

# Fayerweather FOGHORN

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## 'From The Helm'

Thank you for your response to the Nominating Committee's slate of officers. I truly appreciate the support the membership has given to me and I truly hope to continue the efforts of the past leadership to bring Fayerweather Yacht Club along the road to success.

When asked what I would like to see happen at the Club, I would respond with the word "stability". The Club is a compilation of members all seeking the same goal - a place to gather, enjoy the water views, and from time to time sample the tastes in the kitchen and bar.

I have felt that through member volunteers the Club can provide a variety of activities for each member to enjoy. It was through this effort that the membership directory was resurrected. This listing identifies each member by name and creates a community in which we all can contribute. Look at the names in the directory and you'll see a name which brings you full circle to someone you know or may have known.

We, as a Club, recognize the tireless efforts of the member volunteers who performed their duties in their respective elected positions. For that reason I would like to thank the outgoing officers and Board members for their services to the Club and encourage them to stay active in Club functions. To the newly elected officers and Board members, I would like to thank them for stepping forward to participate in the operation of the Club.

Fair winds and calm seas, Bill Selski – Commodore

## Calendar of Events

February 8th

Auxiliary
Board Meeting-7:00 PM
Regular Meeting-7:30 PM
Installation of Officers-8:00 PM

February 9<sup>th</sup>
Fishing Committee - 7:30 PM

February 10<sup>th</sup>
Membership Meeting 8:00 PM

February 18th

Commodore's Dinner Dance See details inside

February 27<sup>th</sup>
BOG Meeting 7:00 PM

Check out the web site for Thursday Night menu

## 'From the Rear Commodore'

The next event at the club will be St. Patrick's Day Dinner. The night will begin with a 7PM Corned Beef Dinner. This year's band is Celtic Kick! They are a well known band in the area that plays lively Irish music and great dance music. Please bring guests to this event. The more the merrier.

Thanks, Martha Dixon - Rear Commodore

## 'From the Vice Commodore'

First I would like to thank the Nominating Committee for choosing me for Vice Commodore, also congratulations to Bill Selski our new Commodore and Martha Dixon re-elected as our Rear Commodore. It will be a pleasure to work with them.

I am also looking forward to working with General Manager Dan Conroy and the new kitchen Chefs Derek Furino and Todd McGarvy and of course Julio Rodriguez. All have done a tremendous job in improving the Bar and Kitchen.

I will be looking at a couple of improvements such as new smoke eaters for the bar and possibly the upper deck. Also I will be checking into a new register system which will help in inventory control and make our chits electronic so we will no longer need the paper chit books that always seem to end up in the wash.

Thursday night dinners seem to be getting better all the time. Come on down and bring a friend or two. The dinners are not posted in the *Foghorn* anymore so they can provide us with the freshest meal at a great value. The dinners are posted on the website every Tuesday.

As a final note I am compiling an email list of members so they can be informed of what is going on at Fayerweather. Please email me at Fayerweatheryachtclub@yahoo.com. Please include your full name in the message

Thank You, Timothy Casey - Vice Commodore

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## 'Auxiliary'

February 8, 2006

Board Meeting-7:00 PM

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I would like to thank Vice President Danielle Lynk for all of her help last year. We hope to see you at our meetings.

The Auxiliary would like to congratulate Sue Callahan-Vice President, and Deborah Callan Board Member. Many thanks to all that voted to keep myself President, Sue Swanson Recording Secretary, Judy Duva, Financial Secretary and Kay Kadar Treasurer.

Our Board Members are Mary Ann Callahan, Ann Farrington and Virginia Lussier. We are still short one Board Member so I will be on the hunt!

We will have our Board Meeting followed by our regular meeting.

At 8:00PM we will install our new officers. We need to be in uniform. If anyone has any questions please feel free to call me.

Sincerely yours, Charlene Farley - President Tel# 345-1566 or Cell 257-7158

## 'Race Night'

The Race Night scheduled for February 4th has been canceled.

#### 'Didgeuknow?'

Did you know that the gated parking lot was operable by your clubhouse key? Also there are remotes available at the Bar for purchase.



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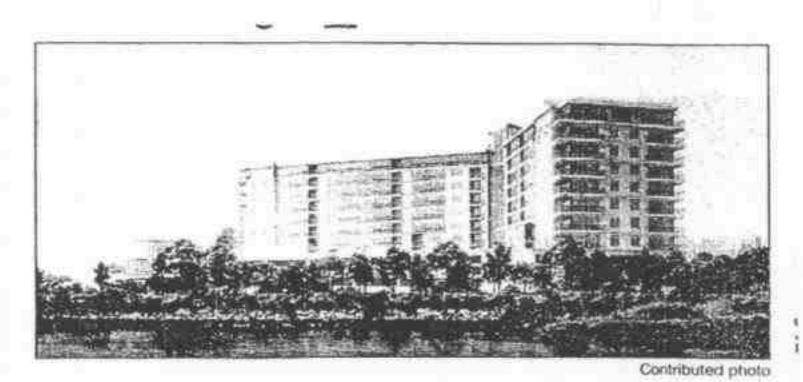
The Greenwich developer and proposed purchaser of the Savage property next door, has been given a hearing date of February 14, 2006 by the Zoning Board of Appeals of the City of Bridgeport to hear its request for five variances of zoning regulations of the City of Bridgeport to facilitate the building of a ten story, one hundred fifty six unit condominium on the property. Fayerweather Yacht Club is opposed to the developer's application because of the negative effects that this development would have on the use and enjoyment of our property. Traffic generated by this colossus is a critical concern, as well as its density, height (approximately 110 feet) and sheer mass. Further, the erection of such a structure would necessitate the disturbance of the current cap on the property, which will create environmental and health concerns for all.

Petitions are being circulated by residents in Black Rock and anyone desiring to circulate a petition may contact Jim Eagen at (203) 345-7305. If you are unable to attend the hearing to oppose the developer's plan, it is suggested that you sign a petition, which will be available at the Club at the bar and on the bulletin board. Further, if you care to write a letter in opposition to this proposal, please address it to the Zoning Board of Appeals of the City of Bridgeport and mail it to Fayerweather Yacht Club in c/o Dennis Rickard. The Fayerweather attorney, Joel Green, can present these letters at the time of the hearing.

In the event that the hearing is cancelled due to a withdrawal of the application by the developer, please check the Fayerweather website (<a href="www.fayerweatheryachtclub.com">www.fayerweatheryachtclub.com</a>) or call the Club on or before February 14th. The hearing is scheduled for 6:00 p.m. at Bridgeport City Hall, 45 Lyon Terrace in the Council Chambers. Please support the interest of the Club in opposing this application.

A CONTEST - If you know the name and address of a ten story or greater, residential building directly abutting salt water in the State of Connecticut, submit it to the bar on a piece of paper for a drawing for a free pitcher of beer to the winner at 6:00 p.m. on February 13, 2006. The real question is, do any exist?

YOU DO NOT HAVE TO BE A RESIDENT OF BRIDGEPORT IN ORDER TO TO SIGN A PETITION OR WRITE A PROTEST LETTER!!!



Controversial: An artist's rendering shows the proposed condominium at the end of Brewster Streeet in the Black Rock section of Bridgeport.

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## 'Fishing Committee'

For those of you who didn't make the January neeting, we have changed the meeting night to the 2nd Thursday of each month. Therefore the next meeting will be upstairs on Thursday, February 9th at 7:30 PM. I hope more members can make this night.

There was a change posted in the rules & regulations for 2006. Be sure you get a copy and read them. They will be posted shortly. Also the dates for all the tournaments, Fish Fries & Hunky Turkey nights are posted.

This year we have a secretary for the committee, Dave Shackett as well as a new Co-Chairman, Mike Herrington. Hope to see you at the next meeting. We will be discussing the rods & reels for this year.

Dave Farrington/Mike Herrington Co-Chairmen

## 'Hauling and Yard'

#### NOTICE

Dinghy Storage Racks are for storing boats nine feet and under. If your boat stored on these racks is over nine feet, please remove it. If not removed in one month it will be removed at your expense.

## 'Something to Ponder'

"The pessimist complains about the wind; the optimist expects it to change; the realist adjusts the sails".
-William Arthur Ward

#### Commodore's Dinner Dance

Saturday, February 18th, 2006

Cocktails and Appetizers 7:00 PM
Dinner 8:00 PM
Dancing to TNT until midnight

Ticket Price \$40 per person Choice of Beef Tenderloin, Chicken Saltimbocca or Shrimp Scampi

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