

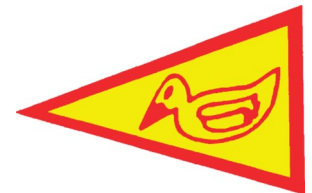
SeaGate Yacht Club

# THE BURGEE

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# Super Bowl!

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## FROM THE BRIDGE

By Les Kelly,  
Commodore



With extra events scheduled throughout the forthcoming “ice free” months in Huntington Harbour, SeaGate Yacht Club now offers additional optional opportunities for boaters (yes, including Duffy owners) to enjoy the 2011 season with fellow members. Mixed with the traditional clubhouse events, there are numerous water activities scheduled from March through September for members to choose to fit their own boating and entertainment schedule. Join with your fellow SeaGate Yacht Club members for as many of the planned activities as you may wish.

With a super “Super Bowl” kickoff event on February 6, we are now full speed ahead into a season of fun and excitement.

Just ahead is the 35<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration on March 12’ with memorabilia and images dug up from the archives and member’s files from years ago. Joining us will be SeaGate Yacht Club Founders Dewey and Sandy Rudolph and other Staff Commodores who will share their stories of the past years of the Club. Dave Boatman will return with fresh caricatures for all who queue up. A weekend later, Rear Commodore Jeff Specht is leading SeaGate’s entries into the World Record Raft Up with fellow members.

Opening Day is set for Saturday, April 9, when the Commodore officially opens our boating season. We are confident that any lingering ice in the Harbour will have melted but certainly not the ice in our glasses. Many of the members and friends will board the Carnival Paradise for a weekend cruise to Ensenada on April 15.

New to the SeaGate Yacht Club? Want to help out with an event? We are all volunteers in our club’s activities. Contact me at 714-377-9947 and I’ll put you in touch with event hosts who will welcome your assistance.

Traveling outside the Harbour? Take your Burgee and snap a shot with you and the Burgee! Submit a digital photo to Joel Lander for publication in The Burgee.

Smooth sailing,

Les



## FROM THE VICE

By Dale Giali,  
Vice Commodore



*I am proud to be paying taxes in the United States. The only thing is I could be just as proud for half of the money.*

*-- Arthur Godfrey*

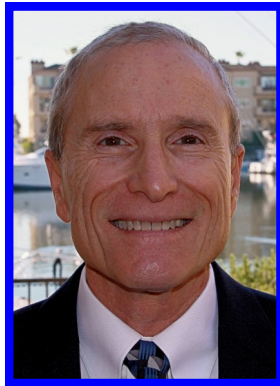
As I sit here up against the deadline (past, really) for my vice commodore column, I realize I have run out of quirky, funny, relevant topics (alright, alright – I ran out a long time ago, I know). But, as luck would have it, today’s mail solved my problem. I received the Orange County Assessor’s annual Vessel Property Statement. Thus starts the annual ritual of reducing the assessed value of our boat. What a hoot! Because we bought our boat brand new from a dealer, the starting assessed value was the full purchase price (including the sales tax!) – a price that was wildly overstated the minute we drove the boat out of Newport Harbor. Reducing the assessed value of our boat is like shootin’ fish in a barrel given the artificially high starting point and the economic downturn. The dealer that sold me the boat gladly provides comps and I just send em in. Badda bing, badda boom.

And here’s the knee-slapping funny part. The boat’s value has been dropping faster than the assessor’s office can process the annual form. The boat dealer tells me (and I have every reason to believe) that 2009 and 2010 have been the worst years on record for boat values. By the time my assessment form is received and processed, the comps provided are outdated. So, I am sending in the latest (but already obsolete) comps and look forward to a smaller tax bill. Not enough humor in this column? OK, I will end with this – each year when I ask the boat dealer for the comps, he uses the opportunity to try sell me a new boat. Now that’s funny.

Looking forward to leaving port often.

## FROM THE REAR

Jeff Specht  
Rear Commodore



Let the fun begin.....

It's already March and summer is on the way. Mark your calendar because March 18<sup>th</sup> kicks off our official water events with the World Record Raft-up in Newport Beach. March's weather can be tricky, so please pray to the weather gods and hope they grant us smooth sailing. As of now we have over 75 boats combined from HHYC, CYC and SGYC signed up. This should be a fun and exciting event with the possibility of a World Record. April 9<sup>th</sup> is our Opening Day and the official start of our 2011 Boating Season.

This year we have expanded our on the water events to include more activities for all members. We have added 2 Duffy Brunches in June and October. This along with our regular Duffy Event in August and our Tuesday Cruzin' should keep our Duffy fleet movin'. We have also added the Newport Raft-up, Cabrillo Beach Yacht Club Cruise, Isthmus Cruise and Dana Point Cruise. CBYC and Dana Point are close enough for all members to join in the fun. We need a Co-Host for the Dana Point and Isthmus Cruises, please contact me if you can help.

This promises to be a very active and nautical summer for SGYC. It is important that with our expanded boating events that our boats are in ship shape condition and ready for a safe boating season. We will be offering Vessel Safety Check Inspections.

This year your Vessel Safety Check Inspection can be performed at your dock. Please contact me to set up an appointment.

### Boating Tips

The most common items missed on the Coast Guard Vessel Inspection are;

- \*Life preservers must be out of their plastic packaging, unbuckled and ready to be used.
- \*Expired Flares - check your expiration dates
- \*Flares need to be unwrapped and ready for use.

Make sure all your life preservers, flares and any additional safety equipment are stowed in an easy to access place in case of emergency. Normally a crisis will not wait for you – Be prepared.

Smooth Sailing, Jeff

# Super Bowl 2011



**HOSTS & HELPERS, L to R: Dick & Linda Scholl (popcorn & truck), Sherrill & Joel Lander, Debbie & Tom Wood, HOSTS Candy & Kevin Cloud, Bob McCormick (football pool)**

## WOW.....WHAT A TAILGATE PARTY

The 45<sup>th</sup> Super Bowl was held on February 6 while SGYC partied at the Bonaire Clubhouse.

With a real tail gate party, an array of chili's, easy and enjoyable games, a spread of snacks, hot and delicious dogs and brats, cold and tasty beer and wine, and plenty of popcorn, how can you miss? We had fun and energetic people, a great game (for the Green Bay Fans), and lots of cash prizes.

Yep, that Super Bowl party is now in the books. Over 70 members and guests attended including some new members. Bob McCormick organized another very successful football pool, while Dick and Linda Scholl supplied the tailgate for the party, the popcorn machine and all the fixings.

Candy Cloud organized the Chili contest while Joel and Sherrill Lander managed the 50/50 and Debbie Wood orchestrated the ping pong and football toss tournaments. Kevin Cloud tended to the dogs and brats, while Tom Wood held it all together as master of ceremonies. All in all a great team of hosts put on a super..... bowl party.

In all, over \$1000 in cash prizes were awarded throughout the afternoon for 8 different events.

Helene Rowlette won for best chili, and Tom Wood won the 50/50. The games tournaments were won by Linda Scholl for the Ping Pong toss and Paul Brown for the Football toss. Winners of the Football pool were Cindy Shaw, Les (guest of DeAnna Stingley), Cliff Meier, and Dick Scholl took home the big money as winner of the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter.

What a day!

# BOAT PARADE 2011 CONSTRUCTION CREW



Saturday Night SGYC held an impromptu pot-luck dinner for the Christmas parade boat decorating crew. The main dish featured a phenomenal prime rib that was awarded to us by the Parade Grand Marshal in recognition of our contribution and accomplishment at the 2010 Huntington Harbor Parade of Lights.

Our prize winning effort could not have been accomplished without the consistent volunteer help of our enthusiastic and hard working members. The design, ingenuity and execution has brought SGYC consistent winners.

Special thanks go to Robin and Jean Clark for the use of their boat "Fin-Tastic", Sandy Atherton, Merle McCormick and Dale Giali for their concept and design and, of course, Bob McCormick for his oversight and construction management of the project.



**WHERE HAS  
OUR  
BURGEE BEEN?**



Photos of Joanne & Mark Daugherty and Joel & Sherrill Lander on their January trip to Key West Florida (at the southernmost point in the continental U.S.) Also the SGYC Burgee at the Key West Yacht Club).

**SEND US YOUR PICTURES**

# NEW MEMBERS BRUNCH



More than 100 SeaGate Yacht Club members, joined by ten new member prospects, cruised from SeaGate to the Long Beach Yacht Club on flat water with clearing blue skies and snow covered peaks in the distance. The participants in the annual New Member Brunch, hosted by Staff Commodore Jim Senske (1968) and Lyn for the past 22 years, and were joined this year by Co-Hosts Commodore Les Kelly and Cathy, enjoyed great food and conversation while at the Long Beach Yacht Club.

Captains and First Mates were Greg and Kathy Lee (Kathleen), Robin and Jean Clark (Fin-Tastic), Bob and Linda Axel (Linda Sí), Richard and Judie Kappes (Lucky Change II), Jay and Sherri Ferns (Knot On Call), Floyd & Mira D'Angelo (RO III), and Clem and Linda Aime (La Fortuna II). All members and guests enjoyed true "smooth sailing" during the one hour each way cruise. Joe Weimurtz and Danetta Gomez were welcomed as new members and presented with their Burgees

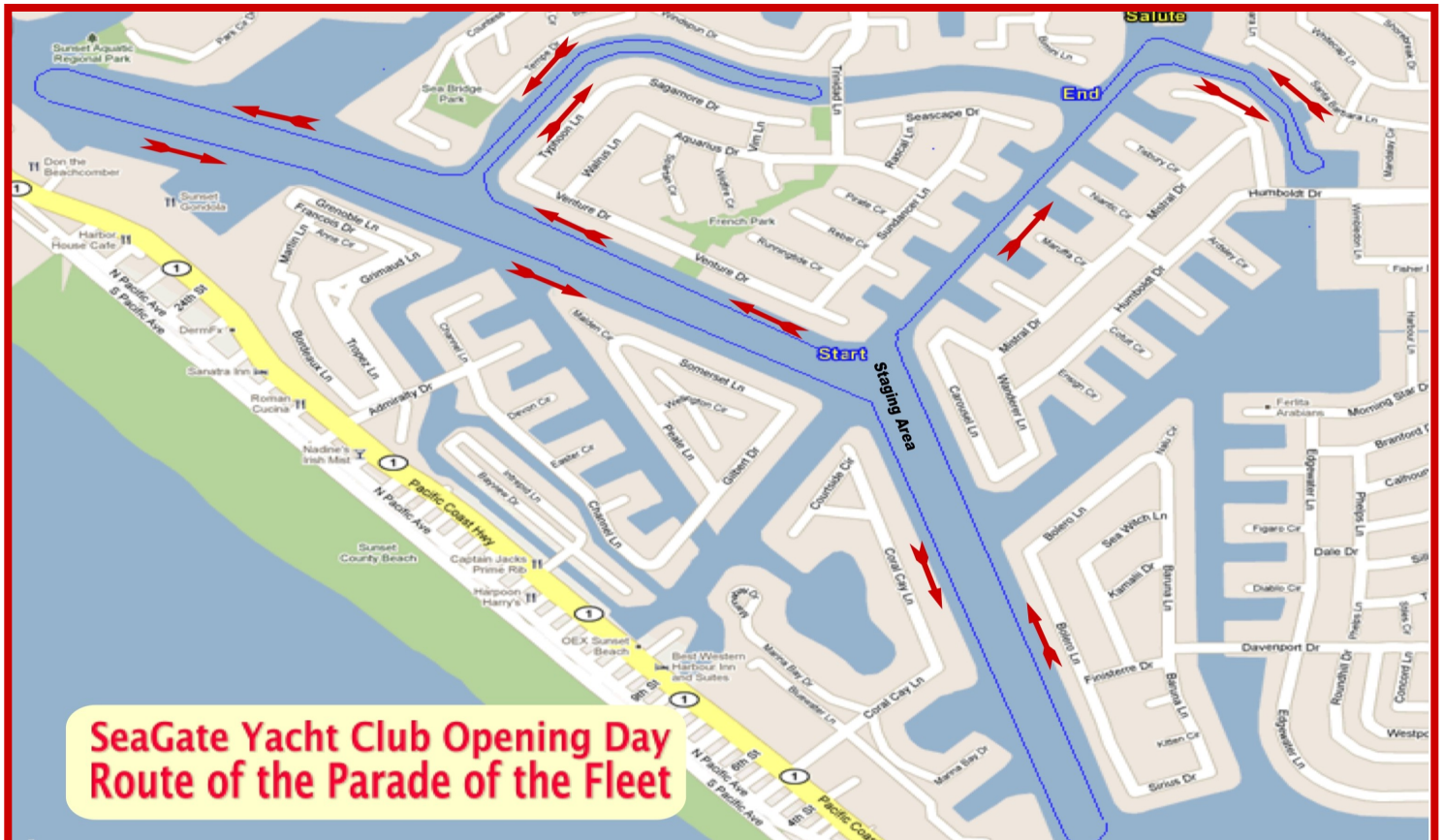
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# EVENT HOSTS' BRUNCH

Sunday, January 16



The Event Hosts' Brunch is a meeting of all the members of SGYC who have volunteered to host a social or boating event for the coming year. The calendar is discussed and information packets are given to the participants to help guide them in their planning and execution of their chosen events. As with most organizations, there is always a core group who, year after year, step up to host events for the rest of us. SGYC is always seeking members who will join that core group of people who help make our club the welcoming and enjoyable organization to which we belong. You don't have to be the primary host of an event the first time you volunteer. You can simply help the host of an event to get a feel for how it works. Please let Commodore Les Kelly (714/377-9947) know if you would like to help in some way. He will be glad to connect you with a host to get your feet wet and join this enthusiastic group of volunteers.



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# ANNIVERSARIES

<b>Kreil</b>	<b>3/6</b>
<b>Pratto</b>	<b>3/9</b>
<b>Sawka/Preslo</b>	<b>3/15</b>
<b>Fuhrman</b>	<b>3/16</b>
<b>McCormick</b>	<b>3/21</b>
<b>Mount</b>	<b>4/6</b>
<b>Lander</b>	<b>4/13</b>
<b>Gray</b>	<b>4/15</b>
<b>Armstrong</b>	<b>4/16</b>
<b>Herbold</b>	<b>4/28</b>
<b>Wainer</b>	<b>4/28</b>
<b>Shelton</b>	<b>4/29</b>

# BIRTHDAYS

<b>Carolyn</b>	<b>Platt</b>	<b>3/1</b>
<b>Larry</b>	<b>Stelle</b>	<b>3/1</b>
<b>Sally</b>	<b>Wasserman</b>	<b>3/1</b>
<b>Susie</b>	<b>Pendleton</b>	<b>3/2</b>
<b>Maryann</b>	<b>Boryszewski</b>	<b>3/5</b>
<b>Edith</b>	<b>Mondello</b>	<b>3/6</b>
<b>Elliott</b>	<b>Wainer</b>	<b>3/6</b>
<b>John</b>	<b>Mitchell</b>	<b>3/11</b>
<b>Karon</b>	<b>Walstad</b>	<b>3/13</b>
<b>Barry</b>	<b>Wasserman</b>	<b>3/14</b>
<b>Sandy</b>	<b>Meier</b>	<b>3/15</b>
<b>Linda</b>	<b>Cassidy</b>	<b>3/16</b>
<b>Arlene</b>	<b>Dixon</b>	<b>3/17</b>
<b>Bob</b>	<b>Bromley</b>	<b>3/21</b>
<b>Dale</b>	<b>Giali</b>	<b>3/23</b>
<b>Ellen</b>	<b>Martin</b>	<b>3/24</b>
<b>Sue</b>	<b>Hermelin</b>	<b>3/25</b>
<b>Patrick</b>	<b>Smith</b>	<b>3/25</b>
<b>Roger</b>	<b>Wilhelm</b>	<b>3/25</b>
<b>Clement</b>	<b>Aime</b>	<b>3/26</b>
<b>Linda</b>	<b>Aime</b>	<b>3/27</b>
<b>Margaret</b>	<b>Humphreys</b>	<b>3/27</b>
<b>Merle</b>	<b>McCormick</b>	<b>3/30</b>

## New Members



### *Tinh & Lam Nguyen*

In addition to recently joining SeaGate Yacht Club, **Tinh & Lam** are newlyweds. They were wed September 4, 2010 in a ceremony at Turnip Rose in Costa Mesa.

Tinh & Lam met through the internet about six years ago. They had a lot in common. They were both born in Vietnam, and both were brought here very early in their lives, by the parents. Both grew up in Orange County and even attended the same church (at the same time) without ever meeting.

Tinh was one of 7 children in his family. He runs a home health care business that deals with care for patients upon discharge from a hospital. Lam is a pediatrician and works for Dr. Burt Willis.

They have two dogs, a Yorkie and a Maltese Yorkie. (Tiny little things!) They have a beautiful home in SeaGate on the lower lagoon. They enjoy walking around the grounds. Lam enjoys reading. Tinh is a golf nut.

They are both glad they chose to join SGYC and are looking forward to getting their burgee.

Welcome, Tinh & Lam, to SeaGate Yacht Club.

## New Members



### *Pat Kirk*

Pat Kirk loves living in SeaGate. She grew in Nebraska – one of six children. She moved to California when she was 17 and has spent many years in Orange

County. Her mother now lives in San Diego. She has a home on Bravata with a beautiful view of the lagoon.

Pat is active with golf and tennis in her spare time. She is also very active with her job. She and her partner have a company that cleans up radioactive waste water through a rotary membrane system. It's located in Los Alamitos. Their newest contract is with the Department of Energy and it took 20 years to obtain.

Pat is happy to be part of SGYC, recently obtained her burgee and is looking forward to attending more events. Welcome, Pat, to SeaGate Yacht Club.

# SHIPS STORE SHOWCASE

NOW IN THE UPSTAIRS BAR  
SHOW YOUR SEAGATE PRIDE  
WITH LOGO CLOTHING  
KIM DAVYDOVITS, 714/840-8333

SGYC 35TH ANNIVERSARY PARTY  
SATURDAY, MARCH 12

WORLD RECORD RAFT-UP  
FRIDAY-SUNDAY, MAR. 18-20

OPENING DAY  
SATURDAY, APRIL 9

CARNIVAL CRUISE TO ENSENADA  
FRIDAY-MONDAY APRIL 15-18

AVALON CRUISE  
FRIDAY-SUNDAY MAY 13-15

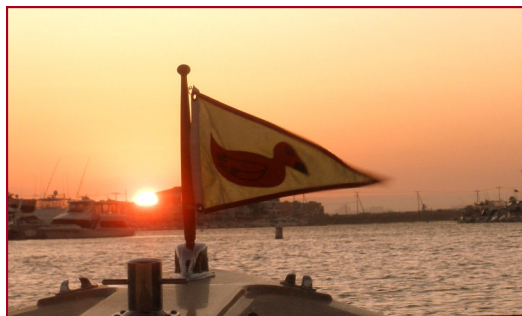
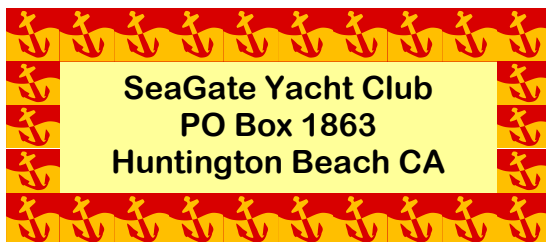


## 2011 CREW

Les Kelly	Commodore
Dale Giali	Vice-Commodore
Jeff Specht	Rear-Commodore
John Humphreys	Jr. Staff Commodore
Cindy Allen	Secretary
Josef Davydovits	Treasurer
Joanne McCormick	Membership
Rob Allen	House
Kim Davydovits	Ships Store
Bob McCormick	Roster
Tom Worden	Webmaster
Joel Lander	Communications

*Many thanks to those of you who contribute to the Burgee. Thanks to Mike Courtway for the biographies. Special recognition to our Webmaster Tom Worden, Secretary Cindy Allen for our excellent website photos .*

*MORE PHOTOS : [www.seagateyachtclub.com](http://www.seagateyachtclub.com)*



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