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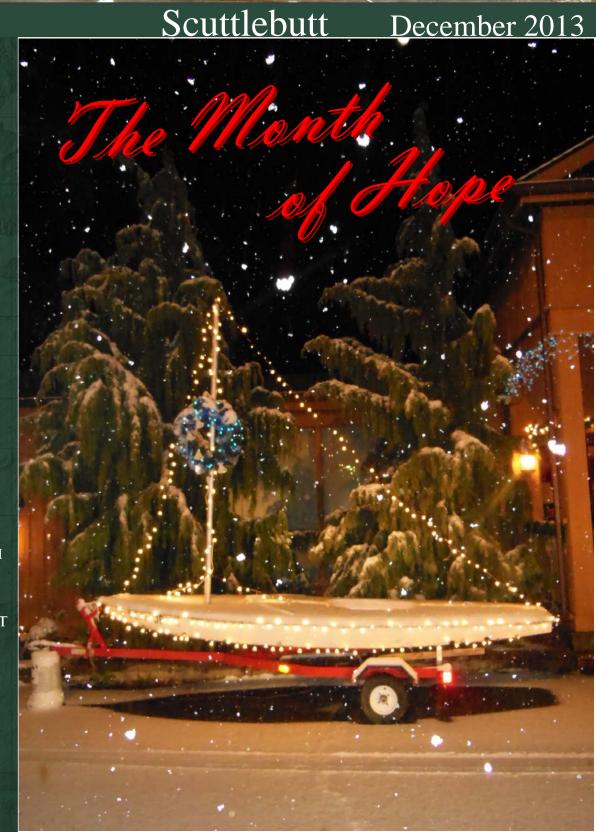
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Commodore's Report

It hardly seems possible that we've reached the last month of my year as your commodore. Wherever does the time go. So many people I want to thank for helping me steer the AYC ship through our troubled financial waters while keeping the club a viable, wonderful place for our members. We enjoyed this year and meeting so many nice people.

Denny Snyder But first, this news: For the winter the club will be closed Mondays and Tuesdays, with our hot dog night switching to Thursdays. Also, don't forget the Kids Christmas Party on Dec. 15th. It includes crafts, snacks and cookies. Everyone always has fun at this event. Santa Claus will be there, so I hope you have been good this year. #830

Now, I want to thank the following for a great year: all those who worked on committees and events and those who supported the events; trustees who gave of their time, talent and knowledge to keep the AYC ship tacking in the right direction; Jeff and Kathy Schmitt for the outstanding New Members Party and their dedicated work to bring 31 new members to the club;

Norma Campbell and Clara Huffman for making my job easier (they know their jobs and do them well); our great waitresses, bus people, set-up people, Chef Mike and Brock and the kitchen staff; Paula Moyer and Ken Weegar for all the time they spent on the financials; the Auxiliary for the new pool furniture and other things they have donated to the club; Jan Kennedy for his work on Scuttlebutt, the Blue Book and editing my columns;

Gary Lenhart and staff for the Junior Sailing program that so many young people enjoy; Anita and James Hirsch and family for the Children's Christmas Party (they have done this party for several years and they do a fantastic job); and, finally, to a couple who are always there when you say "party" or work - Bobbie & Gary Jones. Also, a big thanks to Paul Tinlin for being there when I needed him.

I want to wish Dick, Linda & Randy a successful year in 2014. The same goes to all the newly elected and reelected board members. Dick informs me that he has chosen Ronald L. Widner to replace Randy on the board, since Randy is moving up to the Rear Commodore position. Ron previously has served on the board.

So to end my last column as your commodore, Linda and I wish you:



A Merry Christmas and a Kappy New Year



Auxiliary Report

The AYC auxiliary met at the club on Thursday, Nov. 14th. We have received a lot of positive feedback from members about our style show. Thanks to all of the board and club members who served the meals, decorated and donated baskets and made our event a success. Thanks to Chef Mike and the kitchen staff, the lunch was a hit. We made approximately \$1,500.

Kathy Palmer We voted to donate growlers and bags to new members at the New Members Party. We also continue to sell AYC clothes and can order any item you would like from the catalogs. We are running a special with the 65th anniversary shirts we have in stock, so check these out at the club.

We have decided to sponsor a Christmas Gala at no expense to the club as a holiday boost for everybody. Also we are planning our bus trip to Pittsburgh Rivers Casino for Presidents weekend. See information on both events below.

We voted to donate \$500 to Share a Christmas in Carroll County, Citizens Bank. The winner of our quilt raffle was Ellen Everette, a very excited recipient.

Our Christmas wreath loaded with gift cards is displayed on the wall at the club. This is our final fundraiser for 2013. Tickets are in envelopes at the bar, 12 for \$10, or from any auxiliary member. So please support us and pick up an envelope at the bar as all our funds go back to support the club. The wreath will be redecorated to match your home decor by Vicki Flickinger.

We will have an election of officers for 2014 at our next meeting on Thursday Dec. 12th. This is your chance to get involved with the club and be a part of a very motivated group. We are getting together for cards and social outings over the winter so watch for these in the near future. We always meet on the second Thursday at 6:30 at the club. All members are invited stop by and join us anytime.

Christmas Gala on the Lake

The AYC Auxiliary is sponsoring a Christmas Gala this year on Friday, Dec. 20th, in the lounge area. Come dressed in your lavish Christmas attire to swing in the bar with the tunes from our DJ music from 8-11 p.m. Wear your festive dancing shoes and be ready to jingle in the upcoming holiday season. Appetizers will be served. We would be honored if you would share a dozen of your favorite Christmas cookies. (We would love the recipes if you care to share.) Hope to see you all with bells on ready to shake the house.

Get Your Bags Packed

Back, by popular demand, an Auxiliary Gambling Bus Trip to Pittsburgh. Mark your calendars, it will be Presidents weekend, Feb. 15th and 16th, 2014. We will try and be winners at Rivers Casino, crash at Sheraton Square and party in a suite upon arrival and after gambling. More information to follow, but save the date. It is guaranteed to be an exciting event.

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"We can't solve problems by using the same kind of thinking we used when we created them."

Albert Einstein

AYC Auxiliary Style Show





Other Stuff

In case you haven't heard, we've recently lost two of our Senior Members. Marvyn Touse, 87, died on Monday, Oct. 28, Then, on Saturday, Nov. 2, we lost Kathleen Greer, 80. She was the mother of AYC member Kevin Greer. We offer our condolences to these families.

We also have news to share on a couple other members who have had health problems.

Tom Altland had open heart surgery on Nov. 22nd.

Tom Newbold had two open heart surgeries earlier in November.

Tim Kamerer has his left hip replaced on Oct. 1st and will go under the knife again on Dec. 3rd to have his right hip replaced.

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Notable Quotables

We have a little space left over this month, because of fewer reports due to so many things being shut down for the winter. I've always enjoyed perceptive quotations and I'm sure many of you share that with me. So, with space to fill, here are several.

"The two most powerful warriors are patience and time."

Leo Tolstoy

"Truth will always be truth, regardless of lack of understanding, disbelief or ignorance."

W. Clement Stone

"If you don't want your tax dollars to help the poor, then stop saying you want a country based on Christian values, because you don't."

Jimmy Carter

"Each of us has been put on earth with the ability to do something well. We cheat ourselves and the world if we don't use that ability as best we can."

George Allen, Sr.

"Of all the words of mice and men, the saddest are, 'It might have been." Kurt Vonnegut

"Worrying does not empty tomorrow of its troubles; it empties today of its strength."

Corrie Ten Boom

"Happiness is not having what you want, but wanting what you have."

Rabbi Hyman Judah Schachtel

"In three words I can sum up everything I've learned about life: it goes on."

Robert Frost

"Do not bite at the bait of pleasure, till you know there is no hook beneath it."

Thomas Jefferson



Randy Wells another year.

Social Committee Report

As I write my final article this year I am remembering what a great year it has been. The entertainment, dancing, friendship, laughter, and, yes, some tears made 2013 a memorable one.

Each year begins with a <u>BANG</u> when <u>Italian Night</u> rolls around. It sure helps us out of our post-holiday blues! Oh, and how can I forget our <u>Closing Party</u>, when our kitchen offers us great hors d'oeuvres.

After a llloonnnnnngggg few weeks, out club opens again all fresh and ready for

We did have a wonderful year, and it takes quite a team to make that happen. So, I would like to thank everyone who helped out, participated and supported our club. #1051

Dec. 15th is the Children's Christmas Party that begins at 1 p.m. and lasts until about 4. Bring the kiddos to see Santa at our Winder Wonderland.

On Dec. 31st come dance and enjoy the music of "Around the Block," featuring our own Doc (Tom) Altland. It's the annual New Years Eve Party and it begins at 7:30 p.m. Party favors, noise makers, hats, sauerkraut and pork will be served at midnight along with a champagne toast, all for \$30 per person. This is a prepaid event, so be sure to get on the sign-up sheet behind the bar. Please sign-up as soon as possible so we can plan our food ordering.

Thanks to all of you again for a terrific year.



Membership Report



Jeff Schmitt

The 2013 New Member's Party is in the books. I'm not sure that the term "In the books" is politically correct anymore. Now maybe it's "in the File" or "added as an Attachment" or some other tech praise. Needless to say, we had it and as far as I know everyone had a great time. If you couldn't be there we truly missed you and wish you could have been with us. The good news is that there will be another one next year so you'll have another chance. #779

After Cathy and I got home she reminded me that I forgot to thank one very important group. So I want to take this opportunity to make amends. A very special and heart felt thanks goes out the ladies of our club who graciously gave of their time and talent to supply our party with the sweets that topped off our hors d'oeuvres.

I need to bring everyone up to date on the clubs membership numbers, and I plan on doing that very thing next month at the close of the year. Speaking of the end of 2013, I want to remind everyone that we still have time to invite new folks to our Club. The holidays are upon us and the decorations are going up at the Club. There is never a better time to show off the benefits that we as members enjoy. You may have heard me say this before and I apologize if you have. Membership is the engine that powers our Club and we need every member's help to add fuel to the engine. Until next month.

AYC 2013 New Members Party - Nov.16, 2013



Outgoing Membership an outstanding job this year members, and he has a magic bag. Jeff has chaired two years. If you ever Membership, you know it is. Jeff told the crowd at he couldn't have done it one of his employees, Julie guru. Thanks to all of them One final note: Chef outstanding and the a great night to welcome Chairman Jeff Schmitt did by bringing in 31 new couple more potentials in his the committee for the last headed or served on what a time consuming job the Membership Party that without his wife, Kathy, and Arambula, his technological for their great work. Mike's hors d'oeuvres were dancing was vigorous. What

the new members to the club

