



Monthly
Meeting



October Luncheon

October 3rd, 2013
11:30 Registration

Location:
Lauderdale Yacht Club

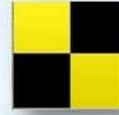
1725 SE 12th Street
Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33316
954-525-5500

Speaker:
Leslie Karentz
on
The Merchant Mariner Medical
Advisory Committee (MEDMAC)

Cost for Members & Guest \$20
RSVP for the luncheon via the website
www.ftlmc.org
on the Event Calendar or by email:
Elaine Frawley at
aefrawley@atlassinsurance.com
Work 954-653-2855 (work)

2013 Officers & Chairs

Skipper: Matthew Valcourt
First Mate: Charles Davant
Yeoman: Bryan Emond
Purser: Kristene Lundblad
Bosun: Elaine Frawley
Program: Michelle Otero Valdes
Activities: Arlene Weicher
Historian: Terry Jones
Seminar Chair: Jonathan Dunleavy



NEW CLUB WEBSITE!

If you have not done so already, please take a look at the new FLMC website. The updated site includes easier access to the information you need about upcoming and past club activities.

www.ftlmc.org

Members should have received an email with login information for access to the member only information section of the web page.

The new website was the result of work by our First Mate, Charlie Davant and Past Skipper Christopher Karentz.

2014 Club Elections

All nominees for all positions will be presented to the club at the October monthly meeting to be voted upon by the membership in attendance at the meeting. The Executive Committee currently have the following nominees listed as officer candidates. Anyone eligible and wishing to be nominated for any officer position should contact Christopher Karentz (ckarentz@sealimited.com / phone 954 777 4790) **prior to the October meeting.**

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| • Skipper | Charlie Davant |
| • 1st Mate | Kristene Lundblad |
| • Purser | Bryan Emond |
| • Yeoman | Michelle Otero Valdes |
| • Program Director | Terry Jones |
| • Bos'n | Arlene Weicher |
| • Historian | Jonathan Dunleavy |
| • Activities Director | Elaine Frawley |
| • Seminar Chairman | Hector Ramirez |



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About Us

The Fort Lauderdale Mariners Club is dedicated to the promotion of ethical business practices among the sea-going community as well as the circulation of accurate and useful information to the boating community.

Our membership includes both professional and leisure boating enthusiasts, as well as industry experts and professionals in many disciplines from around the world.

Join Us

We welcome your interest in the Mariners Club and invite you to become an active member to the benefit of each of us individually and all of us as a community.

The easiest way to join is to attend a monthly meeting as a guest of a current member.

Request an application form from an officer, complete it and mail it with your check for \$50.00 to the Mariners Club for consideration by the membership committee. Two sponsors are required.

If you want to join and do not know an active member, contact Charlie Davant
charles.davant@sedgwicklaw.com

Please visit our website at
www.ftlmc.org
to find out more about us!

This Month in Maritime History:

October 20, 1872

S. S. *Victor* wreck at Jupiter Inlet

The S.S. *Victor* was a 205' American passenger and cargo ship of 1,339 gross registered tons built in 1864. In addition to a steam engine the ship had two masts for sails. In October 1872, under the direction of Captain Gurdon Gates, Sr., the ship was bound from New York for New Orleans when it encountered heavy weather. As the ship made Jupiter Light the propeller shaft broke off, causing the ship to take on water. The crew stopped most of the leak. They then let go the port anchor and set the ships headsails to drive the ship onshore. The ship breached off Jupiter Inlet and pounded on the bottom throughout the night, as everyone onboard made preparations for getting on shore. By daylight the ship was broken in two at amidships. The crew managed to get a boat on shore and, with the help of two men from the lighthouse, ran a line between the ship and shore. They first got the women and children ashore, and then the men, during which time they swamped three boats. By 2 p.m. all hands were safely onshore. By 5 p.m. the seas settled down somewhat and the mate, chief engineer, and crew succeeded in getting off the wreck, despite swamping the boat in their first attempt. That night the gale increased and, at midnight, the ship broke up. The ship was a complete loss with nearly all of the cargo destroyed. However, all of the passengers and crew (and three dogs) were saved. They were later picked up by the steam ship *City of Austin* and taken to Key West, and then on to New Orleans.

This wreck is not unusual amongst the hundreds of shipwrecks scattered along the Florida coast. However, it highlights the dangerous and difficult circumstances faced by seafarers 140 years ago. It also showcases the incredible bravery and toughness of ship's captains and crews in those days. There is no report of anyone falling into a lifeboat.

Lindsay Places at International Beer Sommeliers Competition

Longtime FLMC Member Donald Lindsay was one of the 6 finalists at the International Beer Sommeliers Competition in Munich Germany. Don placed 2nd in the World among 50 sommeliers from around the world. Congratulate Don the next time you see him... by buying him a really, really good beer.

Really, really longtime FLMC Member Art Campbell, accompanied Don in Germany, while taking part of Ocktoberfest events. Reports from Germany are that while Art has not achieved beer sommelier status with his samplings, he has more than made up the difference in quantity and by charming the local beer maidens.



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ITEMS OF INTEREST:

Please submit newsletter ideas and items of interest to the Editor:
Bryan Emond at
bemond@sealimited.com

And thanks to all who submit
Materials for the newsletter!

**FLMC
Holiday Party**

December 7, 2013

at the

**Hollywood
Beach
Marriot**

More details soon!

24th Fort Lauderdale Marine Seminar

October 29th & 30th, 2013
Registration is Now Open!



Follow the link on the club website to find out more:
www.ftlmc.org

Registration Pricing per person:
\$515 - Late Registration (September 24th - October 25th)
\$565 - Onsite Registration

The Ft. Lauderdale Mariners Club Proudly Supports:

- Boys & Girls Club of Broward County
- Marine Industries Association of South Florida
- MIASF Waterway Cleanup
- MIASF Plywood Regatta
- South Broward High School Skills USA Program
- Seafarers House Fort Lauderdale
- Shake-A Leg Miami
- Women's International Shipping & Trading Association
- Fort Lauderdale Sea Cadets, Spruance Division

Nautical Quotes and Maritime Wisdom:

“We must free ourselves of the hope that the sea will ever rest. We must learn to sail in high winds.”

- Aristotle Onassis