



BREEZE

CHAGRIN LAGOONS YACHT CLUB

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Commodore (Possibly) - Jeff Zika

By the time you're reading this, I may or may not officially be your Commodore yet.

Until January 5th, I'm in that curious in-between—officially almost official. Schrödinger's Commodore, if you will. The stars are polished and the responsibility is real, but the oath is still a few days away. Either way, I'm grateful for the opportunity to serve a great Club.

I hope everyone had a wonderful holiday season and found time to rest, reconnect, and unplug. Despite the cold and frozen lagoons, January quietly brings longer days and a sense of renewal. Like you, I'm looking forward to the Dock Auction, the Commodore's Ball, spring, and the boating season ahead. For now, though, this is a season to lean into community—staying connected, showing up for one another, and keeping the spirit of the Club alive even when the lake is frozen. A kind word, a kind moment, and a little awareness of one another go a long way this time of year.

Looking ahead, I want to personally invite everyone to join us for the Commodore's Ball, as we celebrate the 85th Anniversary of our Club. This milestone belongs to all of us. On behalf of my family and the Bridge, we hope you'll come celebrate our history, our friendships, and the future we continue to build together.

I look forward to officially stepping into the role very soon (likely by the time you finish this article), and I appreciate the trust, support, and good humor of this membership.

Stay warm, stay connected, and I'll see you at the Club.
Jeff



Vice Commodore - John Seifarth

Happy New Year Members,
I hope everyone had a great Holiday Season.

I am honored to serve the Club as your Vice Commodore. We will be having a wonderful time down at our Yacht Club this year. There are ideas in the works to continue improvements. Input from the membership is always appreciated.

Thank you,
John Seifarth
Vice Commodore CLYC

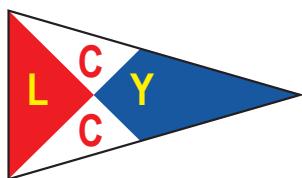
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Rear Commodore - Joe Criniti

Greetings CLYC, I recently went to downtown Cleveland to see the Christmas decorations. Instead we saw Jack !! I can't help but remember how beautiful and what a big event it was to go downtown for Christmas. We all got dressed up and oh how amazing were the displays in the windows of be Higbees, The May company and of course Halles. We all remember the 7th floor, well at least if you are over 50 you do. I am looking forward to 2026 and just wanted to wish everyone a happy and healthy Christmas and New Year.

Joe Criniti
Fleet Captain





Skipper - Jacqi Brezina

I'm hoping everyone enjoyed the holidays. Happy New Year!!

Skipperettes started December with Santa brunch. The event was great and the kids had such a good time. Thank you Stacey, and all of Santa's helpers for making it a success. A big shoutout to Bob and

Fran Lounsbury for taking such great pictures of the families. Everyone is enjoying them.

The holiday dinner dance was so nice. It's great to see everyone dressed in their holiday wear. A great time was had by all... good food, lots of cocktails, great friends and music by The Shizz. Thank you to everybody who was able to lend a hand, especially Debby Hemrich who did so much running for me. I so appreciate you.

Holiday decorations will come down Jan 4th; we'd love to have some helpers join us.

I am looking forward to being your Skipper again for 2026, with Stacey Stankus as First Mate, Jessica Partridge as Secretary and Debby Hemrich as Treasurer.

Just a reminder that everyone is part of the Skipperettes, so please come and join us the second Monday of the month at 7pm

Thank you for your support
Skipper Jacqi Brezina



Fleet Captain - Greg Fuhrman

Happy 2026, CLYC.

I hope everyone had a safe and enjoyable Holiday season. I am thrilled to introduce myself and family to those who haven't met the Fuhrmans running around the club. My wife, Amy, and I with our two daughters have been members at CLYC since 2016.

I am excited about the 2026 boating season, and nothing says "boating season is around the corner" like a good old fashioned dock auction. So, let's get right down to business.

The 2026 dock auction is scheduled for February 22, 2026. An email will be distributed to the club members in January identifying available docks to start the auction and some reminders on the existing by-laws in our club's constitution. This should provide ample time to scope out any docks members may want to move to. If anyone has any questions about the dock auction, please feel free to reach out to me directly. I look forward to serving the CLYC members and their guests throughout the 2026 season.

Best Regards,
Greg Fuhrman
Fleet Captain



Measurer - Anthony Allegra

I'm honored to step into the role of Measurer for the 2026 season. I'm excited for the opportunity to support our fleet and help ensure fair and consistent measurements for all members. As I settle into the position, I welcome any suggestions, questions, or ideas you may have on how this role can best serve the club. I look forward to working together to make the coming season a great one.

Anthony Allegra
Measurer





Sail Fleet Captain - Dan Spence

Hello CLYC

I hope that you all had a wonderful holiday season and a very happy and healthy New Years. I know many of members retreat southward to warmer climates and I wish you all safe travels and a winter filled with sunshine and warm breezes. For all the rest of us living here in the real world, hang on folks, we will get through this!

I am honored and excited to be taking on the role of Sail Fleet Captain again for 2026.

We had a great year in 2025, and I am looking forward to even more fun on and off the water!

We will be having our first meeting to get our events set up on Tuesday, January 13, 2026. Please mark your calendar.

Otherwise, looking forward to seeing you all around the club when we start to thaw out. Until then stay warm and have a boat drink, it helps to ward off the cabin fever!

January Anniversaries

27 George & Harriet Raynor



January Birthdays

1	Michelle Mekinda
2	Lou Arko
4	Alan Hoffman
	Ron White
5	Greg Fuhrman
	Terai Griffith-Spence
6	Michael Boylan
	Anne Fisk
10	Jeff Koons
15	Leslie Koons
16	Michael Brunkala
	Karen Seifartha
17	Mike Amato
20	Marlene Hallack
21	Nick Bohr
	Jeanette Nameth
	Steve Orlando
25	Kelly Bulter
	Sherry Wagner
26	Rachel Inman
28	Joe Criniti
31	Brandy Allegra



PLEASE REMEMBER DOCK AUCTION DATE HAS BEEN MOVED TO SUNDAY, FEBUARY 22, 2026!!

CHIT CHAT – Kyle Overmyer

THE DEADLINE FOR ARTICLES IS THE 20TH OF EACH MONTH.

January

Hope everyone's Holidays were fantastic and 2026 is prosperous, healthy and happy for all.

Welcome Commodore Jeff Zika & First Lady Maureen and the 2026 Bridge and Trustees. Wishing you all a successful fun filled year here at CLYC!

We welcome new member Eugene Shatsman. Please introduce yourself when you see him.

Our deepest condolences to Chris Flood and family on the passing of Dale Flood. Dale was a long-time member of CLYC and will be dearly missed.

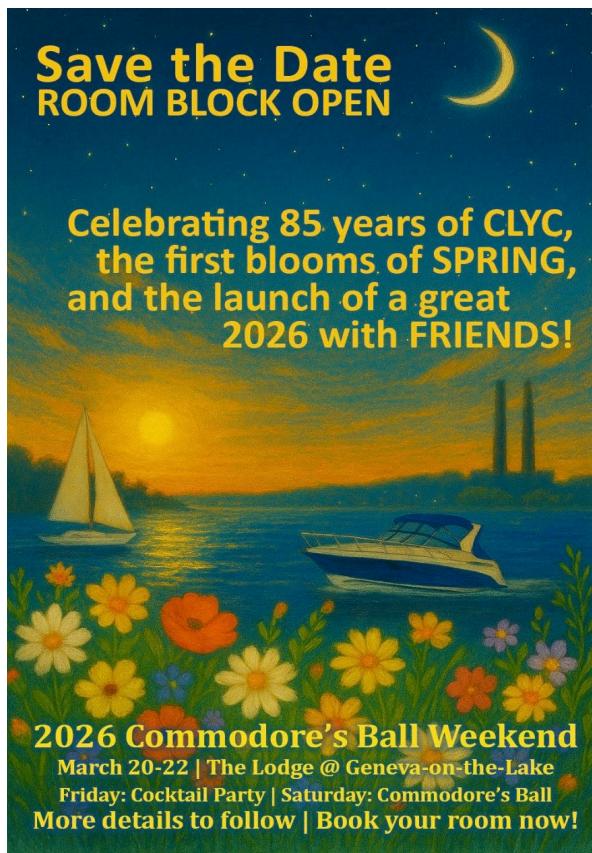
Keeping any club member that is going through some health issues/treatments in our thoughts and prayers. Your Loving CLYC Family!!

Looking for a great way to promote your business?
Please consider placing a Business Ad in our 2026 Roster!!

ALSO, THERE ARE CHANGE REQUEST SHEETS FOR YOUR ROSTER INFORMATION POSTED ON BULLETIN BOARD. PLEASE FILL OUT ANY CHANGES AND SLIP IT IN THE OFFICE DOOR SLOT!

For information contact - CLYCRoster@gmail.com
THANKS, FROM THE ROSTER COMMITTEE! Nancy McCaffery chair





Happy New Year!

JANUARY

CLYC BREEZE

2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
BOATIQUE OPEN WED & FRI 6-8PM				1 NEW YEARS DAY! BAR OPENS 1PM GALLEY CLOSED!	2	3
4 DECORATIONS TAKE UP! PLEASE HELP!	5 MEMBERSHIP MEETING 7pm	6	7	8	9	10
11	12 SKIPPERETTE'S MEETING 7pm	13 SAIL FLEET MEETING 7pm	14	15	16	17
18	19 TRUSTEES MEETING 7pm	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31