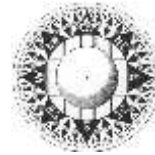


DYC Nautical News



DYC Board Members 2014

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February 2014

A big DYC welcome to the three new members, introduced by Membership Chmn Bill Wright, and admitted at the February Board of Directors meeting, Tues. Feb. 11: They are Mary Sasso, sponsored by Lou Deering and Larry VanDeusen; she has been racing at the club for several years with Donna Bjurlin and now owns her own Shark sailboat, she & husband Larry live in Fredonia. Jim Kuhn, sponsored by Bob Price and Pat Damore, also lives in Fredonia, has spent much of his life boating, had a 16 ft. power boat and is now looking for a new one. Thomas Wik, and wife Mary live in Amherst, but spend summers in Sheridan near the water, he is sponsored by Jim Christy. He also is in the market for a boat, and Jim said he's got a couple of them that might be of interest. One applicant, Chris Prevet, whose name had been in line for membership, requested to go to the end of the waiting list, which was granted. A letter of resignation was received and accepted from Bill & Sharon Bartoo, who said that they enjoyed their years of boating at the club, but wanted to let others have the same opportunity.

Sec. Rachel Foley reported that our membership in the ILYA, Interlake Yachting Association was due for renewal, which was approved. Also, she had received information about a new boating website-called NYS Boating Website, based in Kingston, for those interested.

There was much discussion relating to Treas. Robyn Beardsley's report, regarding operating expenses for the various activities of the club throughout the boating season: facilities, including docks, house, social, and how we might get a better idea of how to anticipate and control them. It was proposed that a Budget Committee be formed to work on this issue, and Carl Bjurlin, Robyn Beardsley and Paul Wallenhorst will serve on it. Regarding financial matters: just a reminder **all dues & slip fees are due by February 28, or a \$50.00 late fee** will be assessed.

Larry DeJonghe, Facilities chmn said in addition to repairing the pipes damaged by the severe winter weather, they will work on upgrading the electric on the docks, and that the plumbing should be checked also, before major problems happen.

It was reported that Hank & Julie Danielson have recently brought a Boston Whaler, which they will use this coming season as a chase boat for the sailing class.

As the season approaches, it is good to remind everyone that a big part of belonging to DYC is putting in work hours. To make sure we all know what the

**Next DYC Board Meeting
Tues. March 11, 7 PM
At Knights of Columbus Clubroom**

rules regarding them are, please read and keep in mind these Membership Guidelines for fulfilling Work Hours:

WORK OBLIGATIONS:

1. Each member of the Dunkirk Yacht Club is responsible for completing at least 10 working hours during each fiscal year.
2. Working hour obligations may be fulfilled by the following persons:
 - a. member
 - b. member's immediate family
3. Consideration for exception to these guidelines must be presented to the Board of Directors in person or in writing.

Though the season seems far off, Board approved the use of the club facilities once again for the 1st Saturday in June for the Conservation Club's Take-A-Kid Fishing project, and Jeff Tintzman will be our contact person.

Just a note from Cmdr. Jim Rizzo- If anyone would like to help him with the Commodore's Party this year, please contact him at 792-9021. Never can start too early, so if interested, give him a call.

As the new writer of our Nautical News, I'd like to thank Sylvia Bailey for her mentoring and contributions to these first few issues, even while on "vacation", she's been a great help. We want to keep you all connected and informed, so if you have news or an item of interest for the NN, please send it to Nancy Steffan at goodnitegracie@designny.com. Also, let us know if you want to receive NN via email.

What's Happening and In The News

It must be "Whaler" season, just learned that Dana & Gale **VerHague** have also bought a Boston Whaler, it's a 15 ft, center console model, no name yet. Having missed boating last summer, they're looking forward to this season and spending a lot of time at the club. Also, Gale says while on a bird watch this week, she counted 56 eagles at the Dunkirk Harbor. It appears they had stopped by for lunch. More about this phenom. is covered later in this issue.

Priscilla Bernatz (Perce **Gaasch**) presented a talk on Creativity in Swimsuit design at a recent meeting, also was Mary Jane Covley-Walker.

Ricky **Burgstrom**, son of Rich and Brenda, recently had a record breaking 288 game, bowling on the Fredonia C.S. team at Lucky Lanes; he had rolled 10 strikes in a row, and his 3 game score was an amazing 691: Congrats!

To escape this brutal winter, Corney and Pam **Benchley**, Jerry and Marilyn **Bertges**, Ed and Joanie **Will** and Carl and Donna **Bjurlin** spent time in Tortola, BVI.

Sincere condolences to Lisa **Cieslewicz** and family on the loss of her mother, Loretta Z. Mulville, aged 96.

Recent names to the Fredonia Middle School Honor Roll include Hannah **Christy**, Alex **Christy**, Alexander **Maytum**, Fotini **Landis** and Kelsey Vianese.

Saw Craig Lyford in the paper at a Town of Dunkirk Planning Board meeting where he is on the Board.



Colleen Fox, daughter of Kathleen **Fox**, received her PhD in Social Welfare from the University of Hawaii on December 21, 2014. Kathy felt blessed to be with Colleen for this special occasion.

Four businesses received The Dunkirk Chamber of Commerce awards. Doug **Mahany** accepted the award for Putnam Record Insurance Agency, which has been a member of the chamber for over 34 years. The 2014 officials for the Fredonia Chamber of Commerce were sworn in during a recent awards banquet and election ceremony at The White Inn. Tim Murphy was sworn in as President and SUNY Fredonia Representative. Tom **Lafferty** was honored with a "Service to Humanity" award by the Fredonia Chamber of Commerce for his "defining others over self." He has volunteered in

various community organizations and has traveled to many disaster-stricken areas, as part of church mission trips to help in rebuilding efforts. "This is a caring community...a commodity you can't buy and no government agency can make a habit of; just neighbor helping neighbor."

Alyssa Vianese, a senior at Fredonia High School, is a special young person who doesn't just follow the crowd. Her choice of activities makes that quite clear. For one thing, she is Literacy Volunteers' most reliable high school volunteer. When asked what made her decide to volunteer at Literacy Volunteers, Alyssa said, "My grandma, Priscilla Bernatz (**Gaasch**) is friends with some of the people (at Literacy Volunteers). I wanted to do some community service and got their number and asked if I could volunteer. They said to come on in." Her other passion is sailing. Her grandpa is a sailor and at the age of 8, she went to a learn-to-sail camp. She sailed on Lake Ontario at Sodus Bay and has been sailing ever since. Currently she sails at the Buffalo Yacht club as a representative of Fredonia High School. She'd love to sail in the America's Cup representing the United States. She is a member of the National Honor Society. After graduation, she plans to pursue a pre-medicine course to become a pathologist.



Alyssa Vianese

Carol **Prevet** was featured in the SUNY Quarterly "Statement" magazine telling about her years from 1967 to 1994, when she was a professor in the Department of Health, Physical Education and Dance. She founded the Orchesis Dance Company, a student run organization in 1967 and it has become one of the oldest and largest groups on the Fredonia campus. Also, under 1977 Class news, Christina Rausa was cited for her role of the



Carol Prevet

doctor in the play "The Clean House" and her much acclaimed performance as Maria Callas in "Master Class", both at theaters in Buffalo. Heard that *Love Letters* with M. Randall was a smash

Not since early 1996 has ice been so widespread on the Great Lakes, with the frigid winter pushing Lake Superior toward a complete ice over. Lake Erie, the shallowest of the lakes, has been completely ice covered for a few weeks now. A couple of ice fishermen tried their luck on the ice at the entrance to Chadwick Bay Marina earlier in the week. A contact at the Dunkirk-based Department of Environmental Conservation

Fisheries station commented there are a large group of Bald Eagles stationed in the Dunkirk Harbor, focusing their attention at the NRG Power station water inlet. If you come early in the morning, you have a better chance of viewing large numbers of these birds, which appear to be feeding on shad and other birds, including ducks. Several duck carcasses have been seen imbedded in the ice and others have commented they have spied the remains of birds in parking lots and along the roadside. *OBSERVER Photo and comments by Gene Pauszek*



Message from the Commodore:



With the holidays behind us, I would like to share a personal experience with my friends about drinking and driving. As you may know, some of us have been known to have brushes with authorities from time to time on the way home after a "social session" out with friends. Well, two days ago I was out for an evening with friends and had several cocktails followed by some rather nice red wine. Feeling jolly I still had the sense to know that I may be slightly over the limit. That's when I did something that I've never done before - I took a cab home. Sure enough on the way home there was a police road block, but since it was a cab they waived it past. I arrived home safely without incident. This was a real surprise, as I had never driven a cab before! I don't know where I got it and now that it's in my garage, I don't know what to do with it.

*Enjoy the rest of the winter and all your expectations for the 2014!
Thanks again and have fun!" Jim*

**DUNKIRK YACHT CLUB
MEMBERSHIP ROSTER UPDATE**

Date: _____

If any of your membership information has changed since the last Roster, please note the changes on this form and send it to the address below

NAME: _____

CHANGES:

Street Address _____

City, State Zip _____

Primary Phone _____ Second Phone _____

E-mail Address _____

Boat Mfg& Length, _____ Type (p/s), Name of Boat _____

Seasonal Street Address _____

Seasonal City, State Zip _____

Seasonal Telephone _____

Other info _____

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Mail changes to:

William Wright 56 Warwick Rd. Jamestown NY 14701 or email wlwjr@windstream.net

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**DUNKIRK YACHT CLUB Date: _____
SLIP APPLICATION/CHANGE REQUEST**

If you would like to apply for a DYC slip or request a change from your current slip, please fill in the following information and mail the completed form to the Dockmaster

NAME: _____ Phone: _____ Other Ph# _____

Boat: Make & Model _____

Boat Name: _____ Length: _____ Beam: _____ Draft: _____

Type of Request: New Request (no present slip): _____

Slip Change: _____ Present Slip Assignment: _____

Second Slip: _____ Primary Slip Assignment: _____

I will pay for the slip but not be using it: _____ I want to give up my slip: _____

New slips will be assigned according to membership seniority. Second slips are considered only when all first-slip requests are filled. When the Dockmaster has finalized your slip assignment, you will then be billed for the appropriate slip fee or fee adjustment.
Send Slip Request to:

Ed Will, Dockmaster, 4880 Shorewood Dr., Dunkirk, NY 14048 OR email to willem36@roadrunner.com