples Christmas
 Cruise
 this Saturday De-
 cember 18 at
 Alamitos Bay next to
 the Old Age
 7:30 PM**

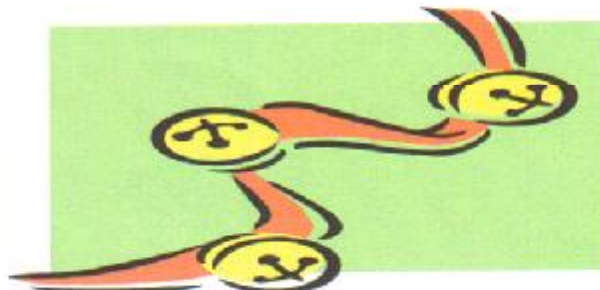
We need all the small boats we can get for the Naples cruise on the 18th of December, We have Bob And Alice Swaim's boat *Current Wave*, but would like another boat if we can. Please contact

Dennis Ballard at DENNISGBALLARD@aol.com to be part of this event. We will rent a second electric boat for the evening and can accommodate a larger group. Please EMAIL me or call by Friday evening with your intent to come 323.227.9879, or

my cell #
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**HAPPY
 HOLIDAYS**



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