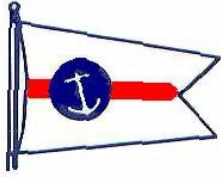


April 2013



The Ditty Bag

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From the Rear-Commodore:

I know it doesn't feel like it, but the opening breakfast is only a month away. March was a quiet month at the Legacy Lounge. Andy and Carrie McNett held the St. Patrick's Day Party and did a fantastic job. The club house looked great, good food, good music in a laid back atmosphere. Good time was had by all attending.

Italo and Leah Baldassarre hosted a St. Joseph's Day Table. They put out a spread fit for a king.

The month of April will see the waterfront coming back to life (I hope). Ray Ode and his gang will be working on the sea wall. Hopefully the dredging will begin. Then at the end of the month, will be club cleanup day and the opening day breakfast.

I know everyone can't wait for spring to begin no more than Nancy and I, so cross your fingers and hope this weather finally changes.

R/C R. Fritz Dusel

From the Women's Organization:

The Women's Organization has a busy spring and summer planned.

A trip to the Seymour Knox Estate Decorator Show House has been planned for our May 9th meeting with dinner to follow. The price will be \$15.00 for admission to the Show House and a dutch treat dinner if anyone is interested in attending. Please make your reservation with Debbie Walsh via email so tickets can be purchased in advance. dswalsh56@aol.com

Dorothy Garcia has been working with a local photographer putting together packages to have family photos and boat photos taken at our beautiful club!!! The back drops couldn't be better!!! Please contact Dorothy Garcia if you would be interested in booking a photo session at 774-8385. Watch for a flyer with pricing and tentative dates soon.

Mark your calendar for June 14th for our Father's Day TGIF with a delicious Chiavetta's chicken dinner and meat raffle.

Wishing everyone a Happy Easter!

Kathy Podgorny, Entertainment Chair

The following revision to the Sandy Beach Yacht Club Constitution, Article VII, was approved at the General Membership Meeting on March 1, 2013:

From:

~~4. Honorary and Associate Members shall be exempt from dues~~

To:

4. Special dues exemptions:

a. Honorary and Associate Members shall be exempt.

b. The BOD may grant a (1) year exemption from dues, due to extenuating circumstances. Member must submit request in writing, to the BOD, explaining the circumstances.

Thank you very much, Cmdr, Sue Robinson

APRIL BIRTHDAYS

2 Claudia O'Neil
2 Susan Ventry
3 Bob Isaacs
6 Nancy Sanderson
6 Shari Seitz
9 Joe Agnello
10 Stacey Lenhard
19 James Machynski
19 Rudy Nutz
20 Lew Smith
21 Marilyn Bush
21 Tom Sellick
22 Carl Hepp
22 Gail McKay
25 Dawn Coniglio
26 Judy Nutz

APRIL ANNIVERSARIES

7 Gary & Mary Ann LaRussa
11 Dennis & Ivy Sundholm
13 Dave & Joanne Fleischman
14 John & Margie Boyce
20 Hank & Mary Buck
23 Dennis & Sue McDonald
30 Bob & Judy Buzby

It is always such a pleasure to try the wonderful dishes that are brought to our many events and wishing that I had the recipe. I would like to put together an SBYC Cookbook, and I need your help.

I would like you to email (preferred and in Word) or send me your loved, never fail, recipes along with a little note (but not necessary) tell us why you love it or why it is so special and why we would love it....such as ...this recipe has been in my family for generations....or my kids just love this because...

I am looking at all categories from appetizers, quick and easy fixings, boat friendly, slow cooking, gourmet, etc.

Anyone interested in helping me out? Your help will be greatly appreciated.

I believe this will be a fun project and the end product will certainly be enjoyed by many.

I hope to hear from you soon...*Toni Sargent*

MAY BIRTHDAYS

1 Sharon Hauser
2 Lisa Fahs
3 Italo Baldassarre
5 Gregory Beehler
5 Mary Ann LaRussa
6 Jeanne Ennis
8 Michelle Agnello
11 Linda Isenhardt
11 Karen Piershalski
13 Judy Buzby
13 Ellen Ode
16 Barbie Giambra
16 Jodi Sornberger
17 Bob Bemisderfer
17 Lori Scholl
18 Sue Robinson
20 Mary Lou Little
20 Jeff Sornberger
22 Mary Buck
23 Tony Giambra
23 Robert Warnock
27 Bill Pilkington
27 Dennis Sundholm
28 Melissa Keel
29 Traci Bissonette
29 Frank Spagnolo
30 Elaine Hepp

MAY ANNIVERSARIES

1 Ed & Helen Wargala
2 Richard & Lisa Fahs
2 Harry & Melissa Keel
4 Wayne & Linda Dubrawsky
10 Rudolph & Judy Nutz
13 Bob & Pat Dunlop
14 Ron & Peggy Bastian
16 Raymond & Ellen Ode
17 Roy & Ruth Brinkerhoff
19 Dave & Traci Bissonette
26 Carl & Elaine Hepp
27 Bob & Kennie Dubil
29 John & Susan Ventry

You can email me at visaversa@verizon.net or call or text me at 698-8981

Fleet Updates from F/C Italo Baldassarre

Safe Boating Course

SBYC will offer a New York State Safe Boating Course on Saturday, April 6, 2013 from 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM at the club. This course is required for the legal operation of personal water craft (jet skis) in New York State. The course is open to adults and children 10 years of age and older. There will be no charge for the course, however New York State requires a certification fee of \$10 for participants 18 years of age and older. Registration is limited to 30. Lunch will be available on-site for a nominal fee. Please email the name, age, and phone number of each registrant to ibaldassarrel@roadrunner.com.

Your registration will be confirmed by email.

Junior Sailing

Junior Sailing will make its return to Sandy Beach with the construction of Puddle Duck Racers. If you have interested children or if you are young at heart, you are welcome to join in the construction of these simple but sea worthy craft.. Go to www.pdracer.com to view the construction plans and rules for the class. A series of practice sessions and junior races will be held on Sundays throughout the summer. If you are interested in building a Puddle Duck with us, or if you are a savvy sailor who is willing to help with construction and/or instruction please email me at ibaldassarrel@roadrunner.com.

Slip Holder's Meeting

Our annual Slip Holder's Meeting will take place on Friday, April 19, 2013 at 7:00 PM at the club. The bar will be open at 6:00 PM and re-open at the conclusion of the meeting.

Sandy Beach family & friends,

The final numbers are in and we can't thank you enough for your continued support of the 3rd Annual "Robert G. Hoch, Winter Memory Walk".

Your individual donations, our Corporate sponsors and "all" the items donated for the raffles, silent auctions, etc. helped us raise \$10,114.98 for Hospice of WNY. Beating last years total by approx. \$3,000.

Great thanks to 12-pack Jack for donating their time to play for us, again this year.

Special thanks to the Riverstone grill for the great food, service and atmosphere. I know many people who really enjoyed the food & drinks :)

We really hope everyone had a great time at this years' event. If you have any comments or suggestions you would like to share with us, we would greatly appreciate them. Each year, we try to make the event a bit more special than the prior year.

Again, we thank each and every one of you for taking time out of your busy schedules to come out and enjoy the Robert G. Hoch, Winter Memory Walk raising money for Hospice, which is a wonderful cause.

With deepest thanks, The Winter Walk Team, Robin Hoch, Principal

Dear SBYC Friends:

Thank you so much for your kindness during my recent hospital stay and subsequent recovery.

I appreciate all the emails, cards and calls with get well wishes which I received during this time.

With the help of a pacemaker I am doing great and will see you at SBYC once the snow has melted.

Again many thanks to all of you, *Rudy Nutz*

Members, following is a note from Rudy Kristich regarding Irene's surgery. Please keep them both in your healing prayers for a continual and speedy recovery. Regards - Bob Dubil

To all our Sandy Beach friends:

Hi Sandy Beachers! Thought you'd like to know that my wife Irene had an operation on her left l4-5 lumbar (Microdiscectomy) yesterday, 3-13. Right now about 50% improvement. Praying for full recovery.

Thanks, Rudolph Kristich, rudybuf@aol.com

Dear Sandy Beach members:

Let's all pray for and wish Gerry Pilkington speedy healing and recovery from recent surgery on her ankle. The surgery was successful and she's home resting and healing while preparing for the second step, skin grafting. These additional surgeries will be necessary in the next couple of weeks but let's pray that they are minimal and recovery from each will be shorter and shorter.

Be well and God bless - Bob Dubil

Thanks to the Stockers and Littles for hosting the 35th Sandy Beach South Reunion at the Charlotte Harbor Yacht Club in Florida. It was great to have a delicious lunch with about 30 of our members and friends, both snowbirds and residents. We had guests from Inner Harbour and Tuscarora Yacht Clubs also and discussed the idea of inviting other Buffalo area yacht club visitors to next years' gathering set to take place, March 20, 2014 in either the Port Charlotte or Cape Coral area of Florida. Please let us know your preference. We look forward to next year's reunion and hope to see you there.

Thanks again, Norm, Margaret, Bob and Mary Lou for a great party.

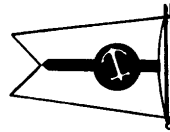
Bob and Kennie Dubil

April 2013

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2 <i>Work Night</i>	3	4	5	6 <i>Safe Boating Class</i>
7	8	9 <i>Work Night</i>	10	11 <i>Women's Org. Meeting</i>	12	13 <i>Race Mngt. Seminar</i>
14 <i>Pvt Party – Race Mngt. Seminar</i>	15	16 <i>Work Night</i>	17 <i>BOD Meeting</i>	18	19 <i>Slip holders Mtg</i>	20 <i>Private Party</i>
21	22	23 <i>Work Night</i>	24	25	26	27 <i>Spring Clean-up</i>
28 <i>Opening Day Brkfast</i>	29	30				

May 2013

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3	4 <i>Private Party</i>
5 <i>Private Party</i>	6	7 <i>Work Night</i>	8	9 <i>Women's Org. Meeting</i>	10	11 <i>Private Party</i>
12 <i>Mother's Day Brunch</i>	13	14 <i>Work Night</i>	15	16 <i>BOD Meeting</i>	17 <i>Private Party</i>	18 <i>Private Party</i>
19 <i>Private Party</i>	20	21 <i>Work Night</i>	22	23	24 <i>Past Commodore's T.G.I.F.</i>	25 <i>Past Commodore's Punch Party</i>
26 <i>Make-up Race</i>	27 <i>Memorial Day</i>	28 <i>Work Night</i>	29	30	31 <i>T.G.I.F.</i>	



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