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TODAY is the PRESIDENTS' DAY Holiday. We celebrate the birthdays of two of our most famous Presidents, both of whom were born in the month of February, but neither of whom was born on today's date. **George Washington** was born on **February 22, 1732**, in Westmoreland County, Virginia, and **Abraham Lincoln** was born on **February 12, 1809**, in a one-room log cabin in Hardin County, Kentucky . . . in case you want to send a card!

When you get to Florida in the Winter, it's hard to leave. So, already signed up and ready for **Bacardi Miami Sailing Week** (March 1-7) are southern Bay (and beyond) VIPER 640 racers **Steve Taylor** (Viper 220), **Henry and Barb Anthor with Dave Eberwine** (Viper 227), and, from Raleigh, **Sarah and Eddy Parker with Dave Furna**. Word is that the newest southern Bay Viper skipper, **Mark Wheeler**, will be sailing with Steve Taylor in Miami. From the **J70** side of the house, **Latane Montague** has entered *Full Monty*.

THIS COMING SATURDAY, February 21, 2015 - SAFETY AT SEA SEMINAR, Presented by The Mariners' Museum & Landfall Navigation – 8:30am-4:00pm – hosted by The Mariners' Museum– A day-long Safety at Sea Seminar designed and conducted by sailors and experts in their fields! The seminar provides both novice and experienced mariners alike with the information and skills required to sail the Chesapeake Bay or offshore. You'll also earn an official **Near Coastal Safety at Sea Certification** from US Sailing. Seminar topics include: Emergency Communications, Damage Control, Crew Overboard & Emergencies, The AIS System, Medical Care & Prevention, Bay Weather and Life Raft Demo & Inflation. Cost: \$110. - for info, TMM members discounts, etc. and to register go to www.marinersmuseum.org ; or call (757) 591-7749.

SBRW 2015 Gear and Apparel now available at Coral Reef Sailing Apparel – 10% savings. Southern Bay Race Week gear and apparel is available at the CRSA site now. Order on-line or by phone and be sure to take the special SBRW 10% discount. The **Coupon Code is: SBRW_2015**. Click on <http://www.coralreefsailing.com/index.php/catalog/category/view/s/2015-southern-bay-race-week/id/1540/?store=srw> or call 1-717-274-5621. SBRW Tech shirts, T-shirts, polos, fleecies, hats, gear bags and more! Be the best dressed crew at SBRW!! For SBRW regatta info (entry list, on-line entry, scratch sheets, NOR, event sponsors' logos and links, accommodations, docking, etc.) click on <http://www.yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=1250>

So, you want to be a real CREW DOG. Here is a great Crew Training Program on the southern Bay. Sign up early – you are going to have a good time learning some good stuff!

FBYC Crew Training Program classes start in March. Fishing Bay Yacht Club started this program over 25 years ago and has been introducing sailors to the sport and to FBYC ever since. The class consists of 3 evening classes in Richmond and 2 optional on-the-water practice days at FBYC (Deltaville). Classroom instruction is provided by FBYC racing skippers and crew with experience in local, national and international racing. Participants are given written materials to compliment the classroom sessions. *Classroom sessions* (all at 6:30pm on Tuesdays): March 24, March 31, and April 14. *Optional On-the-Water* (both at 10 am): Saturday, April 18 and Sunday, May 3. Space is limited, so register early. Sign up Online at www.FBYC.net or contact **Jon Deutsch, 804-305-1244** or **Greg Watt, 757-849-8451** Click on <https://www.fbyc.net/Sailing/Crewtraining> for detailed info and an informative video.

[NOTE: Cruising Club of Virginia (CCV) will soon be announcing their annual Crew Training schedule and program details soon. Stay tuned.]

MURPHY'S LAW: *Yrs Truly, the Racing Beagle*, is all for formally recognizing presidents' birthdays, especially the cake and ice cream part. *The Murphster*, of course, was the youngest-ever president of Puppy Kennel 101, back in the day. Don't worry about the candles; just send Cold Stone Creamery gift cards!! /S/ *Murphy the Racing Beagle, the sailing spirit in us all.*

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