

The Shoreline

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Hello everyone,

This morning in the shower I was thinking of what to write in this month's newsletter. Once upon a time, on my other job, I had the opportunity to cross-train with the military. I had the pleasure to train with US Navy Seals and the guys down South @ Camp Pendleton. So, I thought I'd write about Navy Seal "wetsuit appreciation training." But, then I changed my mind. I thought with all this talk of Guantanamo Bay Cuba, and torture, I'd write instead about aircraft dunker school – that was undisputed torture. But again, I changed my mind.

I decided instead to comment, in a Reader's Digest version about this journey we find ourselves in called life. No one would dispute that times are a little tough. I liken it to a 10K run or at times something more intense like a marathon. In a 10K run you run with lots of people, a mass of humanity. You're somewhat protected by the group. In a marathon, you find yourself alone. The distance is too great. You must find your inner courage and run your pace and no other.

Courage is a special kind of knowledge; the knowledge of how to fear what ought to be feared and how not to fear what ought not to be feared. From this (knowledge) comes an inner strength that inspires us to push on in the face of great difficulty – that marathon. What seems impossible is often possible with courage. So, whatever difficulties you're facing today, draw on that and keep trying. The road to success runs uphill. When all else fails; begin again. With courage we'll all get through this and finish our individual life's marathon.

Howard Cosell once said this about Ali during an interview. "Courage takes many forms, There is physical courage. There is moral courage. Then, there is a still higher type of courage, the courage to brave pain, to live with it, to never let others know of it and to still find joy in life, to wake up in the morning with an enthusiasm for the day ahead."

REAL NEWS:

At our last manager's meeting, we learned that the Coast Guard will begin enforcing Rule 9 of the International and Inland Navigation Rules & Regulations. Simply stated, stay clear of commercial vessels, tugs barges, pilot boats, etc. in narrow channels. Please read attached notice from the Coast Guard Los Angeles-Long Beach sector.

Our marina has a new tenant. Capt. George Miller has opened his new brokers office adjacent to the marina office called "My Boat Company Yacht Sales." You can contact George at Cell (310) 923-8414 or Office at (310) 549-BOAT (2628).

Until next time,
Jerry HHW Marina Manager