



Monthly Meeting



March Luncheon

March 7th, 2013

Location:

Renaissance

*Fort Lauderdale Cruise Port Hotel
1617 S.E. 17th Street
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33316*

Speaker:

George M. Chalos, Esq
will be speaking about the recent
US Supreme Court case of
Lozman v. City of Riviera Beach

Cost for Members & Guest
\$20

****This will be a "wine-less" lunch***
(So no wine-ing!)*

*RSVP for the luncheon via the website
www.ftlmc.org on the Event Calendar or
by email: efrawley@atlassinsurance.com
or Phone 954-653-2855 (w)
954-655-5084 (c)*

2013 Officers & Chairs

Skipper: Matthew Valcourt
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Yeoman: Bryan Emond
Purser: Kristene Lundblad
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Program: Michelle Otero Valdes
Activities: Arlene Weicher
Historian: Terry Jones
Seminar Chair:
Jonathan Dunleavy



2013 FLMC PICNIC

**March 9, 2013
12:00 to 4:00 PM**

**Come join us for a day of fun and games
as well as good food at**

SNYDER PARK'S CALDWELL PAVILION



SATURDAY MARCH 9TH, 12:00 TO 4:00.

There will be an **inflatable bounce house and slide**,
games for both kids and adults, **music and entertain-
ment** by Penn House Productions.

The menu: **Chicken, Ribs, Ham-
burgers, Hot Dogs, Sausages on
the grill.** Bring your sweet tooth
and enjoy **cotton candy.**

**Plenty of refreshing kid and
adult beverages.**

Please bring a side dish to share!

**Please RSVP the number of adults, children and dish to:
arlene.weicher@crystalco.com by March 2, 2013.**

<http://ci.ftlaud.fl.us/cityparks/snyder/barkpark/index.htm>



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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!



36th Annual MIA SF Waterway Cleanup

March 16, 2013

The Annual Waterway Cleanup is one of this county's largest environmental events. In 2012 over 2,000 volunteers by land and 70 boats worked at locations across Broward County to successfully remove 18.6 tons of trash and debris from our waterways, rivers and canals.



For more information go to www.waterwayscleanup.org



SAVE THE DATE— APRIL 13-14 2013

17th Annual Plywood Regatta

The Good. The Bad. The Submerged.

Teams of middle school, high school and marine technical school students will attempt to build sea-worthy vessels using hand-tools and only the supplied material. Participants build the boats on April 13th and compete in a fun-filled race on April 14th.

Go to www.plywoodregatta.org for more information.

The 3rd Annual Miami Boat Show Kickoff Party

Approximately 270 people attended the 3rd Annual Miami Boat Show Kickoff Party in Miami Beach. The event, which was sponsored by FLMC and the Florida Yacht Brokers Association, raised approximately **\$14,000** for Shake-A-Leg. The many Mariner's Club members in attendance had a great time and showed their support for the Shake-A-Leg organization.





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South Broward High School Global Logistics Academy

- Advisory Board Members Wanted -

South Broward High School has been awarded a grant from the American Society of Transportation and Logistics for development of a career academy in Global Logistics. The academy provides planning and development of students' knowledge in the logistics, transportation and maritime trades for entry to into the workforce or transfer to a college program.

Current partners with this educational endeavor include Port Everglades of Broward County, American Maritime Officer's (AMO) Simulation, Training, Assessment & Research (STAR), Southeast Maritime and Transportation Center (SMART), and the logistics department of the Broward County School Board.

The goal of the program is to train students for jobs for entry in careers in logistics and the maritime industry. This program will reach students who have a desire to enter the workforce upon graduation from high school or who wish to transfer the high school courses for college credit.

South Broward is looking for interested businesses to help support this program and to serve as part of the advisory board. Businesses currently engaged in logistics and maritime industry interested in serving on advisory board are asked to contact **Mitzi Plunkett** at South Broward High School at mitzi.plunkett@browardschools.com or **Ted Davis** at ted.davis@browardschools.com 754-323-1800.

For more information about this funded project through the American Society of Transportation and Logistics (ASTL) contacts can be made to Anna Arnold Arnold@astl.org or Elaine Puri epuri@astl.org.

Borrowing Your Luxury: 3 Quick Tips for Obtaining Boat Financing



The process for financing, whether for a house, a car or boat, can seem daunting. This is particularly true in the current state of financial institutions. Attorney & Club Member James Jones has posted on his blog some important tips to help you prepare for financing your next boat.

Check out these tips at: thejonesfirmpllc.blogspot.com





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This Month in Maritime History:

March 6, 1987

Herald of Free Enterprise

On the evening of March 6, 1987, the *Herald of Free Enterprise*, a 131.9 meter long, 8-deck Roll-on/Roll-off (Ro/Ro) passenger and freight ferry departed the harbor at Zeebrugge in Belgium. The ship was carrying 459 passengers, 80 crew, 81 cars and 47 freight vehicles. The ship was headed across the English Channel, to Dover. The weather at the time of departure called for light winds with very little sea or swells. Approximately four minutes after passing the outer mole (a pier or breakwater) the ship capsized. Water rapidly filled the ship below the waterline trapping many people. In the end, 193 passengers and crew members lost their lives.



Investigators later determined that the cause for the ship's capsizing was that the inner and outer bow doors were left open. As the vessel accelerated, the bow wake raised higher than the bottom of the doors, allowing water to enter the vessel. The added weight of this water submerged the bow further, which accelerated the water ingress. The Assistant Bosun,



whose responsibility it was to close the bow doors, had fallen asleep in his cabin while off duty and was not awoken by the call to "Harbor Stations" when the ship departed port. He remained asleep until being tossed out of his bunk by the capsizing motion of the ship.

As a result of this and other accidents, new requirements were developed by the International Maritime Organization (IMO) to prevent, or at least reduce the risk, of such accidents. Some of these include regulations requiring indicators on the navigating bridge for all doors which, if left open, could lead to major flooding.

The capsizing of the *Herald of Free Enterprise*, along with other incidents in the late 1980's caused manifestly by human error, also became the driving force for the development of the International Management Code for the Safe Operation of Ships and for Pollution Prevention (ISM Code).

Sources:

1. [Marine Accident Investigation Bureau Report of Court No. 8074, 1987](#)
2. http://www.imo.org/blast/mainframe.asp?topic_id=1536



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Who is this Mariners?



Please email childhood
photos of yourself or other
members to:
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Last
Months
photo
was...
Leslie
Karentz!



**The Boat of the Month:
Electric Car Ferry**

Siemens, Norwegian shipyard Fjellstrand and shipping company Norled have developed what they say is the world's first electrically powered car ferry. The 80-meter vessel can carry 120 cars and 360 passengers. From 2015 onward, it will serve the route across the Sognefjord in Norway.



Rather than a diesel engine, the ferry is equipped with electric motors to drive the ship's two screws. The motors are powered by a battery weighing 10 metric tons. (Batteries not included?)

More information at maritime-connector.com

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

Word/Term of the Month:

Larboard: The term formerly used to describe the left side of a ship when facing forward, or what's now known as '**Port**'. The term came from the Middle English word *ladebord*, referring to the side of the ship on which cargo was loaded. It was used up into the mid 19th Century—see quote below.

Nautical Quotes and Maritime Wisdom

On 18 February 1846, Secretary of the Navy George Bancroft issued the following General Order: "It having been repeatedly represented to the Department, that confusion arises from the use of the words 'Larboard' and 'Starboard', in consequence of the similarity of sound, the word 'Port' is hereafter to be substituted for 'Larboard'."