

Westerlies

Tiburon Yacht Club



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Paradise Cay
Tiburon, California



NEXT GENERAL MEETING
FRIDAY, MAY 1, 7:00PM
STRATEGIC PLAN UPDATE
DOORS OPEN 5:30PM
PIZZA AND SALAD

Longitude 122° 28' W.

COMMODORE'S COMMENTS

By Ann Watson

Things are really picking up at the club. In April we had the first of our wine tastings and this month are rolling into the beer can racing season as well as the club's big 50th birthday party. Weekly Friday Night Race Dinners start May 22 and continue through the summer. Race is organizing the "Sinko de Mayo" Race, followed by the Behrens Regatta, and the cruisers are cruising out to Ballena Bay Yacht Club. Summertime in the Cay is upon us. It's the busiest time of year for the club, so come on over and enjoy.

Though the volunteer spirit is important to TYC, this is a good month to make it clear that volunteering is...well...voluntary. Many of us enjoy helping out and have the time to do so. It's a great way to get to know other members. But if that's not you, no worries. By coming to our events and having a good time, you are making our efforts more successful.

May 2015 ***Westerlies***

Important Dates

Work Party
May 2

Friday Night Races
Kick Off
May 22

Westerlies Deadline
May 25

TYC's 50th Birthday
Party
May 30

Thanks to everyone for making the Commodore's Cocktail Party such a success. Easiest party I have ever thrown. We met some promising new members and thoroughly enjoyed all the good eats that members provided.

(Jalapenos stuffed with peanut butter? Who knew?) And the posters Walt Bilofsky did were a great addition. We even attracted a new tenant from the harbor thanks to Tom and Barbara Moseley.

At this Friday's General Meeting, it's time to get your input on the strategic planning process that your board has been working on since January. The club needs to change and evolve. We're trying to do that in a way that makes us inviting to newer members while keeping as much as possible of what makes TYC so special. For example, we want to keep the volunteer spirit alive behind the bar while balancing volunteer and catered food events and start to get cleanup help for larger events. It's still early enough to consider your ideas, so come on down to Friday's General Meeting, find out our thinking and let us know yours.

How amazing that it's been 50 years since the inception of our club—one barge bottom with mushrooms growing through the carpet. Then a rebuild that was supposedly just a new roof. And here we are now out on the spit in the third clubhouse, once again built by all our efforts. We have much to celebrate at the upcoming birthday party.

But before we do, come on down Saturday, May 2 and participate in the work party. We want everything to be in tip-top shape before the partying begins. So I hope to see you at 9:00am on May 2. Lunch is my treat.

Submit Articles or Photos to *Westerlies*

Westerlies is the monthly newsletter of the Tiburon Yacht Club. We welcome interesting, relevant stories, as well as photographs from members and non-members alike.

Westerlies is distributed both by mail and online at www.tyc.org.

Submissions may be sent electronically to the editor at sheila@tonic.to. Deadline is usually the last Monday of the last full week of each month, but is always listed in the Calendar of Events, which appears both online and at the end of each issue of *Westerlies*.

All submissions will be edited for grammar, content, size and relevancy. Inclusion is up to the editor's discretion.

Westerlies can always use good photographs. Members are encouraged to pull out their phones or cameras at any of our events, snap a few shots, and email them to the editor. In addition, TYC has a small camera available at the club for any member to use during clubhouse events. Please use this camera to take snapshots at any time, especially if there is no "official" photographer on site. If you let me know, resulting photos will be picked up from the club for possible inclusion in *Westerlies*.

~Sheila Lyons, Editor

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The Social Scene

By Telesha Destein



Happy May! Hopefully you are getting out and enjoying this beautiful place we call home and maybe gathering some fresh flowers for yourself in honor of May Day. Historically May 1st was a time to celebrate workers. So I would like to take this opportunity to celebrate TYC's "workers" (aka volunteers) who keep our club running—from the board, to our building/house managers, to set up and clean-up crews, to bartenders and social event planners, and everyone in between. Thank you! Consistently, we get the same people working hard every week to make the club an enjoyable place to be. I hope we can continue to engage you in some way with everything we have going on at the club.

I promised April would be a hoppin' good time and it sure was. Kicking the month off with the First Annual Easter Egg Hunt, we hid over 400 eggs for about 30 kids. We are already looking forward to next year!

We continued the "Friday Night Social" concept in April. The big hit was the *Caribbean Spices* food truck. Almost 75 people were served and once again, TYC was alive with members and their families of all ages. The club will continue to be open on Friday nights. Friday Night Racing and Dinner season starts on Friday, May 22 and continues through September 4. After that the Friday Night Socials will resume. Please stick with us as we continue to find the right solution for these evenings (e.g., food truck, bistro, or cocktails only.) And of course, feedback (and help) is always appreciated, so don't hesitate to drop me a note.

Commodore Ann's cocktail party was definitely the highlight of the month. Michael and I tended bar during the entire event, serving well over 100 people! This was a good way to see a lot of faces and say hello. We are really enjoying our involvement in the club this year. You can see photos from this bustling party on page 9.

The month ended with Opening Day on the Bay. I know most of you were out celebrating these festivities. We decided to have our own little Opening Day party at the club with the first "Passport Series Wine Tasting" featuring *Matanzas Creek* wine from Sonoma. Thank you for all the feedback. I know there were many of you who wanted to attend but had prior commitments. This first party was small but it allowed us to learn so that the next one will be even better.

Happy 50th birthday, TYC! We hope to have the biggest bash the club has seen in 50 years at the "Back to the 50's" birthday party on Saturday, May 30. Your birthday committee has been working hard to make this the event of the year in true 50's cocktail party fashion. Mark your calendar now and start getting your costume ready. (Think poodle skirts, Pink Ladies and T-Birds.) You don't want to miss this event! RSVP at www.tyc.org today! Credit card payments accepted via PayPal. The birthday party is a great way to continue the day's Friendship Race with the Corinthian Yacht Club, whose members are also invited to our birthday party. This will sell out so RSVP early! (See flyer on page 4 for all the details.)

And for those of you who keep a packed social calendar, TYC Ladies' Night is already on the books for Thursday, June 4. Check out the flyer on page 11 for more information. RSVP at www.tyc.org soon as early bird prices and space is limited.

I'm really looking forward to bringing you the club birthday party this year. I know I have big shoes to fill; the previous parties were a blast! On a personal note, this is a very busy month for my family and me and we will be away celebrating some special things of our own, so I apologize in advance that we will not be at the club much this month. I want to thank you for allowing me this opportunity to serve as social chair and I promise there will be a lot of TYC social work being done behind the scenes while we are away. See you on the 30th!

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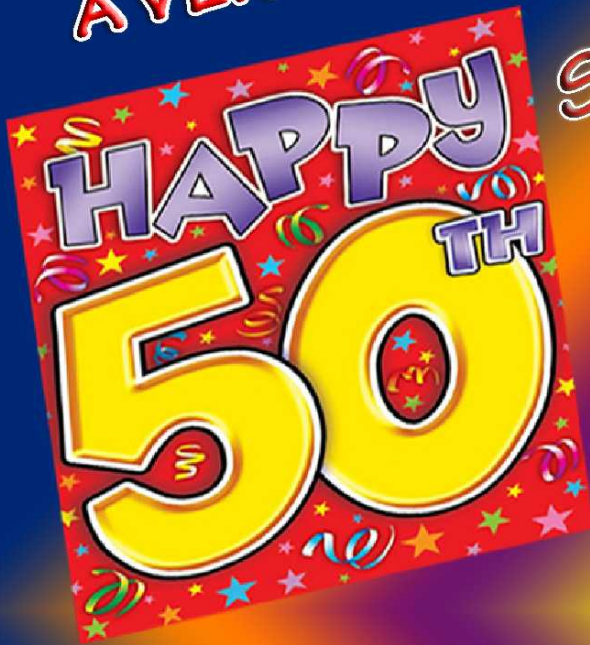
CAN'T HAVE A COCKTAIL PARTY WITHOUT BARTENDERS

A big thank you goes to all the volunteers who staffed our bar for the Commodore's Cocktail Party on April 19:

Michael and Telesha Destein, Susan Hoehler, Marc Steuer, and Gary Greene.

Thanks also to Walt Bilofsky for the slide show of club cruise-outs, and posters promoting TYC club events.

TIBURON YACHT CLUB
WISHES ITSELF
A VERY...



JOIN US FOR A 50'S
SOCK HOP TO CELEBRATE
TYC'S 50TH BIRTHDAY
SATURDAY, MAY 30TH

◁ 50'S COCKTAIL PARTY STYLE ▷

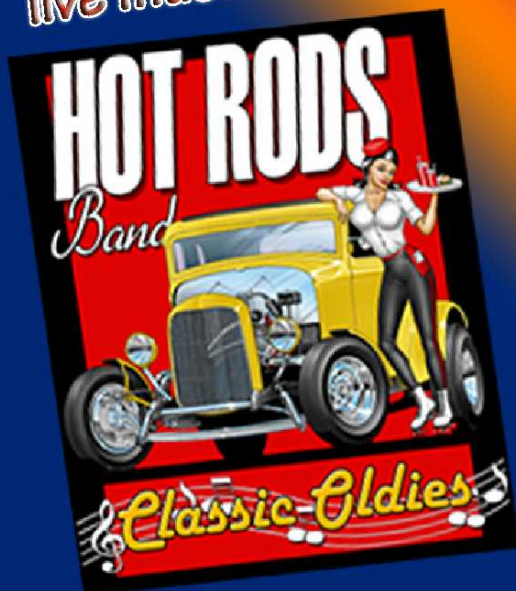
BAR: OPENS AT 6

DINNER: 6:30

BAND: 8 - ?

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Hey guys and dolls,
let's be-bop to the
live music of the



◁ TYC MEMBERS: \$50 ▷

◁ GUESTS & CORINTHIAN YACHT

CLUB MEMBERS: \$60 ▷

PLEASE RSVP AND PAY ONLINE VIA
PAYPAL ASAP - SPACE IS LIMITED!

WWW.TYC.ORG



CRUISE NEWS

BY RICK BLAKE & JON PRICE

BALLENA BAY YC CRUISE (JON PRICE)

The upcoming May cruise is to Ballena Bay Yacht Club on the west shore of Alameda facing the Bay (thus avoiding the estuary). Leaving on May 22nd or 23rd, returning on the 24th - OR - the 25th (Memorial Day), this destination is a reasonable distance away, but an easy morning or afternoon's sail for our sailing brethren and just an hour or two for our power boat friends.

The club is located at Ballena Isle Marina, which is large, with plenty of room for incoming cruisers and best of all, very sheltered. For those who would want the convenience refueling during the trip, the marina has a fuel dock as well as a pump-out facility.

Amenities include tennis courts nearby, Abigail's Deli and Pier 29 Restaurant onsite. The drill for Friday evening will be dinner at Pier 29, or a potluck on the dock by one of our boats: TBD. Saturday evening we have been invited to the Red, White & Blue Barbecue at the club.

So sign up now at www.tyc.org/Cruise/cruiselist_BB5.html and you will be assured an enjoyable and relaxing cruise weekend.



BENICIA/SUISUN CITY CRUISE REVIEW (RICK BLAKE)

Bright sunlight dancing off the ripples of the Bay, a gentle and caressing wind. Perfect conditions for the start of another Tiburon Yacht Club cruise.

Unfortunately we didn't have any of that. It was cold and dreary, the wind harsh and the seas of San Pablo Bay can best be described as boisterous. Nevertheless the fleet set course for the mysterious sounding Carquinez Straits and made it.



Approaching Benicia things miraculously changed for the better. Bright sunlight and gentle winds. Great omen for a perfect weekend.

That evening our crew party was onboard *Sea Turtle*, after which we all headed for dinner at Sailor Jack's. The party consisted of Marshal and Shelby Gross on *Solitaire*; Jens and Solveig Erlingsson aboard *Solveig's Song*; Walt and Nancy Bilofsky on *Golden Phoenix*; and myself and ever-suffering wife Susanne on *Sea Turtle*.

Next morning a tour of the capital building was the highlight. Turns out Benicia had been the capital of California for one year until the seamy side of politics raised its ugly head (surprise!) and it was moved.

We continued, next day setting course for the city of Suisun City and the Solano Yacht Club. Is the Solano YC the friendliest club around? Quite possibly. That night it was soup and sandwiches at the club for four of the group and a gourmet dinner at a really nice restaurant for the others. (The next day we told the soup and sandwich crowd that they had missed a 50% off night at the restaurant. Unfortunately it wasn't really true!)

Saturday night it was a crew togetherness thing on board *Solitaire* (drinks optional). Then it was a cook-your-own-steak dinner at the club. It was all good. The TYC group more or less behaved themselves, so there is a chance that we may be welcomed back.

Sunday, glorious sunshine as most of us cruised back to Benicia and viewed the most expansive car show I have ever seen. The rest of us had another great dinner in Benicia, awakening the next day to bright sunshine for our return trip to the Cay on Monday, which was carried out in calm seas.

So ends another great TYC cruise to far and distant lands...





GOING, GOING...

...ALMOST GONE!

Our block of seats at the **Giants game, Sunday, June 14 at 1:00pm**, is more than half sold! And once they start winning—and you know it's coming—the rest will go fast. So better grab yours now. Send your check for \$52 per ticket, payable to TYC, to **Walt Bilofsky, 4804 Paradise Dr., Tiburon 94920**.

See our home page at www.tyc.org for more information or email bilofsky@toolworks.com.



Goin' to the game!

A Few Slips Left for the South Beach Harbor / Giants Cruise

Bring your floating condo to one of the City's best neighborhoods for a weekend visit. Breakfast at Town's End or the Java House, stroll along the Embarcadero to the Farmer's Market, take the antique F streetcar line to the Maritime Museum just past Fisherman's Wharf and Pier 39 – so much to do.

Arrive as early as Friday, June 12. Leave after the Sunday game or stay until Monday. Just a few of our 10 berths are still available, so sign up now on the Cruise page, mail Walt a \$10 berth reservation fee, and look forward to joining new and old TYC friends on one of TYC's most popular cruises.



TYC/CYC FRIENDSHIP REGATTA

SATURDAY, MAY 30, 2015

Have you noticed that this beautiful trophy is not sitting behind the bar at TYC? Well it's time to bring it back to its rightful home. Once Again, TYC and CYC get together to battle for the trophy and this year it will be held at TYC on May 30th. The trophy was first awarded in 2000 and we've raced for it every year since then. So far, TYC has won it nine times and CYC has won it six times. So since we have home advantage, let's have a good showing and win that trophy back!

The racing will start at 1:00pm and we hope we will have lots of visitors from CYC, especially since our 50th Birthday Party will take place the evening of the event.

So make a day of it, come race, crew, or just come out and watch and then socialize in the club afterwards with all the racers before getting into the party swing!

See you there!

~Ian Matthew

RACE NOTES

BY MARIELLEN STERN



April kicked off racing season with the Annual Don Wan Regatta. Don Kunstler and his crew were in fine form and put on two great races. The *Don Wan*, our committee boat, was anchored approximately one half mile off of the Cay.

We had a nice turnout for this regatta, having three divisions: Division 1, Ultimate 20's, followed by Spinnaker in Division 2 and Non-Spinnaker in Division 3.

The first race began with a light, southwesterly breeze along with an ebb tide that was very challenging for all the racers. The wind began to get lighter around the first weather mark and began to slowly shift to a westerly. Lighter air and an ebb tide made this race a "game of patience".

As we milled around before the start of the second race, the wind was getting lighter. I began to wonder if a second race would happen. Luckily for us the light westerly remained and Don and his crew got another race underway.

Don chose to mix it up and set our course to be a downwind start to ISO. The forecast for that day called for a north-west wind to pick up in the afternoon and sure enough, as the race progressed, the transition from a westerly to a northwesterly began to happen. There were a few of us only 50 yards away from each other sailing on different tacks. The northwesterly slowly filled in from 0 to approximately 17 knots over the course of the race, which made it a fun finish for everyone. A big Thanks to Don and his crew for their hard work. Also, I was incredibly pleased to see that we had four boats skippered by women! Let's keep this momentum going!

Don Wan Trophy Standings:

U-20

U-Again - David Woodside

Salsa - David, Liz, Craig Krauszel

Breakaway - John Wolfe

Spinnaker Division

Siento El Viento - Ian Matthew

Joyride- Bill Hoehler

Neverland - Aiden Collins

Non-Spinnaker

Lion - Lon Woodrum/Steve Nlmz

Cinnamon Girl - Mariellen Stern

Redhawk - Shirley Vaughan



*Diversion
on Port
tack;
Cinnamon
Girl on
starboard
tack*

Lots of Racing Coming up in May: May 9 is the Sinko De Mayo Regatta, or shall we call it a Fiasco? We thought we would change it up and add some fun to this race. Sign up on Jibeset.net and SI's will be posted shortly. Hint: We will run this race similar to the Three Bridge Fiasco, only it will be raced off of the Cay as usual. Margarita's after the race at the club!



*Joyride and Siento el Viento in the
second race starting sequence*

May 16 - Behren's Regatta

May 22 - First Friday Night Race of the season!

May 30 - The TYC/CYC Friendship Regatta. TYC will host this year, followed by the club's 50th Birthday party!

The season is upon us, so let's get out on the water for some fun racing!

Enzo's Corner

What's Happening
for Kids at TYC



Hello Friends,

Thanks for including us kids in some of last month's fun events. The Easter Egg Hunt was my favorite. (Although I followed my mom around while she hid the eggs, so I had a little advantage—ha ha!) Friday Night Socials are always so much fun. What a great way to wind down the week and meet up with your friends. I hope to do this for many years to come.

Last weekend I helped coordinate the first Passport Series Wine Tasting. Mommy only lets me drink whole milk and water, but she let me try some of the juice at the kids' "wine" tasting station (Navarro Vineyards Grape Juice). She taught us to swirl and sniff. It was pretty neat. I can't wait until I'm a little bigger and can participate more in kid events.

Speaking of club events, friends, please email me at telesha@destein.org and tell me what you like best about coming to the club. What's your favorite memory at the club? What do you hope to do at the club later this year?

Thanks in advance for sharing your stories and ideas with me. You might be featured in next month's *Enzo's Corner* if you do. I hope to play with you at the club soon.

Ciao,
~Enzo



MEMBERSHIP NOTES

By Ruth Fults

Please welcome new members **Joshua and Haleigh Tebben** and their two children **Landon** (5) and **Lily** (2). They recently moved from South Dakota and now live in Novato near the Matthew's. They are interested in volunteering with social events and bar. Great to have you aboard.

You should all have your new membership cards and 2015 Handbooks by now. Thank Susie Woodrum for getting these to you, as well as David Samurai Smith for hand delivering to the Cay.

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Bartending at TYC: An Opportunity for You?

Here's a pop quiz. Tending bar at TYC is:

- A. A fun activity that many members enjoy
- B. A great chance to meet other members
- C. One of the easiest and simplest opportunities to volunteer
- D. A way to feel more a part of TYC

Answer: All of the above.

And now we're making it as easy as possible for you to join in, even if you haven't yet been behind our bar.

Our members really appreciate our volunteer bartenders, and they don't expect too much from you. We serve mostly beer and wine, so it's easy. If someone wants a more complicated libation, you can just ask them how they like it made.

Newbies can sign up for a shift alongside a veteran bartender who will show you the ropes. Complete written procedures can be found on the Members section of our web site. And we'll offer training sessions if there's enough interest.

Soon you'll receive an email asking whether you're interested in bartending, and your experience and level of interest. An online signup page will let you choose a convenient date and shift.

So look for that email, and we look forward to seeing you behind the bar.

*~Bar Committee: Justin DeTray, Shirley Vaughan
and Walt Bilofsky*





PLEASE JOIN US ON THURSDAY, JUNE 4TH FROM
7:30-9:30 PM FOR TIBURON YACHT CLUB'S FIRST
EVER LADIES' NIGHT WINE TASTING PARTY

We're in store for a very special evening!

Join us and mingle with great women, sip wine and learn about these wines and the winemakers.

We'll also learn the 4 S's of winetasting and how to distinguish the aromas and flavors in the wine by "scoring" the wines in your own winetasting notes.

This mouthwatering event has a limited number of spaces available, so RSVP asap!! Click on www.tyc.org and follow leads to reserving a place. \$30 early bird (RSVP no later than May 25) and \$35 after that and at the door.

The bar will be open at 7 if you would like to come a little early for some bubbles! Feel free to bring a friend!

Navarro Vineyards Grape Juice will be available as well. Please indicate in your RSVP if you choose this over the wine tasting. Cheese and chocolate will be available for purchase.

For the evening, you will be able to purchase full glasses of wines enjoyed at the tasting as well as bottles to take home after the event for delivery or pick up after June 5th.

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Michelle Beare of *Taste Escapes* will come and pour several delicious wines from small lot, boutique Marin, Sonoma and Napa wineries.

Each wine will be paired with an artisan cheese or chocolate truffle.

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TASTE
ESCAPES

May 2015

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
26 Apr	27	28	29	30	1 May	2
Suisun City (via Benicia) Cruise 4:00pm - 6:00pm Opening Day Wine Tasting	Westerlies Deadline 2:00pm - 4:00pm Mah Jongg	10:00am - 11:00am Adv. Tai Chi 11:30am Carpet Cleaning		Club Cleaning	5:30pm General Meeting	9:00am - 1:00pm Work Party and light lunch after
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
	2:00pm - 4:00pm Mah Jongg 7:00pm PCHA Board Meeting	10:00am - 11:00am Adv. Tai Chi	12:00pm Reed School Teacher appreciation lunch	Club Cleaning	5:30pm - 9:30pm Bar Open	Sinko de Mayo race
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
Mothers Day	2:00pm - 4:00pm Mah Jongg	10:00am - 11:00am Adv. Tai Chi	Club Cleaning	6:30pm TYC Board Meeting	5:00pm Friday Night Social - Dinner TBD	Club Cleaning 11:00am Behrens Regatta
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
HAPPY 50TH BIRTHDAY, TYC!!! Private Party	2:00pm - 4:00pm Mah Jongg	10:00am - 11:00am Adv. Tai Chi		Club Cleaning	Cruise Out to Ballena Bay YC 6:30pm TYC Friday Night Racing	Cruise Out to Ballena Bay YC
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
Cruise Out to Ballena Bay YC	Memorial Day Club Cleaning Westerlies Deadline 2:00pm - 4:00pm Mah Jongg	10:00am - 11:00am Adv. Tai Chi	6:00pm - 8:00pm Private Party	Club Cleaning	6:30pm TYC Friday Night Racing	12:00pm TYC/CYC Friendship Race 5:30pm Club 50th birthday party with Live Band!!
31	1 Jun	2	3	4	5	6
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June 2015

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
31 May	1 Jun	2	3	4	5	6
	2:00pm - 4:00pm Mah Jongg	10:00am - 11:00am Adv. Tai Chi 7:00pm PCHA Meeting		Club Cleaning	6:30pm TYC Friday Night Racing	
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4:00pm - 8:00pm Private Party	2:00pm - 4:00pm Mah Jongg	10:00am - 11:00am Adv. Tai Chi		Club Cleaning 6:30pm TYC Board Meeting	SF Giants / South Beach Cruise 6:30pm TYC Friday Night Racing	SF Giants / South Beach Cruise
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
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21	22	23	24	25	26	27
Fathers Day	Westerlies Deadline 2:00pm - 4:00pm Mah Jongg			Club Cleaning	6:30pm TYC Friday Night Racing	Club Cleaning
28	29	30	1 Jul	2	3	4
Private Party	2:00pm - 4:00pm Mah Jongg				6:30pm TYC Friday Night Racing	Independence Day 1:00pm Brothers & Sisters Regatta 1:00pm - 8:00pm 4th of July BBQ by Board of Directors

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