

Ahoy,

We seem to be flying through the summer with July almost over already! Even though this has been an extremely challenging year so far, I hope everyone is having some ability to enjoy their boats. The clubhouse has not been accessible but that is about to change!! As promised, I am working diligently to fulfil the promises made by this club, I thank you so much for the patience you have had thus far. I would also like to thank the other members of the board that continue to work tirelessly to make this work. Remember, they are all volunteers as well, with jobs and other commitments that may slow progress sometimes. I encourage anyone that would like to step into one of these positions for the upcoming year to notify me.

Now, the things we have been waiting for;

First, I'd like to thank everyone that came out to the 4th of July picnic and city fireworks show. I realize some of you are reluctant to come out because of Covid19, and that's understandable. We will do everything we can to keep everyone safe at all times.

This Friday, July 24, 2020, the clubhouse will open its doors for members and guest as we have finally secured the long awaited liquor permit!!! FINALLY!!!!

Other items of interest since the last newsletter;

- 1) In a meeting with the City of Lorain, they have agreed to replace the lift station for the sewer system at the cities expense, saving the club roughly 8000.00. They are also considering raising the electrical to prevent future issues with shut offs for safety during high water days, saving the club an additional 15000.00 +/- . This money can help stabilize the accounts for the hiring of a yard manager/lift operator.
- 2) The City also is remapping the entertainment district to include our facility, essentially putting us on the map giving us much needed publicity.
- 3) The City of Lorain is also surveying an area outside the fence, our parking areas, which the club could potentially use for additional winter storage. Again, added income to boost the accounts.
- 4) I was contacted by the city regarding a device called a "seabin". It is manufactured in Canada and they were approached as well as a city in TN and NC. All three areas were selected for testing of the product. The city leaders asked if we would be interested in putting it in our marina. It is a device similar to a pool skimmer. It is roughly the size of a 20 gallon trash can that mounts to a floating dock. It collects debris, not trees, but trash and wood chips and plastic, keeping the marina cleaner and easier to maintain.
- 5) Burgees are in. They are 24.00. If you are interested, please contact me or stop at the fuel dock. Bobby has agreed to get them to the members so you don't have to wait to see me.

In all, the close relationship with the city has proven to bring changes to the club and that will hopefully continue. It is a process and we can only move so fast, but I will continue to work at this and make it the club that we all know it can be.

Lastly, for anyone interested, we will have a membership meeting at the clubhouse in August. Weather permitting, it will be held outside to comply with social distancing. I encourage members to come and

voice concerns or complaints or just thoughts. We cannot address your needs if we are not aware of them. I look forward to seeing you there!
Have a safe and happy boating season!

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