

## Ship to Shore

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2018 Bridge Officers

Commodore Rich Brienza Vice Commodore John Verrengia Rear Commodore Chris Vicidomini Treasurer Jim Hawthorne Secretary Keira Burtch

#### 2018 Board of Directors

Bob Tamagny Andy Hudson Kevin Silver Wayne Mitts Art Basley

#### **2018 Finger Captains**

Dock 1: Ray Testasecca Dock 2/3: Wayne Mitts Dock 4: Joe Senackerib Dock 5: Frank Romano Dock 6: Chris Vicidomini

#### **Parking**

Members are reminded to park carefully, leaving a *fire lane* in case of emergency. This is especially important for Docks 5 and 6. *Please park in designated areas.* 

#### Yard Committee

From Chairman Roger Wieland

We will be launching boats on Saturdays and Wednesday mornings. Please contact me to schedule your launch date. The dumpster for shrink wrap is located in the Boat Yard. You can contact me on my cell: or email:

#### **Opening Day Ceremony**

Saturday, May 26 at Noon Picnic to follow, flyer attached

Minisceongo Yacht Club will hold its next meeting on Friday, May 11 at 7 P.M. in the Clubhouse.

#### From Commodore Brienza

Opening day is just around the corner, all the buoys are in place and the club is ready! Our Rear Commodore Chris Vicidomini planned and executed a very successful work weekend with the weather cooperating at least half the weekend. I think we had the best attendance the club has seen in a while. On a sunny 70 degree Saturday, seventy eight people showed up. Forty seven regular members and nineteen associate members joined us. Add to that ten of the ladies joined Keira's flower planting crew. Predrag and Eleonora's two teenagers joined to help set up the sail fleet. A true family affair.



Speaking of family, not only did Dave Tonneson bring his excavator, he brought his brother Frank to the party. The two put on a mechanized ballet as they bobbed and weaved around each other, clearing the hill and placing rock to protect the Dock 4 road. With the majority of the members working grounds, the bulk of the work was done by lunch, so members were able to work their respective committee projects

in the afternoon.

On Sunday, fifty four members braved the gray 40 degree day in heavy winter coats and wool hats to finish up and enjoy another lunch. Meanwhile, over a three day period, the harbor committee, with the help of a few extra members including Walter Moser and his custom made steel brackets (thanks Mo) attached a 20' x 6' section of new dock to the #2-3 main dock in an effort to level the ramp end. Two new Jet Ski floating docks will be attached to this new section as added income to the club. A big thanks to our social committee for feeding us for two days, and of

> course Marcia Kime for baking more goodies than you can imagine.

> May is here and with it some overdue warmer temperatures, so if you haven't already started, now is the time to get your boats ready, Roger and the yard crew are eager to get moving after sitting around all winter. Please

wear protective gear and cover the ground when sanding and scrapping bottom paint. The shrink wrap dumpster is in the same location in the yard as last year (near the block pile). Remember to take all the string off your shrink wrap prior to putting the wrap in the dumpster. The opening day ceremony is Saturday May 26 at 12pm. Don't forget to sign up for the BBQ held afterwards. I look forward to seeing you there.

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I'm writing to our members to thank them all for such a great turn out for work weekend. One of the great things about our club is how we get together to help and make this club what it is today. I would like to

start by thanking our associate members; Paul Adao, Steve Altomonte, Chris Burger, Steve Fass, Seth Gannon, Warren Gannon, Tedd Hardman, Predrag Knezevic and children, Nestor Mena, Steve Morris, Jim Murray, Jordan Parker, Michael Paruolo, Mark Pastore, Gary Raffa, Dave Rounds, Dave Shrage, and Harold Tyler, for all their

fine work. Next is Keira Burtch and all the women working with her; Peggy Tamagny, Eleanora Knezevic, Beth Renella, Linda Grant, Kiki Gannon, Pam Gannon, Debbie Thomas, Betty McAleer, Deb Fass, Helen Caunitz, and Kelly Parker, who all worked hard on cleaning up and grooming all the grounds. A big thanks to our MYC photographer John O'Blenis and aerial pictures by Paul Adao for their great work.



MYC is Ready for Boating Season

We started the day off with social, (run by Bill Gooley) providing us with great food from breakfast to lunch to afternoon snacks. We had almost everyone working on grounds in the morning to clean up and put mulch down, then launched a few

boats. Plumbing turned on water and fixed leaks, electrical did repairs and upgrades, maintenance made repairs to our equipment, harbor made repairs to the docks and getting buoys ready. A big thanks to Frank

Tonneson who came up from North Carolina to work with his brother Dave on grading the hill by the dock 4 road. Dave brought his equipment to work on it and it came out just as I planned (LoL). Last but not least, all the woman who helped serve us all that great food; Janice Romano, Helen Brown,

Beverly Vandenberg, Sue Rubin and Marcia Kime and all the great homemade desserts made by Marcia Kime.

Once again thank you all for your hard work and making MYC the best club on the Hudson.

#### Cruising Fleet Report

From Kevin Silver and Guest Correspondents John and Bobbie O'Blenis

Boating season is right around the corner. For me personally I'm delighted to say it never ended.

We are currently heading north with the goal of arriving at MYC the first weekend in May. We are accompanied by John and Bobbie O'Blenis, *State of Mind,* located on Dock 5. Besides the great company, good eating and cruising, we find our sides are hurting due to constant laughing, about anything and everything! You too can enjoy this kind of camaraderie by joining us this summer on the MYC cruise to Long Island Sound. If you haven't yet received info just email me and we'll get this info in your hands.

As the saying goes, no good deed goes unpunished. Bobbie and John's punishment on this trip was to contribute to the Cruising Fleet article:

Greetings from South Carolina! John and I are traveling on trawler *Silver Lining* with Kevin and Dianne. We joined them on Tuesday and checked into our stateroom on Silver Lining, their gorgeous Grand Banks Europa.

We took advantage of the good weather and left Fernandina Beach, Florida bound for Savannah, Georgia, on Wednesday. The seas were calm, we enjoyed each other's company while cruising ... did I mention the loggerhead turtle swimming by? (at least 8 feet in diameter) Oh, let's not forget the dolphin escort.

Savannah is a very historic city and it was nice to see it in bloom ... yes, Spring is here. Of course, the ice cream stop at Leopold's after a tour of the city topped off a great day.

Friday was cooler and windy so the ICW was the route of choice to Charleston. The Charleston City Marina is a "mega dock". They advertise 3000 feet of dockage, and the dock hands drive golf carts to and from the boats!

On Saturday we took a horse and carriage tour of Charleston, watched Kevin lose a corn hole game to a cute redhead, and enjoyed another terrific day.

Tomorrow we continue our route up the coast. Next stop, Georgetown, SC. Stay tuned for more about this wonderful adventure when we return to MYC.

PS: While you are getting the boat ready don't forget to put aside all those items you want to sell at the this years flea market in June.

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#### **MYC Auxiliary** - From Captain Lori Schweiker

The MYC Auxillary's Installation Dinner on April 13 at the Fireside Inn was a delightful evening with 16 people attending, and also a kick-off celebration of the start of MYCA's 70th year. The Fireside Inn provided us with a very nice setting, great food and service, while we supplied the conversation and camaraderie. Fully 25% of the attendees were ladies we were just meeting for the first or second time, or those who were returning after time away: Beverly Vandenberg, Lori Moser, Deb Fass, and Roxy Raffa.

Around 9:15, Andy Hudson arrived to pick up Karen and the rest of us were getting messages letting us know that the Men's meeting was over. I believe the final stragglers left by 9:40, so a definite success.

Captain Lori Schweiker introduced and presented especially meaningful gifts to the current Bridge, while thanking them for their extraordinary efforts on behalf of the MYCA: First Mate Susan Koster, Treasurer Helen Brown and Secretary Marianne Frasco. Surprise gifts were presented to all the rest of the attendees, representing how much they are all valued for their support, and encouraged to continue to do so.

We want to thank Deb Fass, past Captain of the MYCA, for presenting the New Bridge:

Captain: Lori Schweiker First Mate/Creative Director:

Marian Frasco

Treasurer: Helen BrownSecretary: Janice Senackerib

The coming year will see changes in our monthly meetings. Meetings will still be held on the second Friday of each month, May through October, in the Snack Shack, but will now start at 7pm to coincide with the men's meeting. Although our support of the members and club will still be a priority, monthly meetings will each focus on a creative venture. We have exceptionally talented people; Ann Poltorack will lead a meeting where

#### Flower Planting

Saturday, May 19 at 10am Bring a trowel and gloves

we learn how to etch glass and get to take home the finished product. Those with the best outcome will be asked to help us create Minisceongo Yacht Club logo barware for sale in the ship's store. Some type of

#### **Grounds Committee**

From Chairman Chris Vicidomini

As I'm writing this I can finally say I think spring is here. The maintenance committee has gone over all the equipment and lawn mowers are ready to go. We have purchased a new sprayer for weed and tick control so we will send out an email when these applications will be put down. As the boating season is soon to start,

I ask all pet owners to please keep all pets on a leash and to curb your pets. Looking forward to seeing everyone at opening day and have a safe boating season.

planting exercise will be done at another meeting to decorate our docks. Marianne Frasco, who created and oversaw our VERY Successful Sip and Paint meeting last year, has come up with some other terrific ideas and of course, we will have our annual dinner and theater night out. Mixed in with all of these will be our plan to finish up our Ladies of MYC History project.

We hope to make every meeting one that allows the attendees to meet and mix with old and new friends, join in our endeavors to support the club and its members, but most of all, thoroughly enjoy themselves while we celebrate our mutual love and appreciation of what MYC means to each of us.

Keira's memo to me about MYCA planting help and request for supplies was mentioned and will be discussed with a decision rendered in our May meeting. For the 2018/19 MYCA year, we have waived all membership dues. The door is open to one and all. Hope to see you at 7pm on May 11.

Wishing you an exceptionally fine 2018 boating season,

#### 2018 ELECTRIC INVOICING - From Commodore Brienza

In the past few years, the club has spent upward of \$8000.00 to \$10,000.00 dollars trying to keep up with the pedestal meter repairs. Flat billing has been discussed but a formula that was fair to all types of boats was never truly explored. Until now. Seth Gannon developed a computer algorithm that takes in not only equipment on the boat but also real-time usage. Preliminary results show the figures are within a few dollars of billed usage. This year we will live test an assortment of boats, both power and sail, against the meter readings. These test boats will have confirmed working meters. If the test proves out, the year-end billing will be calculated using the algorithm. This has the potential of saving the club never ending repair costs and recouping electric usage that was not collected. A simple form will be handed out for all wet slip boats to complete and these will be plugged into the algorithm.

#### Director's Report for April, 2018

From Senior Director Bob Tamagny

- ➤ Committee Chairman Peter Alfieri presented needed repairs for our security system and timeline/cost to repair them. Long range plans to upgrade the system and approximate cost was discussed so monies could be placed in our upcoming budgets. All upgrades will be done in coordination with the new clubhouse project.
- ➤ **Insurance Broker:** The club is in the process of changing our insurance to a local broker, Paul Keswick, who represents Marshall and Sterling, Inc. Having a local broker who has access to our club will be beneficial.
- ➤ Electric Car Charging: A members asked if he could provide and install a 220V charging unit to the Dock 4 electric panel. This was approved. ALL members will have access to use this with members keeping track and reporting charging hours used.
- **>** On land diesel fueling: This will once again be discussed after our insurance policies have been transferred to our new broker.
- ➤ Members purchasing supplies: All purchases should have approval from their committee chairman before making purchases and the invoice should be presented to the committee chairman.
- ➤ **Donated Items:** Before donating items to the club, permission from the Board is required so it can be determined if that item will benefit the club.

#### Sail Fleet

From Chairman Jessie Keller

It's hard to believe after such a long winter, but its boating season!

Thank you to all of the kids, adults and pups that came to our JR Sailfleet work day (pictures page 6). The Optis and Lasers are ready to be launched and the 420s are almost there. Before the boats hit the water, come out to our JR Sailing Rules Seminar on May 12 at 4PM. (Pizza and Socializing to follow)

The Haverstraw Bay Wednesday Night Series starts May 9 and the HRYRA Regatta series is coming up in June. Get your PHRF Certificates if you haven't done so already and start signing up for some races. Whether you are a competitive racer or just enjoy going around the course while your crew eats cheese and crackers, racing on the Hudson has something to offer everyone. I encourage you to get out there, spend sometime on the course and meet some new boating friends.

Join us here at our club for our first day of racing on Saturday, May 19. Our 420 Family series kicks off that day at 10am followed by our MYC PHRF series race at 2pm. If you don't have a boat or lack sailing experience, NO WORRIES. Just show up! We'll find you a ride. Happy Sailing!

#### A Look at the Future

Tuesday, May 8	1900	Clubhouse	Executive Committee Meeting
Friday, May 11	1900	Clubhouse	MYC Membership Meeting
Friday, May 11	1900	Snack Shack	MYCA Meeting
Saturday, May 12	1600	Clubhouse	Jr. Sail Race Rules Seminar
Thursday, May 17	2000	Clubhouse	Coast Guard Auxiliary Meeting
Saturday May 19	1000	River	Race 1 - MYC 420 Series
Saturday, May 19	1400	River	Race 1 - PHRF Series
Wednesday, May 23		Keira Burtch	Ship To Shore Deadline
Saturday, May 26	1130	Flagpole and Pavilion	Opening Day
Saturday, June 2	1000 & 1400	River	MYC 420 Series & PHRF Series
Sunday, June 17	1100	Pavilion	Father's Day Brunch
Saturday, August 25	Noon	Pavilion	Annual Picnic
September 15 & 16		River and Pavilion	Sutherland Regatta
Saturday, October 13	0800	Clubhouse and Grounds	Fall Work Day
Saturday, November 17	1800	TBA	Change of Watch

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## **New Members** - photos by Keira Burtch



Jim Commerford and Pat Falkenstern Sail, Dock 3-28



Nestor and Susan Mena Sail - Freebird, Dock 1-04

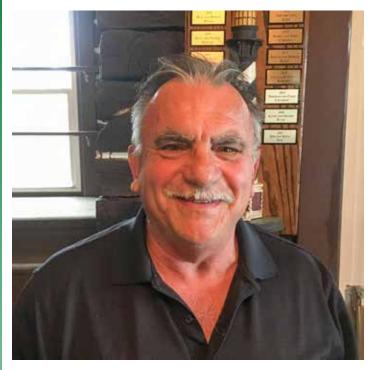


Nick and Janet Spitaletto Power - Happy Ending II Dock 3-49



Rick Schoenlank and Sharon Devaney Sail - West Wind, Dock 3-43

## **New Members** - photos by Keira Burtch



Frank Pronesti (Georgette) Sail - Amore, Dock 3-41



Mike Paruolo (Alison Favre) Power - PURA VIDA, Dock 5-07



Robert Porporino (Jennifer) Power - Dock 1-03



Todd Colman (Kristen) Power - Dock 4-D

### Work Weekend -

photos by John O'Blenis (many more pictures on the web site)















Jr. Sail Work Day - photos provided by Jessie Keller



