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MEMBERSHIP MEETING NOTICE

The first of the fall membership meetings will be held in the clubhouse on **Sunday, October 13th at 2:30 p.m.** This being the first meeting since May, there is much on the agenda. Let's have a good turnout for this first meeting of the fall season!

IT'S HAUL

It's hard to believe that another summer is gone. It seems like it just started and now it's time to take the boats out of the water again. There are several things to remember when getting your boat ready for the winter. Please mark your cradle or trailer with your name and phone number. This will help the officers or anyone else identify your boat in case of an emergency. Don't forget to chain and lock your ladder to your cradle when you are not at the club. This will help deter anyone from breaking into your boat. Also, do not leave used oil on club property. You must dispose of any oil properly. Try to keep the area around your boat neat and clean to help avoid accidents, plus it makes the club look nice. Remember that cement blocks will not be able to be used for blocking boats. You may use wood blocks instead. Also, after hauling your boat out of the water, please clear your dock space of lines, bumpers, hoses, power lines, etc. within 72 hours or you will be charged \$25 per hour if the dockmaster must remove these items.

OUT TIME

OKTOBERFEST

Read all about the Oktoberfest in the enclosed flyer. The Oktoberfest will be held at the clubhouse on Saturday, October 12th beginning at 6:30 p.m. The menu for the party includes Bratwurst with sauerkraut, Weiner Schnitzel, potato pancakes, German potato salad, Spatzle, sweet and sour red cabbage, dessert, bread and butter, coffee, soda, and of course beer. The cost is \$13.00 per person. PIYC imprinted beer mugs will also be on sale that night for \$4 each. A sign-up sheet is available in the clubhouse or contact Charlie and Jody Miller at 835-8233 for reservations or more information. Please have your reservations in by October 8, 2002. See you all there!!

LOGO SALES

This is a great time to order special items for the holidays. All orders needed for the holidays must be placed by November 10th. Since many have been interested in the PIYC Tervis tumblers, Kathy is planning on placing an order for them but she needs to order at least 50. Please contact her if you would like to order either the 12 oz. or the 16 oz. glasses. They make great Christmas gifts!! If you also have any questions regarding anything on display, contact Kathy DiNicola at 452-6612 or e-mail her at sandbar@erie.net.

NEW BOARD MEMBER

Board member Dale Oregia resigned his position on the board on September 1, 2002. Bob Jenkins was elected by the remaining board members to fill Dale's position for the remainder of the year. Bob was next in line during the December 2001 elections to become a board member. Welcome Bob!!

NEW MAIN GATE

The main gate was recently moved and the new location is along the south fence of the club property. This will help resolve the safety issues with the high speed traffic coming around the corner from Wolverine Park. **While using the new gate, please wait for the gate to come to a complete stop before proceeding through. If you do not, the car triggers the photo eye and causes the gate to reverse. Also, while leaving the club, please stop at the white line painted on the blacktop so as to not interfere with the photo eye.** Also, please be very careful when crossing the bike path so that you don't have any accidents with cyclists. Many thanks to Sam Best for the great job he did in compiling the information and the countless hours he spent meeting with contractors to make the new gate project a reality. Also thanks to everyone who contributed to the success and for all the grunt work that went into making this project a reality including Gene Krahe, Joe And Lori Baniewicz, Rick Claffey, Bill Allen, and Jim Rich.

NEW

Over the summer months, the club took in one new member. His name is Bob Coccarelli and is an employee of GE. Bob and his wife Cori have two daughters, Jamie Lynn and Jessica. Introduce yourselves to Bob at the upcoming meeting and make him feel like part of the PYC family.

MEMBER

PIG ROAST

Everyone had a great time at the Pig Roast which was held at the club on Saturday, September 7th. Dan Krahe did a great job organizing this party. Close to 150 people attended the last party of the summer. The food was fantastic and the weather was outstanding. Everyone had a great time!! Dan would like to thank everyone who attended the event and also those who helped him put on this great party. He truly appreciated it.

BOAT STORAGE WITH SAILBOAT MASTS UP

The Board of Directors approved the storage of sailboats with its masts up but you must adhere to the following requirements:

1. Insurance coverage for storing a boat that does not exclude storing with mast up when boat is on jack stands or cradle. Documentation of coverage will be provided if requested by the board.
2. Minimum required jack stand: 1– for every 8 foot of boat length, per side (as recommended by Brownell Boat Stands, Inc. and ABYC) plus a bow stand.
3. Jack stands must be a commercial design and manufacture.
4. Jack stands will be secured with heavy-duty 3/16" chain (as recommended by Brownell Boat Stands, Inc.)
5. Each jack stand will be put on a plywood base, so stand will not sink into the dirt or sand (as recommended by Brownell Boat Stands, Inc.)
6. Remove main sail and roller furler head sail.
7. Boat will back into the liftwell and the backstay will be loosened or disconnected for lifting. Prior to disconnecting the backstay the main halyard is to be secured to balance the mast. It is important to keep the boat in the center of the liftwell so boat can be lifted as straight as possible for storage placement. Backstay will be re-secured after boat is placed.
8. Lift operator had the say on lifting boat with mast up. He may refuse to lift if he feels it is not a safe lift.
9. Boat may also be placed with mast up on a properly constructed safe cradle. The yard manager will have the say if the cradle is acceptable. Boat owner must get this approval prior to pulling boat out.
10. Boat owner takes sole responsibility for boat placement (release signed).
11. Boat owner agrees to check on jack stands / cradle routinely over the winter. This is not club responsibility.

RAMBLIN'S

Rear Commodore Gene Krahe will be holding two work parties this fall, Saturday, November 2nd and Saturday, November 9th from 8:00 a.m. until noon. If you still need work hours, this is a good time to get them in. Also, if you have any questions regarding your work hours posted on the bulletin board, contact RC Gene Krahe.....We also need members to clean the clubhouse during the off-season. Please contact Gene if you would like to do that. Since we don't have caretakers on duty for the winter months, please pick up after yourself when using the clubhouseRemember, too, that the club yard is not a storage place for old cradles and boating items. Please remove these items..... A raft-up was held on Sunday, September 1st and a record 31 boats from PIYC were there. A photo is posted on the bulletin board for your viewing. Everyone had a great time!!.....Condolences to club member Jim Szymanowski on the death of his sister, Joan Duda, who passed away on Monday, September 9th at the age of 69.....Many thanks to Don Wright and to Bob Jenkins for their endless hours spent working on our tax appeal process. Their hard work will help save the club a lot of money.....Congratulations to club member Matt Visosky who recently graduated with the 16th class of waterways conservation officers of the PA Fish and Boat Commission. He has been assigned to Delaware County.....The yard dolly was recently sold to RCR Yachts located next door to our clubMany thanks to all the members for making the honor system for the ice work out this year. We have more than doubled our ice sales for the year.....Keep Saturday November 9th open for the Haul Out and Awards Party. This is always one party you shouldn't miss. If you have any good stories regarding boating tales about any member of the club, please contact any one of the club officers. Details of this upcoming party will be available on the website and also in the next newsletter.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY to Barbara Anderson, Kay Bojarski, Buzz Chatham, Rick Claffey, Tony DiNicola, Jim Flynn, Donna Franz, Mike Hornyak, Lance Howell, Starr Janicki, Alice Kenton, Judy Kindle, Gene Krahe, Garry Lombardo, Angello Massello, Bob Renner, Ann Skolnik, Jerome Skolnik, Jackie Staiger and Lori Turner.....all born in the month of October.

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