



On the Wind

Burnham Park Yacht Club Monthly Newsletter • April 2011

Commodore's Log



Commissioning
Seminar

Saturday, April 9

4:00 p.m.



Dove Chocolate
Tasting Dinner

Sunday, April 10

4:00 p.m.



The spring season has found us and the staff, along with some of the members, have been hard at work preparing the club for a busy summer boating season. With less than two weeks to the opening of the harbor and only five short weeks till the opening of the club full time, there has been much to do in preparation for summer. All your hard work and generous time contributions have helped to keep this club fully functional. The work of the Women's Auxiliary has added to the beautification of the club and the grounds. Lauren has been working closely with myself and the Board of Directors to listen to your comments and to oversee the events here at the club. It is shaping up to be a great start of the year.

Along with that, I would like to inform all of you of a change at the club, effective now. Our chef, John Caliendo, has made a decision to resign from his duties as Executive Chef here at Burnham Park Yacht Club. As we are all thankful to him for his time and commitment to the club, we want to wish him well in all his future business endeavors. Victor Calderisi, line cook on staff, has been asked to step in as acting chef until the position is filled and he has accepted, along with Sofia in the kitchen. Lauren, The Flag Officers, and I have been in the process of selecting a new candidate for the position. If you have any questions or comments, I welcome you to call me or send an email.

The season is on its' way to a great start with lots of excitement for 2011. I look forward to seeing you at the harbor soon.

Respectfully-

Brack Grigas
Commodore

From the Women's Auxiliary

ATTENTION!!! Save these dates:

May 1st

A Royal Tea in Honor of the Lady Di's first born son, Prince William's, Wedding Day. Be on the look-out for you Royal Invitation.

May 29th

"Rock'N Country"

Patrick Stamer and Reva Goodman of Chicago Country Studio, who have appeared on WGN-TV and been part of many local fund raiser's in the Chicago area, will be at BPYC to give country line and 2-step dance lessons. Music will be the best of the best country along with a mix of the oldies from the 50's, 60's, and 70's. Put your dancing boots on and your best country garb because Patrick and Riva know how to kick a party into high gear! Don't miss this opening season event. It is on Sunday May 29th. More info to come, but please make your reservations early!! Bring your family and friends to this event. Watch for our flyers. With the price set right and a smokin' good country menu, we are sure to have a swingin' good time!

Again, please, if you have any revisions for the directory, now is the time to contact myself or Geri Lauric. We also are encouraging the members to help support the directory with either an advertisement or contribution as a Patron or Sponsor.

The Women's Auxiliary has purchased mirrors for the shower areas for both the men's and women's bathrooms, which were installed on clean up day. We have also arranged and are paying for the patio canopy to be cleaned, as well as contributing the money to purchase the plants and flowers for the club's outdoor planters.

These are just a few of the projects that the Women's Auxiliary has slated for the beautification and social events this year.

Please check out the new LOGO wear...on it's way!

Lynn Rosenberg
President

BPYC Power Fleet Rendezvous - Saugatuck, Michigan

Plans are underway to have our Power Fleet Rendezvous at the Singapore Yacht Club starting Thursday, August 4th - departing Sunday, August 7th. Saugatuck is an extremely popular destination.

In order to guarantee our slips...it is necessary that you make a reservation prior to April 13th, and the reservation must be made through me.

For more information...please contact me ASAP--
Space is limited !

Donna Kohoutek - Director - Power Fleet
Johnevalve@aol.com
815-545-7692



Come join us on Friday night for an
All-You-Can-Eat Fish Fry Dinner! We will be
running this special on Fridays only thru April.

April 1-April 22 • 5:00-9:00

\$9.99 per adult

\$5.99 per child

*Baked cod is available as a substitute for fried.

Includes choice of soup or salad, fries,
and coleslaw.

\$2.50 bottled Miller Lite

\$3.50 bottled Sam Adams Seasonal

\$4.00 Leinenkugel Drafts

Reservations 312-427-4664

Burnham Park Yacht Club

Wednesday Night Beer Can Racing 2011

Burnham Park Yacht Club will again sponsor our Wednesday Night Beer Can Regatta. The Beer Can Regatta is an informal racing series for sailors to have a good time on their boats, with family and crew. Any BPYC member with a sailboat is invited to participate. The racing is casual. There are two jib and main sections, a T-10 section, and three spinnaker sections. The registration fee is \$55.00.

Answers to some frequently asked questions: The 2011 Beer Can racing season will start with a tune up race on Wednesday, May 25. The 15 race series runs June 1 through September 7. No racing on July 20.

Members from Burnham Park Yacht Club, Chicago Yacht Club and Columbia Yacht Club all participate in the series. We anticipate around 10-15 boats in each section's start, so it should be exciting.

Starts will be easy this year, radio check in will not be required and the committee boat will make periodic courtesy radio announcements, including course, start times and any course changes. The races are usually

over by 9:00. Most participants come to the Club after the race for special pricing on drinks and a simple buffet meal. Cash is accepted for this. We announce the night's results and present the awards as soon as possible after the race. The food, drinks, awards and enthusiastic sailors result in lots of conversation and fun.

If you are new to the program and would like to discuss the details, we would be pleased to get together with you and answer your questions. Just give us a call.

The 2011 Beer Can applications are included with the May "On the Wind". Applications will also be available at the Club.

Contact Bill Van Emburg, Beer Can Chairman at 312-602-9641 or e-mail: bill@quadrix.com with any questions or to discuss how to participate in the BPYC 2011 Wednesday Night Beer Can Racing.

A Great Clean-up Day

On March 26, we had our clean-up day. We managed to get an amazing amount of work done. It was an "all-Irish, plus perhaps some honorary Irish" clean-up day team, consisting of Dennis Bartley, Judi McInerney, Charlie Martin, Janet McCarthy and Dick O'Connell, working from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM. Lauren kept us stocked up on supplies for the work and then, with the kind help of Joann Murphy, fed lunch to some hungry workers. Geri Lauric, Lynn Rosenberg, and Barb Hetzer volunteered time to organize the logowear for the Women's Auxiliary. Charlie Martin learned he had a new skill in removing the old tiles in the freezer room and gluing down the new tiles. He also learned a new appreciation of the tenacious nature of tile cement; not to worry it usually wears off after a couple of days. Dennis Bartley applied his skill in

epoxy and fiber glass and fixed up the leaks in the bar sink. Janet McCarthy tackled the greasy air conditioner filter in the kitchen, then got busy with Dennis on changing the burned out lights, and helped install the baby changing table in the women's washroom. To wrap it all up, Dennis and I hung the mirrors in the showers (thanks to Lynn Rosenberg for supplying) and then froze our tookus's off while cutting down the tree in the transformer enclosure and fixing the fence. Judi arrived late in the day, but cleaned the ceiling fans and air intake grill in the dining room. Thanks again for everyone's help!

Dick O'Connell
Vice Commodore

Club Closures

There are two club closures during the month of April: Easter Sunday, April 24th & Saturday April 30th. Please make note of these dates and plan accordingly when scheduling your visit to the club. Thank you for your cooperation.

April Birthdays

- 2 Richard Lauric
- 4 Peter O'Malley
Richard Wixson
- 5 Ken Taylor
- 6 Greg Schoonover
- 8 Dave Stinnett
- 9 James Arzbaeher
- 10 Randy Peach
Dan Stevenson
- 13 Harry Heidbreder
- 16 Raymond Underwood
- 18 Phil Denmark
- 23 Frank Oriold
- 24 Sam Saltzman
Michael Igoe
- 26 Tom Shields

Knots and Lines


On Saturday April 23, we will be continuing our educational series with Knots and Lines. As boaters, we need to use knots and lines every time we use our boats to keep our boats safe in our slips and as we go in and out of the docks. Knowing how to "throw a line", can save a life. Tying the right knot to a fender can save your topsides. We will go over the most useful knots and how to use them. We will wrap up the course with a knot tying and line toss contest with significant prizes. Please give Dick O'Connell a call (630-456-3638) or Lauren (312-427-4664) and let us know if you are coming.

Dick O'Connell

BPYC's 73rd Annual Opening Ceremonies & Fleet Review

It is a time honored tradition to celebrate at the Yacht Club with the Annual Opening Ceremonies & Fleet Review...which will include an Open House and Dinner Reception. This special day of events will be held on Saturday, June 4th. More details will follow.

Donna Kohoutek - Power Fleet Director & **Bill Van Emburg** - Sail Fleet Director



*The Lord Chamberlain is commanded by
The Queen to invite you*

*to the Marriage of
His Royal Highness Prince William of Wales R. G.*

*with
Miss Catherine Middleton
at Westminster Abbey
on Sunday, 1st May, 2011 at 1.00p.m.*

*Tea service and luncheon with raffling of gifts
Best ensemble and hat honored with a prize
\$20 fee accepted at the entrance
Burnham Park Yacht Club
Women's Auxiliary
1500 S Linn White Drive
Chicago, Illinois 60605*

*A reply is requested to:
Lady Lauren Cornille
Burnham Park Yacht Club Office
312-427-4664 R.S.V.P.*

*Dress: Wedding attire
with hats, please*



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Chef's Corner

To the BPYC family and friends,
I regret to inform you that you that I will no longer be able to give my full time services as Executive Chef to the club at this time. This has been an extremely difficult decision that had to be made for myself, my family, and my other businesses. I have to focus my time on these other areas that need my attention and will not be able to give all of the time that is needed at the club this summer. I am very sad that I will not be able to continue sharing my passion for food with everyone here. I thank every one of you for the great opportunity that I was given to help bring this club to a new level! I have made many great friends at the club over the past 12 months and had a chance not only to serve them, but their extended family and friends, as well. It has been an honor and a privilege to serve all of you.

Lauren and I have laid a great foundation of systems

and have set high expectations for the level of service that you will receive at the club. Under Lauren's leadership, the club will undoubtedly continue to grow and provide you with the enjoyable experiences that you have come to expect at the club. Lauren is in the process of building a new team for this upcoming season. There have been some great applicants thus far and I am confident that the final picks will be top notch.

Thank you again for a great opportunity and experience I hope that everyone enjoys another great boating season and utilizes the club to its fullest. I look forward to serving you again someday.

John Caliendo

St. Patricks Day Festivities

St. Patrick's Day was celebrated in traditional green fashion! There were lots of green shamrocks, leprechauns, and even a pot o' gold placed on the bar. Chef John cooked traditional Irish fare, including: corned beef and cabbage, potatoes, carrots, fish n' chips, soda bread, and a Bailey's chocolate mousse cake, created by Chef Vic. Julie Showalter and The World Academy of Irish Dancers

performed for the members of the club by dancing among the tables of the dining room. Irish pub songs rang and sang throughout the entire club all night long as people drank Tim's bar creations: Irish Car Bombs, Irish Eyes, classic beer combo Half & Half, which is Guinness and Harp, along with other Irish beers Killian's and Smithwicks. All in all, it was a smashing good time, it was!



Manager's Message

We are definitely feeling the meaning of "Spring Cleaning" here at the club! With a great clean up day at the end of March, the club is starting to look spic and span for the start of boating season 2011. I am so grateful to the tremendous efforts of the members who contribute time, skill, and money to help keep the club up to date and looking fresh. What dedication from all of you! The Women's Auxiliary is having our patio canopy cleaned in the middle of April, just in time for the opening of the club. Thank you WAX!!! The office is getting a new, crisp look thanks to the help of the staff who are volunteering time to help.

April is jam packed with events and private parties and with that I can feel the excitement among the members about the opening of the harbor on April 15th. Mast steppings will be available starting on April 15th with limited hours. We will have supervised and assisted crane hours on Wednesdays, Fridays, Saturdays, and Sundays from 12:00pm to 4:00pm April 15th until May 15th. Tender service will start in the beginning of May. Less than two weeks till the harbor opens!

Looking into May, we will be offering new themed dinner nights and the Women's Auxiliary will be hosting some fun events for members to enjoy! Please come join us and watch for email updates about the happenings here at BPYC. If you are not receiving any emails from me, please send me a note and I will make sure to include you for future emails. You can send to lauren@bpyc.com


There are two club closures in April. The club will be closed on Easter Sunday April 24th and on Saturday April 30th for a private party. April 30th is the last Saturday in April, so please plan accordingly when making your visit to the club.

Lastly, I want to thank Chef John Caliendo for his time and talent at Burnham this past year. We both started here at the beginning of last season with the same commitment and vision: to make this club your favorite place to be. His skill in the kitchen and flare for cuisine was visible to those of you who shared in his culinary creations. I wish John all the best in his future endeavors and thank him for the dedication and joy he brought to his position!

Lauren Cornille
General Manger

Spring Commissioning Seminar

Burnham Yacht Club will be holding a spring commissioning seminar on April 9 starting at 4PM. Skyway yacht yards will be giving recommendations on what should be done with your boat to get it ready for spring launch and having a great boating summer. Invite your friends and crew. Both power and sail boats will be discussed.



Howdy Partners:

The Women's Auxiliary is hosting a BURNHAM GOES COUNTRY party. All you nautical cowboys and cowgirls...please join us for a Country Western Dinner Dance on Sunday, May 29th. Additional details will follow in the May Issue of On The Wind.



April

T W O T H O U S A N D E L E V E N

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1 Fish Fry Dinner 5:00-9:00	2 Dinner 5:00-9:00
3 Dinner 4:00-8:00	4 CLUB CLOSED	5 CLUB CLOSED	6 CLUB CLOSED	7 CLUB CLOSED	8 Fish Fry Dinner 5:00-9:00	9 4:00 Commissioning Seminar Dinner 5:00-9:00
10 2:00 - Dove Chocolate Tasting Dinner 4:00-8:00	11 CLUB CLOSED	12 CLUB CLOSED	13 CLUB CLOSED	14 CLUB CLOSED	15 Fish Fry Dinner 5:00-9:00	16 Dinner 5:00-9:00
17 Dinner 4:00-8:00	18 CLUB CLOSED	19 CLUB CLOSED	20 CLUB CLOSED	21 CLUB CLOSED	22 LAST Fish Fry Dinner 5:00-9:00	23 Dinner 5:00-9:00
24 EASTER CLUB CLOSED	25 CLUB CLOSED	26 CLUB CLOSED	27 CLUB CLOSED	28 CLUB CLOSED	29 Dinner 5:00-9:00	30 PRIVATE PARTY CLUB CLOSED

Plan Ahead

May 1 - Royal Wedding Tea May 6 - Cinco de Mayo Menu May 8 - Mother's Day Buffet
 May 15 - BPYC Opening Day May 29 - Country Western Event
 June 4 - 73rd Annual Opening Ceremonies & Fleet Review

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Burnham Park Yacht Club Bar & Galley

Dinner Fri and Sat: 5-9 pm Sun: 4-8 pm Bar: Fri and Sat: 5-10 pm Sun: 4-9 pm

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Commodore **Breck Grigas**
Vice Commodore **Dick O'Connell**
Rear Commodore **Charlie Martin**
Secretary **Judi McInerney**
Treasurer **Pat Carney**

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Brij Bhartey

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John Engel

Women's Auxiliary President

Lynn Rosenberg

Past Commodores

Marcella Cimino
Dave DeAre

Chocolate Tasting at the BPYC

The Burnham Park Yacht Club will be hosting a Dove Chocolate Tasting event on Sunday April 10th at 2:00pm. Come and enjoy samples, sweet & savory, and shop for some fabulous gift items, perfect and just in time for Mother's Day! Some samples include grilled chicken skewers with a smoky dark chocolate BBQ sauce, mixed baby greens dressed with a white chocolate balsamic fig vinaigrette, spiced chocolate roasted vegetables, merlot fudge brownies, chocolate chipotle fruit fondue, chocolate martinis & white chocolate raspberry daiquiris!



\$19.00 per person

Not Including Tax and Club Charge

Sunday April 10th

2:00 - 4:00

Call Lauren for Reservations

312-427-4664

or email lauren@bpyc.com



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