

St. Charles



Yacht Club

Signals

April 2002

OFFICERS & DIRECTORS:

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The View From the Bridge:

March turned out to be one of our busiest months at the Club. We had events, events and more events going on. I trust that amongst them were some that pleased each of you and that you were able to participate in. Participation is the key to enjoying your Club. You can dine at any one of untold restaurants in the area, but the key ingredient they lack is that when you walk in the front door of our Club, you will always be among friends, not strangers. That is what "Clubbing" is all about.

Our Cabana Committee is up and running, chaired by Jack Sauter PC. They had their first organizational meeting on March 9th and, after soliciting suggestions from all of you, their second meeting to digest and sort out your suggestions is scheduled toward the end of March. This is a very dedicated group of members that are taking their time and looking at all of the various possibilities in order to come up with a workable and cost effective solution.

You may have noticed the new uniforms the wait staff is wearing. The House Committee, along with GM Jerry Clemens, did a great job in choosing them. I think you'll agree they are not only a big improvement, but more closely personify the yacht club motif and atmosphere that is St. Charles.

As you know, when you changed the By-laws at the Annual Meeting in January, you were told that increasing the membership cap would allow us to keep from raising the dues this year and for the next few years. That was correct, but the premise was that we would fill this cap with new members, thereby bringing in new revenue. To date, we've been able to get replacement members for members that have left. However, we haven't filled any of the new slots and that is crucial to our meeting our budget for this year. Our main source for new members is you, the current membership, and I urge you to talk to your friends, business acquaintances and neighbors (or former neighbors) that you feel would make a valuable addition to our Club and see if they would like to join this small, intimate Club. We truly need your help in order to accomplish our goal.

Speaking of the By-laws, we have formed a By-laws Committee to continually evaluate them and recommend changes when conditions warrant, rather than address them on an ad hoc basis. VC Bob Williams is chairing this important task.



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Commodore's Cruise icon



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Galley Gourmet:

received this recipe from Pat Sohn back in December. Some of you were lucky enough to be at the Club the night he brought some samples. You'll want to cut this one out and keep it!!!

Key Lime Pudding Cake

1 cup Sugar
1/4 cup Flour
1/4 tsp. Salt
1/4 cup Key Lime Juice
1 tbsp. Melted Butter
1-1/2 cups Milk
3 Eggs (separated)

Mix together the sugar, flour and salt. Whisk in the key lime juice, then the butter and milk. Beat the egg yolks until thick and pale and stir into the lime mixture. Beat egg whites until stiff but not dry. Then fold the egg whites into the lime mixture until no white streaks remain. Pour into a greased and floured 8 inch square pan. Place into a larger pan. Pour hot water to about one inch deep in the larger pan. Bake at 350° for 50-60 minutes. The topping should be set and have a golden brown look. Serve warm or cold. Makes 8 servings.

And if that isn't enough for dessert – I've had a few of Doralaine Burgess' specialties hidden in the files.

Brown Bag Apple Pie

1 cup Sugar
1/2 cup plus 2 tbsp. Flour
1/2 tsp Nutmeg
2 tbsp. Lemon Juice
1/2 cup Butter
3-4 large Apples (peeled & sliced)
9" unbaked pie shell

Combine 1/2 cup sugar, 2 tbsp. flour and nutmeg. Sprinkle over apples and toss to coat apples well. Drizzle with lemon. Fill unbaked pie shell with apples. Combine 1/2 cup flour, 1/2 cup sugar and 1/2 cup butter. Cut butter into flour and sugar – will be crumbly. Sprinkle over apples to cover top. Slide pie into brown paper bag. Fold over end and fasten with paper clips. Place on cookie sheet and bake at 425° for 1 hour.

It's time to leaf through your favorite recipes and send a few to me. I'm getting LOWWWWWWWW!!!



ENRICHMENT SERIES

April 25th – 5:30 pm
"THE BAHAMAS FROM THE
AIR, SEA AND LAND"

By
Sue & Frank Moore

On Thursday, April 25th, we will view the Bahamas from the air, land and sea. Sue & Frank Moore, two of our newest members at St. Charles, will share the slides from their plane trip to the Bahamas.

Frank began his love of photography in 1945, and is primarily a nature photographer, with a specialty of birds, since moving to Florida four years ago. Sue is a private pilot, and they combine their talents and thirst for adventure in aerial photography of local, as well as distant exotic places.

Frank has been President of various camera clubs, both in New York and in Florida, and has had gallery shows in both locations, as well as in Rhode Island. Frank continues to enhance his skills by attending educational sessions and workshops in photography. This has proven to be a great hobby after retiring from the hectic life of an Ob-Gyn.

After seeing these gorgeous islands, you may be inspired to make a trip to the Bahamas when the St. Charles group sets sail!

Please reserve for the evening by calling Jerry at 466-2007.

SCYC FLEAMARKET

Two items available –

30" white folding ladder – free

Used Raritan Marine waste treatment system –
complete with all controls and instructions –
best offer

Contact Al DeGenova

Membership – Anne Kniskern

DIRECTORY CHANGES: (Yes – already!!!)

CHANGE OF ADDRESS:

Sally & John McNaughton
1502 Harbor Court, Ft. Myers, FL 33908
Phone – 239-437-8924

DELETIONS:

Brigitte & Klaus Gueldenpfennig
Mary Jane & Bill Proctor

This has been an active month for our Club and we wish to extend a warm SCYC Welcome to the following new members:

Janet & Paul Laskowski
13800 Blenheim Trail Dr., Ft. Myers, FL 33908
Phone – 239-482-4322
114 Hunters Creek Drive, Erie, PA 16509
Phone – 814-864-1720
E-mail – JANETL@erie.net

Welcome Janet & Paul. What full, busy lives you have. We are delighted you found St. Charles. Janet & Paul both work in a family insurance agency business in Erie, PA. They have two children in high school and one in college, so their time here for a few years will be limited. Paul is an avid fisherman, so I know they will find many excuses to return to St. Charles.

Nancy & Louis Marino
13951 Blenheim Trail Dr., Ft. Myers, FL 33908
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90 Solether Lane, Chagrin Falls, OH 44022
Phone – 440-247-3183
E-mail – Doinstuff4@aol.com

Nancy & Lou are busily doing some redecorating at their home on Blenheim Trail before Nancy has to return to Chagrin Falls, where she is about to have a one-man art show. And they call this retirement! Hopefully, the Marino's will be spending six months with us before returning to Ohio and their six children. They are not idle – Lou composes, performs and records, besides having been in construction, and enjoys hands-on projects. They also have a boat in the marina so do look them up.

Barbara & Ed Mitchell

6707 Daniel Court, Ft. Myers, FL 33908
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500 Ocean St., Unit #134, Hyannis, MA 02601
Phone – 508-771-0806
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We must catch Barbara & Ed on the run. They entertain, boat, travel, play bridge, all with such enjoyment. They are not wasting a moment of retirement. They are "Brits," one wonderful word, you know, but have lived in this country since 1960. Hyannis, MA is their summer home and their means of getting there is their wonderful 43' Riviera named "Blue Tango." Barbara & Ed are most active in the Hyannis Yacht Club and are already planning their trip north so they may be a committee boat for a very large regatta at the end of May.

Pat & Bill Schwarz
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Pat & Bill divide their time between Sanibel and Harbor Springs, MI. They have visited St. Charles by boat many times. They are also members of the Marathon Yacht Club. Being avid boaters with a 52' Ocean Sportfish, they think nothing of heading to the Bahamas before proceeding north for the summer or returning here in October.

Blue Gavel – John Rumble, PC

The St. Charles Yacht Club Chapter of the International Order of Blue Gavel met on Thursday, March 14th. Past Commodores attending were: Peter Allen, Walter Decker, Earl Forte, Charlie Kay, Phil Kniskern, George May, Vic Pfeiffer, Harry Randall, John Rumble, Jack Sauter, Pat Sohn and Bill Thomas.

Our Chapter is planning to host an Oyster Roast on Labor Day afternoon, Monday, September 2nd for all SCYC members and their guests. The menu will include items other than oysters and we will have entertainment and games.

The next meeting of our Chapter will be on Thursday, April 11th at 11:30 am.