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Newsletter



Commodore:
Herb Torrance

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Membership Meeting Notice

The April membership meeting will be held in the clubhouse on **Sunday, April 8th at 1:30 p.m.**

Commodore Herb Torrance will preside. The officers will be discussing plans to get the club ready for the

upcoming boating season including work parties and work needed on the club grounds.

Upcoming Events

April Member-ship Meeting *April 8 1:30 p.m.*

Equipment Operator Safety Meeting *April 21 & May 26 12:30 p.m.*

Work Parties *April 21, May 5, 26 8:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m.*

Happy Hour / Fry Party PIYC Clubhouse *April 27 6:00 p.m.*

Commodore Appreciation Dinner—Sunset Inn (All members invited) *May 12 5:00 p.m.*



Upcoming Events

Fleet Captain Jim Mazza will be hosting a **Happy Hour / Fry Party** on **Friday, April 27th** beginning at 6:00 p.m. in the clubhouse. The menu will consist of chicken wings with a variety of dipping sauces, French fries, beer, water, and soda. Please bring a side dish or an appetizer to share with the other members. Deep fryers will be available if your appetizer needs to be deep fried. The cost is only \$8 per person. Please contact FC Jim at 337-353-8125 or at jfmazza@aol.com with any questions.

The **Past Commodore Appreciation Dinner** is scheduled for **Saturday, May 12th** with a social hour beginning at 5:00 p.m. and dinner being served at 6:00 p.m. The dinner will be held at the **Sunset Inn** at 1990 Lakeside Dr. Erie PA 16511. The buffet menu consists of: Roasted Black Angus Beef, Chicken Breast with Apple Almond Stuffing, and Oven Baked Lemon Pepper Cod and choice of Potato Salad, Parsley Red Potatoes, and Rice Pilaf, two hot vegetables, salad, and fresh rolls with butter. The cost to attend is only \$30 per person

and this includes an open bar that will consist of beer, wine, vodka, rum, and whiskey. **ALL MEMBERS AND GUESTS ARE INVITED TO ATTEND!** Please contact Fleet Captain Jim Mazza at 337-353-8125 or jfmazza@aol.com to sign up or if you have any questions. A sign-up sheet is also available in the PIYC clubhouse. Please sign up by **April 23rd**. In addition, logo master P/C Tony DiNicola will have a logo sales table set up that evening with the new PIYC logo items for 2018.

Happy Anniversary

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

55-Year: P/C Neal Hammill, Sr

Officers' Comments

The work parties have been scheduled for Saturday, April 21st, May 5th and May 26th. If necessary, more work parties will be added if it doesn't look like all the work can be completed in three work parties. Also, work will be starting inside the clubhouse as soon as the weather breaks. The HVAC installation and added insulation will be started then. In addition, the WiFi hardware will be upgraded to improve service for everyone. Please remember to unplug your boat in the yard when you are not at the club. Only one caretaker is returning this summer from last year and therefore we are still looking for more caretakers for the upcoming season.

If you know of anyone who would make a good caretaker, please pass on the word and also let me know.

RC Kurt Fesenmyer

All second dock assignments should be finalized by the end of April and if you see any dock issues this summer, please don't hesitate to contact me.

VC Robert Wilson

The quote for the Meeco Sullivan replacement docks for B-Dock also included all the finger piers which is good news. The order for the docks has been placed and they are expected to arrive in mid-August and we

will begin the installation in mid-September. We will need your cooperation with moving boats around when the time comes. We have asked Meeco Sullivan to put together a quote for A-Dock as well and that is now in process. We are also looking into replacement electrical pedestals for the docks. We will keep you posted on our findings.

Don't forget to submit your nominations by April 15th for the Harold Eisert Sr. award which will be handed out at the Opening Day Ceremony.

Commodore Herb Torrance



Happy Birthday:

- Allan Belovarac
- Tricia Bryson
- Gerry Butts
- Bobbie Czerwinski
- Joslyn Dombroski
- Kathy Hollister
- Carl Holmes
- Nancy Kelley
- Jeff Kim
- Gary Koenig
- Gary Roesch
- Bill Salchak
- Paul Schroeck
- Kathy Jo Skolnik

Attention Lift Operators

Just a reminder that an Equipment and Ground Operator Safety Meeting will be held on Saturday, **April 21st** and again on Saturday, **May 26th** at 12:30 pm or ASAP following that day's scheduled work party and lunch. **All current and prospective Lift Operators, Ground Operators and Fork Truck Operators must attend a safety meeting annually per PIYC Safety Rule #1.** A notice is posted in the clubhouse. If you are not currently an equipment or ground operator but wish to do so,

you are more than welcome and must attend a required Safety Meeting. Training as necessary is then completed in a hands on manner under supervision of a previously qualified member(s).

These will be the last scheduled safety meetings until fall of this year. If you attended the fall meeting held in October of last year, you are still qualified per the PIYC safety rule of attending a safety meeting annually and can renew in the fall of 2018 but are of course also

welcome to attend one of these meetings if desired. If anyone has any particular circumstances presenting difficulty in meeting this requirement, please contact me so that some other accommodation can be made.

An updated safety meeting status list is posted in the PIYC clubhouse. If any questions, corrections or for additional information, please contact Safety Chairman, Jim Howard.

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Clubhouse Rental

The clubhouse has been rented on the following dates:

- March 31
- April 7
- April 14

Please be considerate and not utilize the clubhouse on these days.



"You packed so much supplies, there's not enough room for me. I hope it was just an innocent mistake."

Ramblin's

Condolences to the family of Randy Howarth. Randy passed away on Sunday, March 18th on his boat in Florida. Randy had been a member of PIYC for the past 15 years and was the chair for the sailing committee. We will certainly miss him and his creative drinks at the dock parties.

If you have any ideas and/or suggestions for the 75th Year Anniversary Party or if you would like to be on the planning committee, please contact P/C Anne Eisert at anne.k.eisert@gmail.com.

We will be starting the plans very shortly and would like to include anyone who would like to help including members' spouses.

Please do not put your used shrink wrap in the club dumpster. Once again, Engineered Plastics will accept clean and band-less shrink wrap material this year. Any marina or individual boaters that wish to participate in the program can drop off shrink wrap on Wednesdays between 12:00 - 3:00 PM directly at the Engineered Plastic facility located at 1367 West 12th Street.

Remember that the mandatory cold weather life jacket wear is in effect until April 30.

PA Fish & Boat Commission Officer Matt Visosky presented reminders at the March membership meeting to pass on to boaters. Here

are a few reminders that he touched on: Check your fire extinguishers. Kidde has a massive recall on just about every fire extinguisher they made; PFDs are required while paddle boarding; PFDs are now marked as "wearable" and "throwable"; you may not ride on the bow of your boat unless it specifically has designated seats; all boating accidents must be reported to the PA F&BC in the event of a death / disappearance, injury requiring more than first-aid, and boat loss or damage exceeding \$2000.

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.

Remember that dock fees are due when you launch your boat or no later than May 15th.

Congratulations to **Dave Kunesman**, this month's money winner.



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Happy
Easter!

