



Westlake Yachting Club

"On the Black River"

Lorain, Ohio

Newsletter

March

2018

ANNOUNCEMENTS

MEETING REMINDER

WYC's Monthly Meeting
Next meeting: March 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: Kevin Welch

Treasurer: Bobby Rhodes

Secretary: Joyce Rhodes

Trustee's:

Ray Cogdell

Amy Brunk

Kevin Welch

Rick Case

Chuck Barth

COMMITTEE MEMBERS FOR 2018

Finance Committee

Tim Brunk

Bobby Rhodes

Rick Case

House & Grounds

Bill & Connie Robb

Tim Brunk

Kevin Welch

Bobby & Joyce Rhodes

Bill & Libby Landers

Chuck Barth

Commodore – Capt. Bill Robb

Hi, all!

By the time you read this – the Commodore's Ball will be history. I certainly hope you were able to attend. Good food, good music, and good friends!

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

Captain Bill Robb

Commodore

Vice Commodore – Capt. Tim Brunk

The Entertainment Committee met last week to draft the Calendar of Events for 2018. The finalized calendar will be available within the next week.

The House and Grounds Committee also met last week. The Wheelhouse menu is now completed. Wheelhouse clean up will be on Saturday March 24th at 9am. Please come and help to get things ready for the upcoming season. Wheelhouse will open on April 6 weekends only and the Grand Opening will be on May 5th.

Captain Tim Brunk

Vice Commodore

Rear Commodore –

I would like to thank the membership for giving me the opportunity to serve as your 2018 Rear Commodore.

It's been a long, cold off season and we're thinking warm thoughts for the near future.

The Board is eagerly working and planning behind the scenes to hit the ground running for the 2018 season.

An annual challenge for the Board is to organize and staff committees to run the events and functions. We are now in the process of doing so. YOU MAKE A DIFFERENCE! Your participation leads to the success of the event and makes for a stronger club. Please donate some time for at least one, if not more, of the scheduled events.

Grievance

Hospitality

Amy Brunk

By-Laws

Membership Committee

Kevin Welch
Bill & Libby Landers

Ways and Means

Nancy Case

Entertainment

Tim & Amy Brunk
Bill & Connie Robb
Kevin Welch
Bill & Libby Landers
Bobby & Joyce Rhodes
Chuck Barth
Ed & Chris Rico

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

Tim Brunk
Kevin Welch

WYC DIRECTORY

Mail changes to WYC, P.O. Box 3003, Lorain, OH 44052 or email Joyce Rhodes, secretary@westlakeyachtingclub.com

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Wishes for a speedy recovery go out to Pat Swagger after hip replacement surgery and to Lady Barb Rader as she is recovering after a hospital stay.

YOU DO MAKE THE DIFFERENCE! GET INVOLVED IN YOUR CLUB.

Our diverse membership makes us stronger and the Board would love to hear your fresh ideas and thoughts. Please mention to a Board member or Teri and your idea will be conveyed to the Board for consideration.

The House and Grounds Committee is searching for volunteers to be part of an elite team to help with Wheelhouse operations during peak dinner times, events and functions. Please donate whatever time you may have available.

Calm Seas and Blue Skies!

Kevin Welch
Rear Commodore

FLEET CAPTAIN - Amy Brunk:

Our Fleet Trip for Huron Boat Basin has been confirmed for June 7th through June 10th. We would like to do a catered lunch as we did last year, so when completing the registration – please indicate how many for lunch. I will have a more detail with regard to the menu as well as cost to follow- but it has always been well received and decently priced. More details to follow upon completion of the calendar.

Save the date and note the location changes for Kelley's Island Trip--- Please be advised our annual Kelley's Island trip has been scheduled to the Weekend of July 20th. We will also be staying at Portside downtown. I have reserved dockage to accommodate 10 boats---but each boat must call and make a formal reservation under our group- PRIOR to the trip.

We are going to try to go to Olde River Yacht Club and the Air Show again this year. Date will be Aug. 31 through Sept. 3.

Trips will all be finalized and listed on the Calendar of Events coming out next week.

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:

WHEELHOUSE NEWS – CLUB EVENTS:

Mar. 24 Wheelhouse Clean Up 9am
Apr. 6 Wheelhouse opens 4pm Friday and Saturday only

NEWSLETTER ARTICLES

Articles are **due by 20th** of the month. If you are interested in adding something to the newsletter please email it to 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
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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 to place your ad.

A MESSAGE FROM BOATUS

BoatUS: Boaters Stand to Gain With Government's Recognition

of the Outdoor Industry

Department of Commerce Report:

Outdoor Industry makes up 2 percent of US GDP

ALEXANDRIA, Va., March 1, 2018 – It's no surprise that the industries that produce the most goods or services and keep the economy humming often receive favorable attention from legislators in Washington. Now with the Department of Commerce's Bureau of Economic Analysis (BEA) February announcement that the outdoor recreation industry's 2016 annual gross output is 2 percent (\$373.7 billion) of the US gross domestic product (GDP), Boat Owners Association of The United States ([BoatUS](http://BoatUS.com)) believes boaters stand to gain from the news.

"Having a strong industry behind you is important when working in the halls of government," said BoatUS Manager of Government Affairs David Kennedy. "It can ultimately influence legislation that makes boating better, such as improving boating access by funding new launch ramps, providing budgets to maintain boating infrastructure or navigation aids, improving fishing habitat, and helping support boating safety efforts."

The analysis was a result of passage of the Outdoor Recreation Jobs and Economic Impact Act of 2016, which required the Department of Commerce, acting through the BEA, to enter into a joint memorandum with the Department of Agriculture and the Department of the Interior to conduct, assess and analyze the outdoor recreation economy of the United States and its effects on the overall US economy.

The outdoor industry grew 3.8 percent in 2016, compared to 2.8 percent for the overall economy. Boating and fishing activities totaled \$38.2 billion, an increase of 4 percent over 2015. The BEA report also noted that the outdoor recreation industry, which includes boating, fishing, RVing, hunting, camping, hiking, bicycling and supporting activities, surpassed the US agriculture and petroleum industries.

BoatUS remains part of a coalition of outdoor groups, organizations and businesses under the Outdoor Recreation Roundtable that urged the federal government to recognize the industry's economic importance. The "prototype" statistics covering 2012 to 2016 from the newly established Department of Commerce Outdoor Recreation Satellite Account allow the public to comment before the BEA releases the final statistics this fall. The full report can be found at: <https://www.bea.gov/newsreleases/industry/orsa/orsanewsrelease.htm>.

The Outdoor Recreation Roundtable advocates for bipartisan support for improved access to public lands and waters, increasing public-private partnerships to help modernize infrastructure and reduce decades-old maintenance backlogs that can provide a better visitor experience, support for responsible conservation efforts, and growth of outdoor recreation participation.



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