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LAPORTE YACHT CLUB MINUTES

Date: October 11, 2021

Meeting called to order at: 6:00 PM.

Officers and Directors Present: Jeff Matusik, Lori Cooper, Shellie Kermin, Bill Sightes and Seth Spencer.

Members Present: Bill Yoder

Reading of minutes: Minutes approved as printed in the September News Buoy. Motion to approve was made by Lori Cooper, seconded by Jeff Matusik. All in favor-motion carried.

Secretary's Report, Shellie Kermin: Current members are 257.

New Members, Matt Collins: Daniel Boylan. Motion to accept new members made by Shellie Kermin, seconded by Bill Sightes. All in favor, motion carried. WELCOME NEW MEMBERS, CAN'T WAIT TO SEE YOU AT THE CLUB!

Treasurer's Report, Lori Cooper: Treasurer's Report for September was presented. Discussion held. Motion to approve was made by Jeff Matusik, seconded by Seth Spencer. All in favor, motion carried.

Building and Grounds, Jeff Matusik: Our new shed is here. The patching and seal-coating of our driveway and parking lot is done by Pro-Drive, from La Porte. A new faucet was installed in the men's restroom, and new toilet seals were installed in the women's restroom which has seemed to take care of the sewage smell. Some new Light House lights were proposed to be purchased for each side of the driveway. Motion made by Lori Cooper, seconded by Jeff Matusik. All in favor, motion carried.

Programs, Shellie Kermin: Volunteers are always needed to make our events the best they can be! To volunteer, please email or call Shellie Kermin, tskermin@gmail.com or 219-575-1616. The 2021 Calendar of Events is posted at the club and we are always open to ideas and suggestions.

Sundays – FOOTBALL SUNDAY FUNDAY; Noon – 6 pm! We will be open on Sundays for football and fun!! Bring a dish to share, your friends, watch football, play a card game, dice, etc. Food offerings will vary, so bring a dish and enjoy. If there is no one at the club at half-time of the 3:30 game, the club will close. If this does not bring in many members, it might be discontinued.

Saturday, October 23rd – Removal of Piers; 8 am. Please sign up with the bartenders to come out and help. Lunch will be served afterwards.

Saturday, October 30th – Halloween Party; 6 pm to ??. Weather permitting we will be outside with live music, roaring fires, moon shine and spooky fun. Costume Contest with money prizes! Costumes are not required to attend. Bring a dish to share, the club will provide the main dish of Italian Beef sandwiches.

Saturday, November 6th – Chili Cook Off, AND Euchre Tournament!

Chili Cook Off; 2 pm; Sign up with your bartender to register your pot of Chili, cost is \$10 to enter the contest and win big! Don't want to cook Chili...come and taste them all for \$10 and cast your vote for the best chili.

Euchre Tournament; 6 pm start! PLEASE pre-register with your bartender; or be there by 5 pm to register. Cost is \$10 per hand. **COMING TO BOTH...get a drink chip!!**

Sunday, November 14th – Home for the Holidays, Noon to 4 pm. Holiday shopping, Bloody Mary Bar, Bake Sale. Donate a baked good or buy a baked good; all proceeds will be donated to the Center Township for needy families at the holidays.

SAVE THE DATES:

Sunday, December 5th - Tailgate Board of Directors Appreciation, 9 am – noon. Bring a donation for Toys for Tots Collection. Come in at noon to warm up and watch football!

Sunday, December 12th – Wine School, 3 pm. Sign up now, only 30 spots available.

Saturday, February 26th – Comedy Night, details to be announced!

Kitchen Committee, Matt Collins and Chef Yvonne: THANK YOU so much to Roger Boylan for stepping up and preparing some fantastic food in Yvonne's absence!! Welcome back Yvonne!

Pier Committee, Jim Taschler: Piers will be removed on Saturday, Oct 23rd at 8 am. Please volunteer to help!! You can sign up with the bartenders! Donating your time saves the club \$1,000's! Lunch will be served afterwards!

Contribution Committee, Lori Cooper: \$1,600 made from our Golf Outing was donated to St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital, in memory of Debra Williams. Motion was made by Lori Cooper to donate \$400 to Meals on Wheels' Trivia Tournament seconded by Shellie Kermin.

Unfinished business: Nothing to report

New business: Discussion was had about how our club struggles to keep having events (also fundraisers to keep our club open), due to the lack of volunteers. The board discussed ways to encourage and incentivize members to donate and volunteer their time. Have ideas? Please voice your opinions to any board member or attend the next board meeting.

Motion to adjourn by, Lori Cooper, seconded by Seth Spencer. All in favor-motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at: 8:25 PM.

Next meeting: Monday, November 8, 2021 at 6:00 PM. All members are welcome.

Commodore Letter

Ahoy Members,

As the summer comes to a close it's been a fun summer hopefully for all, we have had many events and some nice hot weather, unfortunately we had to cancel a couple things because of lack of volunteers, I am hoping we will have many of you step up to help next year so we can have lots of smoothly run events. We have plenty more fun events coming over the next few winter months.

Welcome back Yvonne!!! And thank you Rodger Boylan for Volunteering your time to cook some fantastic food for us.

It is time to talk about next years board, Myself as commodore and the current board are planning on staying together to make this a better place for next year again. I thank all of our board for there work. If there are any members interested in becoming a board member or creating a slate to run against us need to put it together in writing and notify us by the next meeting on Nov 8th, we have one spot open at the moment to add to current board, contact me if interested. we the board Volunteer lots of hours to keep us afloat and moving full speed ahead. Board members do not get paid for this, we do it because we love and care about the club and our members.

I hope everyone has liked the changes and improvements we have made so far with more to come. We are always looking for ways and ideas to improve. Feel free to send any ideas our way for consideration.

Please feel free to contact me anytime.

Thank you,

Your Commodore

Jeff Matusik

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Upcoming Meals LaPorte Yacht Club



FOOTBALL SUNDAY FUNDAY; 12—6 PM
Bring a dish to share, watch football, play cards, or a game. Some weeks we will have a food truck or a meal provided by a volunteer. Please come support your club or these Sundays could be discontinued.

Tuesday, Nov. 2nd - Pizza

Friday, Nov. 5th - Dinner menu plus Fish and Chips, 3 pc beer batter pollack

Tuesday, Nov. 9th - Tacos

Friday, Nov. 12th - Dinner menu plus Walleye dinner

Tuesday, Nov. 16th - Wings

Friday, Nov. 19th - Dinner menu plus Salmon dinner

Tuesday, Nov. 23rd - Burgers

Friday, Nov. 26th - Dinner menu plus Perch, 8 pieces, sautéed or fried



Upcoming Events LaPorte Yacht Club



FALL EVENTS:

Saturday, 10/30, 6 pm; Halloween Party
Live Music, Costume Contest, Italian Beef, Bring a dish to share

Saturday, 11/6, 2 pm; Chili Cook Off
Enter your chili, \$10; Cash Prizes OR
Come to taste and vote, try 3 chili's for \$5, or unlimited for \$10
Stay for Euchre! 6 pm, \$10 to enter tournament, bring a snack to share

Sunday, 11/14, 12-4; Home for the Holidays
Bake Sale, Bloody Mary Bar, & Shopping

Sunday, 12/5, 9 am; Tailgate Party
Toys for Tots Fundraiser, Bring a toy, enjoy free Bloody Mary's, Chili, Brats, and thank your Board of Directors, then at noon come in, warm up and watch football!

Sunday, 12/12, 3 pm; Wine School,
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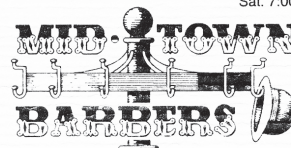
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