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# Cabin Notes

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## Second Saturday Sails are a Blast

Even when on the third Saturday due to rain the SSS have been very popular and a chance for members to enjoy the vessel after all that repair and also for us to share the experience with the public. November 15<sup>th</sup> there was also a captain and crew training day, so we are all set.

The Second Saturday Sail in December will in fact be an evening motor trip from Panama City Marina to St. Andrews Marina in the Lighted Boat Parade. Members are invited to sign up to be on board!!



## Our Annual General Meeting will be January 31<sup>st</sup> at 2 pm CST

### Share the Gov

If you are gift-giving soon, share these new premiums with friends and family.



### GS ring buoys for \$5 donation

Plus delivery cost

Rings are 2-3" in diameter, great for key rings, tree decorations, or dangling charmingly.

## Another Year Older



The October SSS served as the birthday party for the *Governor Stone*. Cake was passed out to passers-by and served to those who sailed. She doesn't look a day over 125!

## First Saturday Work Days

Working on whatever needs doing on the *Governor Stone* is a chance to get to know her very well, especially when bilge cleaning is on the agenda. Saturday, December 5<sup>th</sup> we will be decorating for the Panama City Lighted Boat Parade on the 12<sup>th</sup> so no bilges will be involved. We do regret that all the local parades are that weekend, as we are unable to participate in the others this year. The first Saturday in November members worked to help set up the spectacular light display in Oaks by the Bay Park in St. Andrews.



## Bay County Historical Society Museum

The Friends of the Governor Stone were invited to mount a display at this new museum in Panama City and to set up a booth at the Carter Craft boat show held there October 24<sup>th</sup>.



**Embroidered 8x8 GS for \$60 donation or more + delivery, a beautiful gift**

### Or Give a Membership

#### Dues Schedule for Members

\$25 ~ Steward Member (individual)

\$50 ~ Cabinmate Members (family)

\$100 ~ Old Salt

\$250 ~ Seaman Donor

\$500 ~ Staysail Donor

\$1,000 ~ Foresail Donor

\$5,000 ~ Mainsail Donor

\$10,000 ~ Commodore Donor

**The amounts are minimums**

## From the President –

The Friends of the Governor Stone have much to be thankful for this year. Our Second Saturday Sails have been well attended and more of you are getting involved in our First Saturday Work Days. As we enter the holiday season and winter months we will be adjusting the schedule somewhat. The December 5th First Saturday Work Day will be spent decorating the Governor Stone for the Panama City Lighted Boat Parade on December 12th, which will be our Second Saturday Sail event. Just so you know, can't sail with the vessel decorated so the Boat Parade is a motor only event. January and February will be down months for sailing but busy months for maintenance as the temperatures allow. We will all look forward to March and sailing again. Sailing is the fun thing that we all enjoy doing but in order to sail much time, effort and money must be invested in maintaining the vessel for those fun times. Your donations to the Friends of the Governor Stone, Inc. are tax-deductible and greatly appreciated. Please don't be a fair weather sailor, continue your support by sharing your skills, helpful hands and donations throughout the year.

--Kay Cherry, President

### Page One Item



The Governor Stone participated in the Scarecrow Fest October 31<sup>st</sup> in St. Andrews, though it would not fit on the first page of our newsletter.

## Forever S.O.S

**Please consider a generous year end donation** to keep history alive. Maintaining the *Governor Stone* is an expensive undertaking. **You can help the Friends of the Governor Stone. Click on the 'DONATE'** button at [www.GovernorStone.org](http://www.GovernorStone.org). or mail donations directly to Friends of the Governor Stone, P.O. Box 4716, Fort Walton Beach, FL 32549. Donations are tax deductible in accordance with our tax laws. **Be a part of the solution!**

## Spotlighted Sponsor

Many thanks to the Panama City Commission for renewing the St. Andrews CRA sponsorship of the *Governor Stone* through the St. Andrews Waterfront Partnership.

### Welcome New Members August- October

David & Patricia Tye  
Captain David Clark

Patti Fritchie  
Tom Wilson

## Thanks to renewing members

George Scholl Diana Pieper  
Lenora & Dick Warriner & Blake  
Mike & Nancy Sandler  
James Gibson The John Huft Family  
Nancy Hudson Ray Mansfield

**Double thanks to our members who renew at a higher level, providing more much needed funds for maintenance of the *Governor Stone*.**

## History –Our WWII Veteran



From *We'll Deliver: Early History of the United States Marine Academy 1938-1956* by C Bradford Mitchell

“Smallest but most interesting of the Pass Christian flotilla sea the former Gulf fishing schooner *Queen of the Fleet* [*Governor Stone*]. Acquired as a hulk and partially refitted by Rhea, she was completely overhauled by cadet-midshipmen under Jennings' supervision and used exclusively for sail training as Samuel Samuels till late in the war, when she was given auxiliary gasoline power and deckhouse, and renamed Joshua Humphreys for the designer of Old Ironsides.”

## Wish List -

### Ideas

Help design and create the decorations for the lighted boat parades. Call 850-621-0011

## We Need Committee Members –

**Finance and Budget** (admittedly an acquired taste), **Membership** (an opportunity to connect with our great members), **Education and History** (delve into her past and/or develop programs) **Operations/Scheduling** (if you have sailing, boating or organizational skills), **PR** (help spread the word) or **Fundraising** (help to support all that came before and continues). 850-621-0011 to volunteer.

**We need you! Join us.**