



PYC NEWSLETTER

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COMMODORE'S COMMENTS

The 2007 PYC season has begun and it looks like it might be one of our banner years.

Just take a look at the bright shiny floor thanks to Marilyn Steiner's efforts to contract the screening and resurfacing. Then there is Barb Davidson and the volunteers who scrubbed the Junior room floor and cleaned the whole facility. The docks were installed by Sue Bainton's merry band and are ready for occupancy. We owe all of them a hand and our gratitude for another job well done.

Marilyn Steiner has a well trained and responsive staff which should ensure a fine dining and social season. Scott Engleman is our new manager and already has molded his personnel into a well oiled machine. Sandy Carlin is back as our head chef and the Mother's Day Brunch was spectacular with delicious food and excellent service. Friday and Saturday evenings also drew many favorable comments.

The sailing program is underway with seminars already in progress. Frode Maaseidvaag and the Re-

gatta Committee are well on the way toward another good sailing season. He is attempting to expand the Offshore Fleet with the help of Dave Dice and Bill De Hummel. This will flesh out our always successful sailing schedule.

We look forward to seeing old and new members visiting their club. Please join us and help "promote and engage in social, sailing, and recreational activities in good fellowship".

Joe Nameth, Commodore

Summer Party

Bubblin' Crude

Roadhouse Music for the whole family

America's First Interactive Band—Sing & Dance

Saturday, June 23, 2007

Dinner 6—8

Baked Chicken, Vegetable, Pasta, Salad, Roll and Brownie
Dancing 8—Midnight

Tickets purchased in advance: \$20 Adults, \$10 kids (prices includes dinner) At the door: \$25 Adults, \$12 kids.

Tickets available at the Bar, or from Sue Bainton, Kathy Cox, Barb Davidson, Mary Sue Rischar, or Ruth Fuerestein, chair.

VICE COMMODORE'S REPORT

The restaurant and bar are open seven days a week starting June 1. Happy hour with reduced drink prices are offered Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday 4—6 and all day Sunday.

Early Bird Specials are scheduled every day except Saturday and Sunday from 5—6. A special menu is offered with petite portions and friendly prices. Check it out.

PYC has a special drink menu with a "Blue Drink" for the

Blue Chair Lounge.

Do you have an anniversary, family reunion, or another occasion that you would like to celebrate with 40 or more friends? The dining room is available for rental by members all day Sunday. The Blue Chair Lounge and deck will remain open for members, but the dining room is available for private parties. See Ed Everhart, House Committee Chair or our Manager, Scott Engleman, for details.

A special thanks to Barb Davidson for organizing the Spring Clean up. Sally Landenberger headed up a group that painted the women's restroom. Dick Ouweneel painted the metal outdoor furniture. Gordy Veldman fixed a punch list of problems and continues to upgrade the old building. Over 60 volunteers came out to help. Thanks to each of them.

Marilyn Steiner, Vice Commodore

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HOUSE COMMITTEE NOTES:

The clubhouse is very attractive, the food is great and the service is capable and friendly. We hope to capture additional diners with our new menu for early bird dinners. Use the restaurant for your lunch, dinner, or happy hours. The success of the restaurant depends on your usage. You and your guests (check the Yearbook on guest limitations) are most appreciated. Reservations are appreciated in order that we may plan for staff and food, but reservations are not necessary. We welcome you. **Ed. E. Everhart, House Chair**



Sunset down the channel

SECRETARY'S COMMENTS:

I would like to say a word about PYC's informative emails and the 2007 PYC Yearbook (directory). I love to inform the membership on what is "happening" through the email system. It's a great way to get the news out quickly. I am happy to send out PYC notices that are important to the membership. A few points that members should know:

- The 2007 Yearbook will be available to be picked up at the Club on Memorial Day weekend. Each Yearbook has a label on the back with a name so that we can be sure each household receives their Yearbook. Copies are limited to one copy per household. Please remember to pick up your copy.
- Please email me at pyc@charterinternet.com if you have a new email address and realize that you have not been receiving PYC emails. Another reason you might not be receiving them is that they are being blocked as spam. Add PYC to your address book so that your computer will know that a message from the PYC is acceptable.
- Please be aware that when using pyc@charterinternet.com it does not go to the club, it comes into my home. So, please don't request dinner reservations, etc. Call the PYC at 231 869-8921.

Joyce Toner, Secretary

REAR COMMODORE'S COMMENTS

Thursday Night Dinners for 2007

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| June 21 st – Caribbean Pork | PYC Staff |
| June 28 th – Flank Steak | Ensign Sailors |
| July 5 th - Mexican/Southwest Dinner | Candace Chandra |
| July 12 th – Lasagna Dinner | Bill and Gail Bluhm |
| July 19 th –NO DINNER | |
| July 26 th – Pig Roast | Sue Patterson and Mary Sue Rischar |
| Aug 2 nd – Shrimp Boil | Terry Foster |
| Aug 9 th – Italian Spaghetti | PYC Junior Sailing, Bill and Sue Bainton |
| Aug 16 th – Lamb Dinner | Sue & Rich Patterson, and Caroline & Mitch Schwass |
| Aug 23 rd – Ham Dinner | Dee Samuels and Joan VanZile |

Sign-up sheets are posted on the PYC bulletin board near the Jr. Room. New members are welcome and encouraged to participate. This is a great way to meet other members and become a part of the PYC.

Mike LaHaye, Rear Commodore

SAILING SEMINARS

Sailing Seminar Series 2007

6:00 pm, PYC

The last of a successful series of Sailing Seminars are listed below. Everyone is welcome.

May 29— Women & Sailing
With Mhairi Blacklock

June 5— Spinnaker work, setting/sailing/stowing.
With Bill Bluhm and Hilton crew

Tom Sturr, Seminar Chair

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS

The Membership Committee is accepting applications for people to join the Pentwater Yacht Club. If you know of someone who would like to become a member of the Club, please encourage them to fill out an application to join and I will put them on the Wait List. It is a wonderful place to come and meet people, to sail, play bridge and of course to eat and drink. Applications can be printed on line at the website www.pentwater yachtclub.com or ask the manager for an application.

Sally Ouweneel, Chair

MEET NEW PYC MEMBERS

"Sundae at the PYC"

A new member picnic, "Sundae at the PYC" will take place on Sunday, June 3rd from 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm at the Club.

All members are invited to meet and greet the new members. A fee of \$12 will be collected at the

door. 2007 new members will enjoy the picnic free of charge.

The menu will include chicken breasts, brats, plus all the picnic trimmings. A build-your-own sundae bar will be offered for dessert. A cash bar will be avail-

able.

Please RSVP to Marsha LaHaye at 616 949-7797 or 231 869-9226. Reservations are suggested.

Please come and WELCOME our 2007 "new" members.

UPCOMING EVENTS

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| June 3 | New Member Picnic |
| June 10 | Boats Pass in Review |
| June 17 | Father's Day Brunch |
| June 23 | Summer Party with "Bubblin Crude" |
| July 7 | Flag Officers Cocktail Reception |
| July 9 | PYC Style Show & Luncheon |
| July 20 | Back from the Mac |
| August 4 | Salute to the Flags |
| August 12 | Power Boat Rendezvous |
| August 17 | Annual Meeting |
| August 21 | Past Commodore's Luncheon |
| August 25 | Wooden Boat Show |
| November 3 | Michigan vs. Michigan State |



Rilla Nameth & Commodore Joe Nameth at Mother's Day Brunch

June 2007

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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| | | | | | 1 Bridge 1:00 Open 10-Midnt | 2 Open 10-Midnt |
| 3 "Sundae at the PYC" New Member Picnic 2-4 pm Open 10-7 | 4 Open 10-10 | 5 Sunfish Solo 10, Lunch 12, Sailing 1 Sailing Seminar Spinnaker, etc. 6 | 6 Bridge 1:00 Open 10-10 | 7 Open 10-10 | 8 Open 10-Midnt | 9 Board of Directors Meeting 8:30 AM Open 10-Midnt |
| 10 Boats Pass in Review 2:00 Open 10-7 | 11 Open 10-10 | 12 Sunfish Solo 10:00 Lunch 12:00 Sailing 1:00 Open 10-10 | 13 Bridge 1:00 Open 10-10 | 14 Open 10-10 | 15 Open 10-Midnt | 16 Open 10-Midnt |
| 17 Father's Day Brunch 11-2 Open 10-7 | 18 Open 10-10 | 19 Sunfish Solo 10:00 Lunch 12:00 Sailing 1:00 Open 10-10 | 20 Bridge 1:00 Open 10-10 | 21 Thursday Night Dinner-Caribbean Pork 6:30 | 22 Open 10-Midnt | 23 Summer Party with Bubblin' Crude Dinner 6-8 Dancing 8-12 |
| 24 Open 10-7 | 25 Open 10-10 | 26 Sunfish Solo 10:00 Lunch 12:00 Sailing 1:00 Open 10-10 | 27 Bridge 1:00 Open 10-10 | 28 Thursday Night Dinner-Flank Steak 6:30 | 29 Open 10-Midnt | 30 Open 10-Midnt |

THE PYC STORE IS OPEN

Blue Chair Cookbook

The brand new 2007 PYC Cookbook entitled 'Blue Chair Cookin' has arrived and is selling fast. The book contains approximately 400 recipes from over 50 contributors. The editors of the book, Sally Landenberger and Marsha LaHaye said that all the hard work was well worth it when they saw the finished product.

The cover is a water color done by Becky Taylor and Janet Webber helped to make the cover photo ready. Bill Bluhm wrote the history of the club for the book as well. We have a multitude of great cooks in our club and I'm sure you will be delighted to try many of their recipes for any occasion. The cookbook can be purchased at the club and the cost is \$15.00 per book.

PYC Wear

The Apparel Committee has been hard at work selecting, ordering and marking all of the new clothing for the PYC Store. There are many new items including long-sleeved T-shirts and Tervis Tumbler glasses and PYC mugs. There are sweat shirts in colors such as clay and black and polo's for men and women



in red, yellow and turquoise. Don't forget the little tykes either, because we have t-shirts and sweatshirts in sizes from 2—16. Stop by the club and purchase something with the PYC logo. You will be a fashion leader this summer with PYC wear. Committee members are: Sally Landenberger, Carol Nauta, Pam Sisson, Laura LaHaye, Lisa Stage, and Linda Everhart.

STATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT

It is all too often heard at this time of the season that it is so nice to be back on the water. Yes, it is a joyful relaxed feeling. Whether it is the excitement of the first boat ride, or watching a sunset from the comfort of the "blue chairs" we all love the return of summer. The stations committee handles the needs concerning dock use at the Club for the enjoyment of all members, and has been on the job since early May.

First off the floating docks went in without a hitch May 5. A big "thank you" goes to the efforts of Mike Russell. He not only volunteers his services, but his tools, welder, and expertise. Mike headed up the dock launch crew of Sue and Bill Bainton, Ted Cuchna and his tractor, Mark Gamble, Greg Slocum, Vanessa Erickson, Aleksy Urick, Duncan Erley, Dave Dice, Al Burmester, Gary Nicholson, and guest Charlie Shanner.

Second, the stations committee would like to take this time to inform all members of our front dock use rules in hopes of ensuring a smooth boating season. The reason for a private club is just that, private use of facilities for its members. We do allow reciprocal use of our facilities to other Yacht Clubs, but at times that use may be limited. Due to limited space, and the fact that we do not have marina slips for larger boats we have had to create rules to assure the front dock use for our dues paying members first. The weekends are usually very busy, so the PYC does not offer front dock usage to any boats other than our PYC members from 10 a.m. Friday until 4:00 p.m. Sunday. We feel that if all of our members are informed of this it may help illuminate the reciprocal boaters being welcomed in only to realize it is the weekend, and they need to find docking at one of the other marinas on the lake who greatly appreciate the business. Just as there are tables open in the dining room which assures members of a place to eat, we need to have the front docks open to assure our members they will have a spot to dock. We would appreciate everyone's cooperation on this matter.

One last note of concern. Last season several members came with a question as to why we turn boaters away that are under duress, mentioning that they heard we are a Port of Refuge, and feel we should help all boaters. Pentwater for as many years has not been a Port of Refuge according to the DNR. Even if we were a Port of Refuge it does not mean that there will be slips available for the boater, but that the harbor has an area for a boat to moor safely in the harbor. The PYC has always and will continue to provide docking for *serious* emergencies needs of boaters, the local police, medical emergency personnel, and the Coast Guard.

Sue Bainton, Stations Chair

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PJ'S – Pentwater Junior Sailing Program

Once again we would like to thank the Pentwater Yacht Club for allowing us to use the newsletter as a means to pass on information about our sailing program to the members of the Yacht Club. We are preparing for another great season of instructing the youth of our area to learn to sail. The classes will begin June 25 this. Many of the popular weeks, July 4th week being one, are filling up fast. If you have a child or grandchild you would like to get into the program please contact Sally Ouweneel at 231 869-9256.

Flag Officers & Board of Directors

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