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Commodore's Corner

The 1st Yacht Club Film Festival brought in four packed audiences to view "Don't Worry I'm a Lifeguard", which was filmed at our Club last year. The 9 pm and 10 pm showings were open to the public and hopefully served as an effective recruiting tool for new members. On this topic, Judy Phelps (Membership Chair) continues to have membership applications pouring in to the extent that consideration is being given to capping membership and creating a waiting list. We are hearing that our members are "friendly", "helpful", "welcoming" and "talented". Congratulations to Judy and all of you who have helped to make this an outstanding summer.

The Club served dinner to more than 160 members and guests at this year's Commodores' Dinner Dance. More members "crashed" the bar later in the evening to revel in the sounds of Drop Dead Sexy with music from an Ipod keeping things going after midnight. Congratulations to Stephen Mottola and Georgina and Bill Lynam for all their hard work and for transforming the Club into the perfect venue for what turned out to be unusually popular this year.

Thanks to Louise Heilig, who worked closely with her personal friend Pam Ferber, to host the elegant Fabulous Ferber Furs fashion show. Not surprisingly, the centerpieces for the event were especially exquisite, again thanks to Louise, who is a master floral designer and president of her garden club. Thanks also to Peg Riener who co-chaired the event.

The absolute highlight of the summer was the return of the Festival of Lights - everyone's anticipation and enthusiasm was rewarded with a spectacular evening. The dining room served 300 meals and the dance floor was packed until midnight for the return of Chico's Vibe. The boat parade was watched by thousands and the success was a tribute to Joy and Roy Williams and their committee who worked tirelessly to promote and recruit active participants for the event. Roy brought his boat, The Wit's End, up from Florida to serve as the lead yacht and insure a fun, safe evening for all involved. The size of the crowds who formed at the end of each street, on the 96th Street bridge and the Municipal piers was impressive indeed!

Lobster Night was another event in the continuum of successes and sellouts. Chef Blaze just keeps getting better and better. Special thanks to Judi and Terry Wochok and Mike and Jan Lemert for their efforts in making everything perfect.

Finally, thanks to Sheree Lantz and Christy Rutt who transformed the Club into the Emerald City for the annual Children's Fashion Show. The Wizard of Oz

centerpieces were spectacular and took me back to one of my favorite childhood movies. Great job ladies! Although the sun is rapidly setting on our 85th summer, there remain several "can't miss" events.

- On Friday, August 22nd, the Great White Way comes to the Club. The Best of Broadway will feature the most popular music from the most popular musicals NYC has ever hosted.
- We are calling all shower stall Carusos, baton twirlers, talking parrots, dancing Chihuahuas and Rodney Dangerfield wanna-be's to participate in the first YCSH Has Talent Night on Sunday August 24th. I know how talented you all are, so come out of the closet and surprise (shock?) your friends with a rendition of "Feelings" or "My Way" or "Tiptoe Through the Tulips" or whatever. There will be a prize for the Best in Show. Please call the office to register in advance.
- The summer wraps up with the ever popular Jimmy Buffet Night on August 30th featuring Jimmy and the Parrots.

Now for the drum roll announcement... Congratulations to Bill Wendel, our new Rear Commodore and his wife Kerry. I hope the Flag Officers have as much fun next year as we had this year.

I hope you are having the best summer of your lives, as Michael and I are; we can't say thank you enough to the member volunteers whose talents and energy made this season a "10" for us all.

Mary G. Donnelly

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Coming Events

- **NYC Play - Aladdin** - Wednesday, August 20
- **Best of Broadway** - Friday, August 22
- **YCSH Has Talent** - Sunday, August 24
- **Jimmy Buffet Night** - Saturday, August 30
- **WRITE ON** - Friday, September 5, 10:30 am



Blinker Deadlines

<u>Deadline for Articles</u>	<u>Issue Dates</u>
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October 29	November 5

The deadline for each issue is 5 pm. Please send your copy to blinker@ycsh.org.
Ron Workman, Blinker Editor



Miner's Gems



Hello YCSH members,

Don't even think about the end of summer. There is still too much going on this summer. Like the rest of the summer, the next two weeks are full of fun events for all of us to enjoy. This 2014 July and August have been one of the busiest since I started here 9 years ago and I hope everyone has enjoyed the summer as much as me and the rest of the staff has.

The return of the Festival Of Lights was a huge success for the entire town and the club. The weather was perfect, the boats lined up, the houses were decorated and we all had so much fun. All boats returned safely, all decorated homes have been cleaned and the club was packed, while Chico's Vibe kept us all dancing! We can't wait for next year. Start thinking of your theme now.

Friday August 22nd is Best of Broadway night. Come hear and see some your favorite Broadway songs and scenes from the past and present. Relax in the club dining room, enjoy some of the best food on 7 Mile Island and revel in the company of good friends. This event took a hiatus last year, and is back by popular demand. Call the club now, there will be limited seating. The menu will be available in the club wide email. When you call for a reservation, please make

sure to tell the club employee whether you want to see the show, or sit in the grille room.

On Sunday August 24th, we are trying something new, YCSH HAS TALENT. We have hired a karaoke DJ and a fabulous band to accompany anyone who thinks they have talent. Dinner starts at 5:30 pm and is served until 8 pm. The talent shows starts at 7 pm and goes until 9 pm. Great prizes for our winners!! Who knows, we have the next Taylor Swift in our club house!

I hope to see you at the club

Peter Miner, General Manager



The Bridge Corner

Tuesday Morning Bridge. Results for July 29: First place, Judy Whalen, 2 prize Walt Wagner. Results for August 5: First place, Walt Wagner, 2 prize Lee Duncan. Results for August 12: First place, Lee Duncan, 2 prize Bill Beckwith. Any questions, please call Claire Taylor or Jeanne Falgiatore

Thursday Night Bridge. Please join us every Thursday through August 28 at 7:30 pm. No partner is necessary. Winners for July 31 were 1st-Akbar Samii; 2nd Polly Bowen; 3rd Jeanne Falgiatore. Winners for August 14 were: 1st-Diana Duggan; 2nd - Walt Wagner; 3rd - Lee Duncan. For questions call June Duncan at 610-678-4834 or Barbara Chatham at 609-967-8409.

Wednesday Night Duplicate. The winners on July 23 were: N/S 1. Kathleen Vistenzo & Ginny McConnell; 2. Peggy Stabert & Alan Kaplan; 3. Gail McConnell & Akbar Samii. E/W 1. Elaine Faulkner & Bernie Holman; 2. Diana Duggan & Dick Corkhill; 3. Betty Coyle & Betty Larkin. The winners on July 30 were: N/S 1. Peggy Stabert & Alan Kaplan; 2. Gail McConnell & Mike Barbuti; 3. Maryann Woods & Margie Bennett. E/W 1. Diana Duggan & Dick Corkhill; 2. Betty Coyle & Betty Larkin; 3. Bill & Marcia Beckwith. The winners on August 6 were: N/S 1. Marge Moretzsohn & Akbar Samii; 2. Margie Bennett & Helen McCormick; 3. Kathleen Vistenzo & Ginny McConnell. E/W 1. Peggy Stabert & Alan Kaplan; 2. Carol & Walter Wagner; 3. Betty Coyle & Betty

Larkin. Margie Bennett - Chairman, Betty Coyle - Co- Chairman.

Saturday Morning. Winners for August 9 were 1st Betty Coyle, Tie for 2nd Polly Bowen & Alice Thorn. To sign up, please call the Club office 368-1201 or Past Commodore Roy Williams at (609) 967-7736, email beachvue@msn.com.

WRITE ON



WRITE ON enjoyed a mixed media meeting on Friday August 8th when Gayle Fallon brought her guitar with self-composed lyrics and music to share. We were all very appreciative and hope she can publish some of her music. Donna Van Horn

shared her new contract with her publisher and discussed the publishing process. Alice and Karen received feedback on their new novels. The last meeting this summer will be on Friday September 5th at 10:30 am. We will be discussing alternative publishing such as e-publishing with several articles to take home (thanks to Jennifer Gensemer). We will also take some pictures for the yearbook. WRITE ON welcomes new members who may join by emailing alice@scandura.com with Write On in the subject line or attend the September 5th meeting.



Downwind Spinnakers by Scott Jarden

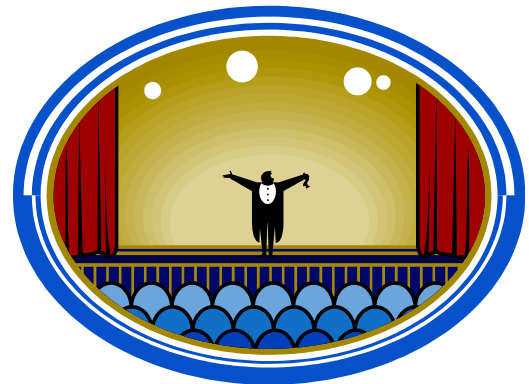
Flying Scot News

Sailing season progresses as many new challenges are presented each week. July 26 featured the annual Avalon Cup ocean race sponsored by the Avalon YC. This event draws large off shore racing boats and 10-12 Flying Scots. Bruce Nicholson and Perry Conte were the

only two hearty YCSH sailors to attempt the 13 mile race from Townsend Inlet to Cape May in gusty, choppy and wet conditions. With a strong southerly breeze the windward beat to Cape May was exhausting. However Bruce Nicholson and crew Mike Tellep ran away from the fleet and came in first by a large margin.

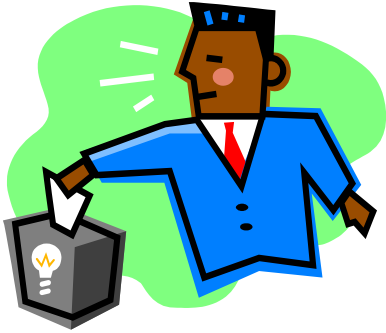
We hosted the annual MAYRA regatta on August 2 with a healthy 18 boat fleet with strong winds and 4 tough races. Larry Helmick of YCSH is the new MAYRA champion. Congratulations to Larry and Rence Helmick and Tim McGrath. Larry has been coming on extremely fast in recent weeks, and rumor has it that with a new set of slightly used North Sails he could be the winner of the Corrigan Bowl. Thanks to all volunteers: Patty and Bill Stump (trophies, registration, finish boat); The Mopsiks, Martin Lukacs, Terry Frangiosa (lunches, safety car); Scott Jarden (photographer); and Brian Binet. Also the Wrens and Telleps who provided housing for visiting sailors.

The wind gods frowned on us on August 9 as the fleet was stranded between the windward and leeward mark when the wind completely shut down. This resulted in an abandonment of the race with the patrol committee towing the fleet home.



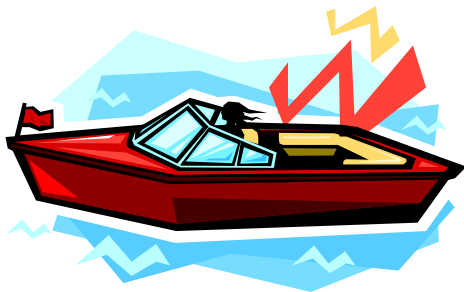
Broadway Night is Back

Enjoy many of your favorite tunes from some of the most widely acclaimed musicals Broadway has ever known on August 22nd. Visit the best that the Great White Way has to offer without leaving 08247, as songs from the following shows will be included: Phantom of the Opera; Les Miz; Grease; Cats; Wizard of Oz and many more. Broadway Bound is the talented, professional troupe who will perform for us as we enjoy another excellent "Blazeamazing" dinner.



Suggestions?

Got any suggestions? Ideas for new programs? Pet peeves? We are putting out a suggestion box at the club for any and all comments to make our Club the best it can be. Please look for the box.



Diller Boat Ride Volunteers - THANK YOU

Four times each summer, the Yacht Club hosts visually-impaired children from ages 7 to 14 from the Diller Home for the Blind. The usual complement is 10 boys, 10 girls and 5 staff. The children are taken for a one hour boat ride on the back bays followed by lunch at the club consisting of hotdogs, chicken fingers, french fries, beverage and a dessert (often made by the very talented dessert person Helen Mopsik).

Diller Home staff tells us that the boat- lunch experience is the high point of the camper's week!

Boat Captains who donate their time and their boats rides include Bob Conte, Dick Corkhill, Dennis Moss, Mike Riener, Richard Taylor, Robert Wittig and Alan Szyfman.

Lunch at the club is coordinated and served by Mary Finkin and her helpers including Walt Finkin, Phyllis and Bill Bowden, Mary Donnelly, Peggy Grass, Joy Williams and Helen and Gene Mopsik.

A tip of the hat to Chef Blaze and his staff for the popular lunch! Thank you to all volunteers who make these special days possible. See you next year!

Richard Corkhill



Please Welcome our New Members

Michael Coskey and Maura Heenan
Raymond and April Stercula
Scott and Erin Stephen
Joseph and Gail Moss
Patrick Cortese and Rebecca Smedley
Chad Pfeiffer
Leo Pfeiffer
Peter Campanini and Melissa Gebert

@YCSHBookClub

With the end of summer closing in and a steamy Labor Day weekend looming in the town of Holton Mills, New Hampshire, lonely, friendless thirteen-year-old Henry spends most of his time watching television, reading, and daydreaming with only his emotionally fragile, long-divorced mother for company. But everything changes on the Thursday before the holiday weekend when a mysterious bleeding man named Frank asks Henry for a hand. Over the next five days, Henry will learn some of life's most valuable lessons, about the breathless pain of jealousy, the power of betrayal, and the importance of putting those we care about above ourselves—and that real love is worth waiting for.

In a manner evoking Ian McEwan's *Atonement* and Nick Hornby's *About a Boy*, acclaimed author Joyce Maynard comes a beautiful, poignant tale of love, sex, adolescence, and devastating treachery as seen through the eyes of a young teenager—and the man he later becomes.

