

Eyes on the Ocean



As the captain braved the waters and winds of the rough Atlantic seas, he encountered many other ocean explorers along the way. Each was of a certain category, but they all had something unusual in common: they had only one eye. He got to know them on a first-name basis until, through the years, they retired one after the other. Now, the captain looks for a new place to call home.

Coming from a musical family, she sang, wrote songs, and danced. As she traveled the oceans, there was some sort of problem with her clothing when she reached the 38th – what was it – Great Basin? She retired before the captain got to know her better. That's the way love goes!

He still thought of her when he went hunting, or when he gazed at the moon, or even when he looked at nature. To the captain, she was divine. Someday, he might visit her home in Rome, where he might find her talking to deer in a grove of oaks.

She had a unique sense of style, always a red fedora and coat, but he wondered whether there was something nefarious about her. No matter where in the world he met her, there seemed to be some sort of criminal activity afoot. Her true home was in southern California, where in time she ultimately retired.

She knew how to live "the sweet life" – or at least that's how it looked to the captain when he watched her act in the Italian film, playing in the Trevi Fountain. With time, her Playboy photos posted to the ship's hull faded away, and the captain could only think back to her roles in *War and Peace* and *Back from Eternity*.

She sang beautiful French melodies as she travelled the seas. Even though he didn't understand all the lyrics, he knew one of the songs meant, "Someone told me." Things didn't work out, and eventually she married a French politician.

She was quite the character! In the end, she preferred family life, settling down with her husband Fred in what the captain thought was a really primitive house in a really primitive neighborhood. Rubble was next door to their house, animals were everywhere, and the captain even suspected their car was made of stone.

The captain only knew her by her English name. She was a fearless leader, particularly when they fought at Orléans, Jargeau, Beaugency, and Panay. It was a shame that she was later tried for heresy and cross-dressing, and burned at the stake.

The first flag he ever flew on his ship was the one she sewed. As legend has it, she designed it, too – at least, he didn't believe that Margaret, Rebecca, Anne, or Cornelia did. Regardless of who you ask, she's the most famous for it.

