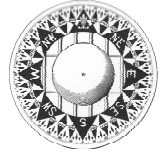


DYC Nautical News



DYC Board Members 2013

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Rachel Foley

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Ed Will

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Sylvia Bailey

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January 2013

Happy New Year!! First, a report on the annual meeting; WE HAD A QUORUM without pleading phone calls to membership...and everyone got their hours this past year. Thank you DYC!! Of major concern is the water level, let's all hope that we get water this winter. A shocker from the Treasurer's report was that \$700+ was spent on envelopes and postage. That is a huge expense and when things can be done on line it is something to consider (Ed. Note: Two more volunteered to receive the Nautical News on line to save \$ Why not do the same?)

The first meeting of 2013 took place January 8th at the Knights of Columbus Clubroom with the new Commodore Cody Britton presiding. Treas. Robyn Beardsley reported that the annual bills have been sent and some amended ones have also been sent. The change form for roster info or slip assignment was included in the billing, please fill them out & send them if you need to make changes or updates. Please do not pay electronically, that was a problem for some in the past. If you didn't get a bill, please contact the treasurer; don't wait until you get a bill for no payment. Payment deadline is Feb. 28. Remember, that the DYC By-laws and Guidelines were changed four years ago. You will be billed a late fee of \$50.00 if your letter is postmarked after 2/28/13!!! Several members have been shocked to receive a bill for being late. We are sticking to the rules. Also, please fill in the necessary info; do you want a slip etc? Note also, that you can submit those changes to Membership Chr. or Dockmaster via email.

DYC is again a member of Yachting Club of America.



If you wish a membership card for cruising contact the Secy.

The Board authorized \$5000.00 for materials to continue upgrading docks this year, per request of Ed Will, Dockmaster.

As recommended by Facilities Chrm- Rich Cieslewicz, we will send a gift card of appreciation to St. George Enterprises for allowing us to use an air-compressor for our clubhouse closing work party last fall. Rich says he's already working on setting up date(s) for opening for this season.

Authorized return of membership deposit to Dave Stock, a member for over 30 years, whose very nice letter of resignation was read by mbr.chr, Steffan. One application, from Nathan Bell, sponsored by Dan Cassidy and Rich Cieslewicz, was presented and accepted, and added to waiting list. There are 2 membership openings and the next 2 on the waiting list will be called for next meeting.

**Next DYC Board Meeting
Tues. February 12, 7 PM
At Knights of Columbus Clubroom**

Race & Rec.chm Larry VanDeusen- is working on his calendar already for the new season. He says he's had members express interest in racing for bigger boats; He also will be looking into the origins of the various trophies we have, to see how we can make them more part of our program again.

Kathy Peters-Social Chrmn welcomes ideas & suggestions for activities this season.

Equipt.Chrm Bill Wright will check with Jim Rizzo about progress on securing new fire extinguishers for the new season.

Sec.Rachel Foley read a letter from Cmdr. Matt Gioia of the Mastic Beach Yacht Club, a small club on Long Island, which was flooded in "Superstorm Sandy". They are a small club with only 125 members and "being a modest organization, flood insurance was something they could never afford" They are seeking donations, to assist in rebuilding. For member(s) wishing to donate, the address is: 97 Riviera Dr., P.O. Box 24, Mastic Beach, NY 11951



Dunkirk Yacht Club Holds Annual Fall Banquet

The Dunkirk Yacht Club installed officers and directors for the 2013 season at the fall banquet held at Shorewood Country Club. Presented with flags of Office by incoming Commodore Cody Britton were: Vice Commodore Jim Rizzo, Rear Commodore Paul Wallenhorst, Treasurer Robyn Beardsley, Secretary Rachel Foley and Past Commodore Bill Wright

Serving on the Board of Directors will be Richard Cieslewicz, Donald Ellington, Scott Mackay, Kathy Peters, Nancy Steffan and Larry VanDeusen. Ed Will will serve as dockmaster and Sylvia Bailey will do the newsletter. Colleen Wright was presented with a bouquet of roses by incoming Commodore Britton in appreciation of all the work she did this season.

Members of the DYK family who passed away this year were remembered: Jane Wright, Mike McKinnon and Cathy Wojcinski.

There were three new members this season: Bill Groves, Anthony Landis and Tom Safford. Member Bob Hofgren achieved life membership.

The "T" Cup was presented by Kathy Fox, last year's recipient, to Beardsley in recognition of her efforts promoting and encouraging sailing, boating and racing.

The "Sloppy Sailor Award" winner announced by Tom Lafferty, standing in for last year's recipient, Jason Schmidt, was Ken Kuwik, who earned the honor with his navigation skills entering Buffalo waters.

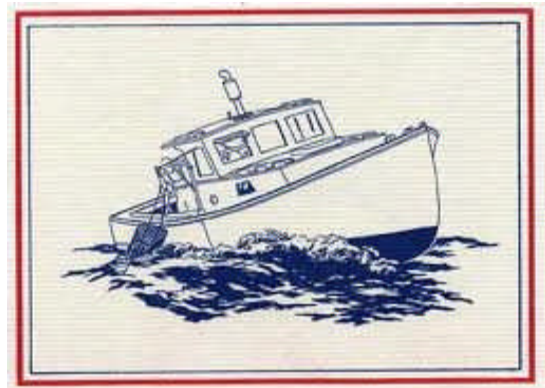
Earlier, outgoing Commodore Wright thanked those members who had served on the board: Vice Commodore Cody Britton, Rear Commodore Jim Rizzo, Past Commodore Carl Bjurlin, Treasurer Larry VanDeusen, Secretary Paul Wallenhorst, and committee chairmen: Bob Beardsley, house; Marv Bjurlin, education; Lydia Evans, social; Jim Rizzo, facilities; Nancy Steffan, membership; Jarratt Tunstall, race and recreation; Ed Will, dockmaster, and Sylvia Bailey, newsletter. He presented them with gifts of appreciation.

Brett and Jenn Christy were in charge of dinner arrangements and reservations for the evening. Musical entertainment was provided by Krista Seddon and Mike Moser.

For Sale

A 1990 General Marine 26 ft. lobster boat is for sale? (Manufactured in Maine). It has a 1999 260hp Cummins Diesel, has been fine-tuned and well cared for, and is ready to launch in the Spring. It has an enclosed head, snap on canvas side panels, built in bench across the stern, two like new thickly cushioned, foldable deck chairs, etc. A 9.5ft. Monhegan skiff made in Maine will be included for the right deal. Asking price: \$51,900.00.

Call Jim Betts at 207-633-3967 with any questions.



What's Happening

The Sharks had an end of season party at Wills for one final hot dog dinner and to wish Diana Theoklas bon voyage. She is leaving the area for Las Vegas. Diana served as crew on *No Hurry* for several years.

We were all saddened by the October 30 passing of Cathy **Wojcinski**. Only 62, she had had heart surgery and was on the road to recovery. The daughter of long time sailor and DYC member Cas Zielinski, she was always a part of the Club and famous for her welcoming smile to all. Our heartfelt sympathy goes to Bill and family.

We hear Roger **Pyle** recently had hip surgery. Speedy recovery, Roger. Joe **Troidle** and Mary Jo were scheduled to go on a cruise the week of the storm Frankenstein, AKA Hurricane Sandy. Needless to say, they cancelled. The storm has had a great impact on many. Jamie **Safford** volunteered for FEMA and she was called to help out in Saratoga Springs and later in Long Island.



FEMA website: Oyster Bay, N.Y., Nov. 17, 2012 -- Oyster Bay community leader Issac Kremer helps FEMA Community Relations Specialists Jamie **Safford** and Ashley Perez identify local force multipliers. FEMA provides benefits to eligible survivors of Hurricane Sandy in Oyster Bay and throughout the area.

Mary Jane **Walker** spent 3 weeks in New Jersey volunteering with the Red Cross. More than 14,000 trained volunteers throughout the country were deployed to affected areas working in shelters, providing mental and physical care to victims. Mary Walker of Dunkirk provided Client Casework in New Jersey as well as helping locally for shelter operations in Silver Creek;

We wish Joyce **Shutt** a speedy recovery following surgery. She broke her leg in a fall. Ed **Will** is recuperating following eye surgery.

Sincere condolences to Susan **Wheeler** on the loss of her mother, Jean Ball Forrester

In The News

Tina Rausa Bjurlin was back on stage in Nov. and Dec. in the play *2012: End of the Road* at the Road Less Traveled Theater in Buffalo. It was based on the Mayan calendar prediction.

A great commentary in the local paper titled "Some Change We Do Not Need" by Ed Steale.

Mark **Kutner**, Councilman for the Town of Dunkirk
Connor **Czekanski**, Grandson of Mark and Barbara, for his 9th birthday.

Ethan **Jones**, Wayne and Susan, starting classes at Colgate University in Hamilton, NY

Chet **Bates** with fellow retired teachers from Silver Creek Central School gathered for the annual luncheon.

Michelle **Poweski** has been named an assistant basketball coach for DHS.

Susan **Mckay** exhibited her art work at the Sensory Winery and Art Gallery.



Joyce **Shutt**, past vice president; Gloria Garretson, Pat McQuiston, Second row: Judi Woods, Alice Jonus, Constance **VanScoter**, present president; and president for 42 year and Minda Rae Amiran of The Shakespeare Club which has been meeting since 1885, more than 100 years. That makes them one of the community's oldest social and academic organizations. And the ladies above prove there's no school like the old school.

October 27 was a day to remember; it rained all day, the wind howled, all were waiting for the storm dubbed Frankenstein and SUNY had a men's and women's Championship meet. Geneseo won its 12th SUNYAC Women's Cross Country team championship in the rain and mud at Lake Erie State Park. Cailin **Kowalewski** was a top runner for her team.

Fredonia's Devin **Kowalewski** (3) splits two JFK defenders during Monday's Section 6 Class C girls' high school soccer pre-quarterfinal game. Both Devin and Cailin are the Granddaughters of Dave and Carol.



Devin Kowalewski

Pictured for Various sports teams were Brigitte **Boettcher**, Fritz and Sue, Breanna **Dahn**, Bob and Tarie, and Devin **Kowalewski**, Granddaughter of Dave and Carol for Fredonia Girls soccer team; Kelsey Vianese, Granddaughter of Perce **Gasch**, for Fredonia girls tennis team; Clare **Foley**, Jake **Foley**, Scott and Ellen and Walter Foley, Grandchildren of Bill and Jean, for Fredonia cross country teams. In Hammerhead Swim Club Marissa **Boettcher** finished in a top spot in the 11-12 Division. In youth hockey, playing for the NCCYHA Squirts is Ikaika **Wojcinski**, Bill, who scored for the blue team. Tyler **Cassidy**, Dan and Amy, for Fredonia varsity wrestling team.

On the Midget Football teams it is Alex **Christy**, Lucas **Benchley**, Joshua **Tintsman**, Matthew **Tintsman** and David **Bartholomew**. All three teams of various age groups were champions!! Proud parents are Jeff and Dawn Tintsman and Tony and Amy Bartholomew and Brett and Jen Christy. Proud Grandparents are Corney and Pam Benchley, Jim and Chris Christy, and Shirley and Ev Phillips. With Soccer done now we see Bre **Dahn** on the Basketball court.



Cait Mihalic and Timothy **Wallenhorst**, together with their families, announce their engagement. Mihalic is the daughter of Michael Mihalic of Fredonia and Cathy Mihalic of Buffalo. Tim is the son of Paul and Susan Wallenhorst of Forestville. The bride-to-be is a 2006 graduate of Fredonia High School and a 2010 graduate of SUNY Geneseo, where she earned a B.A. in psychology and a minor in dance. She is currently pursuing a master's degree in school psychology at the University at Buffalo. The prospective groom is a 2005 graduate of St. Francis High School, and a 2009 graduate of the Rochester Institute of Technology, where he earned bachelor's degrees in

finance and economics. He is currently employed at First Niagara Bank as an assistant portfolio manager.



ELMA - For the fifth straight year, the Fredonia Lady Hillbillies captured the girls' high school cross country Sectional title. Clare **Foley**, Scott and Ellen, is on the team and has been setting records!! "Anything we tell Clare to do, she does," Coach Zirkle said.



12/12 Cassie **Pachol**, (on the left) Granddaughter of Ron, honoring Native American History Month with her 4th grade classmates.

The Chautauqua Lake Rowing Association concluded the fall adult competitive season in late November, with regattas in Rochester and Buffalo. In the final event of the season, the club traveled to the Black Rock Canal in Buffalo to compete in the Head of the Niagara on the home waters of West Side Rowing Club. On a morning with temperatures hovering around 32 degrees, the course was shortened due to rough water conditions. Colleen **Wright** and Libby participated in the events. Libby is the coxswain on her team.

Ellen **Foley** has been in the news for celebrating carrot week with her class and for Person of the day on radio station WDOE.

Donna **Bjurlin** and other members of the Nestle Purina staff accepting the County Executive's 2012 Innovative Energy Award for a local industrial facility from Chautauqua County Executive Greg Edwards.

Yvonne **Fancher** ready to celebrate the beginning of Advent.

Van Scoter recognized by Ski Areas of New York

For over 40 years, Jack **Van Scoter** was the owner and operator of the Cockaigne Ski Area. He is well known as a pioneer within the ski industry and was recently recognized as the recipient of the SANY 2012 Hall of Fame Award held at the Hope Lake Lodge/Greek Peak Ski Area. If ever there was a man worthy of SANY Hall of Fame honors, it's Van Scoter. "Generation of skiers are in love with the sport because of his efforts". Congratulations, Jack.

Gale **VerHague** has submitted a photo and a passage to accompany the photo. It has been published in the new Portlight book titled "A Celebration of Nature."

All proceeds of the book go to the Portlight.org non-profit organization (developed by Weather Underground and The Weather Channel) which offers disaster relief and focuses primarily on the homeless and on people with special needs left in harm's way. Here is a link to the book on Amazon.com: <http://amzn.to/XkqbS6>



"Father Sky"

"The earliest rose

The gentle stride of the deer

The ice in the sea

Father Sky showing off for Mother Earth

Apparitions in the sky

The loneliness of the night interrupted by the owl

The chattering of the birds

What do they say?

I hear them all whisper "Thank you!"

And so do I."

Trivia Quiz

Name the two states with the longest coastlines, in order. Alaska and Florida

Is a gale stronger than a storm, or vice versa? A storm is stronger. It can have winds of at least 55 miles an hour.

The top gale wind is 46 miles per hour.

...The following local residents made the Dean's List for fall 2012 quarter at Rochester Institute of Technology: Donald **Nash**, Don and Sarah, of Fredonia, a first-year student in RIT's B. Thomas Golisano College of Computing and Information Sciences.

Joshua **Schmidt**, Jason, of Fredonia, a third-year student in RIT's College of Applied Science and Technology.

Clare **Foley** is the FHS PRIDE Student of the Month for ninth grade. Foley is the daughter of Scott and Ellen Foley. Foley's favorite subject in school is English. Her hobbies, sports, and activities include cross country, track, Madrigals, playing piano, playing violin, Student Council and Key Club. Foley's plans following high school are to attend college. Foley says her favorite teacher is "Mr. Raghunath, because he makes chorus very interesting." The person Foley says she admires most is her dad "because he is very helpful, honest and caring." The most important thing Foley has learned in school is "that you don't have to be the smartest at what you do, just try your best."



Guess Who? Don Eno celebrated his 80th Birthday on December 15th. Happy Birthday Don!!!

Forty years ago __ 1972 Angelo **Bennice** has been re-elected president of the union representing non-uniformed Dunkirk city employees. It will be his 11th one year term as president.

Burgstrom bowls Fredonia past Gowanda

January 8, 2013 OBSERVER Staff Report ---Ricky Burgstrom's 191-202-537 led the Fredonia Hillbillies (11-17) to a 3-1 victory over Gowanda (18-10) in CCAA Division 1 high school bowling. Ricky is the son of Rick and Brenda.

The Empty Bowl project saw a lot of DYC participation again this year. The venue at St. Hedwigs Social Hall was humming with many shoppers and workers. Over 1050 bowls were made by volunteers for the sale. All proceeds were turned over to feed the hungry. After their many busy activities, Marv and Tina **Bjurlin** spent time in Raotan, Honduras celebrating their 2nd anniversary.

Pam **Benchley** did it again. Her Flying Flamingos all forty of them, participated in the annual Thanksgiving Turkey Trot in Buffalo for the purpose of raising money to help people with disabilities. There were 14,000 participants this year.

Larry and Madeline **DeJonghe** have gone to their favorite spot in San Diego. We recently heard that daughter Lauren is engaged. The big event took place on New Year's and the gorgeous ring was created by Dennis her uncle, a jeweler. Dave and Carol **Kowalewski** spent time this past fall on a roadie to California. Mike and Linda **Hodorowicz** also took a roadie. They basically circumnavigated the USA, were gone about 8 weeks and drove about 10,000 miles!

Scott and Susan **Mackay** are soaking up the sun in Myrtle Beach where it has had record warm temperatures.

Duke **Ellington** and Sue recently returned from a trip to the Keys where they brought in the New Year. They visited Bob and Robyn **Beardsley** who were also in Florida.

A cute Christmas story about Kathy **Peters** and her brother Jim **Christy**, written by their older sister, appeared in the local paper.

Mark and Barb **Czekanski** welcomed their seventh grandchild on Dec. 3, 2012. Natalia Sophia was born to Luke and Kasia and joins her big brothers Tyler, Connor and Mike. "We are all so happy and very blessed, says Barb."

Congratulations to Don Rebic, former member and son of Mel and Beatrice. He was married in December.



**Thomas G. Allen III,
Acclaimed Sailor and
Boat Builder**

Thomas Gilchrist Allen III of Amherst, among the best sailors of his generation in the region and around the country, died Dec. 6 after a lengthy illness. He was 81. He was known around the world for his prowess as a sailor and a boat builder. Motivated by a desire to build a better sailboat for his own use, he started Allen Boat Co. in Buffalo

in 1961. He began with boats constructed of wood and focused on Lightning sailboats. Mr. Allen won many important racing titles on both sides of the Atlantic, many of them in the Lightning day sailors he built himself. He won many world championships and in 1968, he was an alternate member of the US Olympic team in sailing. Mr. Allen was an active member of the Buffalo Canoe Club, where he served as Commodore in 1985. In 1996, he was the first sailor to be inducted into the Buffalo Sports Hall of Fame. He was well known by many Lightning racers at NYC, especially Fleet 311. Online condolences were sent to the family from NYC.

They have reported that this is record flu season. I thought this to be appropriate. Get your flu shot!!

Myth Dispelled

by [Adam Possner](#)

The flu vaccine cannot give you the flu, I tell him.
It's dead virus, there's nothing alive about it.
It can't make you sick. That's a myth.
But if we bury it in the grassy knoll of your shoulder,
an inch under the stratum corneum, as sanctioned by
your signature in a white-coated ceremony
presided over by my medical assistant and then mark
the grave with a temporary non-stick headstone,
the trivalent spirit of that vaccine
has a 70 to 90 percent chance of warding off
the Evil One, and that's the God's
honest truth.

"Myth Dispelled" by Adam Possner, from *JAMA*, December 5, 2012. © American Medical Association, 2012.

**Dec. 27, 2012..record low water. Top is gate to NYC
and below Wright Park Beach.**

