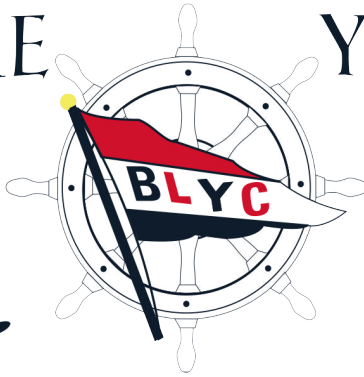


# BUCKEYE LAKE

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

**Parrot Head Party**  
Saturday, January 13  
*Cat & Howard*

**Dine & Dance**  
Saturday, January 20  
*DJ Johnny Garber*

**Sailing Kick-Off & Tar Social**  
Sunday, January 21  
1:00 - 3:00

**Speaker Series**  
Thursday, January 25  
**Watkins Island, BLYC & The Watkins Island Foundation**  
*David Luttenberger & Mark Watson*

**Buckeye Lake Winterfest**  
Saturday, January 27  
*Heart & Pine*  
7:00 - 10:00  
*Chris Logsdon*  
10:30 - 1:30  
*Big Bad Stache Duo*  
2:00 - 5:00  
**CLUB CLOSES AT 5:00**



### COMMODORE MIKE BRUCKELMEYER

"As we look to the new year, hold on to what is good. Let go of what is bad. It really is that simple."

– Mandy Hale

I trust that everyone had a festive Holiday season. If you were anywhere around our Club last month, I know you did! From the Children's Christmas Party to the wonderful New Year's Eve Party — we enjoyed the Adult Christmas Party, the Good Neighbor Party, the Ugly Sweater Party and all of the get-togethers with our families and friends! And now the New Year brings us new beginnings and a new start.

January ushers in the start of winter but there are plenty of things to bring you in from cold. The annual Parrot Head Party on the 13<sup>th</sup> reminds us of the beach life and tropical fun yet to come in the not-too-distant future. Join our BLYC sailors at their sailing kick off and Tar Social on January 21<sup>st</sup>.

Our annual Speaker Series kicks off with a presentation from the Watkins Island Foundation on January 25<sup>th</sup> and a discussion titled "The Lady as A Spy" on February 1<sup>st</sup>.

The annual Buckeye Lake Region Chamber of Commerce's Winterfest festivities are scheduled for January 27<sup>th</sup>. The Club will be open to the public that day with the best view of the fireworks, music from Big, Bad Stache, Heart and Pine and Chris Logsdon as well as your favorite beverages and food. Entertainment Governor Joel Gabor is looking for volunteers to help prep the day before and serve during this fun event. Please reach out to Joel and offer a few hours to welcome and serve our members and guests.

Communications Governor Bob Hegedus has implemented electronic communications from the Club and the ability to get your Club statements, Log and e-News electronically. These options are not only convenient but save us the costs of mailing these documents our members. Be sure to go to the BLYC website to sign up for some or all of these options.

Speaking of new beginnings, the front basin project is moving along with the plan for it to be completed this spring. There is a LOT of work that is being done behind the scenes to have the sections of our new piers, docks and race shack ready to be installed once the primary base structure is complete. Stay tuned on this project, it is going to be fantastic!

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## COMMODORE

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A quick housekeeping item... After the passage of Issue 2, which legalizes adult use of marijuana in the State, several members have asked what the policy will be at the Club. Since marijuana is still a controlled substance and the Club has a State issued liquor license we cannot “*allow in or upon or about the licensed permit premises, or engage in or facilitate in, the possession, use manufacture, transfer, or sale of any dangerous drug, controlled substance, narcotic, harmful intoxicant, counterfeit controlled substance, drug, drug paraphernalia, or drug abuse instrument as said terms are defined in ORC Chapter 2925.*” Bottom line — don’t bring it to the Club or Club premises.

The summer will be here before you know it and the Board is planning some great events. One of our annual events is the BLYC Golf outing scheduled for July 20<sup>th</sup>. We are looking for a chairperson for this event so if you are interested, let me know. The outing is a fantastic event and a ton of fun.

Your BLYC Board of Governors thanks you for a great 2023 and is working on an even bigger and better 2024!

**See you at the Club,**

Commodore Mike Bruckelmeyer

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## RACE & REGATTA

*- Governor Dean Pickett*

### Happy New Year to all fellow BLYC Members!!!

With the holidays behind us, it is time to look forward to everything BLYC has going on this year. It is a great time to be a member.

Within the race & regatta arena, we have a few exciting events going on...

- Jan 21<sup>st</sup>, 1:00-3:00 — 2024 Sailing Kickoff and Tar Social
- Feb 17<sup>th</sup>, 9:00-5:00 — US Sailing Race Management Seminar
- Feb 25<sup>th</sup>, 1:00-3:00 — Race Committee (RC-101) Class

If you are interested in getting engaged with the BLYC sailing community, the 2024 Sailing Kick Off and Tar Social is a great way to become part of the community.

If you are interested in learning more about the Race Committee or becoming a US Sailing certified race officer, the events on Feb 17<sup>th</sup> and Feb 25<sup>th</sup> are a perfect fit. There will be flyers around the club to provide more information. Additionally, you may contact either myself or Steve Harris for the flyer.

Lastly, if you are interested in being part of the Sail-on-Sunday Race Committee or part of the 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Cardboard Boat Race committee, please contact me at [RaceAndRegatta@buckeyelakeyc.com](mailto:RaceAndRegatta@buckeyelakeyc.com)

Dean Pickett  
Race & Regatta

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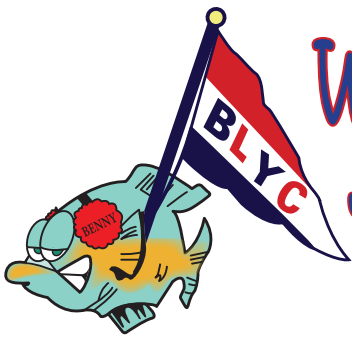
## BAR & KITCHEN

*- Rear Commodore Vic Schroeder*

I hope you all survived the holidays and now you are checking off all your New Year’s resolutions. Don’t forget to take a break, call some friends and come out and enjoy a great meal at the Club. I know you had a lot of fun during the December celebrations. But, don’t forget that Winterfest will be here on the 27<sup>th</sup> of January. The lake will come alive at 6:00 am, that’s right, 6:00 am! If you haven’t come out you don’t know what you’re missing. Come to the Club for the best view of the morning fireworks on the lake. We will have entertainment all day and be open serving drinks and food until 5:00 pm that night. I would like to thank Rodney and Ish for all their hard work this past year as we have been down staff for the whole year, and I think you will agree we have made it through the year very well.

Remember, please take time to sign your bill and check it for the correct member number and name. This will save you and the staff a few headaches while making sure the bill is correct and goes to the right member. Also, so many of you are so very generous with tipping and buying our staff a drink from time to time. As I am sure you can understand the staff cannot have drinks while on the clock. If you do want to buy them a drink, feel free, they will be able to have a drink at the end of their shift. Frankly, just take all that good cheer and add the value of the drink to your tip, because everyone can use a few extra dollars.

Vic Schroeder  
Bar & Kitchen



Winterfest  
January 27

**VOLUNTEERS  
NEEDED!**

**CONTACT GOV. JOEL GABOR  
FOR MORE INFORMATION  
[entertainment@buckeyelakeyc.com](mailto:entertainment@buckeyelakeyc.com)**

# BLYC SPEAKER SERIES

THURSDAYS  
7:00 pm

## Watkins Island, BLYC, and The Watkins Island Foundation

Thursday, January 25  
David Luttenberger & Mark Watson

## The Lady as a Spy

*Women Spies of the Revolutionary & Civil Wars*  
Thursday, February 1  
Susan Reid

## New Hearing Technology

*What You Don't Hear Can Hurt You*  
Thursday, February 15  
Greg Vanhorrssen

## Sky Sailing

*Adventures in Hang Gliding*  
Thursday, February 22  
Mark Thogmartin

TBD

Thursday, February 29  
Steve Harris

## Who's Watching

*Espionage Against the US*  
Thursday, March 7  
Jerry Besanceney

Rum!

*How It's Made and How It Tastes*  
Thursday, March 21  
Steve Seltzer

TBD

Thursday, March 28  
TBD

## MEMBERSHIP

- Governor Mike Perez

With the holidays in our rearview mirror, everyone on the board is looking forward to another great year at the club. This one will be special due to the pending completion of the front basin project. BLYC will be the place to be on the lake this coming summer!

As mentioned before, membership is at capacity with a waitlist for new members. If you sponsor a prospective member, they will be added to the waitlist once I receive their online application and 2 sponsor letters. Remember, only the actual member and not the first mate can sponsor a new applicant. Also, the only applicants not subjected to the waitlist would be a member's adult child who is under the age of 40.

**Effective December 1<sup>st</sup>, securing a spot on the waitlist will also require a refundable \$500 deposit, which will be applied to the initiation dues once the prospective member comes off of the waitlist. Also, if a prospective member's circumstances change (e.g. move...) the \$500 will be refunded to them.**

Like last year, membership will reopen once we see what the attrition looks like from the annual dues cycle. You should be receiving your statements soon. It is important for prospective members to get on the waitlist now so they can be considered once membership reopens.

If you haven't set up your member portal, please get that done. So far, 365 members have signed up. Let's get to 100%! You can go to the club website, [www.buckeyelakeyc.com](http://www.buckeyelakeyc.com), and click on the Member Portal box on the home page. There is also a link right there for a brief tutorial on using the portal. The main functionality currently is that you can view all of your club charges in real time and pay your monthly bill online. More functionality will be added in the future as this will be the HUB for everything! Also, you now have the ability to receive your monthly statements, monthly *Log* and weekly e-News update electronically. Please reach out to the office to take advantage of this because it saves the club a lot of money by being paperless.

If there is anyone you know, like and care about that you think would be a good member for the club, have them submit an online membership application and get on the waitlist.

**See you at the Club!**

Mike Perez  
Membership

**LET US KNOW ABOUT YOUR  
DINING EXPERIENCE**

[www.buckeyelakeyc.com/feedback](http://www.buckeyelakeyc.com/feedback)

# JUNIOR TRAINING

- Governor Stephanie Dolan

**HAPPY NEW YEAR!!!** I hope everyone had a great holiday season with their family and friends!

Sailing Camps are right around the corner! 2024 Junior Sailing Camp sign-ups will go live on the BLYC website THIS MONTH!! Registration is online ONLY! Sailing camps will be held in June of 2024. These always fill quickly and have a waitlist so please be sure to register as soon as sign ups become available. Registration is first come, first served. Stay tuned to the BLYC website, BLYC Facebook page, and the weekly e-News for more details and the announcement of registration availability.

We are pleased to announce that we will once again be hosting the first regatta of the season in the annual I-LYA Traveler's Series. This event will be held on June 1<sup>st</sup> at BLYC! Volunteers are needed for all aspects of the event – registration, logistics, launch & recovery, and more! Please reach out to me if you'd like to help with this great event!

Have a child who is interested in joining BLYC's Junior Race Team for the 2024 season? Please reach out to me to find out more and alert us of your interest!

We are excited to announce that we will be running a campaign beginning this month to help fund the purchase of 2 new boats for the Junior Sailing Program. We plan to purchase a new Laser and a new Opti for use in 2024 and beyond. Please let me know if you have questions or are interested in donating. Any donations are welcome and very much appreciated!

**THANK YOU all for your support!**

**We're SO grateful to all of the AMAZING members of BLYC!**

Stephanie Dolan  
Junior Training

## SUNDAY EUCHRE

Join your  
Friends at  
the Club  
for a FUN,  
Casual Euchre  
Tournament  
Sundays @  
1:00 pm

All Skill Levels are  
Welcome



## PROPOSED BY-LAWS CHANGE

The Board of Governors is currently considering changes to Article XI. Rule 24 of the By-Laws regarding DOCK BOXES.

As required by Article X of the BLYC Constitution, the changes are being published in the January issue of the Log. The Board of Governors would appreciate all feedback and suggestions from the membership.

### CURRENT BY-LAWS

ARTICLE XI. RULES GOVERNING CONDUCT ON PREMISES AND USE OF FACILITIES.

RULE 24 - DOCK & STORAGE RULES

7b. All gear incidental to storage must be removed immediately after launching or be disposed of.

7c. Boats must be launched by June 1st or demurrage of 2 ½ cents lineal foot/day will be charged.

### PROPOSED BY-LAWS CHANGE

ARTICLE XI. RULES GOVERNING CONDUCT ON PREMISES AND USE OF FACILITIES.

RULE 24 - DOCK & STORAGE RULES

#### ADD THE FOLLOWING...

7d. No items or dock boxes are permitted on any pier, dock, or walkway in any of the docking areas.

### REASONS FOR REQUESTED CHANGE

The new piers and walkways are only 5 feet in width. Adding a Dock Box and/or leaving items on the walkway would create a trip hazard.

**Your Governors appreciate your input.**

# CHEF'S

# Weekly Dining Features



Each week, Rodney and the kitchen staff prepare several great weekly features for your dining pleasure.

Check them out online at

[www.buckeyelakeyc.com/gob-mess/weekly-features](http://www.buckeyelakeyc.com/gob-mess/weekly-features)

## NEW WINTER MENU NOW AVAILABLE!

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## DOCKS & RENTALS

- Governor Rickie Sue Grunden

**Dock Renewal and Boatyard Renewal.** It is time to renew your dock lease and/or Eastport boatyard storage lease. The leases are included with your 2024 membership invoice. Each year, you need to sign and return the leases with boat and/or trailer information which includes a copy of the current boat registration and the declaration page of your boat insurance. The current BLYC insurance carrier requires this to be on file in our office. Thank you for being compliant with this requirement. If your lease agreement is not included with your invoice, please contact me at docksandrentals@buckeyelakeyc.com.

Please note that construction on the front basin is on schedule and we expect all boats will be returned to Watkins Island this spring. The amenities on the island will include water and electricity for all boat docks. Our dock rental fees for 2024 are as follows:

Eastport Docks:	\$1,200
Area 8 Docks:	\$1,300
Watkins Island East:	\$2,100
Watkins Island Front Basin:	\$2,100
Watkins Island West Basin:	\$2,100
Watkins Island Back Basin:	\$ 620
Eastport Storage (Nov 1 - Oct 31):	\$ 450

If you are interested in changing docks or getting a dock for 2024, complete the dock application on the website under "Our Club" > "Docks and Storage." We also have storage areas available in the Eastport boatyard.

**Proposed Change to By-Laws.** Before construction the piers were 10 feet wide and BLYC permitted dock boxes. The new construction allowed for 5 feet wide piers and smaller walkways between docks. The Board of Governors and New Construction Committee requested that we eliminate dock boxes to prevent trip hazards. As such, the Board of Governors is proposing that we change the BLYC By-Laws and our perpetual dock lease agreement so that we eliminate all dock boxes to improve the safety of our members.

The proposal for change to the By-Laws regarding dock boxes is published in this issue of the *Log* for your review. Please contact myself and/or any of the Governors to comment on this change.

### **Change to BLYC Perpetual Dock Rental Agreement.**

**CHANGE FROM:** 6. All items stored in the docking area must be kept in an approved docking box with permission from the Governor of Docks. **CHANGE TO:** 6. No items or dock boxes are permitted on any pier, dock, or walkway in any of the docking areas including Watkins Island, Area 8 and Eastport docking areas.

Rickie Sue Grunden  
Docks & Rentals

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## CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

- Mark Thogmartin, Fleet Chaplain

### **I Am Not Afraid of Storms**

In my final pre-retirement role as an educational administrator I worked on a team to establish the Ohio Virtual Academy, one of the first statewide kindergarten through 12<sup>th</sup> grade e-schools. This was no easy task. Seamless internet access had yet to be established across the state, and many families (and teachers) struggled to implement the new technology employed by the school. The small, initial group of teachers and administrators met regularly to hack through the avalanche of difficulties we encountered.

My birthday fell during the early months of our efforts. Knowing that I was struggling under a lot of stress, the team presented to me a framed version of the famous quotation by Louisa May Alcott taken from her literary classic *Little Women*:

***I am not afraid of storms, for I am learning  
how to sail my ship.***

This gift was especially encouraging to me, and I reflected on those words often during the following months.

Our family on my father's side moved to Ohio from Kansas during the height of the Great Depression. The lean economic realities, the harsh conditions created by the dust bowl, and even destructive invasions by hungry, crop-devouring grasshoppers made the move a necessity. Dad tells stories of his father losing his Ford dealership to bankruptcy, and of trying to outrun a tornado as it bore down on their small town. When I catch myself whining about how tough our times are today, I repent when I recall the extreme difficulties my father's family and their friends encountered during those years.

Rough weather hones a sailor's skills. Tough times build character. The God of providence allows us to suffer under these circumstances for reasons that we vainly try to discern this side of eternity. Even so, saints of old in the pages of scripture encourage us to rest in faith knowing that His purposes do work for our ultimate good and for His glory.

Mark Thogmartin  
Fleet Chaplain



**2024 BLYC  
TAR SOCIAL**  
Sunday, January 21  
1:00 - 3:00  
Join us to Kick-off the 2024  
Buckeye Lake Sailing Season  
raceandregatta@buckeyelakeyc.com

# LOOKING AFT...

- P/C Steve Harris, BLYC Historian

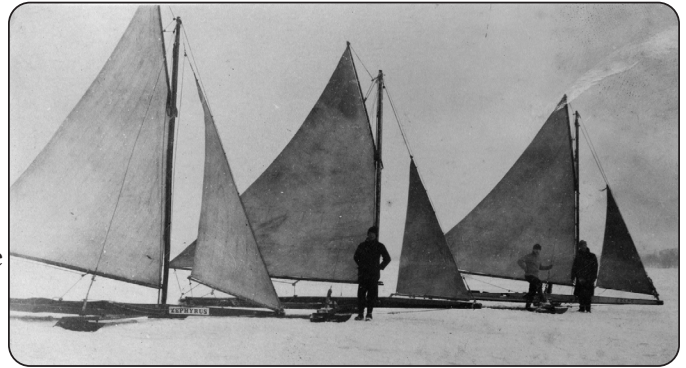
Everyone is getting excited about Winterfest, but I haven't seen winter weather yet. I was thinking back the other day to the first Winterfest celebration that the Buckeye Lake Region Chamber of Commerce put on. It seemed like a crazy idea at the time! (Is this really the 10<sup>th</sup> year? How time flies!) P/C Tim Ryan was active in the planning and he and I were discussing some of the upcoming events over a few beverages at the Buckeye Lake Brewery one evening. Somewhere in the conversation (certainly emboldened by the brewery's offerings), I offered to sail my DN iceboat back and forth in front of the North Shore Ramp during the fireworks. Yes, we actually had ice most of January and February that winter! Well, the day of the event came and it was cold — the wind chills were well below zero. I'm not the intrepid, adventurous sort that perhaps I was in my younger days. The iceboat stayed in the garage that Winterfest. Sadly, there hasn't been another opportunity since. Who knows? Maybe we'll get a deep freeze in the next few weeks. (Did I really just suggest a 6:00 am sail?)

## Iceboating at Buckeye Lake

Iceboat racing is popular in northern areas — way north of here — but not all that common in our area. That has not always been the case. In fact, at one time, it was very popular at BLYC! The earliest historical reference I can find is in Kyle Armstrong's *Story of the Buckeye Lake Yacht Club*. He states that the lake, in January 1910, "when frozen over... offered some good, clean, unimpedimented, ice-boating thrills." He also reports that in 1912, "Two new ice-boats added to the Club's fleet had raised it's total to six. They were singing all over the Lake's glassy-hard surface." In those early days, most iceboats here were "Skeeter Sayre built" — presumably at Sayre Brothers' Marina, next door to the Club. Zenna once told me that Sayre

Brothers used to be the exclusive builder of iceboats in this area. Was "Skeeter" was one of the Sayre brothers? "Skeeter" also refers to a particular design of ice sailer dating back to the early 20th century so... well, I guess I

need to do some more investigation. Those craft were steered from the stern like most "soft-water" boats — unlike the bow-steered iceboats we see today. Iceboating continued in earnest at the Club, as



I'm not sure that our BLYC iceboaters today are that bold. But, from time to time, we are able to get out on the hard water and scream along the nearly frictionless ice for a thrilling

ride — followed, of course, by an rest inside the Clubhouse to warm up, share stories, and have a drink or two enjoying the company of our fellow BLYC members. Isn't that, after all, really the most enjoyable winter activity at our lake?



DN Iceboats lined up on Buckeye Lake — 1968

conditions would permit, for many years. In the archives, we have a number of old photos of iceboats and iceboating. According to Armstrong, in the mid-twentieth century iceboating was a regular part of the Club's racing program!

Either winters were colder then, or Buckeye Lake yachtsmen were much braver. Our history records are peppered with stories of iceboating at Buckeye Lake in the early days of the Club — including one from Frank H. Miller, long-time BLYC member and P/C of Put-in-Bay Yacht Club and I-LYA, in which he recalls the 1917/18 iceboating season ending "... with Sid Allen sailing an iceboat on soft, floating ice with Max [Slaughter] and I sailing alongside in his canoe. Nobody thought to take a picture."



Frank Miller's Iceboat *Ghost* in front of BLYC — c. 1970s



BLYC's first Junior Members (1917) & lifelong friends, Max Slaughter and Frank Miller taking a break on *Ghost* — c. 1970s

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# ENTERTAINMENT

- Governor Joel Gabor

## Happy New Year!

Well that was fast — I feel like I just got the gravy stains out of my shirt from Thanksgiving, and here we are in 2024! I do hope that everyone had a very Happy Holiday season, full of family and presents, and that our December children's events, Christmas parties and New Year's Eve celebration contributed to your seasonal enjoyment. Here's to a very healthy and happy 2024!

Speaking of presents, at our December Board of Governors meeting, we received approval to upgrade the Club's current sound system. So what does that mean? — High quality, more effective audio speakers in the Fireplace Room, Lakeview Dining Room, Bar Area, Commodores Lounge, Front Porch and Pool areas. Additionally, we will be able to leverage the new system's technology capabilities to simultaneously play different music in different areas (think Light Jazz dinner music in the Fireplace Room, while playing Pool Party music out by the pool), all controlled from a single control. In some cases, I believe that we will be able to use the system as a replacement for live music, using some of the many music streaming services available, which will help us manage our Entertainment costs a bit.

The plan is for installation of the new system to be done during the month of January. If you are interested in learning more about what we are up to with this project, please do not hesitate to grab me at the Club and I will *HAPPILY* chat with you about it.

Remember, January is also Winterfest Month! We're looking forward to a busy day, with three quality bands to help us have a fun time. We hope to see you there, and for those who have volunteered to help us take care of our guests; THANK YOU!

**All the best — I'll see you at the Club**

Joel Gabor  
Entertainment



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# COMMUNICATIONS

- Governor Bob Hegedus

## 2024?? Already?

Time flies when you are having fun at the BLYC! I was recently visited by three ghosts with specific news they wanted me to share:

**BLYC Ghost of the Past:** Board members having to use their own personal email addresses to communicate with you is a thing of the past! The Board now has club specific email addresses for you to use if you need to contact them, even if just to say Happy New Year:

Commodore Mike Bruckelmeyer  
[Commodore@Buckeyelakeyc.com](mailto:Commodore@Buckeyelakeyc.com)

Vice Commodore Bill Collinson/House and Grounds:  
[Houseandgrounds@Buckeyelakeyc.com](mailto:Houseandgrounds@Buckeyelakeyc.com)

Rear Commodore Vic Schroeder/Bar and Kitchen:  
[Barandkitchen@Buckeyelakeyc.com](mailto:Barandkitchen@Buckeyelakeyc.com)

Governor Bob Hegedus/Communication:  
[Communications@Buckeyelakeyc.com](mailto:Communications@Buckeyelakeyc.com)

Governor Joel Gabor/Entertainment:  
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Governor Dean Pickett/Race and Regatta:  
[Raceandregatta@Buckeyelakeyc.com](mailto:Raceandregatta@Buckeyelakeyc.com)

**BLYC Ghost of the Present:** Thank you to everyone that responded to our request to update your communication preferences. We are off to a good start with over 100 members that have elected to receive their monthly *Log* and financial statements via email.

If you haven't done so yet, PLEASE put at the top of your new years resolution list to update your communication preferences by following the link on the BLYC home page.

**BLYC Ghost of the Future:** We are working on providing two new exciting capabilities to our members: a member driven searchable roster and a communication platform that will improve our ability to communicate better across the entire club membership.

**I am very excited to be your Communications Governor for the next year!**

Bob Hegedus  
Communications

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## HOUSE & GROUNDS

- Vice Commodore Bill Collinson

As we approach the end of 2023, work continues on the front basin. The I-beams supporting the exterior wall on the west and south sides of the island have been hammered in place and, at the time of this writing, we are waiting for the water levels to drop so that we may weld the horizontal support angle iron to reinforce the structure. You may have noticed that we have adjusted the opening of the basin approximately 12 feet to the east so that it will line up better with the center of the front porch and the newly installed compass rose on the patio. Weather permitting, we expect that the seawall will be installed once the welding has been completed. In addition, you should be seeing the fill that now is located on the south side of the patio to be removed in preparation to use that space for the storage of materials that will be needed for completion of the project.

In our last construction meeting, it was decided that the wharf making up the south side of the basin will be widened from 5 feet to 9 feet to mirror the width of the wharf where the race shack is positioned. This is being done to provide more space for spectators viewing our numerous regattas. Finally, the removal of the old steel should be under way some time at the beginning of the new year. In a perfect world, we would be able to just pull this steel from the bottom of the lake and dispose of it, but because of its age and deterioration, that option may not be possible. We have always anticipated it might be necessary to have divers with underwater torches cut the steel as it enters the bottom of the lake and remove it that way. Prior to taking that step, our plan is to use a power jet system to loosen the material around the steel hopefully making it possible to remove it without the need of cutting it.

We have created a new committee to look into the purchasing of patio furniture for the front basin patio. This committee will also be looking into acquiring large planters so that we may provide green spaces which should go a long way in softening up the large concrete patio. There will be more to come on this aspect of the project in articles to come. The new elevator providing access to the front porch has been ordered and we are told that it should be installed some time toward the end of February. We have also started to take the preliminary steps for the replacement of rear steel staircase located on the north side of the clubhouse. This would include engineering and architectural drawings that are required for the proper permitting of the project.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish all our members a happy and prosperous new year and look forward to continuing our efforts in making improvements to our club in the upcoming year.

Bill Collinson  
House & Grounds



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## BLYC AUXILIARY

**Your Auxiliary wishes you and your family a Happy 2024!**

Thursday, December 14<sup>th</sup> was our Annual Holiday party and meeting. A special thank you to David Hogrefe for playing all our favorite songs on the piano. Auxiliary is once again offering chances to have \$1,000 paid towards your 2024 BLYC Dues. Each chance is a \$35 donation and the web link to get chances is on the BLYC website under the Auxiliary tab. Cutoff is midnight Wednesday, January 24<sup>th</sup>. The winner will be announced Friday, January 26<sup>th</sup>.

**Join in the fun! Below is our Calendar**

- Saturday, March 2 — PIBYC Cruise out to BLYC  
*Social 5:00 to 6:30*
- Saturday, March 30  
*Brunch 10:00 OR 1:00*  
*Children's Easter Egg Hunt @ NOON*
- Sunday, April 14  
*11:30 Social/Brunch, meeting, then Euchre*
- Friday, May 10  
*5:00-8:00 Progressive Social/Dinner/meeting on Northbank*
- Saturday, June 8 — Cruise on the Queen of the Lake  
*Time TBD (Meeting before)*
- Wednesday, July 24  
*Social/Meeting/Set up*
- Saturday, July 27 — Auxiliary Annual Fundraiser  
*Theme: Starry Night*
- Thursday, August 8  
*Pool Party and Meeting*
- Thursday, September 12  
*5:30 Social 6:30 Meeting 7:30 Wine/Painting Party*

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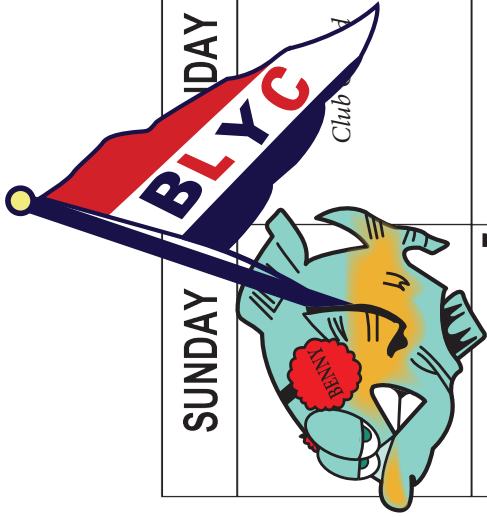
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<p>7</p> <p>Dining 9:00-7:00</p>	<p>1</p> <p>Club Closed</p>	<p>2</p> <p>Club Closed</p>	<p>3</p> <p>Dining 5:00-9:00</p>	<p>4</p> <p>Dining 5:00-9:00</p>	<p>5</p> <p>Dining 5:00-9:00</p>	<p>6</p> <p>Dining 11:00-9:00</p>	
<p>14</p> <p>Dining 9:00-7:00</p>	<p>8</p> <p>Club Closed</p>	<p>9</p> <p>Club Closed</p>	<p>10</p> <p>Dining 5:00-9:00</p>	<p>11</p> <p>Board Meeting</p>	<p>12</p> <p>Dining 5:00-9:00</p>	<p>13</p> <p><b>Parrot Head Party</b> Cat &amp; Howard 7:00 - 10:00</p>	
<p>21</p> <p>Dining 9:00-7:00</p> <p><b>Sailing Kick Off &amp; Tar Social</b> 1:00-3:00</p>	<p>15</p> <p>Club Closed</p>	<p>16</p> <p>Club Closed</p>	<p>17</p> <p>Dining 5:00-9:00</p>	<p>18</p> <p>Dining 5:00-9:00</p>	<p>19</p> <p>Dining 5:00-9:00</p>	<p>20</p> <p><b>Dine &amp; Dance</b> DJ Johnny Garber 7:00 - 10:00</p>	
<p>28</p> <p>Dining 9:00-7:00</p>	<p>22</p> <p>Club Closed</p>	<p>23</p> <p>Club Closed</p>	<p>24</p> <p>Dining 5:00-9:00</p>	<p>25</p> <p><b>Speaker Series</b> Watkins Island, BLYC, &amp; The Watkins Island Foundation David Luttenberger &amp; Mark Watson Dining 5:00-9:00</p>	<p>26</p> <p>Dining 5:00-9:00</p>	<p>27</p> <p><b>Winterfest</b> Heart &amp; Pine 7:00 - 10:00 Chris Logsdon 10:30 - 1:30 Big Bad Stache Duo 2:00 - 5:00 Club Closes @ 5:00</p>	
<p>28</p> <p>Dining 9:00-7:00</p>	<p>29</p> <p>Club Closed</p>	<p>30</p> <p>Club Closed</p>	<p>31</p> <p>Dining 5:00-9:00</p>				<p>Dining 5:00-9:00</p>



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