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Duluth Rowing Club 125th Anniversary Celebration

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Quite a few Duluth Boat Club members owned their own sailboats. Here is a photo of Walker Jamar and his wife Clare sailing their 28 foot sloop Seagull on St. Louis Bay. Jamar and the Seagull were top competitors in the Boat Club's annual sailing series in the A division of the 28 knockabout racing class. In 1915 Jamar won the "Commercial Cup" For several years, Jamar was "captain" of the DBC sailing program and later became club president. Photo provided from the personal collection of Walker Jamar, Jr.

The Duluth Rowing Club traces its roots back to the founding of the world famous Duluth Boat Club in 1886. To commemorate the 125th anniversary of this illustrious organization, the Duluth Rowing Club and the St. Louis County Historical Society are hosting a gala celebration at the Great Hall of the St. Louis County Heritage and Arts Center (the Depot). The event will be held on Friday evening, September 16th at 7:00 PM. The cost of the event is \$25, which includes live entertainment and appetizers provided by the Scenic Cafe. There will also be a cash bar.

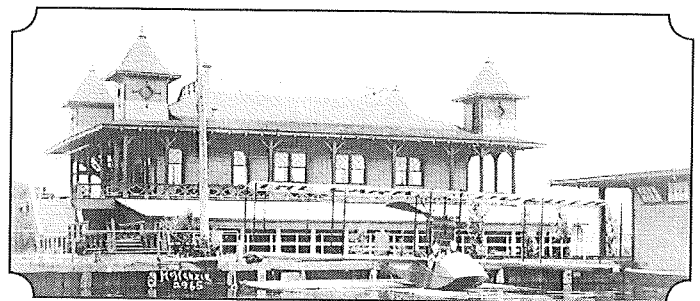
The amazing history of the Duluth Boat Club/Duluth Rowing Club is chronicled in a book entitled *Invincible*:

History of the Duluth Boat Club, which is a work sponsored by the St. Louis County Historical Society through the generosity of the Max Rheinberger Jr. estate. As part of the 125th anniversary event, Mike Cochran, the author of *Invincible*, will give a keynote presentation based on his book. The presentation will include many historic images of the Duluth Boat Club and key individuals who achieved national and international

fame.

In the early twentieth century, the oarsmen of the Duluth Boat Club completely dominated North American rowing. One group of four men who were never defeated in 22 elite races was named the "Invincible Four". The Duluth Boat Club also included a young man who became single sculling champion of the world and an international celebrity. This all happened

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This flying boat was briefly owned and operated by the Duluth Boat Club. The boathouse of the Duluth Boat Club is in the background.

