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Commodore Don Harris

One of the last orders of business in 2009 was a competition among qualified local engineering firms to perform on-site testing and analysis of the seawall that surrounds and protects Watkins Island. After presentations to the Board of Governors by the two finalists, BLYC entered into a contract with the firm of Shirk & O'Donavan. This effort was spearheaded by Governor Rick Myers, who brought his personal expertise to the table, and negotiated very favorable terms for the Club.

Field work began in early December, 2009. This has included photographic records taken at full pool and after the winter drain. As the water level has dropped, the deteriorated condition of the steel sheet pilings is evident. Despite the early freeze, the engineers have broken through the ice to measure the depth around the walls and to determine the composition of the bottom. This data is being added to a much needed survey of the island. Contacts have been made with the local ODNR office as well as their central engineering office. We hope to obtain copies of any adjacent soil borings made by the state as part of their ongoing seawall project along the towpath.

As soon as weather permits, the engineers will place boring equipment on a barge and begin testing around the perimeter of the island. They will remove and replace sections of the concrete walkways over the breakwall surrounding the front basin. This should determine the composition and amount of fill material remaining inside the structures, as well as the deterioration of the steel tie-rods.

By spring, the engineers will prepare a detailed report that will include a record of existing conditions, proposed designs for repairs and/or replacements (to be previewed by ODNR), cost and life expectancy estimates for each proposed design and a tentative timeline for follow-on design, bidding and construction work. It is hoped that future construction work can begin in late fall of 2010.

As we turn the corner into 2010, we enter into the third month under our new team management concept. Front of the house manager Andrea Foster has literally hit the ground running. The service team is motivated and enthusiastic, and is truly functioning as a team, to provide the best possible service to our members. Chef Matt has upgraded

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the menu with some delicious new offerings, as well as time honored favorites. Many members have been very complimentary of both our quality and service, encompassing the BLYC dining experience.

By time you read this, dues statements for 2010 will have been received. Please pay promptly, as this will enhance our cash flow. The Board has been able to hold the line on dues increases, and BLYC remains the best kept secret in central Ohio. See elsewhere in the log for upcoming events, and check the website at <u>www.buckeyelakeyc.com</u>.



Bar & Kitchen

This being the February/ March issue of the Log indicates the warm weather is just around the corner – I wish.

We have had a very successful holiday



Vice Commodore Rick Henderson

season with the staff making several modifications. The Club was decorated by the staff and I believe they displayed the festive and celebration mood of the season. The relatively small changes made in the dining room have greatly improved the décor and is more pleasing to the eye. Menu revisions have provided Chef Matt the opportunity to provide diners with a large variety of choices and he has been able to provide us with more fresh, in house prepared menu items. The staff is more involved with their duties and patron needs. When all modifications are considered, we provide our membership with a much improved dining experience. Thanks to all staff members.

Our Second Sunday Brunch started in January and was very enjoyable. Chef Matt was able to provide some different items on the buffet and the mimosas made the experience different. Remember, we will continue to provide this opportunity to gather for good food and conversation on the second Sunday of each month from 11:00 AM – 2:00 PM. Menu items will be varied each month to offer a variety of choices to our membership. Come and join us on the second Sunday of the month.

We are constantly in the process of evaluating food and drink items offered to the membership. If there is a particular food or drink item you would like to see made available, please contact Andrea, Chef Matt, or myself. We will definitely investigate the possibility and provide the best affordable products. Andrea is currently evaluating our wine selection to provide a better selection. Let us know what you would like to see available.

I have enjoyed the last few months that have included the holidays and several special events. We have experienced several changes that I believe have been in the best interest of BLYC. Your Board is constantly aware of Club activities and services and, as always, comments and concerns are always appreciated.

Take Care

Entertainment

As usual, I am astounded at how fast time flies. We are already half way through our fiscal year! I want to start by thanking everyone who helped do such a fantas-



Governor John Sproat

tic job setting up our "Haunted Yacht Club." The committee included John and Mimi Geiger; Rick Myers and Lois Maher; Gayle Mulvey and son Ian; Jeff Lyon's son Colin; Bob and Sue Zeiher; and Andrea Foster. We will definitely make the "Haunted Yacht Club" an annual event.

Next my thanks go out to Manager Andrea Foster, Chef Matt Langstaff and the rest of our great staff for the Christmas decorations and superb service at the Club Christmas parties and, of course, New Years Eve. What great parties!!

Now to the parties coming up. On February 13, we have our Valentines Party featuring the Motown Majestics Quartet. So bring out your sweetie and dance the night away. February 20 we have a new party to extend our appreciation to our village officials and all of our new members. The entertainment is the "Dawson Cooper Band." Come on out, have a great time and show your appreciation.

Italian Night, with a scrumptious selection of Italian specialties is set for February 27. We feature recorded music by Frank, Dino, Tony and Perry. Bon apetite !!

In March we have our annual St Patrick's party with the mighty "Rick Boals and the Soals." We round out the month with the return of Cathy Cassady and Top Cat Karaoke on March 27. There is plenty to do at the Yacht Club so come out early and often. Please don't forget to make your reservations. It helps us to make your visits that much better.

See you at the Club!

WELCOME ABOARD!! Our newest member of Buckeye Lake Yacht Club is Michael T. Bryan. Michael is a partner with the law firm of Stubbins, Watson and Erhard, Co. LPA in Zanesville where he has been active in local community affairs including Zanesville City Planning

House & Grounds

Mid January and time for the Feburary and March Log. I am sure you all are looking forward to March, the month it finally starts to get warmer. The Club



Rear Commodore Bob Zeiher

has been very busy this winter. Thank you to our amazing staff, now dubbed 'Team BLYC.' We have had sell out crowds. I know we can put our food and service up against any place and come in ahead!

We were fortunate that the good weather in November held out long enough for the parking lot to be striped. The stumps and bushes have been removed around the rental homes and the new pool cover is in place. The west walkway has had new vinyl covering on the uprights and handrails have no more splinters! The entrance and hallways have been repainted and look wonderful.

I think most of us do not realize just how much Chuck and Bruce do around the club. Most of what they do is done while the Club is closed, behind the scenes, so to speak. If you happen to see them, give them a big thank you, I know they will appreciate it.

If you haven't been to the Club recently stop by. The views are just as spectacular in the winter as they are into he summer.

See You At The Club,

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Commission, Board of Zoning Appeals, City and Downtown Design Review Boards. He enjoys boating, fishing, swimming and trap shooting. As a youth, Michael grew up in the BLYC Junior Sailing program and he joins his parents, Thomas and Alice Bryan and his brother Mark Watson, as members of the Club.

Membership

As members gather around a crackling fire and lovely ladies are wrapped in beautiful fur coats to ward off the cold, our thoughts may not turn to recruiting new members to the Club, but what



Governor Charles McClenaghan

a wonderful time to consider the year around value offered by BLYC. Many of you have enjoyed gathering around the fireplace to enjoy banter with friends new and old, view the beauty of the frozen lake, hear the crack of shotguns knocking down clay pigeons, and smell the inviting scents of Chef Matt preparing something special. All of this gives members good reason to visit on a frozen Sunday! Where else in central Ohio can you enjoy such winter fun? Please come join in the tradition of the Club and remember to invite a friend. Who knows, your invitation may well help bring a new member to the Club!!!

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Rentals & Docks

Winter is truly upon us and the ice fishermen must be very happy. I haven't seen any ice boats on the lake yet; but, I expect to see some soon. Unfortunately



Governor Don Dav

the ice has once again attacked Area #8 and has damaged the south end of the dock. Since this has happened two (2) years in a row we've decided to purchase at least two (2) new "bubblers" and hope we can get them soon enough to prevent further damage this year. We currently have eighteen in the water now and overall they appear to be doing an adequate job. It's a good thing we have "global warming" going on. I'd hate to think what a problem we'd have otherwise.

Being an auxiliary member I have been involved with the selection and purchase of new bar stools for the Club. We first had an estimated ship date of the week of January 4th. On December 28th I received a call from the supplier and they informed me that the order had been submitted to the fabricator in Europe and that they failed to schedule their production. So, to make a long story short it will be a couple more months before we'll see new bar stools. To those folks who submitted bids for the old chairs please be patient. We'll release the "old" stools just as soon as we possibly can.

The adult Christmas party at the Club was well attended and the food was great. Andrea and her staff did a fantastic job of decorating. I can't remember the last the Club looked so good. The Christmas party for the kids of Buckeye Lake was also something special. I'd never attended one of these before and I was impressed by the whole event. Joe and Joni Campbell did an unbelievable job of putting this together. I think they had presents for about 57 kids. These weren't just "presents" they were gifts especially for each youngster. I lost count of the number of kids who said "I got just what I wanted!" It was usually several gifts that each "wanted" and wrapping paper was flying every where. The thing that impressed me the most was how polite and well mannered the kids were. Thanks to Santa (John Watson) and Mrs. Claus (Rosa Clark) and the BLYC staff a good time was had by all.

I must say that being the Docks and Rentals governor has kept me busier that I thought I would be. The family who was renting the Clubs ranch house moved and the house was vacant for the month of January. We do have a new tenant and a lease has been signed. After we do some "sprucing up" of the place we should be good at least for 2010. As of this writing I have two (2) docks to rent on the island and two (2) at Eastport.

Race and Regatta

Greetings! I am writing this sipping a drink with others in front of the Club's fireplace. We just agreed that the lake can be as beautiful frozen on a sunny day as in



Governor Rick Myers

the middle of the summer. However, as it is the dead of winter and sailing is limited to ice-boats, this will be a short article.

As reported in the last Log of 2009, we are spending the winter months building a new sailing schedule for 2010 and updating our library with the latest governing rules for racing, as well as guidelines and associated data. Both are available to review at the Club.

With regard to the 2010 schedule, there is growing interest in developing an Interlake racing fleet this spring. If this is something that you find of interest, either as a competitor or a volunteer, please contact me.

We are actively soliciting power boats as well as sailboats for the auction at the 2010 BLYC Boat Show, to be held in August. The auction can be a win-win experience for all involved. I bought my sailboat from the Club at auction last year, with the sale proceeds directed to the Junior Sailing Program. We would like to publish the initial list of boats for auction by mid-spring so please contact me if you have a boat or motor that is a potential auction item and please have a minimum bid amount in mind. For those who have posted craft for sale at the Club, we strongly encourage you to consider participation. The more boats we list, the greater the turnout of potential bidders.

Cordially,

Rich May

Auxiliary News President Carol Donnelly

The December meeting started with Chef Matt's delicious Roasted Pork Loin. You know Matt's doing a fabulous job because the Ladies leave talking about the food instead of who wore what.

The only Auxiliary report given was Ro Miller's Treasury report. Ro reported that the Auxiliary received an anonymous gift of \$1,000. We want to express our appreciation and thanks to our anonymous donor. To those who donate their time and work so hard, and most of the time will only hear the criticism, someone out there loves you and appreciates the work you're doing. Thank you again to our donor.

Tracy Davis reported the barstool's final expense figure was over a thousand dollars less than the amount approved. Tracy asks to use the remaining money to re-upholster or replace the six chairs in the commodore's lounge. This was seconded by Shelly Higgins, and unanimously approved by the members.

Tracy Davis also announced Past Commodore Steve Harris was elected Vice President of ILYA Board of Trustees. Tracy and Matt Davis and the BLYC received the ILYA Commodore Award. Congregations Tracy and Matt, this is an example of the hard work and dedication it took on your part to bring that honor to our Club.

The Newark Swing Choir was a total delight. Kim Wigglesworth, Newark High School Choir Director has taken a group of High School Students and created a group of Broadway quality performers. Thank you Marcia, you have made the last three meetings a sheer delight and we are all looking forward to whatever you have planned for us in 2010.

Commodore Don joined us to talk about some of the needs of the Club. With the conclusion of the Barstool Project, it is time for the Auxiliary to find a new focus to work on. Now that we have the Board's suggestions, it is time for you to express your ideas. What do you think is the most important project for us to put our efforts towards? I am asking you to take the time and write your ideas down and send to the Auxiliary, Buckeye Lake Yacht Club, P.O.Box 867, Buckeye Lake, Ohio 43008. Although the Auxiliary won't have another meeting until next April, the Auxiliary Board will be moving forward on the suggestions you send us, in preparation for a selection in April.

The meeting was completed with a Champagne Toast to put an end to 2009 and to express our appreciation to those that had contributed the many hours it takes to create the funds needed for both our entertainment and the Club projects. Joyce Thorpe and Marcia Henderson worked extremely hard and put in many hours on the Silent Auction and Style Show. Roxanne Bailey turned over a major portion of the merchandise in the Showcase. Sally Day interrupted all of her Club activities to sale you those all so important raffle tickets, and thank you for buying them. Ann Oliver created an outstanding card party and managed also, to make a profit. Tracy Davis, Sally and Don Day brought our barstool project to a below budget ending. The little known and seldom mentioned Membership Committee, Cherry Shain and Babette Joseph put the crowning glory on our

Treasury with the Membership Raffle. Thanks to all those that worked so hard to make our Auxiliary a very successful and winning team, with one common goal, the success of our Club.

Sally Day pulled the name for the winner of the Parking Space during the band's intermission at the Adult Christmas Party, and the winner was! Rose McEntire. Congratulations Rose!

Marcia Henderson took charge of the Membership Raffle and pulled the name of the winner at the New Year's Eve. Party, and the winner was! David Cohen. Congratulations David!

It is sad to report the passing of Jan Kaylor over the past Thanksgiving holiday. Jan had been ill for a very long time and we will miss seeing her at the Club.

The Children's Christmas Party was a lot of fun. Dressing up in an Elf costume will bring the child out in all of us. This party is always one of the most expensive events for the Auxiliary, but by the amount of parents and grandparents present at the Club on that day, it is evident that it has to be one of the most profitable parties for the Club, and that, of course, is the bottom line for the Auxiliary.

Respectfully submitted,

Carole Donnelly



The Story Tellers. They entertained the children before and after Santa's arrival From the left Dennis Oliver, Mrs. Santa, Rosa Clark, Dylan Oliver, played the Guitar for the Sing-a-longs. Behind Santa, Lisa Oliver and next to Santa, Pessa Oliver



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Santa's Elves - Back row: Andi & Jacki Elk. In front, from the left Babette Joseph, Donna Parker, Marcia Henderson & Kay Morrison



Junior Sailing

Hello all! With any luck, when the Log comes out, we will be seeing a spring thaw that will let us know that the worst of the winter in finally coming to an end! We can all look forward t



Governor Gayle Fisher-Mulvey

all look forward to a fine summer at BLYC!

Upcoming this summer, we will be conducting "Learn to Sail" day camps for our members children and their friends. This year, experience and ability will divide it up: Beginner, intermediate and advanced sail weeks. Caiti Dust will be our sailing instructor and she did a wonderful job for us last summer.

We will also be offering an Adult learn to sail which should be a lot of fun and a worthwhile experience for our members. Caiti and I are working out the details of whether to offer a beginner and intermediate class for adults.

For the next Log article, I will publish the upcoming list of dates and times for the sail camps. We are looking forward to a great season!

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Snowbirds

For many years there has been a reunion held for Buckeye Lake area friends in Fort Myers, Florida. A snowbird luncheon will again be held in 2010 at the Heron's Glen Country Club on Saturday, February 20th. Heron's Glen is located midway between Fort Myers and Punta Gorda, making it a convenient location from Orlando, Tampa, Sarasota, Venice, Port Charlotte, Fort Myers, Naples, etc.

Anyone who has fondness towards Buckeye Lake or Central Ohio is invited to attend! Guests are welcome!

To learn more about this fun event, visit this web site www.buckeyelakesnowbirds.com or email callforbids@ gmail.com or contact: Steve Belhorn in Fort Myers (614) 270-6973









Buckeye Lake Yacht Club Log

























Saturday, February 20 Appreciation Party Extending Our Thanks to Village Officials and All Our New Members 8 p.m. Dawson Cooper Band

Saturday, March 27 Top Cat Karaoke with Cathy Cassady.







7 p.m. Dinner For the menu and price, go to www.buckeyelakeyc.com 8 p.m. Rick Boals and the Soals

St. Patrick's Party

6 p.m. Cocktails



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- Board Meeting 11
- 13 Valentines Party Motown Majestics Quartet
- 20 Village officials Party **Dawson Cooper Band**
- 27 Italian Night, recorded music by Frank, Dino, Tony and Perry

March

- **Board Meeting** 11
- 13 St. Patrick's party Rick Boals and the Soals
- Cathy Cassady and 27 Top Cat Karaoke

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