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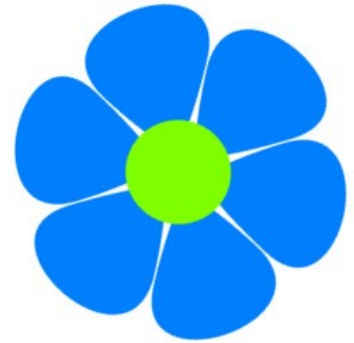
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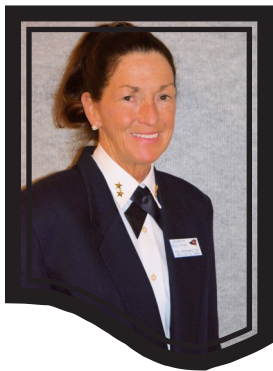
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**FROM THE BRIDGE  
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The month of August at PYC was (as the youngsters say) "Amazing"! Thanks to all who came out to support our events. Allow me to start with the weekend of August 11<sup>th</sup>, **Diablo Yacht Club Cruise-in** and the **Annual Big Cat Poker Run**. The success of each would not have been possible without the behind-the-scenes efforts of:

- Port Captain **Samantha Fox** – Who coordinated the 16-boat cruise-in from the Diablo Yacht Club, whom we hosted for the weekend.
- Chef Dave and his Culinary Crew – Who knocked it "out of the park" with Friday and Saturday night dinners. On Friday, we had 60+ diners!
- Our Volunteer Bartenders – **Kandi Sweeney** and **Shelly Hawkins**, who worked extended hours on Saturday as we hosted the annual Big Cat Poker Run (16 hot, expensive go-fasts folks!).
- **Craig Schoenthaler** and that handsome devil **Ralph Tocci** – who ensured safe dockage for all our guests
- Rear Commodore **Joe Dopart** & Able Assistant **Evie Dopart** – Who made sure the club and galley were spic and span throughout all the events.

And a special thank you goes out to Past Commodore **Ben Blair** – whose generous donation ensured our galley hood was professionally cleaned. This hadn't been done in 10 years and is now clean and safe again.

Special thanks go out to Fleet Captain **Jan Cutaia-Iaconis** and Director Extraordinaire **Lynn Fogelman** – who co-chaired the **Second Annual PYC Fundraiser Casino Night** on Saturday August 26<sup>th</sup>. Additional thanks for Casino night include:

- **George Iaconis** and **Dave Fogelman** – for their culinary talents for Saturday night's dinner.

Our bartenders – who kept the drinks flowing and the cash registers humming!

How can we top this? Oh boy! How about Pittsburg's Sea-food Festival this month? PYC is planning another fun

packed weekend for you including:

- Extended bar hours all weekend
- Breakfast on Saturday and Sunday
- A Day at the Horse Races.

See our flyers for times, events, and prices!

See you on the Delta!  
Commodore "MJ"

# Nominating COMMITTEE

## NOMINATING COMMITTEE'S SLATE OF OFFICERS

**Commodore:** Jan Cutaia Iaconis

**Vice Commodore:**

- Gary McGrath (Incumbent)
- Joe Miyamoto

**Rear Commodore:** Richard Hardy

**Port Captain:** Samantha Fox (Incumbent)

**Fleet Captain:** Craig Schoenthaler

**Treasurer:** Joan Marsh

**Secretary:** Lynn Fogelman

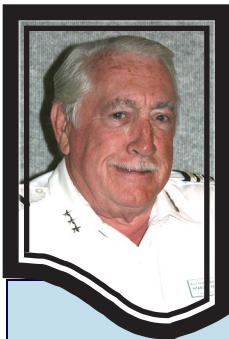
**Director**— There are 3 two year positions & 2 one year positions available.

**Director Candidates:**

- Ron Block
- Shannon Davis
- Monica Fraga (Incumbent)
- Rich Irwin (Incumbent)
- Denise Nelson-Davis







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## FROM THE BAR DECK VICE COMMODORE GARY MCGRATH

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August has been a fairly busy month for the bar. It could have been better. We had a couple of cruise-ins cancel.

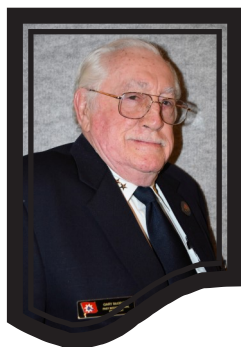
However, we did have both Diablo YC and Floating Reality YC cruise in and they were both very good spenders and drinkers. In addition to the cruise-in clubs, we had the Big Cat Poker run. Their cruise-in is always a lot of fun to watch, and profitable as well.

Our big event for the month was of course, Casino Night. We had over 100 people for dinner and gambling. It was a very successful event.

Right around the corner is Seafood Festival. We have several clubs cruising in so it will be a very busy weekend. The club will need "all hands-on deck" so to speak. We can give everybody that 'Jewel of the Delta' experience they expect when they visit us.

Well that's it for this month, stay thirsty my friends.

Gary McGrath



## IOBG REPORT GARY MCGRATH IOBG DISTRICT 19

PAST INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT



I attended the IOBG Board Meeting at Discovery Bay YC and enjoyed an excellent barbeque put on by Otis and Jim.

There were pontoon rides for members to watch the Big Cat Poker run start as well as cruise around Discovery Bay.

I will be attending the Annual IOBG Meeting in Cleveland, Ohio in October. I will have more to report when I return.

Till then, safe boating.

Gary McGrath



## FROM THE BACK OF THE BOAT REAR COMMODORE JOE DOPART

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My "furniture movers" for the month were **Shannon Davis, Steve Biles, John Birdsell** and new member **Dan Dodds**. Also, to my surprise, **Al Camacho** got up to help me out one afternoon.

The American flag on our club mast, at the entrance to the parking lot, was ripped in some high winds we had. **Carol Teiche** had the flag repaired and it's proudly aloft again.

We're making headway on that long list of facility "to do" items.

- Our building windows were professionally cleaned inside and out by a great company, Skye Bright, of Concord.
- Our lounge and dining room carpets were professionally cleaned by Dependable Carpet Cleaning of Discovery Bay. They did a fantastic job!!
- The vent over the galley appliances was professionally cleaned and certified by Miguel's Steam Cleaning, of Vacaville. Seven men worked on this vent for over five hours. I suspect it had not been cleaned in a very long time. **Ben Blair** generously paid for this relatively expensive

### Galley Requirements:

- The freezer in the galley experienced a problem this month. The freezer's coil froze up. Jack Dei Monte repaired the freezer and serviced all the units in the club that he maintains for us. He said that the freezer's coil froze up due to opening the door too much and/or not closing the door securely each time. He worked very hard on these items.

**Steve Biles** has been religiously cleaning the entryway to our club each week.

As part of Galley Manager **Evie Dopart's** efforts to keep the galley in tip-top shape, she has developed a set of guidelines for cleaning up the galley after each use. A copy of the guidelines will be posted in the galley and will be given to club members that will oversee an event.

As this article goes to press, the city has begun their effort to landscape the south side of the parking lot. They've

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## FLEETING MOMENTS FLEET CAPTAIN JAN CUTAIA IACONIS

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Ahoy everyone,  
First of all, I would like to thank **Phillip and Cheryl Clark** for all their hard work making the raft up at Mildred Island a huge success. We had duck races, dingy races and a Kite flying contest. Pittsburg Yacht Club had six yachts and Carver Club joined us with three yachts. A special thanks to **Dave Stickney** for taking a beautiful picture of all the boats rafted up. This will be an annual cruise out in July. Tag Phillip & Cheryl you're it.

Our upcoming cruise out is Solano Yacht Club September 15th. I do not have information at this time. As soon as I received more info I will forward to the group. Four RV sites available (dry camp).

### Mark your calendars for Upcoming Cruise-Outs

- Aug 18<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup>: **Marina West YC** - RV sites available
- Sept 15<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup>: **Solano YC**—RV Sites (dry) available
- Oct 14<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup>: **Down Bay Cruise Tentative Schedule.**

Hosted by **Craig & Vicki Schoenthaler** and me.

- ♦ Oct 14<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup>: [San Rafael Yacht Club](#); tentative
- ♦ Oct 16<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup>: [Sausalito Area Schoonmaker Marina](#); confirmed
- ♦ Oct 18th and 19th [Ballena Bay Yacht Club](#); confirmed.
- ♦ **October 20th and 21st** [Loc Lomand Yacht Club](#); confirmed.

Your woman on fleet,

Jan Cutaia-Iaconis

*(Rear Commodore's Report Continued from page 5)*

brought the sprinkler system back on line and planted several flowering plants.

The Rear Commodore needs:

- Weed Killer like "Roundup".

I continue to work with PYCE monthly on the set up and tear down for all the social events going on at our club.

Let's continue to each do our part at each event by busing our own tables and taking our glasses back to the bar. This is a big help to everyone.

Joe Dopart

## FROM THE PORT PORT CAPTAIN SAMANTHA FOX

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I would like to say that this is **Essays from** Abroad, but as I am not Percy Bysshe Shelley, you will have to put up with an article from the Florida Keys by Samantha Fox. I am on shore leave and despite my broken toe, the fun is endless.

By the time you read this, I will be home, will have enjoyed the Seafood Festival with all of you, and will have lots to report next month.

Sorry to be so terse but the sea is calling and I must not forget the bars!

### September

- 1<sup>st</sup> – 2<sup>nd</sup> : San Rafael—8 to 10 boats
- 8<sup>th</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup>: Seafood Festival—49 boats
  - San Joaquin
  - Discovery Bay

### October

- 6<sup>th</sup> Friday night only: Sea Ray YC—# of boats unknown at this time
- 16<sup>th</sup> Monday night only: Stockton —10 boats

As always, thank you all for your support and look forward to seeing you at the club.

Samantha Fox







## WEDNESDAY NIGHT DINNERS

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First of all, a **GREAT BIG THANK YOU** to **Angelo Gutierrez** and **Lynn Havens**

for the wonderful Dinner and Music Night on August 16<sup>th</sup>!

We will be having another fun Music, dinner and dancing night on October 18th.

Also, put on your calendar October 4th for an October Fest party with a guest chef!

This month's schedule:

- 9/6: **Natalie** from Lumpy's.
- 9/13: **Rich Cervantes**
- 9/20: **Volunteer Chef Needed**
- 9/27: **Volunteer Chef Needed**

**PLEASE** sign up for the 20th or the 27th so that we can keep our Wednesday Night dinners going!

Wednesday Night Dinners are a very positive night in this club – Let's keep it going. Once or twice a year is all you need to do to help!

## MONTHLY EVENTS & MEETINGS

### DINNERS

Wednesday Night Dinners: 6, 13, 20, 27

Friday Night Dinners: 8, 15, 22, 29

### MEETINGS

### DATE CHANGE!

**General Meeting: September 6**

PYCE Board Meeting: September 26

PYC Board Meeting: September 27

### CRUISE-INS

San Rafael Yacht Club: September 1—2

Discovery Bay Yacht Club: September 8—10

San Joaquin Yacht Club: September 8—10

### CRUISE-OUTS

Solano Yacht Club: September 15—17

### EVENTS

Seafood Festival: September 9—10

### UPCOMING EVENTS

Craft Show: November 11-12

## Wheelchair Regatta



SUBMITTED BY: ED STETSON

## Help Our Veterans!

September 23<sup>rd</sup>.

We need volunteers to serve our veterans:

- Skippers to bring their vessels
- People to serve on shore or crew on boats
- Items to put in the veterans take home bags, e.g. toiletries, etc.
- Donations of wine for the skipper's bags
- Money!

COTY points are awarded to volunteers.

For more information and to download a form for volunteering: [Wheelchair Regatta](http://www.picya.org/17-wheelchair) (<http://www.picya.org/17-wheelchair>)

### Coming Events:

- Management Conference – Loch Lomond YC – Sept. 9
- California Coastal Cleanup Day – Sept. 16, 2017  
More info @ <http://www.coast4u.org>
- Wheelchair Regatta, Sept. 23<sup>rd</sup>. Encinal Y.C.
- Fleet Week -October - 2<sup>nd</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup>.





## PITTSBURG YACHT CLUB GENERAL MEETING MINUTES MARILYN SPERLING, SECRETARY

### AUGUST 11, 2017

Respectfully submitted by

Mary Jo Sullivan for Marilyn  
Sperling

The August 11<sup>th</sup> meeting was called to order at 8:30PM by Commodore **Mary Jo Sullivan**. Ms. Sullivan led the members in the Pledge of Allegiance. **Roll Call**: All officers were present with the exception of **Marilyn Sperling**, who was excused. All directors were present with the exception of **Craig Schoenthaler** (excused), **Monica Fraga**, **Johnny Morgan**, and **Will Casey** (excused). **August Meeting Minutes**: **Carol Promessi** made a motion to cancel the meeting due to lack of a quorum, and proceed with club announcements. This was seconded by **Carol Teiche**.

**Due to lack of a membership quorum, only reports were shared at this meeting:**

**Commodore Mary Jo Sullivan**: Ms. Sullivan reported that continued support from the members for the remainder of 2017 will be critical for the club's financial health. She reminded members of upcoming events, e.g. Casino Night and Seafood Festival, will help and financial support will be greatly appreciated. The 2017 Nominating Committee will deliver their recommendations for positions to be filled for 2017-2018 at the August 30<sup>th</sup> PYC Board Meeting.

**Vice Commodore Gary McGrath**: Mr. McGrath reported that July was a strong month for bar sales and thanked his volunteer bartenders for their continued support. Please refer to his column in the Yeoman for more details.

**Rear Commodore Joe Dopart**: Mr. Dopart thanked Past Commodore **Ben Blair** for his generous donation that enabled PYC to have the fume hood in the galley professionally cleaned. This had not been done in at least 10 years. The job took over 5 hours to complete. The carpet in the lounge and dining room was also professionally cleaned this past week. He also thanked those individuals who helped him set up for rental events this past month. To all who use the galley, please review the procedures necessary to ensure the ongoing cleanliness of this area.

**Port Captain Samantha Fox**: Ms. Fox thanked everyone who is helping to ensure that our cruise-in guests enjoy the club's amenities and hospitality. She provided an update

on September's Seafood Festival weekend, which promises to be VERY busy with many yacht clubs cruising in for the weekend's activities.

**Fleet Captain Jan Cutaia-Iaconis**: Thanked all who cruised out to Mildred Island this past week and provided updates for upcoming cruise-outs for the rest of 2017. See her column in the Yeoman for more details.

**Treasurer Vicki Schoenthaler**: Ms. Schoenthaler reported that all accounts are current; email her to request financial reports.

**Membership Committee - Jan Cutaia-Iaconis**: Ms. Cutaia-Iaconis reminded those present to refer potential members to the bar for 30-day membership cards. These individuals must sign in in the Lobby.

**Public Relations & Marketing Committee - Craig Schoenthaler**: Mr. Schoenthaler was not available for an update.

**PICYA - Ed Stetson**: Mr. Stetson was not available for an update. See his column in the Yeoman for this month's update.

**RBOC - Jack Michael**: Mr. Michael shared some encouraging news about the Frazier Bill, AB 2092. Please see his column in the Yeoman for this month's update and the RBOC.org website for all current information.

**IOBG - Gary McGrath**: Please see his column in the Yeoman for this month's updates.

**Past Events**: No updates at this time.

**Future Events**: Casino Night August 26<sup>th</sup>. George Iaconis will prepare and serve his signature sweet and sour chicken. Just a reminder that any member who brings a non-member will receive an extra \$100 in chips. A silent auction of 5 over-the-top baskets and a 50/50 raffle are also planned.

**Good of the Order**: Get well prayers and wishes go out to **Bonnie Stetson** and **Mary Sannebeck**, as they continue their roads to recovery.

**Kitty Drawing**: **Vicki Schoenthaler's** name was drawn. She was present but chose to donate her winnings back to the kitty for next month's drawing!

**Adjournment**: There being no further reports to share, the meeting was adjourned at 9:05PM.





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Please excuse my rather lengthy report this month. I felt it necessary to provide you, all on one place, RBOC's position paper on the California "WaterFix" Project which I know is of interest to you all! The RBOC Board held a special Board Meeting by conference call which resulted in the following.

"The 1,000 miles of waterways in the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta comprise a unique and treasured resource for California's 3 million recreational boating enthusiasts.

Recreational Boaters of California (RBOC) continues its advocacy aimed at protecting and enhancing the ability of recreational boaters to assure our ability to access and navigate in the Delta.

RBOC participates and testifies in numerous public workshops and meetings, files formal comments in the regulatory proceedings, and advocates positions with elected state officials in Sacramento.

These efforts have included successful opposition to proposed permanent barriers that would have blocked boater's access to popular waterways, support of legislation increasing the ability of the state to utilize boater-generated funds to fight invasive species that obstruct marinas and boaters, and requests for enhanced recreational opportunities throughout the Delta.

Now there is a new threat to boating in the Delta. Sometimes referred to as the WaterFix, other times the Twin Tunnels, a massive construction project estimated to take 14 or more years to complete is being considered. During that period, access through the Delta will be severely impacted and there may be permanent damage done to the region's ecology.

RBOC has identified many boating-specific questions and concerns with the July 21 signature of the Notice of Determination (NOD) for the California Water Fix environmental analysis.

These include:

- The significant, negative impact that will occur with the closure of significant waterways to navigate during the lengthy construction of the proposed twin tunnels.
- The absence of a plan to ensure that the Delta waterway infrastructure and recreational access are not only preserved and maintained, but improved.
- The lack of surety that the plan will address the threat that climate change and increased water transfer pose to the amount and quality of water for navigation and recreation in the Delta.

Based on the negative impact on recreational boating, RBOC opposes the California WaterFix and will continue to advocate for the preservation and enhancement of boating.

Further, RBOC supports further research and a sound analysis of the costs as well as the impacts of the California WaterFix on water quality and the environment.

RBOC also encourages the development and implementation of alternative approaches to provide a sustainable and reliable supply of water for California, such as increased water storage and desalination."

**Jack Michael**



**DUE DATE**

**NEXT YEOMAN ARTICLES OR SUBMISSIONS ARE DUE ON  
SEPTEMBER 13, 2017**

Early submissions are greatly appreciated. Are you interested in submitting an article or pictures, please contact **Debbie Wagner** at [dwagner.g7@gmail.com](mailto:dwagner.g7@gmail.com) or 925-237-6876.



## BOATING SAFETY

BY ED STETSON

This subject is timely as many of you are cruising the Bay this Fall

### WATCH OUT FOR THE BIG GUYS!

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If you're boating in waters where there are large ocean-going vessels, here's a piece of sound advice. As soon as you see a big ship, do whatever you can—immediately—to get out of the way.

**When recreational boats meet commercial ships, the former usually have more control. Large ships have difficulty stopping, lose steerage at slow speeds and often cannot maneuver for fear of running aground.**

First, the legalities. Whatever your previous impressions, the rules of the road do not give you the right of way over oceangoing vessels, even if you're on a sailboat. Unless you are out in ocean waters, big ships are likely to be confined to a narrow shipping channel, and they cannot leave it without running aground. Coast Guard navigation rules require that you take steps to avoid them.

There's also the matter of visibility. Even on clear days, there's no guarantee that the crew of a large vessel will be able to see you, let alone steer around you. Oceangoing vessels usually are so tall and their bridges are placed so far aft that the helmsman has a blind-spot for at least a quarter of a mile ahead. Many radar sets won't even pick up fiberglass boats, except as tiny, indistinct blips. And the crew may not be monitoring the radar screen that closely. At night, your running lights may be difficult to see.

**HOW LARGE SHIPS OPERATE:** Big ships also travel a lot more quickly than most boaters expect. While merchant vessels may seem slow and lumbering, they usually travel at between 13 and 18 knots even in coastal or inland shipping channels. That means the ship that seems miles away could be right off your bow in minutes. Slow-moving sailboats and trawlers may find it difficult to escape if they wait too long. Even if you're on a fast boat, if your engine fails while you're in the middle of a shipping

channel, you're in potentially serious trouble. New Coast Guard figures show there were 86 accidents in the U.S. in 2006 that were due to engine failure—nine of them fatal.

There's also the idea that getting too close to a big ship can itself be dangerous. Bow waves, propeller wash or wakes can rock your boat severely; draw you into the ship or—worse yet—into the propellers.

**HOW YOU SHOULD OPERATE:** One major safety measure is to make sure your boat is visible. Carry a radar reflector if you can—as high on your boat as you can place it—to enlarge the blip that the big ship sees on its radar. It won't guarantee that you'll be spotted, but it certainly will improve the chances. If you're going to be on the water at night, be sure your running lights work and aren't hidden by sails or equipment such as dinghies.

Also, do what you can to be aware of approaching ships. At a minimum, you should maintain a constant lookout, especially at night, and make sure you look up and down the channel carefully to see whether big ships are coming. Even if it looks as though they're far away, they can be upon you in a matter of minutes.

Stay out of the shipping lanes unless you really need to cross them. If you must follow the shipping channel, stay to the side and be aware of how much room you have outside the channel without running aground yourself. Also, be aware of the tides. In some areas, large ships time arrivals and departures to tidal action, to facilitate the draft of their vessels.

**Of special concern in SF Bay, Ferrys travel at high speeds and do not stay in the marked channels. Watch your six!**

**In San Francisco Bay "Vessel Traffic Control" operates much like "Air Traffic Control" for aircraft. Listen on VHF 14, as the ships report their position and intentions.** If you need to talk to the captain or pilot by radio, call on Channel 13, the frequency reserved for "bridge-to-bridge" communications, or conversations between you and the big ship's crew. There's less radio traffic there than on Channel 16, and large vessels are likely to be monitoring it more closely.

Ed Stetson





## SEPTEMBER CELEBRATIONS

Our **NEXT** quarterly pot-luck will be  
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09/26 Jeff & Sharon Steinman  
09/29 Matt & Monica Fraga

## SUNSHINE REPORT

**BY SUE MCDANIEL**  
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**Bonnie Stetson** had hip replacement surgery on July 24<sup>th</sup>. A get-well card was sent to her. She had to go back into surgery a short time later, due to some complications from the first surgery. A second get-well card was sent to her to help cheer her up. Hopefully she's on the mend now.

**Francella Biles** had knee replacement surgery on August 9<sup>th</sup>. A get-well card was sent out to her as well.

Everyone else has either been very healthy or very stealthy.

Let's all stay healthy!  
Sue McDaniel

## September Flowers

### Aster & Morning Glory

Aster symbolizes qualities of wisdom, faith and valor. In ancient times, Asters were said to symbolize the yearning for an end of battle when these were placed on the graves of dead French soldiers. However, today Asters are known as a symbol of love, elegance and patience. Besides this, these star-like blooms also represent a combination of good fortune and gained wisdom.



More interesting facts about Aster: A lot of interesting stories are attached to these flowers. According to legend, it is said that Goddess Asteria cried when she discovered that there were no stars left in the sky. So wherever her tears fell, the asters bloomed. Also, in earlier times it was thought that the perfume from the burning leaves of these flowers could drive away evil serpents thus making them a mystical flower with magical powers. Another myth suggests that magical fairies used to sleep under the petals of Aster flower at sunset. Aster was also referred to as the 'Herb of Venus' and it is said that this flower, which is ruled by Venus, was a common ingredient used in love potions.

Morning glories are simple symbols of affection.



by Ed Stetson



The August Delegates meeting was held at Sacramento YC. PYC was represented by **Ed & Bonnie Stetson, Jack & Mary Lee Michael, and Joan & Richard Hardy**. This meeting was dedicated to presenting the 2017 PICYA/WBSG Scholarships and other routine Association business.

Of Note, RBOC has come out in opposition of the Twin Tunnels.

THE WINNERS the 2017 PICYA/WBSG SCHOLARSHIPS:



Junior Sailing Director of Richmond Yacht Club, Mrs. Ornath Keane, accepting the award for Jamar Pagpaguitan

**Jamar Pagpaguitan** just graduated from Summit Shasta High School in Daly City. In his words:

"My interest in sailing began when my Sea Scout Skipper, Kit Stycket, introduced and sponsored me in the Richmond Yacht Club's Junior Sailing Program.

From that point on, I've come to enjoy and develop a love for sailing

and maritime in general.

This helped me with my decision to attend CSU Maritime Academy, majoring in Facilities Engineering Technology, in the fall of 2017.

The **Andy Desin Memorial Scholarship** has been generously funded by past PICYA Commodore Liz Allison for several years.



Neil Marcellini, accepting the award.

**Neil Marcellini**, 18 years old, graduated from Acalanes High School in Lafayette. He is attending CSU Channel Islands in the Fall to study Computer Science. Neil and racing partner, Ian Brill, placed first in the 2017 US Sailing Youth Championship in the 29er division, and therefore qualified to represent the USA at the 2017 ISAF Youth Worlds in China. They have been in Long Beach this

past week, competing in the 29er Nationals and Worlds regattas.



Morgan Morris, accepting the award.

**Morgan Morris** just graduated from Alameda High with a 4.05 GPA. Her mother, Deborah, is an active member of Aeolian Y.C. Morgan is majoring in Environmental Science at Cal Poly (California Polytechnic State University) in San Luis Obispo.

"Activities that I enjoy include exploring the outdoors on hikes, going to the beach and singing songs. I also love to travel and work with the Elks Lodge, where I volunteer my time with the Antlers Club."



Kiera Cullen, accepting the award.

**Kiera Cullen** just graduated from Half Moon Bay High School with a 4.6 GPA. She is a certified Level I Sailing Instructor and teaches sailing at the Half Moon Bay Yacht Club, where both her parents are active members.

Kiera will be attending Trinity College Dublin in Ireland and will be majoring in Biomedical Engineering. She plans to join the Trinity Sailing Team.

Her interests include sailing, music, and traveling

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Pittsburg Yacht Club Presents...

# Solano Yacht Club Cruise-Out

*Saturday  
Dinner*

September 15 - 17

Monitoring Channel 72  
Departure Time - TBD  
Docking Fee: Free

SYC's Annual Pig on Point  
Roasted Pig with all the fixings.

To be held outside. They have  
an outside bar, which is pretty  
convenient, wouldn't you say?!

## Other Info

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# SEPTEMBER 8th - 9th

## Schedule of Events

### Saturday/Sunday

Bar Hours: 9 am to Close

### Friday

Cocktails: 5 to 7 pm

Dinner: 7 pm - \$15

50/50 Raffle: 9 pm

### Buy a Horse

We will be renting horses to decorate, \$20 each (only 6 available). Best decorated horse receives a prize Saturday Night.

### Saturday Breakfast

9 to 10AM

Homemade Biscuits & Gravy

Scrambled Eggs

Fruit

\$10

### Sunday Breakfast

10 to 11am

Choice of Quiche

Seafood, Sausage, or

Vegetable

Fresh Fruit Cup

Donuts

\$10

### Seafood Festival

**Saturday: 10am to 5pm**

**Sunday: 10:30 to 4pm**

### After the Festival

Horse Races: 5:30pm

Bring your decorated horses, if purchased, so we can all bet on them to win!

Dinner: 7pm - \$15

Music & Dancing: 8 to 11pm

Decorated Horse Winner: 9pm

50/50 Raffle: 9pm

PYC Gate Access Opens

Saturday at 10am

Sunday at 10:30am

PYC Gate closes

Saturday at 5pm

Sunday at 4pm

Don't be late or you will have to walk all the way around, approx. 1 mile.

Tickets are available in the clubhouse - \$13

For Breakfast Reservations Contact Jan Cutaia:  
jcutaia@aol.com | 915.783.0812  
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Pittsburg Yacht Club Presents

# CRAFT SHOW



Sat & Sun Nov 11 & 12



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# September

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Aug 27	28	29	30	31	Sep 1	2
	Bay Harbor HOA Meeting	PYCE Board Meeting	PYC Board Meeting PYC Wednesday Night Dinner 7:00		PYC Friday Night Dinner 7:00 PM	
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
			PYC Wednesday Night Dinner 7:00	Non-Member Rental	Discovery Bay Yacht Club Cruise In	
					Marina West Yacht Club Cruise In	
					San Joaquin Yacht Club Cruise In	
					PYC Friday Night Dinner 6:45 PM	Seafood Festival
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
Discovery Bay Yacht Club Cruise In			PYC Wednesday Night Dinner 7:00		PYC Cruise Out to Solano Yacht Club	
Marina West Yacht Club Cruise In					PYC Friday Night Dinner 7:00 PM	Non-Member Rental
San Joaquin Yacht Club Cruise In					Member Rental	
Seafood Festival						
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
PYC Cruise Out to Solano Yacht Club			PYC Birthday Anniversary Pot Luck Dinner 7:00		PYC Friday Night Dinner 7:00 PM	
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
	Bay Harbor HOA Meeting	PYCE Board Meeting	PYC Board Meeting PYC Wednesday Night Dinner 7:00	NYL HOA Meeting	PYC Friday Night Dinner 7:00 PM	Non-Member Rental

Please Notice This

**DATE CHANGE**

**PYC General Membership Meeting**  
8:00 PM





# October

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Oct 1	2	3	4	5	6	7
			PYC Wednesday Night Dinner 7:00		PYC Friday Night Dinner 7:00 PM	Member Rental
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
	PYC Down Bay Cruise Out					
			PYC Wednesday Night Dinner 7:00		PYC Friday Night Dinner 6:45 PM PYC General Membership Meeting 8:00 PM	Member Rental
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
PYC Down Bay Cruise Out			PYC Wednesday Night Dinner 7:00		PYC Friday Night Dinner 7:00 PM	St. Ignatius Church Fundraiser
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
	Bay Harbor HOA Meeting	PYCE Board Meeting	PYC Board Meeting PYC Wednesday Night Dinner 7:00	NYL HOA Meeting	PYC Friday Night Dinner 7:00 PM	PYC Halloween Party
29	30	31	Nov 1	2	3	4
			PYC Wednesday Night Dinner 7:00		PYC Friday Night Dinner 7:00 PM	



# November

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Oct 29	30	31	Nov 1	2	3	4
			PYC Wednesday Night Dinner 7:00		PYC Friday Night Dinner 7:00 PM	
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
			PYC Wednesday Night Dinner 7:00		PYC Friday Night Dinner 6:45 pm PYC General Membership Meeting 8:00 pm	PYC Holiday Dance
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
			PYC Wednesday Night Dinner 7:00		PYC Friday Night Dinner 7:00 PM	
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
			PYC Wednesday Night Dinner 7:00	NYL HOA Meeting	PYC Friday Night Dinner 7:00 PM	
26	27	28	29	30	Dec 1	2
	Bay Harbor HOA Meeting	PYCE Board Meeting	PYC Board Meeting PYC Wednesday Night Dinner 7:00		PYC Friday Night Dinner 7:00 PM	Commodores Ball





# CASINO NIGHT





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**Emilie Guidera** lives in Plymouth and graduated from Amador High School this spring with a 4.17 GPA. She has earned several other scholarships, which I am sure her parents greatly appreciate. Emilie will be attending the University of Nevada, Reno to study nursing and hopes to one-day, work in the trauma room.

Emilie Guidera, accepting the award.

We will continue accepting donations to fund scholarships for 2018.

We accept donations from \$10 to \$2,700. Remember, a \$250 donation earns our club 10 COTY points. Forms are available to download from the website. [Donation Form.](#)

Ed Stet-



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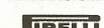


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