



*Sandy Beach  
Yacht Club*

# THE DITTY BAG

January 2016

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## FLAG OFFICERS FOR 2016

Commodore – Italo Baldassarre  
Vice Commodore – Dan Brown  
Rear Commodore – Dave Krotz  
Fleet Captain – Alex Dzadur  
Treasurer – Steve Vathy  
Secretary – Frank Spagnolo

## DIRECTORS FOR 2016

Joe Agnello  
Dave Bissonette  
Mike Ceccatto  
Louis Fabiano  
Jose Garcia  
Rick Hensel  
Robin Hoch  
Jim Isenhardt  
Bill Sargent

*Thanks to P/C Kevin O'Neil for his leadership in 2015.*

## Planners, Chair People & Informants

Reminder for Party & TGIF Chair Persons- For publicity purposes you need to send your posters to **The Ditty Bag** Publisher – Nick Hare - [nicholashare58@gmail.com](mailto:nicholashare58@gmail.com) and **Web Master** - Bob Zielinski - [bob.zielinski@gmail.com](mailto:bob.zielinski@gmail.com). This will ensure that your event will be posted on the website as well as in **The Ditty Bag**. Thanks in advance for your cooperation – Ana Nizialek – Entertainment Committee Chair, Nick Hare Ditty Bag Publisher and Bob Zielinski – Web Master.

Happy  
New Year!

FROM

## THE WOMEN'S ORGANIZATION

Special thanks to Mickey Agnello for chairing our Women's Christmas Party. It was a wonderful night enjoyed by all! Our Woman of the Year for 2015 announced that evening was Debbie Walsh. She is at every woman's organization function helping with cooking, setting up, cleaning or co-chairing. She created a Christmas Craft & Bazaar event which was very successful for the 2 years she chaired it. We are all very thankful for her generosity and time given to Sandy Beach. She is well deserving of this award.

Our first meeting for 2016, will be held Thursday, January 14 at 6:30 pm. This is a closed board meeting and we invite our Commodore to discuss the year's events.

Our meetings are held on the second Thursday of the month at 6:30 pm. All the women of the Sandy Beach Women's Organization are encouraged to attend. If you are not a member, please contact Wendy Brown for information on joining.

*We are always looking for new ideas and always appreciate a helping hand at all of our events.*

**JUNE:** Father's Day TGIF

**JULY:** Potluck Dinner

**NOVEMBER:** Harvest Dinner

**DECEMBER:** W/O Christmas Party & Children's Christmas Party

## WOMEN'S BOARD FOR 2016

Mickey Agnello	Wendy Brown
Dorothy Garcia	Linda Isenhardt
Cathy Knight	Nancy Krotz
Kathy Podgorny	Margot Smith
Toni Sargent	
Debbie Walsh, Past President	

Best wishes & Great Times in 2016,  
*Claudia O'Neil, President*

### Message from the Vice Commodore

It is with great pleasure that I move up to the office of Vice Commodore for 2016. Similar to last year, Wayne Dubrawski and John Ventry will be my grounds co-chairs. Chris Wright and Dave Ashby will coordinate our club house maintenance. I am happy to announce our new Entertainment Chairperson, Ana Nizialek. She will be contacting you for volunteer support for our club parties and functions. I would also like to announce new Ditty Bag Publisher, Nick Hare. Nick will also serve as the club's primary disseminator of general email announcements/messages, as did P/C Dubil. Finally, on behalf of the Flag Officers and the entire BOD, we would like to thank P/C Bob Dubil and Kennie Dubil for their years of service to SBYC as Ditty Bag Publishers. Their unwavering commitment and dedication will never be forgotten. Looking forward to an exciting 2016 ~ V/C Dan Brown.

## New Year Open House

2016 Commodore Italo & Leah Baldassarre  
of  
The Sandy Beach Yacht Club  
cordially invite you to join  
the Flag Officers and Board of Directors  
at the annual New Year Open House  
Saturday, January 2, 2016  
4:00 to 6:00 p.m.  
Closed Party  
Cocktails and Hors d'oeuvres

### January Birthdays

Robert	Zielinski	5
Phyllis	Ceccato	8
Susan	McDonald	9
John	Boyce	12
John	Seebauer	13
Carolyn	Leggett	13
John	Taggart III	15
Jo Ann	Ward	18
Marty	Scholl	21
Christopher	Vandrei	21
Peaches	Komasara	25
Julie	Ceccato	30
Renee	Taggart III	31

### January Anniversaries

Michael & Gail Brady	1
Dan & Cheryl Kamman	28

### February Anniversaries

Paul & Candy Hoolihan	1
Tom & Sharon Hauser	2

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*"To talk health,  
happiness and  
prosperity to everyone  
you meet."*

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### February Birthdays

Joseph	Mash	3
Dorothy	Kristich	6
Ivy	Sundholm	6
Bethany	Hare	8
Robert	Moreland	11
David	Duchscherer	12
Carolyn	Taggart	13
Larry	Neutz	16
Steve	Vathy	16
Wendy	Brown	17
Debra	Walsh	17
Steven	Marcel	21
Fran	Isaacs	22
Jack	Heine	25
Ron	Bastian	28
Dan	Brown	29

## Committee Updates

### **Membership Committee** – Robin Hoch, John Briggs, Dennis McDonald

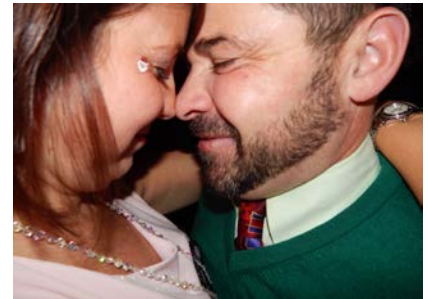
The following application for Active Membership is being posted for your information;

William MacKendrick, Age 68  
 44 Regency Drive Grand Island NY 14072  
 Cell: 716-471-4136  
 Email: [mackny2@roadrunner.com](mailto:mackny2@roadrunner.com)

Mr. Mackendrick is a retired design engineer from Midland Machinery Co. Inc. he and his wife Barbara have been our neighbors for thirty plus years. Bill and Barbara are very hard working people and would be a great asset to the Sandy Beach Yacht Club. Barbara is a great cook and has good kitchen experience from working at her brothers restaurant for many years. After her career at the family restaurant she received an Associates degree and works at Buffalo State Nursery school. Bill has been active for several Tuesday work nights.

Bill and Barbara have two children a daughter and a son who reside on Grand Island. They also have five grandchildren.

*Madame Isenhart*  
 Submitted by,  
 Director  
 James Isenhart



*On the 14<sup>th</sup> Day of Christmas...*

*Don't forget to check out [www.sandybeachyachtclub.com](http://www.sandybeachyachtclub.com) for many club updates including pictures from the latest parties*

### **Entertainment Committee** Ana Nizialek

I am excited to be your new Entertainment Committee Chair. If you have been thinking about hosting or chairing a club party or event, but haven't yet, now is the time! Are you thinking about a Mardi Gras, Cinco De Mayo or Columbus Day Party, or maybe chairing a Halloween, Christmas in July or Chili-Cook off party, don't think about it anymore, Just Do It!! The calendar is filling up fast.

Email me at [ana.nizialek@yahoo.com](mailto:ana.nizialek@yahoo.com) today to share your idea.

### **Ways and Means Committee** – Lou Fabiano

## In With the New!!

Visit the SBYC **Signature Store** today to start off the New Year by updating or upgrading your SBYC apparel or accessories. Father's Day is only 6 months away, but it's never too soon to visit the Signature Store at [www.sandybeachyachtclub.com](http://www.sandybeachyachtclub.com)



## Signature Store

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Embroidered Apparel  
 Accessories

Browse **Sandy Beach Yacht Club** Signature Apparel & Accessories by clicking on the categories to the left or the logos below. You must register/sign-in to make a purchase. Items will be shipped directly to you.

### With Much Appreciation

Jim and I would like to thank the members of the Sandy Beach Yacht Club for the beautiful floral arrangements, sympathy cards and the condolences during our recent bereavement. Linda's dad Frank Perno passed away on December 17 and the outpouring of kindness has been comforting and greatly appreciated.

Thank you ~ Jim and Linda Isenhardt

### In Memoriam

The family of R. Robert "Bob" Duane is deeply saddened by his death on November 18, 2015 in Smyrna, GA at the age of 93. He was a boater for over 40 years and stated weeks before his death that his happiest days were on Grand Island at Sandy Beach Yacht Club and the Niagara Power Squadron. He later joined the Pass Christian Yacht Club in Mississippi and served in the Coast Guard Auxiliary for several years. He was an avid golfer to the age of 88. He is preceded in death by his loving wife, Alice, and his son, Rob. He is survived by his daughters, Janet(Peter) of Smyrna, GA, and Judy(Michael) of Cheektowaga, NY as well as 7 Grandchildren and 11 great Grandchildren. Thank you for your prayers.

Sincerely ~ Judy Duane Noon

### Message from the Secretary

So, you are wondering if the club is available on a certain date in the future. Well, no need to worry. Simply goto [www.sandybeachyachtclub.com](http://www.sandybeachyachtclub.com) on your home computer or mobile device and select the calendar tab at the top of the page and then choose CLUB CALENDAR. You can scroll into the future to see if the date you have in mind is available. The Use of Club Form can be downloaded from the club's web page as well. The Use of Club form is located in the ABOUT US tab, located at the top of the page. The form is nestled in the DOCUMENTS section. Download the form, fill it out, and place in the Secretary's Mailbox, located in the Main Office of the Club House, along with the appropriate rental payment. If you have questions about the process or have difficulty of any sort, do not hesitate to call Frank Spagnolo at 228-5594.

**January Calendar**

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
27 Private Party - Agnello	28	29 Work night -Work night	30	31 New Year's Eve	Jan 1 New Year's Day	2 New Year's Reception 1p NEW YEAR'S RECEPTION
3	4	5 Work night -Work night	6	7	8	9
10	11	12 Work night -Work night	13	14 6:30p Women's Organization	15	16
17	18 Martin Luther King Day	19 Work night -Work night	20 8:30p Board of Director's Meeting	21	22	23 8 Private Party - Fabiano
24	25	26 Work night -Work night	27	28	29	30
31 8 Private Party - Walsh	Feb 1	2 Work night -Work night	3	4	5	6 8 Private Party - Briggs

**Ditty Bag Deadlines**

The next Ditty Bag deadline for submittals is Friday, January 22 for the February Edition.

Submit your Ditty Bag entries/requests via email to Nick Hare at [nicholashare58@gmail.com](mailto:nicholashare58@gmail.com)