

# *Buckeye Lake Yacht Club*



## *Program*

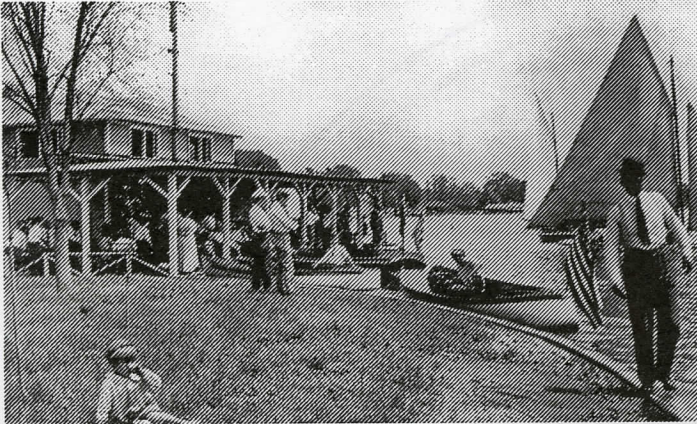
**A Gala Celebration  
A Weekend to Remember  
July 26, 27 and 28, 1996**



# "The Way We Were"

## *The Founding Of Buckeye Lake Yacht Club*

*Condensed from Commodore Kyle Armstrong's  
"The Story Of Buckeye Lake Yacht Club"  
by Comm. Frank H. Foster, Historian*



Before the settlers arrived, the big swamp about 30 miles east of the future site of the City of Columbus, was filled with a variety of wetland plant and animal life. Soon after the settlers began to arrive in the early 1800's, they began constructing canals for transporting their products to market. Canals needed water storage reservoirs and the big swamp provided a site. So embankments were built to hold the water which became known as the Licking Reservoir. The canals and their adjacent tow paths were constructed, entering from the north at Sellers Point and extending both to the east, along the north bank to Thornport, and to the southwest through Millersport.

However, as the railroads began replacing canals, the Licking Reservoir deteriorated. About 1876 the first railroad came to the Licking Reservoir, bringing ever increasing numbers of fishermen. In the mid-1890's, the last canal boat passed through and sensing the change, the state legislature reserved the Licking Reservoir as a public park to be known as Buckeye Lake, thanks in large part to the efforts of George H. Watkins, former canal superintendent and new president of the State Board of Public Works. Such minor improvements as could be made without significantly lowering the waters were done. Considerable areas had been cleared of dead and live vegetation down to various water levels, channels formed and some fair size basins were created, interspersed among large island-like, still unmappable areas which made these areas somewhat safer for boating, especially during high water. To some, the arrival of Dell Fisher's steamboats in 1896 and then the new fangled, noisy little "stinkpots", moving faster than a buggy horse can trot, were a desecration of this long time fisherman's paradise. There were also a variety of people in boats with sails.

On April 24, 1906 about forty, out of the hundred or so people who were invited, met in Columbus to form an as yet unnamed yacht club at Buckeye Lake.

The next day all of the Columbus papers announced that

yachtsmen were meeting to form a club. Recognizing the long-standing rivalry between the cities of Toledo and Columbus, two days later the Toledo press reported that the formation of a yacht club in the Columbus area would permit competition to extend to the sport of yachting. They reported that the members of the Toledo Yacht Club would ship water to the capital city during the late summer months so that the yachtsmen could continue their sport.

In preparation for the meeting, the leaders had contacted a past commodore of the Maumee River Yacht Club who sent them copies of his club's constitution and by-laws and an Interlake Yachting Association "Manual". The group elected officers and a board and formed a committee to draft a constitution and by-laws and another one to propose a club name and design a flag. Fifteen of the forty who attended participated in organizing the club.

Eleven days later, Sunday, May 6, 11:00 A.M., on Orchard Island, was to be the time of the first club meeting. In the interim eleven days, the original fifteen sought to increase membership. They prepared news releases announcing the meeting, and made arrangements for transportation of the expected crowd and for feeding and refreshing it on Orchard Island. The press repeatedly carried prominent stories of the upcoming meeting, including an invitation for attendance by all persons interested, whether or not they were members. By meeting day, May 6, the club membership had grown to forty and aboard members' boats about sixty members and prospects found their way to Orchard Island. At the meeting a constitution and by-laws were adopted, including the new club name "Buckeye Lake Yacht Club". A club flag and emblem were adopted, but a few years later new ones were adopted along more traditional designs. Only boat owners were eligible to be flag officers. Annual dues were \$4.00 and the initiation fee was \$2.00. With the formation of the new club the term Licking Reservoir was soon replaced with the name Buckeye Lake.



On Memorial Day, 1906, BLYC held its first event. Columbus participants arose at 7:00 to catch the interurban arriving at the lake at 8:30. They were ferried over to Orchard Island and readied the boats for the day's activities.



At 9:30 A.M. most of the club's forty craft, gaily decorated with flags and bunting, loaded to gunwales with members, relatives, and guests in holiday attire and spirits, moved in line around the middle basin of Buckeye Lake with power boats pulling sailboats, leaving Orchard Island nearly deserted. Fanfare of gunfire from one of the leading boats announced their progress. A surprising number of spectators were attracted to the waters edge. After the parade was over participants and spectators on the island and the main shores were alerted to the beginning of a race by periodic cannon fire. With a smoke belch from the muzzle in the last of such blasts, twenty-three of the club's thirty-four one-lunged, torpedo-type, Mullin steel boats, and others of a similar nature, started across the starting line. It was a free for all over a two mile course to aid in determining handicaps for subsequent races. Only boats finishing this race would qualify for entrance in the main power event to follow, and less than half finished.

The main cup race for power craft started nearly an hour late due chiefly to handicapping computations. Eleven boats took to the course, westward from Orchard Island. The first boat made it in 59 minutes and 47 seconds.

The "Sail Yacht Race" started at 3:20. Guns again announced the beginning of the race. The wind freshened. One crew fell over and amid shouts from the island and the main shores managed to scramble aboard again. Then a mast snapped and one boat of the six starting sailboats was out of the race. Another turned over, her skipper resting on the center board until a club powerboat came to the rescue. A third boat, manned by three sailors, appeared to be weathering the young gale without difficulty when the main sheet fouled and wouldn't come free under a knock down, over she went. A schooner, sailed by a crew from Buckeye Boat Club, reconsidered the weather and pulled out of the race at the end of the first lap. The three remaining contestants all won trophies.

On July 17, 1906, state officials, including George H. Watkins, President of the Board of Public Works, escorted by the commodore and secretary of BLYC and others, arrived to inspect the lake. They were transported across the lake for dinner at the Lake Tourist Hotel. Then they explored the lake in smaller boats. Improvement in the lake for recreational purposes was needed and urged by the yachtsmen. Others sought permission to drill oil wells on state and private land and run an oil pipeline through the lake. As a result of the visit to the lake, the oil well proposal was rejected and effective temporary repairs were made to the locks, waste-weir and at critical places along the embankments to retard lowering of the lake's level in the late summer. Further, "great improvements" were publicly promised by the state authorities.

Independence and Labor Day Regattas were held off Shell Beach at the lake. Sailboats raced according to established handicaps. Power boats raced by class and class winners contended for the challenge cup on a handicap basis.

By September of 1906 there were forty-nine members from Columbus, twenty-six from Newark and eight from the surrounding area. Forty-eight members owned one or more or were part owners of forty-nine boats, thirty-four power and fifteen sail.

The first "annual meeting" was held at the Lake Tourist Hotel on September 23, 1906. A committee was appointed to "draw up plans for a club house, to look for a suitable site, and secure estimates of costs of building".

In December, 1906, a group from BLYC barged in on the fall meeting of the Interlake Yachting Association in Toledo applying for membership of BLYC in that organization of big water sailors. While personally met with every collegiality, this unprecedented proposal on the part of a bunch of homeless, inland "stump skippers" was greeted less enthusiastically. Since its organization in the early 1890's, the ILYA's established rule had been never to take in a club from off its wide open and connected waters. While they admired BLYC's enthusiasm and its ambitions, under that rule BLYC was not eligible. At that point ILYA's good old commodore George Worthington of Cleveland Yacht Club arose to defend the upstart club's proposal. On a map of Ohio he pointed out how Buckeye Lake was connected to Lake Erie at his own home town, Cleveland, by way of the Ohio and Erie Canal. That ended the controversy. Buckeye Lake Yacht Club was admitted as a full fledged member and BLYC's commodore was invited to represent the club on the ILYA Board of Directors, the first "inland club" so honored.



Holding the first of several "Tar Socials" the club members set about increasing club interest and membership, organizing opposition to poaching on the lake and erecting a club house. At the first Tar Social following "plenty to eat and drink", the group was addressed by some of "the club's own orators and several "visiting boatmen", including the secretary of the Toledo Yacht Club, from Detroit the editor of *Fore 'N' Aft*, showing lantern slides of various styles of boats and boathouses, the commodore of the Maumee River Yacht Club, and a representative of Boating from Cleveland. Subscription paper to sell stock in a club house at \$5.00 a share was circulated.

The Buckeye Lake Building Company, a corporation for profit, was formed with 5,000 shares at \$5.00 each authorized for the purpose of constructing a club house in the vicinity of Buckeye Lake. In January 1907 the incorporators took over a



lease on an island just west of the "flats" (probably the Dye cottage) and on a half lot on the lake's main shore, facing the island. The island, then known as "Sunken Island", was a spot of sometimes-land bearing several half grown trees, mostly willows, surrounded by always shallow water and in the spring season frequently flooded completely. But, they saw that it had possibilities because it could be raised and enlarged and the waters around it could be deepened by scraping onto it materials from the bottom. It sat at mid-lake and would afford desirable privacy and an unobstructed view in all directions of the lake. Also, it was located near a wagon road and only 300 yards from the inter-urban railways lake terminal and therefore would be conveniently accessible, especially with a foot bridge that could span the strip of swampy channel separating the island from the lake's north embankment. Preliminary sketches and grand plans were drawn for a very beautiful two-story club house. Five contractors bid on the project and all were rejected because it was considerably more cost than could be afforded. Consequently a committee was created to secure new bids at a considerably lower cost. This boathouse and club room were completed in November 1907. In the following year a porch was built across the lakeward end. Pictures of this structure are hanging at the yacht club today. Membership exceeded one hundred.

With a clubhouse, the start and finish lines of regattas could now be just off Sunken Island with races for both power and sail boats. During races, the island afforded opportunities for members and guests to view the events, relax and take advantage of the "fine sandy beach" bordering the island's west end. During that year, four hardy members shipped one members sloop, *Floating Debt*, by railroad from Lakeside on Buckeye Lake to Toledo with plans to sail to Put-In-Bay and be the first yacht to cruise from Buckeye Lake to an ILYA regatta. Leaving the Toledo Yacht Club on Saturday morning with an excess of BLYC enthusiasm and a shortage of experience, the members failed to heed the warnings of incoming boaters to turn back because of approaching Lake Erie storms. About dark, she went aground on a gently sloping, sandy beach east of Toledo. Abandoning ship, they found some bundled up commercial fishing nets upon which the weary sailors slept. Awakened by glaring sunrise, the *Floating Debt* was lying on the beach, still intact. They were able to get her afloat, sailed to Put-In-Bay and were greeted at their noon Sunday arrival by a hoard of ILYA sailors including some from BLYC who had heard of their departure into the eye of the storm.

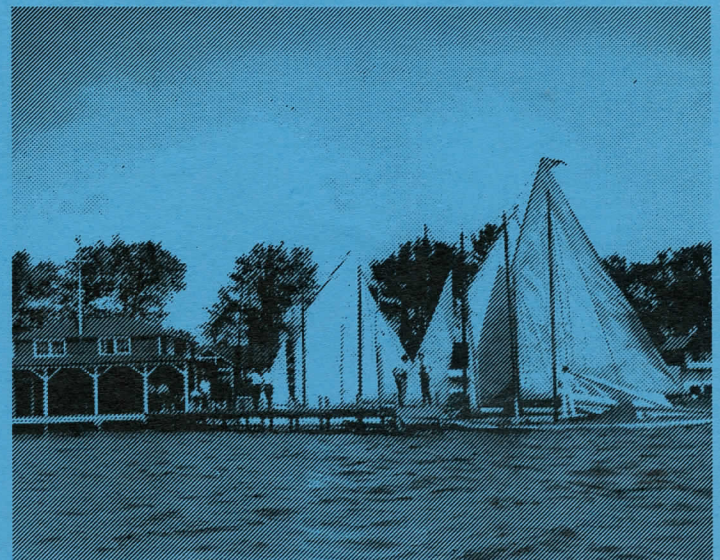
Although there were 84 members at the end of the club's first year, only 51 remained at the end of the second. Continuous campaigning for members brought the membership to 110. A mortgage hung heavily over the club base and the coffers were about empty. They were able to get a loan secured by the property and clubhouse, pay the contractors leaving \$65 in their building company. A campaign was instituted to bring in new members and an island improvement committee was established. Rules were adopted including provisions that: while all members have equal privileges, "comfort and convenience to yachtsmen" were "paramount", ladies were welcome only on special days, no gambling, intoxicants or profanity on the premises and club officers were charged with enforcement.

Labor day 1908 saw low water, and a sea of mud, gravel and stumps. But the conversion of Licking Reservoir into Buckeye Lake had begun under the direction of George Watkins. The old wooded waste weir was replaced with a concrete dam. Portions of the north embankment were repaired. That winter, trees stumps were cut off by the state to improve navigation. The island was enlarged and its level raised. Concrete seawalls were erected around the shores and then the enclosed space was filled with material dredged from around the island. By 1909 the water level rose to create a real lake and an island above it. Before conversion, the Licking Reservoir had acquired a reputation as "the cities' dumping grounds for scarlet-women, thieves, gamblers and other criminals", especially on weekends and holidays. But dedication as a public park brought a growing number of more reputable citizens.

In 1911 and 1912 summer events included stunt racing of sailcraft, canoing, rowing and swimming contests and regular triangular course sailboat races with power boats racing straight down the lake and back. The clubhouse was decorated and there were night parades of boats carrying lanterns. Once a month there was a picnic followed by boat rides and dances. Squadron sails took groups of members to places on the lake including the hotels for fish dinners. Winter events included ice boating and racing, plain and fancy ice skating, a baseball game on ice, a snowball fight, and hockey.

By 1912 plans for a new clubhouse were made and a perspective was published in the newspaper. Shares of stock were sold and every new member was required to purchase stock. Erection of the current clubhouse began in 1912 and was completed in 1913. A new footbridge was also constructed with steps up and down to allow boats to pass under it.

The Kitchen and Dining Room was added in 1978. Also boat houses were demolished and replaced with covered docks in 1978. Eastport was purchased in 1982 for \$155,000. Rosebrough property consisting of the parking lot, garages and two houses was purchased in 1989 for \$300,000. The addition to the kitchen and the kitchen and lounge renovation this year cost \$190,000. The 1996 membership is 400.





All members and their wives who pre-buy tickets and attend the Friday, Saturday and Sunday events will receive a free 90th Anniversary glass.

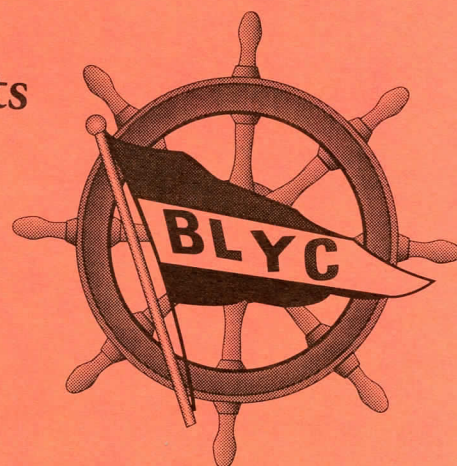
### Important Notices

Chance Brockway will have a series of pictures and memorabilia on display on the porch all day Saturday and Sunday showing 90 years of B.L.Y.C. history.

The stage for the weekend will be installed over the guest docks directly in front of the clubhouse, therefore, those guest docks will not be available for boats.



## Schedule Of Events



### Friday, July 26, 1996

6:00 to 6:30 p.m.

#### Opening Ceremony (Governor Mike Schilling)

Assemble at the Stone Entry Piers at State Route #79 for the unveiling of the new plaques. Then move to the new north stairs for a ribbon-cutting ceremony. We will then enter the building from the new entrance and gather in the fireplace room for the unveiling of the shovel and project plaque, the bar mirror, and the plaque for the bar.

6:30 to 8:00 p.m.

#### Cocktails and Buffet (Buffet - \$10.00, tax & tip included)

Pre-sale ticket required. Call 929-9941 to make reservations. The buffet will be carved roast beef and chicken and a variety of Hans' great side dishes.

8:00 to 10:30 p.m.

#### Poolside Entertainment (Governor Dick Manifold)

*Tom and Rose Schlater* - (A guitar duo with folk singing) They have performed extensively in Japan and the Philippines and other far east countries, as well as many parts of United States. Tom is now enrolled at O.S.U. to further his education, which is why this husband and wife team are in Central Ohio. We are fortunate to obtain them and it should be an entertaining evening. They will be featuring some Latin-American songs.

*The Newark Novas* - During the break of the guitar singing, the Newark Novas will perform an in-the-pool synchronized swimming exhibition. The members of the swimming team are girls from Newark, Granville, and Pataskala and are under the direction of Terri Warnimont. They enter competition throughout the Midwest and have won many contests. Please come out and support and encourage these young girls.

*The B.L.Y.C. swimming pool will have to be closed to the membership and their guests at various times during the week of July 21st, so the girls can rehearse for this exhibition. The dates and times will be posted at the swimming pool. We do appreciate your cooperation!*

Suggested dress  
for the evening

Summer casual clothes.

Commodores and Governors - Summer white uniform (shorts) w/o tie.



## Saturday, July 27, 1996

10:00 to 11:00 a.m. Coffee & Juice on the Porch

11:00 a.m. to 3:00 90th Anniversary Sailboat Race (Governor Emil Klein)

4:30 to 5:30 p.m. Cocktails & Hors d'oeuvres

5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Buffet (Buffet and Dance - \$20.00 per person, tax and tip included.)  
Pre-sale tickets required by Wednesday, July 24th.

Mini Salad Bar

Marinated Chicken Breast & Jumbo Prawns Combo

Twice-baked Potato & Vegetable, Rolls & Butter - Coffee or Iced Tea

Cherries Jubilee

7:30 to 8:00 p.m. Recognition Ceremony - (Governor John Geiger)  
Presentation of Members' Certificates of 20 Years or Longer.

George Conrad .....	20	Frank S. Benson III .....	23	Sam J. Morris .....	26	David O. Cox .....	36
Tom Erickson .....	20	Joe Kerr .....	23	James Lawler .....	27	Robert "Skip" Irwin .....	36
Frank Foster III .....	20	William Koman .....	23	Terry Ottenweller .....	27	Dr. Boyd Bowden .....	38
William Geiger .....	20	Randolph Sherrard .....	23	Dr. Carl Petersilge .....	27	Marty Headlee .....	39
Jeffrey Wagner .....	20	Karl Spohn III .....	23	Matt Fisher .....	28	Edward L. Ballenger .....	41
Don White .....	20	William O'Donnell .....	24	Robert E. Walters .....	28	Marlin Meacham .....	41
Chet Hauck .....	21	Robert Boehm .....	25	Bob Baughman .....	29	Wilbur Wuellner .....	41
Russell Leach .....	21	David K. Miller .....	25	George Beck .....	29	Lloyd Ballenger .....	44
Donald Best .....	22	William Sayre .....	25	Ray Gardner .....	29	Dr. Victor N. Kistler .....	44
Don V. Dick .....	22	George "Mac" Wood .....	25	Mike Jacobs .....	29	Robert Read .....	44
Larry Hoover .....	22	Frank Bentz .....	26	Charles Magley .....	29	Robert Battat .....	46
Jerry Jones .....	22	David Cox .....	26	Gale Roshon .....	29	Dr. Keith Crompton .....	49
Eugene Kenny .....	22	Walter Grubb .....	26	John Davidson .....	30	George Fisher .....	49
Steve Rehbieen-Beeson .....	22	William Hoermle Jr. ....	26	Dr. William Graham .....	31	Gustav Schell .....	55
Dr. Robert Vollmer .....	22	Charles Hohman .....	26	Dewey Albright .....	32	Walter Knapp .....	59
James Baumann .....	23	Ed Levison .....	26	Dr. Nelson Embrey .....	35	Chris Lambrecht .....	72

8:00 to 8:15 p.m. Songs by Wanetta Lee - (Vice Commodore Fred Wright)

*The Best of Times and Tunes*

1906 - 1936 -

1936 - 1966 -

1966 - 1996 -

8:15 to 12:00 "Crystal Ballroom" Dancing - (Governor Mike Oliver)

Dance to Rick Brunetto's sixteen piece "big band sound" orchestra. This is central Ohio's most successful and well-known dance band, playing the big band tunes. We had them last year and this is a return engagement. You will believe you are dancing to the Tommy Dorseys, Glenn Miller, and Harry James' bands.

Suggested Dress

Ladies - Summer Party Dress. Men - Semi-formal or business suit.

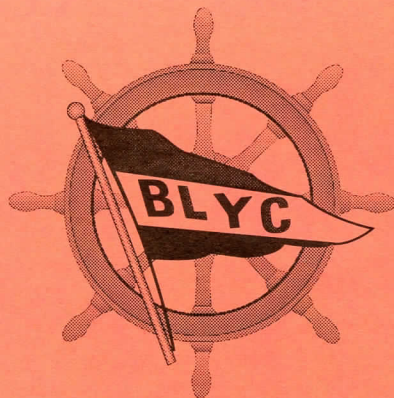
Commodores and Past & Present Governors - Blue jackets w/white pants, white socks, white shoes, and black ties.



## Sunday, July 28, 1996

- 9:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. **Super Gala Brunch** - \$10.00 per person  
Those people holding "brunch" tickets will remain at those tables and seats for the concert. These will be the best seats.
- 1:00 - 2:00 p.m. **Memorial Service** - (Rear Commodore Frank Foster)  
We will honor all deceased past members of the Club and wives, but only name those who have died during the years 1994, 1995, and 1996.
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|------------------|-----------------|----------------|
| Jack Beeson      | Dwight Haggard  | Robert Preston |
| William Byer     | Robert Hanbaum  | Fred Rosser    |
| Lowell Christman | Robert W. Irwin | Lois Rosser    |
| Fred DeWalt      | Robert Kuhn     | Kenneth Saffle |
| Bob Dye          | Monte Landis    | Sam VanVoorhis |
| Doris Dye        | Frank Miller    | Raymond Walker |
| Dr. Carl Frey    | Jim Oprandi     | John W. Wolfe  |
|                  | John McNerney   |                |
- Drum Roll** by Commodore John Sproat
- 21-Gun Salute** B.L.Y.C. Gun Club Members (Jack Brennan, George Conrad, Frank Foster III, Frank Foster IV, Ron Hayes, Chris Lambrecht, Greg Miller, Stone Parker, Bob Snow, Dick Wolf)
- Taps** Played by a member of the Brass Band of Columbus
- 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. **Summer Pops Concert** (Governor Tim Maite)  
**The Brass Band of Columbus, Dr. Paul Droste, Director**  
The Brass Band of Columbus (the BBC) was formed in 1984 and exists as a self-supporting community band. The band's instrumentation is brass and percussion only, following the tradition of British brass bands. Membership of this 41-piece band includes 30 active or retired music educators and a wide range of other professions. One member, Paul Bierly, is an internationally-known authority on John Phillip Sousa and Henry Fillmore. Founder and Director of the BBC is Dr. Paul Droste, Emeritus Professor of Music at the Ohio State University and former director of the O.S.U. Marching Band.
- The BBC competes annually in the Championship Section of the North American Brass Band Association Contest. It has received the First Place Award seven times. The BBC hosted the NAABA Contest in 1987 and 1992 and will host again in 1996.
- We are proud and honored to have them perform for us this afternoon.
- 4:00 p.m. **Closing Remarks** by Commodore John Sproat
- 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. **Cocktails and Evening Snacks** (Subs & Potato Salad)  
Ruth at the piano.
- Suggested Dress:**  
Ladies: Summer Dresses w/Wide-Brimmed Hats  
Men: White pants, white shirts w/ties  
Commodores & Governors: White uniform w/long pants





## Buckeye Lake Yacht Club Membership Roster



### 1996 - New

Illka T. Aro  
James H. Borden II  
Gerald Glavic  
Richard L. Harris  
Stephen J. Havens  
Gary L. Helf  
Dean E. Jarnac  
Dr. Steven A. Lewis  
Michael A. Lindahl  
Michael P. McNulty  
Thomas K. Murray  
Donald C. Nickel  
Louis Peterson  
Gary R. Phillips  
J. William Quinn  
Dr. Henry Rocco  
James L. Shriner  
Ralph L. Smith  
Jerry E. Terrill  
R. David Thomas  
Richard A. Winnestaffer

### 1995- 1 year

Charles H. Bendig  
Richard H. Bennett  
S. L. Buckalew  
Jerry D. Cotterman  
Walter S. Grubb  
Ronald Ray Harris  
Ted R. Hinterschied  
Richard L. Hutchinson  
Ken Keller  
Emil Klein  
Don L. Lemmon  
George A. Lieb  
Jim D. Loudermilk  
Larry McCreary  
Frank J. Meagher  
David O. Miller  
Irving A. Nickerson  
Arvo A. Pikkarainen  
James R. Powers  
David L. "Mark" Rinker  
William I. Schmidt

### 1995- 1 year cont.

Marc A. Scott  
Russell F. Smith  
Robert M. Snow  
Michael Tooker  
Miles L. Waggoner  
David E. Wilhelm

### 1994 - 2 years

John T. Ables  
Anthony V. Adornetto  
Robert E. Baldwin  
Joseph V. Bowman  
Mark Brooks Bramel  
Brian B. Brown  
Thomas L. Calandra  
Dallas Caldwell  
Michael S. Correll  
Peter M. Crosetti  
Donald E. Day  
Robert C. Dix  
Donald Jay DuRivage Jr.  
William Eifinger  
Mike E. Evans  
Walter W. Gilson  
Anthony J. Grilli  
Donald Harris  
Henry W. Hauser Jr.  
Jesse E. Howard  
S. Lee Keller  
Stanley E. Kopola  
Wayne T. Lee  
Tim Maite  
William G. McIntyre  
Harrison Lee Morris  
Michael S. Morris  
Herbert J. Murphy Jr.  
Ray A. Murray  
William G. Ours  
Louis F. Vacca  
Louis E. Vassy  
James L. Wilcox  
Mark S. Yerke  
Harold V. Williams

### 1993 - 3 years

Guy Carr  
Herb A. Caulder  
Jeff L. Cornwell  
Dan DeMary  
Louis F. Dodson  
Michael J. Donnelly  
Dr. Alfred Jay Eckhardt  
John Paul Feerick  
Chris Georgeff  
Mike R. Johnson  
Robert R. Jordon  
Frank E. Lorch III  
Jack Maier  
Tom D. Murname  
Jon P. Montgomery  
John M. Patrick  
David W. Pennington  
Timothy F. Reis  
Tom M. Reynolds  
J. Tullis Rogers  
Charles R. Spurgeon  
Fred C. Taylor  
Corey Wills  
Michael L. Wolfe  
Phillip Q. Zauderer  
William J. "Bill" Zehala

### 1992 - 4 years

Lt. Jim Allen  
Richard E. Baker II  
Carlos Brezina  
Willard E. Brumfield  
Howard F. Clark  
Stephen Eichhorn  
James E. Gillilan  
Michael C. Kasson  
William K. Kumler Jr.  
Kimball E. Lombardi  
George A. Mackey  
Robert M. Marshall  
Stone Parker  
Larry N. Pasley  
Jeffery A. Robb  
David Sinclair

### 1992 - 4 years cont.

William F. Steed  
Idris "Red" Voldness  
Robert J. Woodward

### 1991 - 5 years

Richard Bartlett  
Robert E. Brussee  
Terry C. Campbell  
Richard D. Davis  
Donald E. Davison  
Dr. Frank G. Gabe  
John E. Geiger  
Chad M. Headlee  
Robert M. Hill  
Donald R. Hoskinson  
Rodney L. Howarth  
Norbert F. Kaylor  
George E. King  
Dr. Marc Miller  
Joseph J. Miller  
Dr. Thomas Nims  
Thomas E. "Tim"  
Norpell  
Michael Oliver  
Ben Rader  
Timothy J. Ryan  
William H. Schneider  
John W. Straker Jr.  
Hans S. Wee  
Timothy Weisert  
Kenneth M. Wolfarth  
Douglas B. Wolfe

### 1990 - 6 years

Tony M. Caito  
Wayne F. Farnsworth Jr.  
James W. Fedor  
Dr. Alex Fernandez  
Ross H. Fleming Jr.  
Kevin D. Gorham  
Ted R. Howard  
Jeffrey E. Kircher  
David Kiser  
Scoff A. Lenthe

### 1990 - 6 years cont.

David L. Levacy  
George S. Pugh  
Bruce K. Ryan  
Gary A. Ryan  
Lajos Szabo  
Don C. Wendel Jr.  
John C. Winnestaffer

### 1989 - 7 years

William Baker  
Justin W. Beck  
Stephen Belhorn  
James Borden  
Ronald C. Byers  
Marque Debenport  
Robert J. Dunnington  
Dwight Joseph  
Charles L. Lewis  
John R. Lindsey  
Richard Manifold  
Don McKee  
James E. McKivergin III  
Richard A. Nash  
William P. Rutherford  
John W. Sproat  
Bennett H. Williams  
Fred Wright

### 1988 - 8 years

Ronald Autenreith  
Jack Brennen  
William J. Dawson  
Ronald Emrich  
David Galanter  
Jack P. Holmes  
Gerald F. Kaiser  
Timothy M. Kellogg  
Lawrence P. McNutt  
James A. Meacham  
Richard T. Oberfield  
James D. Owen  
David M. Sutton



**1987 - 9 years**

Brett L. Baby  
 Fred T. Bair  
 William F. Boehm  
 Richard L. Brown  
 Thomas A. Bryan  
 Garry W. Burgett  
 Winfield S. Cartwright  
 Brian A. Casto  
 Stanley P. Deutsch  
 William R. Findley  
 Peter W. Frech  
 Thomas N. Gaus  
 Jack D. Gorham  
 Clay P. Graham  
 Thomas J. Herbert  
 Richard A. Hieronymus  
 Roy A. Hurt  
 Robert J. Koch  
 James E. Kyser  
 Nick J. Mast  
 John M. Mills  
 Ronald P. Morrison  
 George O'Donnel III  
 Myron H. Powelson III  
 Robert H. Pricer  
 William H. Reynolds  
 Barry M. Riley  
 Robert Samsal  
 David A. Sanor  
 Phillip G. Schell  
 Michael H. Schilling  
 Jerry A. Schmittauer  
 Roger L. Sluder Sr.  
 William R. Stygler  
 Richard K. Sundin  
 Robert W. Suhr  
 Roy A. Van Atta  
 John E. Watson  
 William E. Weber  
 William C. Wolfe  
 R. F. "Bud" Woltjen

**1986 - 10 years**

Robert L. Berry  
 Chance Brockway  
 Thomas Falter  
 Edward L. Frank  
 Russell D. Gorsuch  
 Patrick L. Hennessey  
 Charles R. Huffer  
 James J. Jennie  
 Jack S. Loudermilk  
 Henry C. "Hank"  
 Martensen  
 Tiney McComb  
 Greg Miller

**1986 - 10 years cont.**

Dr. Nick P. Trifelos  
 Ronald G. Van Atta  
 H. K. Wakefield

**1985- 11 years**

James W. Barney  
 James F. Craig  
 Keith R. Dotson  
 Terry J. Hanna  
 George J. Holler  
 R. Bud Kochensparger  
 Stephen J. Schilling  
 George D. Vest  
 David B. Wills

**1984 - 12 years**

Jerrold E. Boundy  
 James R. Cooper  
 William George  
 Richard J. Gianvito  
 Ronald B. Hayes  
 Michael L. Jacobs Jr.  
 J. E. "Jack" Katlic  
 Daniel C. Kerr  
 Larry Lynd  
 Claron Mann  
 Judge Charles R. Petree  
 Ivor M. Rusk

**1983 - 13 years**

Sam D. Bates  
 John W. Blair  
 Guy E. Brown  
 James W. Crane  
 Larry Edger  
 Chalk Fry  
 Eddie Gaiser  
 James E. Gibson  
 Raymond G. Grein  
 James Helf  
 Judge Michael F. Higgins  
 Richard L. Johnson  
 George "Kerrie" Keiner  
 Michael Nimocks  
 Owen M. Rueckel  
 Walter J. Siemer  
 Leonard F. Waite

**1982 - 14 years**

Girard E. Besanceney  
 Donald C. Coyle  
 John T. Donnelly  
 John H. Dorr  
 Robert R. Doyle  
 James E. Fosnaugh  
 Richard Godfrey

**1982 - 14 years cont.**

Jim F. Graham  
 Charles H. Knowlton Jr.  
 Judge Neil M. Laughlin  
 Joe Lofink  
 Jim McBride  
 Timothy L. Ryan  
 Jerry Shade  
 James N. Stevens  
 Robert M. Yerke

**1981 - 15 years**

Robert Bishop  
 Charles L. Bortz  
 Car/ C. Chatfield  
 Henry R. Falken  
 Frank H. Foster IV  
 Tom C. Heisey  
 Arthur C. Heitmann  
 Dr. Karl Kumler  
 Al Lyons  
 Dr. John E. Van Gilder  
 Dr. Richard D. Walters

**1980 - 16 years**

Dr. Loren H. Briggs  
 Richard "Dick" Harbold  
 James Mitchen  
 Don Pound  
 Frank J. Resch  
 Paul Ripko

**1979- 17 years**

Dr. Timothy J. Fallon  
 Thomas Flynn  
 Don Hardy  
 "Al" O. Wing  
 Richard E. Wolf

**1978 - 18 years**

Richard M. Hinterschied  
 John R. Hoermle  
 Jack Maxton  
 Oliver V. Montague  
 Don Neubig  
 William T. Ray  
 Daniel Roshon  
 John J. Wuellner

**1977 - 19 years**

William Batcheller  
 John E. Doneff  
 Phil Ragno  
 William M. Sayre  
 Don E. White  
 John F. Wolfe

**1976 - 20 years**

George W. Conrad  
 Thomas D. Erickson  
 Frank H. Foster  
 William M. Geiger  
 Jeffrey R. Wagner  
 Don White

**1975 - 21 years**

Chet Hauck  
 Russell Leach

**1974 - 22 years**

Donald O. Best  
 Don W. Dick  
 Larry P. Hoover  
 Jerry L. Jones  
 Eugene R. Kenney  
 Steven Rehbein-Beeson  
 Dr. Robert W. Vollmer

**1973 - 23 years**

James L. Baumann  
 Frank S. Benson III  
 Joe Kerr  
 William Koman  
 Randolph M. Sherrard  
 Karl L. Spohn III

**1972 - 24 years**

William W. O'Donnell

**1971 - 25 years**

Robert R. Boehm  
 David K. Miller  
 George "Mac" Wood

**1970 - 26 years**

Frank H. Bentz  
 Walter C. Grubb  
 William P. Hoermle Jr.  
 Charles M. Hohman  
 Ed Levison  
 Sam J. Morris

**1969 - 27 years**

James T. Lawler  
 Terry S. Ottenweller  
 Dr. Carl L. Petersilge

**1968 - 28 years**

Matt Fisher  
 Robert E. Walters

**1967- 29 years**

Bob V. Baughman  
 George Beck

**1967- 29 years cont.**

Ray A. Gardner  
 Mike Jacobs  
 Charles R. Magley  
 Gale Roshon

**1966 - 30 years**

John H. Davidson

**1965- 31 years**

Dr. William W. Graham

**1964 - 32 years**

Dewey E. Albright

**1961 - 35 years**

Dr. Nelson R. Embrey

**1960 - 36 years**

David O. Cox  
 Robert "Skip" Irwin

**1958 - 38 years**

Dr. Boyd W. Bowden

**1957- 39 years**

Marty Headlee

**1955- 41 years**

Edward L. Ballenger  
 Marlin G. Meacham  
 Wilbur J. Wuellner

**1952 - 44 years**

Lloyd R. Ballenger  
 Dr. Victor N. Kistler  
 Robert D. Read

**1950 - 46 years**

Robert Battat

**1947 - 49 years**

Dr. Keith Crompton  
 George V. Fisher

**1941 - 55 years**

Gustav Schell

**1937 - 59 years**

Walter J. Knapp

**1924 - 72 years**

Chris J. Lambrecht



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1906 .....	A. Sackett*	1957 .....	Lowell E. Frost*
1907-08 .....	C. D. Lynch*	1958 .....	George V. Fisher
1909-10 .....	F. G. Speer*	1959 .....	C. Russell Lieberman *
1911 .....	George D. Mooney*	1960 .....	Dwight R. Haggard*
1912-13 .....	H. D. Freeman*	1961 .....	Earl Williams*
1914-15 .....	H. C. Holbrook*	1962 .....	R. E. "Pete. Burns"
1916 .....	W. L. Whitacre *	1963 .....	Claude McGinnis*
1917 .....	L. C. Burnham*	1964 .....	C. Kenneth Ross*
1918-19 .....	W. L. Frisbie*	1965 .....	Paul W. Holstein*
1920-21 .....	L. A. Sackett*	1966 .....	George A. Offenberg*
1922 .....	G. W. Pierce*	1967 .....	David O. Cox
1923 .....	G. A. Sackett*	1968 .....	Dale D. Dupler *
1924 .....	C. B. Cornell*	1969 .....	Edward C. Metzger*
1925 .....	E. N. Gettrost*	1970 .....	Raymond L. Walker*
1926 .....	Trafford Talmadge*	1971 .....	Murray A. Headlee *
1927 .....	George O. Clum*	1972 .....	Howard W. Limes*
1928 .....	Charles Fast*	1973 .....	Ivan Rollit*
1929 .....	Gordon Brawley*	1974 .....	Mike Hein*
1930 .....	Dr. Sidney N. Lord *	1975 .....	Robert Dye*
1931 .....	C. H. Robinson*	1976 .....	Robert Preston*
1932-33 .....	G. O. Doyle*	1977 .....	Ralph Gardner*
1934 .....	Edgar T. Wolfe, Sr. *	1978 .....	Wilbur Wuellner
1935 .....	R. J. Woodward*	1979 .....	Carl Petersilge
1936 .....	James A. Beam *	1980 .....	Gale Roshon
1937 .....	W. S. Marshall*	1981 .....	Jim Dressel
1938 .....	Robert W. Irwin*	1982 .....	Ed Ballenger
1939 .....	Chris J. Lambrecht	1983 .....	Frank Foster III
1940-41 .....	C. E. Smith*	1983 Oct .....	Bob Walters
1942 .....	Clark Beverly*	1984 .....	Richard Wolf
1943-44 .....	E. A. Shoemaker*	1985 .....	Mike Jacobs
1945 .....	George Crites *	1986 .....	Don White
1946 .....	H. K. Harris*	1987 .....	Greg Alspach
1947 .....	Kyle W. Armstrong *	1988 .....	Robert R. Boehm
1948 .....	Robert W. McAllister	1989 .....	Eddie Gaiser
1949 .....	Bruce Crompton *	1990 .....	George Conrad
1950 .....	Melvin G. Dressel *	1991 .....	Jim McBride
1951 .....	Gustav Schell	1992 .....	Greg Miller
1952 .....	Harry A. Nation *	1993 .....	Al Wing
1953 .....	Newton H. Davis*	1994 .....	Steve Schilling
1954 .....	Robert C. Mann *	1995 .....	Marque Debenport
1955 .....	Ernest W. Wilson *	1996 .....	John Sproat
1956 .....	Arthur W. Schwoerer*		

\*Deceased



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1941 - Helen Limes*	1953 Mary Davis*	1965 - Dorothy Meacham	1977 - June Jacobs	1989 - Linda Wing
1942 - Dela Booten*	1954 - Lillian Wilson*	1966 - Arthelda Haggard	1978 - Gladys Travis	1990 - Terry Kochensparger
1943 - Marge Nelson*	1955 - Ella Woolley*	1967 - Beatrice Dupler*	1979 - Jan Kerr	1991 - Mary Lou Tussing
1944 - Marge Nelson*	1956 - Doris Dye*	1966 - Clarice McGinnis*	1980 - Marian Petersilge	1992 - Dor Best
1945 - Marie Wood*	1957 - Velma Lieberman*	1969 - Jane Langley	1981 - Sue Headlee	1993 - Connie Schilling
1940 - Helen Corne	1958 - Nora Ballenger	1970 - Sue Metzger	1982 - Nancy Dressel	1994 - Diane Koman
1947 - Dorothy Slattey*	1959 - Annabelle Johnson*	1971 - Judy Ballenger	1983 - Pat Ottenweller	1995 - Jackie Keiner
1945 - Helen Chase*	1960 - Marjorie Henery*	1972 - June Cox	1984 - Phyllis Flynn	1996 - Kathleen Brussee
1949 - Martha Schell	1961 - Gladys Lawrence	1973 - Suzi Rollit	1985 - Pat Forster	* Deceased
1950 - Doris Womeldorf*	1962 - Marty Fisher	1974 - Joan Hein	1986 - Ginny Fulgham	
1951 - Dorothea Dum*	1963 - Mary Jane Luchtenberg*	1975 - Bernice Greiner	1987 - Carole Donnelly	
1952 - Frances Fisher*	1964 - Catherine Woodward*	1976 - Peg Beeson	1988 - Ginny Conrad	

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What an exciting event, an anniversary. What a delightful reason to have a page dedicated to the ladies of the club. Isn't it said, "Behind every man, is his woman". Here in particular, a lady of the yacht club. The auxiliary is more than a group, more than a sorority, more than a gab-fest. It is a team of exceptional women, a melting pot of talented professionals, loving, kind, experienced and dedicated to the friendship and the fellowship found in the group.

Next Fall, when you see geese heading South for the Winter, flying along in a V formation, you might consider what science has discovered as to why they fly that way. As each bird flaps his wings it creates an uplift for the bird immediately following. By flying in a V formation, the whole flock adds about 71% flying range than if each were on its own. People who share a common direction and sense of community can get where they are traveling on a thrust of one another. When a goose falls out of formation it suddenly yields the drag and resistance of trying to go it alone and quickly it gets back in formation. This

takes advantage of the lifting power of one in front. This is a little like the strength and teamwork of the auxiliary and its members. In our history we can glean the strength of the ladies who founded the group. We know with the love God has given us and their vision; the twenty first century will herald the ladies of the Yacht Club.

Each time we get together it seems we open our hearts when the angels knock and we rekindle our spirit of friendship and love. Because of human frailty we might have forgotten just one, but we elected to make everyone realize just how very important our group is one by one.

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY  
The Ladies Auxiliary

*Kathy*



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