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CORN ROAST

Don't forget about the Corn Roast which was mentioned in last month's newsletter. This party will be held on the club grounds on Saturday, August 7th beginning at 4:00 p.m. Dinner will be served at 5:30. The cost is only \$7.00 for adults (12 and older) and \$5.00 for children ages 5 to 12. Children under the age of 5 are free. Beer tickets will be sold for \$5 each. Live entertainment will be provided by Millenium Sound DJs playing your favorite music throughout the evening. A boat decorating contest will be held with the judging at 10:30. Over 200 door prizes will also be raffled off during the evening and raffle tickets are available for \$1 each. Please donate a door prize if you can. You can drop off your door prize either on the day of the Corn Roast or give it to an officer or board member ahead of time. Fleet Captain Mark Eisert could also use your help with cooking, serving, or selling tickets. Sign-up sheets are available on the clubhouse wall near the galley. Please offer just one hour of your time to this activity. It will be greatly appreciated. If you have any questions regarding the Corn Roast, please call FC Mark Eisert at 835-6785. See you at the party!!!!

FAMILY FUN DAY

Everyone had a great time at this year's Family Fun Day which was held at the club on Saturday, July 24th. Close to 100 members, spouses, kids, and grandkids had a great time with all the games, snacks, refreshments, and dinner. FC Mark Eisert and his spouse Amy did a great job running the games all afternoon. If you like to see some great photos of Family Fun Day, you can see them on PYC's main web page at www.piyyc.com. Congratulations to Eric McGraw for winning the jar of candy!

SLOW IT DOWN

It's been very noticeable lately that many people have been driving too fast in the parking lot. The posted speed limit inside the club is 5 mph. Please keep it to that speed. Children are playing on the club grounds and we don't want any accidents to occur. Please obey the speed limit. Thank you.

BOATING SAFETY

Four Principles of Boating Safety

1. Wearing life jackets save lives
2. Boater education saves lives
3. Safe boats (safely designed, well maintained and properly equipped vessels) save lives
4. Sober boating saves lives

Boating Fatality Facts

On average, approximately 700 recreational boaters will die this year due to a boating mishap. The vast majority of boating mishaps are caused by operator controllable factors and not by the boat, equipment, or environmental factors. 1.) The majority of fatalities (about 79%) occur on inland waters, such as rivers, streams, lakes, and ponds. 2.) Drowning continues to be the # 1 cause of deaths in boating accidents. Approximately 80% of drowning victims were not wearing life jackets. Less than 23% of boaters in all boating groups wear life jackets. More than 60% of boating fatalities result from capsizing, falling overboard, or flooding/swamping. 3.) Fatality rates decrease significantly when a boater has some boater education. Eighty-eight percent of fatalities occurred on boats where the operator had not taken a boater education course. 4.) Open motorboats have the highest overall number of fatalities (approximately half). 5.) Canoes and kayaks have high numbers of fatalities due to drowning. Personal watercraft (PWCs) have a relatively high fatality rate due to trauma. 6.) Roughly one-third of recreational fatalities occur while boaters are engaged in fishing activities. A smaller number die while hunting from a boat.



DOCK PARTY

Don't forget about the second Dock Party of the year which will be held on Friday, August 6th beginning at 6:00 p.m. Docks C, D, and E will be hosting this dock party. Please have a dish or two to share with the other members at your boat. *Dueling Pianos* will be performing for your entertainment beginning at 9:00 p.m. and will continue until 12:00 a.m. Beer tickets will be sold for \$5 that evening. Also, Rock the Dock T-shirts will be available for sale throughout the evening. If you have any questions regarding this event, please contact Fleet Captain Mark Eisert. This is one event that you won't want to miss!

TOP DOG

Fifteen dinghies entered the Poker Run on Friday, July 23rd and all headed into the Presque Isle Bay in search of the joker which wins them a bottle of Mad Dog and the perfect poker hand which wins them the Top Dog Trophy. After making five separate stops at predetermined locations to pick their cards and a 'few' refreshments, all teams ended back at PIYC to play their hands. Team Franz (Bob and Donna) won the Top Dog Trophy with 3 Kings in their hand. Along with the 15 teams, several chase boats with video cameras were on the trip to capture the fun. FC Mark Eisert will be showing the photos along with the video at the Dock Party which will be held on Friday, August 6th. Be there to view the 'evidence'.



DEFIBRILLATOR

The Club is looking into the possibility of purchasing an automatic external cardiac defibrillator (AED) for access on the grounds. Early intervention in this common form of heart failure, ventricular fibrillation or sudden cardiac arrest, is critical in surviving this type of heart attack. At this point we need to know how many members would be interested in undergoing the necessary training and certification required for the operation of this unit. The training takes approximately four hours to complete and includes CPR training and certification as well. Recertification is then required every two years to remain certified. We have access to an instructor who would teach the class at the club for only the cost of course materials, estimated at Approx. five dollars per person which could also possibly be underwritten by the club. This all, of course, depends on a worthwhile level of interest and participation. A sign-up sheet will be available in the clubhouse if you are interested. Contact Chairman Jim Howard if you have any questions regarding this.

RAMBLIN'S

Steve Mullen Jr, who was one of our caretakers this past summer has left for the Navy on July 27th. Please keep him in your prayers.Don't forget to leave Sunday, September 6 open for the annual Marina Raft-Up. The party will begin at 1:00 in the Presque Isle Marina. Look on the PIYC web page for more information when it becomes available. Information will also be available in the clubhouse.....Condolences to club member Dave Nishnick and his wife Donna on the death of Dave's mother, Wilma D. "Polly" Bargerstock Nishnick, who passed away on Sunday May 23rd at the age of 82.....Also condolences to club member Craig Engel and his wife Dee on the death of Craig's mother, Viola Hall Engel, who passed away on Saturday, June 26th at the age of 95.....Club member Dody Gallagher has recently moved away from Erie and is residing with her son in Ohio. Her address is hanging on the club's bulletin board if you'd like to drop her a note.



PIG ROAST

This year's annual Pig Roast will be held on Saturday, September 11th. Don't forget to leave that date open!! Watch the bulletin boards, next month's newsletter, the web page, and e-mail for more information. As soon as the information becomes available, we will get it out to you.

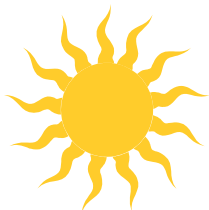


HAPPY BIRTHDAY to Joe Baniewicz, Joyce Besch, Mary Czarnecki, Kathy DiNicola, Mike Gangle, Neal Hammill, Sr., Ed Holmes, Pam Kowalewski, Mike Lenz, Donna McClellan, Pat McGraw, Al Renshaw, Mary Jane Rich, Jim Szymanowski, Mary Margaret Torrence, Randy Turner, John Wroniek, Turk Wroniek.....all born in the month of August.

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