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'BASS LETTER

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PRESIDENT'S PERSPECTIVE

By Amy Hill

Have you signed up to be a 'BASS member yet? If not, we encourage you to do so. The membership cost includes a one-time \$10 enrollment fee and an annual membership fee of \$15. There is also a five-year option available for \$60. While we encourage you to sign-up, you do not need to be a member to attend a 'BASS event, with the exception of the Sports Leagues. In order to participate in the 'BASS Sports League, you must be a paid member of 'BASS. So, if you are interested in joining the upcoming softball and volleyball leagues, send in your membership form, which is available at www.bass-club.com. For more information about the Sports Leagues, contact sports@bass-club.com.

'BASS membership has its benefits! We are currently working with local businesses to renew and expand the discounts available to 'BASS members. If you know of a company or organization that would be interested in providing a discount, please contact our Marketing Committee at marketing@bass-club.com. If you have been thinking about becoming a member, please plan to attend our New Member Night on Thursday, March 16th. Membership forms will be available and you can meet other 'BASS members and learn more about our organization! Look for additional details in this newsletter.

While we have a strong membership base with new members joining each

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'BASS Club was founded in August 2003 by 'BASS Club President - Emeritus Anne Cressy

For questions regarding this newsletter, contact Jean DeWinter at the above email address.

You do not need to be a member of 'BASS to attend a 'BASS event. However, some events may charge a higher fee for non-members. Want to become a member? Great! Find out more at any of the following events!

month, we continue to look for ways to build and strengthen our membership. If you have ideas or suggestions on how we can improve, please visit the 'BASS website and post your ideas on our message boards or email me at amyehill@sbcglobal.net. We look forward to your input.

Happy St. Patrick's Day!

NEWS & NOTES

Tickle Your Funny Bone! Mark your calendars now for one of the most fun events we sponsor...an evening enjoying stand-up comedy at The Funny Bone, located in the 100 Center (100 N. Center Street) in Mishawaka. Join us on Wednesday, March 29, as we take in comedian Willie Ferrell. (This is also a special smoke-free night at The Funny Bone!) The first 20 'BASS members to sign up on the Evite will get in FREE. If you're not one of the first members to sign up, 'BASS has secured a special discounted rate of \$6.50 per person. Food and drink are available for purchase at the Funny Bone. Keep an eye on your mailbox for the Evite, coming later in March.

CONTACT: Social Committee at social@bass-club.com

Rescheduled! We have rescheduled a previously-cancelled Service project with the Challenger Little League to clear some old baseball fields on Saturday, March 18. Look for the Evite with more information coming soon!

CONTACT: Service Committee at service@bass-club.com

Bowl for Kids' Sake! If you didn't sign up for this month's service event, you can still support your fellow 'BASS members by joining them for an afternoon of fun. They'll be bowling at Beacon Bowl, 4210 Lincoln Way West, South Bend, Saturday, March 11, at 1:30 p.m. While you're there, consider making a donation to Big Brothers Big Sisters of St. Joseph County. If you can't make it, well, pencil it in next year or better yet, make a donation to Big Brothers Big Sisters of St. Joseph County!

7@7 continues! But just what is it? It's your opportunity to meet other 'BASS members at great home-grown area restaurants (no boring chain food). Every month, you get to meet 7 new friends for dinner at 7 p.m. at a local restaurant for great food and stimulating conversation. This month, mark your calendar for Tuesday, March 21, and get ready for a great evening. Just send Aaron an email, he'll organize the dinner, then you'll receive an email confirming where to meet. What a tasty way to meet new people! Oh, and if you think you know of a great local restaurant, send the suggestion to Aaron as well!

CONTACT: Aaron Gaines at gaines1975@yahoo.com

'BASS Happy Hour makes people HAPPY. Plus, you get to meet new friends, chat with old friends and talk about everything from sports to kids to who's dating who. Join us this month when we whoop it up on Friday, March 17, St. Patrick's Day at Houlihan's. Houlihan's is located at 4240 N. Main Street in Mishawaka. See you there!

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Upcoming April Event! Want to have some fun at a real arcade and play a round or two of laser tag, video games, miniature golf and more? The Social & Sports Committee is planning an upcoming event in April at MegaPlay in Mishawaka. Look for more information in the April newsletter and keep your eye on your Inbox for the Evite.

CONTACT: Social & Sports Committee at social@bass-club.com or sports@bass-club.com.

'BASS Service will be working with the March of Dimes on Saturday, April 29, during their annual WalkAmerica fund-raiser. We will need 'BASS volunteers to work during this event. Be sure to save the date and look for more details in the April 'BASS newsletter.

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COMMUNITY BRIEFS

Big Brothers Big Sisters' Bowl for Kids' Sake is coming up on March 11 & 12. The deadline for the 'BASS teams was March 1. However, you may still form your own team of 4 or 5 bowlers by contacting Big Brothers Big Sisters at 232-9958.

South Bend Symphony Orchestra will feature the legendary sound of Chris Brubeck and his jazz trio on its second Pops concert of the 2005-2006 season on Saturday, March 18. 'BASS members who wish to attend this concert will receive a special 25% discount. Tickets start at only \$13.50. Contact the Symphony for more information at 574-232-6343 or contact the Morris Performing Arts Center Box Office to purchase tickets at 574-235-9190. For more information on the South Bend Symphony Orchestra, visit www.southbendsymphony.com.

'BASS SPORTS

Sports Leagues The FOP has let 'BASS know they have room for one more team on their spring/summer roster. If you are interested in playing on a co-ed softball team on Thursday nights from approximately April through July, please contact 'BASS Sports before March 15. You must be a paid 'BASS member to participate. We need your commitment for the season or if you prefer to be a substitute player, let us know! Email sports@bass-club.com.

KUDOS

- **Amy Beyer** for coordinating another successful Euchre Club
- **Corey Hull** for planning the Super Bowl party at BW3!

COMMITTEE INFORMATION

SERVICE: Thursday, March 2, 7 p.m., Legends at Notre Dame, University of Notre Dame
contact: George Garner - service@bass-club.com

SOCIAL & SPORTS: Thursday, March 9, 7 p.m., Houlihan's, 4240 N. Main Street, Mishawaka
contact: Kyle Jeffers - social@bass-club.com; Andy Kinnucan - sports@bass-club.com

MARKETING: Tuesday, March 14, 7 p.m., Buffalo Wild Wings (BW3), 123 W. Washington, South Bend
contact: Andrea Alabaugh - marketing@bass-club.com

MEET A MEMBER

NAME

Brandy Ellison



PLACE OF

WORK

University of Notre Dame

HIGH SCHOOL

Billings (Montana) West High School

COLLEGE

Montana State University for undergrad and University of Notre Dame for graduate school (I finished my masters and I am working on my Ph.D.)

HOBBIES

Traveling, playing guitar, cooking, talking (as you can see from my picture, I couldn't even shut up long enough for the person to take it), other mostly nerdy stuff like reading and knitting

HOW DID YOU HEAR ABOUT 'BASS

I was on the Graduate Student Union at Notre Dame and they wanted to look into working with 'BASS so I was recruited to attend a service committee meeting

WHY I JOINED 'BASS

Because the group actually gets things done and that can be so rare.

HOW HAS 'BASS AFFECTED YOUR

MICHIANA EXPERIENCE

I have met a lot of great people and had a chance to explore the community and maybe even help out a little bit.

BEST LOCAL ADVICE FOR OTHERS:

Just give it a chance - you never know what you will find until you get out there. And, to plug the service committee, service projects are an excellent way to get involved in the community and meet people.

FAVORITE 'BASS MOMENT/EVENT:

Probably bowling that perfect game at Bowl For Kids Sake. Well, maybe that isn't accurate. I think I broke 100, though. Either way, it was a great time.

Want to be in the spotlight? Email your desire or make a suggestion of another 'BASS member. Email membership@bass-club.com.