



# PYC Newsletter

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## Greetings from the Commodore

The PYC has opened with a well attended Mothers Day Brunch. Generations of family members gathering for a special day at the Club draw us all closer together. Thanks Paul, Sandy and Greg for the delicious buffet.

The PYC Yearbook will be available at the Club for the Memorial Day weekend. Jerry Saylor, Dick & Joyce Toner and Rilla Nameth have produced the Yearbook from the member data-

base and Publisher software directly to KwikPrint for publishing without intermediate steps or use of consultants - great job!

Please join me in thanking members who gave the clubhouse its spring cleaning, who reinstalled the marina docks and also, Janet Webber, Tom Sturr, Fredy Schaefer and generous members who gave the Club a welcomed face lift.

As you read this the Motown party and a PYC members Golf Outing are just around the corner. Please check the PYC Calendar for other upcoming events.

Committees have prepared diligently, the clubhouse and grounds are ready and the staff is trained and eager to serve you – Bring on summer.

Art Haan, Commodore



## Membership

The club took in 33 new members this year to reach our goal of 550 members. There are currently 24 applicants on the waiting list with new applications coming in all the time. There will

be a new member reception on the 10th of June. Complimentary h'orderves from 6:00 to 7:30pm. Make it a special evening and plan to come, meet our new members, and be sure to

make your reservations for dinner at the club afterwards.

Submitted by Rilla Nameth, Membership Chairman

## Women's Sunfish Fleet #218

We are so looking forward to a new sunfish sailing season! We are going to begin with a first for us, a "Sunfish Sailing 101" Seminar to be held at

the PYC at 6:00pm on May 30, 2006. Then, join us for dinner at the club afterwards. The first official sunfish sailing day will be June 13, 2006.

We will begin the sailing season by meeting at the Club at 11:30am for lunch (rain or shine), and will sail afterward (weather permitting.) Join us!

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## PYC Junior's and Pentwater Jr. Sailing

The Junior room got a good cleaning, all the toys were washed, and new items added to the shelves for the children to enjoy. Sue Bainton is planning a photo collage of past junior members enjoying their favorite activities at the club. Members are asked to send Sue a photo with your name, year and brief description of the event or activity in the photo. Please send photos to Sue Bainton, P.O. Box 388, Pentwater, MI 49449.

Monday, July 3 we are planning our first "I've Just Got To Be Me" rhythm and dance for fun and health. All kids are welcome. We have dancing scarves, rattles, flutes and drums. This is a "no structure, no stress" activity. Just move to the music or make your own. We will meet in the club from 9:45 to 10:45 a.m. Sign up sheet for this activity and information on future activities will be on the bulletin board in the Junior room.

Just a reminder, PYC Junior kids and grandkids are needed to help at the Spaghetti dinner Thursday, July 13. Sail Daze will be held Monday, July 17, 11:00 to 1:30.

The Pentwater Junior Sailing Association wants to welcome all kids 8 to 18 to learn to sail. Classes begin June 19<sup>th</sup> and run every week until August 25, 2006. Information and registration forms can be obtained from our website at [www.pentwaterjuniorsailing.com](http://www.pentwaterjuniorsailing.com) or the Club's website [www.pentwateryachtclub.com](http://www.pentwateryachtclub.com).

We are having our fund raising raffle again this summer. The raffle will include a two person sit-on-top kayak, wooden deck bench for two and two tickets for the Michigan-Michigan State football game. The tickets will be available later in June with a cost of \$5.00 ea. or 5 for \$20.00.

Items are needed for the Yard Sale to be held out at the pole barn June 17. We welcome boat donations, or just sell your boat through us! For information on the sale call Barb Davidson at 869-5342.

We want to say "Thank You" to all of you who help support our 501 C3 program through our fund raisers; it wouldn't be possible without your help and generous support.

## Ensign Region V Regatta & Apparel

The 2006 Region V Regatta plans are coming along real well. We are planning to put on a great event. The Regatta Committee would like to invite any PYC member that is interested in helping with the regatta to please contact any of the Regatta Committee Chairpersons:

Housing	- Leonard Hilton
Hospitality	- Joan Cuchna
Food	- Duncan Erley
Race	- Bill Bluhm
Protest	- Frode Maaseidvaag
Scoring	- Al Ringquist
Launching	- Jack Patterson
Finance/Entry	- Mike LaHaye
Trophies	- Jack Patterson
Publicity	- Tom Sturr
Sail Measurement and Boat Weighing	- Dave Roseman

To assist the many visiting sailors from around the Midwest that will be completing, we are looking for places for these folks to stay. So if you have a couple extra rooms to spare, and would like to meet some new people give Leonard Hilton a call, he is coordinating the housing arrangements for the visiting sailors.

*The new PYC clothing for 2006 is in and ready for you to purchase with lots of new colors and styles for the new season. Stop by and check out the new display case showing our new apparel. Items include, sweatshirts, hoodies, polos, pull over fleece jackets, t-shirts, lanyards, wine glasses, 3D-hats, visors, youth t-shirts, and sweatshirts. PYC apparel make great gifts.*

## Vice Commodore's Report



The PYC has been cleaned, painted, and modestly remodeled thanks to Barb Davidson's leadership and Janet Webber's classy modifications to the dining room and bar. A great big thanks to the many folks who helped with both these efforts.

Janet Webber obtained a donation of 40 square yards of indoor/outdoor carpet squares which have been laid in the bar and are about to be installed in the entry way. Newly recovered benches in the bar also improved the aesthetics dramatically. We hope you will enjoy the new

surroundings this summer.

Members from the Board of Directors and the House Committee had a "dry run" dinner on May 5 and it appears we are ready for the summer season. The Club will officially open for weekends on 12 May and will host the traditional Mother's Day Brunch on May 14. Please call the club and let them know how many people are in your party. We hope to see you there and ask that you welcome Paul Roys who is our new club manager.

## Flower Committee

The Committee would like to welcome three new members - Laura Fraga, Linda Osborn, and Gail Zink. With all former members returning, the committee now numbers twelve, a sizable group but one necessary to accomplish all the flower responsibilities.

The first work of the committee took place Mother's Day where members prepared table and centerpiece flowers for the Brunch. Carnations were

presented to all the mothers who attended.

The committee will soon be at work filling urns and window boxes in preparation for Memorial Day and will be planting the front flower bed when the bulbs have bloomed out. Again, this year, the committee will restock and maintain the herb bed for the benefit of the cook. Weekly flowers for the tables and entry way will be in place starting Memorial Day and continuing through Labor Day.

If you have an interest in flower arranging or would like to help out with weekly watering outside, give Dee Samuel or Connie Dumas a call. Occasional help of any kind is welcome. We are an equal opportunity committee. Additionally, flowers are always welcome from members if they choose to share the abundance of their gardens.



## Rear Commodore Report

All Thursday Night Dinners have chairpersons and they have started their committee assignments. Volunteers are encouraged to sign up to work on a Thursday Night Dinner Committee. It is an excellent way to meet new people. Check out the sign up sheets on the bulletin board in the dining room at the club for available dates.

The Digital Dining Point of Sale System is up and running smoothly. Members have been cooperating by using their membership cards to open a transaction. Credit card authorization now is done over the internet and this has improved the thru put time.

The Finance Committee has no report because it

did not meet this month.

***Don't forget  
your new  
membership  
card!***

***Volunteers  
always  
needed!***

## Splish, Splash the Docks are In!

A big "THANK YOU" goes out to the group of volunteers who helped put the docks in Saturday, May 6. The crew worked under the direction of Mike Russell. Mike and Bill Veine spent several hours earlier in the week doing prep work to make sure things went smoothly on launch day. We had a super turnout. Ted Cuchna and his tractor, Mike Russell, Bill Veine, Sue Bainton, Bill Bainton, Mike Bainton, Dave Dice, Bill Bullard, Duncan Erley, Vanessa Erick-

son, Mark Gamble, Aleksy Urick, Bruce Vanderlaan and Sarah Champagne. Sunday Mike Russell and Bill Veine set the poles that hold the docks in position. There was an obstruction under the sand and water where the large pole goes by the southern dock in the south basin. It was determined that it went in far enough to hold. We could not move the docks as this would not be in accordance with our DEQ Marina Permit. The pole will be cov-

ered in white vinyl and a wind direction flag mounted at the top.

At the time of launch the water levels were very low and the stations committee decided to hold a slip lottery for the two slips that have some sand in them and very low water levels. These slips are near the east walls in the north basin and the southern ramp of the south basin. Numbers # 6 & 15. The fee for these one year temporary slips is \$400.00 ea. You may

request to have your name put in the drawing by sending a letter to PYC, Sue Bainton, Stations Committee Chairperson, P.O. Box 607, Pentwater, MI 49449 or email me at [wsbainton@aol.com](mailto:wsbainton@aol.com), please list subject as "PYC Slip." We will draw the names at our next Stations Committee meeting to be held June 11, 2006 at 3:00 p.m. in the Club. Questions? Contact Sue Bainton, Stations Committee Chairperson.

# June 2006

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
				1	2 PYC Summer Hours Begin Mon-Sat. 10am -12pm Lunch 11:30am-2pm Dinner 6-9pm "Spring Fest" Fair	3 "Spring Fest" Arts and Craft Fair Open & Ensign Racing 11am
4 Sunday Hours 10 am-7pm "Start of Summer" Party	5	6 Solo Sunfish Sailing 10pm Sunfish Lunch 11:45 am Sunfish Fleet Sailing 1pm Regatta Seminar Spinnakers 101 6pm PYC	7 Bridge Club 1pm Pentwater Sailing 6 pm	8	9	10 Board of Directors meeting 8:30 am Open & Ensign Racing 11am Offshore Fleet 4pm
11	12	13 Solo Sunfish Sailing 10pm Sunfish Lunch 11:45 am Sunfish Fleet Sailing 1pm Regatta Seminar Aeronautics & sailing 6pm PYC	14 Bridge Club 1pm Pentwater Sailing 6 pm	15 Thursday Night Dinner Chicken	16 Flag Officers Cocktail Party 6pm	17 Strawberry Short Cake Social Village Green 11am -3pm Open & Ensign Racing 11am
18 Father's Day Cookout Offshore Fleet 1:30 pm	19	20 Solo Sunfish Sailing 10pm Sunfish Lunch 11:45 am Sunfish Fleet Sailing 1pm Regatta Seminar True and Apparent Wind, Polars, & VMG 6 pm PYC	21 Bridge Club 1pm Golf Outing 1 pm Pentwater Sailing 6 pm	22 Thursday Night Dinner Pork	23 Pentwater lake Assoc. Annual Dinner 6 pm Friendship Center	24 Open & Ensign Racing 11am Offshore 4pm Motown Party 9pm-1am (Tickets limited)
25	26	27 Solo Sunfish Sailing 10pm Sunfish Lunch 11:45 am Sunfish Fleet Sailing 1pm Regatta Seminar Weather 6 pm PYC	28 Bridge Club 1pm Pentwater Sailing 6 pm	29 Thursday Night Dinner BBQ Ribs Band Concert on Green 8 pm	30	

## Members not in the Yearbook

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Sail "Lechat" 32'

Many thanks to Joyce and Dick Toner who do a wonderful job of maintaining the database of club membership. This year you will note that only four memberships (if we don't count couples) did not make it into the Club's Yearbook. We know there will always be a problems as members change addresses, email, and phone numbers. However, if you let that new info flow to [pyc@charterinternet.com](mailto:pyc@charterinternet.com) it will be right at least next year.



## Regatta Committee

Sailboat racing is a key Yacht Club activity, and the Regatta Committee's purpose is to support and encourage this. Racing is a great way to learn the endless subtleties of sailing. The PYC supports fleets for Sunfish, Ensign, small boats (16-25') and offshore boats. The **schedule** for all fleets will be on the **website** and in the **Directory**.

The women's Sunfish Fleet sails on Tuesdays. They have a great time, and anyone interested in joining this group

should contact Fleet Captains Sandy Vielmo or Joan Roseman.

The Ensign Fleet races on Wednesday evenings and Saturday mornings. This fleet has sailors with a wide range of skills. Almost all Ensigns are about 40 years old, and boats are available for relatively small investments. There is some room for additional crew members. Anyone interested in joining this fleet should contact the Fleet Captain, Jack Patterson.

The Small Boat Open Fleet sails with the Ensigns on Wednesdays and Saturdays. If you are interested in joining this group, contact Fleet Captain Al Ringquist.

The Offshore Fleet's racing days will alternate between Saturday and Sunday this year. If you have an offshore boat, or if you would like to crew, contact Fleet Captain Bill Bluhm. The Regatta Committee is sponsoring a series of sailing seminars again this year. These are open to all interested

members, whether highly experienced or brand new to the sport. All remaining seminars will be held at the PYC on Tuesday evenings at 6 PM, with food and bar service to follow.

**Check the website** for a full list of these seminars. Another enjoyable and challenging way to participate in racing is to serve on a Race Committee. These members start and finish races, help set courses, and perform other valuable functions. If you are interested in this, contact Janie Tibbits.

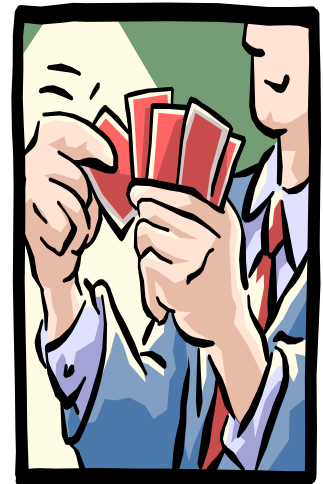
## Card Corner—Bridge & Euchre

We are saddened this summer because we have lost two of our most beloved and ardent members, Earla Gwillim and Alan Boyd. They loved bridge and will be so-o-o-o missed. Our bridge group meets on Wednesdays at one o'clock. We finish by four o'clock so we can get home to start dinner, etc. We play four rounds of party bridge and laugh a lot. We invite new members to join us this year. If you are interested call Tink

Witt at 869-4291 and you will be signed up. We are not Duplicate players we just play because we want to have fun. When we have family come for vacations we just don't sign up for bridge that week. Sometimes we go out of town. Nothing is written in stone and we are not committed to showing up every week. Each week we either sign up for the following week or Tink gives us a call and signs us up if we want to play. Our first after-

noon for Yacht Club Bridge will be June 7th. We hope to hear from you.

Euchre has moved to St. Vincent's Catholic Church this year. We meet at 7:00 pm on Monday evenings and advanced sign up is required. Please call Jerry Saylor at 869-5295 if you would like to play or email him at [jerry\\_saylor@yahoo.com](mailto:jerry_saylor@yahoo.com).



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## **Club Info.....**

### **Did You Change Your Email Address or any other personal info????**

Send all NEW info to "[pyc@charterinternet.com](mailto:pyc@charterinternet.com)". (Email addresses solely for PYC use.)

#### **Flag Officers & Board of Directors**

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Vice Commodore	Joe Namath
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Treasurer	Ed Everhart

Board of Directors: Past Commodore Sandy Wabschall, Jim Alfredson, Errol Goldman, Kati Guerico, Mark Mullen, Dick Ouweneel, Mary Sue Rischar, Janet Webber, Don VanZile