MEMORIAL SERVICE/EYE OPENER
Join us for the first big event of the season at the Memorial Service and Eye Opener Luncheon on Sunday, May 28th. The service begins at 1230 and lunch will follow at 1300. Come and meet our guest chef, Bob Moon, who will be the main chef at Put-in-Bay's newest bar and restaurant, The Goat (located in the former Dailey's Tavern). Chef Moon has a vast menu planned for the event including, eggs benedict, chicken piccatta, assorted pastries and desserts and two homemade soups. Following brunch, enjoy live entertainment by the singing foursome “Esprit de Chords” who will be performing an Americana medley of tunes.

Food Service Update
If you have not already heard, Simply Sharon catering will not be able to return to run our food service for 2006. Sharon Conte-Siwa's culinary skills and singular style will be greatly missed. Club Manager Jack Harris has reacted quickly to set up a program that will maintain the level of service. The Friday Night Dinners that have been so successful in previous seasons will continue as scheduled. Look for new themes and new faces as we rebuild and hopefully improve upon our past success. “Bigger and Better than Ever!” says Jack. Some other events previously scheduled, such as Wednesday Family Night, have been renamed “Light Dinner Menu” for now. The important thing is that the Club will be open with a basic menu and bar service on Wednesdays, Thursdays, Fridays, and most Saturdays as scheduled, so please join us for camaraderie, food, and fun.

We Need Your Help to make the season a success. Support staff volunteers are needed for the Friday Night Dinners, at least through the beginning of the season. Due to housing limitations on PIB, it will take time to rebuild the service staff that Sharon used to coordinate. We have bartenders scheduled and paid kitchen staff will be in place, but additional support is needed to handle orders, serve, etc. during peak times on Friday nights. Three families/groups have already stepped-up as shown below. Please consider teaming with friends or family and call the Club Manager to volunteer for an upcoming Friday.

- Friday Dinner, May 26 - Club Staff and Flag Officers
- Friday Dinner, June 9 - The Cooper Family
- Friday Dinner, June 16 - The Kahler Family
- Friday Dinner, June 30 - ?

Please consider teaming with friends or family and call the Club Manager to volunteer for an upcoming Friday.

FATHER’S DAY
Brunch on Sunday, June 18
Bring your Dad for a great meal on a special day. We will be preparing all of Dad’s favorites at a reasonable price from 1130-1400.

Friday, June 23rd - 5-8 p.m.
PIB COMMUNITY SWIM/SAIL SPAGHETTI DINNER & BUCKET RAFFLE at the Club. Open to the public.

FREEDOM PARTY
Start your 4th of July holiday off with a bang at the annual Freedom Party on Sunday, July 2nd. Children’s activities will begin at 1700. A traditional BBQ meal will begin being served at 1730. This year children, members and guests will be “wowed” by the magical talents of Jeremy Hanna, a fifth grader from Tiffin, Ohio. Keeping with the “American Melting Pot,” please feel free to bring along your favorite ethnic dish to share. We are still looking for co-chairs and committee members to help with this event. Anyone willing and able should contact RC Jennifer Kahler 419-443-1086 or Jack Harris, club manager.

Put-in-Bay Yacht Club presents the return of a “Classy Island Cocktail Hour” from 1630 until 2100 every Wednesday, starting June 14th. Come and enjoy great cocktails, conversation and listen to some great American classics. It’s the elegant cocktail hour for all members and their guests. We will have munchies and an appetizer menu. Questions...call 419-285-4505.
Commodore’s Briefing

Are you ready for a great summer? We have so much planned for 2006, and all we need is you! I am very proud of the leadership team of officers, trustees, staff, and committee chairs who have pulled together to help make this season a success. Change is inevitable and how we manage that change is key.

One challenge faced has been the restructuring of our food service. Sharon Conte-Siwa called me in April to break the bad news that she and Tom will not be able to return for the 2006 season. Thank goodness for Club Manager Jack Harris. Upon hearing the news, he paused briefly and then said “Bring it On! I’m Ready!” As of the writing of this article, we were evaluating options and entering negotiations to line-up kitchen staff or catering for the remainder of the season. I ask that you please bear with us as we re-invent the organization and staff needed to continue the successful Friday Night Dinners. If you suffer a delay with your food order or the like, please be patient. I have been very impressed with Jack’s response to the challenge and am confident that by this time next year, our food service will have grown and improved beyond anyone’s expectations.

Did I mention this is a volunteer club? If supporting a Friday Dinner as a volunteer helper is not your interest, there are many other projects in the works, such as rebuilding storage for the Junior Sailing Program. So please, just come down to the Club and lend a hand with whatever you can. I promise we will make it fun.

Bob Bahney III, “da Big Kahuna”

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Rear View Forward

Welcome back everyone to another great year of yacht club activities. Don’t forget to mark your calendars and plan to attend the Memorial Service/Eye Opener, Fishing Expedition, Freedom Party and Parrot Head Party. I would like to express my gratitude to Jack Harris and Rose Kahler for working so hard on securing catering services for this year’s Eye Opener. Rose not only successfully negotiated to have a new island chef prepare the meal, but has once again volunteered her time and cooking skills in my hour of need. We are extremely lucky to have Jack, who not only manages to manage the club, but also willingly shares his culinary talents as well.

In light of our current situation, member volunteers will be more necessary and important than ever. Please consider signing up on a committee this season. Everyone’s help is welcome and greatly appreciated.

Jennifer L. Kahler
Rear Commodore

Ad-Vice

Spring is upon us and summer will be here soon, so it is not too early to begin planning for the upcoming cruise-outs. The first cruise-out is the Vermilion Yacht Club on June 9-11. Dave Butz will be the Fleet Captain for this cruise-out so you can contact him with questions at 440-423-4693. Many of the activities for this cruise-out are the same as last year, including the Friday night dinner at the Vermilion Boat Club, a cookout lunch on Saturday with hamburgers and brats provided and all attending are asked to bring a side dish. There will be a cocktail party on the boats on Saturday night and then dinner to follow at Red Clay or the Old Prague Restaurant. A reminder that there are no alcoholic beverages allowed on VYC property.

There is more detailed information on our website www.pibyc.org and at the Club. There is also information available about Vermilion and the Vermilion Yacht Club at the following websites: www.vyc.us; www.vermillionohioharbourtown.homestead.com; and www.vermillionoh.com.

If you cannot make it to this cruise-out, don’t worry, there are many more to come. Save the date for the remaining cruise-outs:

- June 25 – Nor-Easter Club
- August 5 – Schoolhouse Bay
- August 17 – Pelee Island
- August 18-20 – Leamington Municipal Marina
- September 15-17 – Cedar Point

Plans are continuing to develop for the Mardi Gras fundraiser scheduled for August 12th and I want to thank those who have offered to help. We still need more volunteers for this super fundraiser event. Trustee Dave Flickinger will chair ticket sales along with a number of others. Jamie Wight’s Joymakers Jazz Band will come from New Orleans to authenticate the music and “All That Jazz”.

Tickets are available for purchase at the Club office, 419-285-4505.

George C. Smith
Vice Commodore

PIBYC GOLF CART RAFFLE

Four-seat rebuilt electric Club Car from Bay Carts "Patriotic" navy blue with red and white seats.

Tickets $10 each or three for $20. Drawing to be held at PIBYC annual fundraiser dinner on Saturday, August 12, 2006. Winners need not be present. Prize includes one year free parking/storage on PIBYC grounds.
The 2006 Ladies Luncheon schedule has been finalized. All our hostess positions are filled. Hopefully all of you will enjoy our plans. The June schedule is as follows:

- **June 13th**  Red Hat Luncheon at the PIBYC  
  Hostess: Silver Sails - Past Presidents

- **June 20th**  Ladies Luncheon - Doller House  
  Program: Doller House Lecture by Susie Cooper  
  Hostesses: Dee Grover and Carol Roberts

- **June 27th**  Mexican Luncheon at the PIBYC  
  Hostesses: Monica Beane and Katy Barnhill

All luncheons are at 1200. The luncheon price may vary slightly depending on our cost. As usual guests are always welcome to any of our luncheons. Please call the club for reservations. Our cooks need as much help in planning the food as we can possibly give them. Also any time you would be willing to volunteer (set tables, clean-up, etc) on Mondays or Tuesdays to support the hostesses would be most welcome.

Deceased club members will be honored at the Memorial Service before the Eye Opener. Please notify Jack Harris (285-4505) with the name of the deceased so that they may be honored at the service.

Hope to see and your RED HAT on June 13th.

Diane Ketterer  
Auxiliary President

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**Twentieth Century Club Challenge**

In 1999 a fund was established named the “Twentieth Century Club” to underwrite the many capital improvements in process at the time. The goal was to raise $30,000 comprised of 20 members donating $1000 and 100 members donating $100. The response was a tremendous success, but short of the full goal.

In the spirit of “finishing things”, Commodore Bob Bahney III is reviving the drive with a $1000 pledge and a challenge to the membership to find six more $1000 donors and 25 more $100 donors. If your name is not already on the plaque hung in the back room, please consider supporting this fundraising effort. Compared to similar clubs, our membership dues are low and we hope to never utter the dreaded word “assessment”. Your support will help us continue improving the club and will be greatly appreciated. Please contact PC Reni Miller, toll free at 877-835-6500, ext. 254, to join this worthwhile project.

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**Yearbooks Are Coming**

The books are at the printer’s and will be available soon. If you sent the extra $5 for postage with your membership renewal, your book will be mailed to your current address. Others can pick up their books at the Club office during office hours or any event.

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**Club Manager Notes**

A big thank you to all who helped with clean up day. It will give Marilyn and me a big head start on our mission to make the Put-in-Bay Yacht Club bigger and better than ever, providing a clean and bright environment. It was great to see so many familiar faces. We have a full calendar of events for all to enjoy this year. Please take advantage and visit often. Do not hesitate to call me if there is anything I can do to enhance your club experience.

Jack Harris  
Club Manager

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**July 15th, Parrot Head Party**

The theme for the Parrot Head Party this year will be “Cowboys in the Jungle”. The party will start at 7 p.m. on Saturday, July 15, which is a week earlier than previous years. Look for special Parrot Head T-shirts available soon through the Club Web site www.pibyc.org and more details next month.

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**DO FISH FEAR YOU?**

Sign up for the 1st Annual Fishing Expedition on Saturday, June 10th! Join the PIBYC Angling Team, led by Captain Pat Chrysler, on a day of nautical adventure, fishing, food and fun. There are a few seats left!!! Contact RC Jennifer Kahler at 419-443-1086 to sign up today.

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**COMMODORES’ WALKWAY**

A memorial brick walkway will extend alongside the new patio down to the street. A limited number of bricks engraved with up to three lines of text are available for sale to our members. Remember a loved one or commemorate your connection to PIBYC. Order forms are available in the Club office and posted online at www.pibyc.org. Help support the new patio construction and beautification of our club.

We will be collecting applications through the spring so that bricks can be ordered and installed as a group.
Call 419-285-4505 for reservations to the Eye Opener Luncheon on May 28th at 1300.

PIBYC 2006 OFFICERS

Commodore* – Robert H. Bahney, III
Vice Commodore* – Hon. George C. Smith
Rear Commodore* – Jennifer Kahler
Power Fleet Captain – P/C David Butz
Sail Fleet Captain – Ed Skoch
Fleet Chaplain – Hon. George C. Smith
Fleet Surgeon – Gabriela Kaplan, M.D.
Membership Secretary – Mary Ellen Werner
Recording Secretary – Kristin Wygant
Treasurer – Maxton (Clark) C. Davies
Historian - Muriel B. Eian
Auxiliary President* - Diane Ketterer
Auxiliary Vice President - Judy Kania
Auxiliary Secretary/Treasurer - Viv Ladd

PIBYC BOARD OF TRUSTEES

P/C Bob Bahney Jr.
Dean Cormier
P/P Kay Drake
Kenneth C. Kartheiser
Dave Flickinger
P/C Richard Meyer
Stephen R. Nagy

*Officers also on Board
2006 Club Calendar

MAY
20 Board Meeting, 1300
25 Weekday Adult Sailing Series Start (every Thursday)
26 Friday Dinner, 1800
27 Weekend Adult Sailing Series Start (every Saturday)
28 Memorial Service, 1230
28 Eye Opener Luncheon, 1300

JUNE
1 Weekday Adult Sailing Series (every Thursday)
3 Men's Spring Regatta
Light Dinner Menu
9 Friday Dinner, 1800
9-11 Vermilion Cruise-out
10 Charter Fishing Expedition, 730-1600
10 Women's Spring Regatta
10 Fish Fry, 1800
12 Sail Classes/Endurance Swim Begin
13 Auxiliary Luncheon, 1200 - Red Hat
14 Wednesday Light Dinners start (every Wednesday)
15 Thursday Light Dinners Start (every Thursday)
15-18 Multi-Hull Sailing Seminar
16 Friday Dinner, 1800
17 I-LYA RC Jack's Steak Fry Benefit
18 Father's Day Brunch, 1130-1400
19 Morning Swim Classes Start
19 Kid's Movie Night, 1900
20 Auxiliary Luncheon, Doller House talk, 1200
23 Swim/Sail Spaghetti Dinner Benefit (Public Welcome)
24 Board Meeting, 0900
24 Fine Dining (Reservations Required)
25 Nor'Easter Club Dinner, 1700
26 Kid's Movie Night, 1900
27 Auxiliary Luncheon, Mexican Theme, 1200
30 Friday Dinner, 1800

JULY
1 Gardner Trophy Meeting, 1100
1 Light Dinner Menu
2 Freedom Party BBQ and Fun for Kids, 1700
3 Kid's Movie Night, 1900
4 New Citizens' Ceremony, 11:30, Perry Monument
4 Light Dinner Menu (before fireworks)
7 Friday Dinner, 1800
8 Classical Music Fundraiser with Wine/Cheese Tasting
9 Sunday Brunch, 1130-1400
9 Kenny Kidd Piano Show for Children
11 Auxiliary Luncheon, 1200
14 Friday Dinner, 1800
14 Swim/Sail Awards, 1900
15 Parrot Head Party (Cowboys in the Jungle), 1900
16-20 I-LYA Jr. Sail Regatta (volunteers needed)
18 Auxiliary Luncheon at The Crew's Nest, 1200
20 I-LYA Jr. Sail Awards After-Party at PIBYC
21 Backus Cup Regatta
21 Friday Dinner, 1800
22 Board Meeting, 0900
22 Fine Dining (Reservations Required)
23 Antique Car Parade After-Party
24 AYC Meeting and Dinner
25 Auxiliary Luncheon, Christmas in July, 1200
26-29 I-LYA Power Boat Regatta
29-30 I-LYA Deepwater Races
30-3 I-LYA Sail Regatta

AUGUST
1 I-LYA Ladies Tea, 1200
1 I-LYA Sailors' Steak Fry
3-5 Shark National Regatta
4 Friday Dinner, 1800
5 School House Day Picnic, 1200-1600
8 Auxiliary Luncheon, Victory Hotel talk, 1200
11 Friday Dinner, 1800
12 Board Meeting, 0900
12 Mardi Gras Fundraiser Dinner
and New Orleans Jazz Band
13 Sunday Brunch, 11:30-1400
15 Auxiliary Luncheon, 1200
16 Wednesday Light Dinners end
17 Pelee Cruise-Out (overnight Thursday)
17 Thursday Light Dinners End
18-20 Leamington Cruise-Out (Tomato Festival)
18 Friday Dinner, 1800
19 Fine Dining (Reservations Required)
25 Friday Dinner, 1800
26 Moonlight Cruise TBD

SEPTEMBER
1 Friday Dinner, 1800
2 Clambake, 17:30 (Reservations Required)
3 Pancake Breakfast, 800
3 Annual Meeting, 1500
3 Pizza Party, 1700
4 Board Meeting, 900
8 Friday Dinner, 1800
9 Historic Memorial Service, 1400, Perry Monument
15-17 Sandusky/Cedar Point Cruise-Out
15 Friday Dinner, 1800
16 Men's Fall Regatta
22 Friday Dinner, 1800
23 Women's Fall Regatta
29 Friday Dinner, 1800

OCTOBER
6 Light Dinner Menu
7 Board Meeting, 0900
7 Change of Watch, 1800
8 Planning Meeting, 0900
8 Eye Closer Luncheon, 1300

DECEMBER
1-2 I-LYA Winter Meeting
Sandusky Holiday Inn

THE BACK 40

The barn addition is up. Now volunteer carpenters/electricians are needed to build the Junior Sailing Program storage room, which replaces the delapidated shed. The building also needs wiring for lights and plugs. Contact Trustee Bob Bahney Jr. (419-285-3424) if you are willing to lend a hand.
From our Fleet Surgeon

NEWS ON ALZHEIMER’S

Alzheimer’s, the long good bye, is reeking havoc in our families. The early signs are: memory lapses, diminished problem solving abilities, attention deficits and diminished verbal fluency. Researchers of the U. of Southern California found that the risk of developing Alzheimer’s is quadrupled in patients with poor oral hygiene, loose teeth, gum inflammation, and lack of daily brushing and flossing. Addressing this can be most efficient in staving off, or preventing this disease. The Journal Neuroscience showed that inflammation in the brain that causes Alzheimer’s, and inflammation in the joints that causes rheumatoid arthritis, can be reduced by the drug Sativex.

Consult your physician about these new medical developments.

Gabriela Kaplan, MD
Fleet Surgeon

You’ve all heard of the New Orleans Mardi Gras, well this year, Mardi Gras is coming to Put-in-Bay!

Saturday, August 12, 2006
New Orleans Mardi Gras Fun-Draiser Dinner at the PIBYC
Hogroasters – Joe DaPore & Co.
Live Entertainment by former island entertainer Jamie Wight and the Joymakers Jazz Band
Golf cart drawing and much more
George Smith, Chairman
Dave Flickinger, Chair of ticket sales
Public welcome. For tickets, contact Jack Harris, mgr. at (419) 285-4505

Take A Bow

Diane Ketterer and Jack Harris for hard work above and beyond the call of duty coordinating and installing new carpet in the front room. Jack has far exceeded expectations with his efforts to get the Club ready and set up food service for 2006.

Trustee Bob Bahney Jr. for adding dirt and re-seeding grass around patio.

ADULT SAILING NEWS

The fleet of Hobie Wave class sailboats will begin their Thursday evening racing series on May 25. Another racing series will be starting noon Saturdays on May 27. There is at least one spare boat available for any member that would like to join in for a set.

There will be Men’s Day Regatta on June 3 open to all sailors, boats provided. The Women’s Day Regatta will be on June 10 with the same format. All members are welcome and encouraged to join in the fun. Help us revive the weekend sailing and racing that used to be a core activity at PIBYC. A multi-hull seminar is also scheduled June 15-18. Contact Rick White at 419-285-3505 or at rwhite@coastalwave.net for more information or to arrange for a boat to sail in the races.

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PUT-IN-BAY COMMUNITY SWIM/SAIL

Registration was completed in early May and we are now busy dividing up classes and readying equipment. Our sail instructors Pat Mooney, CC Skoch, and Megan Riddle are looking forward to getting out on the water with the kids. Final work is being done on the boats. At last year’s Awards Night some of our youngest sailors asked for volunteers to help spruce up the opti—the response was wonderful. Scott Pugh and family are sanding and varnishing the opti daggerboards. The Rudolph Family stripped and revarnished all the wood on the two club whalers and Howard Martens has agreed to reassemble them. To make sure the whalers don’t just look nice, John Dodge is hard at work on the engines to keep them running smoothly. Speaking of smooth—rails and wood, that is—Bob Glauser of Bass Island Supply donated half the labor costs involved in refurbishing the opti hulls. To keep them nice, Rosann Keiser is reworking some of our bow bumpers. Peter Junkin has volunteered the use of his trailer for moving equipment between the barn and the boats until movable storage solutions can be built. We are anxious to settle all the equipment into the new barn addition.


ADULT SAILING CLASSES

The Community Swim/Sail Program is offering adult sailing this summer. Classes will be held one night a week (plan on Tuesday) from 1800 until sunset. Whether you’re a novice or an experienced sailor call Sara @ 419-285-7272 to register.

SWIM/SAIL SPAGHETTI DINNER & “BUCKET” RAFFLE

Swim and sail tuition did not go up this year, but our costs have. Please help us keep swimming and sailing instruction affordable for all island families by supporting this important fundraiser. Come for the kids….stay for the food….win big at the raffle! This is an evening for everyone: young and old. Not hungry for spaghetti? Just stop by before 7:30 to take a chance at the raffle. See you there.