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Bill Lees.....626-1644

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Kathy Anderson626-2724

Winston Durant.....591-5991

~What's on Deck~

February 14
Valentines Day

February 18
Mobile Winter 5
MYC

February 26
Billy Goat Race
BUCYC

Tuesday, March 7
and March 28
Membership Meeting
7:30 p.m.
Board at 6:30 p.m.



Philip Durant named "Boater of the Year"....

Lake Forest Yacht Club, Inc., members gathered Saturday, January 28, for their annual Awards Presentation. Numerous comedic and perpetual awards were given out that night from certificates of appreciation, Commodore's appreciation awards, "Ma Bell" award, "Power Boater of the Year," the Katrina Award, and many others.

The most prestigious presentation was the giving of the "Boater of the Year" award. This award is given to a member (boater or not) who has done most for the Club over the last year.

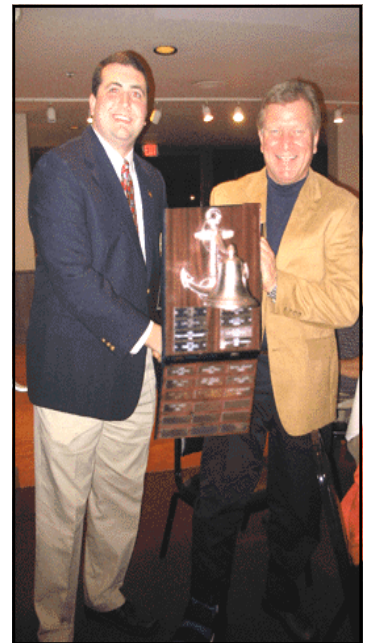
A unanimous vote from the members found

Philip Durant as the winner of the award.

His tenure as Commodore was mostly uneventful except for two hurricanes, tropical storm or two, hot weather, and, of course, a new baby.

Philip also received the annual award from Bill Lees of a framed LFYCI burgee and bronze appreciation tags.

The Rock of Gibraltar award was presented by Philip to his wife, Tiffany, for her support during the last year. Philip also presented her with a lovely bouquet of roses. As tradition goes, the incoming Commodore's wife presents the outgoing Commodore's wife with a special gift, as well.



Philip Durant accepting the "Boater of the Year" award with Todd Susenberger's assistance.

2006 Board

Back row L-R:

Board at Large: Winston Durant, Kathy Anderson, Brenda deAngelo, and Bill Lees.

Front Row L-R:

Secretary John Bidney, Vice Commodore Nello Antione, Commodore Art Anderson, and Treasurer Gretchen Funderburk. Not pictured is Rear Commodore Jim Chambers.



Notes from the Commodore....

Kathy and I hope you all had a great start to your New Year.

Ever heard the expression "Missing the boat"? Our club was that way until last week. Our missing sailboat was finally located about 1/4 mile north of our yacht club. A homeowner came to the yacht club and asked the harbor master if a boat in their yard could possibly belong to Lake Forest. Chris took us to the location and we verified it was the missing boat. Would you believe the trailer was still attached? A work party will be scheduled so we can retrieve the boat, survey the equipment,

and determine what needs to be done for the year.

Recently, I had an opportunity to talk with Steve Jemudd, the interim LFPOA GM. During our conversation, we discussed many issues about the yacht club and how lucky we were compared to Fairhope. I mentioned that we should offer them some assistance if possible. Steve gave authorization talk to their commodore and extend an invitation to use our yacht club as their own. In return, Fairhope gave us full use of their boat ramp. Many other issues discussed have already had action taken. I feel that both organizations will benefit as we work together through the year.

The GYA Winter Meeting was held on January 7-8. I want to thank Jim Chambers and Bill Lees for also attending. The most important thing taken away from the meeting this year is GYA's full cooperation in helping the various clubs in getting their sailing program back on line. Emphasis was also placed on Junior sailing programs. The GYA Opening Regatta is scheduled for May 6-7 at Pontchartrain Yacht Club.

Our Glorious 4th Race is scheduled for June 24. We owe the GYA dates for our other races. The GYA schedule is available at www.gya.org.

See you soon,
Art Anderson



Commodore Art Anderson

Work Party....

A small work party came together on Saturday, January 14, to retrieve the missing sailboat and tear down the storage rack where the Optimists were kept. Due to the damage of the small boats, they were dismantled.

Pictured at right are Scott Funderburk and Phil Flesher.



Welcome aboard...



Peggy Crittenden
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Lake Forest Yacht Club, Inc., welcomed into membership Ms. Peggy Crittenden at the Awards Banquet.

Peggy is a Mobile native and graduated from Spring Hill College.

She lives in Lake Forest and has many and varied interests. She loves to garden, read, travel and kayaking.

Peggy was a member of the Palm Beach (Florida) Sailing Club and was their hospitality chair for two years.

Peggy also belongs to

Christ Church Cathedral, AAUW, Mobile League of Women Voters, Centre for the Living Arts, and the Lake Forest Garden Club.

Welcome Aboard Peggy!

Members of the club are encouraged to seek new members to join. Applications are at the Harbor Shack and inside the Yacht Club. New potential members must come to two general meetings, or two board meetings, two work parties, or a combination of any of the above.

Committee Chairs

~ Race & Regatta ~
~By Laws~
Nello Antione
928-5586

~ GYA ~
Jim Chambers
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~ Budget/Finance ~
Gretchen Funderburk
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~ Wheelhouse/Publicity ~
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Verne Boland
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~ Entertainment ~

~ Membership ~

~ One Design/Youth ~

~ House/Harbor ~

~ Powerboat/Cruise ~

~ Board of Governors ~

~ Fundraising ~

What's cookin' in your kitchen?

The Alabama Lighthouse Association will be preparing a cook book as a fund raiser for the Organization. They are asking all the yacht clubs in the area for recipes to add to their collection. Lake Forest Yacht Club, Inc., as one of the more active yacht clubs to help maintain Middle Bay Lighthouse a few years ago and should have a healthy representation in the Association's cookbook.

Recipes are needed for a variety of foods such as appetizers, beverages, meats and poultry, seafood, salads, vegetables, cakes, pies, desserts, cookies, candy, and miscellaneous.

Please send via Snail mail or E-mail one to three recipes of your favorite dishes by March 1.



LFYCI Lighthouse work party December 1992. L-R) Ski Florkewicz, Brian Yoder, Jim Horner, Dick Meredith, Wanda Losie, Jay Losie, Karen Meredith

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Pictures from the Awards Presentation..

Special thanks go to those who did an outstanding job of making the comedic trophies, to those who decorated, and to those who prepared the delicious food.

Thanks also to Hal Pierce for donating four bottles of champagne that were won by John Bidney, Eddie Seifert, Art and Kathy Anderson, and Nello and Ila Antione.

Freda Haley won the 50/50 and a good time was had by all.



Jim Haley presents to Art and Kathy Anderson the Mileage Trophy Award



Philip Durant presents the "Ma Bell" award to Verne Boland



Philip Durant presents a Commodore's Appreciation award to Nello and Ila Antione



Tiffany receives the "Rock of Gibraltar" award from her husband



"Power Boaters of the Year" Bill Lees and Todd Sussenberger

Marina news....

By John Bidney

Much still needs to be done at the marina before boating season begins. But if one looks closely, a few spots of progress can be detected.

Unfortunately, simple repair of the gas pumps was found to be impossible so replacement is on the agenda before they are again operable.

On a more positive note, John Bidney and the harbor master checked out the channel and harbor depths several weeks ago and found a full five feet of water throughout at average tide levels.

Depths were checked again last week at low tide and Chris found a minimum of

four feet of depth throughout. With the exception of some shallow areas near the gas pumps, the channel seems sufficiently deep south to the Blakeley River Bar. However, boaters are cautioned to heed the channel markers, especially in Alligator Pass, as depths can change drastically within a few feet. This is especially true on the north edge of the channel as indicated by the green markers.



Lake Forest Marina

On the Back Deck

Dues are Due
Please mail them
as soon as possible!

The Membership meeting will be changed to Tuesday, March 8 at 7:30 p.m. because of Fat Tuesday! Bring a friend. The Board will meet at 6:30

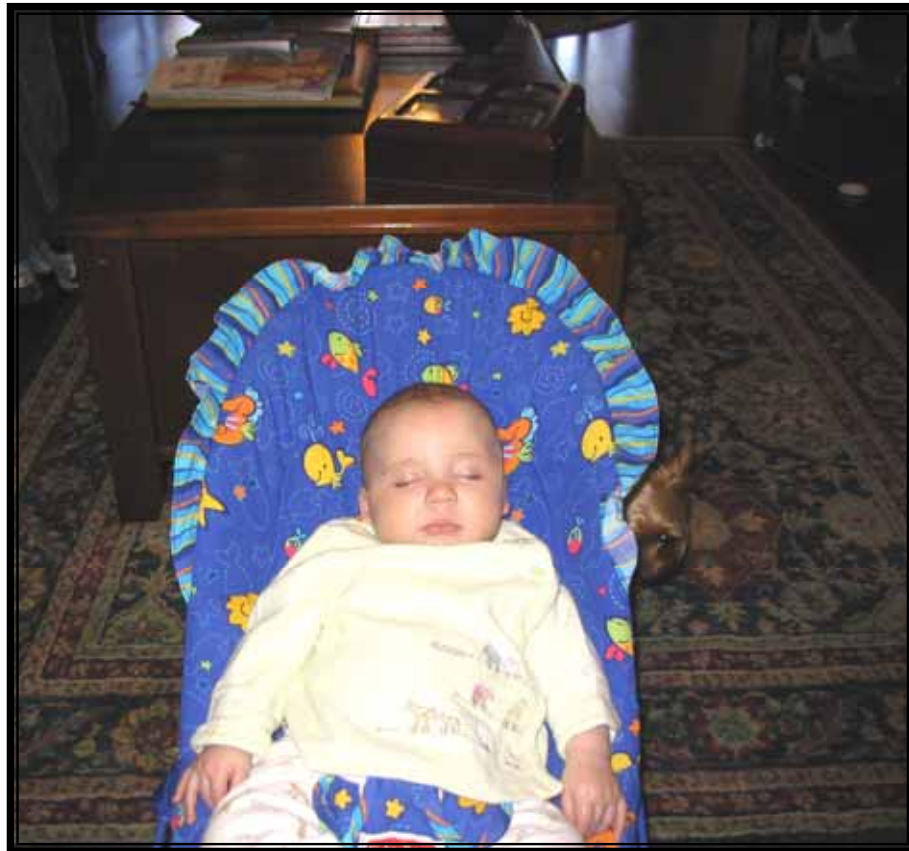
March 28 will also be another Membership Meeting at 7:30 p.m. The Board will meet at 6:30 p.m.



Meet
Philip
Tyler
Durant

The youngest member of the Yacht Club was born on November 8, 2005 at 2:32 p.m. His parents are Philip and Tiffany Durant.

He weighed in at 7 pounds 14 ounces and was 21 inches long. Welcome aboard Tyler!



**No Meeting on
Feb. 28
Come March 7
7:30 p.m.**

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Board at Large

Commodore Art Anderson
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The Wheelhouse
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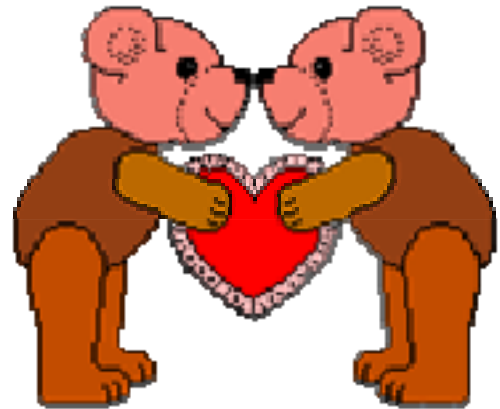
And the winners were...

In order of appearance...

Letters of appreciation to...

Bill Lees, Committee Boat; Todd Sussenberger, Committee Boat,
Philip Durant, Safety boat, John Bidney, Wheelhouse.

- Before and After award..... John Bidney
- Rock of Gibraltar Tiffany Durant
- Ma Bell Award..... Verne Boland
- Dirty Santa Award Tiffany Durant
- Mileage Trophy..... Art and Kathy Anderson
- Power Boater of the Year..... Todd Sussenberger and Bill Lees
- Flaming Paper Award Marie Bidney
- Flaming Box Award..... Diane Hergenrother
- Flaming Napkin Award..... Gretchen Funderburk
- Katrina Award..... Jim Haley
- Commodore Appreciation (Non-Board) Marie Bidney
- Commodore Anchor Award (Board) Nello and Ila Antione
- Boater of the Year Philip Durant



**Happy Valentine's
Day**

