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Bob Franz



PRESQUE ISLE YACHT CLUB. INC.



MEMBERSHIP MEETING NOTICE

The May membership meeting will be held in the clubhouse on **Sunday, May 20th at 2:30 p.m.** The meeting has been moved to the third Sunday of the month instead of the second due to Mother's Day. Commodore Bob Franz will preside. Plans will be discussed to get the club ready for the up-coming boating season. Let's have a good turnout for this last meeting before the summer arrives.



OPENING DAY CEREMONIES

The club will open its 56th season with a Memorial Service on the club grounds on Sunday, May 27th at 12:30 p.m. All club officers and past commodores are invited to take part in the colorful ceremony in honoring all our deceased members. Club Chaplain, Monsignor Tom Snyderwine, will give the invocation. Also, the Harold Eisert, Sr. Boating Service Award will be given to the recipient nominated by the committee. Following the ceremony, a tureen dinner will be held at 2:00 p.m. in the clubhouse as stated in the enclosed flyer. Please bring two dishes to share with the other members and also your own place settings. The club will provide the meat, coffee, and beer. Let's have a nice turnout for the first day of boating season.



STALL PAYMENT IS DUE

Don't forget that your stall payment is due May 15th or when your boat occupies the stall if before May 15th. The assessment for the new lift is also due on May 15th. Also, a copy of all 2001 boat registrations or documentation for every boat receiving a stall in 2001 must be submitted with stall payments as per dock rule 22. Please be sure to fill out a release form before your boat is put in the water and give this to the lift operator. This release form is good for the entire year including your lift out of the water in the fall. Also, all trailered boats must fill out a release form just in case an emergency lift is needed during the year. If you have any questions regarding this, please contact Vice Commodore Pat McGraw.



STALL OPENINGS

Don't forget to check the bulletin board for stall openings. All stall openings are posted for only 72 hours and the member with the most points with a boat that fits the stall will get the stall. If you have any questions regarding this, please contact Vice Commodore Pat McGraw.

PARKING RESTRICTIONS

Several times each year, you will be asked not to park in certain areas of the parking lot to accommodate club events. Most of the time, the restriction applies only to the first two rows of the parking lot closest to the picnic shelter. The events that need this extra room are: Memorial Day services - Sunday, May 27th; Steak Fry - Saturday, July 7th; Family Fun Day - Saturday, July 28th; Corn Roast - Saturday, August 11th, Pig Roast - Saturday, September 8th. Please be courteous and obey the restrictions, otherwise, you will be asked to move your car. Thank you.



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

PYC has accepted four new members into the club. Please welcome the following new members and their families into the club: **Robert Besch** and his wife Joyce. They have two children: Edmund and Allyson. Robert is self-employed in the insurance business. **James Moorhead**. He has two children: Kimberly and Heidi. James is a self-employed building contractor. **Dawne Thomas**. She has three children: Timothy, Kristal, and Andrew. Dawne owns a flower shop in Youngsville, PA. **Donald Wright** and his wife Gayle. They have two children: Jeffrey and Casey. Donald is an attorney with Knox, Graham, Gornall, & Sennett. If you see any of these new members around the club, introduce yourself to them and make them feel welcome and part of the PYC family. Welcome Everyone!



NEWSLETTER BY E-MAIL

For those members who would like to receive their monthly newsletters by e-mail rather than by US mail as mentioned at the April membership meeting, please fill out the enclosed application form and return it to Secretary Mark Eisert. Be sure to state the format in which you would like to receive your newsletter. If you are not sure as to which format to receive, contact Mark and he can help you with that. Also, please make sure your e-mail address is correct. If you have any problems at all with receiving your newsletter via e-mail, call Mark and he will make sure that all problems are resolved quickly. This is a great opportunity to help the club save expenses. By sending the newsletter via e-mail will save the club \$12 per person per year. That really does add up.

GOOF-OFF AND RETIREMENT PARTY

Mark your calendars for the Annual Goof-Off and Retirement Party which will be held on Wednesday, June 13th. Fleet Captain Gene Krahe will be hosting this annual event and additional information will be available in next month's newsletter. Also, the club is sponsoring the first annual golf outing that morning before the party. The sign up sheet for the golf outing is available in the clubhouse.



NATIONAL SAFE BOATING WEEK

Each year approximately 700 people die in boating-related accidents - nine out of 10 victims were not wearing a life jacket. In an effort to combat these alarming statistics, the National Safe Boating Council (NSBC), in partnership with the U.S. Coast Guard and the National Association of State Boating Law Administrators (NASBLA), will launch the 2001 Boat Smart From The Start National Safe Boating Campaign during National Safe Boating Week (May 19—25, 2001). The campaign is designed to reach more than 80 million boaters around the country and communicate this year's message: **"Boat Smart from the Start. Wear Your Life Jacket!"** They will again focus this message on: the wearing of life jackets, however as with the past Campaigns, "Boat Smart From the Start" allows for adaptation in developing other issues critical to local concerns.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY to Mary Cass, Frank Chiz, Mike and Linda Corsi, Bill Coyne, Denny Davis, Jeanne Downey, Mary Lou DuMond, Rebecca Flynn, Bob Franz, Dody Gallagher, Linda Geyer, Eleanor Golubieski, Elaine Hamilton, Lorie Hansen, Chuck Janicki, Chuck Kindle, Sharon Krahe, Dolores Kreger, Dave Mathes, Dave Mead, Chris Mullen, Bill O'Brien, Al Sceiford, Bob Schenker, Joe Skindell, Dick and Marge Spaeder, Charles Sublinsky, Roger Thayer, Donald Wright, and Jim Wronekall born in the month of May.

RAMBLIN'S

Congratulations to Sharon Krahe on graduating from Gannon University on May 12th. She will be graduating Magna Cum Laude with a Bachelor's degree in Business..... Congratulations to club member Jim Rich and his wife Mary Jane on the birth of their grandson. Jack Herrmann was born on Friday, May 4th at Hamot Medical Center to Jim and Mary Jane's daughter Pam Herrmann and her husband John.....Club member Dody Gallagher recently fell and broke her hip. At this time, she is at HealthSouth Rehabilitation Center. We all wish Dody a speedy recovery.....The club grounds have really been shaping up. The members have been doing a great job at the work parties. The sidewalk in front of the picnic shelter was replaced, the children's playground was changed around, the east walkway was moved to line up with the door, and the Peach Street docks will all soon be finished. The work parties will continue on Saturdays until May 26th.....After the long, long winter that we just endured, many members are itching to get boating. Before the end of April, the club had over 20 boats in the water. Hopefully we will have better weather this summer than we had last year. We certainly deserve it!.....Check out the following websites for boating information: www.uscgboating.org, www.safeboatingcouncil.org, www.boatingsafety.com, www.anchoraweighmagazine.com, www.usps.org, www.cgaux.org, www.nasbla.org, www.uscg.mil, www.fish.state.pa.us to name a few.....Don't forget that you have 72 hours after launching your boat to clean up the area where your boat was occupied or you will be charged \$25 if the yard master has to clean up the area. Contact RC Anne Eisert if you have any questions regarding this.....The PA Fish and Boat Commission now have new sturdy "credit card" type cards instead of the paper cards for the boating safety certificates. These cards must be carried as proof of taking a boating safety course. If you would like to change your 'paper' safety card to the new card, it only costs \$5. You can get the application on-lineDon't forget that if you miss a membership meeting, you must fill out the official form for missed meetings and turn it in to the Board of Directors for approval. This form is available in the clubhouse.....Congratulations to Rick Claffey, this month's money winner.

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