



# Tell Tale

Shreveport Yacht Club Member News

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February 2023

## Valentine's Day

Sweetheart Dinner

Tuesday, February 14, 2023

6:00 – 9:00pm

### Menu

*Lobster Bisque*

*Sliced Breast of Duck on a bed of Belgium Endive and Spring Mix with a Raspberry Vinaigrette.*

*Filet Mignon paired with a Seafood Kabob. Served with Pommes Duchess Potatoes and a Medley of Fresh Vegetables.*

*Squidgy Chocolate and Pomegranate Tart*

*\$60.00 per person*

Featuring music  
by Ben Abshire





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## SYC Annual Business Meeting

### Thursday, February 23, 6:30pm

Open to all members!

Please join us for this important meeting of the membership. The 2023 budget will be presented, along with updates and reports from the various club committees.

## Swimming Pool Update

The new deck has been poured and the plumbing, tile, and coping have been completed. Sandblasting and replastering of the pool surface has begun. We expect the entire project to be completed by the end of February. We are looking forward to the new and improved pool!



Welcome New Members!

T. Dwight & Elizabeth Verges



## Commodore's Comments

Are you ready for some FOOTBALL? The annual Super Bowl Party with Chili and Cornbread Cookoff is right around the corner. The Super Bowl is on February 12th this year so mark your calendars and come out to the club for some awesome chili and cornbread along with gametime festivities. Get there early and buy your squares for an opportunity to win big!

February 14th is Valentine's Day and Chef John has prepared an incredible menu. Make your reservations early as this event fills up fast. Later in the month, the club will be hosting a Jazz Brunch with the Everette Street Band.

The weather has been dreary but we are already preparing for the Spring. The pool renovations are phenomenal. On another note, we have a regatta scheduled for March 4th and 5th. Our very own J/22 Fleet 10 is hosting the Southwest Championship Circuit and we expect a good turnout. Sailors and non-sailors alike can all enjoy this event. Come out and see the teams race and just enjoy the view that is the best in Shreveport.

*Donald Hathaway - Commodore*



## Manager's Message

The winter weather has not stopped many from coming out and enjoying the club! We, once again, had a record breaking January for member usage. Many thanks to everyone that comes out to support your club!

We have several events planned for this month that you can find details for in the following pages of this newsletter. Please don't forget that our Annual Club Business Meeting is scheduled for the 23<sup>rd</sup> of this month. We hope that you will come out and learn more about the club and voice your opinion on improvements that can be made.

We are very excited to welcome back Grammy nominated jazz musician, Cory Craig, and the Everette Street Band for our Jazz Brunch this year. If you missed this treat last year you now have another chance to see one of the true great musicians of our area, not to mention some terrific Cajun food.

We are now planning a full year of member events for the entire family. This is also a good time to get on the books if you are interested in utilizing the club for a private event this Spring or Summer. Dates fill up fast! Just give us a call in the office and we can help with every aspect of your event.

See you at the club!

*Rick Hutson – General Manager*





## BINGO NIGHT



## Super Bowl Party

Sunday, February 12<sup>th</sup>

4:00pm until...



Featuring our annual  
Chili and Cornbread  
**Cookoff!**

Bring your best chili in a crock pot and cornbread in a container. SYC will provide tables, electricity, bowls, silverware, oven, and heat lamps if needed. Our contestants' chili and cornbread will be available to all during the game! SYC will have appetizers available for purchase if you do not like chili. Join us for great food, great drinks, and a great time! Deadline to enter the cooking contest is Saturday, the 11<sup>th</sup> at 5:00pm.

## JAZZ BRUNCH - February 26<sup>th</sup> - 11:30am – 2:00pm

### Menu

Omelet Station  
Smoked Salmon Display  
Cajun Chicken & Waffles  
Ham, Cheese and Spinach Quiche  
Assorted Mini Muffins  
Chicken & Sausage Gumbo  
Blackened Shrimp over Cheddar Grits  
Crawfish Etouffee  
Redfish Pontchartrain  
Red Beans & Rice  
Fried Okra  
Collard Greens  
Jalapeno Cornbread  
Blueberry & White Chocolate Bread Pudding

Adults - \$28.00

Children (4-8) - \$14.00

Featuring the "Everette Street Jazz Band"





# Ask Captain Curmudgeon

CAPT. CURMUDGEON

[Editor's Note: You may send questions to Capt. Curmudgeon in care of the editor. The opinions expressed by the Capt. are entirely his and not shared by anyone, including the editor]

Dear Cap't Crud:

With Mardi Gras season in full swing, the Capt. Cautions everyone to eat and drink in moderation.

As I wrote last month, the British Navy in the 1700's gave a sailor a daily ration of rum. It didn't take long before orders were given to dilute the ration with water. This diluted mixture became known as "grog" after British Admiral Vernon (whose nickname was "Old Grogam" for the cloak of Grogam which he wore). By 1740, his nickname was synonymous for the order and the mixture. Even today, a sailor who drinks too much grog is termed "groggy".

Eating, which is also popular here at the club, was also popular aboard ship. The higher the rank, the more the individual consumed. So, rank could sometimes be told by the uniform or the abdomen. Rank could also be determined by the number of "side boys" an officer had in attendance. The practical reason was the result of the extra pounds. It was customary in the days of sailing ships to hold conferences on the flagships when at sea. Officers were also invited to dinner on other ships while at sea, weather permitting. Sometimes the sea was such that visitors were hoisted aboard in boatswain's chairs. Members of the crew did the hoisting, and it is from the aid they rendered in tending the side that the custom originated of having a certain number of men always in attendance. The heavier the individual; the more side boys necessary to keep the officer out of the water.

Thankfully, this tradition has died out. However, with the excellent buffets and dinners offered by Chef John and Sous Chef Mona, this could make a comeback. Remember, MODERATION and Happy Mardi Gras!

Capt. Curmudgeon

## February 2023

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26 SYC Jazz Brunch  Food Service 11:00 am – 8:00 pm	27 Clubhouse Closed	28 Clubhouse Closed	<h3 style="text-align: center;">Hours of Operation</h3> <div> <div> <b>Bar</b>  Monday &amp; Tuesday – Closed  Wednesday – 3:00-9:00pm  Thursday &amp; Friday – 3:00-10:00pm  Saturday – 11:00am – 10:00pm  Sunday – 11:00am – 9:00pm </div> <div> <b>Dining</b>  Monday &amp; Tuesday – Closed  Wednesday – 3:00-8:00 pm  Thursday &amp; Friday – 3:00-9:00pm  Saturday – 11:00am – 9:00pm  Sunday – 11:00am – 8:00pm </div> </div>			