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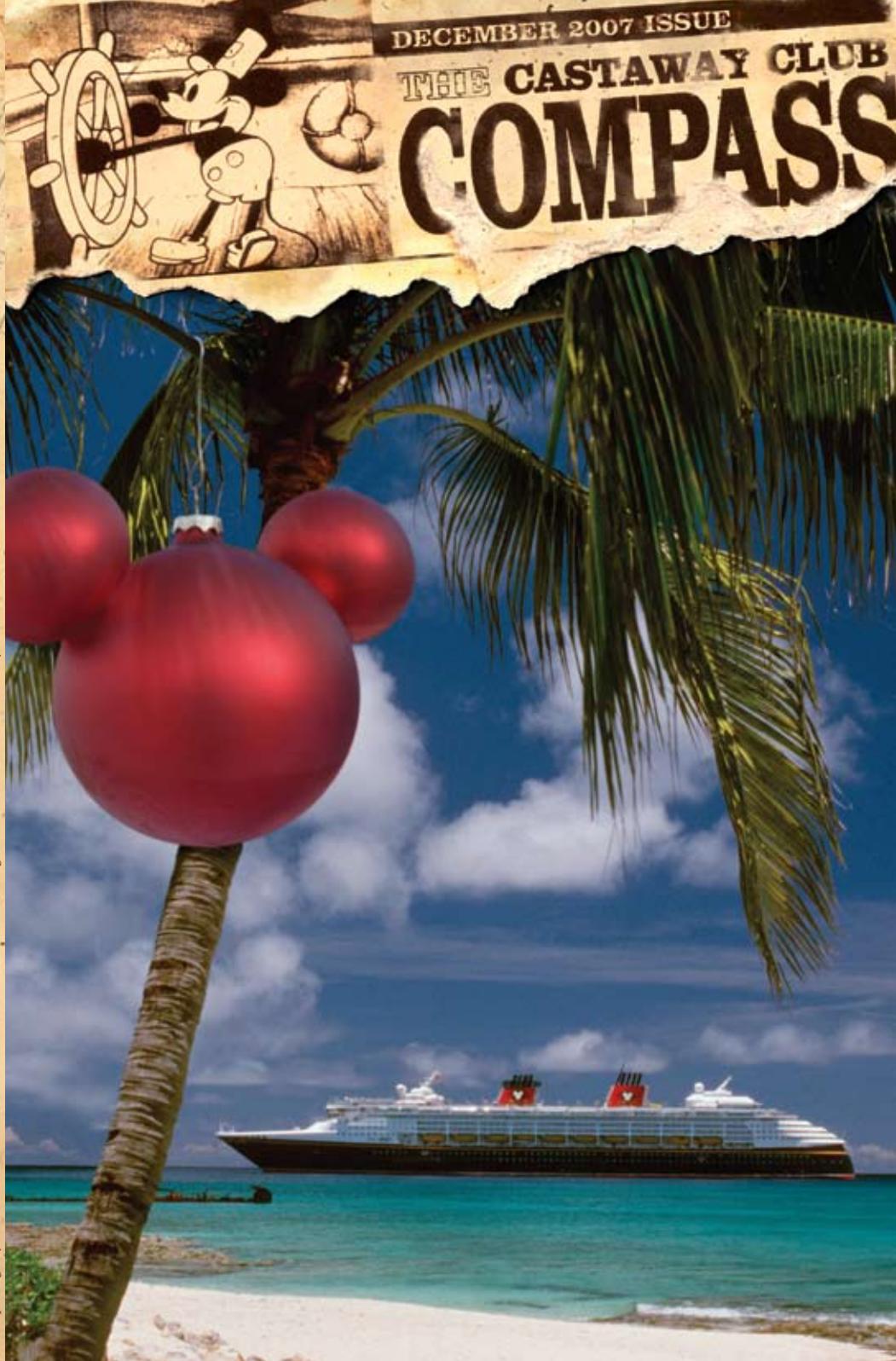
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THE CASTAWAY CLUB
COMPASS

From the Captain:



Seasons Greetings Castaway Club Members!

My name is John Barwis and I am the Master of the beautiful Disney Wonder®. I have been with Disney Cruise Line since 1997 – before the ships made their maiden voyages from Italy. It's been a pleasure meeting many of you through the years.

The holidays are always a special time of year, but they are even more magical on Disney Wonder and Disney Magic®. It's a joy to see so many families and friends coming together to sail over the holidays. Gathering together for a photograph in front of the tree in the lobby atrium or sharing a special meal in one of the restaurants. Bringing families together with Disney Cruise Line always makes for magical memories.

I hope you enjoy this issue of Castaway Club Compass. Be certain to check out the information on our 2008 and 2009 itineraries, as well as the exciting changes we've made for your next voyage.

Kind regards,

Captain John

Captain John Barwis, Master M/S Disney Wonder



A little pat on the port.

Disney Cruise Line recognized as one of the "World's Best."

Every year, The Condé Nast Readers Choice Awards recognize the best in travel for resorts, destinations, airlines, cruise lines and car rental agencies.

This year, *Disney Cruise Line* was ranked number three in the cruise line category. Up against some of the most distinguished lines in the cruise industry, the family-focused cruise experience rounded out the top three in "Large Cruise Ship" category just behind Crystal Cruises and Regent Seven Seas, who placed No. 1 and No. 2, respectively.

Disney Cruise Line has been able to move up in every category each year, earning top honors and further confirming a niche position as a family product.

"We are delighted to be recognized by such an esteemed travel community," said Tom McAlpin, President of *Disney Cruise Line*. "This award is a testament to the continued dedication in creating an unparalleled family cruise vacation. Families know they can trust us to provide a quality, immersive Disney experience."

Head East! To the Eastern Caribbean, that is. New itineraries for *Disney Cruise Line* in 2009.

In 2009, *Disney Cruise Line* will offer Guests three different Eastern Caribbean itineraries to choose from when *Disney Magic* adds two new ports for a limited time.

Along with the original Eastern Caribbean itinerary, a new Eastern Caribbean itinerary will include a stop at St. Croix. With beautiful beaches and world-class recreational activities, it's a new stop that past cruisers and new ones will love to visit! Shop all day in Christiansted, or visit Fredericksted with its lush rainforests or the Whim Greathouse, a restored plantation from the 1700s.

The other new Eastern Caribbean itinerary will visit Tortola, the largest island of the British Virgin Islands. With its white-sand beaches and rugged mountain peaks, there's warm tropical breezes and spectacular views for every adventurer.



Our Eastern Caribbean itinerary with visits to St. Maarten, St. Thomas and Disney's *Castaway Cay* sails every fourth week throughout the year.

Our Eastern Caribbean itinerary with visits to **St. Croix**, St. Thomas and Disney's *Castaway Cay* departs 1/3/09, 1/31/09, 2/28/09, 3/28/09, 10/10/09, 11/7/09, 12/5/09, and 1/2/10.

Our Eastern Caribbean itinerary with visits to **Tortola**, St. Thomas and Disney's *Castaway Cay* departs 4/25/09, 5/23/09, 6/20/09, 7/18/09, 8/15/09, and 9/12/09.

For more information on dates, or to book your cruise, visit www.disneycruise.com, call **1-800-449-3380** or call your Travel Agent.



The magic and wonder of the holidays. Literally.

Experience the holidays at sea with *Disney Cruise Line*®.

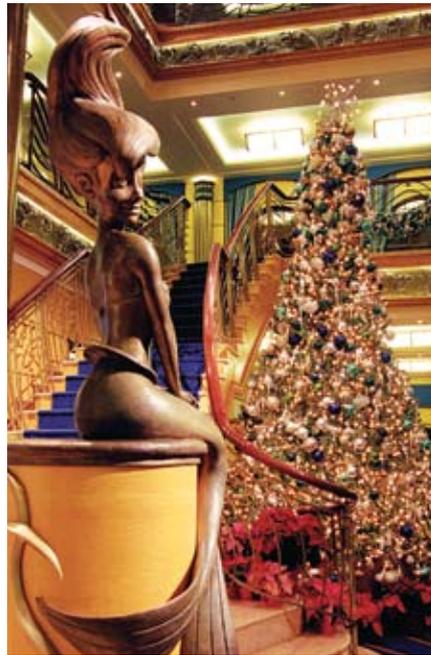
If you're planning on a Disney cruise during the holidays, you can expect even more pixie dust! The festivities begin the moment you arrive at Port Canaveral. Disney Characters in their holiday best will welcome you to the decorated cruise terminal. And after you've celebrated there, it's time to move the festivities onboard!



Sure hope Santa brought some shorts on that sleigh.

Going on now through the December 23 sailings you'll find Disney holiday traditions on your cruise that will make you feel right at home on the sea. In the lobby, you'll find a nearly three-deck-tall tree, with decorations and a special tree-lighting-ceremony while "snow" flurries fall. You'll also hear carols sung by crew members from around the globe (exclusively on cruises over the Christmas holiday). You and your family will also find special times to design and decorate gingerbread houses. Plus, you'll find holiday feasts in every dining room. Why should Santa have all the fun with that full belly? Then on Christmas Eve, gather round while Mrs. Claus gives a special reading of "The Night Before Christmas." And

on Christmas Day, there will be a visit from Santa Goofy with surprises for all the kids. There will also be multiple interdenominational



holiday services during Christmas and Hannukah cruises only.

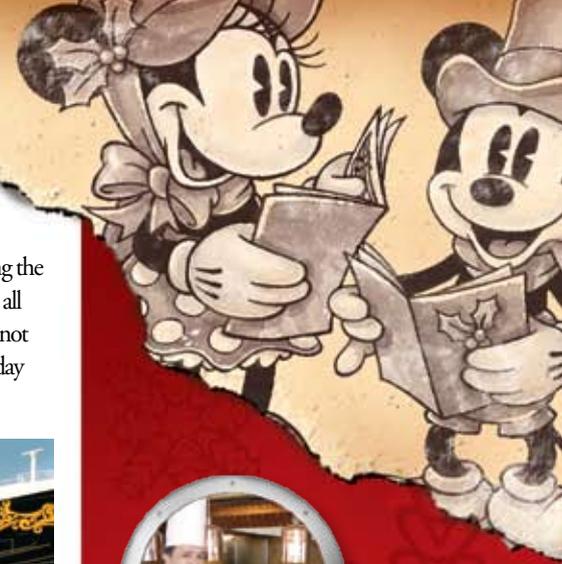
Dreaming of a white, sandy Christmas?

The fun doesn't stop on the ship. The holiday events extend to Disney's private island, *Castaway Cay*! Through December 29, when you arrive at the sandy, Bahamian isle, you'll find the beaches white with...snow. And the island transformed into a magical wonderland and "snowy" hideaway.

Mr. and Mrs. Snowman are wearing shell noses and tropical attire as they welcome you to the island. Santa's reindeer don't do sand (it's written into their contract), but when you hop the tram, you'll notice it's reindeer-themed, complete with antlers and tail.

If you think you need a tan, you should see the elves.

If you would like to join *Disney Cruise Line*® during the holidays, start making your plans now! Although all of our holiday sailings are booked for this year, it's not too early to plan for next year. It'll be the best holiday present your family has ever unwrapped!



Crew Member Spotlight

Chef Patrick Albert

Food Manager, *Disney Magic*®,
Bordeaux, France

What were your holiday traditions in your country?

We have a Christmas tree that has a lot of decorations since we buy a new one every year. In my family, we have the tradition of a seafood and foie gras dinner. On Christmas Day, we traditionally will have a goose or turkey, depending on the number of guests.

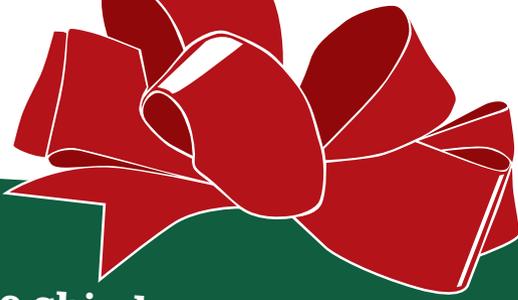
How did you bring those traditions to the ship?

I try to create the same "family" attitude when creating the holiday menu for the crew by insuring each one can find a dish or preparation that corresponds to their own holiday celebration.

What's your favorite thing about bringing holiday traditions to Guests?

Creating a "Christmas" atmosphere onboard a ship that sails the Caribbean in sunny weather, where you can see a snowman on a sunny day at *Castaway Cay*.

The Christmas tree in the Main Lobby atrium of each ship is 20' tall and adorned with traditional, elegant holiday décor.



Bring the ship home! (Except the anchor.)

Bring all the fun of *Disney Cruise Line* to your home!

On January 26, 2008, Castaway Club Members can be the first ever to host a *Disney Cruise Line*® House Party! A House Party™ is a special in-home event hosted by a Castaway Club Member that includes exclusive goodies and activities. It's a great way to share your love of *Disney Cruise Line* with your friends and family, and relive your fondest cruise memories.

The theme for the first House Party is "Island Party." *Disney Cruise Line* will supply hosts with party ideas, games and a party package full of products, special

offers and fun activities. Everything you'll need to turn that winter chill into island fever! And since it's a *Disney* cruise party, you know there will be something for everyone. Your guests will have a great cruise line bash, *Disney*-style, right there at home.

Only Castaway Club Members are eligible to host this exclusive party, so be one of the first. But hurry, because space is limited! Sign up now until December 14, 2007, by applying at www.houseparty.com/disneycruise.



Why should *Disney Magic* have all the fun?

Two sailings to *Castaway Cay* on *Disney Wonder*.

For a limited time, you can sail aboard *Disney Wonder*® and experience two enchanting visits to *Disney's* very own *Castaway Cay*.

Beginning May 11, 2008, *Disney Wonder* will sail 16 consecutive weeks to *Castaway Cay*, Nassau and then back to *Castaway Cay*.

You will depart from Port Canaveral and experience an island full of fun when you arrive at *Castaway Cay*. Next it's on to Nassau and immersing yourself in a wonderful island with outstanding shops, casinos and great beaches. And because you may need some rest from all of your fun (you poor thing), relax or soak up the sand and sun on the *Castaway Family Beach* when you return.

For more information or to book your cruise, visit disneycruise.com or call 1-800-449-3380.

As Guests disembark, they are greeted by *Castaway Cay's* very own sandy/snow couple who are out on the pier enjoying the holiday festivities.

Entertainment Update

No cruise is the same on a *Disney* cruise! That's because we're always bringing you something new to discover.

Help two crazy pirates find their missing crew members in the all-new family game show, "PIRATES LIFE=ME!" Your knowledge of the myths, lore and characters of the *Pirates of the Caribbean* movies and attractions will come in handy as you undergo numerous tests of skill.

Step into *Parrot Cay* aboard *Disney Magic*® and you'll find Mickey and some of your favorite characters celebrating the morning with some island jams in "ISLAND JAM" during this new dining experience. Dance the morning away with Latin, Polynesian, and Caribbean beats, plus take part in interactive games and sing-a-long activities. Your server onboard will let you know your dining day and time.



HOLIDAY COOKIES SORRY, GINGERBREAD MAN

Gingerbread cookies

- 1 pound butter
- 1 pound granulated sugar
- 1 1/2 cups corn syrup
- 3/4 cup milk
- 5 cups bread flour
- 2 1/2 teaspoons baking soda
- 2 teaspoons ground cinnamon
- 1 teaspoon ground cloves
- 2 1/2 teaspoons ground ginger

In a large bowl, beat butter and sugar with electric mixer on medium speed. Or, mix with spoon until well blended. Add corn syrup and milk and continue mixing until well combined. Add the

remaining ingredients and mix well to form the dough. Cover and refrigerate for 2 to 3 hours.

Heat oven to 350° F. Grease cookie sheet lightly with shortening or spray with cooking spray. On floured surface, roll dough 1/8 inch thick. Cut with floured gingerbread cutter or other shaped cutter. On cookie sheet, place cutouts about 2 inches apart.

Bake about 30 minutes or until cookies are golden brown in color. Immediately remove from cookie sheet to cooling rack. Cool completely, about 30 minutes.

