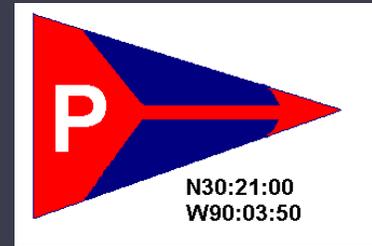


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Commodore's Corner

Congratulations to the PYC sailors who won the **Mardi Gras Regatta** in New Orleans! Be sure to read Max Albert's Chart article for more details.

Congratulations to **Kaia Schindler** on her 10th Anniversary of being Manager of PYC!! She wrote a special article in this month's Chart that you don't want to miss!

Paul Rees' idea to move the High School Regatta from February to March proved to be a good one based on the turn out last weekend.

Mike McKnight has started some **adult sailing classes** and now we have to hope the weather will cooperate so they can get out on the lake and sail! If you or anyone you know want to learn to sail, just contact Mike at PYC to set up a class. Registration has begun for **Summer Sail Camp** and for **Little Skippers Camp** so call or email PYC to sign your children up for one of these programs,

April is always a very busy month at PYC so be sure to read **Gigi Savona's** Social Chart article so you don't miss any of our activities. Also, you can always check our PYC Calendar on our website. Kaia does a great job of keeping it current.

Important Dates:

Joseph Tringali, author and yacht club historian, will be back on April 5th from 7:00 -8:30 PM. He will talk about "Traditions".

Marine Garage Sale –Saturday, April 7th

2018 OPENING DAY-Saturday, April 21

Semi-Annual Meeting – Sunday, May 20th at 4:00 with Grill Night to follow

First 50 Years of PYC – If you have pictures, stories, etc. to share, please contact Ken Buhler or me. Thanks!

Hope to see you around the club soon!

Marian C. Arrowsmith - Commodore

Vice Commodore

Our club is looking good with all the work that has been done and ‘Thanks’ to everyone who has chipped in. We still need help with a few projects like fence-work, the gate in the boatyard, and some grounds-keeping.

We are disposing of a few older boats (check with Kaia), and we can accept donations directly now via the foundation set up by Paul Rees. Anyone have a tractor? Ours finally gave up the ghost and we need one (not a yard tractor) to shuttle boats around and hopefully large enough to move Sea Shepherd.

April will be a busy month for us as we get ready for Opening Day. Get your boat cleaned up and flags out for the Blessing of the Fleet and then the FUN’d regatta on Sunday the 22nd.

Brian Keating - Vice Commodore
Cell: 985-789-0998

Rear Commodore

SPRING has sprung! Eggs have rolled. Lent is past, so you can give up giving up.

There is evidence of spring at PYC too! Volunteers will soon be gathering at PYC to weed, mulch and plant flowers and shrubs! With the warmer weather improvements and repairs are sprouting up all around the Club!

The list of things to replace/repair never seems to get shorter, but we are trying. When items require us to hire a qualified, reputable local contractor, bids are requested from three companies and awarded based on best quality and price. We are currently looking at estimates for repairs and painting around the club. In April we will concentrate on repairs to the boat storage area.

Come out to the club to see all the improvements and bring a friend - maybe they will become a member too!

Larry Young

One Design

The PYC Capdevielle team started this year off with a bang at Mardi Gras Regatta. The team, comprised of Matthew Dupuy, David Bolyard, Jeff Lindheim, and Max Albert, swept the 5 race series with all first place finishes! Our very own junior, Matthew Dupuy, won the last ever flying scot Capdevielle as skipper, and the first ever viper Capdevielle race as skipper. That is something that will never happen again! Congratulations Matthew!

There is no Capdevielle Regatta in April, so we will focus on practice and boat prep. There will be a Viper/VX regatta the last weekend of April. Our next Capdevielle Regatta is GYA Opening May 5/6. We look to continue our success!

Max Albert

Juniors

In March the Junior Sailing Team practices started but we were impacted by bad weather several days. It seems the weather is either awesome or horrible in March.

The highlight was a very successful Northshore Cup High School Regatta.

We had 5 420 teams participate with some teams changing out sailors on the course, with a total of 14 sailors competing. The teams were from St. Stanislas, Ocean Springs and Lakeshore High Schools. The high school coaches and parents are a major factor in getting the teams here. Dan Zwerg and his St. Stanislaus team with Josh and Joel Grumme are regulars at this event. The Ocean Springs kids are awesome and when we had down time organized some croquet matches on the lawn. The judges were Chris Friend as Chief Judge, Lloyd Causey and Karen Reich whose efforts were truly appreciated. We reserved time before the event for a short coaching session and Dave Bolyard was kind enough to volunteer his time for this.

From Pontchartrain, Matthew Dupuy (Skipper) and Dylan McKnight as crew (now aka "oochie and goochie"), performed above expectations in pulling down a second place overall out of the five teams, after practicing as a team just one week on 420s. Great teamwork guys. Our other opti sailors will also be having 420 opportunities this year and in the next 2-3 years we hope to be very strong in the 420s as a team in the GYA.

The comradery between the sailors was excellent and I could not be prouder of these young sailors.

We learned a few things about hosting this regatta and have plans to improve next year. Thanks also to the regatta committee and team including the Mark Set Marvels Cleve and Craig, Mike Mcknight and B&B Dupuy, Jimmy Buras, Craig Cohen, Scott Graham and others, and of course our very own Master of the Universe Kaia (yes I will keep calling you this).

As always please encourage the junior team members when you see them at the club.

Paul Rees, Junior Chair

Social

March was another busy month at the Club! We celebrated the Oscars with a few decorations and libations and had a great time watching all the Hollywood 'beautiful people' on the red carpet and winning awards! Next year we'll get a red carpet for the entryway and have fun celebrating our PYC "beautiful people"!!!

Friday Night Guest Chefs continued with a great fish dinner from Our Lady of the Lake Knights of Columbus – Thank You Cleve Fair the Knights for bringing the meals to the Club and to Mary Patterson for serving! We also enjoyed fried catfish provided by the Baptist Ladies and Seafood Casserole from Bosco's! Thank you to everyone that helped serve! If you missed the fried catfish from the Baptist Church, come dine at the Club on March 30th as they will be providing dinner again! If you wish to sign up to host a Friday Night Guest Chef in May, please go to <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/60b0c4faeae2fa7f94-friday>. There will not be any Friday Guest Chef nights in April due to the Mandeville Live! Friday night concerts at the Mandeville Trailhead.

The first day of Spring, brought a new annual tradition to PYC – Sock Burning! Members came out to hear Bev Toebe read a cute poem about waving good-bye to winter and celebrating the arrival of Spring! Thank you to all who brought their cotton socks and helped make this a great event! And to Kaia for making the delicious shrimp tacos!!!

Events planned for April are:

- 1 – Easter Egg Roll
- 5- Presentation by Joseph Tringali
- 6 – GRILL YOUR OWN STEAK OR FISH!
- 7 – Nautical Swap Meet!
- 17 – Book Club, 6:30pm, 'Before We Were Yours' by Lisa Wingate
- 21 – Opening Day and crawfish boil!
- 22 – Open Mic with Brian Jones, 5-8 p.m.

AND.... Social Committee meeting on Sunday, April 15, Noon! Bring your ideas and a friend!!

If you have any questions about an event or suggestions, phone me at 985.869.0175 or email at saileos56@gmail.com.

I look forward to seeing you around the club!

Gigi Savona

Manager's Report

On April 1st (yes, fool's day) it will have been a decade since I first entered Pontchartrain Yacht Club as an employee under Tom Quinlan's Reign as Commodore. I have served PYC under SEVEN Commodores and many changing board members and let me tell you, those changes present their challenges. However, it is worth it to have experienced so much with all of you who make the club so special to me. Working with each Commodore has brought me personal and professional growth and strength. I thank all of them for what they have taught me throughout the years and the everlasting friendships which were developed during their terms.....Thank you Tom Quinlan for having faith in me and giving me a job! Thank you Bobby Lipscomb for trusting my judgement and pressing my buttons. Thank you Brian Burke for making me laugh when all I wanted to do was cry. Thank you Tom Jarvis for teaching me to toughen up and be stronger. Thank you Dick Jones for your wisdom and no B.S. attitude. Thank you Ken Buhler for you taking me on Jalapeno for my very first regatta plus your warmth and kindness. And lastly, thank you Marian Arrowsmith for your guidance and leadership. I am pretty sure each one has seen me laugh, cry and get red in the face with anger but each one holds a special place in my heart.

Members.....I have grieved with you when we lost Uwe Adler, Ben Eshleman, Abel Lopez, Erin "Sug" Brady, Chuck Wylie, Marianne Lipscomb, C.J. Savona, Virginia Ison and my own mother. I have cried with many of you through divorces and marriages (including my own). I have celebrated with you the births of Rex Doolittle, Elizabeth and Charlotte Lockwood, Anna Bolyard, Emile Wagner, Mara Schmidt, Camille Smith. I have enjoyed watching all of our kids grow up, leaving home to dip their toes into adult hood: Collin, Ashley and Ryan Ross, Brady and Tommy Barclay, Rachel and James Lipscomb, Ellen Kalmbach, Avery Sollberger, Jacob, Zeke and Ellie Stevens, Ross and Reed Kirk, Tripp Doolittle, Samantha Burke, Savannah Core, James Ernst....etc. I have rescued a few of them over the years whether it be running out of gas, starving beyond belief (ha ha), losing wind while sailing, employing them when no one else would, needing to be checked out of school or lifting spirits when they were down. I wouldn't trade any of these moments for a million dollars, well, maybe! As I write this I am forced to hold back the tears thinking of these momentous events and how fortunate I have been to experience these things with you and your families.

I have worked side by side with most of you whether it be serving Friday food, flipping burgers at regattas (thanks burger babes....Leigh Wanless, Janie Eshleman, Barbie Adler, Pat Brinks, Peggy Gele and Jamie Seiverding!), roasting pigs in the yard, boiling crawfish and shrimp and on and on and on!! Through hurricanes, capsized boats, club politics, unstable employees (and some members)just when I want to lay my head down and cry or smoke begins to erupt from my ears in anger, I get a funny email from Randy Sharpe leaving me hysterically laughing, a visit to the office from Richard Young bringing me a secret recipe, a dirty joke from John Gelpi on a Wednesday afternoon at the bar, a thank you note from Snoann Willett for doing nothing special except the usual, or a visit from an eccentric red head who plops herself at my desk to complete her membership application (all the while I'm trying to figure out how she will fit in???!). My job is never boring! Feeling appreciated in what I do makes all of the rough times and challenges worth every tear, laugh and blood pressure pill!

Every day I face new challenges but I can honestly still say, "I love my job". I could not do this job without my amazing crew who generally keep me sane but sometimes drive me crazy! Despite that, they help keep this ship afloat so a big thank you to Nicole, Jamie, Allison, Edward, Mike, Michele, Scott and our newbie Leon. I also couldn't do any of what I do without my husband John and my boys Isaac and Liam who support my erratic work schedule, listen to me vent, help out with big club events but most of all, love me. (p.s.- a little more laundry, cooking and cleaning would make life even better!)

Here is to another ten years!!!!

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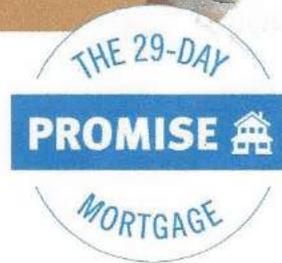
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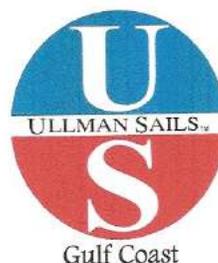
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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Apr 1 Easter Sunday! with lunch, visit from the Easter Bunny and games	2	3 Taco Tuesday! 4:30 PM Team Opti Practice	4 Hot Dogs!	5 4:30 PM Team Laser/420 Practice 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM Joe Tringali Presentation	6 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM Grill Your Own! Steak or Fish	7 Anchors Away! Marine Garage Sale Make Up Day for Adult Lessons
8 2:00 PM Open Team/Viper Practice 3:00 PM - 8:00 PM Event Rental	9 10 Taco Tuesday! 4:30 PM Team Opti Practice 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM Corinthian's Meeting	11 Hot Dogs! 10:00 AM - 2:30 PM Event Rental	12 8:30 AM - 3:30 PM Adult Sailing Clinic! 4:30 PM Team Laser/420 Practice	13 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM Adult Sailing Clinic! 5:00 PM - 10:00 PM Event Rental	14 PHRF race #1 Make Up PHRF race #2 6:00 PM - 10:00 PM Event Rental	
15 11:00 AM - 2:30 PM Event Rental 2:00 PM Open Team/Viper Practice	16 17 Taco Tuesday! 4:30 PM Team Opti Practice 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM Book Club	18 Hot Dogs! 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM Board Meeting	19 4:30 PM Team Laser/420 Practice	20 7:00 PM - 11:00 PM Event Rental	21 PYC OPENING DAY! and Crawfish Boil 7:00 PM - 10:30 PM Event Rental	
22 PYC Opening FUND'd Regatta 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM Open Mic with Brian Jones	23 24 Taco Tuesday! 4:30 PM Team Opti Practice	25 Hot Dogs! 8:30 AM - 3:30 PM Adult Sailing Clinic!	26 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM Adult Sailing Clinic! 4:30 PM Team Laser/420 Practice	27 6:00 PM - 10:00 PM Event Rental	28 Viper/VX one regatta!!! 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM Downstairs Rental 7:00 PM - 10:00 PM Event Rental	
29 Viper/VX one regatta!!! 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM Event Rental	30 May 1 Taco Tuesday!	2 Hot Dogs!	3 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM Event Rental	4 6:00 PM - 10:00 PM Event Rental 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM Grill Your Own! Steak or Fish	5 PHRF race #3 12:00 PM - 5:00 PM Event Rental 7:00 PM - 10:00 PM Cinco de Mayo Party!	

See you at the club!