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ALL PRETTY: Captain Otis Fiveash (left) and his first mate Jimmy Dalton decorate Glory Thursday morning for the HarborWalk Marina boat decorating contest. "We'll get it all pretty," Dalton said before stringing about 1,000 lights along the boat. Glory is one of many boats decorated along the west end of Destin's docks. Visitors can view the boats lit between 5 to 11 p.m. nightly.

Decked out at the docks

■ Boat captains at HarborWalk Marina show off holiday spirit

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Jimmy Dalton, first mate of Glory, is doing this boat decorating thing right, he says. His Christmas decorations may not be the flashiest you'll find along HarborWalk Marina, but one thing's for sure — when Glory is called upon to hit the waterways, no fancy decorations will slow it down.

"I'm not going crazy with it, like some of these boats down here have," Dalton said as he fashioned a tall Christmas tree out of lights along Glory Thursday morning. "They've done a lot of work. I don't do that much to my condo.

"It looks cool, but it's going to take them a half a day to take it all down if they want to go out on the water."

Perhaps it's worth the trouble. The best decorated boat will receive one month's free slip rent from HarborWalk. And the deckhand who worked the hardest will get a \$50 gift certificate to Tony's Restaurant.

While the captains and their mates vie for the prizes, the visitors of HarborWalk Marina are treated to a special Christmas light show. From about



SANTA GONE FISHING: Santa has caught quite the catch on Capt. Lyn and Diana Clevenger's Breakaway. Christmas trees, stockings, a turtle dressed as Santa and jumping fish complete the decorated boat.

5 to 11 p.m. nightly the boats are lit up, showing off their holiday spirit.

"It's putting a nice theme on the harbor," said Frances Montalvo, manager of HarborWalk Charters.

"People love it," Dalton said. "They enjoy walking along the docks and see-

ing all the decorations."

A nativity scene rests on the Anastasia. Santa and his reindeer fly over Scamp. Santa has caught quite a catch on Breakaway. And Raggedy Ann and Andy can be found on Finest Kind. Visitors can spot much more walking along the dock.