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# SYC Currents

A publication of the Susquehanna Yacht Club  
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**Commodore:** Penn Lemmonds  
**Vice Commodore:** Tom Dexter  
**Rear Commodore:** Bill Remorenko

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**Secretary:** Dennis J. Voulopos  
**Past Commodore:** Laura Lex

**SYC Web Site:** <http://syc-pa.us>

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## Hello Skippers and Mates...

### "Commodore's Greeting"



### Greetings from your new Commodore for 2008!

You may have read in last month's Currents, Rick Faust unexpectedly resigned his position as Commodore for 2008. Since the 2008 Flag Officer terms had not started at the time of Rick's resignation as Commodore elect, the Board of Governors determined that the SYC Constitution requires that we have a new election of Flag Officers for 2008. For those who missed the January meeting and the re-election, the results were Penn Lemmonds, Commodore; Tom Dexter, Vice Commodore; and Bill Remorenko, Rear Commodore.

Kim Bonawitz, our new Social Committee Chairperson, and others have been busy planning our social events for the coming year. Entertainment and caterers have already been contacted and booked. Arrangements are being made for lead coordinators for each event and, as always, we need volunteers to assist. If you have not already signed up or been contacted, I encourage you to call Kim and get involved. We would particularly like to have some of our newer members participate in making these events successful.

Please mark your calendar with the events listed in this issue of Currents. There is one change from our last issue. The new members' brunch has been moved from May 10 to May 17 to avoid conflict with Mothers' Day weekend.

When you visit the club you may see that some changes are underway or in the planning process. George Bonawitz has a number of items on the agenda for the clubhouse this year. These include curtains and new carpeting in the porch area. George also is planning to replace or repair several items in the kitchen. In addition, we have received quotes for replacing the clubhouse roof prior to Docks and Harbors Day.

A major project to replace the eroding and crumbling seawall in the drysail area is in the planning stages. A committee led by Carol Park has been formed to design the new seawall, get quotes from potential contractors, and obtain the appropriate permits for us to begin construction.

SYC is looking for a Grounds Committee Chairperson to replace Gary Hoffer who has moved to Virginia. Gary has been instrumental in implementing many of the club grounds improvements over the past several years and his contributions to the club are greatly appreciated. Anyone interested in volunteering to serve the club in this position should contact one of the club officers.

I look forward to seeing you on March 29 at Change of Watch which will be our first social event of the year.

*Penn Lemmonds, Vice Commodore*

## Schedule of Events - 2008

Feb. 17	SYC Board Meeting	Sunday 2:00PM	July 19	Lightning Team Race	Sat/Sun 9:00 AM
Mar. 16	SYC Board Meeting	Sunday 2:00PM	July 26	Commodore's Party	Saturday 5:00PM
Mar. 29	Change of Watch	Saturday 5:00PM	Aug. 2	Sweet Corn Regatta	Sat/Sun 9:00AM
April 5	Anchor Inspection Day	Saturday 9:00AM	Aug. 9	Corn Roast	Saturday 5:00PM
April 17	Waterline Day	Thursday 9:00AM	Aug. 16	Four Diamonds	Saturday 10:00AM
April 17	SYC Board Meeting	Thursday 7:00PM	Aug. 21	SYC Board Meeting	Thursday 7:00PM
April 19	Docks and Harbor	Saturday 8:00AM	Aug. 30	Labor Day Picnic	Saturday 5:00PM
May 17	New Member Brunch	Saturday 10:00AM	Sept. 18	SYC Board Meeting	Thursday 7:00PM
May 15	SYC Board Meeting	Thursday 7:00PM	Oct. 16	SYC Board Meeting	Thursday 7:00PM
June 7	Steak Roast	Saturday 5:00PM	Oct. 25	Oktoberfest/Gov Cup	Saturday 5:00PM
June 28	Junior Sailing Day	Saturday 9:00AM	Oct. 30	Waterline Day	Thursday 9:00AM
June 19	SYC Board Meeting	Thursday 7:00PM	Nov. 1	Docks and Harbor	Saturday 8:00AM
July 5	Pig Roast	Saturday 5:00PM	Nov. 20	SYC Board Meeting (Election Night)	Thursday 7:00PM
July 12	Junior Sailing Day	Saturday 9:00AM	Dec. 6	Christmas Party	Sunday 4:00PM
July 17	SYC Board Meeting	Thursday 7:00PM			

## **Bulkhead Project Update as of January 28, 2008**

For anyone that has used the hoists in the Drysail area, you know that things could be better. Currently there are ankle twisting holes along the seawall, a stone wall that is crumbling, a steel wall that is slowly toppling toward the River, a South Hoist pad that's too high above a launched boat to safely climb aboard, and a North Hoist that takes 3 people to handle a sailboat and push a filled trailer uphill away from the River. Changes are needed.

Over the years the concrete along the bulkhead has been patched numerous times. Each patch provides 8-10 years of service before a patch on a patch is required. It's time to do it right.

This project will create a new, solid, uniform, and clean-design Seawall that will last 50+ years. The plan includes integrated dock attachments, hoists, and utilities to optimize the Seawall's functionality and flexibility for members safety and enjoyment. Improvements are coming.

**Project Team:** Carol Park (Project Leader), Ron Boyer (Drysail Chair), Tom Dexter (Vice Commodore), Ken Kuzdro (Civil Engineer) and Star Mikell (Board member)

### **Tasks Completed:**

1. Met with "Drysailers". Mike Wertz presented photos and general notes about some proposed design issues at the Fall Docks-n-Harbors. Good discussion and input.
2. Deeds have been reviewed (there are four deeds) and as late as 1960 the property corners are defined as a rock's location, part of the towpath, or elder tree. We have 250 feet of water front without definitive end points. To more clearly define our property boundaries, the Board has approved the engagement of a professional Surveyor. This step is important for the Seawall Project, but also to make sure our southern neighbor isn't encroaching onto SYC property (or vice versa).
3. The Team has met several times and continues to move the Project design forward.

### **To Do – Spring 2008:**

1. Start the Permitting Process. The Army Corp of Engineers will have to review and approve the Project. A draft document and design will be done soon so that a preliminary review can be scheduled during March.
2. After our property corners are established, a detailed plan will be drawn and a Bid Document will be created so that three contractors can competitively bid the Project by June.

**Overall:** We will hope to install the new Seawall in early November 2008.

# The Susquehanna Yacht Club's 2008 CHANGE OF WATCH

**Saturday, March 29, 2008**

- 17:00 *Social Hour*
- 18:00 *Invocation*
- 18:35 *Dinner - Catering by Rettew's*
- 19:30 *Change of Watch Ceremony & Swearing In of Officers by  
Past Commodore Gene Schenck*
- 20:00 *Music and Dancing with Randy Bupp's DJ Service*



## Menu

**Hors d'oeuvres:** *Domestic Cheese Board, Tomato Bruschetta, and Baked Creamy Crab Dip*

**Buffet Dinner:** *Mesclun Greens  
Roasted Salmon Filet  
Sliced Eye Round of Beef in a Burgundy Demi-Glaze  
Garlic and Herb Roasted Redskin Potatoes  
Sautee of Crispy Fresh Vegetables  
Fresh baked European rolls with butter*

**Desserts:** *Cake*

**Complimentary Drinks & Coffee**

**Dancing, Music and Fun!!!**

The pleasure of your company is requested at this gala to launch the  
2008 SYC Boating Season

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

# of Adults: \_\_\_\_\_ X \$27.50 = \_\_\_\_\_  
# of Children 12 + under: \_\_\_\_\_ X \$12.50 = \_\_\_\_\_  
Total = \_\_\_\_\_

Make checks payable to SYC

**Please respond by Wednesday March 19, 2007**

Reservations postmarked after March 19 will not be accepted

**Send to:**

Kim Bonawitz  
206 Wyndham Court  
Harrisburg, PA 17109-5582

## **2008 Membership Fees due by Feb 15th**

Just a reminder that the 2008 SYC membership and club fees are due by February 15th. Any questions or concerns should be addressed to the treasurer. **All membership and club fees should be forwarded to the SYC treasurer at:**

**Susquehanna Yacht Club  
Jim Holtzinger, Treasurer  
P.O. Box 624  
Dillsburg, PA 17019-0624**

Also, please remember when returning your 2008 membership renewals that on Feb. 15<sup>th</sup> a list of all changes/addition requests for boat storage (Riverside and Drysail), trailer/camper spaces, harbor moorings, dinghy space and lockers will be updated by seniority if postmarked by this date. Please submit these changes with your dues payment. If received later than this date, then the request will be added to the list in order of postmark, not seniority.