



# The Starting Line

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## Chateau SYSCO Social & Membership party

Bring a friend to SYSCO's third annual Chateau SYSCO Social & Membership Drive.

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**Saturday, February 16, 2008, 7 pm to 9 pm**  
**Rose City Yacht Club, 3737 Marine Dr., PDX**

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Bring a bottle and an appetizer. Socialize, share stories and invite new members.

**P.S.** There is no general membership meeting in February. It's all fun at Chateau SYSCO.

**P.P.S.** The SYSCO Board meets the first Monday of each month. Time: 6:30 pm. Location: O'Conner's Restaurant in Multnomah Village, 7850 SW Capital Highway.



*Can't wait to have the wind in these and all our sails.*

**SAVE THE DATE!**



## SYSCO

*Social & Membership Drive*

**BYOB AND POT-LUCK**

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**ROSE CITY YACHT CLUB**

**3737 MARINE DRIVE**

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## Are You Ready For Some Racing?

RICH JONES

SYSCO's getting ready for you. As your new Race Captain, I'll be doing all I can to make this a terrific year for SYSCO racing on the river. We'll kick things off with our Race Clinic on March 27th (the chalk-talk) & 28th (on the river). At the clinic, besides the routine stuff, some of the other topics discussed will be the changes in the OCSA Race Book, and what we hope to accomplish on the river with respect to the type, the number and the length of races we will try to hold for all the fleets.

And speaking of fleets, I need the name, email address, etc. of all the fine folks who will be Fleet Captains for this year. If I haven't heard from you yet, please give me a call or send me an email as soon as you can so I can start my regular updates to everyone.

The Spring Series starts on Tuesday, April 15th. My goal is to help the all-volunteer RC's in whatever way that helps them to conduct the best races ever. To that end, I will make myself available to help on the RC boat and/or Poncho II, figuring that there's always somebody who might need a hand with the ins and outs of RC work, or perhaps another strong back might be needed to set or pull the marks. I'm also willing to encourage some of our cruising friends to volunteer their boats for RC duty if we need to provide comfy accommodations for the race committee volunteers.

*See you on the river...*

PS: Bring the spring, the breeze and the sunshine!



## SYSCO Feb. 2008 Board Meeting Minutes

Meeting was called to order 2/4/08 at 6:30 pm by rear commodore, Rod Dawson. Also in attendance were Pat O'Bryant, Bill Sanborn, Al Calcagno, Frank Bocarde, Rich Jones, Anna Pagliarulo and yours truly.

First item on the agenda was the 2008 Budget. Al went down line by line and explained how he arrived at each projected amount. The board had a few questions and a couple suggestions but overall it was a good budget and was unanimously accepted.

Rod & Frank suggested that it is time right now to start talking with Columbia Crossings about what they may be willing to help with for this year's events and Awards dinner. Sandy will write a thank you to them for their donation in 2007.

Bill Sanborn turned in \$40 that was donated by the Cruising Fleet and suggested the club match that and purchase some door prizes for the up-coming Social. Suggestion accepted. Anna will handle that.

Rich inquired if he is considered SYSCO's representative for OCSA. Yes. He will be attending a meeting this coming Thursday and, since he knows one of the topics that will be coming up is multiple races and hiring a PRO, he confirmed our decision regarding these items. There was some discussion about the Race Management Clinic. Rich stated he is having trouble getting members to commit to serving as a Fleet Captain. We really need to have some folks step up and participate.

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**If you would like to be a fleet captain, please contact Rich Jones as soon as possible. It is very important that we get these positions filled so we can continue to provide the racing that you all enjoy.**

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Anna talked about the upcoming Wine Social and it sounds like she is really on top of this. She is going to do some advertising so maybe that will bring in a lot of new prospective members. She also got filled in on the other social events that we have throughout the year. She has some great ideas and a lot of enthusiasm so I would expect this to be a stellar year for the Club. Also, Bill reminded the board that this is SYSCO's 30th anniversary, so we may want to do some special things.

Sandy reported that she will be stepping down from the position as Secretary after this month. She is going to be taking a navigation class that takes place on Monday evenings so will not be able to attend meetings. Everyone is encouraged to try to find someone who would be willing to take over this job for the balance of '08.

There being no further business, meeting was adjourned.  
Respectfully submitted,

Sandy Smith, Secretary

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**Remember: If you would like to take over the secretary position, please notify Karen, Rod, Sandy or one of the board members as soon as possible.**

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