



# TOWLINE

Hernando Beach Yacht Club

May 2020

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## Commodore's Corner



**Commodore Patti Ames**

## A Crazy Year

Well it certainly has been a crazy year so far. During the last few months it has been difficult to keep track of what day it is. For some reason the passage of time feels different as most of us stay home.

### *May Excitement*

But I have decided to be excited about May. This May will be very different from past Mays. High School Proms, Graduations, Mothers Day, and Memorial Day will be just as special but celebrated differently...a little quieter and maybe without as many people. But these special events are still worth celebrating and, in some ways, may be more special than in past years. So many people are finding new and creative ways to make the best of a difficult situation. My sister made a large poster that she hung in her classroom. It was one of the key lessons she focused on :

### **"BE A PROBLEM SOLVER!"**

Being a problem solver isn't just an ability; it is a mindset. Problem solvers do not constantly complain and focus on the negative. Instead they take the more difficult road and try to bring out the best in themselves and shape their surroundings in a positive way.

### *Need for Positivity*

This pandemic has been difficult and scary, requiring us to make adjustments in how we interact with others and live our lives. Now more than ever,

the need for positivity becomes even more critical.

Every day you have a choice – be positive or be negative.

I found an article in **Forbes Magazine** and I hope it helps you “choose positive”. [Click: How To Be Positive In The Coronavirus World](#)

Stay safe and healthy,

*Patti*

## May Anniversaries

- **May 5, 1961**  
Mike & Mary Lou Belshaw

## May Birthdays

- **May 4**  
Rose Procopio
- **May 8**  
Mike Hlista
- **May 26**  
Hank Quattro
- **May 28**  
Bobbie Matassa
- **May 29**  
Tom Vernon



# 2020 Bridge and Board Members

## Bridge Members

**Commodore**  
P/C Patti Ames  
206-919-8921

**Vice Commodore**  
Susan Myers  
845-551-9346

**Rear Commodore**  
Ralph Kennedy  
813-480-3015

**Fleet Captain**  
Dennis O'Keefe  
352-442-4942

**Treasurer**  
Terry Lemmons  
352-600-2580

**Secretary**  
Judie Kennedy  
813-469-6191

**Asst. Secretary/  
Treasurer**  
VACANT

## Committee Chairs

**Budget and Finance**  
Terry Lemmons

**Membership**  
Vacant

**Planning**  
P/C Aaron Nangle

**Building and Grounds**  
Ralph Kennedy

**Ways & Means/Social**  
Patti Ames

**Memorial/Repast**  
Susan Myers

## Board Members

• P/C Mike Belshaw  
352-683-0537

• Rose Procopio  
352-540-0395

• Donna Savage  
352-382-0205

• Lidia Verdon  
352-556-5691

• P/C Dick Weichman  
352-597-2535

• P/C Aaron Nangle, Immediate Past Commodore  
727-916-0001

## Life Members

• P/C & Mrs. Don Bendickson

• P/C Sally Cosenza

• Mrs. Betty Ferguson

• Mrs. Jan Johnson

• Mrs. Stella Kelly

• P/C Bill & P/C Carmen Lavin

• P/C Dan McCann

• P/C Hank Quattro

• P/C Jim Secrest

• Mrs. Nancy Tooman

• P/C Dick Weichman

## Appointed

**Bar Manager**  
Susan Myers

### Bartenders

- Susan Myers
- Rose Procopio
- Patti Ames (back-up)

**Kitchen Manager**  
Susan Myers

**Rental Manager**  
Rose Procopio

**Chaplain**  
Stella De Jesus-Kelly

**Dock Master**  
Dennis O'Keefe

**Roster**  
Suzanne Lemmons

**Historian**  
VACANT

**Towline**  
Terrence Dunne

**Webmaster**  
Fred Ganz



# UPDATE COVID-19: FLORIDA REOPENS

Governor Ron DeSantis has announced that Florida will gradually lift coronavirus lockdowns in several phases over the next few weeks.

“Today, Florida will take a step – small, deliberate, methodical, and based on consultation with some of our greatest physicians – towards a more hopeful future,” DeSantis said. “We do have hope. There is a light at the end of the tunnel.”



On Monday, May 4th, most of Florida entered Phase 1 of to reopen the Sunshine State.

## Summary of Phase One

- Restaurants can offer outdoor seating with 6-foot spacing between tables and indoor seating at 25% capacity
- Retail can operate at 25% of indoor capacity
- Elective surgeries can resume
- No changes for bars, gyms, and personal services (like salons)
- Schools remain distance-

learning only

- Visits to senior living facilities still prohibited

## Social Guidance

Phase one also includes guidance to avoid socializing in groups of more than 10, while face coverings are recommended in all face-to-face interactions.

## What Does It Mean?

It means Floridians outside of Palm Beach, Miami-Dade and Broward counties can finally take the first permitted -- but slow -- steps toward their path to normalcy.



Professor Ben Laker, Henley Business School, UK

the conversation away from Coronavirus or agree at the start that it's a banned topic.

## How To Be Positive In The Coronavirus World

From positive emotion springs happiness. Focusing on positive emotions is more than smiling; it is the ability to remain optimistic and view one's situation from a constructive perspective. While the Coronavirus world makes optimism a challenge, there are things you can do to stay optimistic:

- Limit your access to social media and news: listen to or read it once a day to keep informed and so that you are not constantly bombarded with bad news – switch off your news

feeds, talk radio, and email alerts.

- Take time to appreciate your home and those who are with you: write a daily list of three or more things in and around your home for which you are grateful and share your gratitude with others.
- Take time out to properly enjoy your coffee breaks; now is an excellent opportunity to have proper conversations, face-to-face or remotely – steer

- Share the joy and satisfaction of others in your home express in their work and play.

- Take a new perspective on daily tasks such as cooking and look for the joy in spending time preparing something, however simple, for others and yourself.

# EASTER LONG AGO...



*Happy Easter*  
Can you guess who these HBYC members  
are from Easters past?



## Who's Who In The Happy Easter Collage?

1. *Suzanne Lemmons*
2. *Bobbye Raney*
3. *Donna Savage with her brother*
4. *Dick Weichman*
5. *Patti Ames with her father*
6. *Mike Belshaw with his sister*
7. *Judie Kennedy with her brother*
8. *John Ames*

And the winner is Suzanne Lemmons who was able to identify five Club Members. Congratulations Suzanne! When the Club reopens, you will receive a free drink!

### Breaking News

## Constellation Brands Changes Beer Name



*To avoid association with the coronavirus, Constellation Brands, the parent company of Corona beer, has name-changed their signature brew.*