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Presque Isle Yacht Club



Newsletter



Commodore:
Herb Torrance

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Membership Meeting Notice

The February membership meeting will be held in the clubhouse on **Sunday, February 11th at 1:30 p.m.**

Commodore Herb Torrance will preside over the meeting. This will be the first meeting with our new officers and board mem-

bers at the helm. Let's have a good turnout to support our officers.

Upcoming Events

February Membership Meeting Feb 11
1:30 p.m.

Tubing Party Feb 17
Mount Pleasant 12:00 p.m.—
4:00 p.m.



Dues and assessment fees Feb 28
11:59 p.m. due

March Membership Meeting March 11
1:30 p.m.

Officer's Comments

Thank you all for the opportunity to serve as Commodore during the 2018 boating season. As you are all aware the Bridge and Board will continue with P/C Jim Buto's leadership style. Playing to our strengths helps us to easily get more accomplished. We do have a large list of items to get completed this year. The following is an overview of our goals for the upcoming season. In an effort to give us "curb" appeal, we would like to put some screening in the chain-link fence. Blue and white (Go Penn State) would stay in line with our "blue theme" and the white would keep the screen lighter. (Thanks Kurt) This screen would hide the areas where the cradles and trailers are stored for the summer. We are also addressing the rotting timbers around the clubhouse. We would like to remove the timbers and slope the area for grass and a planting. This is a long-term plan to address the area. The usual pavement sealer will also be completed again this year. We are

thinking of doing that in the fall instead of the spring. That will give us a better look for the 75-year programs. There have been talks about converting all the picnic table umbrellas to the same color. I have to admit it would look very classy from the outside looking in. Finally we are looking at B-dock replacement. The Bridge will keep you all updated as each of these items move along. A great leader surrounds him/herself with great people. My hope is you all will continue to support us as you have in the past. Your support will define our ability to prepare our club for its 75th year anniversary. Thank you all for your hard work.

Commodore Herb Torrance

WOW! We have had a heck of a winter so far with record-breaking snowfall in December and a rollercoaster ride of up and down temperatures. I want to thank all who have helped to keep the walks shoveled and salted. I am looking forward to fulfilling my duties as Rear Commodore this

year, and I couldn't do it without your support and help. So thank you all and thank you to the Bridge and Board for the seamless transition into the position. We don't have a regular care taker in the winter, so please lend a helping hand or send me an email if something needs attention. I'm looking forward to spring and the heart-beat of the club returning with people getting their boats ready for the water. Winter is okay, but let us keep dreaming about summer sun, beaches and boating. If you have any concerns please call me or email me at (814)823-9326 or kfesen1@gmail.com.

RC Kurt Fesenmyer

The Member area of the PIYC website has been updated with links added for the Port Authority and the PennDOT reports as discussed at the last membership meeting. Also a direct link was added for the Port Authority comment page.

Secretary Bob Green



Happy Birthday:

- Claire Briglia
- Rachel Dixon
- John Flecken
- Sheri Jarmolowicz
- Bob Jenkins
- Cheryl Koenig
- Karen Krahe
- Cheri Longua
- Dennis Lorelli
- Bonnie Magee
- Jim Mazza
- Steve Mullen
- Dale Oregia
- Susan Orinko
- Bill Ramey, Sr.
- Donna Roesch
- Tom Rupert
- Rodney Snyder
- Brenda Stinnett
- Mary Todd
- Chrissy Verdecchia
- Jeromy Vogt
- Gayle Wright

Ramblin's

Condolences to the family of P/C Albert Sarti. Al passed away in Bayonet Point, FL at the age of 92. There will be a memorial service for him in Erie later in the year. We will provide more information regarding the service when it becomes available.

Condolences to P/C Neal Hammill on the death of his brother George Hammill. George passed away on Monday, January 15 at the age of 87.

Condolences to Patricia Howell on the death of her husband and club member Lance Howell. Lance passed away on Sunday, January

21 while on vacation in Cozumel, Mexico. He was 75.

You should have received your dues statement by this time. If you have not, you may call **Treasurer Charlie Longua** at 814-899-7197. Failure to pay your bill by the end of February could result in the loss of your mooring for the upcoming season.

If you have any ideas for new logo items in 2018, please contact P/C Tony DiNicola. He is looking for input on what products the members would like to have this year.

Fleet Captain Mazza is also looking for party ideas. If you would like to help with a party or have an idea for a party, please don't hesitate to contact him.

If you would like to be on the Ground Crew or a Lift Operator Trainee, please contact **Commodore Herb Torrance** for more information. It takes a tremendous amount of work to get the boats in and out of the water and help is always needed.

Congratulations to **Chuck White**, this month's money winner.

Safe Boating Courses

This is a great time of year to brush up on your boating knowledge and there are plenty of classes being offered in the area.

The US Power Squadron will be holding a safe boating course starting on **Monday March 5th** and will continue for 8 weeks. It will be held at the Bayfront Maritime Center (BMC) 40 Holland St. 16507. Registration will be held at 6:30 p.m. on March 5th and the class will begin that evening from

7:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m. The cost is \$50 per person and only \$10 for the second person if the two people are sharing a book. If you plan on doing the plotting section, which is recommended, the cost is \$20 for plotting supplies. For more information, please contact **James Tingley** at 814-835-4579 or email him at erieps@gmail.com. You can also register online at www.usps.org.

The PA Boat & Fish Commission

is also holding a basic boating course on **Saturday, March 24th** at the Erie County Tom Ridge Environmental Center at 301 Peninsula Drive Erie PA 16505 from 9:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. Please register with Matt Visosky (also PIYC member) by emailing him at mvisosky@pa.gov. Please provide your name, telephone number, and the amount of people in your group when registering. Space is limited so sign up as soon as possible.

Another basic boating course is being offered by Corry Higher Education also on **Saturday, March 24th** from 9:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. at the Erie County Corry Higher Education Building at 221 North Center St. Corry PA 16407. Please contact Sandra McClellan at (814) 664-9405 or email her at smccllellan@corryhied.org to preregister for this Basic Boating class. Space is limited so register as soon as possible.

2018 Officers

The following is a list of the 2018 officers along with their telephone numbers. If you have any problems or questions, please give them a call.

Commodore Herb Torrance	814-774-1010
Vice Commodore Robert Wilson	814-504-6229
Rear Commodore Kurt Fesenmyer	814-823-9326
Fleet Captain Jim Mazza	337-353-8125
Secretary Bob Green	814-860-1452
Treasurer Charlie Longua	814-899-7197

Board

P/C Jim Buto (chairman)	814-452-3214
P/C Tony DiNicola	814-440-9937
P/C Bob Bryson	814-572-1232
P/C Gary Koenig	814-835-3335
P/C Jeromy Vogt	814-434-9082

2018 Committees

Commodore Herb Torrance has named his 2018 Committees:

Blue Gavel / I-LYA—P/C Charlie Miller
 Port Authority / Health—Msgr. Snyderwine
 Equipment / Training / Safety—P/C Jim Howard
 Sail—Gary Larson
 Insurance—Mike Eisert
 Junior Members—Bill O'Brien
 Legal Advisor—Michael Fetzner, Esq.
 Logo Sales—P/C Tony DiNicola
 Long Range Planning—Bill Coyne
 Newsletter / Parliamentarian—P/C Anne Eisert
 Supply Officer—P/C Tony DiNicola
 Webmaster—**OPEN** (Bob Green)
 Dock—P/C Gary Bunting
 Yardmaster—P/C Steve Mullen
 75-Year Anniversary—P/C Anne Eisert

Clubhouse Rental

The clubhouse has been rented on the following dates:

February 10
 March 3
 March 10
 March 18
 March 31
 April 7

Please be courteous to the members renting the facilities for their events and avoid using the clubhouse on the above dates.

Happy Anniversary

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

5-Year: Chuck Kahn



Fleet Captain Tubing / Tailgate Party

Don't forget about the Tubing & Tailgate Party at Mount Pleasant Ski Resort of Edinboro on Saturday, **February 17th** beginning at 12:00 p.m. until 4:00 p.m. Tickets for tubing are \$14 per person for 2 hours and \$17 per person for 3 hours. The price for tubing is the same for children and adults. The tailgate party will take place inside the lodge in the Party Room and

tubing tickets can be purchased in the room from one of the Mount Pleasant representatives. A pizza lunch will be available for a cost of \$5 per person. Also, please bring some type of dessert to share with the other members if you wish. If you have any questions on this event, please contact Jim at 337-353-8125 or email him at jfmazza@aol.com.



Courtesy of www.americanboating.org
 "My wife got mad because I had my boat's name tattooed on me, and not her's. Can you add her initials?"

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