

# DECEMBER 2007

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23 <i>Sunset Sundays</i>	24 <i>Christmas Eve</i> <b>CLOSED</b>	25 <b>CLOSED</b> <i>Merry Christmas</i>	26 Dinner 6 pm	27 Lunch Buffet 11 am - 2 pm	28 Dinner & Draw	29
30 <i>Sunset Sundays</i>	31 <i>New Year's Eve</i> <b>CLOSED</b>					



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## DECEMBER EVENTS

CHRISTMAS ON THE WATER  
December 1

PRIVATE PARTY  
December 8

BOARD MEETING  
December 12

LES PIERROTS  
December 13

BYC CHRISTMAS PARTY  
December 16

CLUB CLOSED  
December 24 - 25  
December 31 - 1

## COMMODORE'S CORNER

December 2007

Well my year as Commodore is almost over and this will be my last time to share my thoughts with you. We have truly had one heck of a ride this past year. Property swaps, Special General Membership Meetings, Wednesday Night Racing & dinners, and a great design for the new Yacht Club building.

I want to thank everyone who has helped the club this year. All of the Committee Chairs, the Board, my fellow Flag Officers, the staff and everyone who has volunteered to help out this year. It is humbling to see how passionate the members of the BYC are towards their club. Watching how our members will pitch in and do things. Everything from pounding nails on the pier, driving a car full of juniors to a regatta, answering the phone when the bartenders are busy fixing a fellow member a drink, to grabbing a bag of trash and taking it to the dumpster. It really is the membership of the BYC that makes this club live and breathe.

It really does seem like only yesterday that we started on this wild ride. Now it's time for the Holidays with the Christmas on the Water Boat Parade, the Children's Christmas Party and new this year for the adults a "Dirty Santa" party. And we will continue on with Monday Night Football and Sunday Night Sunset on the Pier.

As usual I am lost on where to begin with the activities this past month and the plans for the next month. So I guess I'm just going to start with what I enjoy the most.

**SAILING** - Congratulations again to our Capdevielle Racing Team. They have had a great year and congratulations and thanks to all that participated. I have heard that plans have already started for next year and I want to wish them the best. One last time I want to thank Jeffery Ellis for taking this task on and keeping things growing.

**SPECIAL GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING** - There was a Special General Membership Meeting held on the 11th of November where we discussed and voted on dues and initiation rates for the upcoming year. Our dues structure will remain the same for 2008 as it was in 2007 and the initiation fees for Senior Voting Memberships will rise from \$600 to \$750.

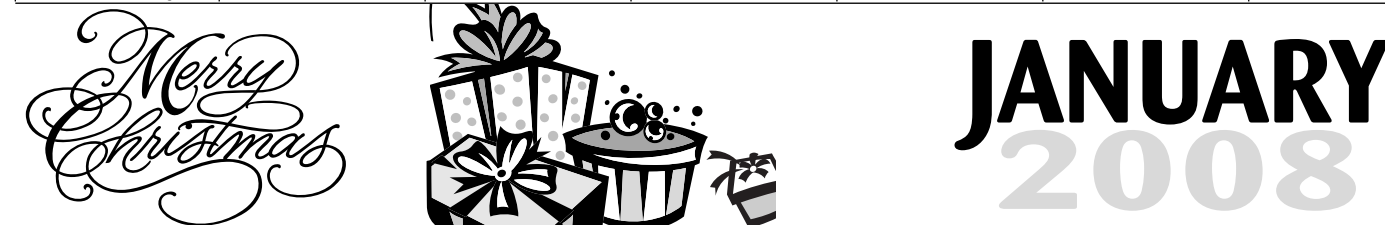
**NEW CLUB HOUSE** - As of this writing we have gone out for hard money bids on the new club house and these numbers are expected to be in soon. Treasurer Jude McDonnell is keeping the SBA informed on what is going on and is making sure that all of our paper work is kept up to date. If you have a question please contact either, Robert Smith, Wendell Lee, Rocky Rhodes, Buzzy Bolton, Joe Wink or myself.

**MARINA** - Don't forget "Sunset Sundays"; bring your favorite refreshment and food to throw on the grill. Festivities will start 30 minutes before sunset. At the last board meeting the Board voted to reduce the fees that we charge for renting a slip from \$5.00 per foot of boat or length of slip (which ever is greater) to \$4.00 per foot. This was done to keep us in better alignment with the facilities around us.

**HOUSE & ENTERTAINMENT** - Monday Night Football - Great times are being had on Monday nights; all of the volunteers that have come down to cook their favorites have done a fantastic job. Please come down and visit with your friends and enjoy the facilities. For those of you that don't know there is a sign-up sheet for cooking on Monday night in the club. Please get your cooking team together and sign-up.

**SANTA COMES TO THE BYC** - Santa is coming to the BYC on Sunday the 16th of December. There

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**COMMODORE LETTER CONTINUED...**

will be a party for the children in the afternoon and a "Dirty Santa" party for the adults in the evening. More details are here in the Lee Sheet.

**COMMODORE'S BALL** - This year's Ball was held at the D'Iberville Moose Lodge. For those that were there I think it was safe to say that a "large time" was had by all. Cathy and here crew did a great job with the food and decorations. There was dancing for all (I don't think Richard Johnson was ever let off the dance floor by the BYC ladies). To all of the members who helped get the Commodores Ball back into being I say thank you.

**MARDI GRAS CRUISE TO MEXICO** - Thanks to Carol Ann Wilkerson for organizing a great cruise for BYC members. We will depart for the Mexican Rivera on Thursday, Feb. 7th and return on Monday, Feb 11th. With all of the fun of Mardi Gras I think all of us will be ready for a relaxing cruise. If you have questions please call Carol Ann, she may have some extra room for you.

**FOR THE GOOD OF THE CLUB** - In closing for my last time I am going to repeat several of the things that I have said over the past few months. As we continue to push forward with new items for next year, all of us please try to remember to keep focused on where we are trying to go. Our goals should be to: 1. Promote Yachting (both sail & power); 2. Get us a new club house built; 3. Bolster the Capdevielle sailing program; 4. Improve facilities in the marina; and 5. most importantly have fun. Please remember that we are rebuilding a New Biloxi Yacht Club not for us, but for our children and their children. We have the opportunity to shape the generations to come with our decisions and we should all take that responsibility with the up most conviction. I can not stress it enough that we can not be short sighted with our decisions by thinking only of today but think of the needs of our future generations.

I again invite everyone to come to the best double wide on the coast and be a part of the exciting things at the New Biloxi Yacht Club.

**Jim Graham**  
 commodore@biloxiyc.org

*From The Rear Commodore*

Dear fellow members, please find membership application enclosed. Your Board and Flag Officers are asking you to bring in new quality members to help keep dues down and build a new club that we will all be very proud of. If you need more application forms, they are available on line at [www.biloxiyc.org](http://www.biloxiyc.org) or at the club. Two week guest membership cards are available. See Ann in the office for details. Still need help, please feel free to call me at 374-2935.

The active membership before Katrina was 395. After Katrina it dropped to 295. We are now at 345 and counting.

There are 15 competing teams working hard to bring in good members. Team captains are Allen Taylor, Robert Smith, Rocky Rhodes, Mike Durlak, Jude McDonnell, Tim Kirkman, Al Simons, Lois Richardson, Bill Dellenger, Jeff Ellis, Glen Whiteman, Jerry Ellis, Margie Shaughnessy, Dr. Rob Delaney & Laura Bolton. Remember, there is a \$50.00 Bar Credit to your tab for each accepted member that you sponsor.

*Thanks, Gaylord*

**In The News.....**

**BILOXI YACHT CLUB SPONSORS BAY CONNECTS**

The Biloxi Bay Chamber hosted a Bay Connects on Nov. 7 with the Biloxi Yacht Club. There were approximately 250 members and guests that attended the event. The participants enjoyed an evening of wonderful door prizes, great food and beverages, as well as great entertainment.

~ BILOXI-D'IBERVILLE PRESS

And the Winners Are.... Otto Larsen and Alisa Houpt for the Best Chili at the Cook-Off in October!!



**BYC CHRISTMAS PARTY**

*Sunday, December 16th*

Santa will be present for the kids from 2:00 - 3:00 p.m. Please limit childrens gifts from Santa to \$20.00.

At 3:00 p.m. the party will shift gears to a Dirty Santa Christmas Party for the grown ups. Everyone bring a gag gift (or something you want to dispose of) under \$15.00.

Also bring an ornament for our tree, which we'll decorate at the party. We need everyone to bring an hor d'ouerve. The club will provide adult punch at happy hour prices for the first hour.

**LEE SHEET REMINDER**

All LEE SHEET submissions should be turned in by the 15th of each month to Sandra Shanks. [lee.sheet@biloxiyc.org](mailto:lee.sheet@biloxiyc.org)

**MONDAY NIGHT FOOTBALL DINNERS!**

**Monday, December 3**

**CHEF - MAMIE**

**MENU - BABY BACK RIBS - BAKED BEANS - POTATO SALAD**

**Monday, December 10**

**CHEFS - RONNIE & KELLY TOOTLE  
 ROBERT & SANDRA SMITH**

**Monday, December 17**

**CHEFS - GLEN, DIDI, ALISA, OTTO, FRANCES  
 MENU - CHICKEN & DUMPLINGS "THE BEST EVER"**

**Monday, December 24 - CLOSED**

**FRIDAY NIGHT DRAW**

10-26	\$400	Henry Elkel	Not Present
11-2	\$400	Julie Schmidt	Not Present
11-9	\$400	Gloria Levy	Not Present
11-16	\$400	Gordon Richerson	Not Present
11-23	\$400	Greg McCarthy	Not Present

*Draw continues to grow until it reaches \$400.  
 Drawing held each Friday night between 8 pm - 9 pm.  
 Must be present to win.*

**FREE DRINK DRAW**

10-26	Mary Boles
11-2	Bill De Bruler
11-9	Michael Murray
11-16	Mike Durlak
11-23	Steve McAuliffe



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*Marina*  
**NEWS**

**SLIPS ON SALE AT THE BYC MARINA!**

The Governing Board approved my request at last month's meeting to reduce the slip rent from \$5 per ft to \$4 per ft. We have 4 large boat slips available (with two new-member apps pending) and 3 small boat slips available on the North side. Metered power is available and free water. Call me at 228-669-0092.

The Rub Rail is getting better each month so come check it out. Sunset Sundays are going well. Bring what you want to drink, a covered dish and/or something to throw on the grill and come on! We meet about an hour before sunset.

*Tim Kirkman*

**NEW LUNCH MENU WILL BE OFFERED SOON!!!**

**BYC SATURDAY LUNCHES**  
**Gourmet Hot Dogs & Pizza**  
 Served 12:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.

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**Fri - Sat: 11 am to Midnight**  
*(Food service until 10 pm)*  
**Sunday: Noon to 10 pm**  
*(Food service until 9 pm)*

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