

## FROM THE QUARTERDECK

## **JUNE 2015**



## TACTICIAN TO NAVI-GUESSER

As many of you can attest, Offshore Spring Series #3 was quite a foggy affair. During the second race all of the competitors

found themselves fully engulfed in what could be described as New England pea soup. The crew of *E.L.E.* and I found ourselves racing without proper instruments or charts. I acknowledged that I had no idea where we were going and asked my tactician (John Wake), "What do you suggest we do?" He looked me straight in the eyes and said, "I don't know. Let's ask the navi-guesser." On cue, Matt Lambert sheepishly responded, "I suggest we keep it simple, have a beer, forget about winning, and try our hardest not to run into Stove Point," to which I heartily agreed.

As a club, we have found our way through the proverbial fog of the recent years' challenges by relying on a disciplined approach that emulates the same strategy as safely sailing in real fog.

Keep it simple. Everything we do as a club goes back to a simple mission, which is to promote sailing. Succinctly put: we are doing what we love, at a venue that we love, with people we love—this is about as simple as it gets.

Figure out where you are. Our emphasis on long-range planning and conservative financial management allows us to confidently move forward, knowing that we are financially sound and have a good plan to keep our facility in top shape with a full and active membership.

Survey your surroundings. We look around and see our opportunities and challenges by narrowing our focus on what lies ahead, especially in regards to maintaining our waterfront facilities, including docks and our water system. Currently a special docks committee led by David Clark is working to formulate a long-range strategy. The goal is to have a comprehensive plan to present at the October Board meeting. As for the water system, this month the Flag Officers met with leaders from Stove Point and Middlesex County to discuss all angles to ensure that our club has a long-term source of quality, fresh water. We should have more to report on this topic later in the summer.

Be seen. Our wonderful club and programs continue to maintain great notoriety in the sailing world as a well-run organization which produces top-notch competitors and regattas. We continue this tradition through organizing and hosting events like Junior Week, Open House Regatta, Laser Atlantic Coast Championship, Junior Olympics, Leukemia Cup, AOD, Stingray Point Regatta, and the J/70 Chesapeake Championship. Many of our club members, young and old, travel beyond Deltaville and represent our club, whether cruising or competing. Check this Log for details from the Cruising Division! The Troutman family will be traveling to Rochelle, France, this summer to compete in the J/70 Worlds. Over a dozen FBYC boats will compete in Southern Bay Race Week in Hampton, and another seven have represented us well in the Down-the-Bay race held Memorial Day weekend. Next up will be the traveling road show that is known as Junior Sailing Race Teams (lasers and optis) which begin competing in June.

Slow down and listen. Each year we continue to engage the membership through surveys, special committees, and regular interaction with the goal to understand the needs of our constituents. Examples include the Membership Initiative Committee, led by Diane Simon, working on improving our club's offerings, the Communication Committee working on improving branding and marketing, and the previously mentioned docks committee. Each committee is working to continue to improve the benefits of membership at FBYC. Last but certainly not least, our very capable Board of Trustees represents every facet of our club, and continues to lead the club with the care of a skipper safely guiding a vessel through coastal waters in thick fog.

So keep it simple, have a drink, and come join the fun at FBYC! ~ Matt Braun

#### **BOARD REPORT - May 2015**

#### FISHING BAY YACHT CLUB - BOARD MEETING May 13, 2015

**LOG STREAMER** –Division Commanders are asked to make sure that their division is represented in the Log, even if it's just with a 2 sentence piece ideally accompanied by a photo.

**HOUSE CHAIR** –The water heaters have been installed, but still need to be connected to power source; therefore, there is no hot water in the east bathhouse. The security system has been set-up, webcam to be connected shortly. Acorn Signs is currently working on the new Board nameplates and they should be in place by next week. There are 3 ground holes on the property that are quite large and present possible hazards to members – plywood and all additional safety measures will be taken prior to the weekend.

#### **GROUNDS CHAIR -**

- **Pool**: Completed. The new diving board/ladders, etc. have been installed. There is a 250 pound weight limit. Electrical: We need to upgrade the electrical service to the east bathhouse. All FBYC work has been completed; we're awaiting Dominion VA Power to schedule the hookup. Date TBD.
- **Septic**: All campus septic tanks will be inspected and pumped as per regular contract terms.
- **Barn**: Caulking/painting is in process.
- **Grounds**: Plans continue to evolve on a permanent solution for the flower beds between the clubhouse and pool and the pool and the beach. Considerations include a rock garden and/or grass and mulch around trees.
- **Pool Pavilion**: New lighting is being evaluated.
- Miscellaneous: Dock carts are cleaned and painted. Additional seeding, particularly over the filled waterline trench, is complete. The barn roof is buckling in several locations - whether from water damage or wind. Needs to be evaluated. The roof paint itself is completely discolored and/or disintegrating
- **Neighborhood relations**: David Lennarz reported that he has met with the FBYC neighbors and all issues and concerns are being addressed. He asked that all Board Members be sensitive to the neighbors' requests and accommodations.

#### WEB MASTER -

- Revised Registration Form Form has been modified to make "social only" registration more smooth.
- FBYC IOS App The app does a great job searching

the member database and showing upcoming events and the race instructions for each. Predictions are that we will see in in the App Store within 2 weeks.

Server Issues –We are limited to 1,000MB of Memory, and our Zope, Postgres, Django and some other things fill that up every now and then, so they cut us off for 5-15 minutes from time to time as "punishment". Strothr proposes moving some of the services to a different shared server at Webfaction. It is easy enough, and it should cure the issue, but at a small cost.

#### **MARKETING** -

- Directional Signs delivered to Dixon today, team will coordinate installation across from Exon Station, and Ruark Cottage
- Dog signs in production, should be ready in the next 10 days

**ONE DESIGN DIV. CDR** – Flying Scot parking spaces have been numbered. Next project will be re-parking the barn lot.

**CRUISING DIV. CDR** – Five events are planned for next month.

**JUNIOR DIV. CDR** – Opti Kids and Junior Olympics -Doug and Jennifer Bendura are completing planning for the events, including class divisions, staffing, and boat assignments. Water bottles and shirts, as well as items for the Race Teams, are in the process of being ordered.

- **Summer Race Teams** All visas and airline tickets have been obtained. The Schedules for all four teams are being finalized, and hotels are being reserved for the coaches.
- **Junior Olympics** Registration has opened, and entertainment and food have been contracted. The race committees are nearly staffed.

**FLEET LIEUTENANT** – All vessels are in good order. There was an issue with Mr. Roberts engine; however, the problem is being promptly repaired.

**TROPHIES** – The final version of the charter for the J70 Clinard Cup reads:

"Presented in 2015 by Commodore R. Noel Clinard, founding Fleet Captain of J/70 Fleet 5 and registrant of FBYC's first J/70 yacht, in memory of the travel and local campaigns of J/70 USA 46 *Loonatictu* and her crews. The award is for outstanding performance and participation in J/70 regattas at FBYC and elsewhere, and will be awarded to the boat with the highest number of points in the specified events selected by the presiding J/70 Fleet

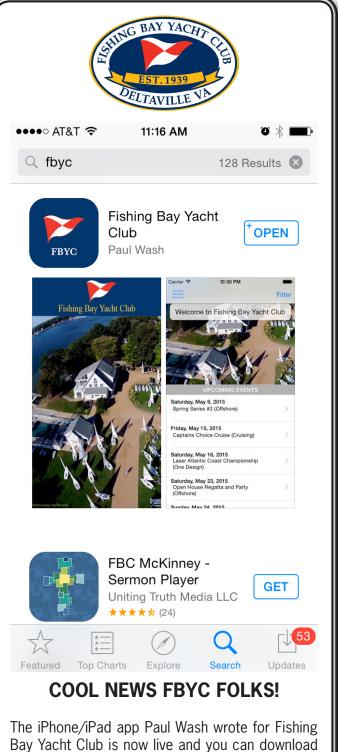
#### **BOARD REPORT / SPECIAL NOTICES**

Captain or his/her designee. Points are determined by a modified high points system and individual boat standings in each event. For events other than FBYC Friday Night Series, boats will be scored based on their standings in relation to other FBYC boats. For example, the first place boat in a specified event with 8 FBYC entrants would get 8 points for that event: the second place boat in that event would get 7 points, etc., with the eighth place finisher receiving 1 point. However, for the Stingrav Point Regatta, the J/70 World Championship, and the J/70 North American Championship, the points awarded are double what they otherwise would have been, so that the first place boat is awarded points equal to two times the number of FBYC participants. For example, if there are 8 FBYC boats at the Stingray Point Regatta, the first place boat would get 16 points, the second place boat would get 14 points, etc., with the eighth place finisher receiving 2 points. This award will be retired if the J/70 Fleet loses FBYC fleet status, or at any time at the discretion of the FBYC Board of Trustees."

A motion was made to approve the charter, the motion was seconded and the charter was approved.

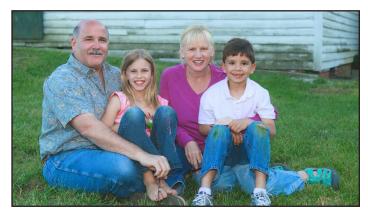
Discussion followed regarding the Patrick A. Gibson Award. Geoff asked board members to review the charter/purpose of the award and a vote will be taken at the next meeting on how whether to retire or revise.





Bay Yacht Club is now live and you can download it now from the App Store (search for FBYC and it pops right up.) Use your regular website password and username on this free app that gives you access to the membership directory, upcoming events, weather, and so much more! Download and start exploring now!

#### **SPECIAL NOTICES / MEMBERSHIP**



## THE LEUKEMIA CUP REGATTA -IT'S NOT JUST A SAILBOAT RACE. DIANE SIMON

The Leukemia Cup Regatta will take place this year on the weekend of July 10-12. This year will mark the Simon Family "Racing" team's 8th year of "racing" in the Leukemia Cup Regatta. Why do we race??? We are racing to find a CURE for leukemia, lymphoma and other blood cancers. On December 23, 1992, I was 25, had my dream job, bought my first house and was planning to start a family. That afternoon, I was diagnosed with Leukemia. My chemotherapy treatments began on Christmas Eve, and I received a bone marrow transplant from my brother Todd on May 3, 1993. What I didn't know, until many years later, was that when I was diagnosed, the 5 year survival rate for my form of Leukemia was ZERO. Thanks to treatment protocols developed by The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society's research, I have been CURED for 22 years.

To date, I have raised over \$91,000 for the Leukemia Cup Regatta. The funds raised are making tremendous strides in finding a CURE for Leukemia. Lymphoma and other blood cancers. JOIN US! Come out and race and RAISE MONEY. This isn't hard and it is really important. Skippers, when you register for the regatta, include the e-mail addresses of your crew. They will have fundraising pages set up and can raise money for your team. If every crew member can raise \$100 by asking 10 friends for \$10 each, it will add up quickly! Set a fundraising goal for your team and encourage your crew join in the fundraising. Make sure your team knows about the fundraising incentives, including tumblers, deckhand gloves, sweatshirts, windbreakers, backpacks, and much more! The grand poobah of incentives is the Gary Jobson fantasy sail. Each individual who raises over \$12,000 qualifies to attend the 2015 Fantasy Sail in Bermuda

hosted by Goslings Rum! Carl and I have attended fantasy sails in Charleston, New York City, New Orleans, Captiva and Savannah. The local yacht club hosts the fantasy sail events and every year we learn about the strides in blood cancer research, hear about innovative ways to fundraise and have a great time sailing. COME JOIN US IN BERMUDA!

Our club has a number of leukemia and lymphoma survivors, and even more lives have been touched by blood cancers. Come out and join us to have fun and help find a cure!



friends at the club on July 4. Join in with the long distance One Design race or just hang out by the pool and enjoy a traditional barbecue. Details and sign up on the web, www.fbyc.net



FBYC members, use you membership voucher to share the passion for sailing and strong friendships to be found at FBYC with a fellow sailor.

From young families, to retired couples, to singles, FBYC membership delivers an exciting range of activities and opportunities around sailing and fellowship.

Now is a great time to invite a friend to join FBYC. Initiation fees, normally \$2800, range from \$600 to \$1500 during 2015. To make it even more attractive, apply the \$500 membership voucher against the 2015 initiation fee and offer to sponsor them as a new member. See "How to Join Fishing Bay Yacht Club" www.fbyc.net

#### **MEMBERSHIP / YOUNG ADULT MEMBERS**

#### WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!



#### Mr. and Mrs. Christopher Todd Blekicki (Todd and Claudia)

Todd's first sailing experience sailing at FBYC was in 1984 while sailing in a junior Laser competition. As a junior, he sailed Lasers, Sunfish and Flying Juniors at Norfolk Yacht & Country Club and the ODU Sailing Camps. He currently sails a J-27 WAHOO out of Washington Sailing Marina in Alexandria. He looks forward to joining the club so that he can have a place to race and store his boat. In recent years, Todd and his wife, Claudia, have chartered J-24's while staying at the Tide's Inn.

These charters have drawn them to explore more sailing options in the area and, now, brought them to Fishing Bay. While the couple resides in Alexandria, they have friends in the Gloucester Court House and Topping areas, so they look forward to joining them - and their new friends at FBYC - on the water!

Sponsors: Michael W. Dale and John B. Cabell





YOUNG ADULT MEMBERS

Howdy YAMers! What are YAMers, you might ask? We are the Young Adult Members! We gather throughout the year for various events and always have a great time together! If you are interested in becoming a YAM please contact ktbranch24@gmail.com. We are always ready and eager for new members!

We intend for the June event to be held on June 28th. Our concept is to do Sunday Brunch at Matthews Yacht Club...Come by land or sea!

Also, for those with boats and interest, we may also rally an informal cruise-in-company from FBYC to Matthews YC the Saturday beforehand (June 27th), staying the night at anchor in Hudgins Creek.

More details to come...

Please put these dates on your calendar for our upcoming events:

July, 11th- Branch dock swim party! August 22nd- Garrett sandbar party!

#### JUNIOR



## JUNIOR SAILING OPPORTUNITIES FOR **EVERYONE ALL SUMMER!**

Opti Kids. Junior Week and four FBYC Race Teams are in full swing and at full capacity, but there are still many opportunities to get your junior out on the water at FBYC, no matter their age and experience! These programs are open to all juniors, and are a great follow-up to Opti Kids, Junior Week and the Junior Olympics.

#### **Private Lessons**

We will design a custom curriculum for your junior, from beginner to advanced, on Optis, Lasers or 420s. Lessons are offered all summer by appointment and are taught by our Development Team coaches. Private Lessons are a great follow-up to the group lessons taught during Opti Kids and Junior Week; and are also a great option for kids who missed those programs.

In addition to juniors, we will offer lessons on Club Lasers or 420s to adults, and again, the lessons will be tailored to the needs of the student. Group lessons are also available-so bring a friend!

Contact the coordinator, Mary Almany at almanym@ verizon.net, to schedule your lessons.

#### **Fun Sail**

July 11th. The name says it all! Join us for a day of playing on the water and pizza by the pool. Activities will include watermelon races, backward races, blindfolded races, a scavenger hunt and harbor cruise; followed by pizza at the pool! Be ready to get wet and have fun! For kids of all ages.

To register visit: https://www.fbyc.net/Juniors/Admin/ Registration

#### August OptiWeek

August 10th-13th. This fun class will be taught by our professional coaching staff. Sailors will sail double handed in Optis, and will learn capsize recovery, "tiller towards trouble", the "no-go zone", and the basics of sail trim and how to steer with a rudder, as well as finding the wind, tacking and gybing, and more advanced concepts such as sailing alone. In addition to first time sailors, the class is open to any junior who has completed Opti Kids and/or Beginner during Junior Week, and who is seeking additional instruction and time on the water before the end of summer!

Registration

To register visit: https://www.fbyc.net/Juniors/Admin/



#### RACING



LASER ACCs

The 2015 Laser Atlantic Coast Championship tested competitors both mentally and physically with long courses over shifty winds and current. Eric Reitinger (Brant Beach YC) had consistent finishes near the top nabbed him the Standard Championship while Fishing Bay Yacht Club's Alexander Hanna put up all top 3 finishes to win the Radial division.



## Radial Champion: Alexander Hanna

Saturday's racing saw the sailors racing out in the Chesapeake Bay where the currents of the Rappahannock River and the Piankatank river all converge. Winds started in the low double digits and the first race had most of the fleet racing for nearly an hour and a half. By the time the

standards started the second race- the wind eased, the current built and they sailed a shortened 3 leg race in 5-6 while the radials were postponed at the starting line.

By early afternoon the breeze came back for 2 more races. Eric Reitinger, Jon Deutsch (FBYC), Dan Herlihy (FBYC) and John MacCausland (CRYC) all won races in the Standard Fleet. Alexander Hanna and Carrson Pearce won races in the Radial Fleet.

The long day on the water was rewarded by an awesome Alain Vincey dinner followed by raffling some APS and Dynamic Dollies gift certificates and merchandise.

Sunday's early start allowed both fleets to get in one more race in a dying breeze. Charlie Brewer (Hampton YC) won that race in the Standard fleet while Gage Wilson (LYC/CYC-NC) won the Radial Fleet. Finishing 2nd in the radial fleet in that race was Boyd Bragg (FBYC) sailing his first ever Laser regatta.



#### **Standard Champion: Eric Reitinger**

Congratulations to all of the winners and thanks to all of those who travelled from near and far to sail with us. Also thanks to Mike Waters, Rick Kline and all of the folks helping run the races and to Brad Squires and Alain Vincey for the breakfast and dinners.



#### CEDAR POINT ONE DESIGN REGATTA By Noel Clinard

J70 USA 46, *Loonatictu*, recently sailed in the annual One Design Regatta at Cedar Point YC in Westport, CT. Except for its location on Saugatuck Island, at the mouth of the Saugatuck River and Long Island Sound, CPYC was both reminiscent of FBYC, and different in its sailing facilities.

The club has a nice, functional clubhouse, with bathrooms and regatta offices located on the first floor, and a great room on the second floor with kitchen facilities and "keg-erator," hung with visiting burgees, and displaying trophies for numerous one design divisions including Lightnings, Flying Scots, Thistles, Lasers, and the vintage sloop, the Atlantics. Volunteer members served breakfasts, lunches

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and dinners in simple hearty style. Race Committee was all experienced volunteers on seaworthy club launches. All familiar stuff. Outside, the club had a huge, newly paved, relatively level one design parking lot with rows by class and painted spaces, and the best hoist I've ever seen, totally silent with slow start-up and acceleration. The hoist was served by a long floating dock with 420 raft-ups. Elsewhere, the larger cruiser-racers were moored at floating docks and finger piers. The floating docks were wood, with tall steel pilings and surfaced with a smooth hardwood (not salt treated). Vacant slips were provided for J70 moorings.

Many of the usual suspects were entered with 22 J70s and 5 Lightnings. Many boats in the parking lot didn't sail. Only 5 J70s were amateurs (Corinthian) and 17 sailed with a Pro. With those odds, *Loonatictu*, driven by Max Bent, my usual travelling helmsman from Nantucket YC, and my other Nantucket regulars, Tristram Worth and Matt Judson, managed a First among the Corinthians. The Pro group was won by the inimitable Joel Ronning on *Catapult*, followed by Tim Healy on *Helly Hansen*. Thom Bowen on *Reach Around* was fourth, sailing with Marty Kullman. Allen Terhune on *Dazzler* was eighth after a dinghy knot in his main halyard failed and his main came sliding down in the first start, but he finished second and fifth in later races. See other results on Yacht Scoring.

Our top finish was aided by good results (13-5-10) in the few races sailed. Both days were marred by light air and heavy fog, with long postponements ashore (more FBYC reminiscences). But, the long slog up I-95 was more than justified by the wonderful hospitality of CPYC, the comraderie in the boatyard, generous professional advice, and the splendid setting, not two miles from the I-95 corridor in Norwalk, CT.





**Cruising notes and reminders**: After a slow start to the season we have had two successful events with many coming by the end of June. A reminder about registration. Please register as early

as possible using the website and email the event chair with the number of participants if there are problems so an accurate count is compiled. We all realize that the weather plays a large part with the timing of our sailing decisions.

The Whiteboard. There is a whiteboard on the wall in Fannie's House to be used by members who decide, because it just works out, to go sailing for a day or weekend and want to invite anyone else who happens to be at the club to come along. Indicate where and when you are headed and any other important information.

On August 15 the club will host a cruise honoring the Wounded Warriors. This event will provide an opportunity for those who have given so much to go out on boats and have a great picnic at the club. All club members are encouraged to participate. Register or contact Andy Soyars or George Sadler.

What events are coming: Cruise to Westover Plantation June 4-10; Northern Neck Wine Cruise June 12-14. There are also two long distance cruises that some may be of interested- ARC DelMarva June 20-30 and Cruise to New England beginning around the end of June. Please contact the event chair listed in at www.fbyc.net



CALLING ALL SAILORS!

Cruising, racing, hanging around by the pool? Write a few sentences for the Log and include a pic or two! We'd love to hear from our members about what their life is like as members of FBYC! Send Log articles any time you create them to nicawaters@gmail.com, with LOG in the subject line and keep your eyes on the Log for your take on our club!

# New Perpetual Trophy for J/70s Approved

FBYC Board of Trustees has approved a new trophy, The J70 Clinard Cup. Commodore Noel Clinard, founding Fleet Captain of J/70 Fleet 5, and registrant of FBYC's first J/70 yacht, has donated the new trophy in memory of the racing events of *Loonatictu* and her crews.

The award is given each year and is for outstanding performance and participation in J/70 travel regattas and FBYC events. The winning boat will be the boat with highest number of points in the events selected each year by the J/70 Fleet Captain or his/her designee. Double points will be given to those J/70s racing in the Sting Ray Point Regatta, and the J/70 World and North American Championship. The award will automatically end should the J/70 lose FBYC fleet status or, at the FBYC Board of Trustees' discretion. Thank you Noel!





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#### **FBYC TRADEWINDS**

**FOR SALE** - 1988 Hunter 26.5. Well maintained cruiser/ racer/daysailer that I have owned for 22 years. Fresh antifouling paint in June 2014. Electric start Tohatsu engine (new in 2011) with controls in cockpit. North mainsail and 155% genoa new in 2011. Full spinnaker gear. Pictures and details at: http://www.sailboatlistings. com/view/44899. Asking \$7000. Contact John Galloway at 804-824-2107 or galloway.johnp@gmail.com.

**FOR SALE** - 2014 HAULMARK BOX TRAILER 6x12 \$3,250 (new \$5,400). And racing condition Opti: 2012 ZOUM RACER with bazooka tube & 2 J-Blue, 1 J-Red & 2 Quantum sails. \$2,450 Contact Franck Picard at: franck. picard@gmail.com or call (862) 400-1745

**FOR SALE** - Marinco Y-Adaptor. 50A shore to two 30A boat, 125V. Used less than one season. New \$250, sell \$150. West Marine Premium Bosun's Chair. Used once. New \$175, sell \$95. West Marine High Seas tall cruising boots. Size 10. Never used. New \$70, sell \$25. Diesel fuel jerry can. \$10. Contact Mark Hathaway 804-350-4545.

**FOR SALE** - Optimist dinghy with dolly. Perfect for Junior Week and Opti Development Team use. \$750. Email Nica Waters at: nicawaters@gmail.com

**WANTED**: The Deltaville Maritime Museum is seeking boat and car donations. All proceeds benefit museum and park programs and future development.

**FOR RENT**: Spacious Stove Point cottage on Fishing Bay. 4 BR, 3 full baths, plus detached guest house with bedroom and full bath. Pool and new dock, magnificent sunsets! \$1800/ wk, plus \$100 cleaning fee; \$6500/ month. Contact Nancy Potts: 860-767-2991 (home), 860-395-6451 (cell), or email nancy.potts48@gmail.com





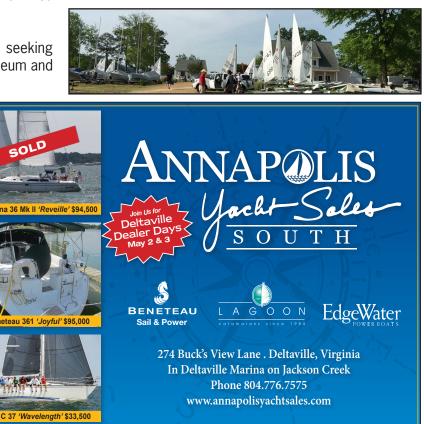
## **BURGEES FOR SALE**

X-Small 8"x12"	\$22
Small 10"x15"	\$25
Medium 12"x18"	\$30
Large 16"x24"	\$35
X-Large 24"x36"	\$70

Prices include shipping and handling. Make checks payable to FBYC.

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