



# Yacht Clubs of Maryland

## *Bay Breeze*



## January 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**

January 29, 2025	General Membership Meeting - Zoom
February 26, 2025	BOG Meeting Zoom
March 26, 2025	General Membership Meeting
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

**HELLO 2025!!** I hope everyone enjoyed the holidays and I know we are all anxious to see what the New Year brings. My hope is that it brings good health and happiness to everyone.

YCM closed out in 2024 with our Annual Christmas Party at Laurel Park. PC Cheryl Blakey did her usual outstanding job putting this event together. Our group included a few first-timers, and I know everyone had a fun time. We thought this was going to be out last year at Laurel Park, but word has it that they will be around for at least 2 more years. It was great that the following day, we got to see a lot of our friends at the CCC's Christmas Party at Bodkin Yacht Club.

Congratulations to 2025 Commodore Frank Winterling and our very own YCM Secretary First Lady Sharon. Next up is Otter Point's ball on January 18 followed by Galloway's Ball on January 25<sup>th</sup>. More fun spending time with our friends.

Our next General Membership Meeting is a Zoom meeting on Wednesday, January 29<sup>th</sup>. Followed by our Fleet Captains Meeting scheduled for Sunday, February 2, 2025 at Crescent Yacht Club. There is an event you do not want to miss as there is always a ton of information shared, and I know Rear Commodore Tony DiCara has put together an excellent program.

Plans for YCM's Commodore's Day Out on Sunday, April 6, 2025 at Maryland Yacht Club are underway, just some minor details to work out and you can expect to see a flyer shortly.

See you all soon.

*Kate Cramblett*  
Commodore  
[kate.cramblett@verizon.net](mailto:kate.cramblett@verizon.net)  
410-802-4791



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### **Vice Commodore's Report**

Wintry Greetings Yacht Club Family!!

There's always a bunch going on behind the scenes here at YCM. In addition to steering the ship, Commodore Kate is constantly updating the Ball and Opening Weekend schedule so you can stay in tune with event dates that are forthcoming. R/C Tony is hard at work prepping for the Annual Fleet Captain's Luncheon and working with Karen Davis on the Ship's Log for immediate distribution. LAO Joe B. is on top of the potential registration fee changes and leveraging YCM's size to make a point at challenging substantial increases. CJ Stromberg is always keeping everyone updated on the medial condition of yacht club members and sharing information on those that have crossed over the bar, while Chaplain Sharon offers prayers for all. Protocol Joe H. is always on the hunt for a quick tidbit of advice to share or a recommendation for the ever so coveted Skunk Flag! Our BOG and Committee Members are also hard at work keeping an eye on all things yacht club related and reacting accordingly. I am extremely grateful for these wonderful people and just wanted to take a second to acknowledge their contributions to Yacht Clubs of Maryland. I was always taught to give credit where credit is due, AND it most certainly is in this case.

The flyer for YCM's Summer Cruise will be out soon. Please cash in on the opportunity to spend a fun-filled weekend in Rock Hall with us.

February is rapidly approaching, which means another attempt in getting this newsletter out earlier..... Thanks for taking the time to read!!

Steve Spicknall  
Vice Commodore  
[stevescyc@gmail.com](mailto:stevescyc@gmail.com)  
(443) 398-5633



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### Rear Commodore's Report

Greetings Yacht Club Community.

Angie and I hope all of you had a wonderful and blessed holiday season. It was nice to see so many of you at the different events that we attended. Winter has certainly made its' presence known (and felt) and spring can't come soon enough. By the end of January our region will add 40 minutes of daylight so help is on the way to get rid of those winter blues.

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 months of January and February. An annual event that I look forward to is the **Fleet Captain's Orientation and Luncheon** scheduled for **February 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2025** at **Crescent Yacht Club**. Registration will begin at **noon** with lunch at **12:30**. This event is open to any officers who wish to attend but it is especially helpful for the Fleet Captains. Bring your float plans, fundraiser fliers, tri-folds, and any other club news or events you wish to share.

Let's make 2025 a great year in our yacht club community!

Yours in Service,

Tony DiCara, Rear Commodore



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### LAO REPORT

So far, I've examined the lists of bills pre-filed for the 2025 Maryland Legislative Session. While we've given the Department of Natural Resources the YCM position on any registration fee increase, I've not seen a fee increase bill pre-filed yet. We'll continue to monitor this situation. The legislative session begins on January 8.

There are a number of bills pre-filed that may affect how to handle boating accidents, crabbing licenses and also affect fishing. The text of those bills is not yet available. We will examine the text as soon as it's available and let you know about any impacts..

On the good news front, many of you may already know that full funding of the Key Bridge replacement is approved and construction activities will begin this month.

Meantime, I hope the new year is going well for all.

Thanks,  
Joe Broseker



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### Protocol Matters

#### **Yacht Club Uniforms - Black Sweaters**

The traditional yacht club uniform is the mariners' uniform that evolved from the early 19<sup>th</sup> century to the present. Variations of the uniform are worn around the world by professional and amateur mariners from water taxi captains to merchant mariners and naval personnel. Amateur mariners such as members of the yacht club community often look to naval regulations and traditions because of the naval attention to detail and dedication to wearing uniforms in the best possible light.

YCM and many member clubs have adopted the Black V Neck Sweater as a uniform option. Yacht clubs and the US Navy use the Black V Neck Sweater both indoors and outdoors for wear in lieu of the Service Dress Blue (SDB) coat (the traditional name for the black coat worn in the winter with white shirt, tie, and black pants). Navy Regs state, "The sweater is authorized for daily wear to and from work, in public places and for attending working level meetings/briefings, but is not authorized for ceremonies, high level meetings/briefings, or when conducting business on Capitol Hill"

Consistent with Navy practice, yachting organizations have allowed the Commodore or ranking officer to call for the black sweater in informal situations (e.g. when business casual is acceptable). For major yachting ceremonies, formal occasions, and funerals, the SDB coat is the most proper call. Following these same guidelines, on informal occasions where the "Salt and Pepper" yachting uniform is worn, the black sweater may be used in lieu of the SDB Jacket.

The sweater is considered a complete uniform alternative and therefore must be worn with the white shirt and tie called for in the SDB uniform. "No tie" is "out of uniform", but yachting organizations may allow ties to be removed in casual situations where the person is not engaged in official business and the Commodore or Officer-in-Charge has given approval. If a club or organization has a uniformed Duty Officer or "Officer of the Day", that person is on official business and should never remove their tie.

Rank insignia is depicted on the Black V Neck Sweater by epaulettes that slip onto shoulder straps. Badges, pins, buttons, etc worn on the SDB jacket are not worn on the sweater. For practical reasons, yachting organizations may authorize one name plate to be worn. The US Navy does this by a patch sewn onto the sweater. The patch will usually contain name, rank, and one of the specialty insignia held by the wearer. Yachting organizations may do the same, but the group must pick a way and do it consistently.

Yachting organizations may also elect to add a burgee on the sweater. Typically, the burgee will be on the left and the nameplate or patch on the right, following the yacht club "right rank" rule and the practical reason to place the name forward when shaking hands in greeting.

Till next time, see you around the Bay!

P/C Joe Helner





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### Chaplain

## A Christian Prayer for the New Year - Chaplain Sharon

Our Father and our God, as we stand at the beginning of this new year we confess our need of Your presence and Your guidance as we face the future.

We each have our hopes and expectations for the year that is ahead of us-but You alone know what it holds for us, and only You can give us the strength and the wisdom we will need to meet its challenges. So help us to humbly put our hands into Your hand, and to trust You and to seek Your will for our lives during this coming year.

In the midst of life's uncertainties in the days ahead, assure us of the certainty of Your unchanging love.

In the midst of life's temptations and the pull of our stubborn self-will, help us not to lose our way but to have the courage to do what is right in Your sight, regardless of the cost.

And in the midst of our daily preoccupations and pursuits, open our eyes to the sorrows and injustices of our hurting world, and help us to respond with compassion and sacrifice to those who are friendless and in need. May our constant prayer be that of the ancient Psalmist: "Teach me, O Lord, to follow your decrees; then I will keep them to the end" (Psalm 119:33).

We pray for our nation and its leaders during these difficult times, and for all those who are seeking to bring peace and justice to our dangerous and troubled world. We pray especially for Your protection on all those who serve in our armed forces, and we thank You for their commitment to defend our freedoms, even at the cost of their own lives. Be with their families also, and assure them of Your love and concern for them.

Bring our divided nation together, and give us a greater vision of what You would have us to be. Your Word reminds us that "Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord" (Psalm 33:12).

As we look back over this past year we thank You for Your goodness to us-far beyond what we have deserved. May we never presume on Your past goodness or forget all Your mercies to us, but may they instead lead us to repentance, and to a new commitment to make You the foundation and center of our lives this year.

And so, our Father, we thank You for the promise and hope of this new year, and we look forward to it with expectancy and faith. This I ask in the name of our Lord and Savior, who by His death and resurrection has given us hope both for this world and the world to come.

- Billy Graham



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### Sick and Welfare

As we reflect on 2024, Yacht Clubs of Maryland member clubs lost several members and loved ones. I am certain there are others that Crossed over the Bar in 2024 that we are unaware of. If you know of others, please keep them as well as the members below in your hearts and prayers.

*Paulette Cosgrove, Princess Grandmother*  
*PC Donald Gorkowski*  
*Fred Harden, Member*  
*Joseph Henderson, Member*  
*Carolyn Miller, Member*  
*Patty Pearce, Past First Lady*  
*Dorothy Pope, Mother, PC Rick Pope*  
*Sandra Phul, Sister, PC Reese Williamson*  
*PC Arne Rejstad*  
*Mary Robeson, Mother, PFL Joy Campbell,*  
*Mother-in-law of the late PC Dave Campbell*  
*William Smith, Member*  
*PC Gordon Vipperman*  
*Treasurer Otis Wise*  
*PC Robert (Buzz) Woodward*

*Crescent Yacht Club*  
*Top of the Bay Yacht Club*  
*Trojan Harbor Yacht Club*  
*Veterans Yacht Club*  
*Marley Boat Club*  
*Bush River Yacht Club*  
*Eastern Yacht Club & YCM*  
*Crescent Yacht Club*  
*Maryland Yacht Club*  
*Crescent Yacht Club*  
  
*White Rocks Yacht Club*  
*Veterans Yacht Club*  
*Pleasant Yacht Club*  
*Veterans Yacht Club*

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.

***Wishing you and your families a Healthy and Happy 2025!***

Respectfully Submitted,  
CJ Stromberg  
YCM Sick & Welfare  
410-746-5315 – [cjstromberg1024@gmail.com](mailto:cjstromberg1024@gmail.com)



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**SATURDAY**  
**January 18, 2025**

OTTER POINT YACHT CLUB PRESENTS

# Commodore's Ball

# HOLLYWOOD

HAPPY HOUR STARTS 6PM - DJ MUSIC - FOOD & DRINKS - \$95 ENTRY \$50 PRINCESS

Attire: Business Casual

**OTTER POINT**  
**YACHT CLUB**

600 OTTER POINT RD ABINGDON MD 21009  
CONTACT NATHAN SOMMERS 410.382.8961 ZELLE:OTTERPOINTYACHTCLUB



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*Galloway Yacht Club  
Cordially Invites You to Our  
45th Annual Commodore Ball*

*Honoring  
Commodore Jeff Mitchell & First Lady Aimee*

*Saturday, January 25, 2025  
Columbus Gardens  
4301 Klosterman Avenue, Nottingham, MD 21236*

*Registration: 5-6 PM      Introductions: 6-7 PM  
Dinner & Dancing: 7-11pm  
Music By The Usual Remedy*

*Tickets: \$115      Princess Tickets: \$75*

*Please RSVP by January 13th to: Secretary Bob Truax  
71ltruaman@comcast.net*

*Make Checks Payable to GYC and mail to:  
Treasurer Mike Ward  
17 Woody Road, Essex, MD 21221*

*Formal Black & White Attire  
Ladies Can Wear Tropical Dresses*





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**MIDDLE RIVER YACHT CLUB**

CORDIALLY INVITES YOU TO THE  
ANNUAL COMMODORES BALL  
HONORING COMMODORE DAN FUNK

**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 1ST, 2025 • 6:00PM**

Sheraton Baltimore North  
903 Dulaney Valley Rd. Towson, MD 21204

MASQUERADE • OPEN BAR  
PREMIUM BUFFET  
FORMAL ATTIRE  
MUSIC BY **FADED IMAGE**

Tickets \$125 (Princesses \$70)  
6PM Registration & Cocktail Hour  
7-11PM Dinner & Dancing  
RSVP by 01/15/25 to Mary Philip  
philipmary1952@aol.com • 410-491-9054

Please scan the QR code for a discount on overnight accommodations. Rooms are limited, please book by 12/30/24





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### 2025 Fleet Captain's Luncheon

**Sunday February 2<sup>nd</sup> @ 12 noon**

**Crescent Yacht Club, 1840 Cape May Rd 21221**

**Lunch \$25 pp:** stuffed porkchop, mashed potatoes, green beans, salad, bread, dessert.

**Uniform: Class A, Sweater, or Business Casual**  
(name tags suggested)

This event is open to all **Fleet Captains**, **Commodores**, **officers**, **mates**, or any other yacht clubbers who want to be involved and share a fun afternoon with friends from around the Bay. Be sure to bring your float plans, tri-folds, fliers, or any other Club information you wish to share.

**RSVP to **Janet Yodris** by January 30<sup>th</sup> please!**

**Email: [Ziajanet47@gmail.com](mailto:Ziajanet47@gmail.com) or call 410-979-9699**





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You are Cordially invited to attend

Crescent Yacht Club's 73rd Commodore's Ball

*"An Evening of Glitz & Glam"*

*Honoring*

Commodore Bob Limmer & First Lady Kim

&

Princess Emilie

**Saturday February 15, 2025**

Registration & Cocktails: 6pm / Ceremony: 6:45pm / Dinner and Dancing To Follow

Entertainment Provided By

Sara & The Ignighters

RSVP by February 2, 2025 to

Club Members

P/C Jake Conn

410-627-6186

Outside Tickets

P/C Andy Socha

Email: [sochafamily882@msn.com](mailto:sochafamily882@msn.com)

Cost: \$125 per person / Princesses \$75

Boumi Shriners

5050 King Ave

Baltimore, MD 21237

Reserve your room early- Residence Inn White Marsh 410-933-9554





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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](http://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](http://www.2025Hotel.com)*

*Note: This flyer can be found here: [www.2025Flyer.com](http://www.2025Flyer.com) or [www.CBYCAFlyer.com](http://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

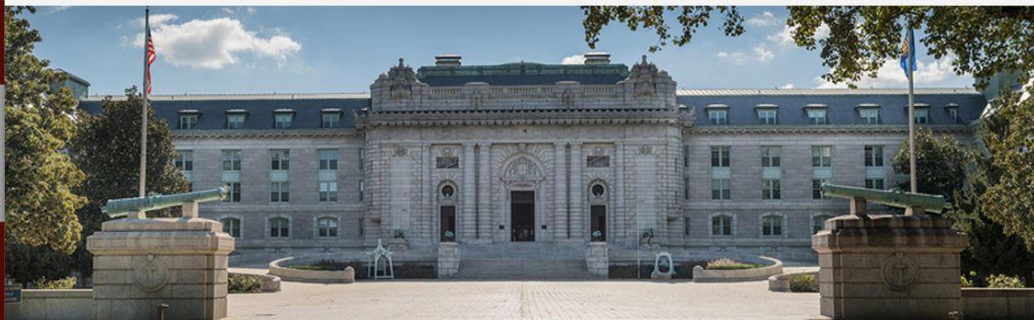
Virginia Ham  
Smoked Turkey Breast

#### Open Bar

2 Drink Tickets Per Person

\*\*\* Tickets: \$130 per person

Princesses: \$65 per person \*\*\*





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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](mailto:BodkinYCBall2025@gmail.com)

80's

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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## BASKET BINGO

CRESCENT YACHT CLUB  
1840 CAPE MAY ROAD ESSEX, MD 21221

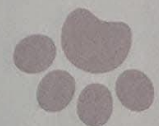


*Princess Emilie's  
Charity Event To Benefit  
Baltimore Humane Society*

**SATURDAY JANUARY 18TH 11:30-3:00**

**LUNCH AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE  
CHICKEN SALAD OR SHRIMP SALAD SANDWICH  
WITH CHIPS AND A BOTTLE OF WATER**

**20 GAMES FOR \$20.00  
SPECIALS \$5.00 EACH  
ONE CASH SPECIAL**



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443-414-6751

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PRINCESS EMILIE'S  
CHARITY



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Form Groups of 4 and Battle it Out!  
No Phones Allowed!  
FRIDAY JANUARY 31ST | 8:00PM  
RSVP Stephanie Cooney

**ENTRY FEE IS \$5 PER TEAM MEMBER**

*Cash Prize to the  
Winning Team!*

**HOSTED BY PAUL & MICHELLE KAHL**





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**Hyde Park  
Cleanup  
1/18/2025  
9am—12pm**

**LITTER IN THE STREETS BECOMES TRASH IN THE CREEKS!**

**Join BRRC in cleaning up along Hyde Park Road and Marlyn Avenue. BRRC will provide gloves, bags, and pickers for all volunteers. Look for the BRRC trailer in the Food Lion parking lot to sign in and receive your supplies! Coffee and donuts will be provided for all volunteers.**



**IT'S ALL ABOUT  
THE RIVER**

- For more information about this or other events, please email [savebackriver@outlook.com](mailto:savebackriver@outlook.com), call (410) 241-0259 or visit our website at [savebackriver.org](http://savebackriver.org)
- We have student and community service hours available





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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









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





