



The Blinker



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From the Commodore

Judy and I cordially invite you to the official opening of the Yacht Club of Stone Harbor's 81st season on May 29 for the **Flag Raising Ceremony**. This event is always held on the Memorial Day weekend, the "unofficial" start of summer at Jersey shore. Other events on Saturday are a **New Members Orientation** chaired by **Janis Abraham** and a **Photography Committee** meeting led by **Scott Jarden**. The photography committee needs volunteer members to take pictures around the club and at events to provide material for the yearbook.

Also part of the Memorial Day holiday will be a **Family BBQ** with DJ on Sunday evening and on Monday at noon the club will participate in the **Stone Harbor Parade** thanks to the efforts of **Past Commodore Bob McNeill** and a contingent of Past Commodores. The parade and ceremony following at the 96th street beach will honor the men and women in the armed forces who have made the ultimate sacrifice for all of us. American Legion Post 331 will have an open house after the ceremony at their historic building at 117th Street and 2nd Avenue.

Please take the time to stop by the club during the weekend to pick up your copy of the 2010 Yearbook and the Quad Fold list of the season's events. We thank **Patty and Bill Stump** for editing this edition, which was completed digitally for the first time.

The first of the season "**Wings 'n' Things**" will be held on Thursday May 27 at 7 pm. The grille room will then be open on Thursday nights for the season.

The **Golf Tournament** registration will be held on June 10 with the awards banquet on June 11. **Jack Shields and Mike Riener** have pulled out the stops to make this event open to more golfers. Unfortunately, Tiger will not be able to attend but Bill Larkin will be there.

Save the Date! The annual **Women's Organizational Tea** will be held June 24. Great chance to find out what will be happening this season in the "most happening place" on Seven Mile Island...your Yacht Club!

The club communicates with members via this publication, our website at www.ycsh.org and by the weekly club wide e-mail "**News from the Yacht Club of Stone Harbor**" If you are not receiving this newsletter, please call the office.

John F. Hueser
Commodore



A "Celebration of Life" in honor of Past Commodore Harry W. "Duke" Wear

Friends of Past Commodore ('92) Duke Wear are cordially invited to attend a "Celebration of Life" in his honor, on Sunday, June 6th, from 4 - 6 pm at the Yacht Club of Stone Harbor. The Celebration will be hosted by his son Doug & by his granddaughter Stephanie.

As Duke was a retired Air Force Lt Colonel, the Celebration will begin in front of the club with an Air Force Honor Guard from McGuire AFB, so your attendance by 3:45 pm would be appreciated by his family. Slides highlighting Duke's life and cocktails and hors d'oeuvres will follow.

Please RSVP by May 30th to club manager Peter Miner (pminer@ycsh.org) or call the office at 609 368-1201.



Coming Events

Every Friday & Saturday Night - **Grille Room opens at 6 pm**

Saturday, May 22 - Flying Scot Spring Clinic - 10 am.

Thursday, May 27 - First Wings 'n' Things, 7 pm, then every Thursday evening

Saturday, May 29
New Members Meeting, 10 am
Photography Committee Meeting, 11:30 am

Thursday June 10 - Golf Tournament registration

Friday June 11 - Golf Tournament

Wednesday, June 16 - First Duplicate Bridge, 7 pm

Thursday, June 17 - First Contract Bridge, 7:30 pm

Friday, June 18 - First Book Club, 10:30 am

Saturday, June 19 - N J Boating Safety Course, 8 am

Sunday, June 27 - First Sunday Night Bridge, 7:30 pm

Tuesday, June 29 - First Fitness Class, 8:30 am



On the Water

We are committed to safety at YCSH, on and off the water, therefore, a **N.J. Boating Safety Course** will be held at the club on Saturday, June

19 at 8 am.

Vessel Safety Check/Inspection has been scheduled for Saturday, July 10 between 10 am and 2 pm. USCGA Flotilla 86 will handle these events. Call the office for details.



Miner's Gems



Hello YCSH Members:

Unbelievable. I thought I just wrote my last article last week. Time is flying by and we get busier each week and the weather gets a little warmer. The club is constantly buzzing with activity, be it a wedding, a club event or a sailing clinic. There is always something going on here, and its only May.

With Memorial Day Weekend next weekend, unofficial summer is here. But as the tradition goes, Flag Raising is the OFFICIAL start to summer for most clubs, including ours. The Flag goes up on Saturday May 29th and the summer calendar begins. Commodore John Hueser & his wife Judy have a very busy agenda prepared for the whole family. But before Flag Raising, we are open; it's no secret that we have been open all winter long on Fridays and Saturdays. That continues, but this year we have added Thursday of Memorial Day weekend as our first WING 🍷 night, and each Thursday thereafter. Our summer quad fold should be here soon from the printer; we will keep you posted on that. Please check the blinker for Golf outing details. This years event has a few new twists which may entice you to get involved. FOURRR!!!

Last month Patrice Davis gave you a brief article on her duties and responsibilities here at the club. This issue has something from Chef Michael Blaszczyk, so be sure to check it out.

See you at the Club

Peter Miner, General Manager



From Chef Blaze

I can't believe a year has passed since I came aboard here at the club! I have been made to feel at home here from day one, both by the staff and the members, and I thank you for that.

For those of you whom I have not yet met, let me tell you a little about myself. I am the proud father of two wonderful children: My son Ryan is a Rutgers graduate who started 3 years for the football team (captain his senior year) who is now trying to make it in the NFL; My daughter Brittany recently completed her studies in entertainment management and is looking forward to starting her career in California.

I am a graduate of The Culinary Institute of America class of '83. I started my career at The Garden in Philadelphia and worked at many fine-dining restaurants in the city and on the mainline. Throughout the years I have been blessed with great staffs which lead to many Best Of Awards and high Zagat ratings, but that's enough about me.

I look forward to working with GM Peter and Dining Room Manager Nancy to make your dining experience here both exciting and memorable. I hope to satisfy all of your requests by including gluten-free vegetarian and health conscious dinners in the dining room and grille room menus. If you want to give me any input, please e-mail me at chefblaze@ycsh.org. I will supply the members with the freshest, highest quality products, all prepared in innovative ways. Thank you for giving me this opportunity and I look forward to getting to know all of you!

Michael Blaszczyk, Executive Chef



Blinker Deadlines for This Season

<u>Deadline for Articles</u>	<u>Issue Dates</u>
June 2	June 9
June 23	June 30
July 14	July 21

The deadline for each issue is 5 pm on the Wednesday before Issue Date. The Blinker is published every 3 weeks once the season begins. Please e-mail your copy to me at blinker@ycsh.org or call me at 215-702-7041 to work out getting me your copy.

Ron Workman, Blinker Editor

First Duplicate Bridge Game

Will be held June 16 at 7 pm. If dinner is available that night, please make an early reservation so that bridge can begin promptly. Call Kay Wade at 368-1586 if you intend to play.

Tuesday Morning Bridge

On Tuesday May 11 winner of the two prize was Tom Falgiatore and the Top Prize went to Jane Scott. Come out to play every Tuesday morning at 10 am. You can find us either in the Grille Room or the Alcove. This is a fun game and you can come with or without a partner. Any Questions call either Claire Taylor or Jeanne Falgiatore

Sunday Night Bridge

June 27 at 7:30 pm is a date to mark on your calendar. It's the first Sunday night Bridge of the season. Marcia and I will be looking for you. No partner is necessary. Have dinner at the club and then stay for bridge. Any questions call Marcia Beckwith or Jeanne Falgiatore.

Contract Bridge

Please join us for the first Contract Bridge game on Thursday, June 17. Come as a couple or come alone. No reservations required. We start playing at 7:30 pm, allowing time for dinner before if desired. It's always a great group and we have lots of fun. Any questions, please call Barbara or John Chatham at 967-8409 or June or Lee Duncan at 368-3734.



Fitness Classes are Back

We're starting on Tuesday, June 29! Mark your calendars!

Classes will be held in the Dining Room from 8:30-9:30 am on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays and will be taught once again by Carol Matthews from Island Aerobics.

Classes will have something for everyone - aerobics, step, matwork, arms and abs and "Zoomba". All ages and fitness levels are welcome. Bring a mat and light weights.

Cost remains at \$7 per class and will be charged to your YCSH account.

Any questions? Contact Jane Wilson at janewilson03@comcast.net or 610-405-4874 or Pattie Ann Larkin at larkinpl@comcast.net.

New Members Meeting

The Membership Committee cordially invites all new members to join us on Saturday, May 29 at 10 am for an Orientation Meeting. The 2010 Flag Officers, Trustees and Key Staff Members will be there to present an overview of our club and this season's activities, and to lead tours of the club. Dress is casual and children are welcome. Please RSVP to Janis Abraham at janisabe@gmail.com or to the club at 609-368-1201.

Boat Slip Available

Erik Zapf has two deep water boat slips for rent in Stone Harbor Manor. One large and one

normal size. Each \$1,500 for a long season. The slips are only a few minutes boat travel from the Yacht Club. Please call Erik's cell phone at 215-990-7759.



Golf Tournament

The Yacht Club of Stone Harbor will hold our annual gala golf tournament on Friday June 11 at the Avalon Golf Club. So get your foursome together or register individually soon. Registration forms will be available via mail and the club wide e-mailing. Look for details on the fabulous Chinese Auction and the new optional Nine Hole event. Questions call Jack Shields @ 215-460-6852 or Mike Riener @ 610-639-1075.



Attention All Photographers!

The Photo Committee will be meeting at the club on May 29th at 11:30 am. We need volunteers to contribute shots from various events held throughout the season. No experience is needed and no fancy cameras required. Just share your photos taken around the club. If you have helped us in the past, please attend our meeting and if you haven't and would like to get involved please plan on joining the fun.

Scott Jarden, chair



Book Discussion Group

First Meeting will be Friday, June 18 at 10:30 am
"Olive Kitteridge" by Elizabeth Straut

Friday, July 16
"Mudbound" by Hillary Jordon

Friday, August 20
"A Hotel on the corner of Bitter and Sweet" by
Janie Ford

The Atlantic Bookshop on 96th Street will stock each selection. Mention the YCSH to receive our discount. Call Jean Hepke at 610-644-7814 if you have any questions.



Greeters

We thank the following members for volunteering to work as Greeters, our ambassadors around the club.

William & Nancy Coyle, Marian & James Cantwell, Jill & Paul Dooling, Jack & Sally Fitzsimmons, George & Diane Green, Joe & Karin Hampel, John Hart, Melanie Hopkins, Adam & Sheree Lantz, Martin & Mary Lukacs, Greg & Jennifer McClure, Charles & Marguerite Ramsey, Debra & Lou Ricci, Akbar & Sally Samii, Peggy & Alan Stabert, Richard & Claire Taylor, Pat & Meghan Whipkey, Ron & Ruth Workman.

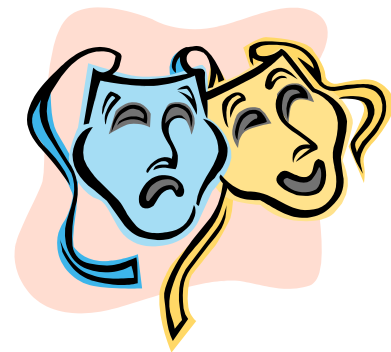
Peggy and Barry Grass, Chairs



Ladies Organizational Tea

The Ladies Organizational Tea will be held on Thursday, June 24, 2010 from 3-5 pm. I really need lively, talented and hard working women to help me, so please see me at the club starting May 14 or call me at 368-1655. Can't wait to see you!

Carol Wagner, chair



Broadway Trip

La Cage aux Folles musical revival has been nominated for 14 Tony Awards. Join us on July 21st when we attend. Cost: Orchestra \$175, Rear Balcony \$105. Price includes deluxe bus transportation, lunch in the theater district and play ticket. Please call or email the office to reserve your place!