



Rockland Yacht Club Newsletter

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From the Commodore:

Think sailing, cruising, racing! Believe it or not, it IS Spring! This picture was taken on McGlathery Island, during one of our cruises. Can you name these members? Check out the programs in the Membership Book which is due to come out in May. Helen Kuhl has been doing Yeoman's duty to get it out in time for the sailing season!



Soon Rockland Harbor will be buzzing with activity as boat owners will be preparing their boats for the upcoming season.

Jon Kuhl tells me that work is progressing on the fireplace project, and the carpeting is due to be in place for our May meeting. Other improvements have been made, so be prepared to see our new look!

Mark you calendars for the Spring Fling Meeting which is coming up on **Saturday, May 21st**. It will be a Pot Luck Dinner, starting at **4: 00 PM**. Stay tuned for further details!

Members were saddened to hear of the sudden death of Bill Keegan on March 1st of 2011. Bill and his wife, Jean, have been active members of RYC for over 14 years.. They have served on the race committee, and were chairmen of the Program Committee for five years. Their membership form reads: "will help out whenever we can."

Bill was a school psychologist working with teachers, parents and administrators in the local school districts to help troubled children thrive. He served in Vietnam as Captain with the US Army Medical Service Corps and received the Combat Medical Badge and the Bronze Star for meritorious service.

Jean and Bill were avid cruisers, having participated on yacht club cruises many times, and one winter, took their boat, CALLISTO, to Florida. They were prepared to take it South last winter, but the weather had turned against them.

Jean is hoping to get out on the water his summer, boating with friends and attending yacht club activities.. In the mean time, CALLISTO is for sale as well as their dinghy, a 10' Bombard Zodiac, new in 2009. She also has chart kits from Block Island to the Florida Keys and Explorer Chart Kits of the Bahamas and Exumas. See Craigslist.

News from the Bentzels! They are due to visit Maine via car, before they return to their boat in Florida, leave for Bermuda, then cross the Atlantic! They are having a fabulous adventure! We look forward to their presentation!

DO send your news!

