



Westlake Yachting Club

“On the Black River”

Lorain, Ohio

Newsletter

January

2009

HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

MEETING REMINDER

***WYC Trustees Meeting
January 14 at 6:30 PM
General Membership Meeting
at 7:30 PM
Location: LSYC Club House***

The Trustees meetings are open to every member of Westlake Yachting Club. All members are encouraged to attend.

2008 Officers & Trustee's

Commodore: Bob Sefcovic

V/Commodore: Keith Chafer

R/Commodore: Mike Pollock

Treasurer: Bobby Rhodes

Secretary: Joyce Rhodes

Trustee's:

Robert Hilko Pat Swagger
Ray Cull Joey Gary
Robert Coffman Ken Klein

**DON'T FORGET THE
CLEVELAND BOAT SHOW**

JANUARY 16TH – 25TH

2009

Commodore – Robert Sefcovic

Ahoy All,

Well, my time as Commodore is rapidly approaching, that being said I thank you all for the chance to make a difference. Throughout the year I have preached about the level of participation. I'm not convinced it has worked. Those who take the time to come to the Wheelhouse and or functions seem to enjoy themselves. On the other hand there are members I have yet to see.

As the new year nears, the officers are preparing to enter their new positions. They too wish to see more people participate. I would ask that you all give them your support in their endeavors. A visit to the Wheelhouse once a month would be a great way to start. That in itself would be beneficial to all.

This past year I have taken on the responsibility of co-delegate to the GCBA and I-LYA with P/C Rich McKee. Rich has been dealing with health issues for several years and has asked me to assist. Rather than write a lengthy report on the happenings at both organizations I would ask that you visit the Web sites for information regarding either. I will say that both organizations are looking for volunteers to man their booths at the boat show.

Smooth Sailing

Robert Sefcovic
Commodore

Vice Commodore – Keith Chafer

The Christmas party went well, a big Thank-You to Carol and Jim Forberger for hosting it.

SAVE THE DATE !!!!!

The 2009 Commodores Ball will be on March 28th at The Double Tree Hotel in Independence. I am in the process of finalizing the details and invites will be mailed out probably in late January. The Hotel is an upscale venue but has been extremely flexible and have offered a package to include a great room rate, including full breakfast with a chefs cooking station, and a 5 hour open bar with premium liquors on the night of the ball.

They are also offering the use of a ball room, as well as an hospitality suite,

COMMITTEE MEMBERS
FOR 2008

Finance Committee

V/C Keith Chafer
R/C Michael Pollock
Bobby Rhodes, Treas.
Joyce Rhodes, Sec.
Kevin Boggs
Pat Swagger, Trustee

House & Grounds

V/C Keith Chafer
R/C Michael Pollock
Bobby Rhodes, Treas.
Joyce Rhodes, Sec.
Burt Bruehler

Grievance

R/C Michael Pollock

Hospitality

Sue Taylor

By-Laws

V/C Keith Chafer
Ken Klein, Trustee
Ray Cull, Trustee

Membership Committee

R/C Michael Pollock
V/C Keith Chafer
Kevin Boggs
Richard Hartman

Ways and Means

Kay Neubert

Entertainment

R/C Michael Pollock
Kevin Boggs
Teri Wysocki, Mgr.

Fleet Captains

P/C Roger Kubera – Power
William Arnett – Sail

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P/C Beverly Sams

GCBA/ILYA

Rich McKee

Vice Commodore – Keith Chafer cont'd

on the Friday Night. Since it will be mine and V/C Mike Pollocks Birthday we are probably going to arrange entertainment for that night also. All the details will be in the invites so please plan on coming for the Friday night, 27th March as well.

Membership renewal letters will be going out shortly, if they already haven't. You will see that the board have authorized a great perk for our Full Members in that \$25 of the dues will be returned to each member in the form of \$50 worth of vouchers to be spent on food and beverages in the Wheelhouse during next season. This is in recognition of the economic times we are all going through and to also encourage every member to participate in the facility in the upcoming boating season.

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all.

V/C Keith Chafer

Rear Commodore – Michael Pollock – no report submitted

**From your Secretary and Treasurer:
Bobby and Joyce Rhodes**

As some of you already know we had the pleasure of being your cook and dishwasher at the Wheelhouse during this past season. We truly enjoyed this experience. We would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for their help when we were really busy, for your generosity towards us and for eating the food and not even complaining! Not to mention those really clean dishes! As we look back on this experience we couldn't help but ask why so many of our members don't patronize the Wheelhouse. Our club members' work very hard to make the Wheelhouse an enjoyable place to eat, drink, relax and visit with other members and friends, but yet so many of you never come in. Your boats may be dry docked for the season and the Wheelhouse is closed, but we are already working on some great ideas and specials for next year. We do this to make it a place that our members would want to visit and bring in friends and prospective new members. Won't you try to come in this coming season? We know you will be glad you did. We have the best members a club could ever have but we want to see you more often!

Wishing all of you a very Happy New Year.

Membership

Your 2009 membership dues are due on January 1. The renewal letters have been mailed to you. We apologize that they were mailed late, but we had to wait until the General Membership Meeting in December before mailing them.

COMMITTEE CONTACTS

Interested in helping out on any of these committees? Then contact the appropriate V/C or R/C.

House & Grounds, Finance, Hospitality (coffee & drinks for cruises), Dinghy Poker Run

Contact: V/C Keith Chafer
kchafer@spirax.com
440-244-4392

Membership, Entertainment, Sail Cruises, Power Cruises, Steak Fry, Clam Bake

Contact: R/C Michael Pollock
ProAutoTruck@yahoo.com
440-323-4468

GCBA/ILYA DELEGATE

Please contact P/C Rich McKee for any GCBA/ILYA related issues at captmac@roadrunner.com or 419-797-0019.

WYC DIRECTORY

Mail changes to WYC, P.O. Box 3003, Lorain, OH 44052 or email Joyce Rhodes, Secretary at jaye@kellnet.com.

WAYS & MEANS

Kay Neubert at 216-570-7954.

PICTURE'S NEEDED FOR WEBSITE!!

We are asking that anyone who has taken pictures at our event's please put them on a disk or email them to:

webmaster@westlakeyachtingclub.com

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Our Thoughts & Prayers go out to:
P/C Rich McKee
Dick Kovacs

If you know of a member that needs our thoughts and prayers please notify a flag officer or the Newsletter Editor.

WAYS & MEANS

We have a limited supply of tee shirts, golf shirts, sweatshirts, polo shirts, tank tops, hats, visors, tote bags, mugs, koozies and youth apparel. Also in stock we have our WYC lapel pins and WYC necklace charm.

If you want something in a different size, color or with something special on it, like your name or boat name, it can be ordered, just contact Kay Neubert at 216-570-7954.

NOTE: All regular & special orders need 50% down. Items in stock can be purchased from Kay Neubert, Teri at the Wheelhouse or see any board member.

BOAT CRUISES! BOAT CRUISES!!

2009 WYC CRUISES

Our Fleet Captains are now in the process of setting up next years cruises. If you have any suggestions please don't hesitate to contact them. We're waiting on confirmation and will keep you posted.

Roger Kubera – Power Fleet Captain
Bill Arnett - Sail Fleet Captain

NEWSLETTER ARTICLES

Articles are **due by 20th** of the month. Please email to P/C Beverly Sams at: bsams@midviewinternet.com

BUSINESS CARD ADVERTISEMENTS

Members with businesses can advertise in the WYC Newsletter for 11 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 Beverly Sams at bsams@midviewinternet.com. Send check payable to Westlake Yachting Club, P.O. Box 3003, Lorain, OH 4403. Card will not be put in newsletter until payment received.

Don't forget your Membership Benefits:

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code # GA81748Y

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Members are invited to advertise items or place announcements in the "For the Good of the Order" section of this newsletter at any time, free of charge. Please submit advertisement or announcement to the editor.

To All,

I was recently informed of an unlawful entry to the Wheelhouse. I have taken immediate action to apprehend and capture the alleged perpetrator. I have attached a photo of the perpetrator, as captured by our top secret security system, to this E-mail. The suspect is approximately 14 inches tall, weighing about 15 pounds. He was last seen wearing a thick brown fur coat that appeared to have a striped tail. He was also wearing a black mask that covered only the area surrounding the eyes. His face is highlighted with a protruding proboscis and ears that stand erect when startled. During the investigation, we were able to lift prints from the bar which fit the description of the suspect. We are also attempting to gain DNA evidence from epithelia's recovered at the crime scene. Several adjacent Police departments have been put on notice and BOLO's issued. It is also believed that this may be gang related, as several suspects have been seen fitting this description.

Any one providing information to the capture, arrest and subsequent demise of this criminal, will be rewarded handsomely. I will contact two of our other wildlife experts (P/C Ross and Trustee Hilko) about preparing the perpetrator to have dinner with you.

Robert Sefcovic
Commodore



Rocky Raccoon and his friends say thanks for your hospitality and Happy New Year.

W Y C's Calendar of Events for 2009	
JANUARY	
January 1	Happy New Year to All
14	WYC Trustee's Meeting 6:30p.m.
	WYC General Membership Meeting 7:30 p.m.
	Location: Lorain Sailing Club
16 - 25	Cleveland Boat Show IX Center
FEBRUARY	
February 11	WYC Trustee's Meeting TBA