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UPCOMING **EVENTS**

Gatlin Show

Wednesday, August 3

Luau

Saturday, August 6 The ARK Band

Book Club

Wednesday, August 10

Supper Club

Saturday, August 13 Lakeside Trio

Supper Club

Friday, August 19 Don Beck

Dinner/Dance

Saturday, August 20 Lords of Literature

Hard Hat Hop **BLYC Auxiliary Fundraiser**

Saturday, August 27 Luxury Brown



COMMODORE DAVID LUTTENBERGER

Ahoy shipmates!

The theme for this year is "Adventures in Paradise." What did we mean by this? The Board, Flag Officers, managers and staff all want your experience at the Yacht Club to be resort style! We have improved menu selections, service, happy hour pricing, we have added happy hour at the pool, more menu items and chair side service. Now we look to our members to come to the Club and enjoy the Adventure we provide. You can also help us to improve this experience for you. Please let myself, Dave Lawrence, Larry Enmen, or any of the Flags or Governors know about ideas to improve your experience. We are open to anything we can do to make this the best Yacht Club in the land.

DAM UPDATE: No news today. The dam will be quiet for the summer. The gates are closed, but evaporation is keeping up with rain, so, we just keep our fingers crossed. The ODNR just had a business meeting at the Club and told me they were very happy with the venue and the service. We took this BLYC — the place to be all summer long! opportunity to thank them, once again, for working with the Club to keep our entrance

open and wheelchair accessible. We appreciate all they have done and encourage our members to thank them and support their efforts.

BULLETIN: The upstairs is progressing at an exciting pace. The history museum is just about complete and the new Cupola lounge is rapidly coming together. A huge thanks to all those that have contributed time and money. This is a truly remarkable achievement when you realize the Club has not paid anything yet for this beautiful, new addition, to our facility and our ability to enhance your enjoyment of our BLYC paradise. Special shout-out to this month to Bruce Ames who oversaw the drywall installation, Judge Higgins who ripped the walls down, Jeff Gutridge for the electrical work, and, of course, Steve Harris for organizing and keeping the project moving. Great job guys. If you haven't been up to look at the progress, please come and be amazed.

PARKING LOT: There are still a lot of cars without stickers. For the moment, we are just tagging cars to let them know they are not properly marked. If you do not have an up-to-date parking permit, please, please correct this situation. You can get permits from Rebecca for your vehicles.

Your Adventure in Paradise continues. We now have happy hour inside and at the pool on Wednesday, Thursday, & Friday. The prices are better than ever. The draft beer is all \$1.50/glass, this is a huge discount for the wonderful Buckeye Lake Brewery craft beers. You can get free chips & salsa just for the asking. BUENO! So come on down and join me at the Club and enjoy a slice of Paradise!

Commodore David Luttenberger

ENTERTAINMENT

- Governor Mark Severance

Can't believe it's August already!

Gatlin returns to the BLYC on Wednesday, August 3 from 7:00-10:00. It's sure to be a party with Daryl and Andrea on the stage. Please make your reservations now as this is always a standing room only event. Arrive early for happy hour and dinner on the front porch.

Don your grass skirt or other Hawaiian attire for our annual *Luau* on Saturday, August 6 with musical guest, *The ARK Band* from 7:00-10:00 The band is hailed as the number one reggae band in the whole Midwest. Check out the band at http://www.thearkband.com/. It should be an evening to remember. Chef Josh and staff will prepare a special luau feast to delight. **ALOHA!**

On Saturday August 13 the *Lakeside Trio* will provide dinner music for your front porch dining from 7:00-10:00. *Don Beck* returns on Friday, August 19 from 7:00-10:00. Put on your dancing shoes on August 20 as we are entertained by *The Lords of Literature* http://www.lordsofliterature.com/. The band is looking forward to returning to the BLYC. The annual Auxiliary Fund Raiser features the phenomenal *Luxury Brown* on Saturday, August 27. Check out the band's music at http://www.class-acts.com/entertainers/luxurybrown/.

The entertainment doesn't stop when summer ends! *Pete Mernedakis* will rock the house on Friday, September 2 from 7:00-10:00. *Second Story* returns on Friday, September 9 for a night of jazz and blues. The trio always provides great music. On Friday, September 23, *Acoustic Steel* will be on hand providing a wide variety of rock, blues, pop and country tunes. *Howard Everitt* will host the annual *Rock and Roll Jam* on Sunday, September 25 starting at 4:00. This is always a highlight of the summer. The BLYC is open to the public so invite your friends for a great afternoon of food, great music and fun. The energetic *Brad Moore* returns to The Club on September 30 singing a variety of music including a little Bob Seger and Don Henley.

Let the tailgating begin!! Buckeye Football starts in September. Wear your Buckeye regalia, decorate your table, and get in the weekly football pool. Here's the line-up: September 3 at home against Bowling Green (Noon), September 10 at home with Tulsa (3:30), and September 17 at Oklahoma (7:30). September 24 is a bye week for the Buckeyes. Go Bucks!! As always, please make reservations for these events so the kitchen staff can prep food and ensure an adequate number of wait and bar staff are available to serve you. If you cannot honor your reservation, please call the club and cancel so that other members might be served.

Cheers!



Mark Severance Entertainment

MEMBERSHIP

- Rear Commodore Rose McEntire

Welcome New Members!

This month we have a record breaking number of new members...

Dave and Candance Heichel
Jennifer and Gregory Henderson
William and Kathleen Heichel
Ronald and Marcia Garvey
Tom and Donna Bake
Chad and Jenny Boyer
Adam and Laura Hunt
Debra and Edward Fisher
Joshua Fisher
Damon Howarth
David Bruckelmeyer
Brian and Cheryl Murphy
Steven Martin

To date we have 40 New Members for 2016! In a difficult year, with no water – I think this demonstrates what a great place the BLYC is – and how much we all enjoy the friendships and traditions of the Club! I want to thank all of the Members who have introduced their friends and families to the Club and I want to thank the previous members who have decided to rejoin.

See you at the Club!

Rose McEntire Membership

COMMUNICATIONS & FINANCE

- Governor Mark Pyle

Greetings! With the summer season in full swing we are striving to deliver an exceptional bar, restaurant, entertainment and recreation experience in our ongoing 2016 *Adventure in Paradise*. On the communications front, we are exploring the possibility of adding an advertising section to the *Log*. We have members with a wide variety of skills to promote and a captive audience who would be willing to patronize those businesses.

In the finance arena we have been approved for an economic disaster loan from the SBA, however we didn't have any luck obtaining funds from the State of Ohio economic disaster loan or grant programs. The SBA loan is for an amount up to \$200,000 at a 2.625% interest rate with a 30 year payback. As you are aware looking at our docks, seawall, grounds and our aging building there are opportunities to put that amount of money to work with a nominal annual increase in the capital improvement assessment as opposed to a major ask from each member, all with a vision toward a return to near normal boating conditions in 2017.

Our cost reduction focus last month was on our insurance and utility spending. We have been able to obtain insurance cost reductions in excess of 20 percent in negotiations with marine facility insurance firms. In addition, we had energy audits that have identified opportunities for lighting upgrades and replacements that we are continuing to evaluate. The lighting changes involve up front spending with a three to five year payback period that we are cautiously weighing.

Mark Pyle Communications



Hard Hat Hop

BLYC Auxiliary Fundraiser & Auction

Saturday, August 27

The Luxury Brown Band

\$25 per person

Burger Station

Steak Burgers Chicken Breast **Smoked Sausage** All-Beef Hotdogs Lettuce Tomato Onion **Pickles** Condiments

Taco Bar Seasoned Beef

Fajita Chicken

Pork Pubil

Rice **Beans** Lettuce • Tomato • Scallion • Avocado Salsa • Sour Cream • Cheese • Onions Cilantro • Salsa Verde Soft & Crunchy Tortillas

Salad Bar

Spinach Mixed Greens Tomato • Red Onion • Black Beans • Corn Bacon • Cheese • Crouton • Egg Chicken Breast Mini Croissants Chicken Salad Tuna Salad

BLYC AUXILIARY

Welcome new Auxiliary member Linda Romano-Perez!

We would like to extend a special Auxiliary thank you to Tracy Higginbotham of Buckeye Lake Winery, Rich Hennosy of Buckeye Lake Brewery, Chef Josh (who complimented the tasting with antipasti, smoked pork and vegetable pasta ala vodka), Larry, Paul, the staff and everyone in attendance for the July meeting and tasting party. What a fun, productive evening with two incredible local business owners sharing their craft at the club! Thank you also to Elwell's and the Brennan's joining us!

P/C Steve Harris spoke to us about the second floor project which has now expanded to include the creation of the new BLYC Cupola room and cocktail lounge (official name TBD). This will give the club much needed space for events and meetings. Please reach out to P/C Harris if you are interested in helping the club with this renovation which is being done with volunteer efforts and donations. Members are encouraged to drop by the second floor to take in the progress. With member support (labor, materials, funds), the goal is to have the BLYC Cupola room ready for bookings for the holidays.

Commodore Luttenberger also spoke to us about the board's wish list of items for Auxiliary support. Top of the list is an awning for the side entrance to the porch to protect the stairs from winter snow and ice. The goal is a safe entrance to our club that will also protect the handicapped-accessible lift. The Board of Governors also requested upgraded flooring for the formal dining area and a solid surface surrounding the salad bar, looking to compliment the Auxiliary Adventures — We are looking for ideas for new day rest of the main floor.

The Auxiliary formally requested bids on all three projects: we anticipate funds raised at the upcoming annual fund raiser will be combined with existing auxiliary funds to help our Club with one or more of these worthy projects!

Please book early for the August 27th Hard Hat Hop, our annual celebration and fundraiser, featuring the Luxury Brown Brown Band. Members are encouraged to bring friends, book early (paid in advance reservations will be discounted) and please come ready to support the club at our auction. We're building on the tradition of service and stewardship to BLYC to sustain the club for years to come. Please also consider helping us with your talents, donations of unique auction experiences, and your generosity the evening of the fundraiser. We are striving to build a better experience for everyone at our club and our members are key to our success. Please have baskets and other items for the Auction submitted by August 6th. Please reach out to the fundraiser committee headed by Jeff Hamilton (Jeffrey.k.hamilton@gmail.com) or blycauxiliary@ gmail.com with any questions.

Upcoming meeting dates:

Wednesday, Aug. 10th - 6:30 pm

BLYC Book Club in the Commodore's Lounge features The Apple Orchard by Susan Wiggs. Feel free to drop in to any BLYC Book Club session for a lively conversation — All are welcome.

Thursday, Aug. 11th - 6:00 pm

Auxiliary gathering/dining hour -meeting at 7:00 pm. Meeting focus is final preparations for the upcoming fundraiser on the 27th. All are welcome to attend.

Wednesday, September 14 - 6:30 pm

BLYC Book Club (book TBD).

Sunday, September 19 - 2:00 pm

Our monthly meeting will coincide with the Club's annual meeting trips as well as volunteers to help organize or lead excursions. Please feel free to reach out with suggestions.

> Anna, Gail, & Kathy Your 2015-2016 Auxiliary Board

JUNIOR TRAINING

- Governor Michael McVey

Yeah...Jr Bay Week 2016!

We're in the final preparations for Jr. Bay Week (by the time you're reading this, it's over!):

- Kids are practicing and going to the final Traveler Series Regatta at Vermilion this week on Friday (Note: this is the 5th year for me as Jr. Sailing Governor and this is the 1st time we've participated in this regatta. Bay Week is on Sunday, which means our kids and parents have to go North and return on Friday (late) and go back North on Sunday for Bay Week). We have 8 Jr's on 6 Lasers and 1 420!
- Making sure we have all boats and rigging's lined up with transportation up and back.
- Preparing for Wednesday Team Night at Bay Week; thanks to Tracey and SignUpGenius...Hope you came up!
- FYI...we have 10 Jr's sailing at Bay Week! Whoa!!!

In last month we've been busy:

- TS Regattas: we had sailors participate in 3; Sandusky, Edgewater and Hoover. Right now our sailors standings in the 2016 Traveler Series are:
 - 420's: Flygon is #10 out of 58 (top 17%) and Gus and Tony are #33
 - Lasers: Katy is #8 out of 43 (top 19%), Susannah #10,
 Nate #19, Cora #21, Michael Davis #22, Matthew #25,
 Olivia #26, Oliver #34, and Michael Lin #35
- Way to go Team BLYC!!! Way to go Flygon and Katy!
- Jr Swim & Cookout night at the club on July 3... In spite of the looming storm and cool evening, we had a great showing for swimming and dogs & beans! They had a great time with each other... lot's of games (some challenging 4-square!) Thanks to David, Dave, Rose, and Steve for contributions!
- Pancake Breakfast on July 4th: Thanks to all the BLYC membership for coming out; had way over 100! Also, thanks to the following for contributing food and/or work!

Joan Hein • Krajewski Family • Schroeder Family • Smith Family • Davis Family • McVey-Steele Family • Mark & Kathy Severance • Sue & Chuck Gleich • Linda & Lola Perez • Bill and Mary Muryn • Commodore Luttenberger

Tracey Davis and I met on Sunday, July10, at BLYC to put together the first draft plan for the 2016-2017 Junior Program (e.g. planning meetings, fun events for kids, fundraisers, work day, and sailing seminars). Thank you Tracey and look out 2017! This will then go through a Review & Comment with the Board of Governors (ensure dates don't conflict with anything else), Steve Harris, and the parents.

Also, we're about ready for another laying of the bricks (pavers)! We had more contributors:

Marty & Sue Headlee • Greg Miller • Jerry Besanceney • Klaus & Bethany Krajewski • Don Harris, • the Coconis Family

In addition, we had other cash contributors:

Mark & Kathy Severance • Don Dick • Lori Workman • Mike & June Jacobs • Bill & Sally Reynolds

Many, Many Thanks to All!

Upcoming... put September 10 on your calendars: Junior Family Fun Night... 4-square, kayak races, karaoke, etc.!!!

"Mac" McVey
Junior Training



WE WANT YOU TO BECOME A BLYC BOARD MEMBER

Contact any current Board Member or Past Commodore for more information

Election Day & Porch Picnic Sunday, September 18

HOUSE & GROUNDS

- Governor Chuck Gleich

It takes a lot to keep this old house up and running smoothly, but we've got a GREAT maintenance and cleaning staff in Chuck, Trent, and Cindy. Next time you see them at the Club, please let them know how much we all appreciate their hard work. Likewise, if you see something needing attention, please let them, Larry, or myself know and we'll get it taken care of.

Lot's of great work going on upstairs! Go take a look.

Let's All Get on Board!

Chuck Gleich House & Grounds

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SATURDAY AUGUST 6

The ARK Band

7:00 - 10:00 pm

Mahi Mahi

with Coconut Cucumber Relish

Hawaiian Pulled Pork
with Slider Buns

Coconut Rice
Roasted Redskins
Corn on the Cob
Fresh Fruit Display
Rolls & Butter
Pineapple Upside-down Cake

\$25 per person

tax & tip not included Children 12 and under - \$12

New Member Recognition Party

5:30 - 7:00 pm Commodores' Lounge

All members who have joined since September are invited!

DOCKS & RENTALS

- Governor Bill Muryn

The new *Queen of the Lake III* is in the Boatyard and has drawn quite a bit of attention. People driving by will stop and look at her. The GBLHS will begin renovations starting in the fall. The intent from the Museum is to launch it in the spring of 2018, per the Museum Director.

Even though the gates are somewhat closed, we have missed the opportunity for rain. All of the club's accessible docks, those attached to the island, are spoken for and have extensive waiting lists. The waiting lists are posted on the porch. The other docks the club rents have been disconnected from the mainland as a part of the dam renovation. As such, they are not useable.

The board is still working on a plan to access the docks not attached to Watkins Island. I have no open spaces in area 300 but we do have several in area 200 if you are interested in reserving one.

We have 1 garage available for rental and 21 open spaces in the Eastport Boatyard.

I look forward to seeing you at the Club!

Bill Muryn Docks & Rentals

IN MEMORIAM JOHN F. WOLFE 1943 - 2016

BAR & KITCHEN

- Vice Commodore Dave Lawrence

It seems impossible, but here we are looking at the last full month of summer. It is hard to believe that it went by so quickly. However, we do have a third of the summer to go, so now is the time to come to the Club for breakfast, lunch, or a beautiful sunset dinner on the porch. As mentioned before, the best thing that you can do to help your Club in difficult times is to use the Club.

After a few snafus with long waits for dinner service, we made some changes that have positively impacted the problem. First of all, more members have been making reservations thus giving the staff a better idea on staffing, ordering food, and spreading diners out over a longer period of time. Another important strategy that has made a difference is having a special menu on evenings when we are expecting a large turnout. By "shrinking" the menu, we are able to eliminate dishes that are time consuming to prepare. Finally, our Manager Larry has increased staff so that they can be more attentive to the needs of our members. We have received very positive feedback on all of these strategies that have been implemented.

Finally, we have seen an increase in revenue during the past year, but we still are down from "pre-dam construction" of a couple of years ago. The pool has been very busy on weekends this season, and that has added to our increase in business. Also, our happy hours, inside and poolside, have helped as well. Many members are staying on for dinner after the happy hours. So, let's all make a great effort to use the Club during the stretch run to end the summer! There is still a lot of time to have a lot of fun!

Dave Lawrence Bar & Kitchen

AUGUST 2016

WEDNESDAY THURSDAY
Gatlin Show
Dining 11:00-9:00 Pool Bar & Grill 11:00-7:00 Pool Bar & Grill 11:00-7:00
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BLYC Book Club 6:30 pm Auxiliary Meeting
Dining 11:00-9:00 Pool Bar & Grill 11:00-7:00
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Dining 11:00-9:00 Pool Bar & Grill 11:00-7:00
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31
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WEDNESDAY, AUGUST BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND

BLYC is pleased to again welcome Darryl and Andrea Gatlin to Watkins Island! GATLIN is a dynamic duo, currently performing over 150 shows throughout the midwest and south each year. The combination of their powerful voices and comedic banter make this duo a crowd favorite.

Prepare to be entertained

STANDING COMMITTEES & APPOINTMENTS

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Commodore Don Harris

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