

# THE BILGE PUMP

of the Queen City Yacht Club

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## QCYC CHANGE OF WATCH TRADITION AS NEW BRIDGE ZOOMS IN

Queen City Yacht Club's traditional Change of Watch ceremonial meeting was conducted virtually and socially distanced at the mainstation on September 23. Terron Lindholme was inducted as our 106th Commodore; Margaret Krows, Vice Commodore; Michele Bedner, Rear Commodore; Eric Wood, Secretary; and Joyce Carlson, Treasurer. Join your fellow members in congratulating and supporting our new Bridge officers.

Thanks to photographers Wendy DeLaunay and Gordy Foote.



*New Bridge Officers ZOOM induction ceremony*



*Terron Lindholme takes the oath to become QCYC 106th Commodore*



*QCYC Treasurer Joyce Carlson shares Commodore's Trophy honors with Gordy Foote*



*Doug Henrikson #126 is Member of the Year as Opening Day Chair*



*Commodore's Trophy to 45-year member Gordy Foote for his work as 'house' chair*

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## Commodore's Report

# WELCOME NEW CLUB MANAGER & MEMBERSHIP CHAIR AND SIGN UP TO VOLUNTEER TO SUPPORT YOUR CLUB AS NEW YEAR UNFOLDS

Posted by Commodore Terron Lindholme

Thank you for all of your support as I embark upon this new year on the Bridge, serving as your Commodore. I want to start by stepping back a moment just to say, "Thank you" to Sandy Werner for her exceptional leadership. I think we can all agree, Captain Sandy was forced to navigate some tricky waters in her year as QCYC Commodore, both personally and "professionally". But she truly showed poise and grace under fire, and has set the course for a smooth sailing in my year.

And not only thanks to Sandy but to all of her Committee Chairs and other fantastic worker-bees, who toiled hard in the last year to make QCYC so cherished by its members. Most of those hard-working members are staying in their committee roles and we should be thankful to them for continuing their involvement.

I'm excited to announce, we also have some changing roles for this next year.

Kyle Bixby, who's done a great job the last two years as our Membership Chair, is moving to the role of Club Manager in charge of the bar operations (Thank you Heather and Jim for all you've done!!). As Kyle takes over the bar please be sure to offer him your support. We can always use more bartenders, and getting your WA license is so easy, even I did it! With Kyle filling the Club Manager role, that left a void in membership which, Val Ohlstrom graciously volunteered to take over. We're at a several year low in membership, so this is a critical time for our club to continue to recruit new members. Val has a challenging year ahead of her, but I've known her long enough to know, she's going to get things done in a way that will amaze us all.

...Paul Grimm has cheerfully agreed to be our new Fleet Captain. We all know Paul has the unique ability to think outside of the box, even when he's been told to stand in the corner and think about what he's done. He's already thought of numerous, fun and mostly legitimate ways we can

enjoy modified club events. Stay tuned to hear his exciting line-up!



Commodore Terron Lindholme

It is with great optimism that Mike and Susan Burke have agreed to be the Opening Day Chairs for 2021. Click your heels together and say it with me people, "There IS going to be an Opening Day in 2021 because we WILL be in Phase Four by then!" I'm really looking forward to all of the activities the Burkes are planning to put in place for QCYC's Opening Day festivities.

If all this talk of new volunteers is making you feel a little left out, don't be! Be sure to let me know what activity you would like to volunteer for and we will find a place for you!!!

I have so many things to go over, but our Bilge Pump Editor, Pete Delaunay, will only allow me so much space for my article, so I'll summarize several of my goals for the upcoming year:

-Do not cancel every single event due to the pandemic, instead, creatively AND safely look for ways to bring us together for fun, even if that must be virtually.

-Open the restaurant and bar within the guidelines set forth by the Governor's office. My goal is to open for Non-Meeting Wednesday nights, Friday lunch and Saturday evening dinners, all with appropriate indoor and outdoor seating and bar operations. And of course,

Saturday morning breakfasts, without bar operations.

-Continue to increase the safety of our members in and around our marinas through the Vessel Electrical Safety Committee's initiatives. This will happen, in part, through new breakers to be installed in the U, Reciprocal and Work Slips, designed to prevent electrical shock drowning.

I appreciate the opportunity to be your Commodore and I promise to represent, lead and protect QCYC in ways that will make you all proud. But none of this can be done without the efforts of our exceptional Bridge, the Board of Trustees and our Committee Chairs and their respective members. And I dare not forget the efforts of my First Mate of nearly 30 years, Denise, as I cannot imagine doing any of this without her guidance, assistance and support. I love her more than pizza.

Along with YOUR help, I promise we will make this next year a very memorable one!

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## Vice Commodore's Report

# EVERYONE DOING 'YEOMAN'S JOB' COPING WITH NEW NORMAL

Posted by Vice Commodore Margaret Krows

This month I turn over the operation of Grounds, Membership, Security, and Reception to our well qualified Rear Commodore, Michele Bedner. In the September Bilge Pump I thanked the chairs of those committees for their excellent administration in their areas of responsibility. They made my job easy and I am grateful to them.

Now I will attempt to fill Commodore Terron Lindholme's shoes (and they are much bigger shoes, for sure) overseeing the operation of Moorage, Docks, House, and Outstations. Fortunately for me, the chairs who direct those committees are creative, efficient, hardworking and experienced. They will get me up to speed in no time. The Vice Commodore is also involved with personnel, the Architectural

Advisory Committee, and various other ancillary special projects. My plate will be quite full, but I look forward to all the duties and engagements because I know I will be blessed with an overflowing cup of support from the membership.

I am indebted to Past Commodore Sandy Werner for her pioneering mentorship. I am pleased to continue working with her in her role with the Board of Trustees.

Treasurer Carlson will be sending out annual billing soon. Please contact her right away if you anticipate financial difficulties so you can work out a plan together.

The new 2020-2021 Bridge of Officers takes charge again under the cloud of pandemic regulations. Everyone is doing a yeoman's

job trying to keep up as normal a routine as possible, but there will be wrinkles along the way. Our social activities continue to be restricted which limits opportunities for fellowship and camaraderie. Keep smiling and keep the lines of communication open.



Vice Commodore Margaret Krows

## Friends Fun Fellowship TARETTES

Posted by Kathy (Wear Your Mask!) Satoro, Tarettes President

This has been interesting year so far hasn't it? It's been a lot to process: Corona-virus, stay-at-home orders, safe-distancing, masks, closed restaurants and bars, no happy hours, hurricanes, fires and the resulting smoke and now here comes the U.S. Presidential election!

However, we have had a beautiful summer to enjoy plenty of time on and around the water as well as a lot of (some might say too much! hehehe) personal time with our spouses and children. Because of Covid-19 many of our activities have been delayed or cancelled. But never fear, we will get back to seeing everyone as soon as we safely can. Until then, we will continue to see each other on Zoom or at a safe distance.

As many of you know, we had our Change of Watch on September 11th and here are the results:

### Officers:

President – Kathy Satoro  
Vice President – Susan Rebello  
Treasurer – Kathy Dow  
Secretary – Mary Weale

### Board Advisors:

Carolyn Darling  
Debbie Foote  
Karen Klett  
Shirley Rogers  
Mary Jo Svendsen  
Barb Wilson

Karen enjoyed a great year as President and I for one, echoing all the other Tarettes appreciate all of her energy, positive attitude, humor, graciousness and accomplishments that she achieved during the year. I personally want to thank her for all she has done and taught me during this time. I also would like to thank Shirley Rogers for serving as Treasurer and Mary Weale as Secretary. You all have truly blessed the club with your talents. Thank you.

The upcoming months will be challenging to schedule and host activities but with masks and social distancing I believe we can still gather intelligently. I know I'm ready for that and look forward to being together. In the coming weeks watch for suggested events where we can stay healthy and keep safe distancing.



Fleet Captains Stephanie Farrar and Michael Abrejera present the 'upside down screw' to Paul Grimm



The tide giveth, and the tide taketh away. Did you hear the one about the sailboat? It just ground to a halt and keeled over. The owner was fit to be tide. - anonymous

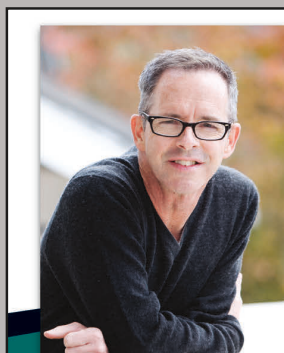
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## Rear Commodore's Report

# COMMITTED TO CLUB VALUES, FELLOWSHIP AND ZOOM RELATIONSHIPS WITH OUTER GRAND XIV YACHT CLUBS

Posted by Rear Commodore Michele Bedner

It is both an honor and a privilege to have been elected to serve as your Rear Commodore for the 2020-2021 year at Queen City Yacht Club. My heartfelt thanks to the Nomination Committee and Membership for entrusting me with the responsibilities that come with being Rear Commodore. I promise to fulfill these duties with dedication and to the best of my ability.

Dave and I joined Queen City Yacht Club February 2009 right after purchasing our 31-foot Camano Troll. Being an active participant and volunteer over the past eleven years has fine-tuned my interest and appreciation for Queen City. Since Dave and I joined, we have both embraced and contributed to QCYC, leading to Dave being selected to go through the Chairs in 2014. The three years with Dave serving as a Bridge Officer was truly a team effort and has provided me with a solid platform of knowledge and experience which will benefit me as Rear Commodore.

I am very proud to be a member of Queen City Yacht Club. Queen City is an all-volunteer Club with the exception of our Office Manager. Queen City thrives as a result of our membership and their willingness to volunteer and step forward to donate their time and skills to keep QCYC running smoothly. My first role volunteering at Queen City was as a bartender. Over the years I have chaired Labor Day Weekend, New Year's Eve three times, co-chaired Fourth of July, co-chaired 2016 JO Ball and 2017 Commodore Ball. I have been Opening Day Event Chair at Queen City in both 2019 and 2017. I recently served two years as your Moorage Chair which was a valuable learning experience. When my husband Dave started going through the Chairs in

2014, I made the choice to start attending Board Meetings to learn more about QCYC operations along with the challenges Queen City faces both now and will face in the future. Attending those Board Meetings strengthened my desire to further serve Queen City in a leadership role.



Rear Commodore Michele Bedner

I was born and raised in Everett. Although my family lived close to the water, my first real experience boating was with my husband Dave. Our first date was on Opening Day of Boating Season 2003. Since then we have boated every summer together in the San Juan and Gulf Islands and as far North as the Broughton's. In April we purchased a 2007 34-foot American Tug that we cruised in for five weeks this past summer as far North as Reid Harbor on Stuart Island and as far South as LakeBay in South Sound.

Normally in August there is a three-day Grand XIV Cruise-In at Bremerton Yacht Club where I would have the opportunity to meet the incoming Rear Commodores and Mates from the other Grand XIV Yacht Clubs. This

year with the pandemic this was not possible. Instead Friday night and Saturday morning the Rear Commodores and Mates had Zoom Meetings where we introduced ourselves and chose the class name 'Kingfishers'. The Kingfishers look forward to the time we are able to meet in person which will give us a better opportunity to share ideas and best practices.

As Rear Commodore I am responsible this year for the operation of Security, Grounds, Membership and Reception. I am happy to report that P/C Scott Grimm is returning as Security Chair. Scott is highly capable and familiar with Security issues. I am thrilled that Susan Rebello is returning as Grounds Chair. For those who are not aware, Susan is a Master Gardener and she has done a fantastic job the past years for Queen City. I want to welcome Val Ohlstrom as our new Membership Chair. Val will do an amazing job representing Queen City Yacht Club in this capacity. As Rear Commodore I am responsible for Reception.

I look forward to a productive year working closely with Commodore Terron Lindholme, Vice Commodore Margaret Krows, Treasurer Joyce Carlson, Secretary Eric Wood along with the Board of Trustees and Committee Chairs. And I especially look forward to getting to know all of our members!

In closing, I would like to thank my husband, P/C Dave Bedner for his commitment of support for the next three years as we go through the Chairs. Dave and I are thankful and appreciative of this opportunity to represent and serve Queen City Yacht Club and we look forward to an exciting three years ahead along with all the surprises and challenges it holds.

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Rico & Wanda Adams with Dan Heffernan cruising

## STAY TUNED FOR SEAFAIR HOLIDAY CRUISE NEWS



Seafair Holiday Cruise Chair Val Ohlstrom talks to elf-crews

Returning for another year, Val Ohlstrom, QCYC holiday cruise chair, is in regular contact with the folks at Seafair about the status of the event during the pandemic. Seafair has said that there will be a virtual event on Sunday, December 6, with details coming soon. Our members have come up with some fun suggestions, from filling the U with lighted boats for a virtual tour and dinner with Willie to Christmas caroling and Seafair clowns, so stay tuned! Thanks to Bob & Linda Schrader, Krissy Pollock-Connelly, Gail Genord, Doug & Margi Wadden, Toni Knickerbocker and others who already have said they are 'all in'...!! Contact Seafair Cruise Chair Val Ohlstrom with ideas and to volunteer – vohlstrom@comcast.net



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# PREDICTED 'LOG RALLY' AS A SOCIAL EVENT & NAVIGATION PRIMER

Posted by Dean Lentgis

Discussion starter and general question for our "log racers" (which seems easier to say than "navigation contestants")

Have there been any changes, or are there any under discussion, which would change or modify predicted log racing? I'm thinking from the perspective of how much the art of navigation has changed over the last few decades. Paper chart navigation is arguably no longer the default means by which the majority of people cruise on their boats. Indeed, most successful predicted log racers seem to rely on a "computer" to do the math involved in preparing for the competition. (Not implying that's bad, I personally think

it's reasonable to use the commonly available tools).

I think it would be great to see these navigation contests continue into the future. Anything that gets people out on the water, having a good time. Hence my question about whether the contests are evolving to the same degree as navigation itself.

TIA for any responses.

The correct name for this sport is presently "Predicted Log Rally". The sport has always had 2 primary goals. First, as Mike Henry has always said "A predicted Log Rally is a Social Event". It has been the one event where participants visited and interacted

with members of the various other yacht clubs. The second goal has always been to teach the art of navigation to all participants using all available tools. (It has surprised me how many captains did not know how to use radar, other than just to look at it, or how to use a chart (now electronic), or how to compute and use tides and currents). We all bought our boats to use them. For myself, I have learned so much about navigation and it had surely helped me so many times. I also treasure the friends I have made from the other yacht clubs in Puget Sound and Canada and hope our newer members take a interest in this wonderful sport.

## BIG THANKS TO OUTSTATION SUMMER HOSTS

Posted by Barb & Eric Wood

We are still out cruising as I write this article. Even though we couldn't travel very far north, we found some beautiful places to visit and just hangout. Social distancing is not hard to do when you're at anchor! A BIG thanks to all of the Summer Hosts that kept the Outstation tidy, green and clean. Thank you, also, to all of the members that helped them this summer. I was able to see via camera, the Outstation being used by many of our members. We hope many of you will continue to come over. Just remember, Winter Moorage started on September 15th. That means the inside of the 'U' is reserved for Winter Moorage boats only. Visiting boats

can tie up on the outside of docks A and B. Safe boating everyone!

### Outstation Summer Hosts

- Rico and Wanda Adams May 16-June 15th
- Kyle and Traci Bixby June 16th-June 27th
- Gary and Vivian Johnson June 28th-July 5th
- P/C Dale and Susie Roberts July 6th-July 18th
- Dan and Kim Heffernan July 19th-August 2nd
- P/C John and Shirley Rogers August 3rd-August 14th
- Mike and Peggie Evans August 15th-August 30th
- Roger and Carol McKinley August 31st-September 15th

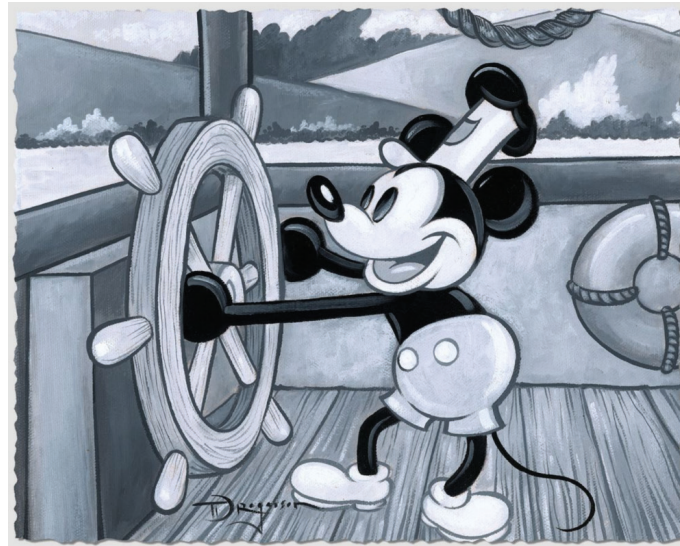


At anchor Barb Wood & Eddie fishing for supper

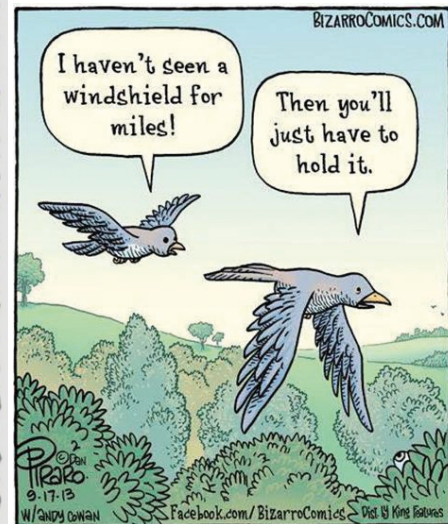
## OFF SEASON MOORAGE SUBLETS

Posted by Dick Moxon, Moorage Chair

While most sublets of slips happen during the summer, it is possible to sublet your slip during other times also. If you are hauling out your boat for a few months this winter, or if you are planning to cruise to tropical climes, you are welcome to sublet your slip to another member for up to six months. Contact Moorage Chair Dick Moxon [rmoxon@comcast.net](mailto:rmoxon@comcast.net) if you are interested in subletting during the off season.



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# 'RESCUE 21' ADVANCED USCG COMMAND, CONTROL & LOCATION IDENTIFYING SYSTEM

Posted by the QCYC Vessel Electrical Safety Committee

This article will provide some insight on the USCG's "Rescue 21" system and how your vessel's electronics should be set up in order to communicate with the system. Why this came to the attention of the QCYC Vessel Electrical Safety Committee centers on one critical, low voltage data communication wire between the vessel's communication radio and GPS. So, what's this all about?

Rescue 21 is an advanced USCG command, control and location identifying system now in place throughout the west coast and Alaska. It is part of the overall Global Maritime Distress Safety System in which Canada participates as well. The system has numerous capabilities, some of which require you, the vessel's Captain, to accomplish ahead of any emergency.

There are three primary onboard components a Captain should be aware of in order to make full use of the Rescue 21 system.

Those are 1.) A Digital Select Calling -VHF (or Single Side Band) two-way radio, 2.) A Mobile Maritime Service Identifier and a Global Positioning System device.

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The DSC-VHF radio uses the same antenna and coax cable as your previous radio. If your vessel doesn't have a DSC-VHF radio, it's time to move this to the top of your boat shopping list.



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We all know GPS and its value to navigation. Its utility is further enhanced when the GPS's data output is connected to your DSC-VHF radio, as it provides your location to the

radio multiple times a minute. Please note, this feature is a hardwired connection to an output circuit from your installed chart plotter or GPS receiver. The connection is very simple, usually being a two wire crimp connection between the GPS data + and VHF data + wires. Then, the same for the data - wires. Check your manuals for the exact wiring configuration.

A fully installed DSC-VHF radio ranks up with life jackets and fire extinguishers as a critical safety tool in today's cruising environment. With this resource, your passenger's and your survivability are greatly enhanced in the event of an emergency. A vast majority of VHF radios have been replaced simply due to maintenance, but many are not wired to the GPS or programmed with the MMSI. Please, complete the project, it could save your life.

*The content of this article is that of the author's research. Vessel Captains are responsible for any actions taken based on this information.*

## REQUIRED VESSEL ELECTRICAL SAFETY TESTS ON OCTOBER 3 & 17

Posted by Eric Lindbeck

In May of 2020 the Board of Trustees passed a new rule which requires all vessels with assigned moorage at the Mainstation and winter moorage at the Outstation to get an electrical safety test each year. Testing will be done on October 3rd and October 17th at the Mainstation. If you haven't already had your vessel tested this year you can sign up by going to the QCYC website calendar. Please pick the event corresponding to your slip number, and include your slip number in the "Comments" field. The electrical safety test takes about 10 minutes and includes an inspection of the shore power cord & receptacle and measuring the "leakage current" from your boat.

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# HIS PASSION FOR ENJOYING FINER THINGS IN LIFE WAS CONTAGIOUS

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Thomas M. Roth  
1945 - 2020

Tom Roth, known as Tommy to friends and family, crossed the bar for the last time August 15, 2020 of cancer. Tom was QCYC #264 when he passed. He was the loving husband (and best friend) to Nancy and father to Corina and Moses.

Tom was raised in Shreveport, LA and graduated from Cal Poly with a BA in Architecture and an MA from UW. He was a lieutenant in the U.S. Army and a Peace Corps volunteer in Ghana, West Africa.

He was a Prudential NW realtor for 30 years in West Seattle. He loved life, his family, art, wine, music, cars, boats, and most of all, travel. Tom and Nancy were "snow birds"

but they took this to an all new level. Not traveling to Arizona or California, Tom and Nancy wintered in Buenos Aires Argentina! Tom joined Queen City in 2005 and was very well liked by all who knew him. Tom and Nancy have owned the "Bird of Paradise" a 46' Ocean Alexander since joining our club. Tom will be greatly missed by family and friends. One of Tom's friends remembers Tom this way: "I am so lucky to have spent time with Tom and Nancy in Seattle and BA. Tommy your wonderful passion for enjoying the finer things in life with Nancy and friends didn't go unnoticed. It was contagious." What a great memory and legacy!

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 Quarterly Billing Invoices Available (Entire Membership)	2 Friday Lunch 11:30 am to 1:30 pm	3 Saturday Breakfast 8:30am to 11:00am  Vessel Electrical Safety Inspection - Dock 1 - Slips 111-138 9:00am to 11:00am  Vessel Electrical Safety Inspection - Dock 1 - Slips 139-169 12:00pm to 2:00pm  Vessel Electrical Safety Inspection - Dock 1 - Slips 170-199E 2:30 pm to 4:30pm  QCYC Socially Distant Dinghy Cruise 3:00pm to 4:30pm
4	5	6 Planning & Finance "Virtual" Meeting 6:00pm	7	8	9 Friday Lunch 11:30am to 1:30pm	10 Saturday Breakfast 8:30am to 11:00am
11 Music Committee Rehearsal 5:00pm	12 QCYC Board "Virtual" Meeting 7:00pm	13	14 Regular Member "Virtual" Meeting 7:30pm to 9:30pm	15 Past Commodore Fall Meeting (CANCELED) 5:30pm  SSAPS Dinner Meeting (CANCELED) 5:30pm	16 Friday Lunch 11:30am to 1:30 pm	17 Private Event - A. Johnson (CANCELED) Saturday Breakfast 8:30am to 11:00am  Vessel Electrical Safety Inspection - Dock 2 - Slips 209-238 9:00am to 11:00am  Vessel Electrical Safety Inspection - Dock 2 - Slips 239-267 12:00pm to 2:00pm  Vessel Electrical Safety Inspection - Dock 2 - Slips 268-297 2:30 pm to 4:30pm
18 Music Committee Rehearsal 5:00pm	19	20	21	22 Tarettes - "Virtual" Book Club 7:00pm	23 Friday Lunch 11:30am to 1:30pm	24 Private Event - Kemper (CANCELED) Saturday Breakfast 8:30am to 11:00am
25 Music Committee Rehearsal 5:00pm	26	27	28	29	30 Friday Lunch 11:30am to 1:30pm	31 QCYC Halloween (CANCELED)  Quarterly Billing Invoices Due (Entire Membership)  Saturday Breakfast 8:30am to 11:00am