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From the Helm

Wow!! 1919 to 2009. Fayerweather reached the milestone of 90 years old this year, so it was only logical that this become the theme of this year's Commodore's Dinner Dance. As always, it was great fun....dancing the night away with friends. Thank you to everyone who helped us celebrate this memorable occasion!

Though we are experiencing a typical New England winter, March will usher Spring in soon. Longer and warmer days will nudge us to begin working on our boats and other projects. Work at the Club continues so that our clubhouse, docks and grounds will look great for opening day. The pilings were installed and the decks are under construction—and hopefully done by the time you read this article. Our view of the Sound will no longer be blocked by the dock house. In keeping with the improvements, please let's ALL do our part in beautifying FYC: put **April 10th, Good Friday [Work Day]** on the calendar. On that day, we invite all members, new and old, to pitch in and contribute some time to spruce up the Club in preparation of Opening Day. Come on down, share your talents, and enjoy working with friends.

The remainder of Winter and early Spring are great times to enjoy the events

and members at FYC. **Thursday dinners** offer delicious fare and good company. Our bar is a fantastic place to meet for **Friday Happy Hours**. Weekends are lively, with stalwart sailors participating in Frostbite and Ideal 18 races on Sundays. These are great fun to watch from the Penfield Room or bar as you cheer on your favorite sailors.

Don't forget to check the FYC website for details on upcoming events. Our **St. Patrick's Day Dance** is unrivaled – a wonderful tradition that brings out the Irish in us all! Don't miss it – **March 14th**.

Signing off so you can enjoy the increasing daylight!

Commodore Ed Manes



Come kick up your heels
At the
St. Patrick's Day Dance
March 14th

Calendar of Events

Tuesday, March 3rd
Auxiliary Board Meeting 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday, March 11th
Auxiliary Meeting 7:30 p.m.

Thursday, March 12th
Fishing Committee Meeting
And Pizza Party 7:00 p.m.

Friday, March 13th
General Membership Meeting 8:00 p.m.

Saturday, March 14th
St. Patrick's Dinner Dance

Friday, March 20th
Fish Fry Dinner 6:00-8:00 p.m.

Saturday, March 21st
"Shelter Island Cruise Coffee And"
9:00 to 11:00 a.m.

Sunday, March 22nd
Special Brunch Buffet 11:30 to 3:00

Monday, March 23rd
BOG Meeting 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday, March 31st
CPR/First Aid Presentation 7:00 p.m.

Weekly Events:

Monday Night: Dart League 7:00 p.m.
Every Thursday Night: Special Dinner
Seatings at 5:30 and 7:30 p.m.
Every Friday Night: Happy Hour
Adventure

Save the Dates:

*Saturday, April 4th: Spaghetti Dinner &
Dom D'Agostino*

Friday, April 10th: Work Day at FYC

*Saturday, April 11th: Children's
Easter Party & Auxiliary Raffle*

Saturday, May 23rd: Opening Day

Check out the Website for Thursday night
dinners and Sunday Brunch menus.

From the Vice Commodore

My favorite month! Why, you ask? Easy ... **March 17th, St. Patrick's Day.** Come on down and find your "inner Irish" on the **14th** for our **St. Paddy's Day Dinner Dance.** It is always a huge hit, and many shoes are retired after all the dancing! Tickets will be available at the FYC bar on **March 1st.**

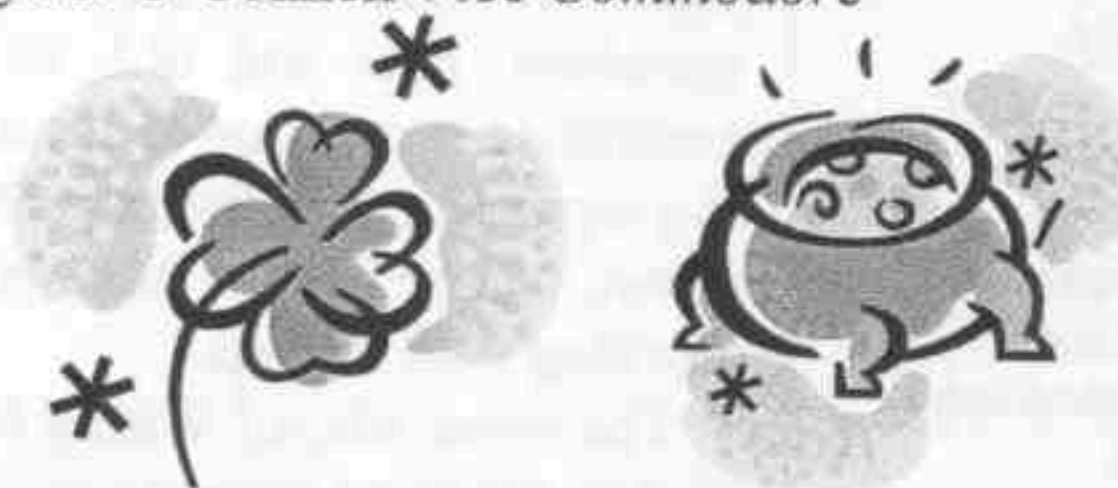
Have you been to our **Happy Hour** recently? **Rear Commodore Jim Sorensen** and I have been hosting the eats and tunes. With members like **Jim "Hogie" Hogarth** making his famous ribs this past month, why don't you show us your culinary skills and bring down a dish some Friday. Just email me at fayerweatheryachclub@yahoo.com to see what date might be best to drop off a dish. As far as ribs go, do I sense a "rib-off" between **Hogie** and **Russell**? Others care to challenge? Stay tuned.

Also, please update all your FYC contact information by emailing **Financial Secretary Sue Kiely** (see her note) or FYC at the above address. Please include ALL information, i.e., Home #, Cell #, email address, home address, etc. This helps us keep you informed of what is going on at FYC or gives us a way to reach you if there is an issue that we need to talk to you about. Thanks for your help.

Finally, I am taking in suggestions to help build up Club activity around our spring and summer months. So far we are investigating bocce, a horseshoe pit, and maybe a "put up and take down" badminton/volleyball net. Have another idea? Email me.

Cheers, and hope to see you enjoying FYC soon!

George E. O'Connell-Vice Commodore



Happy St. Patrick's Day!

From the Rear Commodore

I hope everyone is ready for a really great **St. Patrick's Dinner Dance!** We will be serving corned beef and dancing to Irish music for under \$20.00 per head on **Saturday night, March 14th.**

Next get ready for **Dom D'Agostino** on **Saturday night, April 4th.** He has performed at the Mohegan Sun and Las Vegas and now at FYC. We will keep the cost very reasonable for this event as well. The dinner will be Spaghetti and meat balls since this is a tribute to Frank, Perry, Tony, Dean, and all the really big Italian legends. This one and St Pat's will both be sell outs, so get your tickets soon. Hope to see you all at the Club!

Jim Sorensen-Rear Commodore

Auxiliary News

Calendar:

Tuesday, March 3rd:

Executive Board Meeting at 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday, March 11th:

General Meeting at 7:30 p.m.

March Program

Our speaker for the March meeting will be one of our members, **Barbara Nodolny, RN, CDE.** As March is "Diabetes Alert Month", Barbara will provide the members with information about diabetes and its related risk factors. Please be sure to attend this meeting to learn these risk factors and how you may be able to protect yourself from diabetes through nutrition and lifestyle changes.

New Member Corner

Welcome to our new member, **Debbi Rosati**, who joined the Auxiliary in January.

Bunny Raffle

The annual **Auxiliary Bunny Raffle** will be held in conjunction with the **Children's Easter Party** on **April 11th.** For those of you that aren't familiar with the Bunny Raffle, the Auxiliary will raffle the stuffed bunnies at the Easter Party.



In order to make this a success, we need your help. Please bring a new, stuffed bunny, duck or chick to the March meeting. There will be a basket for your donations at the meeting.

Auxiliary Trivia

The FYC Auxiliary was founded in 1957 for the purpose of good fellowship and sociability. The dues were 25 cents per month.

Thank you to our **Past President, Sue Callahan**, as we welcome her in her new position on the Board of Governors.

I am interested in your suggestions for programs, activities and events that the Auxiliary can do as a group. Please bring these ideas to the meeting. I will also pass around a sheet at the meeting. Let's put our heads together to make our meetings fun and informative.

I look forward to serving as your President and I welcome your suggestions, comments or news that you would like to share. You can call me at home or email me.

See you at the meeting!

Sandra-Ann Nolfo-Auxiliary President

330-1881 email: southiegilr63@earthlink.net

Welcome new Officers and Board members, especially **Sandra-Ann Nolfo**, our new **President.**

Thank you to all of you for my beautiful bracelet! Be safe and well.

Respectfully Yours,

Susan Callahan-Board of Governors

From the Financial Secretary

I need your help! I have been receiving a lot of returned mail with no forwarding addresses. I will be placing a list of the members' names on the bulletin board. If you know their correct address, please either email me (s.kiely@sbcglobal.net) with FYC in the subject line or put the information into my box.

Thank you for your help.

Susan Kiely-Financial Secretary

Fishing Committee

I would like to announce **Roy Edwards** as the new chairman of the FYC Fishing Committee. Thank you for stepping in, Roy! I will continue to help Roy and the committee out during the year.

A little note on behalf of **Wally Kimball**:

"The Fishing Committee is pleased to announce our **Master Chef Dave Farrington** warmly invites members and their friends to join us on **March 20th** for the perennial favorite **Fayerweather Fish Fry**. What better way to abolish the winter blahs and commence the new season with a delicious fresh fish fry at an unbelievable price of only 9 dollars!!! Where else in this universe can you combine fabulous food with the ambiance of our yacht club and its outstanding seaside view? What better way for our members to be magnanimous and play the "hostess with the mostess" by treating their friends at this peasant's price of nine dollars per pop (as long as they pay for the booze)? Obviously, such a deal needs severe restrictions. Therefore, we are only printing 200 tickets and suggest you run, not walk, to the bar next week and purchase your tickets early--- don't miss out."

Our next meeting will take place on Thursday, **March 12th at 7:00 p.m.** Please note the earlier time and remember this meeting will include our annual pizza party.

"Fishing is unquestionably a form of madness, but happily, for the once bitten, there is no cure." ~ Lord Hume

Best Regards,
Stephanie Stypinski

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Fleet Captain's Corner

Spring approaches and we would remind all mooring holders that if you have not received your mooring application for the 2009 season, it will be necessary to call **Harbor Master Bob Scinto** and arrange to secure the application. His phone is 203-384-9777.

Additionally, each mooring must have the owner's name displayed on it, plus the weight of the mooring. It has always been a good idea to put "FYC" on, as well; if the mooring ball is lost, it may just find its way back to our club. Ryan advises me that any mooring lacking the owner's name will NOT go into the water until the omission is corrected.

There are one or two moorings for sale. If anyone is interested, please call me [268-5775] and I will put you in touch with the owner wishing to sell.

"Shelter Island Cruise Coffee And" will be **Saturday morning, March 21, 2009, 9:00 to 11:00 a.m.** Each person should bring some small item for consumption, e.g. home-baked goods, cookies, donuts or any other sweetmeat. My wife (who will be inside the Penfield Room awaiting your arrival with an 'ID' tag, as we did last year) will be collecting three dollars per person. All are welcome, power and sail. Bring a friend if you can, as this is always an enjoyable affair. Also, bring any photos you have of past sailing to display on our 'wasn't that a great cruise!' table.

Bob Butler-Fleet Captain
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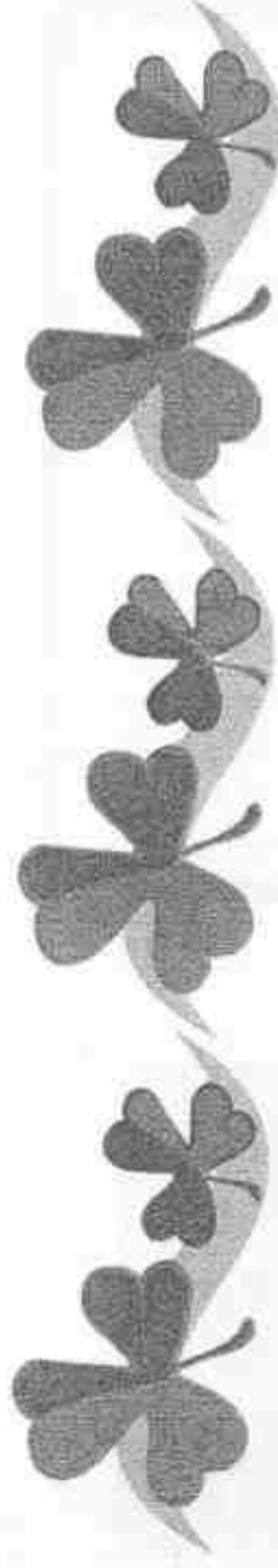
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FYC Life Member


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Fayerweather Yacht Club

March 2009

Calendar of Club Events



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 11:00-2:00 Lunch 1:00 Frostbite Winter/Spring Sailing	2 Kitchen Closed 7:00 Dart League/Pool	3 11:00-2:00 Lunch 7:00 Auxiliary Board Meeting	4 11:00-2:00 Lunch	5 11:00-2:00 Lunch 5:30-8:30 Dinner Special Menu	6 11:00-2:00 Lunch	7 11:00-2:00 Lunch
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15 11:00-2:00 Lunch 1:00 Frostbite Winter/Spring Sailing	16 Kitchen Closed 7:00 Dart League/Pool	17 St. Patrick's Day 11:00-2:00 Lunch	18 11:00-2:00 Lunch	19 11:00-2:00 Lunch 5:30-8:30 Dinner Special Menu	20 Spring Begins 11:00-2:00 Lunch 6:00 Fish Fry Dinner	21 9:00-11:00 Coffee And 11:00-2:00 Lunch
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 Wednesday, May 13th: Wednesday Night Sailing Series Begins

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Sailing Committee

I'd like to thank **Mike Andre** for running a wonderful program over the last two years. I am proud to be able give him a well deserved break. I look forward to taking over the tiller for our sailing program, and I can only hope to provide the same quality programs we have had in the past.

We have been having fun getting the **Ideal 18 program** going, and those skippers are having a blast being back in the water. **Terry Roach** is also once again doing a great job keeping the **FYC Dingy series** young. Our schedule is being tidied up and **Wednesday Night Series** is starting **May 13th**. There are a couple of additions that I am really excited about this year. We are planning a 3 night Friday mini series with Pequot, Black Rock, and ourselves. We are also adding a Halloween with BRYC, to compliment the ever-popular Wild Turkey Regatta. Please keep an eye on the Website and sailing board for updates. Fair Winds to all.

Andy Wolf-Sailing Committee

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CPR/First Aid Presentation

**If someone becomes injured or ill on your boat
or in your home, would you know what to do?**

**Join us for a program presented by
Fayerweather Yacht Club member**

Jack Harder,

**Director of Community Development,
of the Mid-Fairfield Chapter of the
American Red Cross**

at

Fayerweather Yacht Club, Penfield Room

Tuesday, March 31, 2009

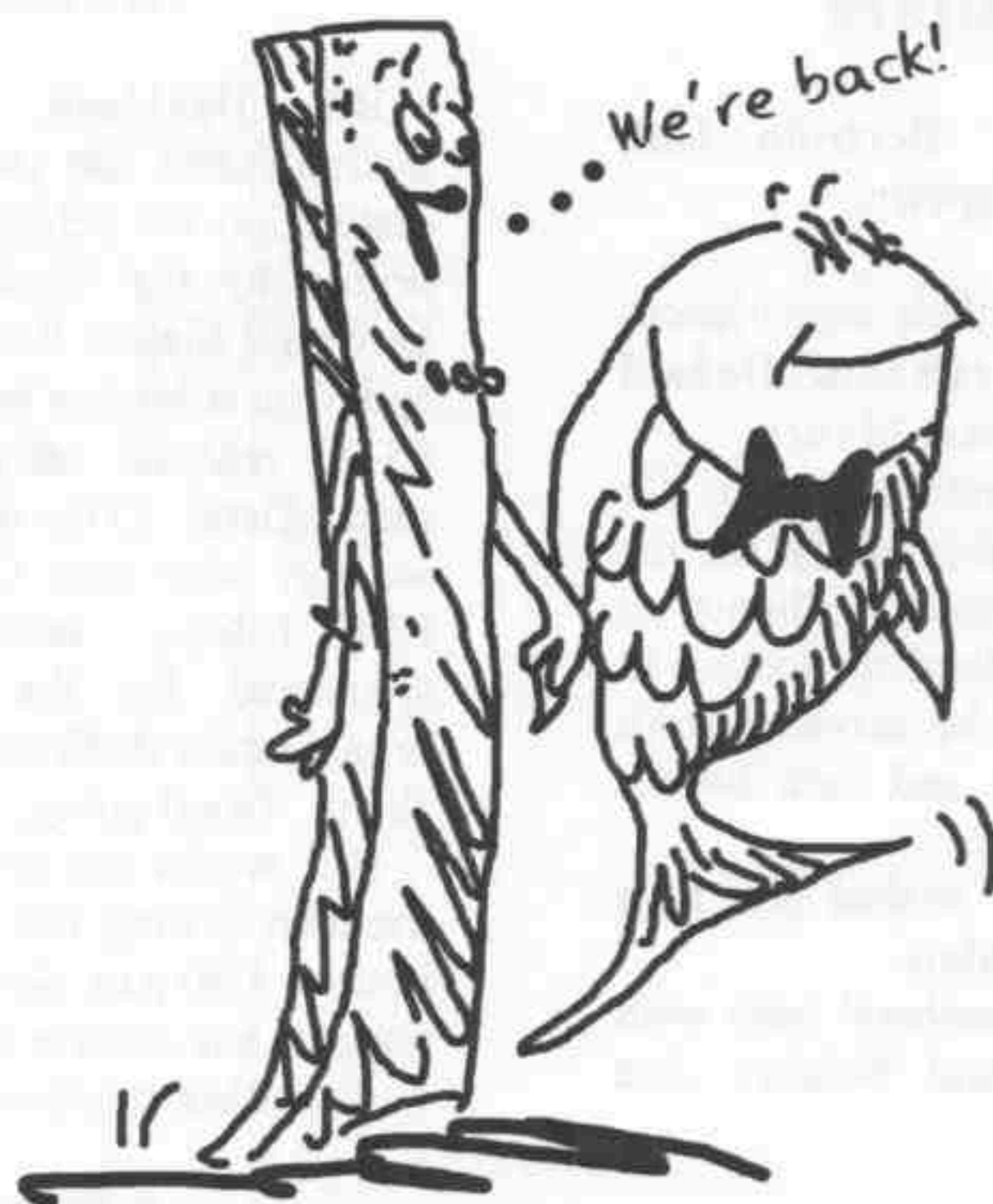
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**Each person will receive a book, a 45 minute DVD on CPR/First Aid,
and a device for practicing chest compressions.**

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**If you are interested in attending, please send an email to
jackh@mfcarc.org so I know how much material to bring.**



Fish Fry

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March 20th
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Good And Welfare

New Life Members are: **Bertram Gill, Eugene O'Brien** and **Austin Cepetto**.

Congratulations!!

Members and officers send their condolences to the families of **Brian Desmond, Donald Nielsen, Frank Turcy** and **Robert Moore**.

Special mention of condolences to life member **Kaye Williams** and the family for the loss of his daughter Jan Margaret Williams on February 14th. She was a friend to boaters at FYC, allowing our tender to be serviced from Captains Cove dock to FYC, and safe harbor from storms whenever necessary.

Get well and good health wishes for **Don Worth, Bill Lynk, and Al Namian**.

I would appreciate the members' help with information regarding Good and Welfare. Sea you at the Club!

Dee Powers

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Member News

Bill Davidson, one of Fayerweather's distinguished life members picked up another distinction on February 11, 2009. After some urging by his friends, he entered the Senior Downhill Slalom Race at Butternut Ski Basin in and won a bronze medal. Bill competed in the 85-90 year-old category against several other men skiers. (The oldest medal winner was a woman who won Gold in the 90+ category. FYC ladies: take notice!) The race was sponsored by the 70+ Club, a national organization dedicated to the interests of senior skiers. Good going, Bill! We're proud of you!

Bill works out everyday. His daily routine includes hitting his stationary bike for a half-hour at 4:30 p.m. As a dedicated athlete, he then takes a hot shower and enjoys a scotch on the rocks, either at home or at the Club!

A Note of Apology

I'm sorry that this month's Foghorn is later than usual in reaching you. A major crash of my computer's hard drive created a serious problem.

Also—with many thanks to the BOG—I am planning to continue to edit *The Foghorn*. Thanks to so many of you for your positive comments to me.

Sandye

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