



DYC Main Sheet

December 2013



Events

CHILDREN'S HOLIDAY PARTY

HOLIDAY LUNCHEONS

VOYAGEURS HOLIDAY DINNER

FIRESIDE CHAT WITH THE COMMODORES

HOLIDAY BRUNCH



*Enjoy the Holiday Spirit
at the Club
Join the
Commodore's Fireside Chat
Thursday, December 19
7:00 pm
in the Trophy Room*

*Lite snacks with signature beverages
from the Starboard Haven Lounge*



For Your Company Holiday Luncheon

**The DYC Grill Restaurant will be all
decked out for the Holidays!
Join Us On These Special Days**
Tuesday, December 10
 11:30 am - 3:00 pm
Wednesday, December 11
 11:30 am - 9:00 pm
Thursday, December 12
 11:30 am - 9:00 pm

*Reservations Required
Please make reservations for your
Holiday Lunch with your
Friends & Co-Workers*

(313) 824-1200 x 234

Children's Holiday Party

Sunday, December 8th

11:30 am

Lunch & Crafts

Adults \$18.00 ++

Children \$14.00++

(Children 3 and under free)



Menu

Garden Salad

Thousand Island/Ranch/French Dressings

Country Fried Chicken Drumsticks

Honey Mustard Dipping Sauce

Grilled Chicken Breast

Chef's Macaroni and Cheese

Buttered Green Beans

Tater Tots

Baked Fusilli Pasta with Meat Sauce

Desserts

Fresh Fruit Display

Raspberry Dream

Fresh Baked Brownies

Assorted Fresh Baked Cookies

Chocolate and Vanilla Cream Puffs

PLEASE RESERVE EARLY



Santa will arrive by sleigh to listen to special holiday wishes. Make holiday crafts, decorate gingerbread houses, have your picture taken with Santa, and each child will receive a gift from the Commodores!

**Share the Spirit
of the Season!**
**Please bring a new
unwrapped toy
for Toys-for-Tots or
mitts for our Mitten Tree.**
 (Mittens are given to those in need)



PLEASE RESERVE

EARLY

Reservations required.

Call the Reception Counter (313) 824-1200

AT THE HELM

COMMODORE FED CARR

On a course towards success; waypoints plotted, we're underway, making way without any cross track error. While Proposals A & B were a bit controversial, what wasn't controversial was the need to take action. Debate, deliberation and discussions prior to and during our Annual Meeting brought important information and feelings to the surface. Club Management and your new Board of Directors heard your voice loud and clear.

Passage of the proposals helps but unlike many of our boats, our Club is not out of the water yet. Cash is still very tight and will be through the end of January. Therefore I must ask those of you that can, to please pre-pay all or a portion of your 2014 dues, dock fees and assessment. Not only will your action help the Club, it will also help Treasurer Nowicki get a good night's sleep once again. Please watch for your pre-payment package to be mailed soon. As we all know, the key to our success and a good night's sleep for us all is growing our membership ranks. Therefore I'll also ask that you, our best sales representatives, reach out to acquaintances and invite them to visit the Club. Our Marketing Department is staffed up and poised to capitalize on the positive buzz generated by the State's Leasing of Belle Isle from our City of Detroit coupled with your qualified sales leads. Just ask your friends, acquaintances, colleagues, customers, anyone meeting the criteria, you'd enjoy their company at the Club to call (313) 824-1200 ask for Jim Neumann or Mary Kate Peltz and let our professionals do the rest! Proposal A included a very desirable caveat one; I'd like to exercise this year.

We have the ability to reduce our monthly imbursements to the Club by achieving membership growth targets set forth in Proposal A. The 600 member target nets us a 50% reduction and the 700 member target nets us a 100% reduction of the operational assessment. For some the most difficult step in this process is to ask the question, "Would you like to visit the Club?", for others the most difficult thing to do is stop talking once a prospective member says yes. The oldest profession in the world is in fact sales; another fact, we are all sales people! A sale, in its most basic form, is getting someone to do what you want them to do. We all learned from day one with our very first cry of hunger to get someone (Mom) to do what we wanted them to do (feed us); it was a matter of survival back then just as it is today. Please conjure up those survival skills and courage to invite a prospective member to the Club.

At my first Board meeting as Commodore I talked a bit about DYC's Directors' uniforms. I thought the most important take away from that conversation was the word honor. It is privilege and an honor to wear the uniform. Wearing the uniform honors the membership who voted us onto the Board, it honors those that wore it before us and it honors those that will wear it after us. Any Director wearing a uniform is expected to reflect the high personal standards and esprit de corps that the Board, when in uniform, represents to members. We also talked about leadership and how following rules is an expectation that we all shoulder, both in and out of uniform. Our conduct as Directors therefore should be exemplary.

It was my intention to set the tone for this upcoming year. As I stated last month "Regarding Amidships while At the Helm my intentions are to put the rudder there and tie it off. Hold a course straight and true focused on fiscal responsibility, delivering on our mission statement's goals while putting forth a full court press to grow our membership ranks; a back to basics approach if you will with emphasis on DYC core values and practices."



And that's the way it is from the **Helm**.



***A Special Holiday Brunch**
Sunday, December 22
11:30 am in the Grill*



*Bring your Family & Friends and enjoy the holiday season.
Stroll through your Beautifully Club,
don't forget Peacock Alley!
Please call with your reservations (313) 824-1200 x 234*

FROM THE SECRETARY

TODD EIB

Dear fellow DYC member, thank you for all of your support and camaraderie. I am honored to serve our Club as the new Board Secretary. You and I will have conversations about our Club's business and important topics through this article, postings on the web-site and in person. I look forward to our discussions and you can always reach me at secretary@dyc.com.



The Board started the New Year running. The Finance Committee has tasked General Manager Sides with cost reductions in excess of \$400K, while continuing to implement procedural changes that will allow management to better control expenses. General Manager Sides and Treasurer Nowicki have brought in a new Controller who started just before Thanksgiving. The Finance Committee and the Board approved a new member incentive program presented by the House Committee. One of the more crucial issues the Finance Committee is working on is the collection of outstanding member house account balances. Cash remains tight and keeping your house account paid up to date allows Management to pay our vendors on-time and if you can pay early, either dues or on your monthly statement, it will be greatly appreciated.

The Board heard your concerns over retaining members with the recent passage of Proposal A. With that, the House Committee went to work and drew up a new member incentive plan, which is outlined in this copy of the Mainsheet. This plan allows the current member to alleviate the increase in dues, buy bringing in a new member. Remember, our goal is a minimum of 100 new active and active boating members for this year and your involvement is critical. If you have not been to a membership meeting in the past year, I encourage you to check the calendar and attend the next membership meeting. The House Committee also reviewed and approved a proposal for - tile to replace aged carpet in the first floor ladies powder room. The House Committee will also take on a long term project in reviewing and updating House Rules - More to come on that project.

Our annual meeting this past November was festive and a new Board was ushered in. Also, I would like to take a moment to acknowledge the special awards given out. Greg and Lisa Nowak were awarded Family of the year. Commodore Skip Gmeiner for the Cliff Gray Award. The Theurekorn Award was presented to Tammy and Craig Homicz while the Penny Breck Trophy was presented to Erica Ciupak. Congratulations to everyone and thank you for your contributions to our Club.

Remember to stay involved in your Club. There is so much to do and many people to enjoy. While I'll try to keep you informed, other valuable resources include our website and our online calendar. I am looking forward to our chats!

FROM THE VICE COMMODORE

VICE COMMODORE JOE BROOKS

As I assume the office of Vice Commodore it is a time of reflection. Last year the finance committee and I started off with high hopes of being positive to budget at years end and bringing some long term stability to the DYC's finances. As you know the issues piled up quickly. The dredging project, loss of key management personnel and an escalating debt lead to many discussions that put a lot of pressure on our Committee and Treasurer. With the support you showed at the Annual Meeting the new Rear Commodore and Finance Committee WILL be able to right the ship. I ask that you give this new Board a year to show what we can do. Once our new controller is on board then we will have completed the management team that will lead our Club well past this initial three year turnaround plan. We are expecting a lot and believe we can deliver.

As I continue to work my way through the commodore chairs I realize the order is correct. Last year I watched, learned and had an opportunity to contribute effectively to the bottom line. This year with the experience gained thus far I will have a more active role as I work with and lead the House Committee. We will look for smart and innovative ways to improve our facility while keeping the bottom line clearly in focus. All of this will prepare me for the office of Commodore in 2015. My goal is to continue the financial turnaround, increase our membership and to let management do its job of running the Club, and making sure we all enjoy our experience here. I trust in our General Manager Jim Sides when he said, "I will exceed expectations when it comes to providing members with a wonderful first class club experience."

Increasing membership is the top priority and we need everyone's participation. Shortly, you will hear about member incentives to bring in new active and boating members. And let's not forget about our friends who love the DYC and for whatever reason had to leave in the last several years. Let's set a goal to work hard to get them back!!

I close by thanking you for your continued support as we work toward improving the Club's health and your DYC experience. It's our "resort in the city". Let's make it so.



GENERAL MANAGER

JIM SIDES

Nolliaig Chridheil agus bliadhna mhathur! Merry Christmas and Happy New Year! Yes, it is that time already. I hope that everyone had a fantastic Thanksgiving. As a quick side, Thanksgiving is one of my all time favorite holidays and is a distinctly American holiday. The brisk air, the smell of turkey and pumpkin pie, cranberry relish and Charlie Brown TV specials.

As we get closer and closer to the New Year there are a few things that I want all the membership to know. In order to facilitate communications

I will be starting several new methods of communicating to you, the membership. I will be starting a new DYC GM Facebook page that you can "like" and join to keep in the loop. This site will be different from our main page and be more dedicated to internal member use. I will also have a Twitter account to keep you all in the know on specials and daily happenings at the Club. In the Twitter world you have to follow me so if you want the info it will be there and if not, you will not get a lot of e-mail or spam. Yay!

Also, I am going to start a BLOG. I have never really done a BLOG but again I want to keep members up to date with all the happenings. This BLOG will include events, recaps of meetings, recaps of management and Board decisions and projects that are going on in the Club, at the Club, and where we know, on Belle Isle.

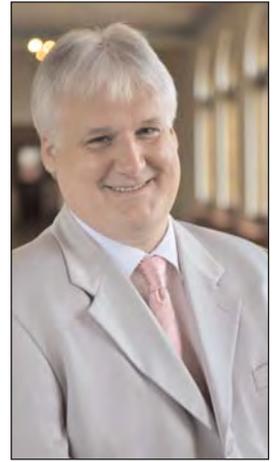
With that news, a formal announcement was made about the State taking over Belle Isle and on November 19th we had a visit from several State Troopers as they familiarize themselves to our island. They will be patrolling beginning in December so watch your speeds!

A Committee of management, Board and a couple ad hoc members has been created to work with the state to cover all of DYC's concerns and issues as the state takes over to ease the transition for our members, guests and those attending events. I will do my best to keep everyone posted on all our progress as we go through this process.

Finally, congratulations to all the new Board members who were voted in at the election, as well as the returning members. Congratulations to Fred Carr, Commodore; Joe Brooks, Vice Commodore and Jim Gierlach, Rear Commodore. Special thanks to all the members who came out to the Annual Meeting and to all those who voted. Have a Great and Safe Holiday Season. See you at the Club..... Slainte, Sonas agus beartas.

(Cheers, Health, Wealth and Happiness).

Jim Sides



Club Schedule

We will be closed down
Sunday, December 23 through Thursday January 2

Open with Winter hours
Friday, January 3 through Saturday, January 18

then
Closed down again January 19- February 11

PLEASE

Make Your Reservations in advance for
ALL Club Events.
Reservations are a necessary part in assuring
successful events. Thank you in Advance.

A MESSAGE FROM THE DYC FOUNDATION

MARK LIFTER, PRESIDENT

Support Your Club: Help Restore the Clubhouse

December... a time to appreciate the blessings given through the year, to enjoy the holiday season, to spend some extra time with family and friends, and to marvel at the beauty of the decorations in our DYC clubhouse. It is also the month to continue, or to decide for the first time, to support the restoration of our magnificent and historic clubhouse.

With the support of the DYC Board and club management and with the analysis of building restoration experts, we have a much better understanding of the urgent need to get moving now on preserving our clubhouse. There is no doubt that we must take action to repair and restore our building envelope to stop exterior and resultant interior water damage. This is no small undertaking: to fully complete it is likely to take multiple years. But all journeys such as this must start with the first steps. That is why we have defined Phase I of the work, which will focus on the significant issues at the east end of our building.

Fund raising of cash and pledges thus far has produced nearly half of the \$400,000 to \$500,000 that will be needed for Phase I. With the support of DYC members and friends, we believe we can raise the additional funds to begin this work in fall 2014 and complete it in 2015, before moving on to further restoration phases. But this depends on you.

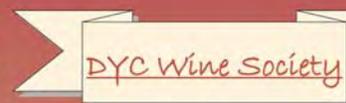
Your contributions by December 31 to the DYC Foundation will be eligible for tax deduction on your 2013 tax return. Coupled with 2013 donations and funds received previously, your pledges to donate in 2014 and even 2015 will assist the Foundation to plan the scope of restoration that can be accomplished over the next few years.

Late last month, you should have received a mailing from the Foundation asking you to consider a year-end tax-deductible donation and pledge of future contributions to our **Seal the Envelope** Capital Campaign. Some members may have also received a call from our Campaign Committee. I'm happy to report that many members have already stepped up this year to help preserve and restore our grand clubhouse with generous contributions.

This year, we encourage each and every DYC member to participate at some level in the campaign. Some members are blessed to be able to give at high levels. Others may be able to afford our suggested minimum of \$500, with \$250 paid by year-end and the balance paid next year. This works out to about \$21 per month over the two years. Quarterly billing can be arranged. Some may be only be able to give a smaller amount. But we hope everyone will support clubhouse restoration at some level this year. All and any amounts are greatly appreciated. In time, we will have restored the grandeur of our Club's home.

Feel free to call the DYC Foundation at (313) 757-2540 or email us at info@dycfoundation.com if you have any questions, need a pledge form, want to discuss a special donation, or want to make a bequest within your estate plans. Please send your contributions or pledges to:

Detroit Yacht Club Foundation
One Riverbank Rd, Belle Isle
Detroit, MI 48207



*Wine makes daily living easier, less hurried,
with fewer tensions and more tolerance. —Benjamin Franklin*

Thursday, December 12, 2013

7:00PM

East Lounge

\$65++ Per Wine Society Member—\$70++ Per Non Member

*Amuse Bouche— Alma Negra Sparkling Rose of Malbec, Mendoza, Argentina
Tasting Notes: Aromas of strawberry, raspberry and cassis lead to delicate flavor notes of strawberry, licorice and rose petals. Intense fruit leads to a long and lively finish.
Wild mushroom and lobster vol au, vented with roasted garlic creme

*2nd Tasting — Dousino Macul Antiguas Reservas Chardonnay, Chile
Tasting Notes: An intense and delicate bouquet, the dominating fruits are pineapple and melon, with faint touches of vanilla. The elegant oak combines perfectly with the fruit and acidity.
Butternut squash bisque

*3rd Tasting — Delas Freras, Cotes du Rhone
Tasting Notes: The nose is classical Syrah, with berry fruit, violet, licorice and spices. It has a full, rounded palate with delicate tannins.
Beef ragout with pappardelle pasta

*4th Tasting — Donati Immigrant, Merlot, Petit Verdot, Cab, Franc
Tasting Notes: Rich aromatics of black cherry and earth, with lingering cherry and toast on the palate.
Porcini crusted lamp lollipops with a wild blueberry and caramelized onion demi glaze, sweet potato puree and baby zucchini

*5th Tasting — Kunde Cabernet, Sonoma
Tasting Notes: A variety of herbs, black pepper and cassis aromatics amplifying flavors of bright ripe raspberry, currant and dark chocolate.
Chocolate soufflé with raspberry coulis and pistachio crumbles

Reserve your spot at www.dyc.com or with the Catering Department
Emily Brandt- 313-824-2788 or ebrandt@dyc.com
Alex Dixon- 313-824-2887 or cateringdyc@gmail.com

**48 Hour Cancellation Policy Will Be In Effect*

Limited Seating Available.



ANNUAL WINTER SOLSTICE CELEBRATION

Sunday, December 15th

Please join us for the Annual Winter Solstice Celebration on Sunday, December 15th. A roaring fire will greet celebrants who gather at the head of West End Dock at 4:00 pm to watch the sunset.

Marks the shortest day and the longest night of the year. The celebration has also served as a religious celebration for centuries. At the DYC, we gather to celebrate the sunset with friends, and think of spring when the harbor will again be filled with boats.

Mark your calendars - rain or shine, warm or cold - you will find a group of DYC members at the end of the island. Bring your own beverage and an appetizer to share.

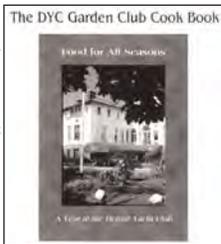
HOPE THAT YOU CAN JOIN US.



The Gift Twice Given This Holiday Season It Is On Sale for 20% Off

The gift of a DYC Cookbook to a family member, relative, friend, co-worker or as a thank you or a hostess gift, is a thoughtful way to remember someone and do something special for the DYC Gardens. The sale price of **\$20.00** that we receive for the book will be seen in one of the gardens next spring or summer. It may be used for a flat of wave petunias,

a double knockout rose bush, some red geraniums or for something special to fill a pot at the main entrance or by the stairs at the boardwalk. Every dollar from the sale of each cookbook goes directly into the gardens. So think about it, if you have someone you think would enjoy a beautiful cookbook with over 500 recipes give them a DYC Cookbook and know that you are helping DYC gardens grow. A sample copy of this book is at the Reception Counter. Browse through it to check out the recipes in it. Books in presentation boxes are available at the Reception Counter.



Holiday Celebrations

Take your DYC cookbook off the shelf and browse through the index in the back to gather ideas for things to make during the holidays be it for a dinner or just a small gathering of friends for appetizers, cocktails, and desserts. There are so many delicious choices from cold and warm appetizers, great entrees, soups, salads and sides to lovely rich desserts and a wonderful assortment of Christmas treats in the cakes, cookies, pies and puddings sections. Don't forget about breakfast ideas found in the breads, muffins and egg recipes. As for holiday spirits, remember there are suggestions for great wine pairings and for several drinks. So revisit this cookbook and have fun cooking.

*Happy Holidays to All
From the DYC Garden Club*



Thank you to Jim and Nancy Foran for organizing and hosting and to the many other wonderful volunteers who helped us with the **Meet the Candidates Wine Tasting on Saturday, November 9th**. We also thank the Candidates for sponsoring our delicious desserts and pouring our wine. The event was well attended and

enjoyed by all. Congratulations to Tim Gibson whose name was drawn as our Wine Certificate winner.

Fifty-four people either joined or renewed their Voyageurs memberships at this event. If you were unable to attend, please contact us to join or renew. The **Voyageurs membership term is November to November for \$10.00 per membership number per year**. Want your account charged? Simply email me, PTHULL@msn.com, your name and member number and I will have your account charged.

Our **Thursday, November 21st Backstage Tour of the Detroit Opera House** was wonderful. Learning about that beautiful building and its backstage secrets was a lot of fun. La Traviata was staged at the time and its costumes and props well exemplified this classic opera. We adjourned to the Detroit Beer Company for our after-glow where we much enjoyed our food and spirits.

The **Annual Voyageurs Holiday Dinner will be held Saturday, December 14th in the DYC Trophy Room**. Share an evening of song, good food, and friendship. We will start the evening with passed hors d' oeuvres, move to a special chef prepared entrée, and finish our meal with a special sweet and a Champagne toast. After dinner Earl Wolfe will play for our sing-a-long and/or listening enjoyment. Please make your reservations early and online as seating is limited.

We held our last **Meeting on Wednesday, November 13th at DYC**. It was well attended and many ideas for future events were tossed around the table. These included many of our annual excursions and events such as springtime Players performance, Race Day Bagel Sale and Candidates Wine Tasting. We will venture out on some new and engaging events so watch for upcoming information in the Main Sheet. Mark your calendars for our next event hosted by Com. Len and Marilyn Maisner on **Sunday, January 12th**. Join in for **bowling at the Superbowl Community Bowling Centers** at 45100 Ford Road in Canton (Canton Center and Ford Road). The event will run from **2:00 pm - 4:00 pm and will cost \$15.00 per person** which includes two hours of bowling, bowling ball, shoe rental, pizza and pop. Families welcome. Do not worry about being a pro bowler; we are all in it for the fun! Please make your reservation online.

Questions? Email or call Patricia Thull O'Brien (248) 345-3457 or email PTHULL@msn.com

Let me take this time to wish you and yours an exceedingly enriched holiday season.

*Merry Christmas and a
Happy New Year!*

TRADITIONS COMMITTEE

PATRICIA THULL O'BRIEN

Com. Fred Carr has started a Traditions Committee. The purpose of this committee is to help ensure that we retain the salient traditions that have enriched our DYC history and that members feel that we are members of a Private Yacht Club and not a Marina. To that end, he has asked me to be Chairman of the Committee and First Lady, Marilyn Maisner to Co-Chair.

As a preliminary effort before any formal Committee formation or meetings, we have thus far held four facilitation/"Focus" sessions, with more on the horizon. Within these sessions we have had open streams of thought yielding insight and opinions. We have managed an open exchange that, during the meeting, is not intended for the purpose of finding solutions. Thus far, amongst the groups, most topics coming forth are common. We shall see in the coming weeks if that continues to hold true.

Those who have participated in any of the sessions have been asked of their interest in continuing to work with the Committee once that ensues. Those names are gathered and those individuals will be contacted for future committee work and support.

We really want to be all inclusive. So, if any of you are interested in being part of a facilitation/"Focus" session and/or part of the working Committee, please let us know. Feel free to contact me, Patricia Thull O'Brien, at (248) 345-3457, email: PTHULL@msn.com or Marilyn Maisner at (248) 473-4167, email: Imaisner@sbcglobal.net.

DYC SEA GULLS

NANCY FORAN

SINCE 1926 OLDEST SOCIAL CLUB AT DYC

Thanks to all the DYC members who baked and to all those who purchased baked goods and donated funds to the Sea Gulls on Election Day. We met a lot of new DYC members in the lobby that day. We are considering some new projects to fund areas of need at DYC. Sea Gulls latest contribution was supporting the First Ladies by renovating a former storage area into a bright changing room in the new portion of the ladies' locker room.

Bridge. Wednesdays at 12:30, usually in River Vista. Come down and refresh your bridge skills in a game of duplicate bridge. We have players with modest experience to very skilled and we will match you with a partner for the day. You don't have to commit to every week, you are welcome any time. Mary Ellen Mc Intyre 313-824-4711 for information.

Euchre. Watch the calendar for our monthly game - the day has been changing to coordinate with Club hours. Come alone or with a friend for a friendly evening of cards and camaraderie.

Holiday Lunch. Wednesday, December 4 in the Trophy Room, decorated for the holidays with Christmas music at the piano. Open to Sea Gulls and guests, come and meet for a lovely luncheon.



DYC Book Club

Next four meetings and choice of book for each of these months.

Next meeting is Sunday, November 17 at high noon.

- The book chosen was "**Leisure Seeker**" by Michael Zadoorian.

Skipping the month of December for a meeting.
January Meeting

Sunday, January 12 at high noon

- The Book chosen was "**Girls Like Us**" by Sheila Weller.

February Meeting

Sunday, February 9 at high noon

- The Book chosen was "**The Husband's Secret**" by Liane Moriarty.

March Meeting

Sunday, March 16 at high noon.

- The Book chosen was "**How The Light Gets In**" by Louise Penny.

This should give us a start and allow the fast readers to read books chosen for our book club instead of reading random books waiting for the next meeting. Everyone should be encouraged to come to each meeting regardless if they finished the book or not! Our goal is to have regular consistent meetings allowing all of us time to get together to discuss our chosen book and anything else that comes to mind! We meet in the Grill.

Contact: Mary Ann Motyka at maryannm@wowway.com

NEW MEMBERS ARE WELCOME

Voyageurs Holiday Dinner
Saturday, December 14th
in the Trophy Room
\$37++ per person
7:00 pm

Selection of passed hors d'oeuvres
Roasted Fall Vegetable Salad
Duet of Beef Filet with Madeira Wine
and Salmon Provençal
Medley of Julienne Vegetables
Sweet Potato Puree
Vanilla cheesecake with brown sugar glaze
with sparkling wine toast to the holidays

Please make your reservations with the Reception Counter or on line at dyc.com

AROUND AND ABOUT THE DYC

VOYAGEURS WINE TASTING



ANNUALS MEETING & ELECTION



CLUB DECORATING



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

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

Active

Edilia Bernal
DeMarko Lee Johnson &
Sherese Anderson

Intermediate

Brandon Valentine & Michael Gregor

Reinstatement

James Gram

BAR & GRILL HOURS

NEW HOURS FOR DECEMBER

Grill Dining Room

Monday & Tuesday ~ No Food Service

Wednesday & Thursday

Restaurant Open

5:00 - 9:00 pm

Bar Food until 11:00 pm

Friday & Saturday

Lunch 11:30 am - 4:30 pm

Dinner 5:00 pm - 9:00 pm

Bar Food until Midnight

Sunday Dining

11:30 am - 7:00 pm

Bar Food until 11:00 pm

Grill Bar Lounge

Wednesday - Thursday

4:00 pm - 11 pm

Friday & Saturday

11:30 am - Midnight

Sunday

11:30 am - 11:00 pm

Call for reservations (313) 824-1200 ext. 234

See
Calendar for Special
Openings
and Closings

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.

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

Recently there has been a great deal of talk about "traditions" here at the Detroit Yacht Club. I am a firm believer in preserving and protecting traditions. Although I am perpetually focused on the future of the Club, I believe that any club is only as solid as the foundation on which it was established. Yes, the sands of time shift and settle into different patterns. But the foundation must always be protected, bolstered and shored up to protect the integrity and structure of the Club.

The Detroit Yacht Club has an exceptional history of being progressive. In my opinion being progressive as a club is one of the greatest characteristics of the DY. It is however only a good thing as long as the values, beliefs and traditions that the Club was founded on is protected and maintained. 145 years and growing, "You have come a long way, baby." You have to ask yourself, "Have we seen the Club at its best, or is the best yet to come?" The answer is purely up to the existing Members of the Detroit Yacht Club.

At the DY Annual Meeting I had the opportunity of not only to deliver the Membership Report but I was also able to share a bit of my personal Detroit Yacht Club views and experiences. I told the Members at the meeting that I have had the great privilege of visiting nearly every yacht club in the Great Lakes from Kingston, Ontario to Duluth. Every club has its traditions, persona and vibe. Some clubs are ultra-casual while others stuffy and formal. Some clubs are welcoming while others feel cold and uninviting. The Detroit Yacht Club has a blend of tradition and formalities mixed with a casual and laid back, fun-loving attitude. The DY is just right for me. The friendly and fun club...you bet. We are **"THE GREATEST YACHT CLUB IN THE WORLD"**

The traditions and values that the DY is founded on is important. We need to make sure that we never lose sight of them. The DY has always been an "all for one and one for all" kind of place, it is what carried us through the tough times. It has forever been about being a FAMILY of people who genuinely care about each other and do everything they can to help one another. Now that is tradition worth keeping.

The best is yet to come in my opinion! We are sailing out of the "dark days" that ALL clubs went through with the economic downturn. We are writing the next chapter and it is going to be the best chapter yet. The founding ideals, values and traditions that made us who we are must continue to be a part of it all. The glory days of the DY didn't happen years ago, they are here.

Membership Meeting Times

Friday, December 20

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

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 Ext. 232. She will direct them to the appropriate department.

Whether they are small or large, please feel free to call.

DETROIT YACHT CLUB MISSION STATEMENT

"We are an Historic Private Yacht Club dedicated to providing a variety of outstanding dining, social, recreational and boating programs for our members, families and guests.

Dart League

7:30 pm

We will meet
First and Third
Wednesday
of the month.

Bring your Darts and
let the Games begin
Bring A Friend



ROD & GUN CLUB

BILL & RICK

In-House Pheasant Hunt ~ The Rod and Gun Club had an amazing day at Huntsman Hunt Club as three field teams competed for the coveted In-House trophy. At the end of the day, only one of these teams hit their field limit of 20 birds. Congratulations to the team of Jason Binando, Bob Limback, Rich Michalski, Bill Schrader who not only earned top honors of the day but also the chance to compete on behalf of the DYC in the upcoming BYC/DAC/DYC Pheasant Hunt Invitational. We would also like to recognize the amazing skills of first timer, Jeanie Limback ~ her 12 gauge seemed an easy extension of her arm and her accuracy in shattering sporting clays appeared almost second nature. 'Hope to see her in action at Bayview this winter!!!!



Pheasant Hunt Invitational ~ This friendly competition between the Detroit Yacht Club, Bayview Yacht Club and the Detroit Athletic Club will be held on Sunday, December 1st. This year the DYC Rod & Gun Club will be represented by the crack shot team of Jason Binando, Bob Limback, Rich Michalski and Bill Schrader. Please know that additional non-competition teams will be hunting pheasant as will a group shooting sporting clays. If you are interested in joining us at the Huntsman, contact Bill Schrader asap.

Winter Events ~ Bayview Trap Shooting, DYC Winterfest, Snowmobiling in the U.P. ~ information to follow on each of these events...

As always, enjoy the outdoors!
Rick Michalski & Bill Schrader
pmmmarine@sprynet.com



Calling all Grinches

Saturday
January 4, 2014
at 8:00 am

Un - decorate the Club

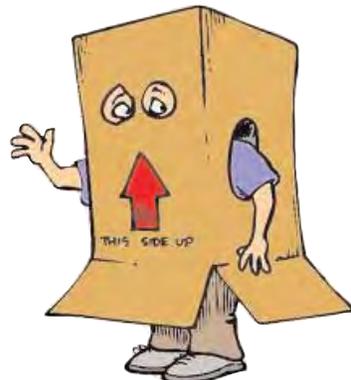
We need volunteers for un-decorating the Clubhouse and moving the decorations to the top of Mount Crumpet (otherwise known as the DYC attic). Since we couldn't get any Whos from Who-Ville this year, we need Yous from You-Ville! Afterwards a fine lunch will be served; hopefully Chef has saved at least one can of Who Hash.

See you there!

NEED BOXES

If anyone has some Extra Large boxes they can donate to the Club for Un-decorating day it would be greatly appreciated.

Moving type BOXES



EIGHT BELLS



Ms. Margaret Culpepper

(Former DYC Member)

Saturday, November 2

Mrs. Barbara Gray

(Mother of DYC Member Susan Buffa)

Saturday, November 2

Mr. Thomas Kelley

(Former DYC Member)

Thursday, November 7

Ms. Kelly Mazzola

(Sister of DYC Member Kim Giacobone)

Sunday, November 17

Mrs. Joyce Barlow

(Long-time DYC Member ~ Mother of Com. Bryan Barlow ~
Grandmother of DYC Member William Barlow)

Monday, November 18

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



DYC Sea Gulls present
EUCHRE NIGHT
No Card Playing in December
Next Game Will Be
Friday, January 10th

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

DYC Garden Club

BREAD BAKING CLASS WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 4, 2013

HANDS ON CLASS

2nd Floor Kitchen
6:30 pm
Cost \$20 per person



Make Irish Soda Bread and Scones
and

Introducing "Mama La Rossa Bread Dough Balls"
Making "Almost Homemade"
Rolls, Bread Sticks and Pizza

Participants will break into Teams of Two
and Make Pizza for the Class

Take Home a Bread Ball to Work with at Home

Class Limited to 16 people

*Make your registration with the Reception Counter
(313) 824-1200*



DYC FLYING SCOTS

KELLI MURPHY, DYC FLYING SCOTS

- DYC Flying Scots Seasonal Awards were held at the
Sailing Awards Party in November. Congratulations to the fol-
lowing 2013 winners:

Chairman's Award **PAUL LEE TROPHY**

Allen Timm

Most Improved **BOB COWLES TROPHY**

Brandon Maake

Dumb Dumb Award **JOHN T. RODGER MEMORIAL TROPHY**

John McWilliams

Women's Club Championship **COMMODORE EDWIN C. THEISEN TROPHY**

1. Carolyn McWilliams
2. Tara Tuomaala
3. Carrie LeZotte

Men's Club Championship **CHARLES W. WARREN TROPHY**

1. Sean Murphy (Kelli Murphy, crew)
2. Paul Lee (Gabrielle Cockell, crew)
3. Roy Lamphier (Sophia Lamphier, crew)

DYC Novice Women's Championship **KORNEFFEL TROPHY**

1. Ava Shuttie
2. Josephine Cook
3. Katie Woodstock

DYC Novice Men's Championship **MAIN SHEET TROPHY**

1. Alan Languirand
2. Chip Kleinbrook
3. Jerry Mangona

New sailing proficiency levels were attained by many sailors this summer. Congratulations to new DYC Helmsmen: Josephine Cook, Duncan Eady, Alastair Findeis, Erika Gray, Warren Hudson, Frank Jaramillo, Chip Kleinbrook, Jerry Mangona, Rick Michalski, Tobias Roberts and Ava Shuttie. New Skipper Cardholders are Scott Lange, Alan Languirand, Tom Vern, and Kathryn Woodstock and Carolyn McWilliams requalified as a Racing Skipper.

Thank you to all the people who volunteered their time to make our instruction program, races, social events and administrative tasks happen: Kendra Bickford, Gary Bigwood, Bill Brusilow, Gabrielle Cockell, Bob Cowles, Anne Eggen, Jocelyn Fuller, John Gallagher, John Glotzbach, Steve Grimes, Eric Hansor, Mike Honner, Gregg Huskin, Patrick Jarvis, Bob Koenig, Paul Krietsch, Roy Lamphier, Scott Lange, Adriana Lee, Paul Lee, Norm LeVasseur, Carrie LeZotte, Brandon Maake, Jim McGuire, Bill McIntyre, Bill McLaughlin, Carolyn McWilliams, John McWilliams, Jerry Mangona, Rich Michalski, Al Minsterman, Linda Minsterman, Radu Moga, Dick Morris, John Mulligan, Kelli Murphy, Sean Murphy, Catherine Nierle, Launey Pyke, Greg Randall, Keith Ridler, Jamie Schafer, Alex Schwallbach, John Shirkey, Sue Shirkey, Al Timm, John Urbanek, Rachel Urbanek, Jack VanRyn, Mike Ventimiglia and John Vermeulen.

Have a safe and happy winter and we hope to see many more of you in the spring or at the DRYA sailing seminars throughout the winter. Please e-mail dycflyingscots@gmail.com to be added to the Flying Scots sailing program's e-mail news distribution.

Voyageurs Present

Bowling

Sunday, January 12th

2:00 pm - 4:00 pm

Join in for bowling at the
Superbowl Community Bowling Centers at
45100 Ford Road in Canton
(Canton Center and Ford Road).



cost \$15.00 per person

includes two hours of bowling, bowling ball, shoe rental, pizza and pop.

Families welcome.

Do not worry about being a pro bowler; we are all
in it for the fun!

Please make your reservation online.

Questions? Email or call Patricia Thull O'Brien
(248) 345-3457 or email PTHULL@msn.com



**LOOKING FOR SOMETHING DIFFERENT?
TRY WEEKLY LESSONS IN SWING
DANCING AND A DANCE PARTY**

Wednesday Nights

6:30 - 7:30 Dance Lessons ~ 7:30 - 8:30 Dance

Pre-register for 4 nights with check payable to **Paul Carryer** for \$32
per person and give your name and check with notes for the Reception
Counter at the DYC.

or

Pay cash at the door \$10 per person the nights you choose to attend.
If you attend only the Dance, the price is still \$10 per person, so take the
lesson too ... or pre-register for all four nights for only \$32 per
person.

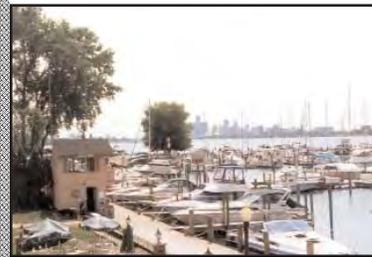
Lessons/Dance will be in the Ballroom (when available). Other location will
be announced the day of the lessons.

Paul Carryer, from Swing Detroit Dance studio, will be the Dance
Instructor and the DJ.

REMINDER

Any production Company coming into the Club must go
through the Club Administration Office (Movie produc-
tions, Commercials, Photo Shoots as examples). There
are certain procedures that must be followed.

The contact person is Margaret Gmeiner
(313) 824-1200 x 232 or mgmeiner@dyc.com



DOCK LINE

A Message From Your
Harbor Operations
Committee

Your Harbor Committee and Harbor Staff
Would Like To Wish You And Your Family
A Very Joyous Holiday And
A Very Happy Year

ONLY

4-1/2 MONTHS TO LAUNCH

The Season Has Become A Memory, But Your Harbor
Committee Is Already Working On Next Year.
Please Share With Us Any Thoughts You May Have On How
We Can Improve Our Service, Store, and Harbor

NOTICE - NOTICE - NOTICE

Your Harbor Committee, suggest you inspect your
exhaust system before next season
for Muskrat damage.

DYC THE PLACE TO BE

Are you ready for some
Water Basketball???

SEA SERPENTS

“Water
Basketball”

Next Game
Tuesday
7:00 pm



All levels and all ages of
players welcome !!

Questions • Call Pete Dryovage at
(734) 564-2384

DYC 2014

Annual Winter Rendezvous

February 19-23, 2014

Come join Commodore Fred & Mary for the Annual DYC Winter Rendezvous at Key Largo, Florida February 19 – 23, 2014 at the luxurious Key Largo Bay Resort Marriott!

Hotel room rates are \$269 plus applicable state and local taxes per night (currently they are 12.5%); we currently have 18 rooms reserved.

Below you will find the weblink to book your room online. You can also call their toll-free reservations line at (888) 731-9056. *Please note that all members/guests must use the toll-free number provided or use the weblink provided to make their reservation.

Please note that a one night room and tax deposit will be due with each reservation and **their reservation cancellation is 72 hours prior to arrival.** Please remember that reservations must be made by the group cut-off date January 29, 2014. Any reservations made after the cut-off date may not receive the group rate and are subject to availability and the best available http://www.marriott.com/meeting-event-hotels/group-corporate-travel/groupCorp.mi?resLinkData=Detroit%20Yacht%20Club%5EMTHKL%60DYCDYCC%60269%60USD%60true%602/16/14%602/27/14%601/29/14&app=resvlink&stop_mobi=yes. Get ready to go jet skiing, paddle boarding, snorkeling, and so much more including a fabulous sunset dinner cruise! Saturday February 22nd, there is a special event planned compliments of Mr. & Mrs. Bunker Kelly!! Stay tuned for further details and to book your events package!

Deadline date to sign up is January 29, 2014

Commodore Fred & Mary

