

# Main Sheet

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**In case you missed it, we had a wonderful Change of Command ceremony and party. Many were recognized. The present and past boards were presented. See some of the accolades here and inside the MainSheet.**



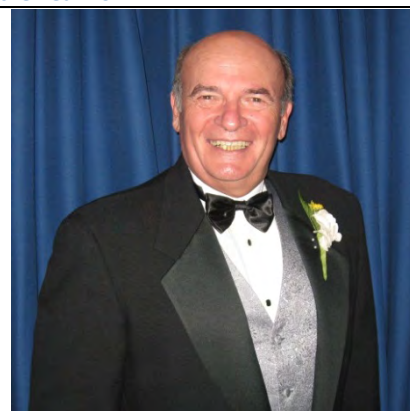
Volunteer of the Year 2011



Captain of the Year 2011



Our New Board for 2011



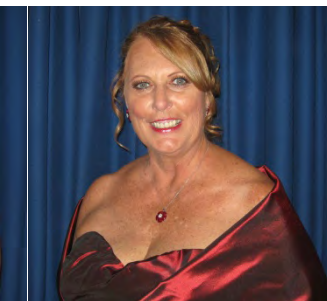
The Commodore



Nancy – Social Director



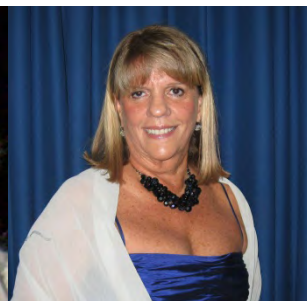
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Mary Ann – Boat Owners Rep



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Marie – Vice Commodore

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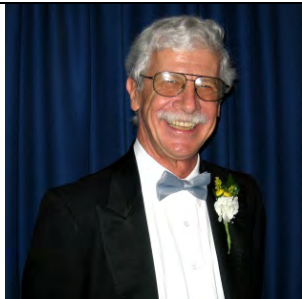








Deborah – Internet Producer



Rich - Newsletter



Max - Treasurer

Our Secretary's picture was not omitted. I just don't have a picture of Jane. She continues to be our Secretary for the club.

Jane - Secretary



Two of our MANY Volunteers



Our Captains



**We would like to recognize our volunteers for 2011.**  
**Without them, many activities would not occur**

<b>Andy Deering</b>	<b>Ethel Facundo</b>	<b>Mary Kay McHenry</b>
<b>Anne Ekstrom</b>	<b>Gabriela Manley</b>	<b>Mary Kress</b>
<b>Annette Devivo</b>	<b>Gale Goddard</b>	<b>Max Goldstein</b>
<b>Arlene Bothwell</b>	<b>Gary Mayes</b>	<b>Miriam Connell</b>
<b>Becky Austin</b>	<b>Gillian O'Neill</b>	<b>Monica Salis</b>
<b>Beverly D'Amico</b>	<b>Holly Griffin</b>	<b>Nancy Widener</b>
<b>Bill Roberts</b>	<b>James Bradford</b>	<b>Nick Orosan</b>
<b>Bob Horin</b>	<b>Jane Anderson</b>	<b>Nikki McSweeney</b>
<b>Bob Mifsud</b>	<b>Jane Haughian</b>	<b>Patricia Somers</b>
<b>Camille Galindo</b>	<b>Jean Deering</b>	<b>Peggy Lackner</b>
<b>Carol Rappaport</b>	<b>Jeannie Burke</b>	<b>Penny Harrison</b>
<b>Carol Saler</b>	<b>Jerry Wasserman</b>	<b>Peter Wilkinson</b>
<b>Cathy Wilkinson</b>	<b>Jim Buckmaster</b>	<b>Rich Hustins</b>
<b>Charles Biancardi</b>	<b>Jim Price</b>	<b>Richard Khoudary</b>
<b>Claire Thomas</b>	<b>Karen Long</b>	<b>Richard Middleton</b>
<b>Cynthia Lynne</b>	<b>Karen Madison</b>	<b>Robert Bettarel</b>
<b>Dave Caulkett</b>	<b>Kelly Dobbs</b>	<b>Russ Jones</b>
<b>Dave Witczak</b>	<b>Ken Tafts</b>	<b>Sandy Hack</b>
<b>Debi Hallmark</b>	<b>Leslie Rambin</b>	<b>Sheila O'Neil</b>
<b>Deborah Magraw</b>	<b>Lilian Kern</b>	<b>Sherry Alsop</b>
<b>Dick Linehan</b>	<b>Linda Kaelblein</b>	<b>Stan Dekiel</b>
<b>Don Sanders</b>	<b>Lynette Beal</b>	<b>Steve Bernstein</b>
<b>Dot Castell</b>	<b>Marie Alcazar</b>	<b>Terry Patterson</b>
<b>Ellen Kirby</b>	<b>Mary Ann Hernandez</b>	<b>Vince Guidice</b>

**Dock space wanted for a 32' sailboat.**  
**Must be located near the ICW.**

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From a Newcomer's Perspective, by Rita C. Lehto

I joined SSSF in December 2011. I moved to FL from CT and found SSSF online. However, SSSF is much further reaching than Southern FL. Several people in my sailing club in CT knew of SSSF and told me it was a great club. I thought joining a sailing club in FL would connect me with people who share my passion in life, i.e. sailing and boating. And, it has been GREAT! I have met many new, fun, like-minded people.

My first meeting I met with Membership Chairperson who assigned me a mentor, Fred Van Everdingen. Fred took me around and introduced me to so many people. It was just a great way to meet people as I had come to the meeting by myself and it is always difficult to break into a new group.

The next few meetings were just as wonderful and by now I was starting to recognize faces, still struggling with everyone's names however. But then the real fun began; I got invited to go sailing, my passion.

Seven SSSF members went out sailing on a 42' center cockpit Irwin, Captain Nick Orosan's boat, Moonshadow. It took us 45 minutes to get through all the bridges. Perhaps this all seems quite common for all of you, but for me, it was such an adventure to go under all the bridges: To see how the timing is for the bridges to open, the beauty and intricate tiles and paintings on the bridges, and the constant communication with the bridge tender. The trip continued into Port Everglades and it was breathtaking to see all the private yachts and the cruise and cargo ships.

We sailed into the Atlantic with 10-foot seas and 19-knot winds. I figured I was pretty safe; I just had a good feeling about the Captain and crew. And how right I was. The crew took turns at the helm and no one seemed to blink an eye at the seas or the winds. I got to experience sailing out to the Gulf Stream where the "elephants were dancing"; a fun new term I have learned now for the illusion on the horizon when the waves are very large. It was a true safari ride.

As we headed back into port, the hot temperature alarm on the engine sounded. No one panicked; they simply investigated the issue. The helmsman, Patricia, safely brought the boat to a dock. Captain Nick and Fred changed out the belt and 45 minutes later we were underway again. A crisis that wasn't a crisis at all, it was just handled so professionally.

When we finally reached the dock, the fun continued; wine and snacks were provided. This was my first sail with SSSF and I must say, I was impressed beyond belief! Great captain and great crew. Thank you everyone!





We would like to request that everyone wear their name tags during our meetings. This allows new people to learn your name as well as you to learn a new person's name. In my case it replaces the need to have my name stenciled on my belt (old Texan joke).

The club dues have been raised. The new rates are: \$75/year for renewals and a prorated \$100/year for new members. As in the past, the dues will be prorated starting in March and continuing to the end of the year. Renewals are due by January 31 of the new year.

At our new business meeting venue, Maguires Hill 16, we will have our own room. It is desired that we enter and leave our room via our own door. We should not use the regular bar area, as there are other activities in that area and we can disturb them. I believe it is a poker tournament every Thursday night, and a boisterous group like ours is not conducive to good gambling.

We are going to try something different with the Pink Books this year. We are going to insert your picture next to your name in the Pink Book. If you desire to do this, please get a .jpg headshot to Marie Alcazar before February 29, 2012. If you do not give her a picture by that date, your picture will not be in the Book. We, the Board, Marie, or the printer will not be chasing you to get a picture because some people do not want their picture in the book. You will have to track us down to give us your picture if you want it in the Book.

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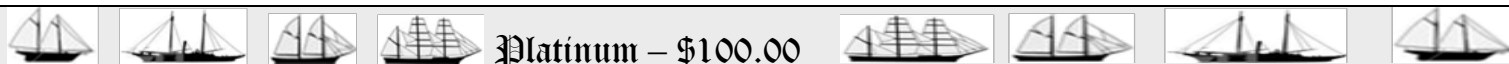
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Rich Hustins – July, 2011

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