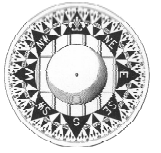


# DYC Nautical News



*DYC Board Members  
2011 - 2012*

**Commodore:**

Bill Wright

**Vice Commodore:**

Cody Britton

**Rear Commodore:**

Jim Rizzo

**Secretary:**

Paul Wallenhorst

**Treasurer:**

Larry Van Deusen

**Past Commodore:**

Carl Bjurlin

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**Membership:**

Nancy Steffan

**Education:**

Marv Bjurlin

**Facilities:**

Rich Cieslewicz

**Social:**

Lydia Evans

**House:**

Bob Beardsley

**Long Range Planning**

Bill Wright

**Recreation and Race:**

Jarrat Tunstall

**Dockmaster:**

Ed Will

**Newsletter:**

Sylvia Bailey

## January 2012

The first meeting for the New Year took place January 10th at the Knight's of Columbus Clubroom with the new Commodore Bill Wright presiding. Your annual bill will be arriving soon. Please do not pay electronically, that was a problem for some last year. If you don'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 three years ago. You will be billed a late fee of \$50.00 if your letter is postmarked after 2/28/12!!! Several members have been shocked to receive a bill for being late. We are sticking to the rules. Also, please fill in the necessary (attached) info; do you want a slip etc? Notice that this year you can submit those changes to Membership Chr. or Dockmaster via email.

Under membership, Dave Stock requested inactive status, which was approved. Don Rebic sent a letter of resignation, which was accepted. Due to the death of Helen Mavor, her name was removed from the waiting list & the application fee will be refunded, sent to her estate at the address on record. There is one opening for membership, the next person on the waiting list and sponsor(s) will be invited to the Feb. meeting. Members are reminded that when they sponsor an applicant, the application fee of \$50.00 has to accompany the application & the application has to be submitted by at least one of the sponsors in person at a board meeting. Not following this policy will delay any action on the application, and add more time on the waiting list. This policy has been in place for more than a year now.

We have once again renewed our club's membership in the ILYA,;

Due to cut backs, the Sheriff's Dept. will not be putting the big boat in this year, however they will need a slip for a smaller boat.

\$7000.00 for more dock renovation this year was approved. There is still discussion as to where it will be done.

The Commodore will be making contact with Chadwick Bay Marina, now under new management and with the newly elected Mayor Dolce in Dunkirk to keep channels of communication open.

R&R stated that we have had positive contact from the organizers of the Inter-Club Cruise expressing interest in coming back to Dunkirk this year. Will keep communication going with them for further info.

**Next DYC Board Meeting  
Tues. February 14, 7 PM  
At Knights of Columbus Clubroom**



## Commodore's Corner November, 2011

*Get Ready. Only 121 days to the start of the boating season! I know that it sounds like a long time, but it isn't. The Board has already begun discussing the 2012 year, calendar, boating and social events and club improvements.*

*This year, the Board has committed to document the position descriptions for each Board position, and to work on procedures related to house, finance, docks, membership and social. The general feeling is that we do not have adequate documentation to allow a smooth transition into these positions. The goal is to open a members only section of the web site so that all members can view the position descriptions, procedures, calendar and forms. This is an ambitious project, but we are off to a great start.*

*I encourage everybody to attend a Board meeting during the winter. Meetings are on the second Tuesday of each month at the Knights of Columbus. It is always nice to see people, and to get their input.*

*Bill Wright, Commodore*



### **Dunkirk Yacht Club holds annual fall banquet at Shorewood**

The OBSERVER

The Dunkirk Yacht Club installed its officers and directors for the 2012 season at the fall banquet held at the Shorewood Country Club. Presented with their flags of office by incoming Commodore William Wright were: Vice Commodore Cody Britton, Rear Commodore Jim Rizzo, Treasurer Larry Van Deusen, Secretary Paul Wallenhorst, and Past Commodore Carl Bjurlin.

Serving on the Board of Directors will be: Robert Beardsley, Marv Bjurlin, Richard Cieslewicz, Lydia Evans, Nancy Steffan and Jarratt Tunstall. Donna Bjurlin was presented with floral bouquets in appreciation of all the work she's done this season by Carl Bjurlin and incoming Commodore Wright and Colleen Wright.

This season saw another successful Sailing Class program in partnership with JCC and the U.S. Shark Championship, which attracts sailors from as far away as Montreal.

There were six new members this season - Tom Kuwik, Einar Wheel, Colleen Wright, Chris Maras, Ben Bennice and Greg Bennice.

Three members became life members: John Crockett, Mark Czekanski and Mike Czekanski. They will receive Life Membership Gold Cards.

The "T-Cup" was presented by Cody Britton, standing in for last year's recipient Scott Foley to Kathy Fox for her dedication to sailing and her many efforts for the good of the club. The "Sloppy Sailor" award winner announced by last year's recipients Nancy Steffan and Judy Olson was Jason Schmidt, for many varied sailing and docking techniques.

Earlier Commodore Bjurlin thanked those members who had served on the board: Vice Commodore Bill Wright, Rear Commodore Cody Britton, Past Commodore Lou Deering, Treasurer Larry VanDeusen, Secretary Paul Wallenhorst and committee chairman 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, and presented them with gifts of appreciation.

Musical entertainment for the evening was provided by Marshall Seddon Duo. In charge of reservations for the evening were Brett and Jenn Christy assisted by Kathy Peters.

Sincere condolences to -Dave Flack on the loss of his mother, Loretta M. (Wright) Flack, age 97, of Erie, passed away December 1, 2011 -Rollin Fancher on the loss of his step-mother France Palmer Fancher, who passed away at age 99 -Dave Patterson on the loss of his step-father, Jim Webster who passed away just before Christmas - to Joyce Shutt who lost her sister Carol Kulig on December 29 and to Mary Stock on the loss of her mother, Bernadine M. Demert on 12/31/11.

The Empty Bowl project saw a lot of NYC participation again this year. The new venue at St. Hedwigs Social Hall was humming with many shoppers and workers. The Scott Foley Family was in charge of washing the purchased bowls in preparation for the soup. Later in the day, Margaret and Jake were busy behind the scenes at the FHS production of

“A Seussified Christmas Carol.”



Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Sullivan

Abby Christine Price and Joseph Sullivan were united in marriage on Saturday, July 16, 2011 at St. Joseph's Church.

The bride is the daughter of Robert and Mary Price of Dunkirk. The groom is the son of Richard and Patricia Sullivan of Dunkirk. The bride is a 2001 graduate of Fredonia High School, Gannon University in 2005 with a bachelor's degree in sport and exercise science, and Canisus College in 2007 with a master's degree in health and human performances. She is employed at Franklin Square Hospital Center in Baltimore, Md., as an exercise physiologist in cardiopulmonary rehabilitation. The groom graduated from Dunkirk High School in 1998 and Fredonia State University in 2003 with a bachelor's degree in criminal justice. He is employed at Under Armour, Inc., Corporate Headquarters in Baltimore as an asset protection investigator.

A reception was held at Samuel's Grand Manor in Williamsville. A honeymoon cruise was taken to the Caribbean Islands. The couple resides in Parkville, Md.

Pam Benchley has done 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.

We are glad to see that Joyce Shutt is in the swing of things again. The Fredonia Shakespeare Club heard a paper by Joyce titled “Antony and Cleopatra, Play, Film, and Book” The next month, Connie Van Scoter was hostess for the Club. It's an active group.

Nancy Steffan is grinning from ear to ear. She is a Great-Grandma!! Madison Grace Steffan was born 12/1/11. Congrats, Nancy, you sure don't look like a Great-Grandma! **Also**, congratulations on her retirement. Yes, you will no longer see Nancy at the Cable Company!!!

We have really had a mild winter so far and I bet Einar Wheel is hoping for some cold temperatures. He enjoys ice boating on Chautauqua Lake and in the Buffalo Harbor.

Larry and Madeline DeJonghe have gone to their favorite spot in San Diego and witnessed the America's Cup World Series regatta in San Diego Bay. This is one of six venues to “pull the public back into enjoying the event and the fine art of sailing itself”. The real America's Cup will be in San Francisco in two years. Thanks for the info Madeline.

Gus and Amalia Nicholas spent 3 weeks traveling in Europe visiting Austria, Hungary and The Czech Republic. Greece had to be in there too!!

Wills, Phelps' and Baileys brought in the New Year with the Klaybors at Myrtle Beach, SC. While there Ed Will and Nance Phelps decided to join a group for the Polar Bear Swim in the Atlantic. We hear that up North, Jake Foley wanted to be the first in the water for the New Year. I bet the temperature was colder at Wright Park beach than Myrtle Beach!! Brave souls, all of you.

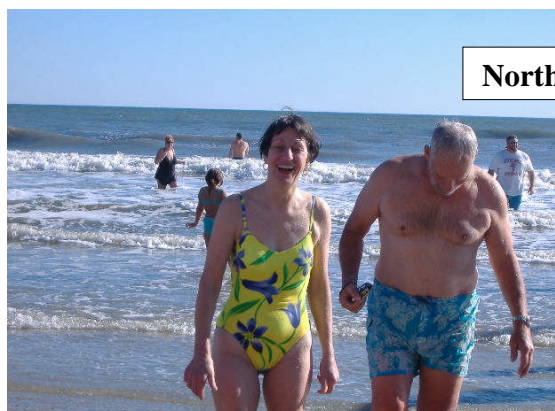


Susan MacKay was one of the local artisans selling her original oils and prints at the 'Arts in the Village' as part of the Festivals Fredonia Miracle on Main Street.

We wish John King a speedy recovery again, following his recent surgery.

Scott and Susan MacKay are soaking up the sun in Myrtle Beach too.

Duke Ellington and Sue recently returned from a trip to Munich, Germany, Salzburg, Austria, Venice and Florence, Italy.



Nance Phelps and Ed Will



Jake Foley

North VS



Miles Bartholomew

### ***In the News***

Miles **Bartholomew**, son of Tony and Amy, was named as one of the Class AA State Champion All-Stars. School: St. Francis Position: OL Height: 6-5 Weight: 275 Year: 12 Had 117 pancake blocks in two years. Right tackle with a very good first step. Dominates opponents when he gets his hands on them. Disrupted offensive blocking schemes with penetration on the line of scrimmage. Level-headed leader served as team co-captain. Considering Brown and Penn as well as offers from Albany and Maine. Trench Trophy finalist.

On the Fredonia High School basketball court it is Freshman Bre **Dahn** and Dylan **Cassidy** a Senior. Dylan, DB, was selected for First Team Defense on the 2011 Chautauqua Star's All-County Football Team. On the wrestling mat it's Tyler **Cassidy**. The Fredonia High School cross country team saw Margaret **Foley** and Jake **Foley**. Don **Nash** is on the FHS swim team.

Joan Tallet as a member of the Brooks Hospital Auxiliary making a donation to the hospital. The Auxiliary held several fundraisers over the past year.

The **Jones** family has been busy over the holidays. Susan Royal participated in in the musical performance of the Nine Lessons and Carols which will be held at the First United Methodist Church in Fredonia. This was presented by the SUNY Fredonia School of Music's special Christmas gift to the community. Son Ethan was chosen as the Fredonia Rotary Student of the Month for November. Into three sports, music and working during the summer on research with Dr. Wayne Yunghuns at SUNY Fredonia. Ethan already applied Early Decision to Colgate University and is also considering John's Hopkins, Bucknell University, Gettysburg and Franklin and Marshall. He plans on going into biochemistry, biomedical engineering or pre-med. Ethan was on the CAA Division 1 Boys' HS Soccer All-Stars and also one of only 8 students selected for All State. "To qualify, students took part in competitive auditions with thousands of their peers across the state." His sport of choice now is swimming.



Ethan Jones



Devin Kowalewski competing at high school indoor track and field action



Margaret Foley

Margaret Foley was chosen The November Fredonia Kiwanis Student of the Month. The daughter of Scott and Ellen Foley, she is currently a senior at Fredonia High School and has been on honor roll throughout high school and taking mainly advanced and AP courses. She also participates in the 3-1-3 program through Fredonia State. In June Margaret will be graduating with an Advanced Regents Diploma with Honors. She has been involved with soccer, indoor track and cross country. She plays the piano and has participated in the Guild program. She has been a member of Madrigals and acted in several musicals. This year she is student council president and has been a delegate at Empire Girls State. If that is not enough, she is active in community events too. Margaret plans to attend the SUNY College of Environmental Science and Forestry in Syracuse where she plans to major in environmental biology.

From the retrospective column, Lauren DeJonghe (offensive MVP softball) and Jackie Berner (MVP track) were award winners at Fredonia High School, **10 years ago**. My, how time flies!

*TRAVERSE CITY, Mich. (AP) — Congress has approved \$300 million to keep a multi-year program going that is aimed at fixing some of the Great Lakes' biggest environmental problems, from invasive species to river bottoms laced with toxic chemicals.*

*Funding for the Great Lakes Restoration Initiative was contained in a larger spending bill that cleared the House and Senate last week and awaits President Barack Obama's signature. The measure also will set aside roughly \$533 million for loans at little or no interest for states in the region to upgrade leaky sewer systems.*

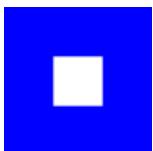
*"The 2012 budget represents a significant victory for the millions of people who depend on the Great Lakes for their drinking water, jobs and way of life," said Jeff Skelding, campaign director for the Healing Our Waters-Great Lakes Coalition, which represents more than 100 organizations.*

*The Great Lakes Restoration Initiative began with a 2005 report developed by government agencies, nonprofit groups, Indian tribes and other interests that said the lakes were on the verge of ecological collapse and needed a huge infusion of cash to deal with festering problems.*

*Among them: invasive species such as zebra and quagga mussels, which gobble plankton that forms the base of aquatic food chains; harbors and river mouths tainted for decades with heavy metals and chemicals; loss of habitat caused by wetland degradation; and water pollution from farm and urban runoff.....*

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Do you know this flag?



Twenty four hours before leaving port, a ship will hoist a flag with a white square in the middle. What is the flag called?

**Blue Peter**

A blue signal flag with white square in the center, hoisted on the foremast to indicate a vessel is ready to sail. It was a recall to the crew "that they repair on board" and for shoresiders to conclude any business they had with the vessel.

**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 \_\_\_\_\_

**Mail changes to:**

Nancy Steffan, P.O. Box 504, Fredonia, NY 14063 OR email to nancy steffan <goodnitegracie@designny.com>

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**DUNKIRK YACHT CLUB  
SLIP APPLICATION/CHANGE REQUEST**

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**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: \_\_\_\_\_ Preferred Slip Location: \_\_\_\_\_

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