

# PETALUMA YACHT CLUB CHICKEN SCRATCH



## October 2023

### ELECTION OF FLAG OFFICERS & BOARD



A quorum of the membership is necessary to vote for the incoming nominated PYC Bridge and Board. Please plan on coming to this important meeting.



**Commodore— Carol Anderson**



**Vice Commodore— Leland Fishman**



**Rear Commodore— Anne Gealta**



**Jr Staff Commodore— Sherri Adams**



**Director— Garrett Hill**



**Director— Bob Buhrer**



**Director— Gail Cardaropoli**



**Director— Marilyn Stender**

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## FLAG OFFICER'S REPORTS



**Sherri Adams- Commodore**

Ahoy all!

Well my time as commodore is coming to an end. The year seems to have flown by. I cannot express enough thanks for the great support I have had.

The Labor Day BBQ hosted by Carol Anderson and Connie and Reny Madrid was a great success. The food was great and the music was an added treat.

Coming up is the land cruise to Benbow Inn and RV park. Great place to go thank you Mac for arranging this.

Be sure to attend the October 6<sup>th</sup> general meeting as we will be voting in the bridge and board. Also Leland and crew are preparing a wonderful dinner for us.

Hope to see you all at the club.



**Carol Anderson—Vice Commodore**

Ahoy all!

This year has flown by! I can't believe that Annual General Meeting is on Friday October 6th. This is an important meeting because we will be electing the officers for the coming year. We need 25 % of our membership for a quorum so please plan to attend.

Leland Fishman and his crew are putting on a traditional Octoberfest dinner and we will have a keg or two of a yummy German beer on tap! The bar has made money this year and we have more certified bartenders who have finished their training. Let's get everyone certified!

The annual Change of Watch Gala is coming up on November 4th at the beautiful Hotel Petaluma. This is an event you don't want to miss! See the attached Flyer and get your reservations in for a special night with a gourmet dinner by Chef Daniel of the Boulevard Cafe and music to dance to by the Rhett Hamer Band.

Let's welcome in our new Flag Officers, Board members, and committee chairs and give recognition to those who have served this past year! See you all at the General Meeting and at the Change of Watch Gala!

Carol Anderson

## COMMITTEE CHAIR'S NEEDED

**COOP:** One or more Coop Chicks or Roosters to keep the Coop filled with PYC shirts, hats, fun gifts, etc.

**Memorial Day:** Coordinate volunteers and invite visiting yacht clubs to our biggest event of the year.

**Cruise:** Plan outgoing cruises for the club.

PLEASE CONTACT CAROL ANDERSON IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN FILLING THESE IMPORTANT POSITIONS.

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### Leland Fishman -Rear Commodore

Dear Members,

One of the benefits of membership in PYC is the ability to rent the club for your personal events. Renting is as easy as filling out the application, signing the rules page, providing proof of insurance, and submitting the package with a check for \$150 to the Rear Commodore. It's important to note that your rental is not approved until acted upon by the Board of Directors, so caution should be taken before making plans that cannot be changed until the Board acts on your request. Just recently I checked the calendar for a member and indicated that there were no rentals for the date that was requested, and there was nothing on the calendar indicating the club would not be available. Unfortunately, the board reminded me that there was an event that day, and the rental request was denied. As an all-volunteer club, situations like these are bound to occur, so

it must be emphasized that NO rentals are approved until voted on by the Board of Directors.

On a separate note, one of my final duties as your Rear Commodore will be to clean the carpets in the club. I could use some help moving furniture on the morning of October 5<sup>th</sup>. I will be at the club by 9:00 am and as soon as the furniture is moved to the hard floor area, I'll start cleaning. The carpets will need some time to dry, so please don't plan on entering the club until after 12:00 p.m. on Friday. I could use some help moving things back at 9:00 a.m. Friday morning. If you have a few minutes to help at either time, you can just show up, or please email me at [Lelandfishman1957@gmail.com](mailto:Lelandfishman1957@gmail.com) so I have an idea of how much help I'll have. Thank you very much, and I hope to see everyone at the Octoberfest Dinner Friday night.

Your RC



## General Meeting Minutes September 8, 2023

Call to order – 7:30 pm. Pledge of alliance led by the club.

Commodore report – Sherri Adams

Vallejo Delegates Meeting – info will be forthcoming.

Vice Commodore report – Carol Anderson

The bar is good but will stock up on chardonnay. All bills have been paid. The Labor Day weekend event was a huge success.

Rear Commodore report – Leland Fishman – not in attendance.

Secretary report – Anne Gealta

Dues notices will be going out at the end of September. Dues are delinquent after November 1<sup>st</sup>.

Membership report – Anne Gealta

The current Ratio is 65.12%.

The club will be installing Ignacio Gonzalez at the October General Meeting as a new boat owner member. Once Ignacio is installed, the ratios will be at 65.52%. In order to accept, approve or install any non-boat owner memberships, the ratio must be at 67% or higher.

Treasurer Report - Linda Blue – no report

Coop report – Jill Olsen – no report

Building report – Ted Adam – no report

Cruise in – no report

Cruise outs – Linda Blue

9/30/23 is the Wheelchair Regatta.



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Galley – no report.

PICYA – Linda Blue – no report.

PICYA Yearbook – no report

Photography – Debbie Powell – no report

Sunshine – Mary Neidel – no report

Newsletter

Thank you, Diane Parker, for taking over the newsletter. Flag officers and members should send in monthly articles, information, etc., and any items should be sent to Diane by the 3<sup>rd</sup> week of the month.

Webmaster – Gerry Reinartz – no report.

New Business

Mac Smith is putting together a land cruise with golf at Benbow Inn on 9/30.

Carol Anderson – Change of Watch – 11/4 – at Petaluma Hotel. Invites/flyer is coming in September and is in the newsletter. Make sure you make your reservations. The cost is \$80 per person. Deadline is October 15<sup>th</sup>.

Old Business - none

Good of the Club - none

Meeting adjourned at 7:45 pm.

Respectfully,

Anne Gealta, Secretary



## Labor Day BBQ held at the club

The Labor Day Barbecue was a blast! A big attendance of PYC members and guests wearing their whites and enjoying Reny Madrid's fabulous creations at the grill! Gerry Reinartz treated everyone to his fabulous homemade ice cream complete with his homemade waffle cones. It was a beautiful day on the river and we were entertained by Gary and Bo of the Corkpullers Band with some great tunes. The bar was busy and raked in a good amount of cash! A good time was had by all! This will be a club tradition for future Labor Days! Thanks to all who stepped in to help with cooking and bartending.



# PYC Installation Dinner!

## Meeting and Installation

November 4th, 2023

Hotel Petaluma

205 Kentucky Street, Petaluma, CA.

Dinner - Music - Entertainment

5:00 pm – 11 pm

5:00 - Appetizers served with champagne, wine, or beer

6:00 - Dinner by Chef Daniel

Choice of Prime Rib, Salmon, or vegetarian dish

7:00 - Installation of officers and committee chairs

8:00 to 11:00 - Dancing to live music

\$80.00 per person

Attire: Evening Wear

Please RSVP by October 1<sup>st</sup> and give dinner choice.

Prepayment due October 15<sup>th</sup>

RSVP to Carol Anderson

Email: [carolonthelboat@hotmail.com](mailto:carolonthelboat@hotmail.com)

Make checks payable to PYC

Mail checks to Petaluma Yacht Club

Attn: Carol Anderson

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**OCTOBER'S DINNER**  
**RSVP to Leland by Oct 1st.**

**Gerry's famous brats**

**Leland's Pot Roast**

**Reny's German Potato Salad**

**Francesca's homemade  
sauerkraut**

**Houston and Drea's homemade  
pretzels and mustard**

**Green salad**

**Ice Cream Cake from Baskin & Robbins**

**\$15 per person**



**Bring your own beer stein for  
authentic German Beer.**





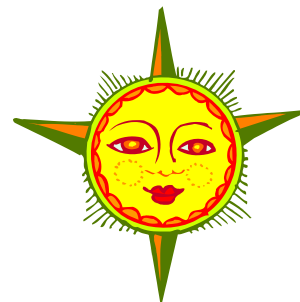


Sunshine Chairperson

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**Neal Parker has completed his radiation treatment for prostate cancer. He is now trying to build back his strength.**

**Jill Olson wants to share a “lesson learned” with club members after she fainted at the Larkspur Landing Farmers Market and was hospitalized with dehydration. Jill says, “Drink Water and stay hydrated!” Jill is recovering and doing well.**



October	2	Rick	Lamb
October	2	Renato	Madrid
October	3	Michael	Donovan
October	4	Linda	Lockwood
October	5	Carol	Anderson
October	6	Lindsay	Libarle
October	9	Rebecca	Hill
October	9	Janet	O`Leary
October	10	James	Symons
October	17	Mitch	Lind
October	22	Olin	Daunell
October	25	Debbie	Hertwig
October	28	Francesca	Smith
October	31	Ted	Adams

## Visit with Jack & Claudia Emery

By Gail Swift

Recently, Carol Anderson joined me at my beach cottage in Sunset Beach. During her visit we decided to visit Jack & Claudia Emery, (previously proprietary members of PYC) at their beautiful home over the Pacific Ocean in San Clemente. Claudia recently had bilateral knee surgery, so we were thankful, under those circumstances, to visit for a couple of hours. We played catch up talking about their move to southern California 11 years ago, PYC, and all the friends they had within the PYC family.

We enjoyed our visit with them and look forward to seeing them again when Claudia has recovered and is more mobile.

While in the area, Carol and I visited the Dana Point Yacht Club for lunch. Fabulous views and food!!



Swift's Cottage in Sunset Beach



## From Tom's Galley

The flavors of the marinated, roasted Portabella mushroom with the shrimp and blue cheese create a very nice pairing. The stems of the mushrooms can be removed by twisting them gently from side to side. Be careful when removing the gills that you do not damage the sides of the mushrooms.

### **Shrimp Stuffed Portabella Mushrooms.**

#### Ingredients:

- 1 1/2 tablespoons extra-virgin olive oil
- 4 large Portabella mushrooms
- 1/2 cup Italian-style salad dressing
- 1/2 pound 21 – 25 count shrimp
- 1 tablespoon minced garlic
- 1/2 cup finely diced onion
- 1 1/2 tablespoons chopped flat leaf parsley
- 2 tablespoons butter
- 3/4 cup seasoned Panko bread crumbs
- 1/2 cup crumbled gorgonzola (or Blue) cheese
- 1 tablespoon Italian herb seasoning
- Kosher salt and pepper to taste



Preheat oven to 400°.

Grease a 9x13-inch baking sheet pan with 1 1/2 tablespoons of olive oil.

Lightly brush mushrooms to remove any dirt.

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Separate stems from cap and reserve. With a small spoon scoop out the dark mushroom gills, discard gills.

Finely chop mushroom stems and set aside.

Place mushroom caps in a zip-lock bag, add Italian dressing and marinate 15 minutes.

Meanwhile, peel shrimp, cut in half lengthwise and set aside. Mince garlic, dice onion, chop parsley, set aside.

Melt 2 tablespoons butter in a skillet over medium heat for a few minutes.

Add garlic, diced onion and chopped mushroom stems and cook, stirring constantly, for 3 – 4 minutes.

Remove from heat. Add panko, gorgonzola cheese, Italian herb seasoning and parsley.

Mix to combine and salt and pepper to taste.

Fill mushroom caps with mixture and place in the prepared sheet pan.

Bake in preheated oven 15 to 20 minutes.

Sprinkle top with a little crumbled gorgonzola and serve.

Serves 4

Tom Griffith is a Staff Commodore and owned Chez Tomas, an exclusive catering company for 25 years. He was trained at Le Cordon Rouge and the California Culinary Academy. He is a cookbook author, an instructor at various cooking schools throughout the Bay area, and his original recipes have been published in *Bon Appetit* magazine. He has been a PYC member since 1990.





Ahoy all mateys!

Last month we published the list of non-certified members in our wonderfully resurrected newsletter, thanks to Diane Parker. (Beautiful job, Diane!) I got no response from anyone on the list to become certified. There are still 54 uncertified members. Some have qualified for exclusion by the VCO. Some rarely visit from far away homes so at least don't burden the certified members who would serve them. And some are obviously in poor health to do their duty.

The remaining, despite membership requirements to do bar duty, ask the rest of us to carry the load of making sure our wonderful club has bartenders every weekend of the year to serve all who enter. Many of us happily do bar duty even past the age at which one can ask to be excluded. It's fun seeing all the members and visitors from everywhere and sharing stories.

While I am happy to help anyone pass the certification, there are others who would do the same. Just ask. You don't need to only do Suduko or crossword puzzles to keep mentally sharp. Studying a few hours, taking the 2 tests to get certified, and learning a new skill, bartending, keeps you sharp too!

Likewise, for new members or soon-to-be-inducted applicants, I am available to meet and provide Bar Training and Opening the Club training. You don't need to be certified to do the training. Then you'll be ready to do your bar duty when you get certified!

Over and Out.

David Quist, Ex-VCO

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## **FIVE THINGS I LIKE**

### **ALMOST AS MUCH AS DRIVING MY BOAT**

- 1. Looking at my boat**
- 2. Talking about my boat**
- 3. Movies and TV shows with boats**
- 4. Websites with boats**
- 5. Bacon**

Dear PYC members,

These are 2 glasses I pulled off the rack above the back bar last week. No getting around it, they are horrible to think about drinking good wine from them!

Please, please wash conscientiously. Besides the brushes, use your soapy fingers to go around the outside and inside rim where lips would go.



Bartenders (not all bartenders are conscientious washers), please check the glasses in the light before filling them.

Thanks all. David Quist



Beautiful picture of our turning basin, taken at sunset. By Scott Hess

**Our vacation month in Leland, Michigan which is a large harbor on the western shores of Lake Michigan ,  
By: Linda Lockwood & Stacy Horton**



IYBTYK - If You've Been There You Know! Leland, Michigan sits on the western shore of the "Little Finger" of the lower peninsula of Michigan - the Mitten State. It is a Boat Lovers destination on the Great Lakes. Situated about two-thirds of the way up Lake Michigan - (measuring from Chicago to The Straits of Mackinaw - 400+/- nautical miles.) Leland is a picturesque, coastal small town located on a sliver of land between Lake Michigan and Lake Leelanau, on Michigan's Leelanau Peninsula.

Traditionally Leland is known as a historic fishing village showcasing a downtown filled with local art galleries, ice cream parlors, smoked fish and cheese shops and many rock and specialty shops. The original Fishtown shanties (which are still there) offer the best fresh smoked whitefish, perch, and bass around, all in the backdrop of a crystal blue waterfall cascading from Leland River - replenishing the BIG Lake aka Lake Michigan. Sleeping Bear Dunes National Lakeshore is a short jaunt down the iconic M-22 Michigan Highway.

We spent the month of August "Up North" as Michiganders say -- sailing, rock hunting, biking, ice creaming, and working on/enjoying our Leland cottage while navigating a large number of family and friends. We sailed the Manitou Passage (between Leland and North & South Manitou Islands) when 15-18 knots welcomed us and paddle-boarded the coastline searching for Petoskey stones (Michigan's state stone) when calmer waters prevailed. Wineries and eateries were aplenty - and recommendations are available upon request 😊

This "Little Finger" of the "Michigan Mitten" is a summer & fall destination. It offers, cruising by sail or power, water skiing, Petoskey stone hunting, cherry picking, sand dune climbing, color touring, and... in the last 40 years the region has emerged as a wine aficionado's destination. Yep, Michigan is a grape-growing state. Believe it or not, Michigan wineries, along the 45th parallel (which literally cuts through the "Little Finger"), share the distinction with many notable winemaking regions, including part of France's Burgundy & Bordeaux, Italy's Piedmont, and Oregon's Willamette Valley.

This little piece of paradise is worth the visit via water or land if the Great Lakes are on your adventure plan.

**On water,** cruising north from Leland is recommended. (If ever considering, one can charter boats in Traverse City.) Awaiting you are the harbors of Northport, Charlevoix, Petoskey, Harbor Springs, the Straits of Mackinaw, (demarcation between Lake Michigan & Lake Huron,) Mackinac Island, and onto the North Channel (part of Ontario, Canada). The pristine waters of the North Channel are where all the locals go summer after summer to get away from it all! *(Sites to see in the North Channel will have to wait for a future newsletter)*

**On land,** one flies into Traverse City, Michigan (where Linda grew up) to find Leland 40 minutes north. The broader area offers the National Cherry Festival in July and multiple art and music festivals and the unrivaled Interlochen Center for the Arts, Academy & Camp - featuring music,

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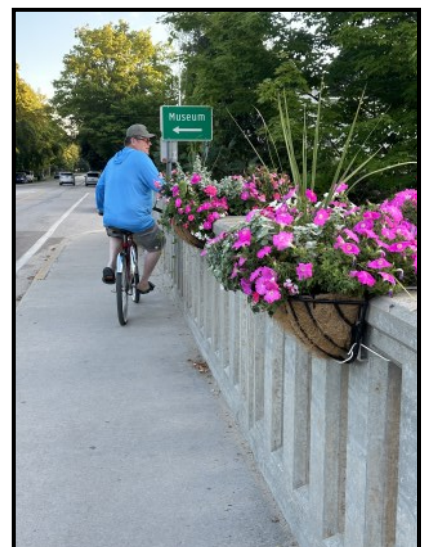
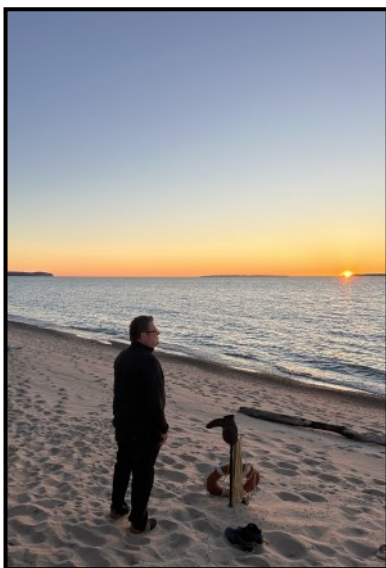
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theater & art offerings all summer long. We took in "Train" this summer.

Thank you, PYC, for indulging us in all things Northern Michigan. "If You've Been There You Know" that Lake Life is a thing - a relaxing breath of fresh air (and freshwater) like no other and if you haven't been you might consider planning a visit.

#### Fun Facts:

- Michigan has the longest shoreline of the United States bordering roughly 3,288 miles. One is never more than 6 miles from a body of water or 85 miles from Great Lake in the state of Michigan.
- As noted by Recreational Boats & Yachts; Boats & Yachts per 1,000 people - Michigan ranks 5th with 77,996 behind only, MN, SC, WI, & ME. (CA is 46th with 16,337)
- Distribution of Recreational Boat Registrations by State: Michigan ranks 3rd behind, Florida & Minnesota. (California is 4th)







# October 2023

September '23							November '23						
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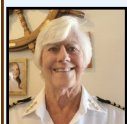
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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8	9	10	11	12	13 Bartender: Stender Bar Opens at 6 PM	14 Bartender: Stender ? Club Rental Cathy Lehman Bar closed
15	16	17	18	19 Board Meeting at 7 PM Encinal Yacht Club Cruise-In	20 Bartender: O'Brien's & Edeen & Gudgel Encinal Yacht Club Cruise-In Bar Opens at 6 PM	21 Bartender: O'Brien's & Edeen & Gudgel Encinal Yacht Club Cruise-In Bar Opens at 5:30 PM
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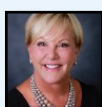
## Staff Commodores

Alfred A. Alys	1977-78	Duffy Stewart	1992-93	Don Roberts	2007-08
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Tony Smith	1979-80	Cris Crispin	1994-95	Francesca Smith	2009-10
Doug Robinson	1980-81	Tom Griffith	1995-96	Diana Holmes	2010-11
Barry Parkinson	1981-82	Steve Hand	1996-97	Linda Blue	2011-12
Charles English	1982-83	Tom Bamberger	1997-98	Marty Little	2012-13
Pat Ryan	1983-84	Glenn Burch	1998-99	Gerry Reinartz	2013-14
Harry Simpson	1984-85	Rose Collins	1999-00	Ted Adams	2014-15
Alfred A. Alys	1985-86	Mary McDermott	2000-01	Tina Powell	2015-16
Gerald Cooper	1986-87	Harold Niles	2001-02	Ted Adams	2016-17
Bill Bradford	1987-88	Larry Kubo	2002-03	McKenzie Smith	2017-18
Dave Simonson	1988-89	McKenzie Smith	2003-04	Todd Mendoza	2018-19
Donald Hoirup	1989-90	James Keller	2004-05	Leland Fishman	2019-20
Jerry Wright	1990-91	Diane Parker	2005-06	Bruce Stender	2020-21
Neal Parker	1991-92	Tom Corbett	2006-07	Leanne Gallup	2021-22

## 2022-23 Board of Directors



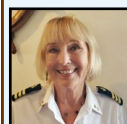
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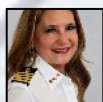
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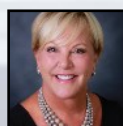
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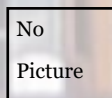
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