

Social

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This has been another wonderful year (our 49th) for the club. Approximately 100 workers came to the first spring work party. Although the major push is in the outdoor and waterfront areas, we could always use an energetic team for the interior of the club. Especially the kitchen. You know where my heart is!

This year we had about 180 guests for the Champagne Brunch on Memorial Day. Although it was a cloudy start, the day turned sunny and warm. We learned that giving your reservation to the spouse of the social chair did not your reservation make! No matter- this meal expands easily, and a great party was had by all. In case you haven't made it yet to this event, it's a nice beginning to the season to get reacquainted with friends you haven't seen all winter. And if you're new to the club, this is a very delicious meal!

On July 4th we had 193 people for our traditional Chicken Barbeque. This was the largest turnout for the 4th that I can recall. A brief rainstorm dampened things momentarily, but then cleared up for the remainder of the party. The group that keeps this event on track is the pit crew, timing the cooking of the chicken perfectly. The day-before salad and baked bean group starts the ball rolling, so that this really is an effortless day. I appreciate everyone's contribution to helping this party run so smoothly. Our clean-up folks also deserve huge thanks for the hours it takes to get everything back to normal. Garbage, recyclables, buffet tables, kitchen, grill area, etc. etc. Somehow it all gets done!

Labor Day was our last big event, with about 180 people attending. Once again our friends at Price Chopper came through with super-fresh, delicious lobsters. And thanks to all of you, we had lots of help preparing, serving and cleaning up from dinner. The season seems to go by so quickly, and Labor Day came especially fast this year. I know, from my standpoint, it's partly because these parties come and go with such ease because of our great club participation in lending a hand.

Our fall work party was also very successful, with about 85 members hauling, cleaning, repairing, raking and de-docking our property. Although not quite the season anticipation of the spring work party, there is a good feeling in tidying and snuggling up for winter. If you like chili and Italian bread, apple crisp and bread pudding, this is the day for you! Thank you to those who helped prepare food for the hearty appetites of those outdoor workers. Much appreciated.

So, a heartfelt THANKS to you all. I have enjoyed another year and getting to know some of you a little better has been most enjoyable. Everything we do at the club is a team effort. It is impossible to provide these events without the “many hands” that truly do make this “light work.” If you haven’t already, please join us at one of these parties next summer. We always welcome more help! Have a safe and warm winter. I look forward to seeing you in the spring!

Respectfully submitted,
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