



# Westlake Yachting Club

"On the Black River"

Lorain, Ohio

**Newsletter**

**February**

**2018**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### MEETING REMINDER

**WYC's Monthly Meeting**  
**Next meeting: February 14**  
**at 7:00 PM**  
**Location:**

### **The Lorain Palace Theatre**

The Monthly meetings are open to all members of Westlake Yachting Club. Members are encouraged to attend.

### **2018 Officers & Trustee's**

**Commodore:** Capt Bill Robb

**Vice Commodore:** Capt Tim Brunk

**Rear Commodore:**

**Treasurer:** Bobby Rhodes

**Secretary:** Joyce Rhodes

### **Trustee's:**

Ray Cogdell

Amy Brunk

Kevin Welch

Rick Case

## COMMITTEE MEMBERS FOR 2018

### Finance Committee

Bobby Rhodes

Rick Case

Bill & Connie Robb

### House & Grounds

Bill & Connie Robb

Rick Case

Tim Brunk

Kevin Welch

Bobby & Joyce Rhodes

### Grievance

## **Commodore – Capt. Bill Robb**

Hi, all!

As I take my seat as Commodore of the Westlake Yachting Club – I want to thank everyone who has helped and supported my election to this office. Rest assured that I will do everything I can to fulfill my duties as your Commodore.

We will continue to watch and see what will happen to US as Tony Giardini begins his renovation of the building. I am confident that there WILL be a place for us here.

Committees are being formed to get us through 2018. PLEASE consider helping us! You can contact ANY bridge member about serving.

I certainly feel that 2018 will be an exciting year for the Westlake Yachting Club!

Remember: The Commodore's Ball is March 3<sup>rd</sup>. Please get your R.S.V.P. in as soon as possible.

Your new Commodore  
Captain Bill Robb

## **Vice Commodore – Capt. Tim Brunk**

We are very excited for the upcoming season! We look forward to seeing everyone after this long cold winter.

We are looking for members who want to serve on our committees. We cannot schedule events, entertainment or run the Wheelhouse without these committees. Your input is valuable. Won't you please consider joining us? Contact any Board member if you would like to be on one of these committees.

Vice Commodore  
Capt. Tim Brunk

## **Rear Commodore –**

### Hospitality

Amy Brunk

### By-Laws

### Membership Committee

Amy Brunk  
Bill & Connie Robb

### Ways and Means

Nancy Case

### Entertainment

Rick & Nancy Case  
Tim & Amy Brunk  
Bill & Connie Robb  
Kevin Welch  
Bill Landers  
Bobby & Joyce Rhodes

### Fleet Captain

Amy Brunk

### COMMITTEE CONTACTS

Interested in helping out on any of these committees? Please contact Commodore Robb. Vice Commodore Bunk or Secretary Rhodes.

### GCBA/ILYA DELEGATE

### WYC DIRECTORY

Mail changes to WYC, P.O. Box 3003, Lorain, OH 44052 or email Joyce Rhodes, [secretary@westlakeyachtingclub.com](mailto:secretary@westlakeyachtingclub.com)

### SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

### FLEET CAPTAIN - Amy Brunk:

The Fleet trips will be announced as soon as our calendar is released. Please be advised we will no longer take cash payments for fleet trips. Checks Only.

### WAYS & MEANS

If you are interested in some clothing, jackets, or hats with of any color and with WYC, your name or boat name, it can be ordered. NOTE: All regular & special orders need 50% down. You can now see some selections at Lake Screen Printing in Lorain.

Contact Nancy Case for catalog and orders.

### MEMBERSHIP:

Your 2018 Membership Dues were due on January 1. Dues must be received by March 1 to avoid a service charge.

### WHEELHOUSE NEWS – CLUB EVENTS:

### NEWSLETTER ARTICLES

Articles are **due by 20<sup>th</sup>** of the month. If you are interested in adding something to the newsletter please email it to [secretary@westlakeyachtingclub.com](mailto:secretary@westlakeyachtingclub.com). Any member can put an article in our Newsletter. It would be great to hear from you.

### BUSINESS CARD ADVERTISEMENTS

Members with businesses can advertise in the WYC Newsletter for 12 months at \$25.00 a year. If your business would be interested in submitting a business card advertisement, please submit in jpeg format and email to Joyce Rhodes. Send check payable to Westlake Yachting Club, P.O. Box 3003, Lorain, OH 4403. Your advertisement will not be put in newsletter until payment is received.

### **Don't forget your Active Membership Benefits:**

Boat US Membership Discount Code # GA81748Y  
GCBA/ILYA Privileges  
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WYC Cruises  
WYC Events  
Members Room Privileges, Members Directory  
Newsletter, By-Laws

### CLASSIFIEDS:

Got something to sell? Post it in your Newsletter!  
Contact [secretary@westlakeyachtingclub.com](mailto:secretary@westlakeyachtingclub.com) to place your ad.

## **A MESSAGE FROM BOATUS**

### **5 Tips to Stay Safe**

#### **When Checking Up on the Boat This Winter**

ANNAPOLIS, Md., February 1, 2018 – “Boating safety” usually means preventing injuries or accidents while on the water. Boats in winter storage have some unique safety concerns for boat owners who make periodic checkups over the long winter season. Here are five tips from the [BoatUS Foundation for Boating Safety and Clean Water](#) to help boaters stay safe while visiting the boat this winter.

**1. Injuries from ladder falls can be severe but are preventable.** When using a ladder to climb aboard your frozen boat, be sure it is firmly planted, secure it with a line to avoid shifting, and have someone hold the base. Never descend a ladder facing forward or with your arms full. If moving tools, supplies or other objects to and from the deck, lower or raise them in a bucket using a rope.

**2. Don't trust the nonskid to do its job.** Nonskid decks are slippery when covered by snow or encrusted with ice. Brush away any buildup on the deck where you plan to step, and always hold onto something, just as you would if you were underway. In warmer winter climates, decaying leaves and algae can also make decks slippery.

**3. Snow and ice are heavy.** One square foot of dense, wet snow can weigh more than 20 pounds, so use caution when going underneath a tarp or winter cover that's loaded with snow. For even a small boat stored outside, over a ton of weight can be added after a storm, so brush off what you can before climbing aboard.

**4. Check your jackstands for proper support.** Jackstands or blocking can shift as the boat gets laden with snow and ice, or due to repeated freeze/thaw cycles. Never adjust jackstands yourself. Have marina personnel adjust and move supports.

**5. Trailer boat frames should be supported at the rear cross beam.** This prevents the tongue from lifting off the ground like a seesaw when climbing aboard from the stern.

About the BoatUS Foundation for Boating Safety and Clean Water:

The BoatUS Foundation for Boating Safety and Clean Water is a national leader promoting safe, clean and responsible boating. Funded primarily by donations from the more than half-million members of Boat Owners Association of The United States (BoatUS), the nonprofit provides innovative educational outreach directly to boaters and anglers with the aim of reducing accidents and fatalities, increasing stewardship of America's waterways and keeping boating safe for all. A range of boating safety courses – including 36 free state courses – can be found at [BoatUS.org/Courses](#).



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