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THE SHEBOYGAN YACHT CLUB

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Service Coordinator - Paige Bohman
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Commodore's Comments

February was a little quieter than usual for the yacht club this year. We had an excellent turnout for the Super Bowl party, and we hosted two SEAS winter education series presentations by Peter "Bear" Reichelsdorfer and Steve Radovan. I was unfortunately unable to attend but I heard they were fantastic events.

The Mid-Winter Brat fry returns on Sunday March 13, featuring Nashville-based country band Dallas Ugly, followed by the Sea Scouts Chili Cookoff on March 27 – please mark your calendars for both of these great events. It was two years ago on St. Patrick's Day that we had to close our club due to the onset of the COVID pandemic. This year we will be open and there will be a little extra luck for one member. We will be selling 50/50 raffle tickets starting on the first with the drawing on St. Patrick's Day. Make sure you are there for the drawing to get something extra.

Although our basin is still frozen, and we are a couple of months away from our sailing season, we did have two members competing in the RORC Caribbean 600. This is a 600-mile race that starts and finishes in Antigua with a lap around 11 different islands

along the way. Steve and Tony Orlebeke crewed on Callisto, a Pac 52, and were among over 700 sailors from 74 teams represented by 32 countries. Callisto and finished 3rd in class and 5th overall. When you see them around the club make sure congratulate them, and I am sure they will have some stories to tell.

Finally, I am happy to announce that we hired a new office manager. Faye Bruyette comes to us after 42 years working for McDonalds in every role from cashier to district manager before retiring last summer. Faye and her husband Steve also own Al and Al's Steinhaus. Kori is working with Faye on the transition and things are moving ahead smoothly. Please continue to use our website to see your up-to-date bill while Faye gets up to speed in her new role. Also please thank Kori for the years of service and we look forward to seeing her and Eric around the club.

We have a lot of fun events coming up, and I hope to see you down at the club.

Fair Winds,

Commodore Jason

Our History



Above: The happy crew of a Sabre after finishing the Mac in 1959. She was an L Francis Herreshoff 10-Meter that was turned into a yawl to rate better under the CCA rule. She was owned by Romy Brotz from Sheboygan. Peter Reichelsdorfer raced on her, maybe even this one.

Sabre was in Chicago in very poor condition in the late 1960's and early 1970's. The last known owner was David Morrissey. In about 1970 he either had her on a cruise or had sold her to a new owner. She was lying in a marina on City Island in the northeastern Bronx in New York City and was stolen, never to be seen again. A few days after the theft, a boat sank off Cape Hatteras. The crew was rescued but never really told the Coast Guard what boat they were on. The speculation is that this was Istalena's fate. There is a rumor that at one point, some of her "bones" were found, but that may be just a boatyard story.



Left: A paddling of mallards overfly the basin early February in preparation for the nesting season during the upcoming summer months. Photo courtesy of Steve Mech.

SYC Club Hours

Club Closed Sundays & Mondays

LUNCH

Wed-Friday 11:30 to 1:30
Sat & Sun 12-4 Bar Menu

DINING AND CARRY-OUT
Tues-Wed-Thur-Fri 4:00 to 8:00

BAR

Tues & Sat 4:00 to close
Sat & Sun 4:00 to close
Wed, Thu, Fri 11:00 to close

Dates to Remember

MAR 10	Membership Meeting (7:15)
MAR 13	Winter Brat Fry & Concert
MAR 15	SEAS Workshop - (See Page 9)
MAR 24	Book Club (6:00 PM)
MAR 27	Sea Scout Chili Cookoff (12-3 PM)
APR 14	Membership Meeting (7:15)
APR 30	Sailing Banquet

About the Cover

The Sheboygan Lighthouse is covered with ice on a frigid February morning. **Opposite:** The partially frozen Sheboygan River facing west on a cold February morning. Photos: Daniel Peterson



Sea Scouts

The SYC Chili Cook Off is on for 2022!! Sunday March 27th from noon to 3:00pm you can once again sample dozens of delicious chili recipes for just \$5! As in the past there will be a variety of silent auction items and a 50/50 raffle. All proceeds to benefit the Sheboygan Sea Scouts.

As many of you know, Ship 50 has been sponsored by the Sheboygan Yacht Club since 1932 and is the 26-oldest continuously sponsored sea scout ship in the nation. We are a co-ed BSA Ship that offers watercraft instruction to scouts ages 14 through 20. We maintain a fleet of five Laser sailboats, nine kayaks & four stand-up paddleboards, with access to six Vanguard 420's at Youth Sailing.

Last summer we saw a substantial increase in our recruiting numbers as they went from averaging 6 scouts in previous years to 12. The increase in our numbers resulted in increased demand and use for all of our watercraft. Since our main focus is sailing instruction, our three Lasers were often in use at the same time. This last fall we took delivery of one donated Laser from

the Reichelsdorfer family and purchased another.

Our winter boat building program continues as our scouts continue work on the two canoes started last year. Their goal is to finish both canoes by February 2022. Our scouts are also working on refurbishing a donated 1970's vintage 18-foot Cape Dory Typhoon. Their goal is to have it done in time to sail it this coming summer.

All of these activities are made possible through your generosity. Please make your check out to: "Seas Scout Foundation Ltd." and send it to the Club. Your donation is tax deductible because Sheboygan Sea Scouts is a 501C3 charitable organization. Our State of WI Charitable Org. Credential number is: 11680-800.

Ship Mate 50
Mark Matthias PC



Club Welcomes New Office Manager

In mid February, The Club hired Faye Bruyette as our new Office Manager. Faye is a native of Sheboygan. She worked as a district manager at McDonald's for 42 years and oversaw six local stores until recently retiring from her management role this past June. Faye and her husband Steve are the owners of Al and Al's Steinhaus on 1502 S 12th St after purchasing that business three years ago. She enjoys reading, spoiling her grandchildren, and spending time at her cottage on Lake Helen near Rosholt, Wisconsin. Please make sure to introduce yourself and welcome Faye as she transitions into her new position at The Club!



February 2022 Membership Report

Sheboygan Yacht Club Membership Report February 2022

Current Membership Numbers						Total	386
Active	137	Apprentice	25	Associate	88	Non-Resident	2
Active Life	27	Flag	25	Associate Life	2	Guest Cards	2
Active Life Emeritus 75/30	48	Active Life Emeritus 65/20	32	Honorary	5	Trial Membership	0

New Trial Membership Application:

None

New Membership Application and/or New Member Interview

Robert & Kristi Heimerl – Associate
Sponsors: Michael Froh & Steve Mech
Jerry Slavens, proxy for Michael

Dick & Teresa McCarty – Associate
Sponsors: Clayton Schmidt & James Olson

Jacob & Sarah Boyer- Apprentice
Sponsors: Matthew Wierzbach & Jerry Slavens

New Member Vote:

Thomas J Zweifel D.O. & Pamela Zweifel – Associate APPROVED
Sponsors: Chris Larson & Anders Larson

Change of Status:

Request for LOA: none

Request to reinstate from LOA: none

Apprentice to active: none

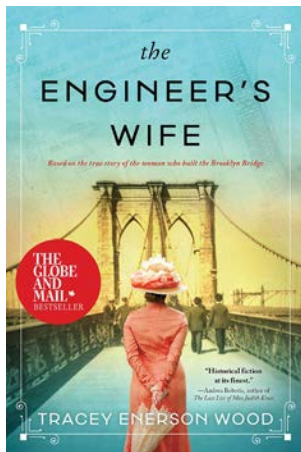
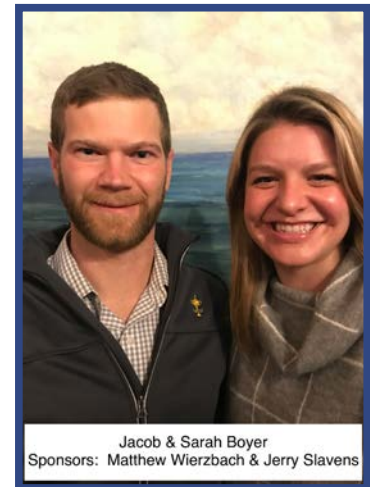
Associate to Associate Life:
Scott Sellinger APPROVED

Death:

Jerome Hoepfner – ACTIVE

Guest Card:

None



Thursday, April 28, at 6 pm.
AN ANONYMOUS GIRL by Greer Hendricks & Sarah Pekkanen (F/thriller)

Thursday, May 26, at 6 pm.
HAVE YOU SEEN LUIS VELEZ by Catherine Ryan Hyde (psychological/F)

Book Club

All meetings are held at the Yacht Club and anyone is invited to join! Please contact Sharon Matthias at mshmatthias@charter.net if you have any questions.

Thursday, March 24, at 6 pm.
THE ENGINEER'S WIFE by Tracey Emerson Wood (HF)

Thursday, June 23, at 6 pm.
THE UNDERGROUND RAILROAD by Colson Whitehead (RF)

Thursday, July 28, at 6 pm.
THE ONE-IN-A-MILLION-BOY by Monica Wood (domestic/F)

Thursday, August 25, at 6 pm.
THE LAST DUEL by Eric Jager (RF)

Thursday, September 22, at 6 pm.
THE LAST THING HE TOLD ME by Laura Dave (domestic thriller/F)

Thursday, October 27, at 6 pm.
THE FOUR WINDS by Kristin Hannah (HF)

Thursday, November 17, at 6 pm.
THE PARIS SEAMSTRESS by Natasha Lester (HF)



SHEBOYGAN YACHT CLUB WINTER BRAT FRY & Free Concert

SUNDAY, MARCH 13, 2022

FOOD SERVED FROM - 11:00 AM TO 5:00 P.M.

BAR OPEN 10:30 AM TO CLOSE

Brats, Hamburgers, Steak Sandwiches,
Chicken Sandwiches
German Potato Salad, Baked Beans, Chips
Brownies and Cookies



Performance by “**Dallas Ugly**” band



Check out their Bio – www.dallasugly.com

2pm to 4pm – Main Hall

The music of **Dallas Ugly** is anything but what the name implies. Libby Weitnauer, Eli Broxham, and Owen Burton’s fusion of pop country and indie-folk rock is heartfelt and intimate. Dallas Ugly’s work incorporates Burton’s unique rolling electric guitar style, Weitnauer’s expert fiddle playing, and the songwriting of all three members. Plain-faced and striking vocals reflect their collective influences of old time, country, and bluegrass music, while their songwriting points away to other genres. Dallas Ugly recorded their full length debut album in April of 2021 and is making plans for a release.

MEMBERS NEEDED To RUN EVENT:
Anyone wishing to help out that day,



**Annual Chili Cook-Off Fundraiser
For Sheboygan Sea Scouts
The 2022 Ultimate Showdown
For the Trophy**

**Public Sampling and Judging to be held
March 27, 2022 Noon to 3:00 p.m.
At the Sheboygan Yacht Club**

\$5 to try the Chilies and Cast your Vote!

Chili Contest Participants Please Register by February 18th

Call Mark at (920) 918-2367 (Please leave a message)

2022 Racing Dates Scheduled

Race Committee Chair Dan Kerpe has provided the following dates for the upcoming racing season at the club. More information regarding the race details will be available shortly. If you have any questions regarding racing at The Club, please reach out to Dan at dankerpe@yahoo.com.

June 4th: Hika Bay Full Crew

June 18th: Governor's Cup Buoy Regatta

July 9th: Distance Race TBD

July 30th: Hika Bay 2 Handed

August 13th: Sheboygan To Manitowoc Pursuit Race

August 14th: Manitowoc To Sheboygan

September 2: Sheboygan To Port Washington Race

September 10th: Oostburg Two Handed

September 17th: Last Chance Buoy Regatta



The Sailing Banquet

Plan to join us for the Sailing Banquet Saturday April 30th! This night celebrates the 2021 race season. You don't need to be a racer to enjoy this evening!

All are welcome to enjoy the fun. Let's kick off another sailing season. Summer will be here soon!

Watch for upcoming details to reserve your spot at the party!



SYC Apparel is Here

The Merchandise Committee is pleased to announce that most of our back-orders for winter have arrived, along with merchandise for the spring. We've added over 175 new items which include fuzzy sweatshirts, sweater knit jackets, puffer vests, long sleeved tee shirts, baseball caps, beanies, and lined, Heat Last infinity scarves. We look forward to scheduling a merchandise spring sale soon, date to be determined.



If you'd like a special order, please contact Kathy Snider (kathinwi@gmail.com) or Bev Davidson (clinicalpsychiatrists@gmail.com).



The Club on Social Media



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, pictures, and other communications for members only. This is a great resource for apprentice members! Instagram (@sheboyganyachtclub) and Twitter (@SheboyganYC) profiles are also online and can be followed.

SEAS Winter Workshops

This month, the club hosted two well-attended Thursday evening workshops including Introduction to the Physics of Sailing with Pete "The Bear" Reichelsdorfer and Thursday February 24: Steve Radovan Shipwreck Presentation and Q&A

The Club looks forward to hosting several additional workshops over March and April.

Tuesday March 15: Lake Michigan's WWI U-boat Shipwreck Presented by Matt Wierzbach

SEAS Program Director Matt Wierzbach has been researching the wreck of UC-97, a captured World War I German U-boat, as it served as a Victory Bond attraction and cruised down the Wisconsin shore of Lake Michigan before being sunk off of Chicago.

March, dates TBD: Introduction to Weather Presentation

April 7, 14, 21, 28: Navigation I with Captain Greg Farrell and Matt Wierzbach

All events begin at 6:15PM at the Sheboygan Yacht Club and run for approximately one hour unless otherwise noted. All events are open to the public and free of charge. Please RSVP to mwierzbach@seasheboygan.org with your preferred contact information in case of event changes.

Due to Covid-19 SEAS encourages the wearing of masks for indoor activities but does not require it; all guests are required to follow any Sheboygan Yacht Club rules which may differ from those of SEAS. All guidelines are subject to change.

Orlebeke Brothers and Team Callisto Finish Third in Class and Fifth Overall



Members Steve and Tony Orlebeke helped crew Callisto, a Pac 52 owned by Kate and Jim Murray, to take third in IRC Zero and fifth overall in the Caribbean 600! They finished the race on February 23 at 22:56:13 with an elapsed time of 2 days - 11:46:13 and a corrected time of 3 days - 12:05:48.

It was described as a dream come true for a bunch of Midwest dinghy sailors! Next stop for Callisto is Newport ahead of the Bermuda Race!





Our Club in Pictures

The Club saw a lot of activity during the month of February. Here are just a few of the many things that happened.

Top Left: The old ash tree was cut down behind the club.

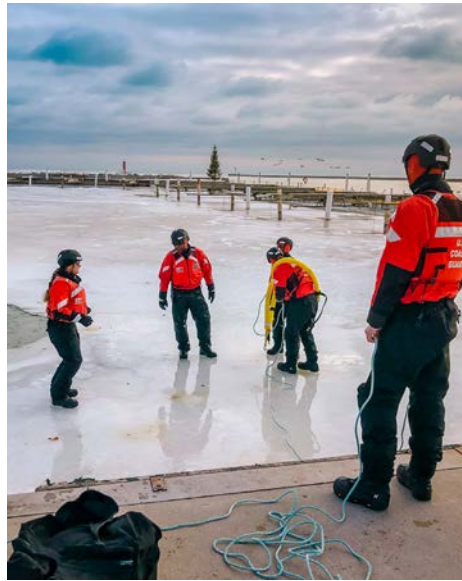
Top Right & Right: Past Commodore Peter Reichelsdorfer's SEAS Winter Workshop lecture on the Physics of Sailing on February 17th.



Above: House Manager Sean Pieters poses with members Natalie & Dan Peterson for a club hosted wedding reception bash on February 5th resulting in a record number of cars left overnight in the parking lot the following morning.

Right: Member Steve Radovan presents a lecture on many of the Lake Michigan Shipwrecks he has discovered and researched over the years as part of the SEAS Winter Workshops on February 24th..





Top and Left: The USCG volunteered their services and cold-weather gear to aid in the maintenance of the submerged aerators in the basin. Photos courtesy of Commodore Diener.

Right and Bottom: The Sunday Superbowl Party was attended by members rooting for the Bengals and Rams while enjoying a potluck and beverages. Photos courtesy of Sandy Diener.



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.

Also check out our affiliate organizations:

Sea Scouts: www.sheboyganseascouts.org

Sail Sheboygan: www.sailsheboygan.org

Youth Sailing Club: www.sheboyganyouthsailing.com

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