

Officer's Letters

President's Letter

Well, the summer has come and gone in what seems just like a few short weeks. It's inevitable that after summer comes the dreaded winter along with snow and ice.

That brings me to a reminder for all our members. The Anchor Boat Club is open 12 months of the year and as such our expenses continue long after the last boat is put in storage. There have been a few days where register sales haven't hit \$100. We need the support of the members as our only income right now is the bar receipts. While I know family obligations come first and a lot of you are really busy please try and find some time to come out to the club and have a few relaxing beverages.

Recently we have had a few repairs that have had to be made and because none of our members volunteered to do those repairs we were forced to call in outside assistance. When I first joined the club back in 1975 we did 99% of all repairs to the building and equipment and only called in outside help for the big projects we couldn't handle ourselves. We had back then enough members who had experience in many different fields. The same is the case today we have a lot of qualified members who can handle normal maintenance, repairs and daily upkeep.

Looking back through the years, we did away with



Saturday clean up (which was a joke at best), we reduced the number of work hours, we now hire cleaning of the club to an outside source, most repairs are done by outside vendors because it is easier to pick up the phone than organize a committee and do the work ourselves. That being said, some repairs need to be made quickly and in those instances we should make phone calls.

The point I am trying to make is that if we keep on the path we are now on, the expense of those outside vendors will catch up with us. We have various committees that were set up years ago to assure that the building and equipment were adequately maintained. Currently there are no members of the building committee, 1 member of the bar committee and I can only assume not very many members of the grounds committee. Each committee that we have was set up for the very purpose to make the club run smoothly. If we keep on this path, I can only see a significant increase in dues to cover these increased costs. Please volunteer for a committee and let's get back to the Anchor of old. That's the end of my rant this month.

A very big thanks to Mary Reagan and her fantastic crew for a very successful Lasagna food service last Friday the proceeds of which went to the soldiers packages. I have discussed with Jeff Ross the possibility of doing a Friday food service each month and he is working out the logistics and we hope to have more information next month.

As the Holidays approach, I would like to wish all our members and their families a very Happy Thanksgiving. For those of us looking forward to the 2016 baseball season pitchers and catchers report in 91 days.

~ Mike H.

Anchor Boat Club Auxiliary

Auxiliary President's Letter

The Auxiliary met on November 10th and we started with Operation Payback packing holiday boxes for the soldiers. Thanks to Dar O'Dell and Brenda Bach for the fall-themed meeting. The two served tasty food and supplied give-away items for those in attendance.

Trunk or Treat was a huge success! It was a great evening and would like to thank everyone for putting together a great family event. An extra thanks goes out to Sonja McGrath, Kevin Beck and Tim Strutz. They went above and beyond to make this the best **Trunk or Treat**.

Don't forget to mark your calendar. **Breakfast with Santa** will take place December 12th. Breakfast starts at 9AM. Breakfast for adults is \$3.00. Make sure to bring a \$10.00 wrapped gift with your child's name on it. Dar O'Dell and Paula Conder will chair this event.

The Auxiliary December meeting/dinner will take place at The Char House, December 8th, at 6:30 PM. Please contact Paula Conder at 899-3553 if you are interested in joining us for dinner.

Operation: Payback



Well, the Lasagna Dinner and Silent Auction is over and I believe it was our most successful fundraiser to date. I don't know how to thank everyone who helped in any way. The "boys of November" did a great job on the lasagna and made sure we didn't run out this year. The desserts were wonderful and plentiful and the help with serving

and clean up was amazing – everyone seemed to just step up and help where needed – guess the sleepless nights were not necessary after all. I am still not sure of the profit as there are still a few outstanding bills but it is substantial. We will now be able to mail the boxes we packed last week. Thanks again everyone for helping and supporting this project.

The Holiday cheer will be in full swing on December 6th. The Auxiliary will be decorating the club at 5PM.

Members are encouraged to please stop by and help decorating to spirits, music, and holiday merriment.



Upcoming Meetings:

- December 8th, 7:00pm
- ** No Meeting for the Auxiliary in January
- February 9th, 7:00pm
- March 8th, 7:00pm
- April 12th, 7:00pm

~ Brenda B.

We will not be packing or mailing in December and will pick up in Jan which will begin our third year. I hope everyone has had a chance to see the thank you's from the soldiers on the board in the back hallway – they seem to validate what we are doing and make it worthwhile.

Our next fundraiser will be Valentine Candy Sales which will begin in January. More information on that will come after the holidays.

Thanks again for all the support! Happy Thanksgiving and Merry Christmas!

~ Mary R.

Special Events / Events Info

Breakfast with Santa

Thinking about holiday festivities already? Well, what could be more magical than spending time with Santa Claus and your family?

Breakfast with Santa will be Saturday, December 12th. Breakfast service starts at 9 a.m. Adults - \$3.00; Children - FREE

Breakfast Menu:

- Pancakes
- Sausages
- Bacon
- Juice
- Milk

Don't forget bring a \$10 - \$15 item wrapped with your child's name on it for Santa's bag!

Santa will arrive at 10:00am.



16th Annual Lake Springfield Frozen Open



The Anchor Boat Club will be hosting this year's **16th Annual Frozen Open Charity Barstool Golf Tournament** on January 16, 2016.

This is a GREAT event to help break the winter cabin fever! In year's past, the event has drawn over 500 golfers as well as 1000 attendees.

Tickets will be available at the Anchor Boat Club as well as other participating clubs. If you want to participate in this year's event, the cost is \$50.00 / foursome. Please contact **Andy Clay** to get registered.

Remember, we are the host club this year and will need extra help. Everyone's efforts are greatly appreciated! A sign-up sheet will be posted soon.

SOBICO (Son of B*tch It's Cold Out) Bocce Ball Tournament



Feeling cooped up? Well, there's nothing better than a bit of friendly competition out on the bocce courts to break your winter depression.

Sign up for the **SOBICO (Son of a B*tch It's Cold Out) Bocce Ball Tournament** which will be held

on January 17th, 2016 (the day after the Frozen Open).

Brett Tackett will be sending our more information later at the end of the year. Be sure to mark it on your calendars!

Member Information

Birthdays

12/03	Steve Buckman	12/22	Jim Weddigen
12/06	Mac Broglin	12/24	Tom Metzger
12/07	Amy Reynolds	12/28	Les Pauly
12/11	Paul Bahlow		Robert Partridge
12/12	Ray Larson		Juan Huerta
12/13	William (Bill) Riggs	12/30	Tim Strutz
	Chris Crum		John Rosa
12/15	Keith Mc Vay	12/31	Mike Broglin
12/20	John Finnell		
12/21	Brent Daily		

* = Auxiliary

Anniversaries

12/17	David & Tracy Moore
12/20	William & Jennifer Suiter
12/23	Mark & Laurie Lundin



Please note: Members are responsible for supplying accurate information regarding birthdays/anniversaries to the Membership Chair. If you need to make updates/changes, please contact Jim Cannamela at your earliest convenience.

New Members

Please welcome our recent new members:

November

Suzy Devore

We had one new member come off probation during the month of November: **Henry Marbold III**. Congratulations, Henry! Welcome aboard.

Please remember to enter all work hours as soon as possible to ensure accurate reporting. All members who donate their valuable time should be recognized for their efforts whether you are active, probationary, or honorary. These efforts help keep our club running for all of our members to enjoy.

~Jim C., Membership Chair

OFFICERS / COMMITTEE CHAIRS

President	Mike Hessler
Vice-President	Michael Covey
Financial Secretary	Al Houser
Treasurer	Jim Copp
Recording Secretary	John Hawkins
Sargeant At Arms	William (Bill) Riggs
Board of Governors	Tom Bland
	Tom Madonia Jr.
	Jeremy Maggiore
	William Suiter Jr.
Bar	Jeff Ross
Building	Damon Cozadd
Campground	Ray Larson
Chicken Fry	Joe Teer Jr.
Dock	Steve (Mix) Altmix
Entertainment	Norman Reeves Jr.
Fish Fry	Devin Phillips
Grounds	Jeff Jones
Kitchen	Logan Clayton / Brett Isenburg
Lake Council	John Finnell / Chuck Finnell
Membership	Jim Cannamela
Newsletter	Gary Bach
Purchaser	Grant Bradley
BBQ Ribfest	Rich Marsaglia
Spooner Tournament	Kent Hammond Jr. / John Rosa

Calendars

December 2015

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		01 Membership Meeting	02	03	04	05
06	07	08 Auxiliary Meeting / Dinner	09	10	11 Bar Drawing	12 Breakfast with Santa
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25 Bar Drawing	26
27	28	29 Officers Meeting	30	31		

Hope you had a wonderful year!!! Here's a a great 2016!

