

Minutes – May 4, 2017

The meeting was called to order at 6:36pm

37 members were in attendance

- Karen gave a brief welcome and introduced a speaker – Dr. Jeannett Schnars, Director of the Regional Science Consortium.
- Dr. Schnars discussed the Lake Erie Buoys. The Near Shore buoy is 5 nautical miles off of Beach 2 and the second is off of Beach 6. They measure water quality, weather, have a GPS, video camera and water meter. It is launched in May and retrieved in October. There will be a new buoy off of Walnut Creek this year. To view the buoy information to to www.PALakeErieBuoy.com To see all buoys across the Great Lakes to to www.GLOS.us The national buoy center is www.ndbc.noa.gov. There is also an App that can be downloaded for buoy information called Live Date Center.
- Treasurer's Report:
 - There is currently \$1,051 in the account. \$900 is from dues collected and the remainder is from 50/50
- May Picnic
 - Karen Carns reported the picnic will take place on the Deck on Thursday, May 18th @ 6pm. The cost is \$8 for members and \$12 for nonmembers. There is not a sign up sheet but it would be nice to let her know if you are going. Everyone is to bring a dish.
 - A-E bring an appetizer
 - F-P bring a side dish or salad
 - Q-Z bring a dessert
 - Cash bar
 - The picnic will be moved to the Boat House in inclement weather
- Raft Off
 - Bob Cunningham reported that our first raft off of the year will be on Sunday, May 28th in Marina Bay beginning at 12pm. Every 4th boat will need a bow anchor. Bring drinks and something to share. This will be a great way to begin the boating season.
- Summer Trips
 - **Northeast.** Pam Davis reported on the plans for the June cruise to NOSA in Northeast for dinner. The event is scheduled for Friday, June 23rd. The marina can take boats up to 38" so it was suggested that we team up with others. The trip will happen rain or shine because we can still drive to NOSA for dinner that evening if the weather is bad.
 - **Bike and Boat to Conneaut.** Michele Curtze reported on the Boat & Bike outing to Conneaut, Ohio scheduled for August 5th. Bikes and Boats will plan to leave about 10:30am. The fee for overnight dockage in Conneaut is \$30 for those planning to stay. The bike trip is about 30 miles, there is a wide shoulder for most of the trip and levels are bikers are welcome. It takes about as long to bike to Conneaut as it does to boat.
 - **Geneva on the Lake.** Kathy Wagner reported on the plans for a trip to Geneva on the Lake. The trip is being planned for either July 14th or July 28th. Let Kathy know

what date works best and she will plan accordingly. There is a shuttle available for a wine tour, a Picnic Pavilion for our enjoyment and other amenities. More to follow.

- **Cruiser's Fleet Western Trip.** Jim Thomas reported that stops would include(but not limited to) the Mentor Yacht Club, Vermillion Yacht Club, Edgewater Yacht Club and Put-in-Bay. The Crew's Nest in Put-in-Bay is probably where we would stay. It offers many nice amenities such as an adult pool, Bar and restaurant. Other places to visit could be Kelley's Island, Cedar Point, etc. The **tentative** travel schedule would be.

Day 1 – Geneva

Day 2-5 – Put-in-Bay (Monday – Thursday are the best days)

Day 5 – Depart for Vermillion

Day 7 – Mentor

Day 8 - Home

Some boats may choose to do all or part of this trip.

- Other Business

- Dave Sanner reminded us about the Boathouse Party benefitting the Erie Yacht Club Foundation on June 30th. The cost is \$100 pp and All are welcome!
- Kerry Schwab mentioned planning a trip to Toronto next year.
- Fritz Curtze requested more powerboat safety boats for the 10th Annual Bay Swim on June 12th. This is the final year for the bay swim and safety is always a concern. The event is sold out with 300 swimmers registered this year. Plan to help if you can.
- Karen Carns suggested we have a Mid Summer progressive Dock Party. Sounds like FUN!

Respectively submitted:

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