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## Well Met!!

The 2013 Annual Membership Meeting was held at Harbour Village in St. Andrews, FL. Special thanks go out to Kay Cherry for coordinating and making it the best meeting ever. City Commissioner Mike Nichols welcomed the Governor Stone to Panama City as her Home Port. Local artist Dana Grubbs presented St. Andrews CRA Director Rob Rosner and Waterfront Partnership President Chris Godwin with a beautiful giclee print of his painting of the Governor Stone. Friends President Harry Dennard announced the gift was in appreciation for their Mainsail Donor contribution and long term sponsorship. Senior Captain Bill Hamilton presented a clear picture of our \$100,000 Restoration Project. 2013 Directors were elected and Officers were introduced by Nominations Chairperson Kristin Anderson. We appreciate all members and supporters for their outstanding contributions in 2012 and welcome all aboard as we cast off for an exciting and challenging cruise to events and ports of call around the Gulf.



Rob Rosner, Dana Grubbs, Harry Dennard, Chris Godwin, Mike Nichols

Photo by Stephen Flanagan  
Jackson of Panama City  
Living Magazine

## Welcome to New Board Member

Kay Cherry became our latest member of the Board of Directors at the Annual General Meeting January 12<sup>th</sup>. She is a semi-retired administrator and a hugely organized Board addition.



## Meet the 2013 Board

President Harry Dennard Woodmen of the World	Vice President Ray Mansfield Pilot/Flight Instructor
Secretary/Treasurer Carol Visalpatara Retired	Capt. Bill Hamilton Retired IBMer Master Captain
Kristin Anderson Artist, Silversmith Kristinworks	John Darrah Developer Businessman
Dean Covey Ret. Chemical Engineer Community Advocate	Cal Allen City Commissioner City of Carrabelle
Capt. Gibby Conrad Educator/Ecologist Master Captain	Kay Cherry Semi-retired Administrator

## The Board at Work

Photo by Katie Cherry



## Lighting up the Holiday Season



The Governor was again a stand-out in the Panama City, Fort Walton Beach and Destin lighted boat parades, first her class in two out of three. She then lit up the Smith Yacht Basin through New Years.

## Thanks to our Donor Level Members

St. Andrews Waterfront Partnership

Bobby Roberts

Jack Miller

Kristin Anderson

Carol Visalpatara

Carl Updyke

Harry & Sandra Dennard

John & Mary Darrah Capt. Bill Hamilton

## Lowering the Boom

The Governor's main boom was inadvertently damaged by a passing yacht in December. It is being mended at this time. We are reminded of a boom story out of the Governor Stone's near past: Kristin Anderson tells of when they brought the vessel from D'Iberville to Apalachicola in 1990. The rigging was not yet restored, so they removed all the excess weight and hoped the standing rigging would hold the masts. The 22 foot main boom was mounted on the roof of her 19 foot long Pontiac Parisienne for the journey. She stated the doors never did fit properly after that.



## Conserving our Waterways

We support Justin Riney in his 365 day paddleboard tour along the coastline and through the waterways of Florida to inspire our citizens to respect our oceans. The Governor **literally** supported him, Gabriel Gray and their paddleboards January 16<sup>th</sup> on a tour of St. Andrew Bay. Justin is actively using social media to further his cause. Follow the progress of Expedition Florida 500 via all manner of social media and join us in cleaning up our beaches.



## Like us on Facebook too

The Governor's Facebook page topped 150 likes in January. Be the next to like it and keep informed on all the Governor Stone's activities at [Facebook.com/GovernorStone](https://www.facebook.com/GovernorStone)



## Many thanks to sponsors over the past 3 months

St. Andrews Community Redevelopment Council  
Cities of Fort Walton Beach, Panama City and Freeport  
for designated docking

Legendary Marine

Baytowne Wharf

HarborWalk Village

**Volunteer Opportunities Remain Endless**  
*We are seeking tradesmen, particularly carpenters to volunteer to assist with the restoration on the Governor Stone this fall.*

## Get involved and join a committee!

Membership, Ray Mansfield chair

Operations/Scheduling, Capt. Bill Hamilton chair

Education/Culture/History, Gibby Conrad chair

Public Relations, Kristin Anderson chair

Fundraising, chairmanship open

Finance and Budget, Carol Visalpatara chair

Nominating, Kristin Anderson chair

**Email [info@GovernorStone.org](mailto:info@GovernorStone.org) or call 850-621-0011 to sign on.**

**SEE THE GOVERNOR STONE IN FORT WALTON BEACH IN FEBRUARY.**

## Dues Schedule

**Encourage your friends to join in the fun and to support the Gov**

- \_\_\_\_\_ \$10 ~ Friend (supporter)
- \_\_\_\_\_ \$25 ~ Steward Member (individual)
- \_\_\_\_\_ \$50 ~ Cabinmate Members (family)
- \_\_\_\_\_ \$250 ~ Seaman Donor
- \_\_\_\_\_ \$500 ~ Staysail Donor
- \_\_\_\_\_ \$1,000 ~ Foresail Donor
- \_\_\_\_\_ \$5,000 ~ Mainsail Donor
- \_\_\_\_\_ \$10,000 ~ Commodore Donor

All levels receive email newsletters. Memberships are tax deductible per federal tax laws. New members at each level receive a keepsake of the Governor Stone. Some premiums are awarded at the Annual General Meeting.

## Your donations of funds and services are tax deductible.

The Friends of the Governor Stone, Inc. is the 501 (c) 3 nonprofit organization that maintains this classic National Historic Landmark schooner. Keeping a wooden vessel seaworthy, safe and a beautiful sight to see is costly. The Friends welcomes all manner of assistance in the endeavor. **Call 850-621-0011 or email [info@GovernorStone.org](mailto:info@GovernorStone.org). Mail contributions to P.O. Box 4716, Fort Walton Beach, FL 32549 and keep coastal history afloat.**