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WINNING DECORATIVE BOATS ARE ANNOUNCED
2005 Harbor Holiday Afloat Parade Draws Thousands of Spectators

SAN PEDRO, Calif. – Thousands of Harbor area locals waved and cheered watching a colorful array of boats at the 2005 Los Angeles Harbor Holiday Afloat Parade on Saturday, December 3.

Los Angeles City Councilwoman Janice Hahn, 15th District, presided as Commodore of the Fleet at this year’s waterborne parade of lights. The parade co-Grand Marshals were Margaret Hernandez, Honorary Mayor of Wilmington, and San Pedro businessman Andrew Silber, proprietor of the Whale & Ale British Pub and Restaurant. Major sponsors of this local holiday tradition were the Port of Los Angeles and Comcast Cable.

There were 29 boats that participated in the parade. Mark Fogle from San Pedro, the owner of Playmate of the Waves, won the Grand Marshall’s Trophy. Other winners included: Robert Alarcon from Covina, Los Dorados II, Commodore’s Trophy; Thomas Christensen from Laguna Hills, Julia Morgan, Children’s Choice award; and Hope Olson, of Long Beach, Sean Bitani, of San Pedro, and Bernard Books, of Carson, owners of Hope for Happiness, Rari, and Athena, respectively, won Most Original for their collaborative entry.

Holiday Spirit Winners:
1st Place - Tony Kubis from Long Beach, Volante III
2nd Place - Jim and Jan Schaefer from Carson, Jimmy’s Buoy IV
3rd Place - Ronald and Cynthia Smith from Rancho Palos Verdes, Reina Cynajara
4th Place - Jim Dimon and Julie Nelson from San Pedro, Cabrillo
5th Place - Edward Ramos and Mike Cervantes from Palos Verdes Estates, Clarigee

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L.A. Harbor Holiday Afloat Winners
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Best Animation Winners
1st Place - Rico Briceno from Wilmington, Off Call,
2nd Place - Joe Rogers from Long Beach, Sea Scape
3rd Place - Jerry and Sandra Bacarri from San Pedro, Sharkbait
4th Place - Teepee Maria Short from Bellflower, Roscoe
5th Place - Vicent Castro and Rigoverto Briceno from San Pedro, Off Call Tender

Humorous Winners:
1st Place - Vicki Guy from Harbor City, Ms. Sociable
2nd Place - Terrance Brown from Los Angeles, Bewitched
3rd Place - Frank Canetti, Jr. from San Pedro, Mataka
4th Place - Ron Skokan from San Pedro, Carmen
5th Place - Richard Stroik from Seal Beach, Bay Dream

Classic Craft Winners:
1st Place - Lauri Hamilton and Dois Brock from San Pedro, Ashika
2nd Place - David Alvarado from San Pedro, Sea Bride
3rd Place - Sean Bifani from San Pedro, Rari
4th Place - Bernard Brooks from Carson, Athena
5th Place - Ron Flisher from Spring Valley, Sea Hawk

Commercial Winners:
1st Place - Duane Osburn from Lakewood, Debra Lynn
2nd Place - Libby DiBernardo from San Pedro, Avanti
3rd Place - Millennium Maritime from Wilmington, Millennium Star

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