



# PONTIAC YACHT CLUB

April - 2012



## Spring Recall.....April 22

### Commodore's Corner

by Kris Guccione



Let the countdown begin! Spring Work Party and the Official 2012 Opening of the Pontiac Yacht Club is Saturday April 28<sup>th</sup> - only days away!! Looking forward to seeing everyone, long time members, new members, associate members, junior members, children of members, heck, anyone who can use a rake, sponge or shovel is welcome!

Lots to look forward to at the Pontiac Yacht Club this season: A great racing season, headed up by our Fearless Foursome, Bill Ziegler, Rick Dishaw, John Stromberg, Mark Whatley, The Adult Sailing Program under the auspicious guidance of Josh Hevron, Bill Ziegler, Matt Warner and Tad DeVilbss, The Summer Instructional Sailing Program organized by Charlie Hess with Eric Ellison once again as head instructor, The Junior Racing Program expertly guided by Charlie Hess, Jim Allen and Greg Harris, The Michigan Districts hosted by PYC with Paul Nagel

in charge, The Whitecap Regatta, arrangements being made this year by our Vice Commodore John Morley, many social soirees master minded by the lovely Sally Dishaw, and of course, many quiet afternoons and evenings on Cass Lake!

After seeing in print all that will be offered at Pontiac Yacht Club this season, I thought, this would be a good time to remind the membership of the true value of the Club, tangible and intangible. I did a bit of research and my findings underscore that we have an affordable jewel on Cass Lake. So, as you are paying your annual dues, keep these figures in mind:

- PYC Annual Dues \$585.00
- Crescent Annual Dues \$950.00
- Pine Lake Marina (Slip only) \$4,700.00, for preferred ac-

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### Save The Dates

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- Spring Work Party April 28, '12
- Hoist In ..... May 6, '12
- Bug Out Regatta ..... May 6, '12
- First Wednesday Race . May 9, '12
- Memorial Day Pot Luc May 28, '12
- Michigan Districts June 29-30
- July 4th Pot Luck ..... July 4, '12
- Labor day Pot Luck... Sept 3, '12
- Hoist Out..... Oct. 13, '12
- Fall Work Party .... Oct 20, '12
- Annual Banquette ... Nov. 3, '12

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## Commodore's Corner Continued

cess need to buy boat from them \$30,000.00+  
Club Royale Marina (slip only)  
\$3,200.00 on Elizabeth Lake  
Cass Lake Dry Dock (behind  
Dodge Park-slip only)  
\$2,800.00  
Island Cove Marina (straight  
north across the lake from  
PYC – slip only) \$2,300.00

With that said, there are some things money just can't buy. The Pontiac Yacht Club offers those things too; the opportunity to build friendships through committee work, weekly competitive sailboat racing, camaraderie, pot lucks, happy hours, pizza nights, a sandbox, a home on Cass Lake for you to take care of and enjoy!

It is only because every member pledges to actively participate in the maintenance, organization and continual upkeep of the Club that it has remained an unparalleled value. Please always keep this in mind.

Best Regards,  
Kris

## Announcements



### Birth Announcement

New Crew and more FUN!!!  
Landon Kenneth Korn  
Born March 10, 2012 -  
7 lb 14 oz and 20 inches long  
Proud Parents: Amanda and Adam  
Korn  
Proud Grandparents: Sue and Salo  
Korn

### PYC Obituary

Life Member Mel Bleitz passed away on March 12. The family did not plan to have a memorial service for him.

Mel became a full member of the club in 1970. He and wife Karen have two children Beth and Adam (Chip).

Mel truly enjoyed both sailing and the Club as evidenced by this anecdote from Life Member Jim Bowers: "Mel and Karen were the first couple I sailed with after sailing with Jack Ostrander at PYC. The year I joined as a Junior Member was the year Mel got a new boat and it was the topic of conversa-

tion at the club. It was an 'Eichenlaub' from Cleveland built by the Mueller family(?). I remember it had an aluminum centerboard, not much weight and low in the water. On Sunday's we sailed a 3 leg race and then a 4 leg race back then.

Karen stopped sailing the next year when the Sunday races went to seven leg races! The highlight of our sailing experience was one Whitecap where we finished 2nd in the last race of the Regatta and placed in the top ten! Mel had never done that before."

The Bleitz's were active socially at the club. Mel was usually first in line at potlucks - after Hank Callahan, that is. He was a well liked pleasant man. You could always find him at spring and fall work parties and ready to lend a hand and/or a rake. He was always there to help you when you needed it.

### PYC Raffle

Lets support the Junior Sailing Program by purchasing a raffle ticket. Yes, that is right buy a raffle ticket to win a chance to stay the weekend at a beautiful year around cabin. Contact Esther Callahan for your tickets. They're going FAST!



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## Announcements:

### Alternate Work Assignments

Please contact

**Mark Goldman**

for Alternate work assignments at  
**248 217-3181**

Remember: Hosting a Potluck or other Club event is an alternate work assignment option!!



### 2012 Bayview One Design Regatta

Bayview Yacht Club

Detroit, MI, USA

May 31 - June 03, 2012



## 2012 Youth Sailing Program Registration Now Open

- ◆ 2 Week "Learn to Sail" Summer programs
- ◆ Intermediate or Advanced 2 Week or 1 Week programs
- ◆ PYC Jr. Racing Team
- ◆ Appropriate for kids and teens from 8 years old through 17

## Lightnings are Welcome at this BAYVIEW Regatta

### ARE YOU READY TO RACE?????

If not then get you rigging set, your cardio work in, and everything water proofed because here is notice of race that may possibly be one of the best excitement for the summer.

The above notice of race from Bay View Yacht club includes One Design Lightnings.

Currently the entry stats are:

Total entry of boats = 155

number of classes = 25

PYC lightning Boats = 11

Total Lightnings registered = 24

Even though this regatta is in the near foggy distance there is plenty of time to plan and get registered. There are many Lightnings already registered as PYC is leading the

fleet with the most boats at this time. We encourage the PYC racers to shake the winter blues with some good challenging racing.

For more information go to the link <http://www.byc.com/Default.aspx?p=DynamicModule&pageid=342748&ssid=244072&vnf=1>

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## 2012 Adult Sailing Class

## Sign up Now! [PYC54.org](http://PYC54.org)

Learn to sail on 19 ft. Lightning boats with experienced instructors on the waters of Cass Lake  
Starting Tuesday evening June 12th

Space is LIMITED, Sign up now!

More information

Contact Steve 248- 459-7088 or visit us at [PYC54.org](http://PYC54.org)

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### Announcements 2012 BOATS storage

#### Lower boat storage

I have been working on a boat organization plan that will hopefully open up the area and provide for better access to rack boat owners.

To do this certain ground rules would be required, enforcement is another issue.

- 1) Only rack boats will be stored in the rack area. That is any boat with out a launching cart. This will hopefully stop the pile up we experienced last summer in this area with boats on small carts filling up the spaces between racks. (Utility launch carts i.e. for everyone's use excepted)
- 2) Boats with road trailers (trailers with a vehicle trailer hitch) will be parked in the upper boat storage area, no exceptions.
- 3) There is a 50 ft line from about the electric pole to parking spot 9 in the parking lot.  
I propose parking 10 (Laser's,etc) along this line. Boats have to be on a shore  
Launching trailer, however. This would accommodate most or all of the racing team  
boats. (Coordination with Eric would be prime)
- 4) Opti racks need to be repaired, one is completely broken down. Mark for alt work assignments.
- 5) Place Opti racks either to the east or west of the Cat launch beach, which ever works best for the Opti sailors. (The east side has exposed roots that may cause issues)
- 6) There will also be available space to the left of the new boat ramp dock, but that will depend on the need of boats to queue up coming or going from the ramp.

#### Upper parking area

Only boat trailers should be parked along the common fence and the tree line facing the trailer park.

Summer storage of boats on trailers (dry sailers) will be lined up to the west of the tree line. This is to prevent any possible boat damage caused by falling limbs.

#### Alternate work assignment moving boats away from fence.

Please feel free to expand on these thoughts.

If we can get a reasonable and manageable plan formed it would be wise to start initiating it through Telltales for starters.

Mike

See Diagram on the following page

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## PONTIAC YACHT CLUB PARTY AGREEMENT

PYC Host Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone # (s) \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

PYC Host Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Rear Commodore Authorization: \_\_\_\_\_ Date Authorized: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Party: \_\_\_\_\_ Type of Party: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Expected Guests: \_\_\_\_\_ Time Period: \_\_\_\_\_

Approval by the Rear Commodore is required for parties larger than 15 with a maximum of 75. At the discretion of the Rear Commodore parties may be held any day with the exception of holidays, Wednesday evenings, and Sundays. The Host must remember to share the club facilities with club members, bearing in mind that at present there are only 24 picnic tables.

Please leave the club in as good shape, if not better, than you found it. Information regarding club usage can be found in the yearly membership directory but please be aware of the following:

- ◆ Members shall be present when guests are on club grounds
- ◆ No glass beverage containers are permitted on the grounds
- ◆ No swimming after sundown

Before you leave:

- ◆ Clean up picnic tables and dispose of garbage in the dumpster
- ◆ Clean up kitchen and return borrowed utensils
- ◆ Make sure the locker rooms are in order
- ◆ All club property should be returned to clubhouse, i.e. plastic lawn chairs stacked under awning, toys returned to sand box, small boats returned to racks
- ◆ Make sure all windows are closed and doors, and ramp gate are locked
- ◆ Wash and return all soiled dishtowels and cloths

If you have any questions, please call the Rear Commodore—Matt Warner at 248-763-3928 or rearcommodore@pyc54.org. This agreement is not valid without Host and Rear Commodore signature. Finalized agreement must be posted at club prior to the event.



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Pontiac Yacht Club

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The World's  
Largest Lightning Fleet



**This Month Pontiac  
Yacht Club BoD  
Meeting is at:**

**10704 Ludlow Ave,  
Huntington Woods,  
48070**

**Date: March 27 '12  
Time: 7 pm**

## April. 2012

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22 <b>SPRING Recall</b>	23	24 PYC BoD Meeting @ See Above	25	26	27	28 <b>Work Party</b>
29	30	28				