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Commodore CHRIS

I would like to take this time to tell you how excited I am about this upcoming year. Kim and I got a chance to work the One Design Interlake Booth for two days last week at the Cleveland Mid-American Boat Show. While there, I had the chance to meet the Vanguard Rep who manufactures 420's – the Junior Sailing Boat of Choice. He filled me in on what to look for when purchasing used boats for our Junior Sailing Program. He also provided valuable information on how to acquire "slightly used" models in mid June after a large Regatta in Wisconsin. We also have a listing of people who expressed interest in our club – Interlake's, New Sailors, and even Power Boaters. Kim and I will personally follow up with these prospective members. Thanks to everyone who helped man the booth and represent LSYC.

The Super Bowl Party is just around the corner. Darryll Headley is sponsoring the event and plans on having some great traditional foods from Pittsburgh and Seattle. Come down to the club on **February 5th** and cheer on the Sea Hawks and Steelers.

February 12th Fran has announced a special Valentines Day gathering at Sandusky Yacht Club. Kathy LaValley is hosting this event so grab your loved one and come join the fun. Sandusky puts on a fantastic Brunch.

On February 10th Kim and I are headed to St Petersburg along with Darryll Headley and Jeff Witter of Sandusky Sailing Club to take part in the St Petersburg NOOD Regatta. We have chartered a Wavelength 24 designed by

Schock and racing begins February 17th. You can track our results on the web site at www.sailingworld.com and take the NOOD Link to the St Petersburg Regatta results.

We are still working on dock repairs and anticipate everything complete well before the spring launch season. Currently we are looking for 5-inch tubular galvanized pipe (spud piles) to help support the docks. They should come in 25 – 30 foot length sections. We need around 20 sections. If you know anyone interested in sourcing this purchase, please contact me directly at 440-221-1825.

Stay warm, until next month. Chris

The After Bridge Rear Commodore Fran

We had our First Annual New Years Eve party at LSYC. While attended by only a few, we all had a fun time. We played games, enjoyed food and margaritas. At midnight, we dropped the Club Burgee from the flag tower. All in attendance hope to do it again next year.

The Boat Show was a success again. Thanks to all of our members who helped hand out literature at the Interlake display.

First Mates, well—that has been a little disappointing to me. I know from experience that if you get involved, you have more fun. I had a few people say they were going to attend the first meeting at LSYC but only one showed up. If anyone else is interested in pursuing the organizing of a group to help with social activities, please call me (440-934-4420).

Brunch at The Vintage House Café in Avon was terrific! We had 22 people in attendance. The food was great and everyone enjoyed seeing our boating friends and talking boating. We only

have about 120 days to go until THE BOAT IS IN THE WATER AGAIN!!!!

February 12th, noon (12:00pm) brunch at the Sandusky Yacht Club. Please call Kathy LaValley, 440-282-4079 in the evenings with any questions. Last year it was a very elegant Valentine luncheon.

March 5th will be the March brunch. Chuck Barth will host it. More information will follow. Be sure to keep March 5th open.

March 18th is theater evening, hosted by Paul Burik. We will see the hilarious and spicy "Full Monty" at the Beck Center. More information to follow.

March 19th will be our first 2006 General membership meeting. The meeting will start at 5pm followed by a St Patrick's Day dinner. I am looking for a host for this.

March 25th is movie night at the Club and will be hosted by LSYC's Sea Scouts. The movie is Master and Commander. The Sea Scouts will be cooking hot dogs and popping popcorn. Please bring your appetite and come see the movie. More information on the fundraiser in the next newsletter.

April 1st—Spring Work Party & Fools Stew cook-off. (April Fool's Day) More information in next newsletter. Get your recipes together. Prizes will be awarded for the best stews. The Youth Sailors will also have a fundraiser this morning—they will be selling donuts—bring your appetite.



Socialize at our next brunch!



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Tim Ritchie
Ron Rychel
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Jack Hunt
Andrew Wilson

Bobby Rhodes
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Craig Chapple, MD
Paul Burik

The Tall Ships will once again visit Cleveland lakefront this summer. The square-riggers and schooners from around the globe will be on display at the Cleveland's Inner Harbor July 12 - 16

Four years ago this event was a huge success. I had the opportunity to get a ride from Cleveland to Lorain, four day trip via the islands, on a Dutch square rigger Europa. While on board we participated in all the sailing tasks from climbing the rigging, tacking all of her 22 sails, to time at the wheel. The only place we stayed out of, was the galley - the food was excellent, so why ruin a good thing.

Remember
"Sunday
brunches are a
good way to
keep in touch
with your
sailing friends"



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