



April 2013

Main Sheet

Events

- FASHION SHOW & LUNCHEON**
- GARDEN CLUB COOKING CLASS**
- HARBOR OPENING**
- SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAM SIGN-UP**
- GOLD CUP GALA**



Let the Races Begin!

139th

Kentucky Derby

Saturday, May 4th

5:00 pm TV coverage

6:15 pm Approx. Post time

Come to the Club and enjoy special Kentucky Derby Drinks ~ Mint Juleps ~ Bourbon Peach Tea and play some Derby games. Chef Ken will prepare a special Derby menu.

Call the Grill with your Reservations
(313) 824-1200 x 234



Celebrate Cinco de Mayo

**Sunday, May 5
in the Grill at 6:00 pm**

**Chef Ken will have his
Southwestern best for
your enjoyment**

Sea Gulls



Presidents Luncheon

Tuesday, May 7st

11:15 am • Trophy Room

Please call the Reception Counter with your reservations (313) 824-1200



Vice Commodore's Ball

(Clean-Up Day)

Saturday, May 11 ~ 8:30 am

Meet in the Starboard Haven Lounge

Complimentary Coffee, Donuts and Lunch will be provided

Bring your favorite Garden Gloves, Broom, Shovel or Trowel
No Experience Required



Contributions for our DYC flowers are always appreciated



**Mother's Day
Brunch
Sunday, May 12th**

on the Second Floor

11:30 am to 3:00 pm

**Delicious Food and a
Spectacular Sweets Table!**

Adults \$25.95++ ~ Children \$13.95++ 7-12 yrs.

Children \$ 7.95++ 4-6 yrs.

Jackets required for gentlemen • No denim

Please make your reservations at the Reception Counter
(313) 824-1200

Grill Restaurant opens at 3:00 pm

featuring a Dinner Special

Please make your reservations with the Grill early (313) 824-1200, ext. 234.

Where
the past
is present

**DETROIT
HISTORICAL
SOCIETY**

We're setting sail with a new look

Re-Opening Gala

Friday, May 17

6 - 11 pm

After five months of renovations, the Dossin Great Lakes Museum re-opens to the public on Saturday, May 18 at noon. Everyone is invited to come explore the changes, including our new permanent exhibit, *Built By the River*, in the John A. and Marlene L. Boll Foundation Gallery.

Join us for an exclusive sneak preview at the Dossin Great Lakes Museum Grand **Re-Opening Gala on Friday night May 17 from 6 - 11 p.m.** Celebrate the Museum's Grand Re-Opening with a fabulous evening of Great Lakes-inspired cocktails, cuisine and entertainment!

For information about the Gala, contact Kristin Rossi at kristinr@detroithistorical.org or (313) 833-1980

100 Strand Drive on Belle Isle

(313) 833-5538

www.detroithistorical.org



FROM THE COMMODORE

COM. SCOTT ALLEN



These are busy and exciting times here at the DYC. Dredging, harbor opening, new staircase, fashion show, Gold Cup Gala, golf outing, MICSA swim finals, Gold Cup hydroplane races, DYC Foundation and an entertainment and activity schedule like we've not seen before! New members are coming by the dozens and our amazing staff is working to spiff our grand Clubhouse and grounds to greet the nice weather as soon as it decides to show up. Simply put... FUN!

We are making good progress in efforts to hire a General Manager and the prospects are extremely impressive. But I wish to personally thank Assistant General Manager, Bill Bowman for his calm, loyal and effective

efforts and David Hollis, our HR Manager in leading our staff through this. Alix, Crystal and Emily are proving to be a great team for catering, Chef Ken and Kate are rallying the culinary staff to organize some fun new menus and to prepare for the busy season. Jeff Michels, Ken Koch and "Team House" are in spring clean-up mode and Ross and his team of familiar Harbor Staff is almost ready for the April 13 harbor opening. We welcome Abby Briggs from the firm of Baker Tilly who is filling the role of Controller and is working hand in hand with Stephanie, Liz and Nancy. Jim and Margaret in our Member Marketing and Services Team are crazy busy at this moment and you are all going to love some of the special plans that Samantha and the grill and bar group have up their sleeves. **THANK YOU**, all of you for what you do!

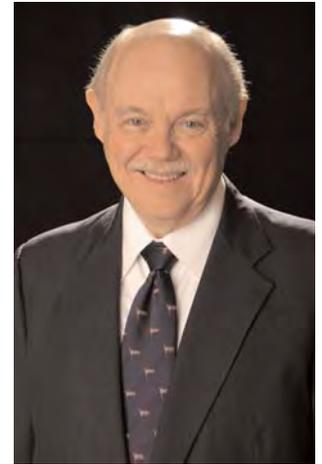
Our Dredging Committee will begin some regular email blasts to try to keep us all informed about the progress of this important project. Mother Nature has apparently been a bit grumpy by giving us such low water levels while compounding it with the lingering ice and weather that has delayed the start. But the Harbor will open and Ross and staff will help to coordinate location of your boats while the project is underway. We still plan to be complete prior to Memorial Day and will have a fully functioning harbor with deep water access ready to welcome our boaters.

Your Board of Directors and Preservation Trustees are a dedicated and fully engaged group of volunteers and our Club is better for their involvement and dedication. They are supported by numerous other members who give their time and energy in committees ranging from sail racing to membership retention, gardening, entertainment, charity, boating, swimming, and on and on. The vitality and fun here is based on the involvement of our members and supported by our staff. That is why we remain the best private club anywhere!

A MESSAGE FROM THE DYC FOUNDATION

MARK LIFTER, PRESIDENT

With our first year of fund raising completed, the Detroit Yacht Club Foundation is moving ahead with its agenda for 2013. At the top of this agenda is the development of a detailed work and financial plan to address the exterior envelope of our building. To assist with this effort, the Foundation engaged SME, Inc., a well-qualified engineering firm with extensive experience in evaluating exterior problems in historic buildings. Winter weather conditions have prevailed early this year, so the work has largely been delayed pending more suitable conditions.



The results of this evaluation will provide a clear road map for future work. We will receive a detailed analysis of the problem areas, recommendations for repair approaches, suggested priorities for the sequence of repairs to undertake, and preliminary cost estimates for each potential project. The report will provide an estimate of total funding that will be needed over time to restore and preserve the clubhouse envelope. With this information in hand, the Foundation and Club leadership can focus on the scope and sequence of work to be tackled, and the fund raising goals we need to achieve.

In addition to this study, another area of progress has been the ladies' locker room. Last year, the Foundation received an approved designated gift from Com. Ron and Daryl Dawes, which included a portion targeted at the Seal the Envelope campaign. This multi-year donation, together with monies available from earlier First Ladies fund raising efforts, has supported continuing restorations in the ladies' locker room this winter.

We appreciate our Founding Contributors for 2012 who stepped up with substantial tax-deductible pledges and initial donations against these pledges. Watch the Club lobby for the poster honoring these Founding Contributors. We also thank everyone who made donations in 2012, no matter what the amount. Every little (and big) gift helps. Pledges and donations can be made throughout the year, and everyone can be recognized on an ongoing basis at the levels of the Gar Wood Society, Commodores' Club, Benefactor, Supporter and Donor in 2013 and beyond. Contact us at (313) 757-5240 or visit www.dycfoundation.com for further information.

Some final notes:

- We thank First Lady Patty Schmitz and her hard-working committee for organizing the DYC Fashion Show to benefit the DYC Foundation.
- Com. Scott Allen has named Director Ron Gmeiner as the Board liaison to the Foundation Board of Trustees. Ron has been involved in various capacities with the Foundation since its inception.
- Some members have recognized the DYC in their estate plans, and are making modifications to have these gifts directed to the Foundation. Such members also can be recognized within the Foundation's Legacy Club. Again, contact us for further information so your commitment can be acknowledged.

"Here Comes The Sun" And the Beatles!

Come listen to the Beatles Revival

Friday, June 21

9 pm -12 am

An event you don't want to miss

Dress in your favorite Beatles outfit and come to the Club



AMIDSHIPS

VICE COMMODORE FRED CARR



We knew others would be doing it! Here are some photos, taken just up river a bit, of dredging the fairway at Gregory's River Club and Bayview Yacht Club. Thankfully that means DYC vessels, like Apache, Another Addition and the Stacey Lyn, to name a few, will be able to get out of their winter births and be on their way back to summer homes at the DYC. With the vernal equinox behind us,



spring weather is surely on the way and so is dredging at the DYC. However, the lingering ice has caused the start date of our project to slip a bit but we are first on the contractor's long list of harbors.

Also on the way, if you have read Rear Commodore Brook's article, is a small dues increase. I mention this in my article too so that you will know the seriousness with which the Board deliberated the increase. Considering all we, as members, have endured recently, if we really did not need it we would not have voted to approve. We are still climbing out of it but we are making significant progress and thank you for your continued support. We are sure you will be pleased with what Commodore Allen has in store for us this summer season.

Over the next two months, we have over twenty events planned, be sure to read the Main Sheet, check the Blue Hallway, check online at www.DYC.com, to make sure you do not miss any of the fun. One of those fun events Mary and I have participated in many times will now be our turn to host; it is the Vice Commodore's Ball. Stay tuned, more information will be forthcoming, and we are both looking forward to seeing you around our Club.

And that's the way it is from Amidships.



FROM THE SECRETARY

ERICA CIUPAK

As we wrap up March, both the City of Detroit and the DYC are going through major changes. We are eagerly watching the actions of the city's new Emergency Financial Manager, and waiting to see what opportunities his decisions will bring to Detroit and Belle Isle. In the meantime, we continue to foster our relationships with various city & state officials as well as our local police presence. By the time you read this, the police will be back in full force, pothole repairs will be underway, and there should be a plan to address the lighting around the island.



Here at the DYC we continue to get closer to having a new General Manager. The search committee has been very busy reviewing applications, holding many interviews, and carefully thinking about what our Club needs right now in terms of leadership. I'm happy to say that we have received a plethora of qualified applicants. I'm grateful to the committee members for their outstanding work, and I would speculate that we will be on-boarding someone in the near future. Be on watch for new announcements in April!

House repairs and improvements this month include the installation of the Bitter End air conditioning, repair of a failing boiler, continued work in the ladies locker room, and installation of the new bar plaques. You've probably also noticed the harbor crew walking the docks and noting the needed repairs. That work will be starting imminently so that we can ensure safety once the boats start coming in. Speaking of that, I hope to see you all at the Harbor Opening Party on April 13th!

While the dredging project and financials continue to be the hot topics in the Boardroom, I know those have been covered elsewhere in this Main Sheet. You may also be interested to know that we have ratified the updated Local 24 union contract to the benefit of all parties.

The Gold Cup Fundraising Gala is quickly approaching and will be held on April 27th. Remember that this event is open to the public, and please spread the word among your friends, family, and colleagues. Flyers are available for distribution from the committee, and they are also accepting auction items for the silent and live auctions. This is a great event that gets better each year - see you there!

DYC DIVE BAR SOCIETY



Friday, April 19th ~ 7:00 pm

we'll head over to the oldest public bowling alley in America

The Garden Bowl, located in the historic Majestic Theater Complex.
4140 Woodward

Cost is \$18pp which includes:
3hrs bowling, shoe rental, 4 pc pizza and salad!

For more info, please contact:
David Aller (586) 883-3022 ~ david.aller@gm.com

**The Winner of the
DYC Lottery
\$600**

Ed Gorka

FROM THE REAR COMMODORE

JOE BROOKS

Is the cold weather ever going to leave so the boating can begin? By the time you read this article spring will be here, at least according to the calendar if not by the temperature.

Members who have been around for more than three years know that in the first quarter of every year the Board takes a look at the Consumer Price Index (CPI) for the previous 12 months and makes a determination whether or not to adjust the membership dues by the CPI not to exceed 3%. The CPI for the period Feb 2012 to Feb 2013 is 1.6%. The Board voted to approve a CPI adjustment for all membership categories starting April 1, 2013 (per By-Law Article VII Section 2(e)). This adjustment equates to a \$4 a month increase in dues for the Active Social and Active Boating members. For the other membership categories the monthly increase ranges from \$1 to \$3. A complete dues chart will be sent out with the April billing statement. In the years past this annual adjustment was routinely made in good times. However in the last three years the previous Boards have not voted to enact this By-Law due to poor health of the Michigan economy. With an improving economy comes increases in all associated costs to the Club and makes this adjustment necessary.

Dredging of our harbor has started and our weekly payments to our dredging company began the first week of April. I encourage everyone who can afford to pay the full amount of the boating surcharge to please do so as soon as possible. The finance committee set a date of May 1st for the surcharge to be paid in order to give those that needed it adequate time. However we will have to pay 3 or 4 weekly invoices before this date. So we ask that, if you can, please submit your payment in right away.

Thank you and see you in the harbor soon.



FROM THE FLEET CAPTAIN

ANDY CIUPAK

With spring comes change, and there are some exciting changes coming to this year's Float Plan that our members should be aware of. First and foremost, the **DYC CAN GET 45 SLIPS FOR FROSTBITE NOW**. Due to our ongoing partnership with the Lake St. Clair Metropark, we can pay for our slips now and the park will block them from any other reservations. If you are interested in getting your slip well in advance, go to the BOATING=>RENDEZVOUS page, click on Frostbite and sign up! I will follow up with you and reserve your slip. This early process is only available until immediately after the Harbor Opening Party, April 13th so don't delay as the park always sells out for Frostbite, rain or shine.

Speaking of which, the **Harbor Opening Party will be April 13th, 2 pm**. This year's event will be even larger than the last. Not only will Com. Allen dedicate our Harbor, we will be awarding the IN-Tensity Award (who will be brave enough to be first in this year) as well as get an overview and details of all the rendezvous. We will also have a special guest, Thomas Knuth who is the Park Manager at the Lake St. Clair Metropark. Thomas has arranged special summer packages for the DYC over the summer which will include parking passes, the water park, miniature golf, and many other amenities. The park is almost finished with its complete overhaul and we will be one of the firsts to take advantage of all the new amenities.

The Detroit Power Squadron will continue their series at the Club with their **VHF Usage on April 17th** and their **ABC Basic Class** which is an **8 week** course that starts May 1st. I strongly encourage all of our new boaters and those who have not taken this course previously to take advantage of having the ABC course taught right here in the Club. Not only will the knowledge benefit you and the other boaters around you, but the certification will most likely result in insurance discounts. You can sign up for both courses on the RENDEZVOUS page and/or contact Margi Schneider (schneiderm@dteenergy.com).

Lastly, this year you're going to go 'Bunkers' for the 2013 DYC Pub Crawl, May 11th 7pm. Bunker Kelly has agreed to take over this fun filled event and make it ruthlessly fantastic with a few changes including new transportation, stops and some surprises he won't even reveal to me. I want to thank Shelley Murphy for running this event in years past. She did a phenomenal job and I hope this year she can finally get on the bus and just relax and have fun! **THIS WILL SELL OUT** so make sure to register online.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions:

(248) 797-7199 dycfleetcaptain@hotmail.com.

Summer Program
Sign-Up
April 28 ~ 2:00 pm

Swim Team * Jr. Sailing * Tennis * Camp



DANCE
LESSONS

Interested in Dance Lessons and a Dance party afterwards? We are conducting a survey to see who would like to participate. Please call or e-mail Margaret Gmeiner with your comments (313) 824-1200 x 232 / mgmeiner@dyc.com

THE DYC SWIM TEAM
THERE'S NO BETTER
WAY TO
SPEND THE SUMMER



Sunday, April 14
Swim Team Open House
3:00 pm

Ditch those dusty baseball fields! This summer, you could enjoy watching your children swim at the DYC or at another lovely club while eating tasty hors d'oeuvres and sipping on your favorite cocktail. Afterwards, enjoy a fine meal with the other parents, as your kids eat and dance the evening away with their teammates.

Want to learn more? On **Sunday, April 14th**, the DYC Summer Swim Team will host an **open house at 3:00 pm**. in the Fountain Room. No prior swim experience is necessary to join the team. Your children will love it, and so will you!

ONLY A FEW DAYS LEFT TO SIGN UP FOR



5th Annual DYC Garden Club Cookery Class and Luncheon

Saturday, April 13th

10:00 am to 2:00 pm

Market to Market

Join Pam and Jerry Maloney and Chef Ken as they share their favorite markets. They will provide cooking demonstrations and tastings. Executive Chef Ken Dixon will provide an excellent lunch.

The cost for the day's event is **\$34.00**. This covers cooking demonstrations, tastings, door prizes, a luncheon (including it's tax and gratuity) and a booklet with over 50 recipes. There will also be a food boutique, a raffle and a few silent auction items.

Reservations can be made at the Reception Counter,
by phone at (313) 824 - 1200

or

Online at the DYC website
Remember ALL profits will be used
For DYC Gardens.

COME JOIN US TO HELP OUR GARDENS GROW

SAVE THESE DATES IN MAY

Vice Commodore's Ball Saturday, May 11th

This annual Spring Clean Up Day is a great day to work in the gardens as well as other areas around the Club.



Annual Plant Flower and Herb Sale

SATURDAY, MAY 11: 8:30 am until 1:30 pm

SUNDAY, MAY 12: 11:00 am until 3:00 pm

More information on both events will be in the Blue Hallway and in the May Main Sheet.

Up Next: Friday May 3, 2013 - Players Invitational - 7:00 pm. Join us for shared appetizers and friendship in this beautiful, historical playhouse at 3321 East Jefferson, curtain at 8:00 pm. Don't forget to make your reservations on-line for this annual sell-out event. Join us for an **Evening at the Players** - The **Best of the One Acts** featuring a cast of all male thespians. Make your reservations on-line now. **Cost \$30** includes beer, pop, peanuts, and pretzels. Remember you do not have to be a member of the Voyageurs to attend our events.

Saturday, May 11 ~ Please join us for Clean Up Day. Help put the club grounds and gardens in order and get the Voyageurs garden spruced up.

Thursday, May 16 ~ Backstage Tour of the Detroit Opera House, - Meet in the lobby (1526 Broadway, Detroit, 48226) at 6:30 pm for a special house and backstage tour. We will learn about the beautiful building, and its' backstage secrets. The house will be **staged for Verdi's Aida** so we will see the beautiful costumes and props for this opera set in ancient Egypt. **Cost: \$12 per person for the tour.** We will adjourn to the near-by **Detroit Beer Company** - (1529 Broadway) where you can order off the menu for the refreshments of your choice-liquid and otherwise. Make your reservations on- line. Contact Midge for information. Deadline for reservations is Saturday, May 11 (DYC cancellation policy will apply to the event if a substitute cannot be found).

Our next meeting will be in the Grill on Wednesday, April 10 at 7:00 pm. Hope you can join us for dinner or just stop by - we want to hear your ideas. **You could be the Wine Certificate winner** at the next outing -if you are a paid member of the Voyageurs. (Just \$10 per membership number per year makes you eligible for the wine certificate drawing at each Voyageurs event you attend.) Not a member- send an email to msave123@comcast.net include you name and member number and I will have your account charged. Remember you do not have to be a paid member to attend events **BUT membership does have perks.**

Questions - call Midge Savage (313) 584-8211

An Evening at the Players

Friday, May 3rd

7:00 pm

Cost \$30 inclusive
(Based on 6 at a Table)



Price includes:

Beer, pop, peanuts and pretzels

Bring your own wine and hors d'oeuvres to share.

3 one act plays - the best of the all male theater group's work in its 101st year

Pre- Party at 7 pm; Curtain at 8 pm

Black tie preferred

Dark suits are acceptable for gentlemen

Number Limited - Reservations on line www.dyc.com or Reception Counter (313) 824-1200



The Players - 3321 East Jefferson, Detroit opposite Harbortown

CRAWFORD-ARMSTRONG HANDICAPPED ASSOCIATION

SAVE THE DATE
Annual Fundraising



BUTTERFLY SUNDAY

Sunday, May 19, 2013

Port Haven Room

Your invitation to BUTTERFLY SUNDAY, May 19th are flying your way. The Crawford-Armstrong Handicapped Association invites you to our annual fundraiser for 'Fun Day in the Sun' scheduled for Saturday, June 22nd.

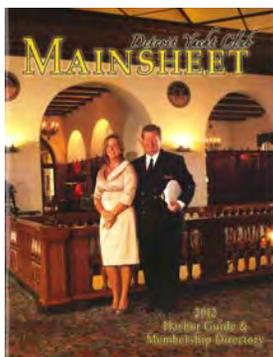
This year, in the Port Haven Room from 2 - 5 pm, you will find an array of fantastic and unique items: gourmet dinners, wine baskets, boat rides and more, all available for your successful bids. Along with the Silent Auction there will be hourly raffles including our famous 'sweet treats' for your delight. BUTTERFLY SUNDAY is a great time to bring family and friends to enjoy the day at the Historic DYC and support this most worthy fundraiser and perhaps indulge in DYC's famous Chicken Buffet while attending. To reserve a table in the Grill, call by May 17th to confirm attendance. Your support to this fundraiser enables us to continue to help those less fortunate, please join us in doing so.

For information or to donate items, contact:

- Midge Savage, (313) 584-8211, msave123@comcast.net
- Suzanna Kain, (248) 585-1854 suska7@aol.com
- Marilynn Maisner, (248) 473-4167 lmainsner@sbcglobal.net



**Looking forward to
sharing the day with you.**



ADVERTISE YOUR BUSINESS

The Official DYC Member
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Harbor Registry 2013

reaches 1,200 + people

This is the official member directory and harbor registry for the Detroit Yacht Club. By having your ad appear in the Mainsheet you receive 12 months of exposure to prime prospects for one LOW rate.

Business Card b/w	\$200	3 w x 2 h
1/4 page b/w	\$300	3 3/4 w x 4 3/4 h
1/2 page b/w	\$550	7 5/8 w x 5 1/2 h
Full page b/w	\$650	8 1/2 w X 11 h
Full Page inside Back cover color	\$1,050	8 1/2 w x 11 h
Backpage Color	\$1,250	8 1/2 w x 11 h

To place an Ad or any questions call Margaret Gmeiner at (313) 812-1200 ext. 232
Please Submit Camera-ready art to Bob Andrews at wholesalebind@aol.com or mail to
Wholesale Bindery, Inc. ~ 315 North Avenue ~ Mt. Clemens, MI 48043
(313) 910-4500

If we prepare the Ad, Wholesale Bindery will charge accordingly

DYC Sea Gulls present

EUCHRE NIGHT

Wednesday, April 17th
7:00 pm

You may sign-up at the DYC Reception Counter or
contact Catherine Nierle for details
at (313) 567- 2571 or cnierle@comcast.net

WINE SOCIETY

Join your DYC friends as you enjoy wine!
Your annual membership is \$10 per person, \$20 per couple.
Look for more details as we continue to enjoy wine, food and
friendship at the DYC!

Contact: Emily Brandt
Catering Manager
ebrandt@dyc.com
Direct Line (313) 824-2788



THE ROAD TO MICSA SWIM FINALS 2013

Thank you to everyone who purchased a brick and helped support the MICSA 2013 Swim Finals. Look for your brick in the patio off of the Bitter End. The new patio is expected be completed this spring.

VIP tickets are now on sale and available, these seats will sell out fast. The packet is located on the DYC website along with the MICSA website. If you have a minute, please check out the MICSA website(micasawimfinal@gmail.com). Our logo and information has been placed for the other 13 clubs to see and the website looks great!

This month we will be hosting the 14 clubs in MICSA for dinner at the annual spring meeting. We are very excited to share our plans with them and kick off the 2013 swim season.

All of the committees have been hard at work. Be sure to check out the site plan posted on the website and see how the DYC will be transformed that weekend. We will be setting up an account at "sign up genius" next month for anyone who is interested in helping out during this event. We are in need of MANY volunteers. If you are interested in helping out please send us a quick email to micasawimfinal@gmail.com and we will send your information to the volunteer committee.

Thank you again for all of the support we have received and thank you to all of the committee members for all of the hard work and time you have put in over these last few months.

Go ISLANDERS!

MICSA Swim Finals Chairs:
Rob and Michelle Koueiter
Kim and Ray Giacobone



AROUND AND ABOUT THE DYC

FLYING SCOT AWARDS



DYC MEMBERS GET TOGETHER IN FLORIDA



EVERY YEAR WE HAVE THE BLESSING OF THE DYC BURGEE AT THE MARINERS CHURCH IN DETROIT COM. SCOTT ALLEN AND FLEET CAPTAIN ANDY CIUPAK



BACK TO THE ISLAND PARTY



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

The Membership Committee would like to Welcome the following new members to the Detroit Yacht Club.

Active Boating

Christopher & Janice Jorgensen

Active

Karen & Jeff Flisnik

Iiankaa & King David Simmons

Alex Fratarcangeli

Dean & Kelly Elliot

Stephen & Tracy Meraw

Intermediate

Sante Fratarcangeli & Liz McCline

Meredith & Joseph Coules

Stefan Risko & Baylee Burrowes

Drew Berkery

Kelly Regula & Matthew Duffy

Katherine Woodstock

Reinstatement

Albert & Rhoda Fields

Anne Eggen & Peter Becker

David Knapp

Nick Richee

Brenda Maxwell

FITNESS ROOM

Daily 5:00 am - 9:00 pm

Except Monday ~ 5 am - 7 pm

You must be min. of 18 years old to use equipment.

CONCERNS, CARES OR COMMENTS

Your opinions regarding your experiences here at the Detroit Yacht Club are important. Please share any concerns or compliments with Margaret Gmeiner (313) 824-1200 x 232. She will direct them to the appropriate department. Whether they are small or large, please feel free to call.

Membership Meeting Times

Tuesday, April 23

Retention 6:15 pm

Ambassador 7:00 pm

Everyone is welcome to join the committees with a commitment to participate.

POOL HOURS

Monday - Friday 12:00 - 7:00 pm

Saturday - 10:00 am - 6:00 pm

Sunday - 9:00 am - 6:00 pm

Adult swimmers with a buddy or group are welcome to swim (without a lifeguard)

8 am -10 pm. You will need to sign a release form before using the pool during this time period.

Forms available at the Front Gate or Reception Counter.

FROM THE MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR

JIM NEUMANN

SPRING IS FIGHTING ITS WAY IN...

Last year at this time many of us were in shorts and t-shirts polishing our boats and getting them ready for launch. My how this year is so different. Winter is not going to leave so quietly this time around. Nonetheless the Harbor Staff has returned and has begun repairs to the decks and docks from this winter's battle with the ice. Harbormaster Ross Bissell is confident that his team will have the docks in top shape as boats begin to arrive.

MEMBERSHIP FRONT...

I am proud to let you know that we are once again growing. This month we are bringing more than 15 new membership applicants and reinstatements to the Board of Directors for approval into membership. We are continuing to greatly outpace the private club industry average by a long shot, just another reason to share your DYC pride.

With the season coming into swing I am preparing to host a "DYC Clubhouse Tour Training". This training will be for anyone on the Membership Ambassador Committee or on the Membership Retention Committee or for anyone else who would like to help out with clubhouse tours for people considering membership here at the Detroit Yacht Club. The training does not take long; in fact it takes less than an hour to do a full tour of the clubhouse. With this training YOU will be a DYC expert. You will be able to show guests and prospective members all the terrific features, amenities and activities YOUR CLUB has to offer.

THE FUN AND FRIENDLY CLUB...

I have been to dozens of private clubs speaking to managers and members in order to find out what we have in common and what sets us apart. What I have discovered is that although the Detroit Yacht Club is like many other private clubs with bylaws, house rules, common practices and traditions, we truly stand out in the area of PEOPLE. When I say people I am talking everyone; members, families, friends and even staff members. The DYC family is an amazingly diverse group that genuinely seems to care about one another. Staff and members share smiles, stories and laughs; something unheard of in many other clubs.

Another stand out quality of the DYC is FUN. When you look at our calendar of events and compare it to other clubs we more than double many clubs when it comes to functions, clubs within the club and traditions. The DYC sure knows how to have a good time. Many of our members are regulars at nearly all of our events. There is however a significant number of members that haven't taken full advantage of all there is to offer here at the Detroit Yacht Club. I want to encourage those who haven't been to a club event to test the waters a bit and see what you may be missing out on. Bring some family members, bring some friends. I am confident that if you haven't attended any of the club's events you will have a great time when you do.

The real big stand out characteristic is FAMILY. There are so many wonderful families here at the DYC. Many are three and four generations into membership. These families are having fun together in the pool, boating, fishing, and of course dining together. What better bonds a family together than playing together and then gathering around the table to share a meal, is there anything?

The Detroit Yacht Club is truly the GREATEST YACHT CLUB ON EARTH!

EIGHT BELLS



Mr. Roger Cotting

(Husband of DYC Member Elizabeth Stevenson)

November 2012

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Mrs. Nellie Rhoades

(Former DYC Member)

Thursday, March 14

DYC FLYING SCOTS

JAMIE SCHAFER, FLYING SCOTS CHAIR



With the recent launch of the Flying Scots fleet we're all set to get back on the water for the season and you can join us!

Come on down to the Club on Thursday, April 25th at 7:00 pm for our season kick-off cocktail party! For new students, this is a great way to meet some of the Flying Scots instructors, class captains, and fellow students. As always, everyone is welcome to attend!

The Flying Scots sailing instruction schedule consists of two nine-week sessions running May through August. We offer classes on both Tuesdays and most Thursdays, beginning approximately 6:00 pm. Students can attend Tuesday, Thursday or both, as their schedules permit. As a student, you will progress through a series of skill levels until you are sailing on your own.

Our volunteer instructors teach to your skills and experience, so even if you have sailed before this program can help you enhance your skills. Regular lectures accompany on-the-water instruction, and a DYC-specific written manual is included.

DYC members pay \$250 for the full eighteen weeks, or \$150 for one nine-week session. Find out all the details about the class at www.dycflyingscots.org. See you on the water!

Flying Scots Class Kick-off Cocktail Party Thursday, April 25 7:00 pm

Come learn about the Flying Scot Program

FLOAT PLAN

April 13	Harbor Opening Party
April 17	VHF Usage (DPS)
April 20	First Aid / CPR (DPS)
May 1	ABC Basic Class (DPS, 8 weeks)
May 11	Pub Crawl
May 24 - 26	Vessel Safety Checks (DPS)
May 27	Memorial Day Ceremonies and Blessing of the Fleet
July 4	DYC Cardboard Regatta
July 10	Motor City Mile
August 4	DYC Annual Fleet Review
August 23 - 25	Put-In-Bay Rendezvous
August 31	Dinghy & Small Boat Poker Run
Sept 6 - 8	Club Island / Muskamoot Bay Rendezvous
October 3 - 6	Frostbite Rendezvous



DOCK LINE

A Message From Your Harbor Operations Committee

CAN YOU BELIEVE IT... IT'S BOATING SEASON

HARBOR OPENS APRIL 15

Harbor Master Ross and the Staff are on duty to serve you

BEFORE YOU BRING YOUR BOAT INTO THE HARBOR

With Dredging Underway

PLEASE REMEMBER

Notify the Harbormaster 48 Hours In Advance and

Your account must be current

SPRING HARBOR HOURS

MONDAY-FRIDAY 1:00 pm -6:00 pm

SATURDAY-SUNDAY 11:00 am -7:00 pm

HARBOR STORE OPENS APRIL 27

Try Our Valet Service To & From the Parking Lots to Your Boat Plus Picnic Areas

Call the Harbor Office
(313) 824-1200 x 264

DYC IS THE PLACE TO BE

HARBOR OPENING PARTY SATURDAY, APRIL 13TH

3:00 pm

Champagne compliments of the Boating Committee



Stick around for Dinner after the ceremony



Contact Andy Ciupak (248) 797-7199
dycfleetcaptain@hotmail.com with any questions

ROD & GUN CLUB

BILL & COM. DON

The Detroit Yacht Club Rod & Gun Club is changing its leadership. The Rod & Gun Club was founded by Com. Don Baker and Bill Schrader in 2004 ~ Don and I have been the chairpersons since that time. Yearly, the Rod and Gun Club hosts 13-15 events for its members, a grand total of 120 - 135 events since its inception. Though time consuming, we both have thoroughly enjoyed offering a wide range of Rod & Gun events for the



Com. Don Baker & Bill Schrader

DYC. Don is not only my co-chair but also a good friend. At this time Don hopes to spend more time at his southern retreat in West Palm Beach with his lovely wife Helen. In order to do so, he has had to step down as co-chair of the Rod & Gun Club, while still hoping to participate in events when in town. Don has always helped to guide me during these past years with a blend of wisdom and humor ~ I deeply value both his friendship and his insight. His ongoing support has been what has helped the Rod and Gun Club grow and provide such fun events for its members. As we move forward, we would like to announce the new co-chair for the Rod & Gun Club ~ Rick Michalski. Rick has been very active in the Rod and Gun Club and brings a wealth of knowledge about trap shooting, hunting and fishing ~ he will help the Rod and Gun Club continue to provide quality events for its members. Currently, we are just starting to plan events for this year and will post them in upcoming Mainsheet issues. In closing, once again I would like to wish Com. Don the best and I am also looking forward to working with Rick!

Enjoy the Outdoors!!
Rick Michalski & Bill Schrader



Rick Michalski

Save the Date

DYC Golf Outing Friday, June 28th

To support the 2013 Gold Cup
4 person Scramble
Open to everyone

To be Held at

The Coyote Golf Club

New Hudson Mi.
More details to follow.

For information contact:
Rick Michalski (313) 590-4317

DETROIT POWER SQUADRON

MARGI SCHNEIDER

The Power Squadron will be offering a **VHF Usage Seminar** in **April**, and a **Basic Boating Class** in **May**. Both events will be held at the DYC and are open to everyone.

On April 17, we will be offering a 2-hour seminar from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm on **VHF** usage, at a **cost of \$25**. In less than 2 hours, you will learn why and how:

VHF Radio is the mainstay of coastal communications
It's essential for emergency communications
DSC (Digital Selective Calling) simplifies and improves rescue
To use **VHF / DSC** and operations explanations
- PLUS -

CD Included

Waterproof guide included with essential information

Starting **Wednesday, May 1 the ABC basic boating class** will begin.

This class includes 5 weeks covering topics including boating terms, how to safely fuel your boat, basic anchoring, basic rules of the road, line handling, and much more. This is followed by an optional 3 weeks that covers basic navigation skills, such as how to read a chart, and how to plot a course. At the end of the class you will receive a Power Squadron certificate, which entitles you to a reduction in your boating insurance with most companies, and a DNR certificate, which allows age appropriate boaters to legally operate a jet ski and other vessels. This class is appropriate for junior and senior high school students - parents must be present at the first class to enroll their children. The cost is \$40.

Contact DYC member Margi Schneider at (586) 243-8797 for information on classes and power squadron membership (\$69.60 individual, family memberships also available), and to pre-register for any event.

Four Days of Sailing Events

at the

Detroit Yacht Club

May 23rd, 24th, 25th and 26th

Off The Dock Race

Thursday, May 23rd 6:30 PM

best view is at the end of Main Dock

Memorial Cocktail Party

Friday, May 24th 7:00 pm at the DYC
in memory of **Patrick O'Brien**

97th Memorial Regatta

Saturday, May 25th 10:00 am

Lake St Clair

Finish in front of the DYC around 1:00 pm

Memorial Day Regatta Awards Party

Saturday, May 25th at the DYC

Flying Scots Regatta

Sunday, May 26th 11:00 am

Detroit River in front of the DYC

*Entertainment Planned
for the
Summer Months*

- May 12 - Mother's Day - James Morisi
- May 25 - Memorial Weekend Service
- May 31 - "KGB"
- June 7 - Southern Rock "Detroit Hammers"
- June 16 - "Blue Grass Band" ~ Father's Day
- June 21 - "Beatles"
- June 29- "Bad Dudes"
- July 5 - "Cancel Monday"
- July 12 -"KGB"
- July 13- "Pretty Good"
- July 19 -"The Pulse"
- July 26 -" Little Stubby & The Disappointments"
- August 2 - "Grove Council"
- August 9 - "Good Gravy"
- August 17 - "Kaleidoscope"
- Venetian Weekend
- August 23 - " 2XL"
- August 31 - "Super Stars of Rock"

**Work in Progress is Progressing Nicely
Women's Locker Room**

Thank you for your patience and support while we continue working on further improvements to the Locker Room.

For your information, the hallway from the newly refurbished locker room area leading to the indoor pool has recently been updated. The old lockers, ceiling and carpet have been removed. A new ceiling, lighting and carpet have been installed. All the benches in that hallway and in the east section of the locker room have been repainted and reupholstered. Most are now in the east section of the locker room where there was a need for more benches.

Next winter we plan to put in a new ceiling and carpet in the locker room area by the Workout/Exercise room. The carpet will be the same as was installed about a year ago in the Ladies' Coat Check Room, hallway to the offices and adjacent sitting room. The benches in that area will be painted and reupholstered.

Please know that no dues money has been spent for the upgrades. The money is from some fund raising and mostly private donations.

If you have any questions, please contact Linda Barlow or Daryl Dawes, Co-chairs,
Ladies' Locker Room



DETROIT
OPERA
HOUSE

The Voyageurs Present
**Backstage Tour of the
Detroit Opera House**
Thursday, May 16
6:30 pm



(Meet in the lobby)
1526 Broadway, Detroit, 48226
Cost \$12 per person

Learn about the Opera House History
Stage will be set for Verdi's Aida
View the Costumes & Props

We will adjourn to the near-by
Detroit Beer Company
(1529 Broadway)
order off the menu

Make your reservations on- line.
Contact Midge for information. Deadline for reservations is
Saturday, May 11

(DYC cancellation policy will apply to the event if a substitute cannot be found)



**Join us for the traditional
Memorial Day Ceremony
Monday, May 27th**

Tea & Crumpets at 10:00 am
Memorial Day Services at 11:00 am
Followed by Blessing of the Fleet

**ALL MEMBERS AND THEIR
FAMILIES ARE INVITED**



SAVE THE DATE



Detroit Yacht Club

Presenting Sponsor

Saturday, April 27, 2013

6:00 pm

You are cordially invited to join us

\$100 per person

Open to Everyone

Gold Cup Gala

- *Incredible Entertainment • Live & Silent Auctions • Exceptional Food*
- *Exciting Raffles • Meet the Drivers • and more....*

Display, signage & sponsorship opportunities available for Gala and Race Weekend
Contact: Andy Ciupak, andy_ciupak@hotmail.com • Shelley Murphy, shelley@allegradetroit.com



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