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Newsletter



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October Membership Meeting

The first of the fall membership meetings will be held **outside in the picnic shelter** on Sunday, October 11th at 1:30 p.m. If the weather looks inclement, an alternate location will be

communicated to you via email. If you are not currently on the email distribution list and would like to be, please contact PC Anne Eisert at anne.k.eisert@gmail.com so that you may

be notified of such last minute changes. This being the first meeting since March, there is much on the agenda. Let's have a good turnout for this first meeting of the fall season!

Upcoming Events

Work Party Oct 10
8:00 a.m.

October Membership Meeting Oct 11
1:30 p.m.
PIYC Picnic Shelter

Work Party Oct 17
8:00 a.m.

November Membership Meeting Nov 8
1:30 p.m.

Commodore Appreciation Dinner Nov 14
5:00 p.m.
Siebenbuerger Club

2021 Slip Requests Due Nov 15

It's Haul Out Time

It's that time of year again. There are several things to remember when getting your boat ready for the winter. In addition to the officers' comments, you are responsible to ensure proper support for your boat. You may want to follow the standards set by your boat manufacturer, ABYC or equivalent for land storage. Please mark your jack stands or trailer with your name and phone number. This will help the officers or anyone else identify your boat in case of an emergency. Don't forget to chain and lock your ladder to your cradle when you are not at the club. This is especially important because this will help deter anyone from breaking

into your boat. Also, you may want to secure your swim platform ladder. Please do not leave used oil or antifreeze on club property. You must dispose of any oil or antifreeze properly. Try to keep the area around your boat neat and clean to help avoid accidents, plus it makes the club look nice. Also, after hauling your boat out of the water, please clear your dock space of lines, fenders, hoses, power lines, etc. within 72 hours or you will be charged if the dockmaster must remove these items. Contact any of the officers if you have any questions.

New Member

The Board and Officers have decided to take in a new member.

Mike LaRicca and his wife **Erica**. Mike is a Physical Therapist at Ashtabula County Medical Center and Erica is a medical assistant at UPMC. Mike and Erica have two sons, Benjamin and Jacob.

If you see our new member and his family around the club, please introduce yourself and make them feel like part of the PIYC family.



Ramblin's

Congratulations to club member **Justin Figurski** and **Nicki Borst** who were recently married!

Condolences to **Vice Commodore Jim Mazza** and his partner **Kristina** on the death of Jim's mother. Kathleen Mazza passed away on Monday, September 21st at the age of 76.

Condolences to club member **Justin Figurski** and his wife **Nicki** on the death of Justin's grandmother. Anne Dahlstrand-Daniel passed away on Monday, September 28th at the age of 88.

If you would like to run for

office or the Board of Directors, please contact a member of the nominating committee before the November membership meeting: **PC Mike Galbreath, Gary Roesch, or Dan Casey.**

The Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Commission is reminding boaters that beginning November 1 and lasting through April 30, they are required to wear a life jacket while underway or at anchor on boats less than 16 feet in length or on any canoe or kayak. The requirement applies to all Pennsylvania waters.

The clubhouse has been rented on Friday, October 16th during the evening. Please be courteous and not interrupt the event.

Keep Saturday, December 12th open for the annual Christmas Party.

Everyone have a safe and Happy Halloween!

Happy Anniversary!

Happy Anniversary to those members who have recently celebrated their anniversary at PIYC.

10-Year: Gerry Butts



Happy Birthday:

- Barbara Anderson
- Tara Buto
- Joanne Butts
- PC Buzz Chatham
- PC Tony DiNicola
- Judy Fazzolare
- Kelly Fenno
- PC Jim Flynn
- Donna Franz
- Kathy Fromknecht
- Don Galbreath
- Kim Harmle
- Mike Hornyak
- Lynnette Kahn
- Mike & Chris Kozen
- PC Gene Krahe
- Bob Renner
- Ed Santiago
- Jerome Skolnik
- Ann Skolnik
- Phil Tullai
- Eugenie Wolf

Officers' Comments

As the season comes to an end I would like to thank everyone for all the help and support during this challenging year. I would also like to welcome **PC Mike Galbreath** to the Board.

I have gathered some information for those of you who experienced electrical problems after the power outage. The power outage at the club occurred on September 8th around 2:00 p.m. and the power was not restored until September 9th around 8:00 p.m. It was caused by a dump truck, owned by B&B Wrecking, hitting power lines along W. Front St. The owner is Brian Bauman and his phone number is 216-429-1700. This company was subcontracted by EE Austin for the Warner Theater project. EE Austin's project manager is Steve Murvey. Any losses you may have encountered will need to be pursued on an individual basis. I do have photographs of the dump truck hung up in the wires as proof.

The Amtrol water heater in the boiler room is leaking and we are in process of a warranty claim with the manufacturer and it will be replaced as soon as it arrives. We are still moving forward with some clubhouse repairs and are waiting for an estimate to replace the entrance doors in the clubhouse. The October membership meeting will be held outside on the club grounds providing weather permits. An alternate location will be announced if it looks like rain.

Commodore Kurt Fesenmyer



Now that our wonderful summer has ended abruptly, I hope everyone had an enjoyable boating season. All boats being stored in the yard for the winter must be out of the water no later than Saturday, October 31st. As you pull your boat out of the water, please make sure you remove all dock lines, fenders, hoses, and power cords

from your dock area. Please make sure your dock box is secure if you are going to leave it on the dock.

The 2020 slip request forms will be available at the October 11th membership meeting. If you cannot attend the meeting, they will be mailed to you. When returning your slip request, make sure it is accompanied with your insurance declaration page and slip deposit. Slip requests must be received no later than November 15th. I plan on having the slip assignments for next season completed by the December meeting. If any of our new members have questions about the slip request forms and how to fill them out, please feel free to contact me. Happy Halloween!

VC Jim Mazza



The end of yet another boating season is upon us. This year was certainly different but I think we definitely made the best of the hand that we were dealt. Many thanks to **Gene Krahe Jr** with his assistance in rebuilding the pump out. It is now working as good as ever again. Please keep in mind the dates for the fall work parties. We are planning on having two for now October 10th and 17th. Both will go from 8:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. Please try to be there as many hands make light work. Remember to put your name on your boat in the yard so it can be identified even with the covers on them. Please remember to also unplug your boats when you are not on the grounds. Also we purchased four brand new Weber grills that will be available next season. This means we will be getting rid of the grills we currently have. Immediately following the October membership meeting I will accept closed bids for grills from the membership. Bids will be accepted that Sunday afternoon through noon on Wednesday the 14th of October. At that time I will notify

the four highest bidders that they have won and will arrange the removal of the grills and payment with them at that time. Before bidding, please remember that the grills are set up for natural gas. If anyone has any questions please feel free to get ahold of me or ask me at the meeting.

RC Mike Howard



Hello everyone. Unfortunately the season is coming to an end and boats are coming out of the water. We finally were able to have a party this month and I am happy to say it turned out great! We had about 100 people attend the fry party and everyone had a great time. Thank you to everyone that attended and made the party a big success. A big thank you to everyone that helped prep and cook and clean up; the party wouldn't have been possible without you. Our next event is the Commodore Appreciation Dinner at the Siebenbuerger Club on November 14th so keep an eye out for information regarding that. Thanks again to everyone that helped with the fry party and I'm looking forward to a few more events this year.

FC Adam DiNicola



Here we are into October already and time to put our boats to bed for the winter. I hope everyone had a great boating season.

The Board of Directors held a special meeting on Thursday, September 24th to select a replacement for **PC Tony DiNicola** who resigned his position on the Board. Thanks again to two-time Past Commodore Tony DiNicola for all he has done for PIYC. Thanks also to the six members who stepped forward to be considered for the appointment. The Board selected **Past Commodore Mike**

Galbreath to serve on the BOD until the end of the year. We would encourage anyone who would like to serve on the Board for the 2021 season to submit your name to the nomination committee.

At the October meeting the Board took in one new member, **Mike LaRiccia** as a full member on probation for one year. If you see Mike and his wife Erica please make them feel welcome.

Also the Board activated the waiting list for new member applications effective immediately. We have always tried to not accept any new members unless we have a slip available for them. We are at capacity especially for vessels above 30 feet in length. Any application for membership needs to be accompanied with a check for \$100. It is a non-refundable fee but if an applicant is accepted, the \$100 fee is applied towards his or her initiation fee.

Please find the complete report from the Board meeting posted in the clubhouse as well as in the member's area of the piyc.com website.

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Board Chairman

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