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FROM THE BRIDGE COMMODORE JOE MIYAMOTO

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We could hardly wait to welcome back our members even if it meant a "soft" opening with use of the outside deck only and the pass through window for serving beverages with food. Everyone was so happy to see each other and the PYC board, committee chairs and bartenders all worked together to make it happen. The effort was spearheaded by our bartending team, Kandi Sweeney, Shelly Hawkins and Mark Pavusko and Shannon Davis our Vice-Commodore who worked out the plan for board consideration. The board unanimously passed the motion on June 13th to reopen the outside deck to serve food with drinks to members and their immediate family only. Mark Pavusko was the main chef, cooking some seventy hamburgers on the soft opener. My wife, Margo donated two canopies to provide some much needed shade on the back deck for the next opening on June 17th and Mark Pavusko added a giant tarp to shade the middle of the deck. Mark finally got a break from all the cooking when Marlon stepped up to smoke four tri tip roasts that provided a special treat for our members to enjoy. Many thanks to the bartending team for donating most of the food for the patio meals.

We are looking forward to Contra Costa County to allow inside dining and full bar operations on July 1st so we can re-open the club. The first event should be the birthday anniversary celebration with Shirley Acosta the chef to re-start taco Wednesday. And yes, there will be Birthday ice cream cake even though I had to report to Joanie the first two of three cakes were eaten by "Frank and Friends" at the previous cruise-in and the "soft" opening. Joanie and Rich Hardy were the sponsors of the ice cream cakes. Carol Teiche promised to replace the cake for the birthday/anniversary celebration on July 1st.

Marilyn Sperling, Jack Michaels and myself attended the PICYA delegates VIRTUAL meeting on June 1st. Village West Yacht club presented a very entertaining video of their clubhouse and member activities. The delegates provided updates on their expected reopening dates, a generally slow process with only a few Bay Area clubs able to report progress toward opening.

Johnny Morgan organized a cruise-in to our own docks. It was so great to see everybody and we even managed a birthday party for Frank Teiche on the side deck. Frank gets all the attention even garnering the long time member profile with his wife Carol. Evie did a great job with the newer member profile, Brian Dorsey alias Tito and Shelly. After being in charge of the bar last year I can understand the nickname Tito. Brian "Tito" is one of the most engaging members you will ever meet so please take time to see him. He and his wife are world travelers with plenty of stories to share.

The members brought their boats back to the docks again on June 20th and the BBQs were available for grilling. Marlon Brandle does a delicious BBQ as you can tell from his smoked tri tip and you will get a chance to enjoy smoked chicken, ribs and a tri-tip on the 4th of July.

As we re-open the club, I want to thank foremost my wife, Margo and Jan Cutaia, Shannon and Denise Davis and the bartending team for making sure we had the necessary safeguards in place to keep our members safe by addressing the requirements of the County Public Health orders and State guidelines. I would like to thank some of our members helping to maintain the clubhouse. George Iaconis finished up the plumbing repairs and helped to put the bar back together while Kandi Sweeney and Jan Iaconis kept the glasses sparkling. Dan Dobbs and Shannon Davis manned the electrical hedge trimmer to control the overhead vines from taking over the walkway. Denise Davis, Margo Miyamoto, Johnny Morgan and Meri Dobbs cleaned the windows inside and out. As I mentioned in the last article Margo and Chris Brodsky removed the spots from the carpet and Mark Pavusko split the costs with Margo and I for the carpet cleaning and shampoo.







FROM THE BAR DECK VICE COMMODORE SHANNON DAVIS

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OPEN!

Bars were permitted to open July 1 following new state and county guidelines. We were forced to close the club in March due to an outbreak of a Coronavirus, COVID-19. Operations are a little different. If you have any symptoms of COVID-19, especially a fever, please stay home. We must wear a facial covering to enter the premises. The best way to control the spread of the virus is to keep a little distance from people outside of your household. You will notice that our tables are more spread out. When standing in line to order a drink from the bar, please maintain a 6 foot distance from others. We have placed markers on the floor, to help you calculate 6 feet. There is a clear acrylic barrier where you order and purchase your drinks. There are no barstools at the bar. You are welcome to enjoy your drinks on the outside deck or at an inside table. The county loosened restrictions on bars and restaurants in early June to permit restaurants to serve drinks with meals for outside service only. Yacht clubs and other private clubs are not specifically addressed in the Contra Costa County Health orders, but we are treated as a bar, as confirmed with the ABC. *Kandi*, Shelly and Mark were very anxious to find a way to get the club open, at least part time. They developed a proposal where they would sell a meal, which would then permit a member to also buy a drink. They researched the requirements for sanitation, distancing, signage, etc. They worked out all the details where Kandi and Shelly would take the orders, handle the money and make the drinks while Mark prepared the food. To control costs, electrical use was kept to a minimum. To encourage members to partake, the meal prices were very reasonable. The inside of the club was kept closed, except for the bartenders and access to the restrooms. The drinks were delivered at the outside bar window when ordered. The meals were delivered on disposable plates to a table in the doorway to the deck.

Kandi and Mark presented their proposal for outside dining to an emergency meeting of the board of directors on Saturday, June 13. The proposal was approved and we reopened the club under their plan at 4 pm the same day! I think we had 50 members that first day! The club operated on this plan Wednesday through Saturday for the remainder of June. We were closed the other three days. Thank you Kandi, Shelly and Mark.

We're open! If you are healthy, grab your facial covering and come on down for a drink and visit with old friends. We look forward to seeing you!



FROM THE PORT PORT CAPTAIN SAMANTHA FOX

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We had 2 cruise ins but more about those later. The other good news is we will be open July 1st and hopefully it will be business as usual.

I have received a number of individual requests for overnight stays, as like a lot of us, they are suffering from cabin fever and as we have such a beautiful club, wish to drop anchor for a night or two.

Johnny Morgan arranged our first cruise in over the Memorial w/e. 9 member boats attended. It was a huge success!

Then, on Saturday June 20th, he repeated it. Johnny is a first class Fleet Captain and shows that you don't always have to go very far to have a good time. Thank you darling.

That's all folks, looking forward to seeing you all soon.



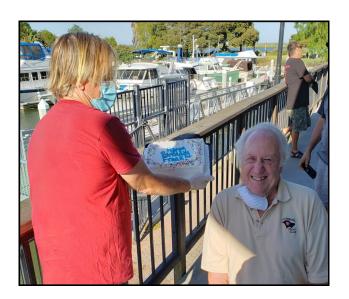
SUNSHINE REPORT

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A sympathy card was sent to Rick and Sue Howell upon the death of their brother-in-law. A get well card was sent to Hilda Gonzales, who has had surgery. A get well card was sent to Evie Dopart, who was in the hospital. I'm happy to report that to my knowledge, we've all been diligent about socializing and sanitizing and everyone seems to be healthy, so keep up the good work, folks! And as always, please let me know if you hear of a member who needs a little sunshine.



The June 1st PICYA meeting planned to be at Village West Yacht Club near Stockton was conducted on ZOOM. Village West presented a wonderful video of their newly renovated bar and club which included pictures from some of their big parties, cruise-ins and cruise-outs. Several of our members from Pittsburg Yacht Club attended the ZOOM meeting on computers...PYC Commodore Joe Miyamoto, Joan Marsh and Rich Hardy, Marilyn & Richard Sperling. Several clubs reported they are having "Virtural Zoom Cocktail Parties" so members keep in touch during these problematic times of the Covid-19 pandemic. Karen Lile from the Berkeley Yacht Club reported they have a long time Ladies Lunch Group to comfort those who have lost a spouse. Karen is also the President & Host of a new radio talk show SailSportTalk.com dedicated to bringing listeners news and hot topics for those who love sailing. Check out her website. Little by little clubs with large outdoor decks have been opening up for food and beverages depending on which county they are in. The Lipton Cup Regatta has been rescheduled for August 7-9. Winston Bumpus, VP North reported that RBOC was successful in the California Legislature amending AB-2809 The SF Bay Conservation & Development Commission known as BCDC. See their website for more details. The RBOC is going to offer a special Neck Gator for a donation of \$50. Details will be available soon.



FLEET CAPTAIN JOHNNY MORGAN

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With many of our club members going stir crazy with the Country's Shelter in Place, our proud PYC fleet tested the waters and had a pre-opening party on our own docks over Memorial Day weekend. The party started on Friday and went through Monday for many of the 11 boats and ready to rock crewmates that made their way in. Everyone observed the "social distancing" and wore their masks. The yacht club was closed but we used the deck and BBQ's. A great time was had by all and primed the pump for the grand opening of the yacht club with the new rules.

Our cruise-out to Stockton on June 26th – 28th has been cancelled due to - you know why - so we put together an even better plan. We will be cruising-in to PYC and partying on our own docks once again over Father's Day and the 4th of July. I am confident that the drinks will be colder and the BBQ's hotter because our club is finally open! The club will be open Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday at 4pm. BBQ's will be available on the deck for your use. Bring yourself, your boat, tender, or jet ski down and join the fun.

What I consider our best trip of the year to Mildred Island is still planned! We do not have to count on any other Yacht Club's docks so this trip will be a go. Please try and make if you can. Mary and I will be hosting the next couple of events so please let us know if you can make it. <u>Johnny@monstercomp.com</u> or 925-250-5244

Coming soon:

June 19 – June 21 - Father's Day – Pittsburg Yacht Club July 2 – 5 Rock the Dock – Pittsburg Yacht Club July 23 – 26 Mildred Island Raft-up More to come as other yacht clubs open and we get them booked.



FROM THE REAR REAR COMMODORE DENISE DAVIS

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We are so excited to have the club open again. We took advantage of the shutdown to make minor repairs. We completed our annual fire safety inspections. We had a small work party in June to get ready to reopen. Thanks to Ben Blair and Johnny Morgan for replacing burned out bulbs in the exterior lights. Thank you to Margo Miyamoto and Meri Dobbs for cleaning windows. Thank you to Joe Miyamoto, Dan Dobbs and Shannon Davis for trimming the ivy. Thanks to Kandi and Jan for all their extra cleaning and thanks to everyone else that volunteered their time to help keep the club clean and attractive.

Get to know our members!



Interview with Rich Irwin

You've heard of "The Most Interesting Man In The World?"... Well Rich Irwin IS "The Most Interesting Man In The Pittsburg Yacht Club!!"

Rich holds the distinguished honor of being the ONLY member of our club to have been The Commodore 3 times!! He joined The Pittsburg Yacht Club in 1992 and has been a loyal member for 28 years.

Born "Straight outta Compton", Rich lived there for 12 years with his mother, father and 2 sisters. His mother was from Louisiana and was a wonderful cook. She passed on her talents to Rich who is also an excellent cook and is fantastic at whipping things up. From Compton his family moved to Norwalk, Ca where he finished high school. While in high school, he was the only male drum major in his high school band. As Rich would say, "All the chicks in the school thought I was the best!" He also had a great voice, sang in the choir and did many musicals, his favorite being "Brigadoon."

He attended Cerritos Junior College before enlisting in the Air Force. He spent 2 years with "The Sacramento Air Command" working on roads. Then the next 18 months in Thailand working with combat engineers driving heavy equipment and building more roads. He finished his Air Force career in Washington State.

Upon leaving the Air Force he returned to Norfolk, Ca where he applied to be an operational engineer but the unions wanted you to be "an apprentice" for 5 years first, so he worked privately.

Next he moved to Wyoming and went into the restaurant business as a "trouble shooter." He helped to open up various locations for "Taco John" Restaurants. The Taco John Restaurant location that he opened and ran in Loveland Colorado is still open and doing well.

Upon leaving Wyoming he moved to Prescott, Arizona and drove a truck for Coca Cola and Coors Beer. Then onto to Colorado back to Taco John's and Red Dale Coaches.

He then returned to Norwalk, his original hometown, and became a landscape manager for the Norwalk School District. While working, he went back to college and got his degree in Business Management with a minor in Law.

Oklahoma was the next stop where he managed a motel combination restaurant for a while. After that, he moved to Bakersfield, California and worked for Halberton Oil Company working on oil wells. He finally ended up in Pittsburg, Ca where he worked for The Trenchplate Oil Company and he has lived here ever since.

Other interesting jobs while living in the immediate area included bar tending at the Riverview Lodge in Antioch and working for a Vending Machine business for 16 years where he serviced a very large area in Northern California.

On a more personal note, Rich has been married twice, has 2 daughters, 4 grandchildren and 2 great grandchildren. Rich loves to play Bocce Ball here in Pittsburg and really misses not being able to play the last several months and can't wait until it starts up again. He enjoys The Pittsburg Yacht Club very much because of the camaraderie and no pressure to do anything but "enjoy yourself." You will see him most nights sitting at the bar doing just that.

Ask him about his racing NASCAR and for him to tell you the story of him being a heavy equipment operator in the Air Force where Rich saved a Minute Man Ballistic Missile! Just ask him, it's a great story!! We are lucky to have had Rich as part of our club for so long and it's a pleasure to see him each time we come. We love you, Rich!!!

Get to know our members!



Interview with Francella & Stephen Biles

It was a complete pleasure to interview Francella and Stephen Biles. Their lives are so interesting and they have so much to share and they don't mind telling us about it! Francella and Stephen have been members of the Pittsburg Yacht Club for 13 years. They were introduced to the club by our beloved Jim Martin.

Francella comes from a long line of Italians. Her Great Grandfather was the first Italian immigrant in their family who put roots down here in Pittsburg, Ca. Her Grandparents, parents and entire family stayed here and she was born in Pittsburg. She went to St. Peter the Martyr's School then attended Carondelet School in Concord in High School where she graduated in 1971. Stephen was born in Concord and attended Pittsburg Schools.

They met one another at the Vogue Lanes Bowling Alley. Francella and her friends decided one night to go check out "the guys" at the bowling alley. She met Stephen that night and he asked her to go to a movie at the Bridgehead Drive-in. They saw the movie "Serpico" and the rest is history. They were married at St. Peter the Martyr's Church and have been married now for 44 years.

Francella worked at the W. T. Grant Department Store while Stephen worked for the City of Pittsburg moving onto the Shell Oil Refinery in Martinez where he worked as a supervisor for 27 years.

They have 3 children, one daughter Rebecca and two sons Mathew and Dennis. They also have a beautiful 13 year old granddaughter named Mariah.

Their family did go through a traumatic situation with their son Matthew. He was diagnosed at 16 years old with a bad heart and was not expected to live. He had to go through many procedures at Stanford Hospital for many months in order to be able to live and was told that he needed to have a heart transplant. Finally, a miracle happened and they got word that a heart was found for his transplant. Sadly, it came from a young man who had been in an accident but they felt blessed. They needed to be close to the hospital so they rented an apartment near Stanford for nearly 4 months as they had to stick close to the hospital during the transplant and Matthew had to be checked for many months afterward. It was a very difficult time for the whole family but they are happy to say that their son is now 46 years old!

They are a very close knit family and have had many wonderful experiences together with their children while they were growing up. They used to love to go camping and went to The Gualala River, Redwood Park, Rawlings Lake, Collins Lake and Richardson Grove. Their highlight of each year was to go to Disneyland together. The also enjoyed going to Santa Cruz, The A's and Giants Baseball games.

As a couple now, Francella and Stephen love to play Bocce ball and going to concerts. They have seen many a wonderful concerts together such as Englebert Humperdink and Prince just to name a few. They try to go to Las Vegas once a year as well and of course, they love anything Italian!! They attend The Monterey Italian Festival each year along with the Reno Italian Festival. There they enjoy the experience of all the delicious food, music, live bands and the camaraderie that comes with it.

They really enjoy being members of the yacht club and all of our get togethers. They like our special functions, especially when we have music and dancing. They have so missed coming to the club the last few months and fellowshipping with all the members. They will be so elated when we can all go back to the normal pace of the club. We are so happy to have them as members and can't wait to boogie on down with them again on the dance floor!



Chef: Marlon Brandle
Tri-Tip, Chicken & Ribs
Baked Beans, Potato Salad
Dessert







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PITTSBURG YACHT CLUB'S

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING



Friday, July 10, 2020





Dinner: 6:45 PM

Meeting To Follow @ 8:00 pm
Our Chef's du Jour: Shirley Acosta

Stuffed Cornish Hen With Wild Rice & Apricot Sauce, Veggies, Shrimp Salad, Hot Rolls, Baked Peach a la mode.







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The Election cycle has begun. This will give you a time line from now until elections.

The CALL FOR NOMINEES is this memo published in the July Yeoman.

By the end of *July*, the Nominating Committee will have a recommended list of nominees ready to submit to the *August* Board meeting for approval.

Upon Board approval, that list will be published in the *September* Yeoman.

At the September general meeting, a call for nominations from the floor will take place.

Any added names to the list will be published in the *October* Yeoman.

The elections will be held at the October General Meeting.

All positions are open for any qualified member to submit their name and position desired to the Nominating Committee Chair.

Please submit your name and position desired, keeping this time line in mind, by the End Of July.

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To Date These Are The Positions Open

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3 Directors – Two Year Terms (2021-2022)





In Memory of Marilyn Voss Commodore PUC-1986

We are saddened to report that PC Marilyn E. Voss passed over the bar on June 11, 2020. She passed peacefully while she enjoyed the peacefulness and sunshine in her back yard, by the pool.

Marilyn was Commodore of the Pittsburg Yacht Club in 1986 and also a member of the Moose Lodge. We only have the fond memories of what mischief she would always have cooked up for the PYC cruise-outs. They were always very lively. As an example: she divided the club into two teams, the blue team was the Commodores team and the orange team was the Vice Commodores team. Marilyn would have games on the cruise-outs putting the two teams against each other. Games that included passing an orange under your chin, a spoon tied with string going up your leg and thru your arm sleeve or where ever. The best one was at the Point Restaurant, having the men put on panty hose with garden gloves, or the guys wearing tutus. These were only a few of the outrageous games we would play and everyone would get involved, and we all had fun!! At the end of the cruising season, the team that won the most games would receive a trophy. We did have

Marilyn was always up-beat and was fun to be around. Whatever needed to be done at the club, she was always there to help with chores in the club or preparing a wonderful dinner for a cruise-in.

Marilyn enjoyed dancing, playing cards, pac- man game and spending time with her grandchildren. Most of all she loved her "rooster call" and entertaining her yacht club friends and family gatherings.

She was preceded in death by her late husband, PC Charles H. Voss. She was also, preceded in death by her children, John McEachern, Debra Sue Voss-Behrens and Linda McEachern. She leaves behind her children, Janice Rasmussen, Scott McEachern, Charles Voss and Karen Ann Voss-Skaife, She leaves behind 9 Grandchildren, 20 Great Grandchildren and 2 Great Grandchildren.

She will be sorely missed!

July

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
Jun 28	29	30	Jul 1	2	3	4	
	Rock the Dock						
			Birthday Anniversary			Independence Day	
			PYC Board of Directors Meeting			PYC Barbecue Bash	
			Wednesday Night Dinner				
5	6	7	8	9	10	11	
Rock the Dock		Wednesday Night Dinner		PYC Friday Night Dinner & General Meeting	Vallejo Yacht Club Cruise in		
12	13	14	15	16	17	18	
			Wednesday Night Dinner				
19	20	21	22	23	24	25	
			Wednesday Night Dinner	PYC Mildred Island Cruise (Out	
						Member Memorial	
26	27	28	29	30	31	Aug 1	
PYC Mildred Island Cruise Out			Wednesday Night Dinner				

August

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Jul 26	27	28	29	30	31	Aug 1
PYC Mildred Island Cruise Out			Wednesday Night Dinner			
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
			PYC Board of Directors Meeting Wednesday Night Dinner			
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
			Wednesday Night Dinner			
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
			Wednesday Night Dinner			Masquerade Party Fundraiser
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
			Wednesday Night Dinner			Member Event
30	31	Sep 1	2	3	4	5
			PYC Board of Directors Meeting		San Raphae	I YC Cruise in
			Wednesday Night Dinner			

September

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Aug 30	31	Sep 1	2	3	4	5
			PYC Board of Directors Meeting		San Raphael YC Cruise in	
			Wednesday Night Dinner			
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
San Raphael YC Cruise in	Labor Day		Wednesday Night Dinner		San Joaquin YC Cruise in	
					Seafood Festival	
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
San Joaquir	YC Cruise in		Birthday/Anniversary Pot Luck		PYC General Membership Meeting	Non Member Event
Seafood Festival			Wednesday Night Dinner			
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
IOBG Luncheon			Wednesday Night Dinner			Stockton YC Cruise In Sacramento YC Cruise In
27	28	29	30	Oct 1	2	3
	C Cruise In YC Cruise In		Wednesday Night Dinner			City Event

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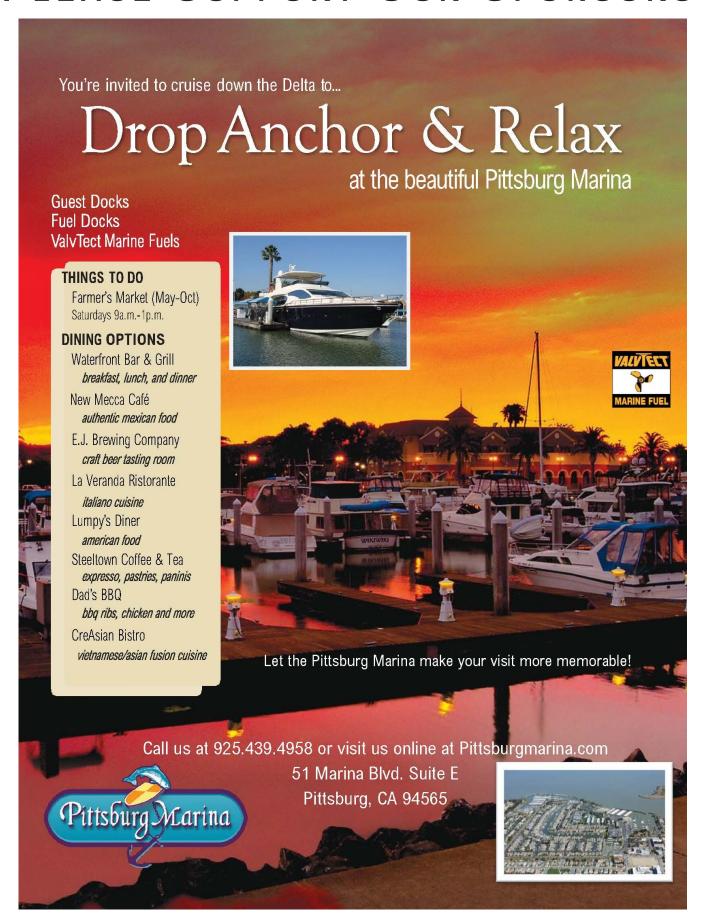








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