



# From the Publisher

Here on summer's doorstep, we're looking forward to the annual Fourth of July celebrations, with many of us calling friends and family members for July fishing trips, and some planning vacations on beaches and boats. No one is happier than the kids who've waved "See ya" to school for a couple of months, especially those who'll be out on the water with Mom and Dad to picnic, cruise and, perhaps, hook that big one!

For this Long Island edition, contributing writer Capt. Gary P. Joyce has submitted a roundup of where to go in and around local waters to watch various fireworks displays from your boat. It's always fun and the extra mobility gained by viewing them from your boat is a great advantage. Our Sound and New Jersey/Hudson editions have other viewing sites within those areas listed in their "News & Events" section.

A noteworthy item in this month's "News & Events" covers the US Coast Guard Auxiliary's support of the "Just Wear It!" life jacket campaign and its promotion of the "Be a Survivor!" nationwide essay contest that extends through Labor Day. Participants are encouraged to submit an original story that describes how they, a friend or a loved one was saved by wearing a life jacket. Contestants will have a chance to win one of three prizes provided courtesy of West Marine. Winners will be announced October 15 and their stories may be published in the

National Safe Boating Council's book, *Saved by the Jacket*. We at *Boating World* strongly echo the very valuable advice to "Just Wear It!" and urge you to pass it on.

As is our practice from time to time, we "introduce" our readers to our contributing writers through mini-biographies submitted by them. One new "crewmember" is Capt. Gary P. Joyce, a freelance writer and editor. He has spent most of his life on and around the water, and is an avid surfer, diver, catamaran sailor and power-boater. He was the initial editor of *Boating Life* magazine and has been the editor of *Sport Diver* magazine as well as several others. Currently, he is editor of the Picnic Bay Power Squadron's newsletter, *Tell-Tale* and electronics editor of *Sportfishing*. He has written about boats and other marine topics for *Men's Journal*, *Robb Report*, and *Soldier of Fortune*. He has also tested and reviewed boats for *Boat Test.com*. His adventure travel writing has taken him from the Falkland Islands to Labrador and from Bosnia to Viet Nam. He wrote a book on rock climbing. He obtained his OUPV "six-pack" license last year and presently is between powerboats, making for "...a relatively relaxing spring." Gary is a member of Boating Writers International, the American Alpine Club, the Long Island Catamaran Sailors Association and the US Power Squadron. He is a three-tour Viet Nam combat veteran and resides with his wife on Long Island's North Fork.

Another new contributing writer is Tim

Coleman, who was born in Texas in 1946, grew up in Philadelphia and, after high school, left to live near the water. Tim writes, "Many of the major decisions in my life were made with a need to be near the ocean and its fish." That period of time through 1974 was interrupted by a stint in the Army and a year in Viet Nam followed by his earning a B.A. at the University of Rhode Island. Presently, he lives in Westerly, Rhode Island, "...a quiet coastal town with lots of striped bass nearby." Following college, Tim spent 27 years working as editor of regional fishing magazines in southern New England. In 2001, he began his semi-retirement and freelance writing career. During his 35 years of editing and writing, he did hundreds of magazine articles on sport fishing along the New England coast and authored/co-authored six books on fishing. A seventh book about surfcasting has just been completed and should be published later this year. Aside from fishing, Tim has a love for shipwreck research and shipwreck hunting, the latter often producing great fishing when located. He observes, "Thanks to [my] thrifty nature, I saved enough to buy property near Key West and am able to spend winters there, fishing and wreck hunting in the Atlantic and the Gulf of Mexico."

We send our wishes to everyone for a fun, safe July and please "Just Wear It!"

*Bill*



# From Our Readers

***Our contributing writer, Hank Foglino, received the note beneath from Ms. Cathy Ball, the Smithtown Library's Reference Librarian. Hank frequently conducts article research there. [ed.]***

***article. Her mother lives in New Jersey and remembers the ship. She thinks that Long Island Boating World is a great publication. Best, Hank [ed.]***

***Can any of our readers provide an answer to this public beach access question? If so, please call our office in Copiague at 631-225-7100. [ed.]***

Dear Mr. Foglino,

Thanks very much for bringing in the copy of your article on the wreck of the Morro Castle (June 2007 issue). I will add it to our shipwreck files and make a copy of it for my mother, who will be delighted to read it. I look forward to your other article. I will be most happy to help you again should you need things from our collection. Yours sincerely,  
Cathy Ball

***Hank covered Ms. Ball's note to him with a note for me, which read in part, "George, the writer is the Reference Librarian of the Smithtown Library (you have to wear gloves to use most of their books). I was there researching my article on British prison ships during the Revolution and told her about the Morro Castle***

Dear Editor:

I hope you have time to answer this. Last weekend we moored in Port Jefferson. We took our two small dogs to shore for a short walk. The owner of the house where we landed told us that we were no longer allowed to walk our dogs there. I asked him about public access up to the high tide line. He informed us that public access was only to the low tide line.

He was very polite and I could see why he wouldn't want people walking their dogs there all the time, but is he correct about private ownership down to the low tide line?

Walking dogs in the water is not a real option.

I love your magazine.  
Carl Swebilus

### *From the Editor*

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