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A Newsletter for the Members and Guests of Tuscarora Yacht Club

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ELECTIONS ISSUE

Enclosed in this special issue of Currents is information for you to review as you make your selections for the 2008 Board of Directors Elections. The information attached will give you a little insight to each of the nominees. The nominee's articles are listed in random order. We have a superb slate of candidates to choose from for this election, and look to have a very strong and capable Board again next year. Please select four candidates from the ballot.

While it is not quite as important as the presidential election this year, it is vital to the continued success of TYC that you participate in this process, and we all have the sense of pride and fellowship that has kept this club strong for over 40 years.

Please review the contents, and be sure to return your ballots promptly. Remember, the deadline for ballots is arrival at the teller address by 1 December.

I thank the candidates for their willingness to donate their time and skills to our club, David MacLeod and Doug David for their assistance in assembling this slate of candidates, and all of you for your involvement in this important election exercise.

Respectfully,

Michael Algase
2008 Elections Chair



Bill Fleming

I am thrilled to be running for a second term on the Board of Directors. I have served as Secretary and most recently as Rear Commodore under Commodore Hubbell. My duties as rear Commodore include distributing and maintaining communications both electronically and through our Currents Newsletter. I am always trying to improve how we share information in an effective and efficient manner. My other duties as Rear Commodore include maintaining the work hour program and I am part of a team that maintains our wireless and computer equipment.

As a third generation TYC family I take sincere pride in serving TYC. Christine and I feel it is a privilege to belong to such a wonderful organization. I would appreciate your support and ask for your vote this election.

Sincerely,
Bill Fleming



Dave Adelizi

Kandi and I will be entering our sixth season as members of the Tuscarora Yacht Club. Joining the club was based upon our decision to try boating as an activity that we could share as a couple. My only previous experience with boating was renting a 12 foot aluminum fishing boat on a man-made lake in Ohio. Because of the support received from this club and its members, we survived the trials and tribulations of being new boat owners and have found boating to be a pleasurable experience. We now believe it is our turn to provide support to others in the club. For this reason, I am submitting my name as a candidate for the board.

As a TYC member, I have participated in planning and assisting with dinner events, Thursday night sailboat racing both as crew and on the committee boat and with the gin pole crews both in raising and lowering masts. Involvement in these activities has provided me an opportunity to meet many members, to learn about the history of the club and gain knowledge about current club operations.

Over the past sixteen years I have been employed in an administrative capacity at the central office of a local school district. During this time I have gained experience in developing and implementing organizational goals, managing budgets, developing organizational documents and facilitating group activities. I have also served on the boards of several Western New York organizations as well as on the planning committee for two of the largest athletic events in the world. I believe all of the above experiences would be of value to me as a board member. Please consider if my experiences can be helpful in continuing the successful operation of the club. It would be an honor to serve as a board member.

Both Kandi and I are looking forward to another great year as club members. We are privileged to be associated with Tuscarora and want to thank all the current and past board members for their service through the years.

Thank You,
Dave Adelizi



Tom Beachy

I would be proud to serve on the TYC board of Directors to follow in the footsteps of members with great leadership qualities. It will be my goal to keep us in the forefront as one of the top ports of call on Lake Ontario.

My experience as an Industrial Arts instructor, a student work experience coordinator for the Lewiston Porter Schools, as well as Town of Porter councilman and supervisor provide a solid background for a position on the board.

Presently I teach traffic safety, and I am a member of the Niagara Community Action Program, which allows adequate time for board business.

As Rudy Giuliani said, "For every privilege, there is a duty."

Thank You,
Tom Beachy



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 28.5 out of Erie Basin Marina and of course bummed rides on friend's boats.

My wife, Adrienne, sons Nicholas and Christopher and daughter Emily 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. Adrienne and I have enjoyed spending our summer nights and weekends at the club and getting to know the members.

I have been employed as an Environmental Engineer for the NYSDEC for 28 years and currently head up a group of engineers, geologists, and technicians who's job it is to clean-up abandoned waste sites and brownfield properties. Besides sailing, my interests include woodworking, gardening, volleyball & tennis. I am also on the Board of Directors of the Kenan Center, in Lockport and well as the Board of Directors for the Lockport Soccer Club.

Over the years I have witnessed a fledgling club move from a group of friends, working out of an old log cabin club house (which we were never allowed to go upstairs for fear of falling through the floor), 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.

Thank You,
Greg Sutton



Shelley Richards

I have been around TYC since 1967 when my father, Bob Richards, later to be the 3rd TYC Commodore, first kept our power boat here at the request of his friends Bill Burhans and Dick MacFarlane. They were starting this new club with men who loved boats and could not afford the pricier clubs but could pay with their skilled labor and hard work. Bill also started a bunch of us kids with sailing lessons, including another potential board member Greg Sutton. I loved the old rickety clubhouse and all its spiders. The whole north side of the club was powerboats back then - except Bill's! So I have loved this club for a long time, becoming the first, second generation member in 1984, later rejoining in 2000. I am a sailor but I love powerboats too! I do a majority of my boat maintenance and am not afraid to get my hands dirty. Professionally, I have lots of people management experience and currently manage a 1 million dollar budget. I have patience and a sense of humor. All these things I will bring to the board along with a sense of history of the club and its humble but hallowed beginnings. Just like my dad I will work hard for you.

Thank You,
Shelley Richards



Bill Maloney

Hi, I'm Bill Maloney and I'm a candidate for a seat on the TYC Board of Directors this year.

Kathie and I joined TYC in 1999 - moving our sailboat up from Lake Erie for the 2000 season. Since then we have had many memorable boating experiences, both here at the Club, and visiting various locations around Lake Ontario. From what I have seen, I believe that TYC is unique. We are a unique group of friendly and supportive members with uniquely beautiful location and a welcoming reputation. I think, also, that we have made great strides in the last few years in improving our future and our facilities by pitching in and working together on all aspects of our Club. There have been many creative ideas generated and lots of energy expended to make them work.

I feel strongly that it is important to keep this momentum going so that our next generation of members can continue to have the opportunity to enjoy boating as we do. I ask for your vote to allow me, as a board member, to contribute to this effort to keep TYC vital, and to help improve it even more in the coming years.

My profession for 38 years has been in new product design and development at Fisher-Price in a team oriented business environment. It is an honor to be considered for this opportunity and I would appreciate your vote.

Thank you,
Bill Maloney



Karen Burhans

I am honored to have been asked to run for the Board of Tuscarora Yacht Club. I have been a member of Tuscarora Yacht Club since 2004 with my husband Bryan and two children Sarah and William. I love hearing stories about the history of the club and am passionate about the longevity of the club and securing its future. My husband Bryan grew up at TYC and his father, Bill Burhans, was one of the founding members of the club. I am grateful to have the opportunity to carry on the tradition at TYC as I have grown to love this club and am hopeful that it can be enjoyed for its beauty for generations to come. One objective of ensuring the club's future is securing the financial security of the club. I am a Certified Public Accountant and have provided accounting, auditing and consulting services to nonprofit organizations (including membership dues clubs) for over 13 years. I have presented financial reports and served as an ex-officio member on several Boards of nonprofit organizations. I am hopeful that I may be able to use these skills to help ensure the financial stability of the club and achieve financial independence without losing

sight of the club's other goals and objectives. Thank you for considering me for the Board of this wonderful club.

Thank you,
Karen Burhans
