

CLUB SAKE NEWS – January 5, 2009

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1. 2009 WAIVER

The 2009 Waiver is attached. Please be sure that all paddlers have signed a waiver before paddling in 2009. The waivers can also be found on the first page of our website: www.clubsake.com. Completed waivers with the payment for the 2009 season need to be turned into the Treasurer. Do not turn in the waiver and payment separately.

2. 2009 FEES

- Seattle SAKE membership fee is annual, spanning January 1 to December 31 every year.
- General SAKE membership fee is for 2009 is \$90 for one year, \$170 for two years, and \$245 for three years (paid in one lump sum).
- Team Survivor Northwest members, full-time students and seniors (55 years and above) is \$60 for 2009.
- New members, including TSNW members, students and seniors, may join Seattle SAKE at any time after June 30, 2009 for a prorated fee of \$50.
- New members who join the Club after October 1, 2008 may pay the full appropriate membership fee for 2009, which includes the remainder of the current year.
- Full payment of the appropriate fee by or before the first water practice after January 1 of every year is required to renew existing membership.

3. 2009 ANNUAL MEETING

Save the date. The Club Sake Annual Meeting will be on March 3. Details to follow.

4. CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

We will be filling three positions on the SAKE board: Vice-President, Treasurer and Equipment Manager. Please let us know if you are interested in filling any of these positions.

5. EMAIL ADDRESS FOR OFFICERS

Please use the following address for communication with the officers:

President: president@clubsake.com

Communication Manager: comm.@clubsake.com

Webmaster: webmaster@clubsake.com

6. TEAM CONTACTS

Captains: Please let me know if your team contact (s) have changed for 2009. let me know if any of your 2008 contacts should be removed from our email distribution list or if any new contacts need to be added. Please send the new information to comm@clubsake.com

7. MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR CATHY MILLER, SURVIVOR SAKE

Please plan to attend the memorial celebration of the life of Cathy S. Miller (Cathy was one of the original members of Survivor SAKE) that will be taking place on Saturday, January 10th, at the Mount Baker Community Club, 2811 Mount Rainier Dr S in Seattle (near Mioposto restaurant). People are encouraged to arrive around 4:00pm, and the program will begin at 4:30pm.

A potluck gathering at the facility will take place after the program. So if you are able to bring some food, please do so.

If you would like to write a haiku to honor Cathy's memory, please bring it too. We will provide a place where you can post it. They will be collected in a book to give to her son Eli. Haikus usually consist of three lines with five syllables on the first line, seven syllables for the second line, and five syllables for the third line.

If you would like to make a contribution in Cathy's memory to the scholarship fund in her name at Harborview Medical Center or to her 14 year old son, you may do so by sending a check to one of the following addresses:

Cathy S. Miller Scholarship Fund, 325 Ninth Ave, Box 359897, Seattle, WA 98104
Trust Fund for Eli Miller, 1721- 28th Ave S., Seattle, WA 98144

A note from Bea Wells, one of the Survivor SAKE captains: If anyone wants to contribute to the scholarship and/or trust fund, you can send it to me. I really think it would be better to collect the contributions in the spring when we start our new season because at that time we will be going out in the dragon boat as a team to spread part of Cathy's ashes per her request. At that time we will invite Cathy's family and friends to join us in the dragon boats so they can experience an activity that Cathy loved so dearly. I was hoping to do the ashes the same day as the Memorial Celebration but that did not work out.

8. END OF THE YEAR DINNER CRUISE WRAP UP

Find out who knew the identity of the murderer and who was voted best dressed. A wrap up of the party and a video can be found at:

<http://www.clubsake.com> or <http://www.clubsake.com/Event.html>

9. WEEKNIGHT AND SUNDAY PADDLES

Matthew Goossen, Club President, is organizing weeknight and Sunday paddles. If you'd like to be added to the notification list, please email Matthew: president@clubsake.com

10. SIXTH ANNUAL ARIZONA DRAGON BOAT FESTIVAL

My best to everyone up in Seattle. Can't wait to start our new season in April. Hope some of you will join my sister and me in Arizona. **We'd love to have you!** And after the winter you've had up there, I bet you could use a little warm, sunny desert time. The place where we live has 4 excellent golf courses, two big swimming pools, tennis, exercise gyms, etc. Lots of fun stuff to do when you aren't paddling.

Paddles Up!
Diana Chien
Survivor SAKE

This is a *call-out* to all Club SAKE teams ...

Are you interested in joining a **mixed SAKE Team** to paddle in the 6th Annual Arizona Dragon Boat Festival in Tempe, Arizona?

Team practices will be held on Friday, March 27th and the race is held on Saturday and Sunday, March 28th and 29th. Check out the web-site at www.azdba.com/Festival --- lots more information provided there!

Early registration for out-of-town teams is only \$400.00 a boat so the per person cost is quite low. Of course, there is transportation to Phoenix (check out Southwest - they've been running specials for approximately \$200 round trip). Both my sister and I have homes in the area and can provide accommodations for quite a few people, too. We also have two cars that we can use to transport team members to and from Tempe.

If you are interested, please contact me ASAP and no later than January 12th. I'll have to pay the early-bird registration by January 16th if we have at least 22 to 24 paddlers. My email is dnchien@att.net. My local phone number is (623) 215-6860 and my cell is (425) 503-3186.

By the way, the weather here is in the low 70s and beautifully sunny. I paddled this morning and Tempe Town Lake was as smooth as silk.

Paddles Up!

Diana Chien

11. WATER'S EDGE ARIZONA SPRING PADDLE CAMP

Sunday, March 21st to Thursday March 26th

If you're interested in attending Water's Edge Arizona Spring Paddle Camp, check out their website at <http://watersedgesportperformance.com>. The camp isn't cheap but should be great!!! And I'll be here to host anyone who wants to attend. Please sign-up with and pay Water's Edge directly. Just let me know when you do and if you'd like to stay at my house. We can work out the details as we get closer to the date. My email is dnchien@att.net. My local phone number is (623) 215-6860 and my cell is (425) 503-3186.

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