



The Blinker



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From the Commodore

Fall has officially arrived but the club remains open for the Grille Room every Friday and Saturday evening through Saturday November 1 from 6-9 pm. Sunday, October 12th the Dining room will open for Italian Night with Tony Sands. Chef Al has an exiting menu planned for the last evening in the dining room. Please make your reservations at the office.

Although the Grille Room is open Friday & Saturday during the fall, the club office remains open Tuesday through Saturday throughout the fall, winter and spring to serve you. If you are looking for end of season specials from our ship's store, please stop in. If you are planning a special gathering or party, think about the club for your catering needs, or better yet, have the special occasion at the club.

At the annual Proprietary Meeting held on Labor Day, the Proprietary Members approved a update to our Mission Statement, a cost of living dues increase of \$35 from \$1,090 to \$1,125 for our upcoming 2009 season, and a \$80,000 expenditure to enclose the covered portion of the Grille Room deck for a bar and to connect the Grille Room deck to the Regatta Bar Deck.

I am exhausted just thinking about all of the activities and committees here at the Club. Given the limited space and short summer season it is a challenge to balance and juggle the needs of so many activities and events. The most rewarding aspect of my experience of being your Commodore is the open willingness of our members to volunteer their time. Pattie Ann & I are overwhelmed with the enthusiastic can do attitude. This year would not have been possible without the hundreds of volunteers to plan, promote, organize, execute and run so many events and activities. Many of the volunteers have been helping for many years. **Pattie Ann & I thank all of you.** Because of you, the volunteer members, we are the premiere Yacht Club in South Jersey!

This is my last Blinker, as the passing of the flags occurs on October 31. Please join me in wishing the best of seasons to our incoming Commodore **David Johnson** and his wife **Joanna** as they are already busy planning for our 2009 season. Dave & Joanna are supported by incoming Vice Commodore **John Hueser** and his wife **Judy** and by incoming Rear Commodore **Terry Wochok** and his wife **Judi**.

In closing, as Pattie Ann and I are put out to pasture, we will soon become part of the problem and not the solution. You will not have to put up with my corny jokes and long-winded Blinkers any more. Pattie Ann & I thank you for all of your support and encouragement. We had a fantastic experience and we cherish the many new friends we have met over the last three years. Pattie Ann & I look forward to the years to come here at the Yacht Club of Stone Harbor.

Bill Larkin, Jr., Commodore



Coming Events

Every Friday & Saturday - **Grille Room open for dinner, 6 - 9 pm through Saturday, November 1**

Wednesday, Oct 22 - **Dinner at the Union League, 6 pm.**

Sunday, Oct. 12 - **Italian Night with Tony Sands, 5:30 - 8 pm.**

Friday, November 28 - **Family Rock 'n Roll Night with the Flamin Caucasians, 5 - 8 pm.**

Saturday, November 29 - **Family Holiday Party with Santa, 11:30 am - 2 pm.**



Miner's Gems



Hello YCSH Members,

The fall season trudges on with wet and windy weather. Our Grille Room weekends continue to be very busy and we are feeding and pleasing many members and guests.

As the end of October approaches, we are in the midst of planning for the start of our new year and a new season with Commodore Johnson and his wife Joanna.

That brings to mind how great this past season was and what a pleasure it was to work with Commodore Larkin and his first wife Patti Ann. The staff and I always knew that we had full support from them and they were always there for the physical work also.

I would like to thank Bill and Pattie Ann for a great season and everything they have done and continue to do for me, the staff and the club.

In the upcoming weekends we will remain open on Fridays and Saturdays. Sunday October 12th is our annual Oktoberfest dinner. We have changed the tradition this year and in honor of Columbus being of Italian ancestry, the dinner will be Italian specials. The entertainment will be provided by the return of Tony Sands the Frank Sinatra impersonator. Chef Al, Nancy Hart and their staff will ensure an excellent night of service and dining. Take advantage of the long weekend and hopefully dry weather to come to the beach and relax.

Be sure to make your family reservations now for the Thanksgiving weekend of festivities. Friday night we will be doing our annual Family Rock 'n Roll night with the Flaming Caucasians. On Saturday we will be welcoming Santa back to the building with Lunch with Santa, all kids will receive a small gift from Santa. After lunch Santa is expected at the annual Stone Harbor Christmas parade on 96th street, the theme this year is "The Polar Express" and as usual the YCSH will be entering a float in the parade. We are taking reservations now; please don't wait until the last minute.

See you at the Club

Peter Miner, General Manager



YCSH invited to a Union League Event

All members are invited to attend Tall Tales, Lies, and Great Adventures dinner at the Union League of Philadelphia on Wednesday, October 22 at 6 pm. Yacht club members will be challenging each other with outrageous stories. YCSH members are invited to join in with no story lasting more than 5 minutes. This is a great way for people to get to know each other.

Menu includes Butlered Hors d'oeuvres: Baked Brie with Raspberry, Coconut Chicken Tenderloin with Mango dipping sauce; Dinner Salad Baby Arugula and Spinach with Crumbled Stilton Cheese, toasted walnuts, maple Vinaigrette; Entrée: Baked Breast of Chicken Wellington, Exotic Mushrooms, Mushroom Demi-Glace, Dauphine Potatoes, Asparagus Bundles; Dessert: Apple Pie a la Mode. The cost is \$55 inclusive of tax and gratuities with a cash bar. Cocktails are at 6 pm. For reservations call Ann Markowitz at 215 587 5587, and let her know that you are from the YCSH and set up a credit card account.

As part of our reciprocal agreement with other Yacht Clubs, we will be hosting the Union League Sailing Team next summer on July 11 and 12 for Swing Night on Saturday and a Poker Cruise on Sunday. Call Joanna Johnson if you have any questions.



Texas Holdem Poker

Ed Geiger reports that the first YCSH Texas Holdem Night was a huge success. A good time was had by all, and the consensus was to do this on a regular basis next season. So use the winter to sharpen your skills, and watch for a schedule in next spring's Blinkers.



Blinker Schedule

<u>Deadline for Articles</u>	<u>Issue Date</u>
Wednesday, Oct 29	November 5
<u>Next Season</u>	
March 25, 2009	April 1, 2009
April 29, 2009	May 6, 2009

The deadline for each issue is 5 pm on the Wednesday before Issue Date. Please e-mail your copy to me at blinker@ycsh.org to work out getting me your copy.

Ron Workman, Blinker Editor



Tuesday Bridge

We are still playing on Tuesday morning in the Grille Room at 10 am, and plan to play as long as there is interest.

Winners on August 26 were High score Marcia Beckwith, the Two Prize Tom Falgiatore. On September 2 High Score Don Armento and Two Prize Bernie Curley. September 9 High Score Nancy Frank and Two Prize Tom Falgiatore. On September 16 High Score Mattie Mehl and Two Prize Sue Douglas. On September 23 High Score Jane Scott and Two Prize Peg Dever.

Wednesday Night Duplicate

It was a great summer for Wednesday Night Duplicate. The winners on August 27 were: N/S, 1. Diana & Phil Comerford; 2. Peggy Stabert & Alan Kaplan; 3. Fred Beisel & Kay Wade; 4. Peggy & Ernie Hutchinson; E/W, 1. Carol & Walt Wagner; 2. Betty Coyle & Betty Larkin; 3. Ruthann Burman & Dianna Duggan; 4. Ann & Frank Dalton. Forty four players and guests enjoyed a delicious banquet dinner prepared by Chef Al and staff.

Sunday Night Bridge

The last Sunday bridge was August 31 with lots of winners and ties. First place were Ernie & Peggy Hutchinson, Second place was a tie Diana Duggan & Bill Beckwith and Barbara & John Chatham, Third place was another tie Nana & John Reber, and Tom Falgiatore & Marcia Beckwith. See you in the Spring. Have a good winter. Marcia Beckwith and Jeanne Falgiatore



Yearbooks Needed

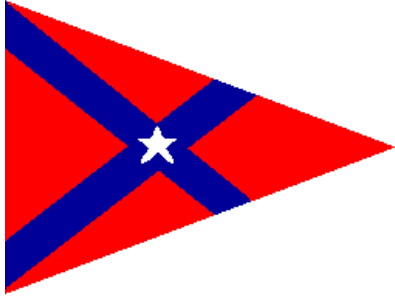
The following YCSH Yearbooks are missing from the Stone Harbor Museum: 1953 thru 1958 and 1961 thru 1964, for a total of 10 yearbooks.

If anyone has any or all of these issues and would like to donate them to the museum, please contact Bob Herd jrherd3@verizon.net to arrange pickup and delivery to the Museum.



Optimist Sailboat for Sale

A good beginner's sailboat including sail # 3797 and blades. We are asking \$600, and can store the boat until spring. Call Elizabeth Griffin with questions.



Ship's Store **Call for ideas**

We'd like to hear any requests for suggestions for the ship's store for next year. If you have any requests or suggestions for next year's ship's store, please contact Janice O'Neil at janice0506@comcast.net, Joanna Johnson at jojmd66@hotmail.com or Lorraine Matalucci at the Club office.



New Year's Eve Celebration with **Avalon Yacht Club**

This will be the second joint celebration with the Avalon Yacht Club and will be held at AYC. Trolley service will begin at 7:15 pm from YCSH. Cocktails, hors d'oeuvres and a hot and cold Seafood Bar will start the evening off at 8 pm, with a Surf and Turf dinner served at 9 pm. There will be an open bar all night, with live music for dancing by Del's Groove. Cost is \$140 per person. Reservations will be accepted starting October 31st.

Any questions call Judy Hueser.



A Message of Thanks

To my fellow members of the YCSH:

At the Labor Day meeting of the Proprietary Members, I gave a report on the work your Board of Trustees has done and accomplished in the past few years. I told the membership how good I feel about what the Board has done for you and for our hard working Flag Officers and their spouses, citing many examples.

I also stated that I would not accept a nomination for a 4th year as Chairman of your Board, feeling that after 3 years it is time for someone else to take over.

Please join me in your strong support for and assistance to the newly elected Chairman of the Board of Trustees, Past Commodore Roy Williams.

And thank you all for your past help and continuing support of your Board of Trustees.

Jay Corrigan, PC, Past Chairman, Board of Trustees.