

Newsletter

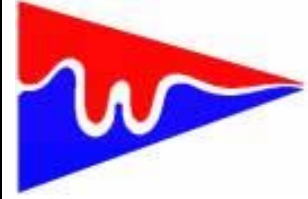
JANUARY

2008

Westlake Yachting Club

“On the Black River”

Lorain, Ohio



ANNOUNCEMENTS

MEETING REMINDER

TRUSTEE MEETING
WEDNESDAY JAN. 9, 2008

1830 hrs / 6:30 P.M.

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP
MEETING

19:30 hrs / 7:30 P.M.

LORAIN SAILING CLUB
By Lorain Coast Guard Station

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

2007 Officers & Trustee's

Commodore: Beverly Sams

V/Commodore: Bob Sefcovic

R/Commodore: Keith Chafer

Treasurer: Bobby Rhodes

Secretary: Joyce Rhodes

Trustee's:

Burt Buehler
Ken Klein
John Lively
Mike Pollock
Richard Potash
A.C. VanDenBossche

Commodore – Beverly Sams

As my year comes to an end, I would like to thank the Officers, Trustee's, Committee Members, Members and especially Spouses and Significant others, for making my year as your Commodore enjoyable.

My very best to our incoming Commodore Bob Sefcovic, Lady Barbara and his Bridge for the 2008 year.

Let's show them our support by getting involved, attending meetings and volunteering to be on a committee. We are always looking for new ideas and most importantly help bringing in a new member. You all are the lifeline of Westlake Yachting Club and what you do or don't do will determine her fate. No, she is not a sinking ship, but every vessel needs maintenance now and then.

Time is coming closer for the Member of the Year Award Application to be turned into P/C Rich McKee. You will find the form online at our website. Please download, print and mail before the deadline of January 15, 2008. The Nomination guidelines for this award are also online.

The Cleveland IX Boat Show is now called Cleveland Boat and Waterfront Lifestyle Expo and will be held January 11th-20th, 2008.

During the Allstate Safety Weekends – January 12, 13 and 19, 20 - children 12 and under receive free lifejackets, while supplies last. Adults who sign the Safe Boating Pledge on these days take home a special gift.

Also, Included in your paid admission is a 1-year subscription to Motor Boating, Yachting or Salt Water Sportsman. Please visit the Motor Boating booth at the boat show to fill out a subscription form to begin receiving your new subscription!

FYI: If you haven't heard, DON'T DISCARD YOUR LORAN C. (article in this newsletter)

Gentlemen Jim and I wish everyone a Happy New Year and to remind you, only 130 more days till boating season.

Yours in Boating Safely,

Commodore Beverly Sams

COMMITTEE MEMBERS FOR 2007

Finance Committee

V/C Bob Sefcovic
R/C Keith Chafer
Bobby Rhodes, Treas.
Burt Buehler
Wayne Ross
Virgil Radar
Joyce Rhodes, Sec.

Management Committee

V/C Bob Sefcovic
Bobby Rhodes, Treas.
Joyce Rhodes, Sec.
R/C Keith Chafer
Mike Pollock, Trustee
Teri Wysocki, Mgr.

House & Grounds

V/C Bob Sefcovic
Ken Klein, Trustee
Mike Pollock, Trustee

Hospitality

Sue Taylor

By-Laws

A.C. VanDenBossche, Trustee
John Lively, Trustee
Richard Potash, Trustee
Ken Klein, Trustee
Ray Cull

Membership Committee

R/C Keith Chafer
Dan Lesko
Kevin Boggs
Mike Pollock, Trustee

Ways and Means

Nan Kubera
Barb Sefcovic

Entertainment

R/C Keith Chafer
Richard Potash, Trustee

Grievance

Mike Pollock, Trustee

Insurance

R/C Keith Chafer

Fleet Captains

Roger Kubera – Power
William Arnett – Sail

Newsletter

Beverly Sams

Vice Commodore – Robert Sefcovic

Ahoy All,

Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays to all. We enjoyed a short meeting this month, followed by a wonderful get together at R/C Chafers' house. Thanks to those who attended, as well as Keith for offering his home for the occasion.

Thanks to those who sent get well cards. The first few days were really tough. According to my therapist, I'm progressing rather well.

A reminder: The Commodores Ball is coming up March 1, 2008 At the Lodge at Sawmill Creek. The details will be mailed out shortly with the invitations. I hope you'll join me!

V/C Robert Sefcovic

Rear Commodore – Keith Chafer –

We had the final meeting of the year at my place followed by our Christmas party. (Quite a few, led by P/C Wayne Ross, seemed to think that it was actually a fine Whisky Tasting event?? My collection has diminished somewhat).

I had committed to this prior to deciding to take a trip to England and only returned 2 days before. It was quite a job to get ready, in time, for the party, especially since I was instructed, in no un-certain terms, to make sure I had the Christmas Tree up.

For those that attended – Thank you for not trashing the place too much. Most people brought a dish and there was plenty of food, so much that it fed me for the rest of the week. Everyone seemed to have a good time, those that missed it should make a point of coming to next years December meeting.

Well the year is almost over, and we are in the process of preparing for the change of watch, our new Commodore, Bob, will be taking the reigns in January, I will be taking my place as V/C, and Mike Pollock will be taking the R/C chair.

We will be looking for people to participate in the committees that we set up, please let it be known if you have a skill relevant and/or are willing to participate in the operation of YOUR club.

To all my Democrat friends:

Please accept with no obligation, implied or implicit, my best wishes for an environmentally conscious, socially responsible, low-stress, non-addictive, gender-neutral celebration of the winter solstice holiday, practiced within the most enjoyable traditions of the religious persuasion of your choice, or secular practices of your choice, with respect for the religious/secular persuasion and/or traditions of others, or their choice not to practice religious or secular traditions at all. I also wish you a fiscally successful, personally fulfilling and medically uncomplicated recognition of the onset of the generally accepted calendar year 2008, but not without due respect for the calendars of choice of other cultures whose contributions to society have helped make America great. Not to imply that America is necessarily greater than any other country nor the only America in the Western Hemisphere.

GCBA/ILYA

Rich McKee

COMMITTEE CONTACTS

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

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

Contact: V/C Bob Sefcovic
MRSEF@aol.com
330-656-3272

Membership, Entertainment, Sail
Cruises, Power Cruises, Blessing
of the Fleet, Parade of Lights,
Waterway Cleanup, Steak Fry,
Clam Bake

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

GCBA/ILYA DELEGATE

Please contact 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

Barb Sefcovic at 330-656-3272 or
Nan Kubera at 440-835-1225 or
nkubera@verafast.com

PICTURE'S NEEDED!!

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

webmaster@westlakeyachtingclub.com

Rear Commodore – Keith Chafer, cont'd –

Also, this wish is made without regard to the race, creed, color, age, physical ability, religious faith or sexual preference of the wishee.

To all my Republican friends:

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

R/C Keith Chafer

BOAT CRUISES! BOAT CRUISES!!

Next year we currently have Huron Boat Basin scheduled for June 13 & 14 and Kelly's Island for July 18 & 19. Cedar Point cannot be scheduled till after the first of the year. We are talking about the possibility of adding a fourth cruise - to Put-in-Bay. If anyone has any input, let us know.

Fleet Captain
Roger Kubera

WAYS & MEANS

We have Tee shirts, golf shirts, sweatshirts, jackets, polo shirts, tank tops, hats, visors, tote bags, mugs, koozies and youth apparel. There are several "NEW" items in stock. If you want something in a different size or color or with something special on it - like your name or boat name, it can be ordered, just contact Nan Kubera 440- 823-3364 or Barb Sefcovic at 330-656-3272. All special orders need 50% down. Items in stock can be purchased from Nan Kubera, Barb Sefcovic or see any board member.

Put-in-Bay JET-EXPRESS 2008 Trip – Joyce Rhodes

Commodore Sams has booked another trip to Put-In-Bay on the Jet for October 4, 2008. The price will be \$55.00 per person. Remember the fun you had on the last trip? Everyone who said they wished they had gone, now is your chance. Tickets are now on sale! Don't be left at the dock get your tickets early. Makes a perfect Fall Cruise for a group or club, Anniversary or Birthday gift! Contact Commodore Sams for more information at 440-324-6288 or bsams@eshores.com

Navigation

Don't discard that Loran C unit just yet!

Have you turned on your Loran C unit lately? Notice any difference? Try it. You are likely to find that the performance is better than ever. Why? Because despite past rumors that Loran C would be discontinued in favor of GPS, the government discovered that GPS is not the end all be all. In fact, GPS has several "issues", including potential interference from some boat-mounted TV antennas, the possibility of interference with the satellites upon which it depends, and the displeasure of special interest groups especially fisherman over having to replace their equipment and "special secret" information about their favorite fishing grounds. So, after a feasibility study, the government decided to upgrade the Loran C system rather than replace it, and to interface it with GPS data.

For more information, visit the USCG Navigation Center.

