

Officer's Letters

President's Letter



I hope all of you had a warm, filling, and memorable Thanksgiving. There's a saying – you are what you eat. As if we didn't have enough turkeys running around out here already.

Our club has a lot for which to be thankful including, but not limited to:

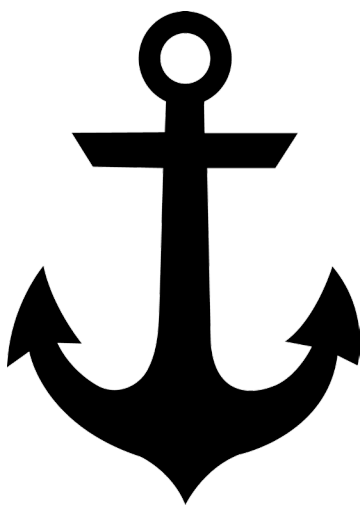
- Everyone who has stepped up to help with dinners on the Queen of Hearts drawing nights
- The Queen of Hearts drawings themselves
- Those who routinely stock the bar and coolers
- Honorary members who continue to donate work hours.

- Young and/or newer members diving into active roles

Whoever or whatever I left out – please know you are appreciated; I just don't always remember to say it like I should. As we head into December, please remember your club as a place to come together with friends for a holiday cocktail. I pray everyone enjoys a blessedly safe and happy Christmas season.

Thanks, Amy R.

Vice President's Letter



As we near this year's end, I wanted to thank all the members for their help over the past year. It has been a good year this year. We have had many successful events starting with the Frozen Open to the BBQ challenge. I appreciate everyone's hard work to make all of the events successful. Now with that being said, I would

be interested from hearing from you as to how we can continue to build upon this success. Please let me know your thoughts.

Finally, I would like to wish you and your family a Happy and Safe Holiday. And remember come out and enjoy your club.

~ Mike C.

Bar Chairman's Letter

The bar continues to be very slow in terms of sales. As everyone know the bar is a main source for revenue to fund projects and help with monthly bills. Please come out to the club and enjoy your favorite beverage and camaraderie with other club members, not to mention the drawings and functions that are part of your membership.

I also would like to mention that each member has a duty to clean up after themselves. On several occasions members that had the club rented on the following day have reported that the club was much littered with bottles, cans, and trash from the previous day or night. Please be respectful of you fellow members and parties that have the club rented after your night of fun. Beer and liquor cost continue to rise. The bar has absorbed several increases over the past year or two. I have no intentions of raising prices at this point, however I thought it necessary to let the membership be aware that this is a possibility should cost continue to escalate.

And as always, your thoughts and concerns with the bar are always welcome.

~ Jeff R.

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Auxiliary Secretary's Letter



Come out on December 1, at 6:00pm to help the Auxiliary decorate the club for the upcoming holiday season. Please bring a snack to share.

Breakfast with Santa will take place on Saturday, December 10th.

Breakfast will start at 9:00 with Santa arriving at 10:00.

Please mark your calendar, the Auxiliary is going to meet for a holiday dinner on December 13. We will send details once the date becomes closer. We plan on meeting at 6:00 and dinner to start at 6:30.

Our next meeting will take place March 14, 2017. We hope that you can join us, as we discuss the upcoming Easter Party.

Upcoming events:

December 1, 2016 - Auxiliary decorates the club for the holidays

December 10, 2016 - Breakfast with Santa

December 13, 2016 - Auxiliary Holiday Dinner

March 14, 2017 - Auxiliary Meeting

April 8, 2017 - Easter Party

~ Brenda B.

Operation Payback



The Lasagna Dinner and Auction are now history and in my mind, it was a success! So many people to thank for helping in so many ways. Thanks to the cooks of course, the servers, the money takers, those who donated and purchased items from the auction, the

bartenders, the dessert makers, everyone who helped set up and take down tables and chairs and everyone who attended. Hope I didn't miss anyone because it took many people to make this happen.

In November, we sent out 15 boxes, many of them filled with Christmas lights and decorations as were requested by the soldiers – hope these things make it

a little happier for them as they are away from their homes and families during the holidays.

There will be no more fundraisers this year and will be able to start out next year in pretty good shape financially.

Thanks again for everyone's help!

~ Mary R.

Club News

Breakfast with Santa



Don't forget! **Breakfast with Santa** will take place on Saturday, December 10th. Breakfast will start at 9:00 with Santa arriving at 10:00.

Happy Holidays!!! Looking forward to seeing you there!

Bring on the Winter Games

Typically during the winter season, we see a drop in attendance/usage of the club. While this may be expected, it would be nice to draw members (and non-members as well) out to the club during this time. Therefore, the Anchor Boat Club officers would like to ask the membership what indoor (or possibly outdoor) activities you may be interested in (i.e. what tickles your fancy) to participate in during the winter months. While we may have some restrictions from the Gaming Board on what games/activities may be allowed to play, we would love to hear all the suggestions and interest from our members.

Some ideas that have been suggested have been:

- Beer Pong
- Euchre
- Darts
- Shuffleboard

Looking forward to hearing from you all. Bring your ideas to the Membership Meeting or please contact Amy Reynolds or Mike Covey.

Frozen Open 2017



The Frozen Open will be held on **Saturday, January 14th**. This year's event will be hosted by the Aqua Club.

We will be looking for members to help with the game, bartending, and repairing & serving food. More to come!

5th Friday of the Month Happy Hour

In December, we will be hosting the 5th Friday of the Month Happy Hour. The event gives members of all Lake Springfield Clubs an opportunity to mingle and check out other participating clubs in the area.

The party starts on **Friday, December 30th** at 5:30pm.

Entertainment

While the Club is based on serving its members, we do cater to the public through a series of special events....as well as offering rental of the Club's facilities to the public. We would love to see more use of the Club's facilities which includes: Bar, Kitchen, Patio, Reception Area, Gaming Machines, Music, TVs. etc.

If you know any person or parties that may be interested in renting our facilities for weddings, business meetings, reunions, birthday parties, etc., please have them contact Entertainment Chair Norm Reeves.

Cash Register Sales



Notice to members: PLEASE make sure to accurately ring your sales

in the cash register machine (*even if it takes a little bit of extra time to do so, please do*). Your help would be greatly appreciated!



Member Information

Birthdays

12/01	Ursula Bahlow *	12/28	Les Pauly
12/03	Steve Buckman		Robert Partridge
12/06	Mac Broglin		Juan Huerta
12/07	Amy Reynolds	12/30	Tim Strutz
12/11	Paul Bahlow		John Rosa
12/12	Ray Larson	12/31	Mike Broglin
12/13	William (Bill) Riggs		
	Chris Crum		
12/15	Keith McVay		
12/20	John Finnell		
12/21	Brent Daily		

* = Auxiliary

Anniversaries

12/14	Chris & Stephanie Wilson
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

We have no new members for November.

We also have no members coming off probation in November.

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	Amy Reynolds
Vice-President	Mike Covey
Financial Secretary	John Hawkins
Treasurer	Jim Copp
Recording Secretary	Tammy Hovey
Sargeant At Arms	Zach Spraezt
Board of Governors	Tom Madonia Jr.
	Jeff Jones
	Jeremy Maggiore
	William Suiter Jr.
Bar	Jeff Ross
Building	Mike Broglin
Campground	SJ Martin
Chicken Fry	Joe Teer Jr.
Dock	Steve (Mix) Altmix
Entertainment	Norman Reeves Jr.
Fish Fry	Devin Phillips
Grounds	Ray Larson
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	Ken Tuebner / John Finnell

Calendars

December 2016

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				01	02	03
04	05	06 Membership Meeting	07	08	09 Queen of Hearts Drawing	10 Breakfast with Santa
11	12	13 Auxiliary Holiday Dinner	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23 Queen of Hearts Drawing	24 Christmas Eve
25 Christmas Day	26	27 Officers Meeting	28	29	30 5th Friday of the Month Happy Hour	31 New Year's Eve



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