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December Membership Meeting

The election of the 2020 club officers will take place at the December membership meeting held in the clubhouse on **Sunday, December 8th at 1:30 p.m.**

The nominating committee, consisting of **P/C Gene Krahe Sr, Brian Logan, and Paul Sauer** have proposed **Kurt Fesenmyer** for Commodore, **Jim Mazza** for Vice Commodore, **Michael Howard** for Rear Commodore, **Adam DiNicola** for Fleet Captain, **Bob Green** for Secretary, and **Charlie Longua** for Treasurer. They also nominated **PC Gene Krahe Sr, Paul Sauer, and PC Jim Buto** for the Board

of Directors. The board members that are carried over from 2019 are **PC Herb Torrance III, and Gene Krahe Jr.** The two board members with the most votes will be on the board for two years. The other winner will serve on the board for one year. Further nominations will be accepted from the floor prior to the elections. To be an eligible voter: 1—You must be an active member 2—You cannot be a probationary member 3—You had a boat in a stall (this year), and 4—You had attended (signed the meeting sheet) or got a board excuse for at least 4 of the last 8

general meetings (Dec 2018, Jan, Feb, Mar, Apr, May, Oct, Nov 2019). Attending the December 2019 meeting does not affect voting at the December 2019 meeting. The voting list in the bulletin board case and on the website shows the members who meet the above criteria. All discrepancies must be resolved before the meeting in order to make the voting procedure run smoothly. Please contact Secretary **Bob Green** with any questions regarding your voting status. This is a very important meeting and so make every effort to be there.

Upcoming Events

December Member-ship Meeting— Election of Officers Dec 8 1:30 p.m.

Ugly Christmas Sweater Party PIYC Clubhouse Dec 14 5:30 p.m.

All 2019 Fees Due Dec 15

January Membership Meeting—Installation of Officers—**Polish Falcon's Club** Jan 5 1:30 p.m.

Installation Dinner—**Polish Falcon's Club** Jan 5 TBD

Annual Boat Show IX Center Cleveland, OH Jan 16—20

Ugly Christmas Sweater Party

PIYC Fleet Captain Mike Howard will be hosting an Ugly Christmas Sweater Party in the PIYC clubhouse on Saturday, December 14th starting at 5:30 p.m. with a happy hour followed by a catered dinner by Serafin at 6:30 p.m. Appetizers including meat / cheese / veggie trays will be served during

the happy hour along with beer, wine, soda, and water. The dinner menu consists of Baked Chicken, Beef Rollups, Potatoes Au Gratin, Mixed Vegetables and followed by cake for dessert. All members in attendance will also receive a PIYC 75th Anniversary gift. The cost is \$15 per person. Please

have your reservations in by Saturday, December 7th. Reminder: you are financially responsible for the cost of your reservation unless you cancel prior to the deadline. For more information, please contact Fleet Captain Howard at mphoward506@gmail.com or 814-460-8196



Happy Birthday:

- Josh Alger
- Lee Anna Belovarac
- Judy Campbell
- Carol Lee Dinardo
- Mike Dunlavey
- Helen Freeland
- Dick Hamilton
- David Henry
- Stacie Hiott
- Colleen Hooker
- Ryan Janes
- Dave Kuneman
- Nick Kuneman
- James Mechling
- Heather Oregia
- Joe Orinko
- Winnie Ramey
- Joyce Ross
- Tracy Roth
- Tom Todd
- Jim Tracy

Bowling Party

The PIYC Junior Members will have their annual bowling party at **Rolling Meadows Lanes** which is located at 32nd and Zuck Roads on **Saturday, December 28th** starting at **1:00 p.m. until 3:00 p.m.** The Jr Members Fund will pay for bowling for the members' children for the two hours—unlimited number of games. Pizza and pop will also be provided. Please contact Jr Member Advisor **Bill O'Brien** at 814-392-8899 with any questions.

Constitution

If anyone has any questions regarding the proposed PIYC Constitution changes that were discussed at the October and November membership meetings, please send them in writing to Commodore Wilson. It's important that all issues be resolved and that no questions remain open before bringing the changes to a vote by the membership. The proposed changes were emailed with last month's newsletter and are also on the PIYC website.

Clubhouse Rentals

The clubhouse has been rented on the following dates. Please be courteous and not interrupt the events.

December 7
December 24
December 28

In addition to those dates, at this time we are NOT accepting any reservations for 2020 in anticipation of upcoming clubhouse renovations.

Thank you for your patience and understanding.

Officers' Comments

As 2019 is ending, it is time to decide what club projects we would like to move forward on next year. The Long-Range Planning and Construction committees have developed a plan to continue with the clubhouse renovation project. There will be a presentation at the December membership meeting with recommendations on how to proceed. We will be asking the membership to approve the plan so we can move forward.

All the slip requests have been received and the 2020 slip assignments will be available at the December meeting and will be posted the following Monday.

The automated telephone answering service is now online and working. You will be able to call the PIYC phone number and leave a message that will go to the officer of your choice.

The January meeting and

installation of officers followed by the Installation dinner will be held at the Polish Falcons Club—431 East 3rd St on Sunday, January 5th at 1:30pm. The location is being moved due to the clubhouse construction project. The Installation dinner is free however, please consider bringing a dessert to share with the members. Please let the Fleet Captain know at the December meeting if you would like to make a dessert for the dinner.

As always thanks to everyone for making 2019 a successful year and enjoy the holidays.

VC Kurt Fesenmyer

It has been a great year! I would like to thank all the members for their help at the work parties this year! As well as a huge thanks to the Skolnik family for cook-

ing lunch for the members at the work parties.

I would like to remind the membership that as we move into the winter months, please unplug your boats when you're not at the club, write your name and phone number on your shrink wrap so you may be contacted should something happen to your boat, and all ladders should be secured and locked including your swim platform ladder to help prevent break-ins. As mentioned by the Yard Committee, many thanks to those who have complied with the request to tag all your items in the yard including dock and storage boxes, dinghies, masts, etc. Red tags and black markers are located in the clubhouse hallway to mark your items if you have not already done so.

With the possible clubhouse renovations starting in 2020 and the upcoming years, I

ask that you support the Rear Commodore with the work parties to complete the renovations. The restroom renovations at the beginning of this year were a huge success due to the amount of support we received from our members. Thank you! Have a Happy Thanksgiving and a Merry Christmas!

RC Jim Mazza

The 2019 boating season might be over but that doesn't mean that there isn't still fun to be had! We have one event left on the 2019 calendar. The Ugly Christmas Sweater Party is on Saturday December 14th at 5:30p.m. Add it to your calendars and don't forget to wear your ugliest holiday sweater!! Please RSVP by December 7th so I can have a firm count for food. Also since this is the last time you all will be hearing from me in 2019 I would like to thank all of you! Without all of you, the 2019 events wouldn't have been nearly as successful, and I am truly grateful for everyone's participation. Have a Happy Thanksgiving and a Merry Christmas!!

FC Mike Howard

Ramblin's

Condolences to **Marge Flecken** and her family on the death of her husband and club member **John Flecken**. John passed away on Tuesday, November 5th after a short illness. He was 76. Marge held a Celebration of Life event in the PIYC clubhouse on Friday, November 15 and it was very well attended by family and many PIYC members.

Also condolences to club member **Toni Berarducci** on the death of her brother-in-law. Sylvester Berarducci passed away on Monday, November 11th at the age of 91.

The 75th Anniversary year is wrapping up this month and many thanks to all the members who participated in the events and celebrations that occurred this past year. It's nice to have the members recognize and celebrate the club's beginnings and its 75 years of existence.

Please check your boats throughout the winter and ensure the gate closes behind you when you leave the club property. Your boat would make a very nice place for a homeless person to live this winter and so please protect it.

The Mid-American Sail and Power Boat Show will be held at the IX Center in Cleveland from January 16th—20th. The cost is \$14 per adults and \$12 for Seniors (age 60+). You can get more information regarding the Boat Show at www.clevelandboatshow.com

Although we've had very little snow so far this year, please clear the walk of any snow using the shovels provided near the entrance ways.

The large trash bin located on club property will not be emptied until spring. Please help out the club and compact your trash before plac-

ing it in the bin. This will help keep the costs down.

PIYC sailors competed in four races throughout the summer for the Commodore's Cup. After the series was complete, **Mike Briglia (Avanti)** and **Bob Green (Ananda)** tied in points for first place, **Don Dinardo** came in second, and **Gary Roesch** placed third. In the event of a tie, the boat with the highest place finishes is awarded the top spot to break the tie. In the series, **Avanti** scored higher than **Ananda** in two races, capturing the top spot and this year's Commodore Cup. Congratulations to **Mike Briglia** and all the sailors!!

Don't forget that all 2019 club fees must be paid by December 15, 2019.

Congratulations to East Table, this month's money winner (they pool their tickets and then celebrate after the meeting with the winnings).



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