



*The Long Island Single Sailors' Association ... Our 35th Year*



## Commodore's Corner

*Howard Marks*

**We hope everybody had a great New Year's Eve.** We went to see "Holiday Spectacular On Ice," at the Patchogue Theater, hosted by Nancy Kerrigan, 2 time Olympic Champion. What a spectacular show. Singing, dancing, skating, lighting, everything about it was superb. It was a great way to ring in the New Year on a positive and, if I might say, a musical note. So here's my wish for all of us, a toast to the New Year – 2022. \*Raise your virtual glass high: "May we spend the next year beyond the covid blues in peace, freedom and health, doing the things that make us happy". Salute!! \*In that vein:

**\*We're having our Kick-Off Planning Meeting at Billy's on Sunday, Jan 9<sup>th</sup>.** There are no other events this month. Winter's traditionally a quiet time for LISSA, the quietude exacerbated this year by the covid freak-out. But I think some of us could use a little rest to recover from the hustle-bustle of the Holiday Season. A little down-time never hurt anybody. But I don't want to get complacent. Inertia begets inertia. With the Commack Library available for meetings again, it's my intent to schedule monthly or, at least, bi-monthly meetings there. This will enable us to get together more easily in a comfortable environment, without imposing on someone's home. We'll be able to meet upstairs in one of their bigger rooms instead of that claustrophobic cave they gave us downstairs which I understand is now being used for storage.

**There is no Birthday Babies Dinner this month.** However, if someone would like to suggest a place to eat, please get in touch with me and we'll notify everybody via email and see who will join us.

## Coming About – January 2022

**Sunday, January 9<sup>th</sup> – 7:00 PM**

**Next LISSA Planning Meeting**

**Billy Vassel's House - 90 Twin Oaks Drive,  
Kings Park**

**This will be a no frills meeting. No food, just a meeting. Please have dinner before you arrive.** We'd like to plan as much of the summer as possible but, it's kind of difficult to plan a whole season in ONE meeting. We did a pretty good job last time but, if nothing else, I'd like to get an overview of what the year could look like, sort of an outline with details to be filled in later. **But, there's good news. I called the Commack Public Library** and found out that they do have space available for us in one of their big rooms upstairs as long as we reserve one month in advance with a small amount of flexibility in terms of the date. It's very workable, folks. And so, after our meeting at Billy's, I'd like to call and reserve the room for a March/April Meeting. This'll be a great way for us to get back on a good track for planning events. The Library's Covid policy is: If you've been vaccinated, you don't have to wear a mask and they don't ask you to show a vax card either. It's the honor system. We like it. This is a sensible policy and I look forward to LISSA Planning Meetings there in 2022. (Food is allowed so, if we want, maybe we can bring in some Dunkin Donuts and coffee.)



**Who Said:** I have not failed. I've just found 10,000 ways that won't work.

*See end of "Coming About" for answer.  
(upside-down)*

## Coming About News - January

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Thomas Edison

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## Jibberish & Bilge

**Sangria 71 Christmas Dinner** was attended by 17 LISSA Members who enjoyed the flavors of Spain. KUDOS TO SANTA HOWARD! Holiday Dinner included a Santa-themed grab bag. Fun and mysterious gifts were pulled from the sack, but I know Howard helped the elves put extra things in there!

I was the recipient of a cool black and white plaid tote (I am currently using it for art supplies) and a tiny pine-embellished milk can ornament, currently hanging from my rear-view mirror. Just great!

My paella was really good, and the wine and sangria flowed. What a great end to our year! Howard, I hope the ride back to the North Pole was traffic free - you really were a great elf. 😊 \_\_\_\_\_ Eileen O'Shea



**See You All – Out There!**