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November Membership Meeting

The second of the fall membership meetings will be held in the clubhouse on **Sunday, November 12th at 1:30 pm.** This will be a very important meeting because the nominating committee consisting of **Frank DeWolf, P/C Mike Galbreath, P/C Gene Krahe, Sr.** will announce their recommendations for officers and board members for the 2018 season. If you would like to be nominated for an office, please contact one of the members of the nominating committee. Further nominations will be taken from the floor at both the November and

December membership meetings. As mentioned in the last newsletter, the office of Treasurer will be opening up and the current nominating committee is looking for a member who has experience with QuickBooks and has the time and desire to serve in this capacity. Per the PIYC Constitution and By-Laws, **any active member in good standing and any associate member can run for Treasurer.**

An active member in good standing is defined as a member who has a boat moored at PIYC and has attended at least 50% of the regularly schedule member-

ship meetings during the preceding twelve consecutive months and is current with all monies due.

An associate member is defined as a member who does not moor a boat at PIYC. Associate members are not eligible to vote per the Constitution and even as Treasurer would still not be eligible to vote.

In order to vote, you must be an active member as described above. Please check the eligible voter list posted on the bulletin board and get any issues resolved prior to the December membership meeting.

Upcoming Events

Lift Operator Lunch Nov 4
12:00 p.m.

Haul Out Party Nov 11
PIYC Clubhouse 5:30 p.m.

November Membership Meeting— Nov 12
1:30 p.m.
Nomination of Officers
Slip Requests Due

PIYC Christmas Party Dec 9
6:00 p.m.

December Membership Meeting— Dec 10
1:30 p.m.
Election of Officers

2018 Slip Assignments Distributed to Members

Officers' Comments

If you became a member of PIYC after launch day, June 30th, you are still responsible for half of the required work hours. Please talk to an officer if you have any concerns regarding this. Remember to unplug your boat when you are not at the club and write your name and phone number on your shrink wrap. Also, as a reminder, all ladders should be chained and locked to your jack stands or cradles to help prevent break-ins. I would like to thank the yard masters and all of you who

helped pull the boats out this year. If you look around you will find we are very full. We pulled up the decking on B dock and will be continuing with the repairs this fall and into next spring. We also found some electrical and water line problems that need to be addressed. This reinforces the need for new docks in the future as these have lasted beyond their life expectancy.

As discussed at the October membership meeting, all slip requests must be submitted by the November member-

ship meeting along with insurance documentation and \$100 deposit. The 2018 slip assignments will be given to the members at the December membership meeting instead of the March membership meeting. This change is to align with the other yacht clubs and marinas in the area who assign slips this time of year.

Once again, thank you all for your hard work this year!

R/C Robert Wilson
V/C Herb Torrance



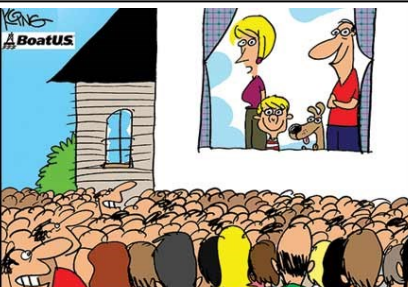
Happy Birthday:

- Pamela Armstrong
- Peggy Chatham
- Pauline DeMarall
- Mark and Amy Eisert
- Meg Eisert
- Tom Fromknecht
- Bob Green
- Jim Howard
- Michael Howard
- Gary Larson
- Charlie Longua
- Jody Miller
- Donna Nishnick
- Lynda Sceiford
- Carolyn Schenker
- Kathleen Smith
- Suzanne Sturdivant
- Matt Visosky
- Ken Worley

Happy Anniversary

Happy Anniversary to those members who have recently celebrated their anniversary as PIYC members:

- 30-Year:** P/C Gary Bunting
Mike Corsi
P/C Tony DiNicola
Bill Magee
P/C Jerry Skolnik, Sr.



"It may just be a coincidence, but did we get a lot more friends and family when we got a boat?"



"Do you have to carve a life-size boat? That pumpkin cost a fortune!"

Raise the Main

Being "Sail Chair" is kind of like fishing, so here it goes.

I was nosing around in the trophy case recently and I noticed there are more trophies than just the Commodore's Cup. There is the Captain Wonderful Trophy, which is a 15-mile bay race. It was last awarded in 1995. Another award is the William A. Greener Award which is a 15-mile triangular race and was last given in 1982. The Ed Kaminski Award is also in the case which is a two-day race; last won in 1989. The Arrow Tool Trophy is an award for the sailor of the year which was last awarded in 1986. Finally, there is the Michelob Club Award last awarded in 1995.

All of these awards got me to thinking there was a lot of sailing going on 20 to 35 years ago. It also made me wonder if we will ever have this much interest and commitment to sailing and these awards ever again? It made me think about the stories and history connected to these trophies. Does anyone out there have this information?

Have you noticed that I've baited the hook in what you've just read? Now comes the "fishing" part. I've pretty much sucked at real fishing over the past few years but I am interested in knowing more about these awards. Would the sailors and other interested parties

in PIYC want to get together to talk about all this? Perhaps we can meeting after a regular membership meeting or on some late afternoon in the clubhouse during the winter?

Do I have hope here? It's your sail program and it's up to you. Please share your thoughts with me.

Sail Chair Gary Larson

Haul Out Party

Read all about the Annual Haul Out Party in the enclosed flyer. The party will be held in the clubhouse on Saturday, November 11th beginning at 5:30 p.m. with a happy hour followed by a catered dinner being served at 6:30 p.m. The menu, catered by Nunzi's, consists of appetizers, chicken marsala, eggplant parmesan, meatballs, Caesar salad, fruit,

and dessert along with beer, wine, soft drinks, and coffee. The cost is only \$15 per person. Please call Fleet Captain Kurt Fesenmyer at 814-864-1895 or text 814-823-9326 or email kfesen1@gmail.com if you have any questions. Sign-up sheet is available in the clubhouse and reservations are due by November 5th.

Ramblin's

The Lift Operator and Grounds Crew lunch will be held in the clubhouse on Saturday, November 4th beginning at 12:00 p.m.

The clubhouse has been rented by members on December 3, 16, and 30. Please be courteous and not interrupt their events.

As mentioned at the October membership meeting, the annual D.O.G. Poker Run recipient will now be determined by members nominating their favorite non-profit

organization. You must write a letter to the board nominating your non-profit organization and state why you would like that organization to receive the proceeds from the event. You must also state how the organization is going to help with the poker run and you will also help lead the event. Please talk to the officers if you have any questions.

Keep Saturday, December 9th open for the annual Christmas Party. The dinner will be held in the clubhouse

beginning at 5:30 p.m. and will be catered by Calamari's. This year, there will be an ornament exchange. More information will be available in the December newsletter.

The winter storage invoices have been sent to all the members and as a reminder, all fees including winter storage, summer dinghy and trailer storage, dock boxes, etc. are all due by **December 15, 2017**. This will give the Treasurer time to close out the books for the year.

The Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Commission is reminding boaters that beginning November 1 and lasting through April 30, they are required to wear a life jacket while underway or at anchor on boats less than 16 feet in length or on any canoe or kayak. The requirement applies to all Pennsylvania waters.

Congratulations to **TJ King** this month's money winner.

Everyone have a safe and Happy Thanksgiving!

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