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MEETINGS

Monthly Membership Meetings

First Friday of each month at 8 p.m.

First Mates' Meeting

First Friday of each month at 8 p.m.

Board of Directors Meetings

Third Thursday of each month at 7:30 p.m.

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First Mates' Metting

will be held on Friday, October 3.

FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

Please have all submissions to me by the second Friday of each month. You may call me at **610.351.7735**, give me your information at the monthly meetings, or email me at **debcodd@rcn.com**.

If you have received this in paper format but would be willing to receive it electronically, please email me with your contact information. Thanks, Deb.

Nominations and elections

will be held at the next Membership meeting on 10/03
The nomination commitee has the following nominations:

Commodore
Vice Commodore
Financial Secretary
Recording Secretary
Board of Directors

Joe Buscher
Al Kline
Mike Lucas
Charles Taggart
Jim Feeser



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Nominations can be made from the floor for all positions.
Please plan to attend.

REMEMBERING BILL GARTNER

by Fred Indictor

I am burdened with a sense of deep sadness as I write about the recent death of one of Pennsylvania Yacht Club's finest and most popular members, Bill Gartner. What a unique individual! He was a person who really enjoyed being around the company of others, a person who saw life as a way to help others solve their problems, and a person who was totally devoted to his family.

Pennsylvania Yacht Club has had in its 60 years off existence many members, but few, if any, have been as unique as Bill. He never understood how to give a negative reply. When one asked him for a favor; he always found the time to help fellow PYC members.

Bill's sense of humor was almost legendary. You knew that if you engaged Bill in conversation at the club, at least three or four of the most current jokes and/or stories would soon be heard from him. What a pleasure it was to be in his company!

He was also a tireless worker. For years he was a professional truck driver in the Philadelphia metropolitan area. It is easy to envision that Bill, at each stop in his daily route, had a big "Bill Gartner smile" for each person whom he warmly greeted and perhaps even a story or two.

Bill was a very active member of Pennsylvania Yacht Club. He attended meetings each month until it was physically impossible to do so. In addition, Bill was one of our finest membership chairmen, always clearly explaining to prospective members the PYC rules and requirements, while at the same time making them feel at home there.

Bill was very proud of his family. One could easily observe the mutual love and respect that flowed between Bill and his wife of 42 years, Tina. He was a loving father of three: Bill, Tina and Holly. He was also a proud grandfather of five youngsters.

Until his recent illness Bill was an active boater out of PYC. He loved taking his 25-foot boat "Funny Bone" to the Cove or more distant places on weekends or even taking a shorter day or evening cruise up or down the Delaware River. Bill and Tina were the perfect host and hostess; any trip would see friends and/or relatives enjoy a heaping measure of boating with the Gartners.

Even in times of adversity, Bill refused to be negative. He found no reason to be negative despite his most recent illness. When he was given unfortunate news by his doctors about his condition, he handled this information with both optimism and dignity. He can easily serve as one of life's lessons to all of us...we will miss him!