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**Pensacola Yacht Club
to Host Fall General
Membership Meeting
and Change of Watch**

October 20-21, 2017

**Leadership Resources
Committee holds first
seminar on the Panhandle
and introduces new
technology.**

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Oct. 20 - 21.....Pensacola YC

Winter Meeting.....February 2 - 3
Halifax River YC

Spring Meeting.....April 20 - 21
Ft. Walton YC

Summer Meeting.....July 20 - 21
Charlotte Harbor YC

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October 1	September 25

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From the Helm

Commodore Sam Foreman



So much has happened since July it is hard to know where to start. The news was full of natural disasters everywhere and then Florida had one of its own by the name of Hurricane Irma. She was relentless and unforgiving. I hope everyone of you, your family, and your friends

escaped her wrath.

Our FCA Summer Event was hosted by the Sarasota Yacht Club July 21 - 22. I will run out of superlatives to describe our experience. P/C Kay Goodman did an excellent job putting this meeting together. We enjoyed very friendly interactions with SYC's members. SYC Commodore Jane Hutchins was very gracious, engaging and made us feel at home. Vice Commodore Hugh McIlrevey made an excellent presentation on Strategic Planning. Waterfront Director Will Stocke made an excellent presentation on Creating a Successful Watersports Program then demonstrated an O'Pen BIC for us. All the Past Commodores wanted to kidnap him for their own yacht clubs. Executive Chef Puccio made sure the food was superb. SYC CEO Kloppenburg made sure everything went smoothly. The servers were friendly and efficient. In all, it was tremendous event. See what happens when you miss a meeting? You miss a lot.

The Leadership Resources Committee put together a great Leadership Training Seminar at the St. Andrews Bay Yacht Club August 18 - 19. P/C Wayne Stewart and P/C John Slattery put in a great deal of effort to make this happen. I traveled to STABYC to view the seminar and meet the participants. The presenters did a great job and the comments by the attendees were very positive. They found the presenters very knowledgeable, presentations were relevant to helping their clubs, and well worth the time. The LRC is now focused on how to better market this seminar to bring in more participants.

I belong to other all volunteer organizations like ours and it is often a challenge to get someone for a project much less a position of responsibility. You cherish those who have the courage to raise their hand. I submit that it takes even more courage to admit that for reasons external and/or internal that you are not able to make a commitment to a future position you had once promised to volunteer. All of us have experienced changes in circumstances. Our Vice Commodore Jim Robinson found himself at those crossroads and decided he would not advance to Commodore. P/C Robinson is a great member of the FCA and he will continue to contribute to our organization.

The Nominating Committee asked if I would stay on as Commodore for another year and I accepted. There was a report from the Nominating Committee that went out to all on September 13 listing the proposed slate of Officers for the 2017/2018 year. Look for an article from the Nominating Committee in this issue.

That means the Change of Watch will be at the Pensacola Yacht Club October 20 - 21. Our website already reflects the change plus this issue has the same information on the agenda and hotel. I know we are in the far western portion of the panhandle but, it is just as far for us to travel to a destination in South Florida as it is for you to travel to us. We look forward to seeing everyone!



Four-Star Commodores

by P/C Kathy Champagne

Nominations for the FCA 4 Star Award 2017 were closed on September 30, after which the Nominating Committee, comprised of five 4 Star Award recipients, will begin deliberations.

Recommendations will be made to the FCA EX-COM at the October Meeting, whereby the FCA Officers will make the final selection.

The names of the 2017 4 Star Award recipients will be announced at the General Session Meeting on October 21, at Pensacola Yacht Club.

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Reflecting on this process, I am reminded of the pain all FCA members likely felt, as Irma's "Spaghetti Tracks" shifted back and forth. For all of us, any sense of relief was accompanied by sincere pain for dear friends around the State of Florida, as the targeted locations sounded like a roll call at FCA Meetings.

If adversity brings strength, yacht clubs around Florida will be driven by P/C's with "the Right Stuff", and there will be a surge of nominations for the FCA 4 Star Award 2018.

Report of the 2017 Nominating Committee

The following is the slate of Officers for the 2017/2018 year submitted by the Nominating Committee. The Committee supports the following selections unanimously.

Commodore - P/C Sam Foreman, Pensacola Yacht Club

Vice Commodore - P/C Carole Lick, Platinum Point Yacht Club

Rear Commodore - P/C Jeff Brooks, Bay Point Yacht Club

Fleet Captain - P/C Stan Mitchell, Lake Beresford Yacht Club

Secretary - P/C Bill Barnett, Charlotte Harbor Yacht Club

Treasurer - P/C John Matthews, Pensacola Yacht Club

P/C Jim Robinson elected not to move to the Commodore position. In a meeting with committee members P/C John Slattery and IP/C Wayne Stewart he stated that regrettably, he had several personal issues that were too time consuming to allow him to do a good job as Commodore of our organization.

I/P/C Wayne Stewart, Chairman
Committee Members: P/C John Slattery; P/C John Matthews; P/C Jack Kennedy



FCA Historian by Dr. Lynn Reynolds

The history of the Florida Commodores Association begins at its conception, in 2005, with many organizational meetings and discussions. Today we have a vibrant, effective association of chapters throughout the state, and even in other locales.

It is important that we continue to record reviews of our activities and events so that those who come after us will understand the breadth and depth of our group. Please be sure to contact me with information, pictures, mementos and so on in order to help document these. You can send me these at drlynn@cox.net.

Many thanks to each of you for your contributions.



FCA Foundation by P/C Carole Lick

SMILE – Do you shop at Amazon.com? Most of us do, especially at holiday time. Amazon offers a 1/2 % of what you purchase donation to your favorite charity. All you need to do is write in the FCAF name. So easy, and doesn't cost anything.

Here is another idea: the company you work for, or are retired from, may have a **"Matching Gift Program"**. If they do, whatever you contribute personally, they match. So your gift of \$100 is actually \$200!! Easy and doesn't cost anything extra. Check with your current or former employer regarding this kind of program. You might even find it on their website. If you need help with this please feel free to contact R/C Carole Lick at lickc@msu.edu.

The Florida Commodores' Association Foundation (FCAF) encourages you to make use of these easy opportunities to contribute to their work as stated in the newly approved mission statement: **To enhance recreational and competitive sailing, power boating and cruising, in the finest traditions of yachting, through education, charitable and financial opportunities.**

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Ship's Store

by A/M Beverly Plummer

I love going to the General Membership meetings. It gives me the opportunity to set up the Ship's Store for everyone to peruse. First thing I'm asked is, "What do you have that's new?". I take that on as a challenge to always have something different to offer. Those of you that attend the meetings have the advantage to see these items since some of them aren't offered on the web-site. Could that be motivation to attend the meetings? Well, I think so!!



and long sleeves. The colors available are assorted depending on size. All of these fleece garments are tastefully embroidered with the FCA burgee.

At the October Change of Watch meeting I will have a selection of fleece garments for both men and women. For the men, I have a great looking zipper-front vest in navy or black. For the ladies, there's a partial zip-front pullover top which has princess seams, that gives it a fitted feminine look,

The October meeting isn't too early to be thinking about your Holiday gift shopping. If you know me at all and are lucky enough to be on my gift list, there's a good chance I have already purchased your gift and it is on my gift shelf. The Ship's Store Boutique offers nautical themed items along with those specialized for the FCA members on your list.



The sterling silver charm bracelet is perfect for gift giving for someone in your FCA chapter. The bracelet features a round disc charm which has been engraved with the FCA burgee, perfect to wear alone or worn with multiple bracelets.

For those that like a little more bling, the FCA rhinestone pins are a wonderful way to add that extra sparkle while promoting your membership in FCA.



I haven't forgotten about items for the Men, I will have a selection of shirts that may be purchased off the rack and some new styles that may be custom ordered once you see the samples.

I have an opportunity to attend a gift market the last week in September which should be interesting & I hope to have a few new things to share from it depending on delivery time.

Hope to see you all at the Change of watch meeting, the Ship's Store will be waiting for you as will I.

Did you know...

Tackle is a broad term, referring to gear on deck and aloft in general, but more particularly to devices of blocks and their lines and hardware. The sailor's pronunciation is often 'tayckle.' The term comes from the Middle Dutch *taekel*, of the latter meaning, and which may account for the traditional pronunciation.



Leadership Resources Committee

by I/P/C Wayne Stewart

We presented our annual educational seminar for yacht club leaders on August 18 and 19 at the beautiful St. Andrews Bay Yacht Club (STABYC.) Fourteen individuals registered for the event. The STABYC provided an excellent venue for the event which was, by popular request, the first held in the Florida Panhandle.

The seminar was perhaps one of the most successful and the most unique events of this type ever held. It included for the first time an experiment into the world of "Distance Learning". Colleges and Universities have proven it to be successful and it was a huge success for the FCA seminar. Several modules were delivered by remotely-sited presenters providing an opportunity to have subjects presented that otherwise would not have been feasible.

The presenters that traveled to Panama City were P/C John Matthews, P/C John Slattery, P/C Mary Slattery and P/C Wayne Stewart. The presenters who gave remotely sited presentations were Pelican Yacht Club General Manager Evans Mulligan, P/C Bob Peterson, Mitch Stump, CPA and P/C Dave Wilbur.

Subjects covered were Insurance; Club Management; Leadership; Tax Compliance; Commodore/Manager Relationship; Internal and External Communications; Effective Presentations; Recruiting, Retention and Marketing; Strategic Planning; Better Meetings; Followship and Finance.

The Leadership Resources Committee is always looking for help presenting these seminars and would like to have more presenters. If you are interested please contact P/C Wayne Stewart for more information. E-mail Wayne at: immediatepastcommodore@flcommodores.org

Planning for the next seminar will begin in the very near future.



Technology and FCA

by P/C John Slattery

As mentioned in the previous article on the Leadership Seminar we used some new (to us) technology this time around. Up to now we have held our seminars on the east coast of Florida and that was convenient for all presenters even though they were making only one presentation. However, since we planned on holding a Panhandle-based seminar it was too much to ask these valuable presenters to travel that distance for a one hour session as it would have been a two or three day trip for several of them.

The solution was to adopt technology used by many large organizations - remote presentations. In order to be most effective the attendees would have to be able to see and hear the presenters and their PowerPoint presentations at the same time, the presenters could see the attendees and the attendees could ask questions and receive answers any time during the presentation.

So the challenge was to find an available solution. Many of you may be familiar with Skype which is available for free for one on one conversations. Skype also has a business option but it has some of the same drawbacks of Skype basic, one of which is lower quality voice. It took me some time and research but after reviewing and actually testing several available systems, we settled on Go To Meeting.

The equipment required for the presenters is a camera, microphone, speaker or headset, computer and a high-speed internet connection. The hardware is already built into most laptops these days and who doesn't high-speed internet (unless you're traveling.) On our end (at the seminar) we required a laptop, speakers, a digital projector and a screen. I used my laptop and speakers, our FCA projector and the screen at St. Andrews Bay Yacht Club which also made their wi-fi available to us.

The result was better than we could have hoped and the attendees receive the benefit of four presenters and their presentations that would otherwise been unavailable.

Our adoption of the technology opens up many more

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options for our organization going forward. The Ex-Com can make use of it for regular meetings, important committees such as the Nominating Committee and the Four-Star Committee can hold remote meetings with not only voice but visual contact. In addition, our quarterly meetings will be able to offer presentations without the need of asking a presenter to invest time and money to be present at the meeting. We can also arrange for presentations to be made to our Chapters remotely.

There is still some minor tweaking to be done to make all of these options a reality but I fully expect all of these options to be available in the next few months and welcome comments and suggestions from our members.



Book Review

The Miracle of Dunkirk

Walter Lord

(Available in Hardcover, Paperback, Kindle and audio format)

You might remember that Walter Lord wrote the original, and many still believe, the definitive book about the sinking of the Titanic in *A Night to Remember*. But did you know that 35 years ago, he also wrote a remarkable tale of the evacuation of the British Expeditionary Forces (BEF) from the shores of a beach in the north of France.

What has brought renewed interest in this book is the release of a new movie - *Dunkirk*. I haven't seen the movie yet so I can't compare the two. The movie wasn't based on Lord's book so I'm sure there are notable differences. Lord actually interviewed participants on both sides of the English Channel as well as both sides of the conflict.

May, 1940 found over 400,000 BEF troops stranded in the harbor of Dunkirk and on the surrounding beaches. The German forces were closing in fast. The Belgium army was doing its best to hold a receding front line but when the King of Belgium ca-

pitulated, the British and French forces were strained with the addition of a third front.

Churchill had just become Prime Minister and realized that if they lost this army, the future of Britain itself was in doubt as it would be impossible to replace that many troops. It was during this period that he gave his famous speech in Parliament. *"We shall go on to the end. We shall fight in France, we shall fight on the seas and oceans, we shall fight with growing confidence and growing strength in the air, we shall defend our island, whatever the cost may be. We shall fight on the beaches, we shall fight on the landing grounds, we shall fight in the fields and in the streets, we shall fight in the hills; we shall never surrender."*

Designated 'Operation Dynamo,' the process of getting the troops home got off to a very slow start. Communication and organization was dismal on both sides of the Channel. The main docks of Dunkirk had been destroyed and the beaches were very shallow presenting what would seem insurmountable problems. However, the British proved that when their backs were to the wall they could overcome all problems.

It should also be noted that during the worst of the evacuation the British never lost their ability to carry on - no matter what. Lord tells the story of a 19 year old 2nd Lieutenant who after two weeks of non-stop fighting and looking a little scruffy spotted his father, a Brigadier, and rushed up and saluted. *"What do you mean looking like that!"* the old Brigadier thundered. *"You're bringing dishonor to the family! Get a haircut and a shave at once!"*

A highlight of the operation was the involvement of so many personal boats recruited from yacht clubs, tug operators and river transport operators. Risking their boats and their lives to the perils of crossing the Channel with no navigation aids and exposure to strafing by the Germans, they were responsible for a large part of the success of the operation during those 11 days.

As Churchill also stated in Parliament, *"Wars are not won on evacuations."* While Dunkirk was not a true military victory, it set the base for the eventual invasion of Europe and the end of the war.



P/C Jeff Brooks

Bay Point Yacht Club

**Nominated for: Rear
Commodore**

I was born and raised in Youngstown, Ohio. Drafted into the Army in 1966, I attended Officer Candidate School and was commissioned as an Armor Officer. During five years of active duty, I served in Korea and Vietnam, and was awarded the Bronze Star and Army Commendation medals for Valor, and the Combat Infantryman's Badge while serving as an Infantry Advisor. I'm a graduate of Computer Systems Institute with an Associate Degree in Computer Programming, and LaRoche College with a BS degree in Management. Both are in Pittsburgh, PA.

I spent 27 years in the financial services field, serving at banks or subsidiaries in Pennsylvania, Ohio, Louisiana, and Arizona. I have been the Chief Executive Officer or Chief Operating Officer at several banks, and have been responsible for systems, planning, marketing, mortgage lending, a finance company, credit cards, and indirect auto lending at various times during my career.

I have served as Fleet Captain three times, Treasurer, Rear Commodore, and Vice Commodore of the Bay Point Yacht Club, and as Commodore in 2012. In that position, I oversaw the floor to ceiling renovation of the Clubhouse. I also served for two years as the Alternate Director to the Florida Council of Yacht Clubs for the St Andrews Bay Yacht Club, where I remain a member as well.

I'm a past President of the Krewe of Dominique Youx, and was selected as the 28th King in 2014. I am also a founding member of Mardi Gras at the Beach, Inc., serving as President, and led the annual Mardi Gras and Pirate Festivals at Pier Park for five years as Festival Chairman.

Joining the US Coast Guard Auxiliary in 2000, I held a variety of offices up to the District level, including service as District Captain, responsible for all Auxiliary units and activities in Alabama, Mississippi, southwest Georgia, and the Florida Panhandle.

My boat crew and I were awarded the Association For Rescue at Sea (AFRAS) Silver medals in Washington, DC for saving two lives off Panama City Beach in 2010. I am very active in teaching boating safety, weather, and navigation classes, and in conducting vessel safety checks throughout the area.

My wife, Tampa, and I moved to the Bay Point area of Panama City Beach in 1999. We have two sons and a granddaughter living in Alabama. We are avid boaters, cruising up to the Chesapeake and New York City on two occasions, and regularly journey to the Out Islands of the Bahamas.

***Real McCoy ... (authentic, bona fide, and of
the highest quality)***

Some authorities believe that the expression "real McCoy" originated with an 1890s Chicago prize-fighter by the name of Kid McCoy. As the story goes, a saloon heckler questioned the local celebrity's identity. With one mighty blow, the kid decked the heckler who, on regaining his senses, stated: "That's the real McCoy, alright!" Still another version of the expression's origin stems from an Irish ballad dating from around the same period in which the wife of a certain McCoy proclaimed that she was the head of the household, wore the pants in the family, and was, therefore, "the real McCoy." Some authorities link the origin of the expression to a popular post-Prohibition Scotch whisky called McCoy's.

The most widely accepted version of its origin also dates from the days of Prohibition and has a nautical flavor. Bill McCoy, a boatbuilder from the Canadian Maritime Provinces, became very wealthy, not to mention popular, through the smuggling of bootleg liquor to cities along the northeastern seaboard of the United States. As an entrepreneur of some principle, McCoy had no known ties to the organized crime syndicates that flourished during Prohibition. Even more remarkable was the fact that the liquor McCoy delivered was pure, unadulterated, and of the highest quality - an impressive testimonial during a time when the consumption of "homemade hooch" was a frequent cause of blindness and death. Eventually rounded up and convicted of smuggling, McCoy may have been persona non grata to the Feds, but his name became a household word synonymous with 100 percent authenticity and high quality.

The Bylaws Committee proposes the following change to the FCA Bylaws. These proposed changes must be read two consecutive times by the Association and then voted on at the Change of Watch in October.

The current bylaws to be changed are as follows:

ARTICLE IV – MEMBERSHIP

SECTION 1 – GENERAL MEMBERSHIPS – General Memberships are divided into two categories; Individual Memberships and Chapter Memberships. Membership in the FCA is by invitation only upon the recommendation of two FCA members.

Individual Membership:

Any Past Commodore of a recognized yacht club and who also meets other requirements contained in the Bylaws of the FCA and who makes application to the FCA for membership shall be eligible for individual membership. Individuals are encouraged to join a local yacht club chapter but are not required to do so in order to have full membership privileges in the FCA. Only Past Commodores in good standing may be elected to office in the Association.

Any sitting Commodore or Vice Commodore of a recognized yacht club and who also meets other requirements contained in the Bylaws of the FCA and who makes application to the FCA for membership shall be eligible for individual membership. However, these members are not eligible to hold elected office in the Association but are allowed to vote.

Chapter Membership: (all remains the same)

SECTION 2 – ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP – Membership in the Associate category is limited as follows:

A. Spouses/Domestic partners of individual members or the spouse/domestic partner of a deceased past commodore who was an FCA member in good standing.

B. The current sitting Rear Commodore and Fleet Captain of Recognized Yacht Clubs. Associate membership is valid only while holding these positions.

C. An Associate Member in good standing may be nominated by the Commodore and approved by the Executive Committee to serve an annual term as Associate Member at Large of the Executive Committee to represent the interests of the associate membership of the association.

D. An Associate Member in good standing may retain their membership in FCA as long as they maintain their membership in good standing with their original FCA Chapter. These members may not change yacht clubs or FCA Chapters and still retain their Associate Member status.

Changes proposed are shown in italics as follows:

ARTICLE IV – MEMBERSHIP

SECTION 1 – GENERAL MEMBERSHIP – General Membership is divided into two categories; Individual Memberships and Chapter Memberships. Membership in the FCA is by invitation only upon the recommendation of two FCA members.

Individual Membership:

Full Member Category:

A Past Commodore of a recognized yacht club who meets other requirements contained in the Bylaws of the FCA and who makes application to the FCA for membership shall be eligible for individual membership as a Full Member. Individuals are encouraged to join a local yacht club chapter but are not required to do so in order to have full membership privileges in the FCA. Only Past Commodores in good standing may be elected to office in the Association.

Any sitting Commodore or Vice Commodore of a recognized yacht club who meets other requirements contained in the Bylaws of the FCA and who makes application to the FCA for membership shall be eligible for individual membership as a Full Member. However, these members are not eligible to hold elected office in the Association but are allowed to vote.

Associate Member Category: membership in this category is limited as follows:

Spouses/Domestic partner of a Full Member or the spouse/domestic partner of a deceased Full Member who was a FCA member in good standing.

The current sitting Rear Commodore and Fleet Captain of recognized yacht clubs and their Spouse/Domestic Partner. Associate membership is valid only while holding these positions. Paragraph d below does not apply to these associate members.

An Associate Member in good standing may be nominated by the Commodore and approved by the Executive Committee to serve an annual term as Associate Member at Large of the Executive Committee to represent the interests of the associate members of the association.

An Associate Member in good standing may retain their membership in FCA as long as they maintain their membership in good standing with their original FCA Chapter. These members may not change yacht clubs or FCA Chapters and still retain their Associate Member status.

Chapter Membership: No Change to this paragraph

SECTION 2 – MEMBERSHIP RECORD ADMINISTRATION

The Association maintains membership records including names, addresses, telephone numbers and email addresses which are used to maintain appropriate communications between the association and its members. These records are maintained by association management. This information is not available to any organization or entity outside the Association.

Full Member Categories

Past Commodore

Full Member Single

Full Member Married Spouse Associate

Full Member Married Spouse Non Associate

Full Member Domestic Partner Associate

Full Member Domestic Partner Non Associate

Associate Member Categories

Spouse Associate Member

Domestic Partner Associate Member

Rear Commodore Associate

Rear Commodore Spouse/Domestic Partner Associate

Fleet Captain Associate

Fleet Captain Spouse/Domestic Partner Associate



**Summer Meeting
Sarasota Yacht Club
July 21 - 22, 2017**





Summer Meeting
Sarasota Yacht Club
July 21 - 22, 2017





NOTE CHANGE OF VENUE



PENSACOLA YACHT CLUB FLORIDA COMMODORES ASSOCIATION ANNUAL MEETING AND CHANGE OF WATCH OCTOBER 20-21, 2017

REGISTRATION FORM

NAME(S): _____

CHAPTER/YACHT CLUB: _____

MEMBER NUMBER: (FCYC CLUB) _____ **payment options listed below

ASSOCIATE MEMBER: _____ GUEST: _____

HOME ADDRESS: _____

PREFERRED PHONE: _____ EMAIL _____

Email registration form to: PC John Matthews - johnmatthews@cox.net

Or mail form to: PC John Matthews, C/o Pensacola Yacht Club, P. O. Box 989 Pensacola, FL.32595 **before 10/12/2017**

FRIDAY, October 20, 2017

Dinner only Italian Buffet

SATURDAY, October 21, 2017

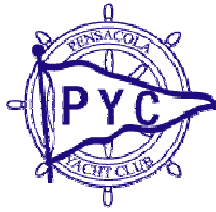
Continental breakfast

LUNCH – SOUP/SANDWICH BUFFET
\$12 per person all inclusive, except liquor

DINNER – PLATED & SERVED + ENTERTAINMENT
Chicken Picata and vegetables and dessert
\$35 per person all inclusive, except liquor

NO. PERSONS ATTENDING

**** Meal and bar charges may be paid by Cash, MasterCard/Visa or if your Club is a member of the Florida Council of Yacht Clubs, it can be billed to your home Club account.**



Welcomes

FLORIDA COMMODORES ASSOCIATION



2017 ANNUAL MEETING AND CHANGE OF WATCH

NOTICE CHANGE OF VENUE

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Friday, October 20

1000 - FCA Foundation BOD Meeting ----- Board Room
1530 - FCA EXCOM Meeting -----Board Room
1700 - 1900 - Happy Hour ----- Grill and Bar Room
1830 - Sundowner Ceremony - -----Class A Uniform with Cover (Blue Blazer, White Shirt, FCA/Club Tie, Grey Trousers/Skirt, Black Belt, Black Socks, Black Shoes)
1900 - Dinner -----Board Room

Saturday, October 21

0830 - Continental Breakfast -----Watson Sailing Center
0900 - 0930 - Registration ----- Watson Sailing Center
0930 - 1030 - Fall Membership Meeting ----- Class D Uniform (White Shirt with Epaulets, Grey Trousers/ Skirt, Black Belt, Black Socks, Black Shoes.
1030 - 1045 - Break
1045 - 1200 . Morning presentation (TBD)
1200 - 1300 - Buffet Lunch
1330 - 1430 . Afternoon presentation (TBD)
Adjourn
1800 Cocktails-----Watson Sailing Center
1900 - Change of Watch Ceremony, Dinner ----- Watson Sailing Center --- (Class A and Cocktail attire)



Marriott Courtyard Downtown

700 East Chase Street, Pensacola, FL 32502

Florida Commodores Association Meeting and Change of Watch
October 20-21, 2017

To make reservation, call the hotel direct at 850-439-3330 and say it is for the **Florida Commodores Association**. You are encouraged to go ahead and reserve now. Block Cutoff date: Sep 22. Group Rates: \$149.00 King and \$139.00- 2 queens.

