

# MOORING LINES

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### 'Tis Irish Quotes, it 'tis!

You've got to do your own growing. No matter how tall your grandfather was.

*Irish Proverb*

Remember even if you lose all, Keep your good name; for if you lose that, you are worthless.

*Irish Proverb*

In dreams begins responsibility.  
 William Butler Yeats 1892-1939  
 Irish Nobel Prize –winning Poet

Ireland is rich in literature that understands a soul's yearnings, and dancing that understands a happy heart.

Margaret Jackson

### Commodore's Comments

Dear Members:

We continue to be open for Pub Night on Tuesdays. Our Valentine's Dinner was a success. Our St. Patrick's Day dinner is March 15, 2008. You may now make your reservations. We will also have an Easter brunch this year. Check Quick Notes for more details.

The marina committee continues to explore the floating docks option. Marina transfer day is March 15, 2008.

I presented a concept sketch of a two story storage building to be constructed adjacent to the pool heaters.

Bill Purnell  
 Commodore



## ***Manager's Report***

March Newsletter  
And  
February Board Meeting

I hope everyone is enjoying their winter. I am. I will be on vacation from March 2<sup>nd</sup> thru March 13<sup>th</sup>. I will be enjoying the gentle breezes in Aruba. Things are pretty quiet at the club. We continue to have pub night on Tuesdays. In March we will have our St Patty's Day dinner on March 15<sup>th</sup> starting at 5:00 p.m. See quick notes for further details. Since we have had many inquiries about Easter, we have decided to due an Easter Brunch on March 23<sup>rd</sup>. It will be from 10 am until 2:00 pm. The price will be \$15.95 for adults and \$7.95 for kids. It will be similar to our Mothers Day Brunch in that there will be 1 ½ hour seatings and reservation will be a must. I hope you will all come and join us.

We have private functions booked on :  
3/13, 3/15 (am), 3/22, and 3/29.

February Business

Banquet Business

2006	\$4714.75		
2007	\$6283.45	? 1568.70	33%

Daily Club Business

2006	\$2072.40		
2007	\$3266.63	? 1194.23	58%

## ***Membership Report***

A reminder for our new members who joined LAST year; please do not forget to pick up your "swipe cards" so *you can utilize* your *dining minimum* that you paid - for the first time this year. You can get them from Adrienne when you stop by the Clubhouse.

The Membership Committee, in recognition of the 85 single members in LYC, will be discussing the development of a new category of Membership, a Single Membership, at our next meeting. There will be recommendations made to the Board of Directors shortly thereafter.

### ***We all need to welcome our newest members:***

Joan & Richard Eisenhauer, Lewes, DE  
Carey & Joseph McDaniel, Dover, DE  
Louise & Richard Pfarr, Lewes, DE  
Ann & Frank Jornlin, Hockessin, DE  
Lynette & Michael Palen, Lewes, DE  
Jill & Mark Menendez, Georgetown, DE  
Kathryn & Alan Bagden, McLean, VA  
Karen & Daniel Dauphin, Newark, DE  
Sue Ann & William Shafley, Cooksville, MD  
Edward Sigda, Milton, DE

Bill Miller  
Membership Chairman

## ***Maintenance Report***

We had trouble with the setup of the new Rinnias and through Rinnia Engineers and Sherman plumbing they came up with an even better setup. I am happy to report that the system is working even better than we thought.

Ed Wyatt

## *Finance Report*

The Finance Committee met on Tuesday February 12, 2008. We reviewed the Capital Reserve Fund and updated the monthly CRF expenses. Funds were adjusted to incorporate overhead projection equipment for the 1<sup>st</sup> floor to be made available for LYC member use. We adjusted the 20-Year Long Range Sinking Fund for projected future capital items adding various line items for each committee including but not limited to the possible addition of Olympic Class sailboats such as the Laser Class.

The Finance Committee continued to discuss various scenarios for the Marina Improvement Project as well as the Project Funding creating additional scenarios for committee, board and membership consideration. Contact was made with Artisans Bank regarding the refinancing of our current loan as well as the potential Marina funding. The Finance Committee is seeking additional information from PNC Bank, United Bank and other institutional lenders in the area. The Finance Committee and the Marina Committee continue to work closely together to improve the marina and achieve the best possible situation for all LYC members.

All LYC members are encouraged to submit suggestions and/or attend Finance Committee meetings.

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## *Marina Report*

### MARINA NEWS

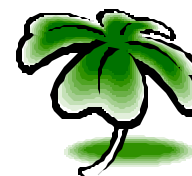
Marina committee continues to review several bids for the Replace in Kind renovation of the marina.

Discussions ongoing with the finance committee about financing options

#### REMINDERS:

1. TRANSFER DAY 15 MARCH AT 10:00 am
2. MARINA WORKDAY 12 APRIL 9:30 am  
RAIN DATE 13 APRIL 9:30 am
3. MARINA EVENTS DAY  
(DATE, TIME & AGENDA TBD)
4. ANNUAL PICNIC AT THE MARINA  
OCTOBER (TIME TBD)

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### *More Irish Quotes!*

The most beautiful music of all is the music of what happens.

Irish Proverb

May you have warm woods on a cold evening, a full moon on a dark night, and the road downhill all the way to your door.

An Irish Blessing

If the whole human race lay in one grave, the epitaph on its headstone might well be”  
‘It seemed like a good idea at the time.’”

Dame Rebecca West  
Irish born author & journalist

## Irish Lore & Legends

Claddagh ~ Those of us who are not steeped in the Irish traditions often become puzzled when we hear words like Claddagh, Faeries, or Banshees and other references to Irish Folk lore. Irish history has a wealth of myths and legends.

The Claddagh is a symbol of undying love and devotion. It is often a design featured on rings. The symbol of the Claddagh will be familiar. It is represented by two arms of friendship embracing a heart, crowned by loyalty. It dates back over 300 years.

The Claddagh came about, so the legend goes, when one of the fishing boats from the ancient village of Claddagh, was captured by pirates off the coast of Galway. The fishermen were sold into slavery. Richard Joyce, one of the men captured, was to have been wed that very week. He toiled for eight years as a goldsmith before he escaped and returned to Ireland. There, he found his love - still waiting for him. He gave her the ring with the symbol we know today as the Claddagh, on which he had labored for eight long years. It has continued to remain a symbol of undying devotion.

Saint Brigid ~ The story of Saint Brigid is a long, fascinating one, but one of the most interesting aspects about her is that the word *bride* is derived from her name. St. Brigid was a lover of nature and was also very generous. During the time of chivalry, she was revered as a model for all women. Gentlemen, knights and nobles began to call their sweethearts *brides*, after her - a custom most cultures still honor today.

Banshee ~ A Banshee is a faerie woman. *Ban* (bean) means woman and *shee* (sidhe) means faerie. In legend, she is seen as a harbinger of death, although she appears in one of three guises: a young woman, a stately matron or an old hag.

She usually appears in grey, wearing a hooded cloak or in the grave robes of the unshriven - her hair long and her eyes red from crying. She is feared because she appears at a family's home when someone is about to die, weeping and wailing during the night. It is said that each banshee has her own mortal family and can follow them to distant lands, to wail - at the approach of death - of one of her own.

Leprechaun ~ There are two kinds of Faeries in Ireland: solitary and sociable. Leprechauns are of the solitary variety. They are considered *Ireland's national faerie*. They originated from the Euro-Celtic god named *Lugh* (pronounced luck). Leprechauns are said to be two feet tall, usually wear a green coat, a green hat, a shoemakers apron and are gruff in nature. They are thrifty, and as such, are trusted to guard faeries treasure. Rainbows are thought to provide a clue as to their whereabouts, but if you find one, you must not take your eyes away from him (there are only male leprechauns) or he will vanish. Leprechauns have relatives called Cluricauns who will steal almost anything during the hours of darkness - from food and wine, to sheep and even fowl, riding the animals and celebrating with drink throughout the night.



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		<p><b>Gadget</b> ~ any mechanical device whose proper name doesn't come immediately to mind. It is said to date back to the 1850's and was originally a sailor's slang word for when they couldn't remember the name of some piece of equipment or part of a ship. It is thought to come from the French word <i>gachette</i>, which means "catchpiece of a mechanism."</p>
		<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Swim Team</b></p> <p>Be sure to check out the website for pool and swim team information.</p> <p>Swim Team registration/sign-up forms are all on-line. Just print, complete, and mail them.</p> <p>Summer will be here before we know it and it will be time to enjoy the pool!</p> <div style="text-align: right;">   <b>Good Luck!</b> </div>
		<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Website News</b></p>
		<p>This months LYC Newsletter is exclusively online. It is the perfect opportunity to try the electronic version and save the environment. Each month instead of receiving the paper version, you get an email link to the newsletter online. No need to deal with yet another piece of paper. You can simply read it at your leisure and even go back and read older versions. Just email us and we'll add you to the list.</p> <p>We constantly update the LYC website. Check out the front page with upcoming events, links to new photos, club house schedule, and much, much more. The website contains a host of wonderful information about the club. From meeting dates to board minutes, from pool hours to marina information, we have it all including updated swim team forms, sailing lesson information, and the wait list for potential new members. Visit the site at <a href="http://www.Lewesyc.com">www.Lewesyc.com</a></p>