



DYC Nautical News



DYC Board Members

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July 2011

The July meeting took place on the 13th at DYC with Commodore Carl Bjurlin presiding. Under membership, a letter requesting inactive status has been received from Darlene Letersky. It was granted.

Fac. Ch Rizzo stated that the fire extinguishers and fire hose are the next priority. A work party to check all was July 18. The back deck needs attention ASAP. Paint just does not hold up and House would like it stained. Also, we are looking forward to the Compass Rose being updated.

Under Rec and Race, the LEI with Port Colburn is still underway but nothing official. We are waiting to hear from PC. Will let all know when info available.

Both sailing classes are full and are in full swing. The scholarship mentioned last month for a non-DYC member was awarded to the Banach family. All three essays written by the Banach youths were deemed winners, so the \$175 was given to the family. A great idea. 2011 Sailing Class tee shirts will be available for sale for membership. Cost is \$10.00 and a sign-up sheet is on the board if you are interested in purchasing one.

The Commodore's Party was a huge success. The weather was perfect and many Past Commodores attended including Pat and Flora McMullen whom we have not seen since 1995. Klaybors came in from SC and helped prep the meal! Many helped make a wonderful evening happen, 111 meals were served, and, the Club broke even!! !! The Commodore would like to extend a "sincere thank you to all that made the evening such a success!"

The July 4th Party went well. There were many positives: Many liked the idea of eating without waiting forever in line and then try to find a place to sit. The only suggestion for next year was to change the hours from 4 to 7 instead of 3 to 6. Keeping the gate locked kept many wanderers at bay. The fireworks were spectacular especially the "grand finale." The only negative that day was a flare gun was fired within the confines of Club house waters. Please use good judgment at all times. The next Club function is a Friday night party with music for dancing etc. It is in the works. If you have ideas or wish to host a party, please let Lydia know.

Bill Wright reported on the continued battle with NYS on the underwater assessment fee which is now approaching 2 years. There are new directors in the State and **they** are unsure of what is happening. Bill has documented each and every phone call and continues to keep on top of things. Thanks, Bill.

**Next DYC Board Meeting
Tues. August 9, 7 PM at DYC**

There have been many Secretaries, Social Chairs etc. over the years. When a new member took office, a book was always presented to the new chair with written guidelines and expectations. It seems that these books have disappeared. Please, if you have such a document, **please**, give it to the Commodore. Board members thank you.

WANTED

SOMEONE TO BE IN CHARGE OF LUNCHESES AND THE "COOK YOUR OWN STEAK DINNER" FOR THE US SHARK NATIONALS TO BE HELD SAT 8/20. THE BAILEYS ARE NOT DOING IT THIS YEAR BUT WILL GLADLY ASSIST WITH NOTES AND TIPS FOR A SUCCESSFUL VENTURE IF ONE HAS INTEREST. THE BOTTOM LINE IS: WE NEED SOMEONE FOR BOTH EVENTS. CONTACT DOUG REID

Racing Schedule

Sun 7/17 - Summer Series #1
Sun 7/24 - Summer Series #2
Sun 7/31 - Ladies Champagne Race
Sun 8/7 - Open Day / Alternate
Sun 8/14 - Summer Series #3
Sat 8/20 through Sun 8/21 - U.S.

Shark Nationals (Shark class only)
Still need a Committee Boat and sponsor for lunches and dinner
Sun 8/28 - Open Day / Alternate
Sat 9/3 - Labor Day Race
All Races are PHRF handicapped unless otherwise stated. All members are encouraged to participate.

Skipper meetings held at 10:00AM

Club Events

Sailing Classes-----July 7 thru Aug.2
Labor Day Party-----Sun. Sept. 4
International Brunch-----Sun. Sept. 11
Die Hard Party-----Sat.Oct. 8
Fall Banquet/Annual Meeting--Sat. Nov.5



This information was dated July 13, was brought to light by Scott MacKay and is very important. Please read: As a result of a new proposal to use radio bandwidth right next to the existing GPS service, the future reliability of the GPS system across the United States is now in question. We encourage you to contact the FCC during a short 30-day public comment period, to help them understand the public's need for continued, reliable GPS signals for safe navigation on boats, in cars, and for so many other daily uses.

Background: Earlier this year, the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) gave conditional approval to a private company, LightSquared, to begin a nationwide broadband service adjacent to the radio spectrum used for GPS. After concerns from user groups (including BoatU.S.), the FCC required significant testing and a report for potential conflicts with aviation, cellular, navigation, and four other GPS uses before this proposal could move forward. In that June 30th report the navigation sub-team concluded "that all phases of the LightSquared deployment plan will result in widespread harmful interference to GPS signals and service and that mitigation is not possible."

For more information: www.BoatUS.com/gov

In 2010 the US Coast Guard shut down Loran, leaving mariners using electronic navigation to rely solely on GPS. Now, this fast-moving threat to GPS could pull the plug on our ability to safely navigate within the U.S. Public comments on LightSquared's proposal will be taken until Saturday, July 30, 2011. Following that, the FCC will make a determination on what this private company can do with this vital public resource.

We ask that you take a minute today, as a boater and a citizen, to request that the FCC reject the proposed LightSquared plan to deploy a private nationwide broadband service that can cripple the nation's GPS systems. Because it is not easy to find your way through the FCC's comment web forms, we suggest you follow the link below. Our software will help you easily construct a letter, which will be electronically delivered to your Members of Congress and BoatU.S. We will then print your letter and hand deliver it to the FCC before they close on Friday, July 29th.

If you have any additional questions, please contact BoatU.S. Government Affairs at Govtaffairs@BoatUS.com

What's Happening

A fundraiser for Jane Wright to offset medical expenses and raise pancreatic cancer awareness was held July 9. I am sure many DYC members were not aware of this and would be eager to contribute. There is a benefit fund set up at Lake Shore Savings as the "**Jane M. Wright Benefit Fund**" that will be used for Rx and co-pays. Jane thanks all for their care, concern and prayers and she hopes to "make it to the Yacht Club sometime soon to see all."...and we look forward to that day, Jane.

It was good seeing Roger Pyle home for a visit with his friend Juna. He made Happy Hour Happy, as he always did.

Larry and Jane VanDeusen participated in the Ride for Roswell in Buffalo on June 25. They will still gladly take donations for the cause I am sure!!

We wish Ang Bennice and Paul Briggs speedy recoveries from their recent hospital visits.

Diving Duo Margaret and Clare Foley are very busy retrieving glasses, jewelry and tools from clumsy members who keep dropping things into the lake. Thanks, girls. Thanks to Jake Foley, too, for his assisting all where needed on projects and especially in the kitchen. A great sous-chef!! Clare is also in the sailing class for the second year. She can tell you about the class with many exciting details.

Jim Foley spent time in the North Channel, near Sudbury Ont. fishing for the big ones.

Dave and Mary Stock have left on *Loon A Sea* for their trek up the St. Lawrence, Lake Champlain etc. and then back to Buffalo. This will take the rest of the summer. Bon Voyage!!

Each summer sees many reunions. Can you believe that 3 members celebrated their 50th class reunion; Gary Klaybor, Darlene Letersky and Pat Bailey. Another member, Paul Letersky, was in the Class of '61, but did not attend. Also, many family offspring come home for a visit with family. DYC "kids" are now parents with "kids!" We were glad to see Katie Troidle and Allie Troidle Yulee with her new baby, Kira. Daddy Christopher Yulee is in Afghanistan and won't be home until December. Allison and Carrie Veklotz were home with their families and so was Laura Lafferty with her family.

We just recently heard that Christopher Peters and Jennifer Lauren Turak were married last Oct. Proud mom is Kathy Peters. Uncle Jim and Chris Christy attended the event too. Congrats!

Sincere condolences to Mary Price and family. Her mother Natalie Michalak passed away recently at age 84. Also, sincere condolences to Chris Christy and family. Her father Vito LaBarbera, passed away at age 93 on July 15.

We had several DYC members participate in a Shark Fleet Race in Hamilton, Ont. on July 16, 17. Two boats went from DYC. It is always a learning experience.

Libby Wright is away at camp in Michigan again this year...but for three weeks, this year!!

In The News

Joan Tallett and Cathy Berner busy with the Brooks Auxiliary

Paul Wallenhorst, Committee Chairman of Fredonia Boy Scout Troop 267 participated in the Troops' Court of Honor and as a member of Sheridan's zoning/planning board, considering the protocol for a small wind energy conversion system.

Ronnie Lafferty, a member of the Scholarship Committee for the First United Methodist Church of Fredonia, with this year's recipients of the Awards.

Congratulations to Christopher Kowalewski, Grandson of Dave and Carol. He was a recent graduate of FHS and will soon be reporting to Parris Island to enter the Marine's.

The City of Dunkirk has a weekly "Garden of the Week" contest for each ward. A recent winner was Rich and Lisa Cieslewicz for their "nautical themed garden." I just heard that Rich is officially retired. More garden time, right? Congratulations.

Congratulations too, to Don Rebic. The Fredonia Central School District recently held its Annual Alumni Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony. The event honors individuals whose deeds and character exemplify outstanding achievement in their life's work and/or service to their communities. Donald Rebic, Class of 1969 was one of the inductees.

A great article in the local paper on Larry DeJonghe's father, Charles, honoring him for duty during WWII as a Seabee. Another honoree was former DYC member Bob Parritt. He was in the Army Air Corps.

Brigitte Boettcher addressing the Fredonia School Board about cutting the high school indoor track program. She spoke about the cut with the board, asked questions and offered solutions. Way to go Brigitte.

Kelsey Vianese was a member of the Dunkirk Fredonia Blue Thunder U-10 girls' softball team that took third in the District 5 Dazzlers Tournament in Hamburg. Kelsey is the daughter of Wendy and Dave Patterson and Granddaughter of Perse and Jack Gaasch.

Colleen Wright, finance director of the Chautauqua County Home presenting financial statements to the County legislators. Unfortunately, the County Home is a growing concern money wise.

Cathy Wojcinski and her Granddaughter Kahealani, at the Fancy Nancy Tea at the Dunkirk Free Library. Based on the Fancy Nancy book *Bonjour Butterfly*, the young participants were taught simple French phrases and dined in style with dainty butterfly sandwiches and gateaux (cakes). This was Cathy's idea and it sounds like a great time.

John Berner won the 2011 Founders Cup at Shorewood Country Club. He shot an impressive net 66. Linda Hodorowicz got a low score at The Girls4 Golf League at Sugar Hill.

The Honorable Michael F. Dillon Attorneys for Children Award was presented to local attorney Lydia V. Evans, Esq. of Fredonia by Presiding Justice Henry J. Scudder on Tuesday June 21.

Ms. Evans was designated to receive the award by the Departmental Advisory Committee to the Attorneys for Children Program, which annually selects two attorneys for children from each of the Fifth, Seventh and Eighth Districts to receive this honor.

The award signifies vigorous advocacy on behalf of children. The award is named for the late Presiding Justice Michael F. Dillon, who spearheaded the development of the highest quality of representation for children in the Fourth Department and who initiated mandatory training for attorneys for children in New York State. Great honor, Lydia



Attorney Lydia V. Evans, Esq. accepts the Honorable Michael F. Dillon Attorneys for Children Award from Presiding Justice Henry J. Scudder.



Joseph and Mary

The engagement of Maryjo Briggs and Joseph Troidl has been recently announced. A 2012 Wedding date will follow! Congratulations you two, and it's about time!!

We recently read a great tribute to AJ VanPoortvliet written by Doug Welch. Doug, son of Sue VanPoortvliet, is the Executive Director of the Maine Island Trail Association. The article honored Van, a long time member of DYC on the 10th anniversary since his passing. It doesn't seem possible that it has been 10 years!!

Summer is in full swing. Visitors are coming and many know of DYC by articles on line and by word of mouth among cruisers. One such visitor knew all about us and had come all the way from Louisiana. They purposely planned to attend what seems to be our "world famous"

Happy Hours and prepared a delicious jambalaya. They had called Jim Christy.

Below are pictures of the Commodore Party, thanks to Marv Bjurlin. Info on seeing all of them is on the board. If I have missed any news or event, please let me know. I try to cover all.....Keep me informed baileysp@verizon.net or, tell me at the Club.





**Just in: A date has been set for the LEI Race
Friday, August 26 to August 28
Friday, DYC travels to Port Colborne**



Saturday, all race to Dunkirk, DYC provides a meal

Please spread the word as I received this info after the Newsletter was sent to be printed. Any updates will be on the board and also a sign-up sheet, as we need to let Port Colborne know how many are coming. This race is PHRF Handicapped

