

HARBOR

# It's the Harbor Cup

Port sponsors invitational college regatta.



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Story by Capt. Michael Barnes, Harbor; Photos by Paul Krugman

The Port of Los Angeles sponsored the 2010 Invitational Intercollegiate Three-Day Regatta, held March 12 - 14. The California Maritime Academy of Vallejo was the regatta's inviting school, being hosted by the Los Angeles Yacht Club in San Pedro. During these days of cutbacks, layoffs and early retirements, it was refreshing to see the City and the Port supporting the bright youths of today and tomorrow's future maritime industry leaders. The Port did not spend any taxpayer dollars to promote or support this very worthy annual event.

Ten teams from universities and academies from throughout the United States came together to compete for the honor of winning the prestigious Port of Los Angeles Harbor Cup. The coed crews consisted of seven students in randomly assigned Catalina 37 sail-

boats chartered from the Long Beach Yacht Foundation. Ten university and academy racing teams competed in the regatta. Teams came from Cal Maritime; Maine Maritime; the U.S. Merchant Marine; the U.S. Coast Guard; the U.S. Navy; Cal State Channel Islands; Chapman University; the University of Hawaii; U.C. Davis; and USC.

The sailing competition consisted of eight races held over three days. Two days of racing took place approximately a half-mile offshore near Point Fermin, known locally as "Hurricane Gulch" for its brisk onshore breezes. Unfortunately, the weather forced one day of racing to be held inside the protective Los Angeles to Long Beach breakwater. After three days of exciting racing, USC managed to edge out Cal Maritime with points garnered during the last two races of the regatta to seize the three-foot-tall Deed of Gift Harbor Cup Perpetual Trophy for all their hard work and skills. Just as a matter of interest, this trophy is

nine inches taller than the America's Cup!

Gary Jobson, president of U.S. Sailing, was the guest speaker at Saturday night's dinner. Jobson is a former All-American collegiate sailor and was the tactician for Ted Turner's winning America's Cup entry.

Three Harbor Captains supplied assistance throughout this event. Capt. Jim Morgan, Chairman from the Los Angeles Yacht Club and the race event, provided logistic and technical support. He is also Director of the Harbor's Construction and Maintenance Division. Cptns. Michael Barnes and Anthony DiTucci, aboard the Port of Los Angeles' 65-foot yacht, *Angelina II*, acted as hosts to the visiting university and academy teams and supporters.

The participating sailing crews and supporters had a terrific time during this close-to-the-wire regatta competition. Everyone is looking forward with great gusto and excitement to participating in next year's 2011 Harbor Challenge Cup!



USC's sailing team won the Harbor Cup regatta.



Capt. Michael Barnes.



Capt. Jim Morgan, Chairman, Los Angeles Yacht Club.



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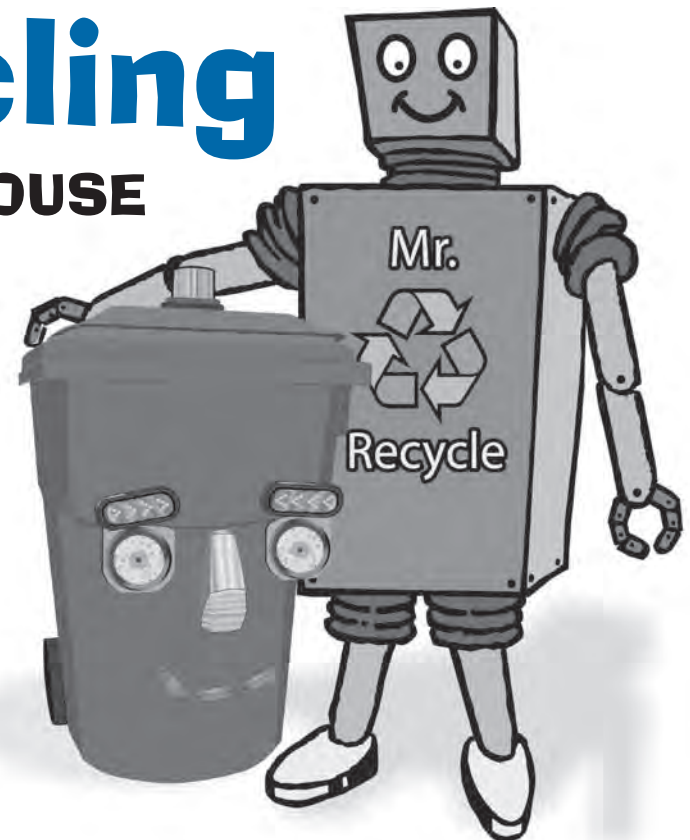
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