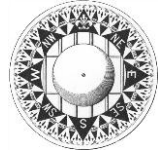


# DYC Nautical News



## DYC Board Members 2013

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## April 2013

The April meeting was called to order by Commodore Britton on the 9<sup>th</sup> at the Knights of Columbus Club room. The first order of business was a motion to send a \$500.00 donation to the City of Dunkirk for the annual fireworks display, always well received at DYC.

Under membership, Chris Maras is up for Senior membership status. It was approved. Lori Sam and Mike DiNoto have asked to be removed from the waiting list. Their \$50 application fee will be refunded.

*This is the last request: If you have any changes that should be noted for the roster, address, phone, cell etc. Please, please, please get them to Nancy Steffan. You can send or you can email to: nancy.steffan@goodnitegracie@designny.com*

**Club Opening May 11, 8 AM...**As stated last month, please dress for weather conditions, as it is difficult attempting a rain date and we need "To Open". **Anyone wishing to bring their power washer(s) would be of great help. The more we have, the faster the job gets done and we have more hands to help in other areas.** Sometime between April 20 and May 11, if a couple members would like to get hours early, the Clubhouse could be power washed. Contact Rich at 366-7343 or 785-5456 and he will help you set it up. It's easier to do before the opening date, as after there is so much club activity. Starting in May and going thru the season, he will have jobs for work hours posted on the activities board. There are some areas needing urgent repairs for which he'll be looking for crews early in the season- check the board or call him directly if you can help. Setting these job dates with enough workers and decent weather can be a problem. Looking forward to a great 2013 season!

That same day will also be the first social event. Soc. Ch. Kathy Peters has planned A Pizza and Wings Party with the Nautical Trivia Poker Theme, 6PM at the Clubhouse. Bevvies will be provided; Please bring a desert to share. Sounds like fun. Kathy can use help, give her a call @679 5814. The 4<sup>th</sup> of July Party was mentioned and as always, do we have a party or don't we? Welcome member input.

Ed. Ch. Mackay is still looking for instructors for the sailing class this summer. Please let him know if you know of someone. The Sheriff

**Next DYC Board Meeting  
Tues. May 14, 7 PM At DYC**

wishes to get to know members and let all know that we are all working for the same goal. They hope to sponsor a Boater Safety Class and a Power Squadron Class.

It doesn't seem possible but the time will soon be up for the Underwater Land Permit renewal. Three years ago, Bill Wright fought diligently to make the payment equitable in cost and compared to other marinas. He suggested that we send the next payment ahead of their request to be on the safe side and avoid much discussion with the State. It was approved.

An Emergency Action Plan was presented and it appears to be a great idea. We need to make it "user friendly" or else it will be ignored.

The Key Club issue was again discussed and the final draft fine-tuned. The new policy is enclosed.

Under new business, the green club dinghy needs to be replaced.

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### **What's Happening**

With such a prolonged winter Warren **McPherson** got out skiing 36 times in Arkwright!!

Ken and Sharon **Kuwik** were in Roatan, Honduras having a great time and great scuba diving.

This seems to be the year of the Knee....Mitzi **Bradigan** recently had knee surgery. We wish you a speedy recovery.

Mark and Rita **Kutner** spent time in Tortola as did Jim **Rizzo**. Craig and Roe **Lyford** soaked up the sun and warmth in St. John's.

The Bill **Wright** family spent two weeks in Florida. They covered both coasts!! Even son Jeff and his new bride were able to join them. Bob and Judy **Fuerst** have been coast to coast also and even hit the Outer Banks.

We heard that there are several favorable reviews from cruisers who have stopped at DYC. That is thanks to you, members. Check it out [activecaptain.com](http://activecaptain.com) It is a great site to check out other clubs if you are cruising.

Rob **Dahn** has been in Dubai as a civil engineering manager and Marah, a student at Geneseo has been selected for a summer project in oceanography in Rhode Island. Applicants were from all over the US and only 8 were selected. Wow, what an honor. Rob and Marah are the children of Robert and Tarie.

Tom and Ronnie **Lafferty** spent time St. Lucia and various other spots.

Many have seen cars and people by DYC with cameras focusing on the Clubhouse. It is reported that Black-crowned Night Herons have been overwintering at the Clubhouse. The Lake Erie Bird Club has been very excited about it and are making regular reports to Cornell's Ornithology eBird database. One is an adult in breeding plumage and they may be building a nest under the clubhouse.



Adult heron in breeding plumage



Immature black crowned heron

**In The News** Constantinos **Landis**, son of Andrew and Athanasia, was on the High School Bowl Team for Fredonia. The WJTN High School Bowl matches are held at Jamestown Community College.

Yvonne **Fancher** preparing for Easter Service at St. John's Episcopal Church in Dunkirk.

A small plane was having trouble with its landing gear and had to make an emergency landing at the Dunkirk Airport. The plane was able to make a safe landing and no injuries were reported. Our own Carl **Bjurlin** flew by the plane and after making an assessment guided the instructor and student pilot in. That student was Chris **Maras**.

### **Tyler Cassidy Fredonia Rotary Student of the Month for December**

Son of Dan and Amy **Cassidy** he is a senior at FHS and ranks within the top 10 percent of his grade. He also participates in the 3-1-3 program at SUNY Fredonia. Cassidy has enjoyed a successful athletic career to date. He has been on several football teams with unbeaten seasons and recently went to sectional playoffs at Ralph Wilson Stadium with one of his teams. He has been on the varsity wrestling team since eighth grade. He was a member of the state championship team in 2010-11 and recently recorded his 100th pin. That makes Cassidy one of only eight people in Western New York history to reach that mark. He is also a member of the Track team as a half-mile runner. He placed second at sectionals two years ago with a time of 4:32. Outside of athletics, Cassidy is a member of volunteers with the United Way. He has also begun to volunteer with the So Fredonia's student-run business. He is currently employed by the village as a helper with Fredonia Youth Wrestling and he works for FSA at SUNY Fredonia. After high school, he plans to attend college.



Mary Jane **Walker**, a part of the Red Cross has been called upon again to assist with victims of a devastating house fire.

Tina Rausa is busy rehearsing for an upcoming play to be held at the Road Less Traveled Theater.

Doug **Mahany's** parents, Rolly and Marilyn Mahany pictured celebrating their 65<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary.



Fredonia's Bre Dahn, Robert and Tarie, hits a triple during Tuesday's non-league high school softball game against Westfield. Dahn hit for the cycle while driving in seven runs as the Lady Hillbillies prevailed, 15-5.

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The 45-foot steel storm warning tower in Memorial Park, owned by the National Weather Service and formerly used to warn mariners of bad weather on Lake Erie, has been taken down. Unused for several years, it was decided that the tower would require maintenance or would have to be razed. Since officials indicated the city would not take over its maintenance, the NWS decided to take it down. Instead of flags on towers, mariners are now warned of bad weather via radio frequency.

**2013 Social Events**  
**May 11..** Spring Fling at DYC. 6 PM Nautical Trivia Poker... Right answers get a card and winning poker hand gets the prize. Pizza, Wings and Bevvies provided. Please bring a desert to share..Cost \$8.00.  
**May 17 ..** Happy Hour with entertainment  
**May 25..** Memorial Day Party hosted by Damore and Lafferty  
**June 14...**USO Party on Flag Day. Patriotic Music by DJ Jammer.  
**August 17 ..** Commodore Party  
Many more plans are in the works, Contact Kathy @679 5814 with ideas and offer to assist or host one of these. Friday nights will feature musical entertainment once a month.

## Boater Safety Courses Scheduled

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The Chautauqua County Office of the Sheriff will be holding four boater safety courses this spring. There is no pre-registration required to attend any of these courses. The safety courses are free to anyone ages 10 to 17. Those attendees 18 and over will have to pay a \$10 fee to New York State prior to receiving the certification card.

These classes are NYS approved Boater Safety classes required for anyone between 10 and 18 years old to operate a boat (motorboat) and everyone ages 14 and older to operate a personal watercraft (jet ski). Again, there is no preregistration required for any of these courses. Registration will take place at the course and parents of attendees under the age of 18 must sign a release form. These courses are listed on the Sheriff's office web page at [www.sheriff.us](http://www.sheriff.us), and on the NYS OPRHP website. Course dates and locations are as follows:

May 4 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Cassadaga American Legion, 228 Maple Ave., Cassadaga. Students should bring a bagged lunch.

May 11 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. at The Lawson Center, 73 Lakeside Drive, Bemus Point. Lunch will be provided.

May 18 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Southwestern Middle School, 600 Hunt Road, Jamestown. Students should bring a bagged lunch.

June 15 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Northern Chautauqua Conservation Club, 1 N. Mullet St., Dunkirk. Lunch will be provided.

## JCC course examines Lake Erie shipwrecks

Shipwrecks of Lake Erie: Fire, Storm, and Collision will be explored April 23 at Jamestown Community College's Jamestown Campus.

The non-credit program begins at 7 p.m. in the Carnahan Center. Tuition is \$19. To register, call JCC's Center for Continuing Education, 338-1005.

Mike and Georgeann Wachter, divers who have published books on Lake Erie shipwrecks, will outline the military and commercial vessels that have been lost on the lake since the 1700s.

## **Seminar schedule set**

### **Great Lakes Seaway Trail Blue Byway Seminar in Dunkirk**

March 24, 2013

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The Great Lakes Seaway Trail Blue Byway Seminar set for April 13 at the Clarion Conference Center and Marina in Dunkirk features the worlds of forensic weather forecasting, shipwrecks and underwater exploration, maritime history, and coastal recreation, including diving and paddlesports.

Sponsored by the nonprofit Seaway Trail Inc. in partnership with New York Sea Grant, this day-long event highlights the freshwater and land-based travel opportunities found only on the 518-mile Great Lakes Seaway Trail National Scenic Byway along the St. Lawrence River, Lake Ontario, Niagara River and Lake Erie in New York and Pennsylvania. Popular touring themes for the byway include maritime history, coastal recreation, lighthouses, nature, cultural heritage, architecture, agriculture, and military history, particularly of the War of 1812.

Presenters at the 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. event:

National Weather Service Forecaster Robert Hamilton speaking on historic weather conditions on Lake Ontario that influenced a diverse collection of shipwrecks

Underwater explorer Jim Kennard presenting the details of his discovery of the HMS Ontario, a 22-gun sloop of water that sank in Lake Ontario in 1780.

Diving Lake Erie Shipwrecks; speaker TBA

Historical archaeologist Dr. Douglas J. Pippin, Ph.D., of the State University of New York at Oswego, providing details on digs at Fort Haldimand on Carlton Island in the St. Lawrence River

New York Sea Grant Coastal Recreation and Tourism Specialist Dave White talking about new and future tools and apps for boaters, canoeists and kayakers based on the Great Lakes Observing System

Charter Captain Jeff Garnsey sharing stories of his grandfather who was a St. Lawrence River rumrunner during Prohibition

Erie Maritime Museum Living History Programming Coordinator and U.S. Brig Niagara volunteer Ed Bolla presenting The Battle of Lake Erie and The Building of Perry's Fleet

Erie Maritime Museum Education Programs Coordinator Linda Bolla on The Fabric of Time: Two Iconic Flags from the War of 1812.

The \$50 admission includes lunch; walk-ins, as space allows, \$65. Register online at [www.seawaytrail.com/dive](http://www.seawaytrail.com/dive) or call 315-646-1000 x203. Pre-registration is requested by April 8.

This program is part of the Great Lakes Underwater Series events. The Great Lakes Seaway Trail is a 518-mile National Scenic Byway that offers unique land and water travel opportunities along Lake Erie, the Niagara River, Lake Ontario, and the St. Lawrence River. Learn more at [www.seawaytrail.com](http://www.seawaytrail.com).

#### **More things to worry about:**

AP Environmental Writer, John Flesher predicts that Great Lakes levels will be below normal the next 6 months. They say harbors need to be Dredged. The same prognosticator predicts an ever-bigger Lake Erie Algae Bloom.

#### **For Sale:**

**1974 Catalina 22' Sailboat.  
Swing keel, 3 sails, motor,  
trailer, many extras.**

**Phone 366 8527**

## Rules for Use of Beer/Wine Closet

For calendar year 2013, and on a trial basis, all members of the Club will have equal access to Beer and wine. These beverages will continue to be located in the closet on the east porch of the Club. All members who desire to have access to the beer and wine will be provided a combination for access. Beer and wine are to be paid for as they are consumed.

With access comes responsibility. The Board has adopted a simple set of rules for the use of the beverage closet. The rules are as follows:

1. The combination for the beer/wine closet is available from each Board member. (The names of board members are listed in the Roster) The combination is for use by members and their spouses only. The combination may not be given to visitors or guests. The combination may be changed during the year for security reasons. If changed, the new combination will be reported to Board members.
2. The cost of beer is \$1.00 per 16 oz. cup. The cost of wine is \$1.00 per 6 oz. cup. Payment must be placed in the designated can at the time the wine or beer is taken. When money in the can exceeds \$20, it should be placed into an envelope, marked with the word "Beverage," the date and the amount. Deposits should be signed by the person making the deposit and one other member. Payment is on the "honor system," and the Club's ability to continue to have beverages available to members is conditioned upon not losing money.
3. The door to the beer closet is to remain closed and locked at all times other than during designated parties when beer is available as part of the party. Each member who opens the door is responsible to make sure that it is closed and latched.
4. Only members and their spouses, not guests, may draw beer from the keg or pour wine.
5. Under no circumstances may beer or wine be served to minors. (see NYC Rules and Regulations)
6. Any member who witnesses abuse of access to beer and wine (over-consumption, use by minors, door propped open, payment not being made, etc.) should rectify the situation to the best of his/her ability and report the situation to a Board member.

The Board will evaluate the changes to access to beer and wine throughout and at the end of the year, and will make changes if necessary.

The availability of beer and wine at the club is a convenience to members and is a privilege, not a right. It is each NYC member's responsibility to make sure that this privilege is not abused.

**NYC Board of Directors. April 9, 2013.**