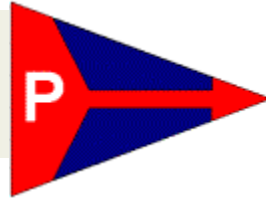


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NOVEMBER 2009



## ANNUAL MEETING

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&

AWARDS PRESENTATION



SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 15<sup>th</sup>

4:00 p.m.



(after Saints game)



GRILL NIGHT TO FOLLOW



## **BOARD OF DIRECTORS CANDIDATE'S** **BIOGRAPHIES**

**MY NAME IS CHRIS GILMORE. I AM A LIFE LONG RESIDENT OF MANDEVILLE. I GRADUATED FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF NEW ORLEANS WITH A DEGREE IN CIVIL ENGINEERING. I WORK FOR THE US ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS AS THE SR. PROJECT MANAGER IN CHARGE OF BUILDING THE HURRICANE PROTECTION SYSTEM FOR ST. BERNARD PARISH. WE HAVE BEEN MEMBERS OF THE PONTCHARTRAIN YACHT CLUB SINCE 2004. I ENJOY FISHING, BEING OUT ON THE WATER, WATCHING THE SAINTS, AND WATCHING MY DAUGHTER (DANE) AND SOON MY SON (KEEGAN) SAILING OPTIS IN THE JP1 PROGRAM. I HAVE BEEN INVOLVED AS A PARENT VOLUNTEER WITH THE JUNIOR SAILING PROGRAM FOR A COUPLE OF YEARS NOW AND LOOK FORWARD TO BUILDING ON THE GREAT PROGRESS THE PREVIOUS JUNIOR BOARD MEMBERS HAVE MADE.**

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### **ROBERT BROCK SCHMIDT**

**BROCK SCHMIDT BEGAN HIS AFFILIATION WITH PONTCHARTRAIN YACHT CLUB WHEN HE WAS ELEVEN YEARS OLD. THROUGH THOSE EARLY YEARS HE SAILED SUNFISH AND FLYING SCOTS. HE SAILED WITH HIS PARENTS ON "ISIS" A PERSON 28.**

**OVER THE YEARS, BROCK WON THE GYA JUNIOR GALLOWAY CHAMPIONSHIP, WAS A MEMBER OF THE YACHT CLUB'S TEAM WHICH WON THE 1993 GYA JUNIOR LIPTON CHAMPIONSHIP. HE COMPETED IN THE NATIONAL CLUB 420 CHAMPIONSHIPS; THE SUNFISH JUNIOR NORTH AMERICAN'S TWO TIMES PLACING IN THE TOP 10 AND WON THE 2000 AND 2001 UNITED STATES SAILING ASSOCIATION'S MEN CHAMPIONSHIPS (THE MALLORY'S) IN FLYING SCOTS AND J-22'S, RESPECTIVELY. BROCK WENT ON TO COMPETE IN THE 2003 OLYMPIC TRAILS IN 470'S WITH HIS SAILING PARTNER DAVID DABNEY. MORE RECENTLY BROCK AS SAILED WITH ROB DOOLITTLE IN THE 2009 FLYING SCOT MIDWINTER'S, THE PONTCHARTRAIN CHALLENGE CUP TEAM AND ITS GYA LIPTON TEAM, AND JUST RECENTLY SAILED IN THE MELGES 24 WORLD'S AMONG OTHER SAILING EVENTS,**

**BROCK IS CURRENTLY A CAPTAIN IN THE US ARMY AND IS EMPLOYED BY THE US ARMY CORP OF ENGINEERS WORKING IN NEW ORLEANS. HE GRADUATED FROM ST. PAUL'S HIGH SCHOOL AND SPRING HILL COLLEGE. SINCE HIS RETURN TO MANDEVILLE AFTER A STINT IN BAGHDAD, HE HAS BECOME VERY ACTIVE AT PONTCHARTRAIN YACHT CLUB, VOLUNTEERING HIS TIME TO WORK WITH THE YOUTH, HELPING THEM LEARN TECHNIQUES IN COMPETITIVE SAILING AND HAS SPEARHEADED THE MOVEMENT TO GET THE LEDO 14 CLASS STARTED AT THE CLUB TO HELP INCREASE THE NUMBER OF SAILORS IN THE CLUB ON THE WATER WITH AN EMPHASIS ON FAMILY SAILING.**

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**JEAN SPARKMAN**

**MY HUSBAND JIMMY AND I HAVE BEEN MARRIED FOR 20 YEARS AND WE HAVE TWO CHILDREN, ROBERT 18 AND LELA 17. WE HAVE BEEN LIVING IN OLD MANDEVILLE SINCE BEFORE WE MARRIED.**

**I AM ORIGINALLY FROM KENTUCKY, BUT MOVED TO THIS AREA IN 1986. I HAVE WORKED IN THE FOOD AND BEVERAGE INDUSTRY MOST OF MY LIFE INCLUDING HOTELS, RESTAURANTS AND JIMMY AND I OWNED A BAKERY FOR 9 YEARS. TWO YEARS AGO I GAVE UP THE GLAMOUR OF RUNNING A RESTAURANT TO BECOME A SALES REP FOR SYSCO FOOD SERVICE.**

**I LIKE TO SPEND MY FREE TIME WITH MY FAMILY AND FRIENDS. I LOVE TO COOK, READ, AND TAKE LONG WALKS ON THE LAKEFRONT.**

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**BRIAN J. BURKE**

**I WOULD LIKE TO THANK THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE FOR SELECTING ME TO BE A CANDIDATE FOR THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF PYC. AS MOST OF YOU KNOW, I AM AN ATTORNEY AT THE LAW FIRM ANZELMO, MILLINER & BURKE. I AM MARRIED TO LESLEY AND TOGETHER, WE HAVE A NINE YEAR OLD DAUGHTER, SAMANTHA. WE HAVE BEEN MEMBERS OF PYC SINCE THE MID 1990's. WE HAVE A RANGER 29, SEAFOX, WHICH WE SAIL ON THE LAKE AND GULF COAST. WE ENJOY SPENDING OUR FREE TIME WITH FRIENDS WE HAVE MET AT PYC OVER THE YEARS. IF ELECTED, I HOPE TO BUILD UPON MANY OF THE NEW IDEAS THE CURRENT BOARD HAS SET IN MOTION**

**SOCIAL - JEAN SPARKMAN**

Once again we had a month of great food and fun in October thanks to Kathleen, Jennie Simons, Bobby, Brian and Rob. Special thanks to Dick and Judy for hosting our Lobster night, it was a great success.

Lot's going on for the month of November and the upcoming holidays!

We will be having a planning meeting on Tuesday Nov 3<sup>rd</sup> to talk about the Ladies luncheon in December and the Commodores Ball in January. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend!

Soup nights are going over very well and will continue through the month every Wednesday night.

We will have tacos on Thursday the 5<sup>th</sup> and the 19<sup>th</sup> and Jonathan will be hosting a wine tasting on Thursday the 12<sup>th</sup> (stay tuned for more info on that). Thursday the 26<sup>th</sup> is Thanksgiving and the club will be closed.

We are lining up Guest Chefs for every Friday except for the 27<sup>th</sup>. everyone is invited to bring their leftovers for a pot luck after Thanksgiving feast.

Kaia's famous brunch is Sunday the 8<sup>th</sup> and the following Sunday the 15<sup>th</sup> is our ANNUAL MEETING followed by grill night (need some volunteers!)

If you are interested in getting involved please email me at [jssparky@bellsouth.net](mailto:jssparky@bellsouth.net)



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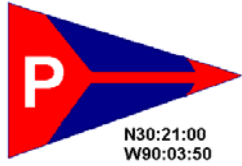
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