

connectivity to USCG Lake Worth Inlet and Navy Reserves at NOSC, and thanked Eric Rydstrom and Jim Wells for their assistance in Maritime Affairs.

Development **Eric Stein** - *this position is also vacant on 2012 slate; in response to Pres. Ken's request for assistance in making headway in the Planned Giving area, Jim Wells, a financial professional, agreed to meet with Ken to discuss the subject*

Youth Programs **CAPT Deirdre Krause** - *Deirdre gave another positive report on the membership and performance of the Palm Beach Sea Cadets and noted that their annual awards night in Dec. was highlighted by: (1) Pres. Ken Lee served as Inspecting Officer (2) The Cadet corps received a Meritorious Unit ribbon for 2011, and (3) Cadet corps C.O. LCDR Dave Boucher received a Meritorious Service Ribbon. Director Adele Siegel led a round of applause for Deirdre's outstanding service as council VP Youth Programs.*

Programs **Sue Comerford** - *Sue's projected activity list was reviewed and approved with the following specific comments:*

- *JAN: on track for Installation luncheon at Sailfish; 21 reservations to date*
- *FEB: still need speaker for luncheon to be held at Sailfish Club*
- *MAR: Sue C. to make dinner schedule decisions and advise us for March dinner at McCarty's with wicker cab ride before or after.*
- *APR: Director Astronaut Bob Crippen agreed to be featured speaker at the Special Club luncheon scheduled for April (thanks to Sumner Hushing for arranging the speaking gig). Exec VP(elect) Frank Drennan asked if we couldn't publish a 2012 At A Glance version of our activities in order to help members in their planning. It was agreed that Sue C. would put her information in such a format for review by Pres. Ken and distr. by Jackie S.*

Old Business **Ken Lee**

- *Phone Call System (Crippen) - Bob agreed to keep trying this system to see if it becomes a popular element; Pres. Ken asked what we owed Bob & he said "nothing; I've got it."*
- *Dec 10th USCG Holiday Party - attended by Pedricks, Eric Stein and Linda Nelson, Catherine Brister, Barb Green and Ken lee; excellent setting on a nice activity deck at the base of the Jupiter Lighthouse another nice sign of our increased connectivity with USCG; council funded \$390 of the party expenses (voted on last meeting).*
- *Dec 13 Sea Cadets End of Year Awards & Dinner - Pres. Ken added to Deirdre's comments, noting that the Berean Academy is a Christian school with 650 students K thru 12 and with a desire to be affiliated with the Sea Cadets, and so far it's a win-win relationship*
- *tax letters for CY2011 donations (7 mailed 12/31; 11 ready for hand-out/mail today) - several letters were mailed 12/31; the remainder were distributed to meeting attendees today (status sheet maintained by Pres.)*
- *New Website still on hold; old Website is updated*

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It was suggested that the "2012 At A Glance" info should be on website, too - Pres. Ken will do

New Business

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Ken Lee

- Upcoming Events
 - Jan 17 Installation luncheon at Sailfish Club (CWO3 John Gatti-Speaker)
RADM Andy Giordano Special Guest - Sue reported we've been assigned a larger room in anticipation of a good turnout
 - Feb 11 Seafarers House tribute luncheon for Joe Giambrone
 - Feb 21 Luncheon at Sailfish Club **spkr?**
 - **Feb 26 Joint Luncheon Cruise with MOAA** - Pres. Ken reported this will be another Majestic Princess 2-hr cruise from Lake Park Marina; 6 persons indicated they would attend; some inquired about bringing guests, which is fine
 - Speaker coordinator - Sumner Hushing helped today by proposing Bob Crippen as guest speaker soon, and we agreed on the April luncheon
 - Planned Giving attorney - Pres. Ken will consult with Director Jim Wells
 - ITEMS FROM THE BOARD? send me a note
 - Sumner inquired whether we were making progress toward taking credit card payments; the answer is no, but we are including instructions re paying dues by online banking with the imminent membership renewal letters
 - Jack Veasy suggested that a monthly happy hour type social might be a good idea and succeed in getting more members to socialize if they can do it without a \$35-45 lunch bill; no specific action taken, but the suggestion taken under advisement
 - Catherine Brister asked if we could provide any help in getting USS MISSISSIPPI commissioning invitation/tickets; Pres. Ken asked Director Frank Drennan to use his submarine connections and make something good happen
 - Director Frank Drennan mentioned that Commander U.S. Submarine Forces will be in our area a couple months from now and he would be alert to seeing if he couldn't make a Navy League or Pundit speaker event happen (homerun if it works out)

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* Donations when called for * Speaker Coordinator * Comms/PR * Development

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