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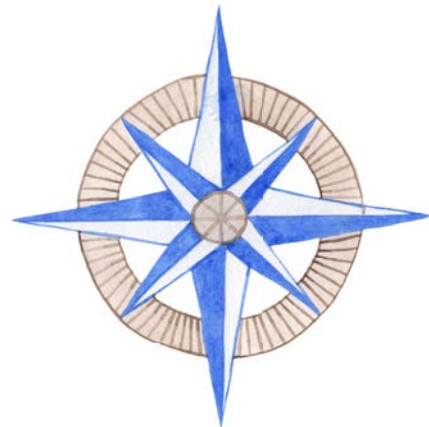
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THE SHEBOYGAN YACHT CLUB
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Commodore's Comments



WOW – all I can say is WOW.... If you were not at the Club for this year's Mid-Winter Brat Fry, you definitely missed a fun time. In all the years at SYC, I have never witnessed such a large turnout for this annual event. The food, the band, and the weather- it was all great! And even though our soda fountains went down – Sean and the bartending crew did a great job keeping us all in good spirits. Thank you to Tiffin & the Entertainment Committee for all your hard work on the raffles & food service. Also thank you to our Fryers – who braved the NE winds to do all the grilling till late in the afternoon. And Finally THANK YOU SYC Members – for patronizing your club on a Sunday afternoon!

March is ending and the indications appear to be an early spring this year. Boat owners are itching to launch in April vs May however Lake Michigan water levels are not cooperating. If you have not noticed - the water levels are down from this past fall and with little to no snowpack to melt in the UP – water levels are not likely to rise. Hence the Pier Committee is looking for volunteers this April 6th to help remove, clean, and store the aerators till next fall. As for the Pier heights – this will be addressed on another April weekend as modifications to the Aux Pier brackets are required to lower them beyond the design in place. A prototype extension is on the way – so stay tuned for email communications as to possible dates to lower the Piers.

In case you missed the March membership meeting, a construction budget of \$20K was approved for the Office/Kids Cove move. This project will be done in phases – to minimize disruption to SYC staff

& services – and should be completed by July. All SYC historical items currently in the Kids Cove will be preserved – most will reside in the “new” office space.

Also announced during the membership meeting – the Entertainment & House Committees are actively raising \$\$ via basket raffles, and are accepting donations for new SYC dining room chairs. WHY are the current chairs being replaced? Because they are 37 years old and have been re-screwed, glued, Craig jiggged & reupholstered multiple times....so it's time for a refresh. The new chairs will look/compliment the current bar stools; they are robust, easy to clean, & stackable. Two chair samples (with and without arms) have been ordered and will be soon on display for review by SYC staff & Membership. If there are any concerns about the proposed chairs – please feel free to offer an alternative chair (make, model, cost, etc.) to the Entertainment & House Committee for review.

The Entertainment & House Committees also continue to work diligently on the following club events for all to enjoy:

April 13th – Interclub Party @ the Appleton Yacht Club (sign up via Sean)

May 18th – Commodores Ball (Jimmy Buffet Theme – reservation required)

Mark your calendars, place your reservation or sign up to participate in these fun events!

See you at the club – Commodore Brad





Photograph of Lightning fleet in 1968 by John M. Slavens.
Things have changed a lot since 1968.....

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APRIL 2004



From the Helm
Commodore Mike Rasch

I would like to convey my condolences to the family and loved ones of three members who passed away this past month: Gene Devine, Ralph Allen and Lorraine Reynolds.

Thanks to John Siminow, Jim Leonhardt, Steve Madson and all those who helped with the brat fry, it was a big success.

Ann Brantmeier has joined Char Koehler as Co-Chair of the SYC Apparel Committee. Feel free to contact Ann with any questions or comments in regards to SYC apparel.

Dale Huenink is still looking for slip holders who would be willing to open their slip during the PGA event in August '04, call Dale for details.

The Board has started working on a Nominating Committee for the September '04 elections. If there are any members interested in serving on this committee please contact me.

The last Sunday of the month Brunch starts up again on 28 MAR 04. Also mark your calendar for the Easter Buffet and Egg Hunt on 11 APR 04 and Hypnotist Paul Knight on 24 APR 04.

HAPPY EASTER

Mike

"Happiness ain't a thing in itself - It's only a contrast with something that ain't pleasant."

Mark Twain

SYC CLUB HOURS

Club Closed Mondays

Tuesday

Bar - 4:00 pm - Close
Dinner - 4:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Wednesday

Bar - 11:00 am - Close
Lunch - 11:30 am - 1:30 pm
Dinner - 4:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Thursday

Bar - 11:00 am - Close
Lunch - 11:30 am - 1:30 pm
Dinner - 4:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Friday

Bar - 11:00 am - Close
Lunch - 11:30 am - 1:30 pm
Dinner - 4:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Saturday

Bar - 4:00 pm - Close
Dinner - 4:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Sunday

Closed except for Packer games.
Galley is Closed - No food Service

OFFICE

Tues 8:00 AM - noon
Wed, Thu, Fri 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM

DATES TO REMEMBER

- April 3 - Racing Rules of Sailing (6:30)
- April 10 - Racing Tactics (6:30)
- Apr 11 - Membership Meeting (7:15)
- Apr 13 - Interclub Party (Appleton)
- Apr 17 - Regatta Board Game (6:30)
- April 24 - Crew Search Party (6:30)
- April 25 - Shipwreck Sanctuary (6:00)
- May 4 - Kentucky Derby Party
- May 18 - Commodore's Ball

OFFICE CLOSED

The SYC Office will be closed between Thursday, April 4th thru Friday, April 12th while Faye takes a much needed vacation. She will be back on Monday April 15th.



SYC BOOK CLUB 2024

Thursday, April 25, at 6 pm.
A MOST BEAUTIFUL THING by Ashley Cooper (NF)

Thursday, May 23, at 6 pm.
KILLERS OF THE FLOWER MOON by David Grann (HF)

Thursday, June 27, at 6 pm.
LESSONS IN CHEMISTRY by Bonnie Gamus (NF)

Thursday, July 25, at 6 pm.
THE PERSONAL LIBRARIAN by Marie Benedict & Victoria Christopher Murray (NF)

Thursday, August 22, at 6 pm.
THE COVENANT OF WATER by Abraham Verghese (HF)

Thursday, September 26, at 6 pm.
40 Autumns by Nina Willner (HF)

Thursday, October 24, at 6 pm.
THE MAID by Nita Prose (mystery)

Thursday, November 21, at 6 pm.
RESISTANCE WOMEN by Jennifer Chiavenini (HF)

NO DECEMBER MEETING
Please reach out to Sharon Matthias at marksharon5351@charter.net with questions.

THE CLUB ON SOCIAL MEDIA



Instagram:
<https://www.instagram.com/sheboyganyachtclub/>



Twitter:
<https://twitter.com/SheboyganYC>



Facebook Page: The Sheboygan Yacht Club:
<https://www.facebook.com/sheboyganyachtclub>
Facebook Group: Friendliest Club: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/754734488630372>

Members new and old may want to check out The Sheboygan Yacht Club's presence on social media. You can follow the Club on its Public Facebook Page, where you can find informational public posts. We also have a private members-only Facebook Group called "Friendliest Club" that allows members to share posts and pictures. We are also on Instagram and Twitter. Click the links below to be taken to the respective pages.



SYC WEATHER APP



Don't forget to download the DAVIS weather app on your phone so you can keep up with the most current weather at the club.



Final
Sheboygan Yacht Club Membership Report
March
2024

	Current Membership Numbers					TOTAL	406
Active	136	Apprentice	31	Associate	97	Non-Resident	1
Active Life	34	Flag	30	Associate Life	5	Guest Cards	2
Active Life Emeritus 75/30	41	Active Life Emeritus 65/20	31	Honorary	5	Trial Membership	0

HONORARY MEMBERS:

Elizabeth Baylis, Gary Jobson, Dave Perry, Tom Whidden, Mark Nemschoff

NEW MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION AND/OR NEW MEMBER INTERVIEW:

*Charles & Beverly Stubbs - Associate Family
 Sponsors: Phil DeTranna, Frank Ribich

*John & Edel Brody - Associate Family
 Sponsors: Robert Melzer, Jane Gapinski

NEW MEMBER VOTE:

*Tom Valicenti - Associate APPROVED
 Sponsors: Dietmar Wohlgemuth, Kathy Nonhof

*Michael Werner - Associate APPROVED
 Sponsors: Kevin Werner & Gerard Werner

*John Church - Apprentice Family APPROVED
 Sponsors: Mark Wessel & Tony Orlebeke



CHANGE OF STATUS:

* Matt Wierzbach - Active to LOA APPROVED
 * Jacob & Sarah Boyer - Apprentice to Active APPROVED

RESIGNATION:

Guest Cards:

None



John Brody

Associate

Sponsors: Robert Melzer & Jane Gapinski



Charles & Beverly Stubbs

Associate

Sponsors: Phil DeTranna & Frank Ribich



SEA SCOUTS

The Scouts are looking forward to warmer weather and getting the boats back to the lakefront. The Ship has purchased some items to replace or upgrade equipment. Some of the new items are two laser dollies, one is a replacement and the other will allow for a safer launching system. Four new radial lower mast sections to allow the use of sails the ship already had. The scouts will be meeting on April 7th at 5pm to plan their summer sailing schedule. They are looking forward to the Wednesday evening races and sailing on club member boats. Do you have room in your Wednesday crew for scouts to join? Please feel free to email Maria (maria.ranieri@yahoo.com) or Skipper Geof (gscouter3948@gmail.com) to make arrangements.

Sea Scouts is a program of Boy Scouts of America for young men and women ages 14 to 20. For over 100 years youth across the country from the coasts and Great Lakes to inland lakes and rivers have learned water safety and boating skills through participation in Sea Scout programs. The Sheboygan Sea Scout Ship 5050 has been chartered with the Sheboygan Yacht Club since 1932 and holds one of the longest continuous charters in Boy Scouts of America. Sea Scouts is youth led and adult mentored. The scouts of the ship plan the programs and activities with a focus on learning leadership and life skills. Interested youth and adults can contact our Skipper, Mr. Geof Woelm, by phone/text at 920.207.7712 or by e-mail at gscouter3948@gmail.com .



SEAS weather workshop hosted by the "Bear" and Whitney. March 20th.

Wisconsin Shipwreck Coast
National Marine Sanctuary

THE SHEBOYGAN YACHT CLUB PRESENTS

Sanctuary Boundary (2021)

Shipwreck Listed on NRHP (21)

Wisconsin Shipwreck Coast National Marine Sanctuary

Thursday,
April 25th at 6PM

WISCONSIN
Sheboygan Yacht Club
214 Pennsylvania Ave

Open to the public

Above and Below the Waves: The Wisconsin Shipwreck Coast National Marine Sanctuary

The Wisconsin Shipwreck Coast National Marine Sanctuary provides stewardship for our nation's maritime heritage in Lake Michigan, including 36 nationally significant historic shipwrecks. The sanctuary is part of NOAA's National Marine Sanctuary System, a network of underwater parks that protect iconic natural and cultural treasures across our nation. Designated in August 2021, the sanctuary is co-managed by NOAA and the state of Wisconsin. Sanctuary superintendent Russ Green will provide an update on the sanctuary, with a focus on current research and outreach efforts.



SEAS

Boating for Everyone

Spring is drawing near and SEAS is ramping up their event schedule in preparation for a wonderful boating season! Here are the events planned for April! ALL EVENTS ARE SCHEDULED TO BE AT 6:30 PM AT SYC.

APRIL - Crew School Month

April 3rd - Racing Rules of Sailing

Sailing is a self-policing sport, so it's important to know the rules - but it can be intimidating! Join us as we break down the basics of the Racing Rules of Sailing. We'll simplify the rule book, highlight the important parts, and get you feeling comfortable with sailing fairly on the race course. Prep your questions and situations, and we will go through debunking some myths of the rule book!

April 10th - Racing Tactics

A lift? A knock? Unlock the secret to using basic racing tactics to get around the race course in front of your competitors! We'll cover best practices for starts, upwind legs, downwind legs, and mark roundings. If you're new to racing (or even just thinking about starting!), a seasoned skipper, or crewmember looking to increase their all-around knowledge about strategy and tactics, join us for this workshop!

April 17th - Regatta Board game

Come try this classic sailing board game and brush up on your "racing" skills before the season starts.

April 24th - Crew Search Party

Looking for crew for the sailing season? Join us at the Yacht Club for a get-together and maybe find your next crew member!



March 6th presentation of "Life of a GreatLakes Mariner" presented by Brendan Groh with close to 60 people in attendance.



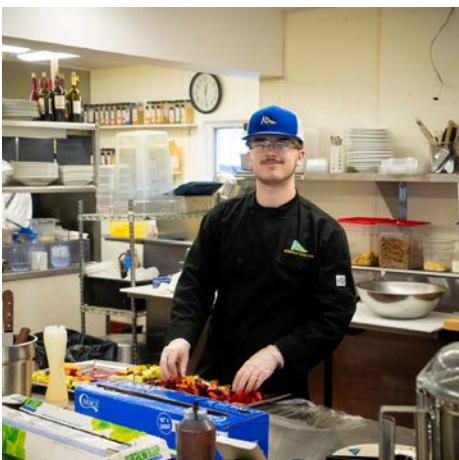
Piers going in. March 18th and 19th.



EASTER BRUNCH

Today's Easter Brunch was a resounding success, drawing nearly 300 attendees to a day filled with joy, delicious food, and community spirit. Our skilled culinary team outdid themselves, presenting a spread that delighted the senses and catered to every taste. The highlight for our youngest guests was undoubtedly the Easter egg hunt, a magical experience made possible by the Easter Bunny's surprise visit. The grounds were alive with laughter and excitement as children scoured the area for hidden treasures. We extend our heartfelt thanks to the dedicated staff whose efforts made this event not just a gathering, but a memorable celebration of friends and family coming together. Their hard work and commitment to excellence turned our Easter Brunch into a cherished moment for everyone involved.



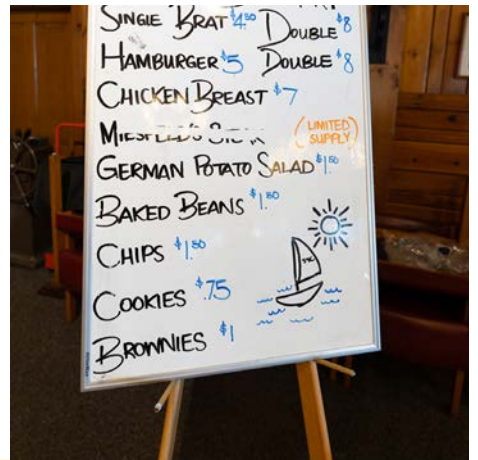


ENTERTAINMENT COMMITTEE CORNER

The Mid-Winter Brat Fry was a HUGE SUCCESS!!!! Thank you to everyone who volunteered, donated and came out to enjoy the brat fry. It was so great to see all the members enjoying the band D'Fusion, eating brats and participating in the raffles. The raffles raised over \$4,500! The proceeds will be used towards new dining room chairs.

The "Pot of Gold" Raffle raised \$640! The proceeds will go to help offset any entertainment during the Mercury Event.







Kentucky Derby Party

Saturday afternoon / evening

May 4, 2024

Bar opens @ 3:00 pm featuring Mint Juleps and other
drink specials

Wear your favorite Derby outfit (hats included)

OTB Betting window brought to you by Mr.
Ken Cornell

Run for the Roses starts after 5:15pm



We will be offering a limited dinner menu including the

Kentucky Hot Brown

Dessert Specials available as well.

Stay for Dinner after the races. Make a **reservation** by
calling (920)458-6601 or email your reservation to

sean@sheboyganyachtclub.com



SCHEDULE OF RACES

A tentative schedule of the SYC races was created. Please reach out to Dan Kerpe with any questions or concerns.

a. Two-Handed Series Championship

- i. July 6: Hika Bay
- ii. September 7: Oostburg
- iii. The first warning signal for each Two-Handed Series race is 1100.

b. Deep Water Series Championship

- i. June 8: Hika Bay Race. 1100 first warning
- ii. July 27: Triangle Distance Race. 1100 first warning
- iii. August 17: Sheboygan to Manitowoc. 1100 first warning
- iv. August 18: Manitowoc to Sheboygan. 1100 first warning
- v. September 2: Sheboygan to Port Washington. 1800 first warning

c. Buoy Series Regattas

- i. June 15: Governor's Cup Buoy Races. 1100 first warning
- ii. Three inshore buoy races are scheduled.
- iii. September 14: Last Chance Buoy Regatta. 1100 first warning
- iv. Three inshore buoy races are scheduled.



Dates are not firm – just proposed as tentative.

Sheboygan Yacht Club April 2024

March '24							May '24							June '24							
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24	25	26	27	28	29	30	26	27	28	29	30	31	23	24	25	26	27	28	29		
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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 April Fool's Day Closed	2 Taco Tuesday Bar Open: 4pm Dinner: 4pm - 8:00p	3 Bar: 11am to close Lunch: 11:30a - 1:30p Dinner: 4p - 8:00p "Wing Wednesday" SEAS Presentation 6:30p	4 Bar: 11am to close Lunch: 11:30a - 1:30p Dinner: 4p - 8:00p ** Boat Owners Mtg. 6:30 pm Main Hall	5 Bar: 11am to close Lunch: 11:30a - 1:30p Dinner: 4p - 8:00p	6 Bar: 4 - close Dinner: 4p - 8p
7 Closed	8 Closed	9 Taco Tuesday Bar Open: 4pm Dinner: 4pm - 8:00p Board Meeting Night	10 Bar: 11am to close Lunch: 11:30a - 1:30p Dinner: 4p - 8:00p "Wing Wednesday" SEAS Presentation 6:30p	11 Bar: 11am - 3p Lunch: 11:30a - 1:30p Membership Mtg. 7:00 PM No Regular Dining	12 Bar: 11am to close Lunch: 11:30a - 1:30p Dinner: 4p - 8:00p	13 Bar: 4 - close Dinner: 4p - 8p
14 Closed	15 Closed	16 Taco Tuesday Bar Open: 4pm Dinner: 4pm - 8:00p	17 Bar: 11am to close Lunch: 11:30a - 1:30p Dinner: 4p - 8:00p "Wing Wednesday" SEAS Presentation 6:30p	18 Bar: 11am to close Lunch: 11:30a - 1:30p Dinner: 4p - 8:00p	19 Bar: 11am to close Lunch: 11:30a - 1:30p Dinner: 4p - 8:00p	20 Bar: 4 - close Dinner: 4p - 8p
21 Closed	22 Earth Day Closed	23 Passover Taco Tuesday Bar Open: 4pm Dinner: 4pm - 8:00p	24 Admin Assist Day Bar: 11am to close Lunch: 11:30a - 1:30p Dinner: 4p - 8:00p "Wing Wednesday" "Crew Night - 6:30 pm	25 Bar: 11am to close Lunch: 11:30a - 1:30p Dinner: 4p - 8:00p	26 Bar: 11am to close Lunch: 11:30a - 1:30p Dinner: 4p - 8:00p	27 Bar: 4 - close Dinner: 4p - 8p
28 Closed	29 Closed	30 Taco Tuesday Bar Open: 4pm Dinner: 4pm - 8:00p				

MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES



Elected Officers

Commodore - Brad Gruneberg
Vice Commodore - Chris Werner
Rear Commodore - Eric Zufelt
Treasurer - Steve Harrison
Membership Secretary - Maria Ranieri
Recording Secretary - Candace Pitts

Board of Directors

3 Years (term ends 10/2025) - Jennifer Spicer
3 Years (term ends 10/2024) - Jason Irish
3 Years (term ends 10/2026) - Tim Pinkert
2 Years (term ends 10/2024) - Matt Wierzbach
2 Years (term ends 10/2025) - Jane Gapinski
1 Year (term ends 10/2024) - Jason Diener (PC)

Appointed Officers

Bow 'n' Stern Editor - Daniel Peterson
Chaplain - Dione Knop
Counsel - Robert Melzer
Flag Lieutenant - Mark Mickelson
Fleet Captain - Mike Olien
Fleet Surgeon - Phil Detrana
Librarian/Historian - David Hillebrand
Measurer - Mark Wessel (PC)
Parliamentarian - Peter Mayer (PC)

Commodore Committees

Bylaws - Eric Zufelt
Dockmaster - Mike Olien
House - Paul Bartelt
Race - Dan Kerpe
Endowment - Finance Committee
Youth Sailing - Whitney Kent
Entertainment - Tiffin Wyckoff
Membership - Tiffin Wyckoff
Sail Sheboygan - Jason Bemis
Sea Scouts - Maria Ranieri
SEAS - Jerry Slavens

Vice Commodore Committees

HVAC - Werner Binkowski
Education - Matt Wierzbach
Grounds - Deb Erickson, Floyd Leo
Historical - Dave Hillebrand
Web/Publicity - Jason Irish
SYC Apparel - Kathy Nonhoff, Kim Esche
Yachting Activities - Dawn Vertz

Rear Commodore Committees

Barge - Michael Tock
Building - David Bronson
Derrick Yard - Michael Tock
Electrical - Kenny Ebbers
Lunch - Gladis & Jeff Weiss
Piers - Derek Rupp

Finance Committee

Paul Bartelt
Jeff Mohr
Jennifer Spicer
Michou Reichelsdorfer
Treasurer - Steve Harrison

Board Appointed Committees

Tech Team - Mark Duff



PARROT HEAD BALL



Commodore's Parrot Head Ball

Date: May 18th, 2024

Cocktails: 5pm

Dinner: 5:45 pm

Entertainment: 7-11

Industrial Strength DJ Jeff Wakefield

Jimmy Buffet

Trivia

&

PRIZES!!



Open to SYC Members
&
Guests of Members

**** Wear your favorite Hawaiian shirt, flip flops,
Island/Jimmy Buffet attire and come join the fun! ***



Jerry Geibel models his Parrot Head Ball attire for the club during the latest membership meeting held on March 14th.



The Friendliest Yacht Club on Lake Michigan

Come and experience what everyone is talking about; from the incredible cuisine and one of the best views on the eastern shore to a place that is the home to some of the most experienced and friendliest sailors on the Great Lakes. Our members will engage you whether your interests are sailing, yachting, learning and sharing maritime knowledge, or simply great camaraderie. Make the SYC your portal to the sea, from easily accessible docks, just steps from your car, you are just minutes away from open water.

Through our affiliation with the U.S. Sailing Center of Sheboygan, one of only four U.S. Sailing Centers in the United States, the Sheboygan Youth Sailing Club and Sea Scouts, we have played host to Olympic training events, The Nation's Cup, Single Handed Sailing competition and have access to a wide array of



equipment with power and sail boat education and training opportunities.

Contact the club to get a brochure, arrange a visit or request a one-time one day pass.

Advertise in the SYC Bow'n'Stern

Monthly rates, billed quarterly:

\$30.00 - business card size

\$50.00 - ¼ page

\$75.00 - ½ page

Submit your ad via e-mail to:

editor@sheboyganyachtclub.com



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