

# Newsletter



## CLUB ANNOUNCEMENTS:

### Welcome May!

Please see our flyers for more details on upcoming events at the Club. Memorial Day weekend is around the corner, and "Summer Fun" will be here before we know it!

### Restaurant News:

Our Special Menu will continue weekly, while our official new Club Menu is finalized. Please see our Commodore's message for more information on restaurant updates, and keep an eye on your Weekly Emails for the latest information!

Spring Cocktail Specials are available now!

Interested in holding a Private Event at the Club?  
Give us a call today for more details!  
(217) 529-1511



## CLUB HOURS:

Monday/Tuesday:

Closed

Wednesday - Saturday:

4 PM - 9 PM

Sunday:

11 AM - 3 PM

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### May 07, 2026

Membership Meeting  
7 PM

\*Queen of Hearts Continues\*

### May 10, 2026

Mother's Day Buffet

11 AM - 2 PM

### May 24, 2026

Memorial Day Event

\*More Info Coming Soon!

### June 07, 2026

Tea Party

\*More Info Coming Soon!

### June 21, 2026

Father's Day Cookout

\*More Info Coming Soon!

# Messages from the Board:

## COMMODORE: CHUCK BROERS

The past month has had several club activities. Spring Work Day turned into 2 Saturdays due to the weather. I would like to thank everyone who volunteered to work at the club. A lot of projects were done to get the club in shape.

Easter Egg Hunt on April 5th was a hit. There were 22 participants in the hunt and other activities. Everyone had a great time. Thanks to Tracey Carls for chairing the event and all the volunteers who helped organize and run the event.

On April 18th, the club put on a Comedy Night with Rich Ragains and Kathy Brennan performing. 55 people came out to the event and had a good time. I would like to thank Tim Laffey for scheduling the performers and doing the emcee duty.

Spring Cocktail Party was held on April 29th. Baseball was the theme for the event. We had 15 to 20 people attend and get into the baseball spirit. Thanks to Tareyn, Bill and Kaye Brittin for decorating the bar that night.

Last Saturday, the club held a dual event - Kentucky Derby Party and a bourbon tasting. I struggle to guess how many people attended the dual event since I personally participated in the bourbon tasting. Needless to say, everyone had a great time. Thanks to the Brittins for chairing the Derby party, the Buggs for leading the bourbon tasting, and all the others volunteers who helped out at the event.

In regard to the restaurant operation, this last month the club hired Ryan Meyer to be kitchen manager. I would like to thank Matt, Don, Pete and Chip for their assistance in the interviewing process. With Ryan, Adrien Horne and Joe Keeton, the kitchen is fully staffed. Chip is finalizing a new menu that will be available in the near future. As we approach summer, the front of the house will have more help to fill in as the club gets busier - Tory Parker, Kate Neary and Jessica Kauffman.

## **VICE-COMMODORE: MATT CARLS**

Come on, summer! A big shout out goes to all the members who have helped get the club ready for summer and all the successful events we've had so far.

Watch your email and Facebook accounts for all the activities coming up this summer. The Bay Room currently has several weekends booked with parties.

The Mother's Day Buffet will be an awesome event. With the kitchen staff having extensive experience with events like this, I'm sure the food will be outstanding.

If you haven't been to the club lately, the new staff is getting acclimated to the club schedule and doing great. This kitchen team is full of smiles and great food. Menus are being discussed with several scenarios in the works, so please be patient.

Again, thanks to everyone for your support!

Matt Carls  
Vice-Commodore

## **FLEET CAPTAIN: DON BUTTITTA**

Currently there are no rental slips available.

Docks 34, 81 and 44 are still for sale.

Please pre-schedule use of the Club's barge for dock repairs. Let me know when you need it and for how long so I can communicate with the next person. Currently the barge is in the weekend parking lot.

Please double check to see if your trailer has the yellow tag attached. Sometimes weather gets the best of them. Additional tags are located behind the bar.

The grass in the trailer area is already knee high. Please weed around your trailer.

Don Buttitta  
[Don.smbc@gmail.com](mailto:Don.smbc@gmail.com)

## **GROUNDS DIRECTOR:**

SMBC's Grounds Director position is currently available.

If you or someone you know may be interested, please reach out to Chuck Broers!

## **BUILDING DIRECTORS: JEFF MILES AND PETER BUGG**

Peter:

Well, April flew by quickly, but thankfully has left us with a "full pool" lake level!

The building has had a few minor issues this past month, which were repaired by Jeff and I, thus avoiding contractor costs this month.

I have been looking into an upgrade of the Kitchen Exhaust fan system which will be a little more costly, so we are making sure we get it upgraded and brought up to current building codes at the most reasonable price possible. The current system is very old and undersized, causing smoke to build up dangerously in the kitchen, even sometimes getting into the bar area. We have checked it with air flow and pressure measuring test equipment which has confirmed we are only a fraction of the recommended flow rates, and readings are non-detectable above our fryers, so this needs to be addressed quickly.

## **BEACH DIRECTOR: LARRY KENNEDY**

The beach house restrooms have been cleaned, and are now unlocked for Member use.

Rope and swim buoys have been added to the beach area, with plans for the beach to open on Memorial Day weekend.

## **MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR: LESLEY DUNCAN**

We had one new member join the Club in April:

- Jeff & Jenny Cleeton

We have three new members joining in May:

- Joe & Sarah Robinson
- Paul Thompson
- Michelle & Jeremy Maggiore

We have four applications for June:

- Amy & Eric Staley
- Megan Madura
- Katie Lindsey
- Alicia & Javan Kennedy

This is a great time of year to join the Club! If you have friends you think might be interested in joining, bring them out to the club for a visit or have them contact me. I am happy to go over the current fees and membership process with them, answer any questions they may have, and give them a tour of the club.

## **SECRETARY: TAREYN SEIPEL**

Happy May!

Thank you to everyone who came out to the Club for our April and early May events. We've got plenty more fun ahead, so be sure to keep an eye out for our flyers. See you at the Club!

Good and Welfare:

Member, Craig Veach's brother, Brad Lee Veach, passed away on Sunday, April 5th, 2026.

If you need to provide a notice to send out condolences, or if you are not receiving Club emails, please reach out to me : [tareynseipel@gmail.com](mailto:tareynseipel@gmail.com)