

## SPECIAL PRE-ELECTION ISSUE

THE FOLLOWING REGULAR MEMBERS OF THE ERIE YACHT CLUB HAVE BEEN NOMINATED FOR THE OFFICE BY THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE AND ARE IN ALPHABETICAL ORDER. THE FOLLOWING SLATE OF CANDIDATES IS FOR CONSIDERATION BY THE REGULAR MEMBERS AT THE ANNUAL MEETING ON NOVEMBER 20, 1992.

### BRIDGE

#### COMMODORE – ELECT ONE:

RONALD BUSSE

#### VICE COMMODORE – ELECT ONE:

WILLIAM LASHER

#### REAR COMMODORE – ELECT ONE:

JOHN ASHBY

#### FLEET CAPTAIN – ELECT ONE:

JOHN W. BIERLEY

JAMES LOCKWOOD

#### BOARD OF DIRECTORS – ELECT TWO:

DAVID BLAKE

DOUGLAS BREON

EDWARD MASCHARKA III

DAVID UNGERMAN

#### NOMINATING COMMITTEE – ELECT THREE:

JULIE (FINN) ARTHURS

JERRY EMLING

PAT GEARY

MICHAEL SULLIVAN

TO ASSIST YOU IN YOUR EVALUATION OF THESE CANDIDATES, EACH OF THE NOMINEES WAS ASKED TO PREPARE A STATEMENT FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION. THESE STATEMENTS FOLLOW.

PLEASE PLAN TO ATTEND THE ANNUAL MEETING ON FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 20, AT 7:30 P.M. TO VOTE FOR THE CANDIDATES OF YOUR CHOICE.



CANDIDATE FOR COMMODORE  
**RONALD BUSSE**

It has been an honor and pleasure to serve you as Vice Commodore for the past year. With the commencing of the Clubhouse addition, the coming year should be one of challenge to say the least. It is my simple goal to attempt to satisfy the largest majority of the membership's requests while maintaining the intent of this project. This purpose is shared by all the officers and directors, especially John Ashby the project director. Though this is a monumental undertaking, we do not intend to let any other areas of the Club go unattended. I would sincerely appreciate your vote for Commodore for the coming year.

Sincerely,  
*Ronald Busse*  
*Vice Commodore*



CANDIDATE FOR VICE COMMODORE  
**WILLIAM LASHER**

I would like to start by thanking you for giving me the opportunity to serve you for the past two years. I have found that the time has passed quickly and that the job has been interesting. There is no question that it takes a lot of time and energy, and at times can be frustrating, but service to our club in any form is satisfying.

I believe we must continue to move forward, but do so at a pace that is comfortable to a majority of the members, and in a manner that will not cause dues or other fees to increase faster than inflation. The renovation project will, of course, be our major project for the next several years, but we must continue to maintain and improve our facilities. We have developed a working 3-year capital improvements plan that I believe will address our needs within our financial constraints.

I sincerely appreciate the comments, suggestions, criticisms, and support that you have given me over the past two years, and look forward to continuing in your service.

Respectfully submitted,  
*Bill Lasher*  
*Rear Commodore*

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CANDIDATE FOR REAR COMMODORE  
**JOHN ASHBY**



Dear Fellow Members,

First I would like to thank you for your support, not only electing me as your Fleet Captain, but for all the help so many of you have given me throughout the year.

We have begun the initial steps in forming committees for the 1995 EYC Centennial Celebration. We are going to publish a historical hard cover commemorative book and produce a 30 minute video. In 1993 we will get the event committees in second year and the brainstorming will begin.

Our club has been on a roll now for the last few years with steady improvements in all areas. Now we will be entering the 1993 season with a club expansion program that will better facilitate all our membership and will help to control our dues structure.

I look forward to another year in serving you in the capacity of Rear Commodore and I appreciate your continued support in this and the years to come. Thank you.

Sincerely yours,  
*John G. Ashby*  
*Fleet Captain*



CANDIDATE FOR FLEET CAPTAIN  
**JOHN W. BIERLEY**

It is an honor to be nominated for the position of Fleet Captain of Erie Yacht Club. If elected, I promise total dedication to the interests of the club both now and in the future.

I have been a regular member since 1956, and, at one time or another, have served on most standing committees including: House, Docks, Social, Long Range Planning, Jr. Sailing, Nomination (chair twice), and am currently a member of the Board of Directors. I have long been Erie Yacht Clubs delegate to InterLake Yachting Association, and currently serve as a Trustee of the Yachtsman's Fund as well as a member of the Jr. Sailing Advisory and Long Range Planning Committees of that organization.

I am one of three EYC Delegates to the Greater Erie Boating Association, and am active in the affairs of the United States Sailing Association.

I have also served on numerous ragatta committees, the Thompson Memorial Trophy Committee, and as a race officer or judge of the regional and national events hosted by EYC. I have been Head Instructor of our Junior Sailing Program, taught the adult program for many years, and am currently a Senior USSA Certified Sailing Judge.

Through job related travel, and many years of competitive sailing and cruising, I've been a guest at numerous yacht clubs throughout North America, Bermuda, Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands. Based on this experience, it is obvious that Erie Yacht Club has done a whole lot of things right, and I pledge to do my part to continue this path.

Erie Yacht Club members are an "extended family", and I am proud to be part of that family. Our future as an organization will, to a large extent depend on our youth, and our ability to keep their interest over time. (In this regard my five grandsons are in our Junior Sailing Program, and two of them have represented us regionally. I hope they will all be active members here someday). Our present "fleet" consists of a J-24, a 22' Wellcraft, an Illusion, two Sunfish, and Optimist Pram, a sailboat and a DN Iceboat; so you might say I need the club! I sincerely hope you feel the club can use me!

*John W. Bierley*



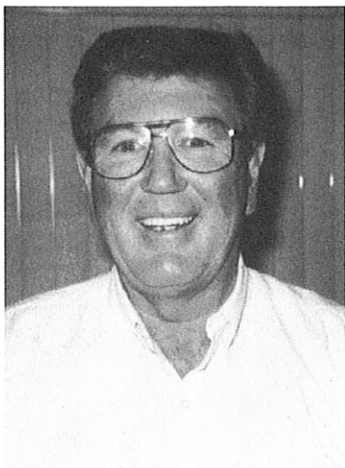
CANDIDATE FOR FLEET CAPTAIN  
**JAMES LOCKWOOD**

I have been a member of the Erie Yacht Club since 1978. I have enjoyed years of pleasure from boating and my affiliation with the Erie Yacht Club. I look at this opportunity to give something back to the Erie Yacht Club with great pleasure.

I own and operate Jim Lockwood Dodge in Girard and I have been there since 1977. My business experience should be useful in helping direct the management and the future of the Erie Yacht Club. I have traveled to many of the clubs in the Great Lakes and I believe ours to be one of the premier clubs.

I feel the purpose of the Erie Yacht Club is to serve the needs of the members and especially the needs of its boaters. I ask for your support and I pledge my efforts to help the club grow and safeguard the interests of all members.

*James Lockwood*



CANDIDATE FOR BOARD OF DIRECTORS

**DAVID BLAKE**

I am honored to be asked to run as a director of the Erie Yacht Club. Shortly after graduating from Grove City College in 1960, I bought a Lightning and joined the EYC. My next boat was a Shark Catamaran, followed by a Tornado. Then the boat building bug got me and I built a Mirror Dinghy. That experience was so enjoyable that I built Taco the Town, the catamaran I'm currently sailing - named for my local Taco Bell restaurants.

My wife, Diane, and I have two adult children who both became adept sailors through the excellent EYC Junior Sailing Program.

I would be proud to contribute my time and efforts on behalf of the members of this fine Club.

*David Blake*



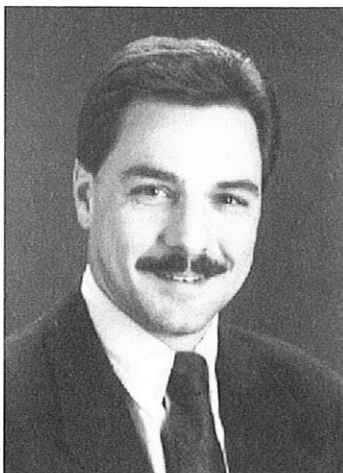
CANDIDATE FOR THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

**J. DOUGLAS BREON**

In the five years I've been associated with the Erie Yacht Club, it's become an increasingly important part of my recreational life. My wife, Susan, and I were born and raised in Erie, but moved away after college. When we joined EYC, we lived in Pittsburgh, but kept our boat in Erie and spent a portion of every weekend with friends and acquaintances here at the club. Since I returned to Erie three years ago to become a partner in Professional Floor Care Systems, much of my leisure time has been at the club, including the EYC Racing Fleet, Frosty and Friday night sailing, the MS Regatta and just hanging out with friends.

This is an exciting time for the club, as we embark on the clubhouse expansion, grow the junior sailing program and carry out the other mandates of the members in improving the facilities and services. I would be honored to give my time and energy to the club-it certainly has given me fine friends and hours of enjoyment.

*J. Douglas Breon*



CANDIDATE FOR BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
**EDWARD MASCHARKA, III**

Friends & Members

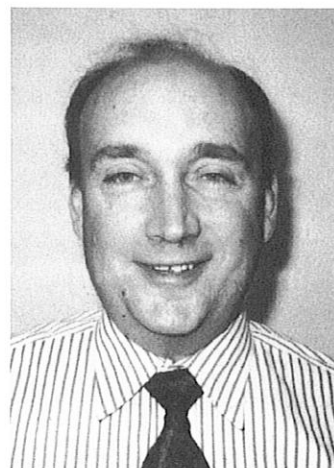
Having been a member now for 14 years, seven as a regular and seven as a junior family member, I have come to know most of you. For those of you I have not had the pleasure of meeting yet, this is my formal Hello!

I have been selected by the nominating committee to run for a position on the board of Directors of the Erie Yacht Club. I accepted their nomination, fully aware that this is not a task that is to be taken lightly. My club affiliation originated as a family member through my own family as well as my wife's family, the Rickloff's. Jane and I frequently attend club functions at the Yacht Club. Both of us, along with our children, are currently power boaters and have prior experience in Junior sailing school.

My current position as Executive Vice-President and Treasurer of Janitors Supply Co., Inc. for the past 11 years has given me the insight needed to aid in the operation of our club and to assist in future board negotiations. I have also served as a chairperson on the Supplier Relations committee of Preferred Distributors, a buying group for sanitary supply distributors, negotiating contracts and discount schedules for 75 distributor members with over 200 million in purchasing dollars.

If elected I will work as eagerly and diligently as possible to represent you and to correct all concerns that any member voices to me.

*Edward Mascharka, III*



CANDIDATE FOR BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
**J. DAVID UNGERMAN**

I have been a member of the Erie Yacht Club since 1980. I have always been an active boater. My father moved up from Pittsburgh in 1944 and bought the 32 foot Comet which was moored in the west slip for years. I love boating, both power and sail, however, I am most active in sail boat racing which I find I need mentally and physically to keep me in shape. Three quarters of the earth is water and I am always amazed at the number of people who do not respond to the "lure to the sea". If elected on your Board, I will spend whatever time is necessary to assure that the Club continues to be run in a fiscally sound manner. I also enjoy the relationship of the Yacht Club to all other boating organizations and other Yacht Clubs.

Sincerely yours,

*J. David Ungerman, Esq.*





CANDIDATE FOR NOMINATING COMMITTEE

**JULIE (FINN) ARTHURS**

Fellow Members,

The Erie Yacht Club has been a very important part of my life since my family began sailing in 1973. I have enjoyed the benefits of Junior Sailing, the competition of sailboat racing, and the many activities the club has offered over the years.

I was very pleased to be asked to run for a position on the Nominating Committee and consider this to be an opportunity to serve the members of the Erie Yacht Club. I will do my best to assure that candidates are proposed for your consideration that will pursue the improvement and continued operation of the facilities for the members and their boating activities.

My husband and I look forward to raising our two daughters in the same atmosphere that I was afforded while growing up at the Erie Yacht Club. I respectfully ask for your consideration when making your voting decision.

*Julie Finn Arthurs*



CANDIDATE FOR NOMINATING COMMITTEE

**JERRY EMLING**

I am honored to have been asked to run for this very important position. I have been associated with the club since 1953 through family participation. Activities included EYC Junior Sailing, Charter Member of the Thistle Fleet in 1957 and sailing with them for many years, representing the club at the Wakefield Championships, and sailing many years in the PHRF and MORC fleets. As an active member for the past 26 years, my wife, Betsy, and I continue to boat on our 28' Marinette, JEM III.

I recognize the importance of selecting qualified candidates for an organization since serving on the Board of Directors and Nominating Committee of the Northwest Pennsylvania Duck Hunter's Association for the past 10 years. I look forward to the challenge and respectfully seek your support in serving the Erie Yacht Club as a member of the Nominating Committee.

As we enter the 21st Century, we need to seek members to serve on our Bridge and Board who can further the spirit and tradition of the Erie Yacht Club. I promise to all members that I will do my very best for you and the Erie Yacht Club.

*Jerry Emling*

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CANDIDATE FOR NOMINATING COMMITTEE

**PATRICK GEARY**

I am grateful to have been asked to run for the nominating committee. I have been a member of the Erie Yacht Club for over 17 years and in that time the club has evolved in many ways. I have enjoyed owning both power and sail boats and presently my wife Susan and I sail our boat Shamrock which is docked on A dock.

I have been honored to have served as the House Committee Chairman under P/C Owen as well as on the entertainment committees of both P/C Owen and Vice Commodore Busse.

Those people who hold the positions on the nominating committee help to determine the future of our club. I feel that a balance should always be maintained with our board and bridge to assure all members voices and opinions are heard and understood. We all can take great pride in belonging to a Yacht Club with many great traditions. I would appreciate your support.

*Patrick Geary*



CANDIDATE FOR NOMINATING COMMITTEE

**MICHAEL J. SULLIVAN**

My name is Michael Sullivan and I am honored to run for a position on the Nominating Committee at the Erie Yacht Club.

To let you know a little about me, I have been an active member of the Erie Yacht Club for the past 12 years. My wife, Heidi, daughter, Courtney, and I enjoy pleasure sailing with friends on our 27' Catalina, "Irish Rover". I have been employed at Dispatch Printing, Inc. for the past 14 years as Commercial Sales Manager and am active in many community-related organizations.

I would be honored to serve on the Nominating Committee since boating is one of our favorite past-times, and we enjoy spending much of our free time at the Club. I feel I could make a positive contribution to this committee.

I would appreciate your vote on November 20, 1992!

*Best Regards.  
Michael J. Sullivan*