

# First Watch

U.S. Brotherhood of the Coast Official News Letter



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## From the Helm



Rick "Pescador" Hoekstra  
Captain, Brotherhood of the Coast US

Taking the helm from a great Captain is always a little difficult, but I have been working hard to keep the engines running smoothly. I will be announcing new officers at the Captain's meeting in New York in August, but as a reminder of the procedure we adopted during Scott's tenure, the current officers will remain in office for up to two years to mentor the new officer. This mentorship has worked well in the past and helps make the transition smooth and invisible.

I have been busy with travels and procurement of booty since the New Year. I traveled to Puerto Rico in January to visit with Graham Castillo where we drank many shots of rum and discussed the state of the BOC in Puerto Rico.

During the last week of January, the planning and initial draft of the World Zaf 2022 agenda was discussed with "Big Dog" Peterson. The goal is to make the Zaf one of the best ever, and we are off to a good start. More details will follow in the next issues.

As a preview of my first year's activities, I am planning to attend the TexZaf in April for a rip-roaring good time in San Antonio. I will then be attending the 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Zaf in New York in association with the Captain's meeting. In November I have a trip to Australia and New Caledonia for a Zaf in the planning stage. The details are not released for the

New Caledonia Zaf at this time, but I will inform all as they come to light. Finally, in December I plan on attending the Goose Fest in Berlin, Germany. I hope we have some brothers from other tables in the US attend as well.

This year we also said good bye to a great Brother from the San Antonio table. Brother Wayne McNeil passed in December of 2018 and a memorial was held in San Antonio, TX on January 12, 2019. Wayne was the true embodiment of the Brotherhood of the Coast. He will be greatly missed. Fair winds on the eternal sea.

In closing, I am asking all table captains to try and update their table information on the BOCUS.ORG site. If you don't know how to log in, please contact me and I will be able to update information. In the interest of communication and coordination of events, it is vital that we have a central place to find up to date information. You may also contact Robert Coles "Big Hopper" for information on the website.

Orza!  
Captain Pescador

# Chesapeake Bay

Captain: Eric "Roux Ga Roux" Matherne  
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## Boxing Day Extravaganza



Chesapeake Bay Table ended the year with our annual December Tip-A-Few Boxing Day Extravaganza.

Temperatures were moderate and there was no snow to hamper travel, so everyone gathered at Cruz and Michele's condo in Norfolk in the early afternoon. One of the event's bright spots was seeing Boats (Red) and Tricia who made the trip down

from Baltimore for the festivities. Red made good on his promise to make ample amounts of his famous oyster dressing and everyone was grateful! As usual, there was no starvation -- everyone was well fed.

After the meal and plenty of grog, it was time for the "Dirty Santa" event. Always a hit, Cruz laid out his simple rules, established after years of people trying to game the system:

You must take the gift you select with you  
You may not regift your gift in any subsequent year

There was no shortage of unique and entertaining gifts, making for lots of good natured pirating and bartering to get the chance to unwrap another hidden treasure. As usual, a good time was had by all. We ate, drank and made merry in the season designed for it.





## A new year dawns with a new Table Captain

As the ball dropped on 2018 so did the Captaincy of our illustrious Upwind. He served the table better than we deserved for almost three years, setting a new standard that we will hard pressed to live up to. We want to thank him for all that he did during his term as our Captain. With a new year, however, comes a new Captain!



Now is the time of the Roux-Ga-Roux! He is a mysterious creature from the bayous of Louisiana. The Chesapeake Bay Table welcomes Brother Roux-Ga-Roux, Eric Matherne, as our new Table Captain. **ORZA!!**

Brother El Maestro, Mark Eller, will be his second and Tortuga, Peter Briggs, will assume the duties of Scribe. Wish us luck as we go forward following the path of those that came before us.





## A Brothers Only Gathering in January



Ten Brothers of the Chesapeake Bay Table gathered on a cold winter's night at the Hampton Yacht Club to officially turn over the Captain's flag to Roux-Ga-Roux, the Scribe's flag to Tortuga, and to share some pizza and beer. In reality, it was a very mild evening with a temperature in the low 60's. As always, a few good stories were told by Country Boy about the many ill-conceived boat repairs or work arounds made by others that he has been asked to fix properly.

There was some official discussion of our Table, along with the Solomon's Table and the Sailing



Capital Table, starting an annual Zaf that will rotate between the three tables. This would be in addition to the annual Summer Solstice Cruise and Raft-A-Rancho events. Our Table will most likely be the host for the first year's event. More details will be coming from our Captain.



# Corpus Christi

**Captain: Bob "Walrus" Weber**  
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The November get together was held at Brother Freddie and captive Vicki Wilkerson. The results and success of Margaritas and Señoritas was discussed. The 2019 planning meeting was secluded. Great food and drink rounded out the evening.

In January Brother Paul and captive Karen hosted our planning meeting. Several things were cussed and discussed, supplemented with Brothers Paul and Mike's Brotherhood homegrown brew.



The 2019 calendar was discussed. It was decided we would meet somewhat bimonthly this year. And we would do two minor events this year. A shrimp boil and a downsized Margaritas and Señoritas. The shrimp boil will be in May. And we're considering a one-day Margaritas and Señoritas in October to coincide with the Harvest Moon Regatta. This is very fluid and will be discussed later. This was followed by a great meal prepared by Karen supplemented by adult beverages, lies and storytelling.

Bob Weber (Walrus)  
Captain Corpus Christi Table  
(The Scribe is 'Holystoning' the deck)

# Houston

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The Houston table has been doing just fine. I will say that we had a very wet fall going into a wet and cold winter that dampened the spirits of our boating activities. We usually get a good almost perfect 3-6 weeks around October that we did not get this year. It went from 95 degrees to 60 (or less) and nasty wet. I do believe I heard we had the wettest fall on record. With that said, we did what we could. The Houston table saw a strong contingent participating in the Solomons Zaf coinciding with the National Assembly of Table Captains. We want to give a big shout out and a big ORZA to the fine folks in Solomons for hosting such a great event. A great time was had by all as old friendships were strengthened and new ones were forged!

Going into September saw our Labor Day Cruise to Galveston. We had about 4 Brother's boats along with a few Pasajero's boats go down to Galveston. Granted we were fighting the weather that weekend also but we still managed to have a good time. We even got the dinghies out and had a fairly good dinghy cruise with about 6 dinghies participating.

The end of September is when we migrate down the coast toward Port Aransas and attend the Margaritas and Señoritas Zaf in Aransas Pass by boat. Three Brother's boat made the trip as well as one Pasajero boat. From the Houston area to the Port Aransas area is a good 200 miles by boat. It was all planning boats this year so we did it in two 100 mile days. For the most part, all went well. Again, the trip started out with fairly crappy wet weather but the winds were basically calm so it made for a smooth journey...albeit wet. The clouds cleared a few days later and of course the wind picked up. The journey back saw sunny skies and winds in the 20-25kt range...so not exactly a smooth ride back. But the important part was while we were there. The folks in the Corpus Christi table put on a great Zaf and we all had a great time. A big ORZA to the fine folks in the Corpus table!!!







The cold pretty much set in come October and no more significant boat trips were undertaken for the rest of the year. We did have a big party for one of our Captives, Peti (wife of JD "Sour Mash" Thompson) at the Pirate's Porch. It was well attended and guess what, the weather was not perfect!!! But we had a blast and a great birthday party for Peti.





Early December saw the Christmas Boat Lane Parade in Clear Lake. It is a fairly large boat parade with about 150 boats participating. Bull Horn Fred as well as Brother Sour Mash hosted on their boats as we spectated the parade and ended up having a great time. The weather was not too bad although quite cold (40s). A couple of weeks later saw our table's annual Christmas party hosted by our now National Captain, Rick "Pescador" Hoekstra and his lovely Captive Traci. This party is always well attended and we always have some crashers from the other Texas tables.



Finally, Mid January we had our planning meeting for the entire upcoming year. Based on all of the events we have planned, as well as those events planned by other tables, this year should turn out to be a busy and exciting one. San Antonio is hosting the TexZaf this year and we hope everyone will make an effort to come down for this Zaf!!! I am thinking it will be quite an event. Hope to see everyone at some point this year!!!

ORZA!!!  
John "Sky King" Baker

# New York

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## 60<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION



### Yo Bro!

The Park Lane Hotel, Lunch cruise around Manhattan,  
9/11 Memorial Museum, Brasserie 8 1/2, Tuscany  
Steakhouse, Shop 'til you drop!

So, come to New York and take a bite out of the Big  
Apple.

August 16-18, 2019

**Annual Holiday Dinner**  
**Saturday, December 8**



**Glasses waiting to be filled!**

We gathered at Ina Fine's apartment to initiate the Holiday Season. There was a record number of Brothers and Mates enjoying the good spirits and excellent dinner prepared by Ina. Here is a chance to highlight some of our Mates:

*Ina*



*Gail*



*Irena*



*Jane*



*Leslie*



*Marie*



*“The ornament of a house is the friends who frequent it.”*

Ralph Waldo Emerson (1803-1882)

After dinner we enjoyed Lenny's music from his concertina followed by enthusiastic singing of carols. The singing was led by our International Trio shown below.





*Robert/Belgium      Sal/Egypt      Norma/Argentina*

### **The International Trio**

#### **Ceremonial Zaf**

**Sunday, January 6, 2019**

Prior to the induction ceremony we held a serious business meeting at the home of Chris Nietzsche and Marie Genteale. It was the second meeting to review the plans already researched by the Olmers and Joe Citarella. Fortifying us before the meeting was a vast repast of appetizers, desserts and adult beverages contributed by everyone. We welcomed Scott and Elizabeth, marina neighbors of several Brothers, for the second time. They lowered the average age of our splendid group.



Then the serious part of the day began with a formal ceremony making Stewart Napoleon Brother #722, "Emperor". His mate Leslie looked on proudly as Robert "Big Hopper" led the proceedings.



Our next Zaf will be Sunday, March 17, for the [Wearing of the Green](#).

Looking forward to hosting the National Zaf and Annual Assembly of Captains August 16-18, 2019 in the heart of New York City. Concurrently we will be celebrating the 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the founding of the New York Table and that of the USA Brotherhood, November 1959.

See the Registration package in the last pages of this issue of First Watch.



*Respectfully submitted,  
JungleJane*

# San Antonio

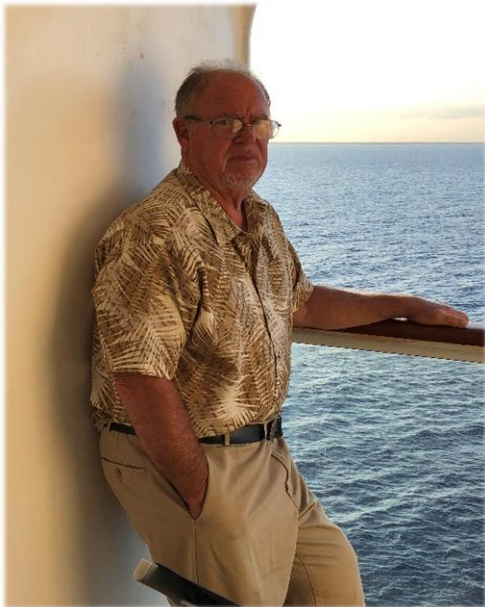
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Purser: David “Pilgram” Overpeck

## **Adios Kilo Pata Barrera**

**Wayne Michael McNeil**

Flag #140

June 22, 1947 – December 2, 2018



A son of Texas, Wayne was born in Austin. His career choice moved him to the Houston area where he worked his entire life for Exxon in Baytown. 31 years ago he met and married Patty. After 36 years with Exxon, Wayne retired and he and Patty moved to the family lake house at Canyon Lake where they owned and operated Fawncrest Vineyards.

Wayne was a private airplane pilot, sailor and avid hunter. When he wasn't at Fawncrest he could be found at T.A.R.A., the 1600 acre ranch and game preserve near Del Rio, that he was a partner in.

Wayne was a lifelong sailor and could be found aboard his sailboat *Bon Vivant* most weekends, even living aboard for a period of time. While at Waterford Harbor at Kemah he came to know the Brotherhood of the Coast and was inducted into the Houston Table in January, 1991 and took the nom de plumbe of Kilo Pata Barrera as a result of sailing through duck blinds late at night aboard former US Captain Les Thompson's boat *Merlin*.



When they moved to Canyon Lake, Wayne transferred his flag to the San Antonio Table where he later served as its Scribe and Captain. Wayne's son, "Little Wayne", later followed his father in the Brotherhood, being inducted into the Table in April 2014. Over the years he and Patty traveled to Zafs at almost every US Table along with several International Zafs.

On December 2 he passed away unexpectedly at his home. A "Celebration of Life" was held for Wayne in January.

Wayne was larger than life and was a perfect example of the true spirit of The Brotherhood, shown by his love of the sea and love of his fellow Brother. His absence will be deeply felt but we know that he is still with us.

***May fair winds and following seas carry you on your journey.***

## Cowboy Christmas at the Barn

The San Antonio Table met in December for the almost annual Christmas dinner/party at Craig and Cheryl's barn, the site of the Saturday night TexZaf 2019 evening party. Adult beverages were enjoyed by most and appetites were honed with copious appetizers. The main course of tenderloin as served minus the Madera wine sauce which failed to make the trip from San Antonio.

After dinner. We enjoyed the usual white elephant gift exchange. By the way, we are still waiting for the recipient of the 2004 vintage Berringer White Zinfandel to pick up their gift! I am sure it was left at the barn by accident. Fair warning- If not picked up, somebody may see it again this year!

Following the gift exchange, Bob Wills and Cheryl introduced us to a new "game". We were divided up into teams of 4-5 and each team was given a tote filled with all sorts and conditions of items ranging from mop heads (Dick wore it well!), corks, etc. to tampons (yes, Dick again starred, showing how they did make good ear plugs!). The object of the game was to use as many of the items as possible in a skit that the teams were given 15 minutes to prepare. The skits were judged on humor, originality, continuity and the number of items used with special bonus given if all items were used.

The ear plugs saved Charles' team and they actually won first place. That team was made up of (I think) Laurie, Shelby, Charles and Dick. if I missed anyone, apologies! I think having the skits later in the evening allowed the creative juices (as well as the ability to recognize good humor) to develop (refer to earlier comment about adult beverages). Everyone must have had a good time because the last to leave did so close to 11PM! We are already planning this year's party. Submitted by Craig.





**For more holly jolly good Christmas fun photos...see**

<https://photonotions.smugmug.com/BOC/BOC-Christmas-2018/n-9gbGHj>

## **Stuper Bowl Party**

*(not a typo)☺*

The San Antonio Table gather at Bob Will's beautiful Hill County Ranch outside Bandera for the Table's annual homage to TV advertising (the 10-60 second spots sold for millions of dollars to debut during the Super Bowl)...oh yeah, we did watch a little of the football game also, but was anyone paying attention. Boring.

Food and drink were enjoyed and special evening was enjoyed by all. We'll let the pictures tell the story.







## **Upcoming Activities:**

**March 23 – Lawn Hydro Races - Mary Laxson's home**

**April 26-29 – TexZaf 2019 - San Antonio and the Texas Hill Country**

**May 2 – Italian Night - Simonini's home**

**June (date TBA) – Shrimpfest at the Vineyard – Patty McNeil's home**

**July 20 – Pool Party – Greenspring Valley Pool – Rogers'**

**August 16-18 – National Captain's meeting – New York**

**September (Date TBA) – Dinner with Charles and Marsha – Hankins' home**

**October 12 – Weinfest at David and Sissi's home**

**November 9 – Game night – Sasser's Barn**

**December 21 – Cowboy Christmas Party – Wright's Barn**

**Throughout the summer, impromptu raft-ups on Canyon Lake**

**And of course, First Thursday EVERY first Thursday of the month**

# Sun Coast

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On November 15, 2018, Captain Virg (Phantom) Mellott held the Table’s annual business meeting at the Mellott household. Captain Virg will stay on as the Sun Coast Table Captain for 2019. We had a quorum present and finalized plans for our annual Little Pirates Christmas ZAF to be held in early December 2018, and also assigned monthly happy hour / Tip-A-Few dates for next year. We voted to forgo any happy hour or Tip-A-Few in November due to the Thanksgiving Holiday and all the preparations required for our annual Zaf just a few weeks from this meeting.

The Sun Coast Table’s 29<sup>th</sup> consecutive Little Pirates Christmas Zaf was held December 7<sup>th</sup> through the 9<sup>th</sup>, 2018. We had several cancellations prior to the ZAF after planning on about 60 guests to include our own Brothers and those from various Tables throughout the country. We ended up with 42 total attending and found the small size of the group made for a more intimate gathering with more time to spend visiting with out of town Brothers and Captives. Friday evening we donned our pirate gear and had a catered BBQ dinner with music in the clubhouse of the community where Captain Virg and his captive, Kathie, live. We, as always, supplied all the drinks and a good time was had by all when we wrapped it up at about 10:30 pm.

Saturday, we again held lawn hydro races in the beautiful back yard on the shores of the Manatee River at the home of Brother Roger (Blind Mouth) Meyer and Captive Judy Meyer. Their home is well suited for a large gathering with large backyard and lots of chairs, including inside tables and chairs for those who chose not to enter into the hydro racing. Brother John (The Crab) D’Alusio cooked hotdogs and brats to go with all the “picnic” fare we provided to include left over BBQ from the night before. We had five (5) boats entered and had a really good time “hucking” the little boats around our race course. The winner for the day was Monty (Python) Rogers who brought his own boat from San Antonio. He tells us this boat has never lost any race he has entered it in! (*Editor’s comment: You can’t believe anything a Pirate says*) Captive Bette Frick donated the grand prize of a bottle of “Glass Skull Vodka”. This company produces the worst vodka you have ever tasted with after tastes of a cross between jet fuel and turpentine! The company is owned by Dan Akroid, who should stick to acting versus vodka distilling!

Saturday evening we moved the ZAF to our favorite local restaurant, Arte Caffe. It is in the Village of the Arts, Bradenton, Florida in a 100+ year old house. The owners and chefs are Remo and Meridith Mambelli. Several of us here locally have patronized this

truly authentic Italian restaurant virtually every Friday for over a year and a half which produced about 10 pounds of extra weight over that same time period! Remo moved to the US from Italy in 1990 and has been cooking the best Italian food found anywhere. Meredith does all the desert baking and cooking and her tiramisu is to die for! The Mambelli's setup tables, chairs, lighting and a covered food tent in the large yard behind the restaurant, closed the restaurant to the public and catered a fantastic meal fit for a king and queen that went on for hours. We provided all the wine and beer, of course. It was a gold medal event and thoroughly enjoyed by all.

Sunday morning we closed out the event by having a Sunday Brunch at Piridia Country Club. Their fare is very well displayed with a huge variety to choose from. As usual, it rained, but we were warm and cozy inside but had no golfers to enjoy watching on their beautiful golf course.

A side note, on December 29<sup>th</sup>, Captain Virg Mellott had a scheduled open heart aortic valve replacement surgery to include a mitral valve repair and appendage removal. I am recovering well from the surgery in spite of the pneumonia I contracted while in the hospital. They tell me I'll feel like a new man, but I haven't experienced that yet!

On January 23, 2019, Brother Joe (Flaco) Vermeren and his Captive Julie Smith sponsored our January Tip-A-Few at the Riverhouse Grill on the mighty Manatee River here in Bradenton, Florida. There were approximately two dozen attending and all had a good time getting together for the first time since our ZAF.





## TEX ZAF 2019 April 25th-29th, 2019

Thangs in Texas are a “chagin’ up, Padnah! Git yur spurs on!  
The Sunsets are Amazing!!

Mark your calendar for Tex Zaf 2019 in San Antonio and the Texas Hill Country.

An Annual Tex Zaf will be held each year by one of the three Texas Tables.

Guests should arrive on Thursday, April 25, 2019, and settle in with their hosts or hotel. Out of Country and out of State guests will have first available housing with SA Brothers and Captives. Group hotel arrangements are at Hampton Inn San Antonio Northwoods for our other travelers. See registration form.

≈Friday, April 26<sup>th</sup> – Experience Texas in Bandera. Breakfast with hosts and then you will be transported to Bandera (about an hour West of SA) where you will experience the Cowboy Capital of the World. Optional shopping and tour downtown Bandera.

Around 11:00 AM we gather at the beautiful Texas ranch of Brother Bob Wills for an afternoon of PURE TEXAS. Enjoy the expansive views and beauty of the Texas Hill Country. You may experience a game of horseshoes or try your best to rope a steer (probably not a live steer). We won’t divulge all events this early. Barbecue dinner, adult beverages, western music and dancing to complete the day.

≈Saturday, April 27<sup>th</sup> – Early, you will don your Pirate finest and gather in south downtown San Antonio in the old King William Historic area for the annual King William Fair Parade. This is one CRAZY PARADE!

Some local breakfast tacos and beverages are expected to once again fortify our group. San Antonio's Pirate ship "Orza" will sail in the parade and we will hand out our Mardi Gras beads and entertain those along the parade route.

Afterwards, we will stop at Tycoon Flats for food and refreshment. Lunch on your own with free rounds of nachos and happy hour drinks.

The rest of the day will allow you to tour and travel as you wish or rest-up for the nighttime gathering at Craig and Cheryl Wright's beautiful, relaxing property just north of San Antonio. Experience a different view of our amazing Texas Hill Country. Live entertainment is planned as usual, along with ample food and adult beverages. Depending on the number of guests, transportation will be provided from the hotel.

≈Sunday, April 28<sup>th</sup> – early start for a tour of the Texas Wine Country is being planned. Transportation provided. Sunday is optional and cost will be minimal, on your own.

≈Monday, April 29<sup>th</sup> - For those who can stay, a tour of the San Antonio Riverwalk, The Alamo, the Menger Hotel Teddy Roosevelt Bar, Tower of the Americas and if there is time, a couple of the local Missions. Costs on your own.



# TEX ZAF 2019 SAN ANTONIO

## IT'S TIME TO PARTY

### TEXAS STYLE!

The Activities Begin early on Friday, April 26<sup>th</sup>. Plan to arrive on Thursday, April 25<sup>th</sup>

See the attached 'Schedule of Events' for this Experience Texas Weekend of Fun & Frolic!

Cost: \$250 per couple/ \$125.00 individual --- Don't Wait

Limited to first 100 folks registering. Make your Plans Now!

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#### REGISTRATION FORM

Name of Attendee(s): \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

BOC Table: \_\_\_\_\_

Limited bunks with San Antonio hosts will be available. Out of Country & Out of State will take first availability. In State when/if available.

# of Bunks Needed \_\_\_\_\_

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Hotel has been arranged with Hampton Inn San Antonio, Northwoods  
Call 210-404-1144 for reservations.

\$102 per night – triple Hilton Reward Points.

Tell them you are with Brotherhood of the Coast. They are excited that the BOC is staying with them!

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Will arrive by Car: Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_ RV (no room needed): Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_

Air (need ride from airport): Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_ Will rent car: Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_

Date of arrival? \_\_\_\_\_ Date of departure? \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

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Mail Your Check & Registration To:

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**The Table of New York is honored to host the 2019 U.S. National Zafarrancho and Captains' Meeting, August 16 to 18, in New York City. We will also be celebrating the 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the New York Table and the U.S. Brotherhood!** Our program has been developed to allow attendees to sample the best New York City has to offer and give them enough free time to explore sights on their own.

We have reserved a block of rooms for the nights of August 16 & 17 at the Park Lane New York, a 4-star luxury hotel located in the heart of Midtown Manhattan across from Central Park on 59<sup>th</sup> Street between 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> Avenues, next door to the fabled Plaza Hotel. It is within walking distance of fabulous Fifth Avenue shopping (Cartier here we come!), Rockefeller Center and St. Patrick's Cathedral. Times Square, Lincoln Center and Broadway shows are easily reached by cab or subway. Executive Queen rooms are available at the discounted rate of \$255/night, with a few Executive Double rooms (two double beds) at the discounted rate of \$299/night. Rates include all taxes and fees. Included in this package is a Hospitality Reception at the hotel each evening 5 to 7 pm offering hors d'oeuvres, wine, beer and soft drinks. These rates are available two days before and after the Zaf, based on hotel availability. **In order to get this special package, all reservations must be made through the New York Table.** Since the room block is limited, rooms will be given on a first-come, first-served basis.

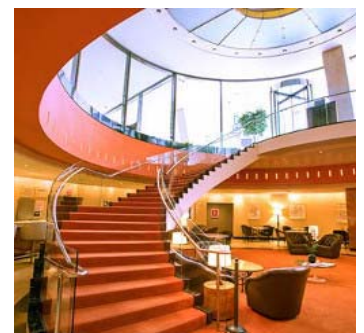


**Friday Afternoon:** There is nothing quite like messing around in boats! Seeing Manhattan from the water is one of those experiences that is hard to forget.

Optional Lunch Cruise. Bateaux New York's unique European-inspired, glass-enclosed dining vessel offers guests the most sophisticated way to see New York Harbor. You will enjoy a three-course lunch, unobstructed views, light narration highlighting the city's most iconic landmarks and a live pianist. Boarding at Chelsea Piers at 11:30 am. Cruise 12 to 2 pm. All taxes and fees are included. Dressy Casual Attire. **Cost: \$69/person plus cash bar.**



**Friday 7 to 10 pm:** Buffet Dinner in private dining room at Brasserie 8½, an upscale French brasserie located at 9 West 57<sup>th</sup> Street – a short walk from the hotel. There is a large bar with a generous open area for Brothers to linger after dinner. Two glasses of wine, beer or soft drinks per person are included with dinner as part of the Zaf cost. Dressy Casual Attire.





**Saturday 8 to 11 am:** National Captains' Meeting at Tuscany Steakhouse, 117 West 58<sup>th</sup> Street, one block from the Park Lane. Coffee and light breakfast will be served.

**Saturday 2 pm:** Optional visit to 9/11 Memorial & Museum. Who among us can forget the searing images of the World Trade Towers burning and collapsing on September 11<sup>th</sup>. Zaf attendees have the option to visit the National 9/11 Memorial & Museum, located within the original footprint of the North Tower, with images, recordings and artifacts from that day. The Museum provides intimate stories of loss, compassion, reckoning and recovery that are central to telling the story of the attacks and the aftermath. At the entrance to the Museum is the National 9/11 Memorial, twin reflecting pools which sit in the footprint of where the twin towers stood. The names of every person who died in the 2001 and 1993 attacks are inscribed into bronze panels edging the Memorial pools, a powerful reminder of the largest loss of life resulting from a foreign attack on American soil and the greatest single loss of rescue personnel in American history. This is not to be missed! **Cost: \$20/person.**



**Saturday 7 to 12 pm:** Dinner at Tuscany Steakhouse, 117 West 58<sup>th</sup> Street. The Tuscany features dry-aged steaks. Other dishes include daily-featured selections of fresh seafood, delicious appetizers and family-style sides. Brothers will select entrees from the menu. Dinner is included as part of the Zaf cost with a cash bar. Formal Brotherhood Dress.



**Sunday 8 to 11 am:** We invite you to join us for a Farewell Breakfast in the Park Lane Dining Room. **Cost: On your own.**



**Total Zaf Cost: \$299/person**

**The Park Lane Hotel Package includes** a Hospitality Reception each evening 5 to 7 pm, unlimited use of the Fitness Center, high-speed wireless Internet, all local, long distance and international calls, and complimentary luggage storage prior to 4 pm check in and after 12 noon check out. All taxes and fees are included in our package.

***So come to New York and take a bite out of the Big Apple!***



**ZAF REGISTRATION FORM**

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Brother** \_\_\_\_ **Engage** \_\_\_\_  
**Table:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Attending Captains' Meeting:** Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_  
**Email :** \_\_\_\_\_ **Cell Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Name of Mate/Guest:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Special Dietary Needs:** \_\_\_\_\_

| <u>Hotel Dates</u>                   | <u>One Queen Bed</u><br><u>\$255/night</u> | <u>Two Double Beds</u><br><u>\$299/night</u> |
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| Wednesday, August 14                 | _____                                      | _____  |
| Thursday, August 15                  | _____                                      | _____  |
| <b>Friday, August 16</b>             | _____                                      | _____  |
| <b>Saturday, August 17</b>           | _____                                      | _____  |
| Sunday, August 18                    | _____                                      | _____  |
| Monday, August 19                    | _____                                      | _____  |
| <b>Total Number of Hotel Nights:</b> | _____                                      | _____  |

**Total Cost & Payment**

**Hotel:** \_\_\_\_\_ nights at \$255/night = \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ nights at \$299/night = \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
**Zaf Cost:** \_\_\_\_\_ people at \$299/person = \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
**Lunch Cruise:** \_\_\_\_\_ people at \$69/person = \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
**9/11 Memorial Visit:** \_\_\_\_\_ people at \$20/person = \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
  
**Total Cost:** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**25% deposit due by April 1, 2019 / Balance due by June 15, 2019**  
 All payments are non-refundable. Any exceptions will be reviewed at the Captains' Meeting.

**Hotel reservations must be made through the New York Table in order to get our special package.**  
 Send Registration Form and check payable to **Brotherhood of the Coast, Table of NY Inc.** to:

**Joe Citarella**  
**18 Summit Road**  
**Riverside, CT 06878**

If you have any questions please call Jane Protzman at 718-885-1517 or email janeprotzman@gmail.com. Due to space constraints the number of participants will be limited. We strongly encourage you to register as soon as possible to ensure your spot for this truly memorable Zaf.

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## SOME MORE INTERESTING THINGS TO DO IN MANHATTAN

Check it all out at <http://www.nycgo.com>

### In the Midtown area – walkable from the Park Lane or a short cab or subway ride away:

- Central Park Model Boat Sailing <http://www.sailthepark.com> Rent a boat / Challenge a Brother to race!
- Carriage Ride in Central Park / Lunch at Tavern on the Green
- Central Park Zoo
- Rockefeller Center and The Top of the Rock (advance tickets can be purchased on-line)
- Russian Tea Room
- St. Patrick's Cathedral
- Trump Tower
- Seventh Regiment Armory
- Times Square
- Radio City Music Hall
- New York Public Library / Bryant Park
- Explore Grand Central Terminal / Lunch at the Oyster Bar
- Museum of Modern Art, Museum of Arts and Design, Metropolitan Museum of Art and many more
- The Cathedral Church of St. John the Divine
- Broadway Theater District
- New York City Diamond District
- Intrepid Sea, Air and Space Museum
- NYC Hop On/Hop Off Bus Tours

### Close to the Friday afternoon Lunch Cruise:

- **The High Line** is a 1.45 mile long public park built on a historic freight rail line elevated above the streets of Manhattan's West Side from 14<sup>th</sup> Street to 34<sup>th</sup> Street. It is very close to Chelsea Piers (West 22<sup>nd</sup> Street & the Hudson River) which is where our Friday afternoon lunch cruise departs.

**Shop till you drop along Fifth and Madison Avenues** - Louis Vuitton, Chanel, Tiffany, FAO Schwartz, Bergdorf Goodman, Saint Laurent, Burberry, Dior, Fendi, Coach, Gucci, Armani, Versace, Hermes and Cartier to name just a few, all within walking distance of the Park Lane.

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