



# ***Tuscarora*** Currents

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## Message from the Commodore



It's always a sad time of year to see all of our boats on the hard with covers on.

But as I take Sprite for her daily walks, it gives me time to reflect on what a great club we have and the members both past and present who have made it so.

It's been my honor and privilege to be your Commodore.

I am proud of the Boards accomplishments this season and looking forward to serving with next years board.

Thank you, and I wish you all a great offseason.

Ernie



As Commodore Pipiles noted; it is sad to see our boats on the hard and the close of another TYC season.

On a more personal note; I am sad to see my tenure on the TYC Board of Directors come to a close. These past four years serving as Dir. Of Operations, Commodore and Fleet Captain have given me a tremendous appreciation of TYC as a club and most important the outstanding camaraderie, capabilities and commitment of the membership.

In each of these positions I was humbled by the support and advice from so many fellow members which made the tasks so much easier and more enjoyable to tackle.

I am honored and most appreciative to have had the opportunity to serve TYC these past four years and look forward to many more great memories to be made.

THANK YOU

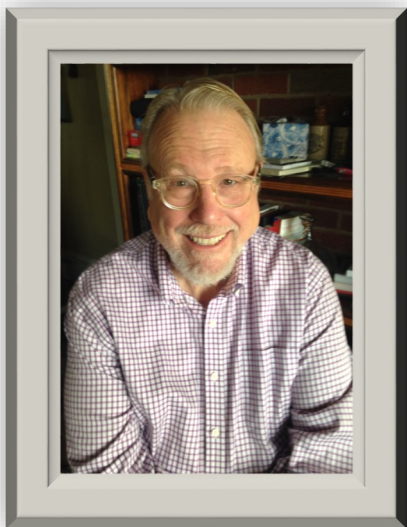
Doug Klapper

### Important Message from the Nominations Committee and Board

The Nominations committee, consisting of Doug David, Frank Del Russo and myself have spent the last two months seeking candidates for the fall election. We have four members who are willing to be a candidates for a Board position. Two blast emails were sent out however no additional fully qualified members have agreed to run. At the Board meeting held Tuesday Nov. 1, the board agreed with the Nomination's committee that we save the cost of sending out ballots (cost estimated to be \$200—\$250) and declare the four candidates members of the 2017– 18 board.

Roger Maddigan

### Bob Beck



I joined the club 10 years ago after talking to Bob Stone. I have been sailing for about 40 years and started out as a dry sailing member of NOTL Sailing club. A number of years ago I attended the sailing school that met in Obersheimers sail loft and ended up receiving my Master's Captain License (which has since run out. My wife is frequently with me at the club however she enjoys the book club more than sailing with me. After college I was employed by the Buffalo Board of Education for the next 34 years where I was an English teacher at Lafayette High School and ended my career as the Director of the Academy of Finance. Now I am retired residing with my wife in the Town of Lewiston and traveling to see my children and grandchildren in Boston and Atlanta. I keep myself busy with working in my wood shop and doing stained glass (which I have done for 35 years). When I joined the club the Commodore allowed me to make the stained glass window over the back door.

## Darlene Manhardt



My husband and I have been sailing lake Ontario since August of 2009. We joined TYC in 2011 and love the club. We especially like all the parties and get-togethers. We have made many friends since joining the club.

We have 3 grown children, 2 daughters and 1 son. We have 1 granddaughter and another on the way.

I am an animal lover and I am sure you have seen our dog "Kahlua" around the island.

I am a trained medical secretary and worked over 15 years at Genesee Memorial Hospital as a pathologist secretary, I also worked at Buffalo Medical Group as a Medical Transcriptionist and lastly at Akron Rule as an accounting clerk and samples clerk. Along with all of this for the last 18 years I have been Office Manager for my husband's business.

I love the outdoors, traveling, decorating, refinishing furniture, paper crafting, crocheting and sewing. I recently started sewing out of my home doing canvas, upholstery and more for friends and acquaintances.



## Kathy Sipes

My husband Don and I have been boating over 30 years. First as power boaters on the Niagara river and now we are sailors at TYC where we have been members for 17 years. We have enjoyed being active members. Don working on clubhouse and dock maintenance and I have enjoyed heading the Ships Store committee. We were honored to be recognized by the Commodore and added to TYC's Hall of Fame this year. After 33 years I retired from Dunlop Tire Corp. where I was Supervisor of the Hourly Payroll department. I enjoy the camaraderie and wholesome family atmosphere of our club and would continue to support this image. It would be an honor to be

elected to the board of the best Yacht Club on Lake Ontario, Tuscarora Yacht Club. Thank-you,

## Greg Sutton



I grew up plying the waters of Wilson Harbor and sailing the summers away from the dingy dock at the TYC. My parents joined the club in the late 60's so that I could take sailing lessons in the newly established Junior sailing program under the tutelage of Bill Burhans. They participated during the construction of the original Blue Jay fleet and were the proud owners of one of those boats. I eventually became one of the sailing instructors until school, friends and other interests took me away. In the mean time I crewed for years in the Buffalo Wednesday night Races on a Hunter 29 out of Erie Basin Marina and of course bummed rides on friend's boats.

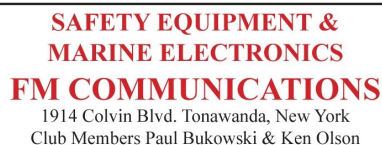
My wife, Adrienne and I joined the club several years ago when we purchased our first Sailboat, a Sabre 28 named Freedom. At that time, I didn't even consider joining any other club after spending most of my life at the TYC. We have since upgraded to the Catalina 320 that we enjoy now and I can't think of anywhere else we would rather be but at TYC. Adrienne and I have enjoyed spending many of our summer nights and weekends at the club with all our TYC friends.

While I have been on the Board before, my recent retirement has enabled me to devote the time and effort to the Board that I think is necessary to do the best job I can. In the past I have held the positions of Director of Harbor Operations, Fleet Captain and Commodore. Besides always working on the launch and haul work crews, I have also been on the lease Committee, wrote the Spill Prevention, Control, Countermeasures Plan (SPCC) and I am the State mandated A/B Tank Operator for the fuel system.

Over the years I have witnessed a fledgling club move from a group of friends, working out of a broken down log cabin club house to one of the best equipped and friendliest clubs on Lake Ontario. I would be proud to be elected to the Board and I can promise that I would work tirelessly to make this club the best it can be.



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