

SUNSET SHORES YACHT CLUB HAILOR

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COMMODORE

Bill Roberts

ANNUAL BOARD MEETING DIRECTORS NEEDED TO FILL POSITIONS

Dear Members - Welcome to S.S.Y.C. 2013.

Please review your enclosed Shareholder billing to make sure that all your information is correct: name, address, telephone numbers and E-MAIL addresses. If any information is incorrect, or you want to add new phone numbers or E-MAIL addresses, please make the corrections on the billing and return it to the club's PO Box.

Our assessment will be \$475.00 this year. The principal & interest for the dock loan is \$142.68 per share. The total for those participating in the dock loan will be \$617.68. This amount reflects the renegotiate dock loan that we completed in December. The most efficient way for us to collect the assessment is for you to send it to **Sunset Shores Yacht Club, PO Box 488, Bay City MI 48706.**

Respectfully, William G. Roberts
Commodore, Sunset Shores Yacht Club

The **Annual Shareholder's Meeting** will be held April 27, 2013, at Sunset Shores Yacht Club Community Room. The meeting will start at **9:00 a.m.** with coffee and doughnuts provided.

Our Board of Directors is made up of volunteers. This year we need to fill four vacancies on the board. Therefore, we are looking for interested members to serve on the Board of Directors for a three-year term. If you have two hours a month to volunteer, please see any board member or call Bill Roberts at 989-781-4184.

OPERATIONS
John Cederstrom

Last year we had an electric cable break that feeds docks 77-97. We were unable to locate the break so we replaced the cable from the east bathhouse to dock 97 and ultimately re-landscaped. This resulted in a major inconvenience to many shareholders and renters and the board wishes to thank those affected for their patience.

This year we will again be treating our ash trees for emerald ash borer and silver maple and locust trees for insect infestation. The lawn will again receive a multi-chemical treatment for weed control, fertilization and insect control.

A new lawn mowing service, Seniors Discount Landscaping, has been contracted that will save the club \$40 per mowing.

We also went out for bids for our bathhouse cleaning service and have contracted with a new company, Springtime Cleaning, who had the low bid.

Our old community room banquet tables were showing their age so we have replaced with new and we have purchased floor tile for the community room to be installed by club volunteers.

Our maintenance person, Dennis Albee, was ready to relinquish the position after many years of service and board member, Don Leidke, has volunteered to assume the duties.

FLEET CAPTAIN
Tom Duch

During the 2012 boating season at SSYC we had 142 boats registered:

43 Sailboats	99 Powerboats
50 Shareholders	92 Renters

Three (3) slips were sold during the 2012 season.

Please include your slip number and name on all paperwork. It is helpful to make sure the recording of the information is correct. It also makes the job go smoother and is appreciated.

MEMBER PARTICIPATION
Tom Pomerville

The Member Participation Committee (MPC) was established in 2009 to: (1) help eliminate some of the labor costs associated with the operations and maintenance of OUR Club (2) Assist OUR Board of Directors with their duties. With the help of our many VOLUNTEERS both Shareholders and Renters, we have saved thousands of dollars in the last four years.

Projects completed in 2012 included:

- Weed control on the rip-rap
- Chairs in the Community Room were cleaned
- SSYC sign was repaired and repainted
- Yearly audit was completed
- Boaters Sale
- Beer and Brat Party
- Storage room doors were replaced and repainted
- Electrical underground service was repaired by Contractors, managed by our volunteer operations person and assisted by many other volunteers
- Several other small projects

We have projects scheduled for the 2013 season, if you are interested in volunteering, Please contact any Board Member or myself at pomervillet@yahoo.com.

Thanks to all of you that volunteered last year, we met new friends and enjoyed good times.

CLUB OPENING DATE
2013

Sunset Shores Yacht Club is scheduled to open this season on April 1, 2013. The electric will be turned on but not the water so the gates will operate but water will not be available in the bathrooms.

Keys will be sent to members when the annual dues are paid. Please be sure your paperwork is in order before using the club.

Happy boating.

NEWS AND REMINDERS

ANTI-SIPHONING DEVICES

Please do not remove the anti-siphoning devices from the hose hook ups. They are required by law to be there.

DOCK BOXES

Please level up your dock boxes. Besides being unsightly, many are collecting rain water and providing breeding grounds for mosquitoes.

DOCK MODIFICATIONS

Modifications to your docks must meet club standards which require you to fill out a form to make those modifications. If your modifications are above or below the club standards then a variance must be applied for via a variance form, (See Don Leidke for forms). Owners please inform your renters of this requirement.

BIKE RACKS

Please use the racks and do not store bikes in the laundry rooms or back rooms of the bath houses.

NO FISH GUTS IN THE DUMPSTERS

Please, the dumpsters are not emptied often enough to make large deposits of fish guts in the dumpster acceptable.

CHILDREN SAFETY

Life jackets are to be worn at all times by all unsupervised children twelve (12) years old or younger when on club property.

PETS ON LEASH

Dogs must be kept on leashes when not on the boats of members, renters or guests. Please pick up after your pet, No pets allowed in the club buildings.

PERSONAL STORAGE

Please refrain from using the laundry and/or maintenance rooms for storage of personal items.

POWER SQUADRON

The power squadron will be at the club on June 8, 2013, 10:00am to complete a boat safety inspection. Sign up at either club house building and be safe out there.

EXTRA KEYS/OLD KEYS

If you need an extra key, contact Debbie Salisbury and Bill Roberts. Please drop old keys in boxes in bath houses.

DOCK LOWERING/RAISING

Members can adjust their own dock per club recommendations or Don Leidke and his team will adjust your dock for \$100 per side.

DREDGING Steve Parkhurst

The past dredging spoils stored at the Bay City Yacht Club are expected to be hauled to the Whitefeather Landfill in early March. Landfill, loading, and trucking costs are about \$20.00 per ton with approximately 2000+ tons stored, costs to SSYC are estimated at \$8000 to \$10,000.

Busch Dredging is scheduled to dredge both the north entrance which includes the SSYC waterway entrance and the south entrance to BCYC as far as the large barge will allow. Alcona Dredge is scheduled to dredge the South Basin and the waterway to SSYC. Dredging schedules are unknown at this time.

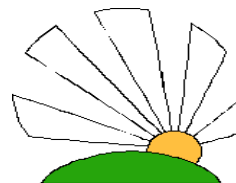
Water levels in the Great Lakes will be low this year and all boaters need to be careful wherever they go.

BoatUS

Sunset Shores Yacht Club is a BoatUS cooperating group (Group ID Number: GA82524Y). SSYC currently has a number of members who have enjoyed half-price BoatUS memberships.

BoatUS represents recreational boaters by working on Capitol Hill, ensuring safe boating and clean water for generations to come and by resolving Member disputes with boat dealers or manufacturers.

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