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***From the Helm***

Well, another month, another news article to write! Believe it or not, it is May but you wouldn't prove it by the weather outside. We have put our heaters through a good workout the past week or so and luckily, we didn't have any icicles in the cabin.

Our May meeting was another good one. We covered our club business quickly and got on with the festivities of our traditional auction of used boat "stuff". Thanks to the generosity of those who donated items for the auction, and especially to those who dug deep into their pockets and bought that "stuff", the club made \$187.00. Add to that \$57.00 for the 50/50 and a good chunk of change for the very interesting shots provided by Jim Roth and Carolyn Stoehr, and I would say it was a great success!

Lee Vauris once again volunteered to be the head auctioneer assisted by Joe Clapper. Lee's view on how to run a fun auction kept everyone on their toes. If you weren't, you might just miss something that you really wanted. You see, Lee doesn't necessarily wait for the high bid; mostly he just waits for the "right" bid. It might be the 5<sup>th</sup> bid or it might be the first – no one knows but Lee. In many cases we got more for the items than they were worth and in some rare cases, people got quite a bargain on some excellent gifts. Some of the highlights were a small ships wheel table donated by Lee that his son made. Jim and Carolyn donated a great fold up picnic table and a Captain Morgan serving tray. Very cool items! Lots of people wanted these but alas, only one walked away with each!

Herb did a great job with the Fitting out party on Saturday, May 14<sup>th</sup>. We had a great turn out and even had a stranger show up wanting to buy a hot dog from us. Needless to say we gave him one at no charge. I never saw anyone so happy! That guy was HUNGRY! Thanks also to Joyce for helping Herb get all the food and to Ray and Sandy Lacy for helping with the cooking!

We have our first rendezvous coming up over Memorial Day weekend. We have 12 boats signed up. This is a very fun trip and I'm sure we will have a great time! Make sure you bring your umbrellas (just in case!)

Our next meeting is June 3<sup>rd</sup> here at Kean's beginning at 8:00 pm. Several of our members will be having dinner at Edison Boat Club prior to the meeting (6:00 pm) if you care to join. Just tell them at the gate you are with RVYC and would like to have dinner with them.

Following the meeting, we will have a Euchre tournament for those who would like to participate. The tournament will be \$5.00 per person and the winner of the most games will split the pot with the club. So, bring your poker faces (or should I say Euchre faces) and join us for a great time.

Our Venetian Celebration is being held on June 11, 2005. We are going to have a **FANTASTIC** time and I hope to see all of you there to share in this important event. Our theme is a Mexican Fiesta so those of you with boats, deck them out and come to the parade. For those of you who **don't** have boats,

please join us for the parade. Come on down to the marina and we will find a boat for you to ride on during the parade. We would really like to have all of you there for the blessing parade.

Well, I gotta go so I'll see you at the docks!

Commodore Ron Sherman

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### " *Vice Views* " .....

The RUYC bowling league ended the season on April 30 and was another fun filled club function to while away the winter.

By the time everyone receives their copy of this month newsletter, hopefully all boats will be good and wet. We've been looking for a break in the weather as we move toward to the first rendezvous beginning the Memorial Day weekend and celebrated at the Cove Marina in Canada. I am reminded that two other clubs from Kean's will be gathering there as well so it should make for an interesting weekend. The fitting out party was held on May14th at Kean's harbor in the meeting room where the club provided hot dogs and hamburgers as well as beer and pop. A few of our ladies brought extra side dishes which were warmly received by the party-goers. A few of the attendees found time to share in the food and drinks while working feverishly to get their boats ready to launch. Members and guests not working on watercraft were also welcome to savor the food, drinks, desert and good conversation. We had a good turnout of twenty-four members for the day. Everyone enjoyed the function.

The club has had a good number of members show up for the monthly meetings, however, in light of the fact that this is the fiftieth year of operation it would be terrific if more members could find the time to attend. Your input as well as your presence is important to the long term health of YOUR club.

As is my custom, I will end my column by sharing some adventures with my readers:

Now that a new Pope is installed at the Vatican I am reminded of a double date I once experienced. My best bud dated a catholic girl from a very large family of all girls so I asked him to bring a sister along for me. He did. Sister Mary Teresa. It was a very slow evening. We discussed the New Testament. We agreed that he was very well adjusted for an only child. I went home with the Free Press. That's my view of it.

VC Herb Alfaro.

### June Birthdays

Dan Martyka	7 <sup>th</sup>
Pete Mischung	30 <sup>th</sup>
Ruthie Sherman	5 <sup>th</sup>
Bob Theard	24 <sup>th</sup>
Ken Wilkerson	33 <sup>rd</sup>

### June Anniversaries

Dale & Pat Binkley	22 <sup>nd</sup>
Jon & Patti Jordan	9 <sup>th</sup>
Jim & Jean Like	2 <sup>nd</sup>
John & Brenda Roth	5 <sup>th</sup>
Mike & Therese Schrage	28 <sup>th</sup>



**RVYC VENETIAN**



# SUMMER FIESTA



## JUNE 11



### \$15 PER PERSON

11 - 11:30

**Boat Decorating Contest**

12 pm

**Boat Parade & Blessing of the Fleet**

4 pm

**Party Set Up**

**\* Bring Any Decorations You Have!**

6:30

**Dinner**

**\* Steak or Chicken Fajitas**

**\* Tacos**

**\* Nacho Chips & Cheese Dip**

**\* Guacamole**

**\* Snacks & Dessert**

**Beer, Wine & Soft Drinks Provided**

**Music Provided**



**SIGN UP FRIENDS AND FAMILY FOR A  
NIGHT OF FUN TO KICK OFF  
THE SUMMER** 

# **50 YEARS YOUNG**

JUST A REMINDER!!!!

RVYC'S BIRTHDAY IS JUST AROUND THE  
CORNER.

MARK YOU CALENDARS FOR  
OCTOBER 22, 2005

A BIRTHDAY PARTY TO BE HELD AT THE  
EDISON BOAT CLUB

DETAILS TO FOLLOW – JUST WATCH FOR  
THEM IN THE RVYC  
NEWSLETTER