



Yacht Clubs of Maryland

Bay Breeze



February 2025

Please Distribute to Your Members

YCM 2024-2025 Officers and Board Members

Commodore	Kate Cramblett	Miles River Yacht Club
Vice Commodore	Steve Spicknall	Crescent Yacht Club
Rear Commodore	Tony DiCara	Middle River Yacht Club
Legislative Affairs Officer	Joe Broseker	Baltimore Yacht Club
Treasurer	PC Faye Broseker	Riverside Yacht Club
Secretary	Sharon Winterling	Galloway Yacht Club
IPC Board Member	PC Rick Pope	Eastern Yacht Club
Board Member	Anna M. Davis	White Rocks Yacht Club
Board Member	Ira Sheckells	Galloway Yacht Club
Board Member	PC George Stromberg	Bodkin Yacht Club
Board Member	Carl Treff	Maryland Yacht Club
Protocol Officer	PC Joe Hellner	Belvedere Yacht Club
Sick & Welfare	CJ Stromberg	Bodkin Yacht Club
Supply Officer	PC Jeff Underland	Baltimore Yacht Club



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YCM 2024-2025 Committee Chairs

Audit	Anna M. Davis
By-Law	HPC Jerry Cramblett
Finance	PC Faye Broseker
Membership	RC Tony DiCara
Nominating	IPC Rick Pope
Ships Log	RC Tony DiCara
Supply Officer	PC Jeff Underland
Webmaster	PC Ryan Peters



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2025

YCM MEETING SCHEDULE

February 26, 2025	BOG Meeting Zoom
March 26, 2025	General Membership Meeting(SHYC)
April 30, 2025	BOG Meeting Zoom
May 28, 2025	General Membership Meeting
June 25, 2025	BOG Meeting Zoom
July 26, 2025	General Membership Meeting
August 27, 2025	BOG Meeting Zoom

YCM SPONSORED EVENTS

YCM Commodore & Mates MEET & GREET

Fleet Captains Orientation & Luncheon

Commodores Day Out

YCM Summer Cruise

YCM Golf Outing

YCM Christmas Party



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Commodore's Report

One of YCM's major goals is to help our member clubs by sharing beneficial information. This was obviously accomplished on Sunday, February 3rd at our Annual Fleet Captains Meeting, all thanks to Rear Commodore Tony DiCara for doing an outstanding job. With 21 clubs in attendance and over 125 people, we can put this down in the record books as a huge success. Lots of useful information shared as well as the opportunity for meeting all the Fleet Captains (or Commodores in some cases) who shared their opening day information as well as "what's happening" at their clubs. Thanks also to Commodore Bob Limmer for allowing us to have this event at Crescent Yacht Club.

Speaking of sharing information, I would be truly remiss if I did not acknowledge all the efforts put forth to have the **YCM 2025 Ship's Log** completed in time for us to distribute it to all the clubs in attendance. Great Job Tony, CJ, Faye & Karen for all your hard work.

I will be putting together the **2025 Opening Day Schedule** based on information gathered at the Fleet Captains Meeting and will be sending a copy to each Commodore for verification before final posting.

For those not at the Fleet Captain's meeting, I shared that YCM will be putting together a committee to work on ideas to try and help reduce the costs of Commodores balls. Anyone interested in working on this project, please reach out to me or any of the YCM officers so that we can work on this.

One final note, to all the PC's out there, it is not too early to start thinking about joining the YCM Team. IPC Rick Pope is Chair of the Nominating Committee and must receive letters from all potential candidates, including current Officers by **May 31, 2025**. We do know we will be needing a secretary, but anyone can apply for any position, including Board Members. If you have any questions about any positions, please feel free to check with IPC Rick Pope.

See you all soon.

Kate Cramblett
Commodore
kate.cramblett@verizon.net
410-802-4791



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Vice Commodore's Report

Wow..... I cannot believe we've hit February already!! I hope this newsletter finds you all healthy and happy.

The YCM Summer Cruise is FINALLY coming together. I'm awaiting final notice of available slips and hotel rooms from the new owners of North Point Marina. Keep an eye out on Facebook and this publication for a flyer within the next 2-3 weeks. The event will be July 25-27 and one you do not want to miss.

We are actively seeking people interested in helping YCM next year. Officer positions for both bridge and flag are available. Please reach out to us if you have any questions or wish to submit a letter of intent. Interviews are held in June, with Change of watch happening in September. Any support would be greatly appreciated.

The March YCM GMM will be held at Sue Haven Yacht Club on March 26th – Dinner will be served at 6:15pm, with the meeting starting at 7pm. A meeting notice will be out soon for you to RSVP. Looking forward to seeing you there!

Literal tons of flyers are listed below. The drag and drop mission sometimes creates an extra page, so please scroll to the end so you can see all of the happenings in the yacht club community.

Your support and attendance of what Yacht Clubs of Maryland has hosted this year has been nothing short of AMAZING! Thank you - Thank you – Thank you.

Until next time.....

Steve Spicknall
Vice Commodore
stevescyc@gmail.com
(443) 398-5633



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Rear Commodore's Report

Greetings Yacht Club Community.

On February 2nd Yacht Clubs of Maryland hosted our annual Fleet Captain's Luncheon at Crescent Yacht Club. I would like to thank Commodore Bob Limmer and the entire CYC team for hosting us and serving a terrific lunch. The turnout from the Yacht Club community was very impressive. We had 21 clubs and three organizations represented! The afternoon was full of fun and some good information was shared among the clubs. Thank you too all who attended and a special welcome to our Fleet Captains. Thank you all for stepping up for your clubs and our community.

Don't forget to post your clubs' events on our Facebook page, "**Yacht Clubs of Maryland**". There are many exciting and fun events scheduled at our member clubs throughout the next couple of months. Angie and I have enjoyed seeing many of you at the various balls we have attended. We are looking forward to putting winter behind us and enjoying the Bay. I hope all of you have a wonderful Valentines' Day with your special someone.

Yours in Service,

Tony DiCara, Rear Commodore



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LAO REPORT

YCM has identified a number of proposed legislative actions that may be of interest to boaters. Those are:

HB0719 - Natural Resources - State Boat Act – Alterations – This is the bill with most impact on boaters. You may recall a bill last year that would have significantly raised boat registration fees with much higher rates on larger vessels. YCM provided testimony in opposition to that bill and it didn't pass. We opposed a fee structure based on boat length. In our testimony last year, we clearly stated that the registration fee hasn't increased in decades and the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) should be able to increase the fees so long as the increase was used only for DNR purposes and for waterway improvements. It looks like our message was heard. This year DNR is just asking for an increase to a single rate of \$70 every two years regardless of the size of the boat. Documented vessels will also pay \$70 to get stickers. Because we feel that DNR does need an increase, **the YCM Board has voted to provide testimony in favor of HB 0719**. A hearing is scheduled for February 19 at 1 pm on HB 0719.

SB0168 - Environmental Justice in Confined Aquatic Disposal Act – An expanded large container channel and terminal is being developed at Sparrows Point. To accomplish this, the Port must find places to dump the dredge material that will be removed to create this terminal. One of the options the Port is considering is to dig a huge trench east of the Key Bridge site and on the south side of the Patapsco. They would then place some of the Sparrows Point dredge spoils in that trench. This activity is called Confined Aquatic Disposal (CAD). Clearly, the residents and boaters near this part of the Patapsco have been rigorously opposed to this CAD proposal as they already live with an overabundance of industrial neighbors in their community. YCM Board member Carl Treff has been very active in opposing CAD and recently testified in support of this bill that would ban the use of CAD in communities already overburdened with industry. You may recall the article Mr. Treff posted in a recent Bay Breeze. There was overwhelming testimony in favor of this bill.

SB0103 - Boating Accidents – Reporting Requirement – Property Damage and SB 0123 - Boating Accidents – Duty to Remain at the Scene, Render Assistance, and Provide Information – Penalties – The titles of these bills are self-explanatory. Nothing seems controversial about these proposals.

SB0562 - State Designations – State Cocktail – Original Maryland Orange Crush – This is my favorite. The bill says the orange crush cocktail originated in 1995 at the Harborside Bar and Grill in Ocean City, Maryland and this bill would make it the state cocktail. Many boaters will agree.

As the Maryland legislative session continues, we'll keep you posted on these bills.

Thanks,
Joe Broseker



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Protocol Matters

Yacht Club Uniforms

Many of the yacht club protocols and traditions that have carried on for generations started in the 19th century when amateur sailors became increasingly common. The traditions we see at our clubs today began when people who had the means could go onto the water for recreational purposes and, increasingly, wanted the challenge and responsibility of captaining their own boats. A nickname at the time for young adventurous people was “Corinthians”, which greatly appealed to the “gentleman sailors” of the era who had the temerity to captain their own boats.

Clubs dedicated to yachting formed. These clubs included as part of their purposes and bylaws, dedication by all members to the highest standards of vessel navigation and operation. Those focused on membership by owner captains and often had “Corinthian” in the name of the club, a name often seen among yacht clubs today. Consequently, traditions and rules were created to symbolize dedication to being mariners in every sense, paid professional or not.

A major tradition that has carried on from the early days of yacht clubs is the wearing of uniforms. As I have noted in other columns, the traditional yacht club uniforms are the same mariner uniforms still used throughout the world in navies and all other forms of nautical enterprise. The only substantive differences among most of the world’s navy, mariner, and yachting uniforms are insignia, trim, and braiding.

By tradition, all members of a yacht club may wear a traditional uniform and/or one prescribed in the club bylaws or rules. Insignia, braid, trim, and pins on the uniform change with the member status and history in the yachting community. A basic member outfit normally would be a plain nautical uniform with only a member name tag. Most yacht club members in modern times obtain uniforms when they serve in an office or serve as Board Members. Their uniforms symbolize dedication to yachting ideals, pride in your club, and commitment of service to your club. Officials are easily identified by the insignia and badges worn.

Most clubs have rules governing uniform wear as decided appropriate for their club, so what you see with one club may not apply to another. All clubs honor and respect the uniforms of other clubs and yachting associations, so it is normal to see different uniforms at a multi-club event.

Yacht club uniforms are worn either in an official capacity or in a private capacity. In a private capacity, the decision to wear a uniform (or not) rests with the person, male or female, entitled to wear it as a member or officer of a club or as a person holding a title earned by service to a club or presented by a club. The most common example of private capacity is Past Commodore, which is not a club office, but is a personal title earned by successful completion of service to a club. Once earned, this title is kept for life, is recognized by all yacht clubs and yachting organizations, and entitles the holder to wear a uniform with the appropriate insignia.

Official capacity includes serving in office and representing a specific club or organization for a ceremonial or business purpose. It does not include merely attending an event or meeting. When wearing a uniform in an official capacity, a person follows the uniform rules of the club for which they are acting.

Till next time, see you around the Bay! – Joe Hellner



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Chaplain

Prayer for February – Chaplain Sharon

Dear Gracious God, as February is often associated with Love, we pray for a deeper understanding of Your divine love in our lives. May Your love be the foundation of all our relationships and may it guide us in our interactions with others.

WE pray for our family, friends, and those we hold dear. Strengthen our bonds, heal any wounds, and allow us to grow closer to one another. May our love for one another be a reflection of Your love for us.

Watch over our Nation's leaders as they navigate these changing times. Guide them in decisions that are pleasing to you. Comfort our Yacht Club members that are facing difficulties of many varieties. Supply each with what they need to cope. We ask these things in Jesus name, Amen.



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Sick and Welfare

Crossed Over the Bar

CCC's 1996 Past Commodore John L. Stepp, Jr. passed away in Sarasota, Florida on Saturday, January 25, 2025. John was also a Past Commodore of Bush River Yacht Club. Here's his wife, Pat's, address: 5201 Laurel Valley Avenue Sarasota FL 34234. Please keep the Stepp family in your prayers.



If you are aware of someone in the Yacht Club Community you would like mentioned in the BayBreeze or in need of our prayers, please feel free to contact me. Your privacy will be respected.

Respectfully Submitted,
CJ Stromberg
YCM Sick & Welfare
410-746-5315 – cjstromberg1024@gmail.com



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CBYCA Commodore's Ball

HONORING OUR VETERANS!

Annapolis Naval Academy

2 Truxtun Road, Annapolis, Maryland 21402

Saturday, February 22, 2025 6:30 pm to 11 pm

You are cordially invited to the Chesapeake Bay Yacht Clubs Association Commodore's Ball, celebrating Commodore Robert B. Naylor and First Lady Amy!

We will be honoring all of our Veterans in the Yacht Club Community and ask them to wear their uniforms (if they still fit) and/or their service ribbons and medals.

Attendance will be limited to only 125 people (waiting list will be maintained), so please register and purchase your tickets now: www.2025Ball.com

We have a discounted block of hotel rooms at the Fairfield by Marriott Inn & Suites Annapolis, 200 Taylor Avenue, Annapolis, MD 21401, for Friday-Sunday or only for Saturday night, Please click here: www.2025Hotel.com

Note: This flyer can be found here: www.2025Flyer.com or www.CBYCAFlyer.com

Stationary Hors D'Oeuvres

Imported and Domestic Cheeses
Chilled Shrimp Cocktail
Fresh Fruit Display

Served Hors D'Oeuvres

Mini Beef Wellington
Sesame Chicken Skewer
Coconut Shrimp
Lamb Lollipops
Mini Crab Cakes
Bacon Wrapped Scallops
Petite Lobster Roll Slider

Dinner

Salmon & Beef Tenderloin
Cream of Crab Soup
California Salad

Carving Station

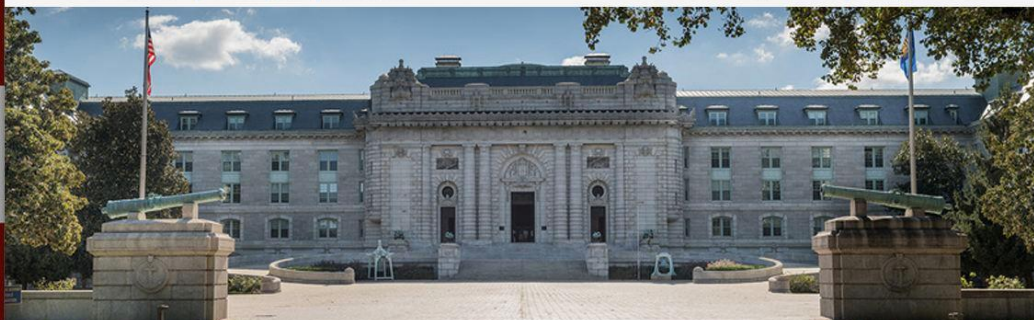
Virginia Ham
Smoked Turkey Breast

Open Bar

2 Drink Tickets Per Person

*** Tickets: \$130 per person

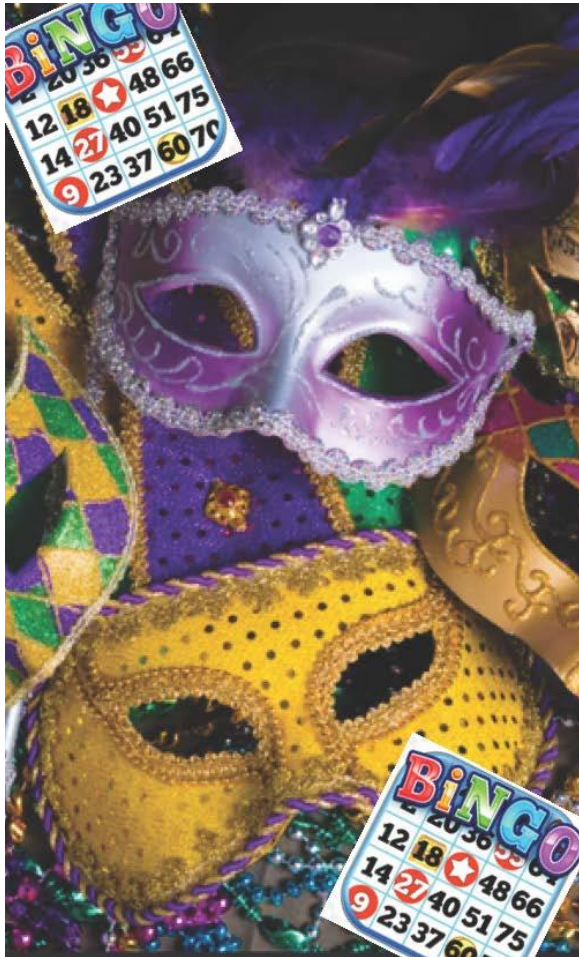
Princesses: \$65 per person ***





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EYC GULLS

Mardis Gras Bingo

SATURDAY FEBRUARY 22, 2025

4:00-8:00PM

EASTERN YACHT CLUB / THE BIG HOUSE

\$35.00 PER PERSON

10 BINGO GAMES & 5 SPECIALS

INCLUDES DINNER AND DESSERT
CASH BAR AVAILABLE

◆ PURCHASE TICKETS IN THE TIKI BAR OR
VENMO SANDY (@SANDRA-MARTIN-BATES)

TO RESERVE A TABLE OF 8 OR MORE,
PLEASE EMAIL MORINCI@JHMI.EDU

~ THIS IS A 'COUNTED' AFFAIR FOR MEMBERS ~



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You are cordially invited to
BODKIN YACHT CLUB

67th Commodore's Ball

Honoring Commodore Josh Webster and
First Lady Jaime Webster

March 22, 2025

\$115 PER ADULT
\$65 PER PRINCESS & UNDER 21 GUESTS

Bar Closed During
Ceremony

5 pm Registration & Cocktails
6 pm Ceremony followed by a
Buffett Dinner and Open Bar
and Dancing to Fast Times

Formal Dress

Turf Valley Resort | Ellicott City, MD
RSVP to: BodkinYCBall2025@gmail.com

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If Interested in Reserving a Room please see
details below





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TURF VALLEY RESORT

To reserve a room call 410-465-1500 and reference Bodkin Yacht Club Ball. Limited rooms are available so book early.

This will be a totally Awesome Event! Can't wait to see everyone
#RockinwiththeBodkin

80's





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Commodore's Ball

Commodore Gosia Studnicki

& First Gentleman Robert

MARCH **08** 2025

Five o'clock in the evening

Bel Air Armory
37 N. Main Street, Bel Air, MD 21014

Music by Denim & Lace

TICKETS

\$120 PER PERSON - \$60 PRINCESS

RSVP BY FEBRUARY 22ND

DAVE OLIVER - 443-783-6140

BRYC2025@BUSHRIVERYC.ORG



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PLEASE JOIN US FOR
MARLEY BOAT CLUB'S
2025
**Commodore
Kellie's**
COOL KIDS PARTY

Saturday, March 1st

6:30 PM Registration \$60 entry, \$45 for Princesses
Dress in your Club shirt or Business Casual

WHERE:

REYC- 2222 Poplar Road, Middle River
Please RSVP to Kellie: 410-218-3215

WHAT TO EXPECT:

Dinner Buffet * Open Bar * Dancing
Live music by Cool Change



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COMING TO THE



FEBRUARY 22, 2025

BiG Baltimore
Improv Group

Join the Bush River Yacht Club for a night of food, drink, and some unpredictable FUN! The Baltimore Improv Group makes its Harford County debut at the BRYC. When the BIG show performs you never know what's about to happen. Be alert, when the BIG calls on the audience for suggestions don't be afraid to shout out to make our show unique! Be a part of this unique BRYC event!

FEBRUARY 22

Registration @ 6:30pm

Food/Seating @ 7:00pm

Show Starts @ 8:00pm

Tickets on Sale !

\$30pp/Advanced Purchase Required

Includes Appetizers/Show

Contact Dave Oliver 443-783-6140



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YACHT CLUBS OF MARYLAND 20TH COMMODORE'S DAY-OUT BRUNCH

At: Maryland Yacht Club Date: April 6, 2025
1500 Fairview Beach RD Time: 1:00 PM to 5:00 PM
Pasadena, MD 21122

Cost: \$80 per person : \$40 per Princess

Dress for Officers: Class A w/long tie

Dress for everyone else: Business Casual

Please consider joining us for the 2025 YCM Day-Out Brunch honoring Commodore Kate Cramblett & First Crab Jerry. We will start out with a fantastic brunch menu and then have a short ceremony.

Menu: Fresh Fruit Platter, French toast casserole with Syrup and powdered sugar, Scrambled Eggs, Bacon, Breakfast Sausage links, Breakfast Potatoes, Bagel and Croissant Platter, Sausage Gravy & Biscuits, Garden or Caesar Salad, Citrus honey baked Salmon, Bourbon glazed meatballs, Assorted Wraps (Chicken, Shrimp & Tuna Salads), Seasoned Asparagus, Crab Soup and Dessert.

Open Premium Bar Plus Beverage Station including High Test and Decaf Coffee, Hot and Iced Tea, Orange Juice and Water

*To reserve your spot, please contact Secretary Sharon Winterling
(sharonwinterling@gmail.com) or (410 299-7933)*



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PRINCESS LEA'S
CASH
BINGO

Friday, April 11th 2025

Doors Open 6:30 PM Games at 7:30 PM

RAFFLES | \$20 | SPECIALS
20 GAMES

Food For Purchase!

Fundraising
EVENT



Harford
FAMILY
House



working to end homelessness.



TICKETS

PURCHASE

VENMO

Dave Oliver 443-783-6140 @Stephanie-Cooney-4
4001 E. Baker Ave, Abingdon, MD 21009



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DRAG QUEEN BRUNCH NAUGHTY BINGO

**AT CRESCENT YACHT CLUB
1840 CAPE MAY ROAD
ESSEX, MD 21221**

**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2025
DOORS OPEN: 11:30 AM
BINGO STARTS AT 12:30 PM
\$35 PER PERSON
ADULT ONLY EVENT
(YOU MUST BE 21 OR OLDER)**

**TICKET PRICE INCLUDES:
BRUNCH PLATE
BINGO & SHOW**

CASH BAR

**PLEASE CONTACT JILL LITZ FOR TICKETS
443-834-3893
CASH OR VENMO
VENMO- @JILL-LITZ**

**BINGO & PRIZES
PRESENTED BY:
NAUGHTY BINGO**

**RAIN DATE TBD IF
CANCELED DUE TO
INCLEMENT WEATHER
NO REFUNDS**



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MIDDLE RIVER YACHT CLUB

Spring Splashdown Bullroast

FRIDAY, MARCH 28TH 2025

ROSEDALE GARDENS

8037 PHILADELPHIA RD.
BALTIMORE, MD 21237
DOORS OPEN - 6:30PM
FOOD & FUN 7-11PM

TICKETS: \$65 • RSVP BY 3/14/25
FOR TABLES OF 10 CONTACT KRISTEN
MARTIN 443.271.0567

*Live Music by No Boundaries
Money Wheel & Chinese Auction*

DRINKS

DRAFT BEER, SOFT DRINKS, ICED TEA, COFFEE & TEA

MENU

PIT BEEF & HAM, SHRIMP, OYSTERS, SWEDISH MEATBALLS,
SAUSAGE & PEPPERS, BBQ CHICKEN, ZITI, MD STYLE CRAB
SOUP, RED POTATOES, GREEN BEANS, POTATO SALAD,
PASTA SALAD, COLESLAW, VEGETABLES/DIP, CHEESE &
CRACKER TRAY, CHIPS, PRETZELS, SHEET CAKE
NO JELLO SHOOTERS OR LARGE COOLERS



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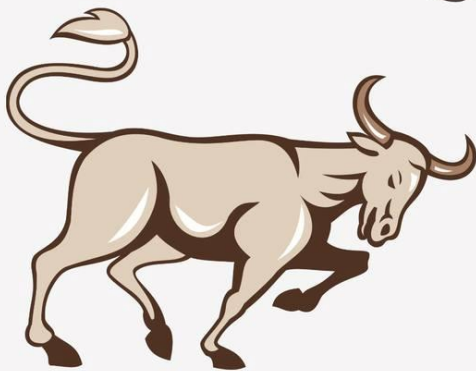


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EYC ANNUAL PAST COMMODORE

Bull & Oyster Roast



Catered by Top Shelf Catering / Music by Don't Stop
*Counted Affair

Saturday, April **12th** 6:00-11:00 PM

Menu Featuring:

Pit Beef, Ham & Turkey

Oysters on a Half Shell

**Sausages and Peppers, Baked Ziti, Meatballs,
Salads, Assorted Cheeses and Veggies, Dessert**

Domestic Beer, Wine, Soda

\$60 Per Person

**Tickets can be purchased in EYC's Tiki Bar
or by emailing Jim Morin at jimmymorin74@yahoo.com**



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Let's Break the Winter Blues!



February Fun Night at Sue Haven Yacht Club

Saturday, February 22nd at 6pm, contact
RC Bob Poist (443) 928-7741
to RSVP or sign up at the Club.

\$30 per person

**Italian Pasta Dinner
Salad
Vegetable trays
Rum Cake**

**Games of Skill
Trivia
70's and 80's Video DJ
and Dancing**



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THE QUEEN OF THE
CHESAPEAKE PROGRAM

Adventure



Awaits!

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Orientation

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 16th, 2025
1:00 PM

Maryland Yacht Club
1500 Fairview Beach Road
Pasadena, MD 21122

ALL PRINCESSES, PARENTS, COMMODORES,
AND FIRST LADIES ARE INVITED TO
ATTEND!

Please RSVP to QOTC@MDYC.org
Include CLUB NAME AND TOTAL NUMBER
OF ATTENDEES



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MARCH MADNESS REVERSE RAFFLE WIN \$1000.00 CASH WIN

Drawing To Be Held Sunday, March 16, 2025

At Sue Haven Yacht Club

542 Edgar Avenue, Baltimore, MD 21221.

\$20.00 per ticket. Only 300 Tickets to be SOLD.

Need not be present to win.

20 Chances to Win. Grand Prize of \$1000.00

Join us 3/16/25 1 pm—4 pm for Snacks, Food & Cash Bar.

Please RSVP if you are planning to attend.

Proceeds to Benefit Thursday Night Party at CCC 1/8/26 in O.C.

For Tickets Contact: Paul Dolan 301-461-8541 constructor@msn.com

or Mary Dolan 301-980-0333 momdolan@msn.com

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!



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