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COMMODORE'S COMMENTS

Summer is in full swing and so are our boating experiences.

The annual LMYA "Rendezvous" at Harbor Centre Marina in Sheboygan was well-attended, and MBC was well-represented. Everyone had a good time despite some boating problems. Russ Berg had another adventure on the way up to Sheboygan (see the Scuttlebutt section for more details), and I dinged a prop on the way home.

The next event is the LMYA "Open House" at South Shore Yacht Club on July 6,7, and 8th. This event is open to all LMYA members, who are entitled to a free slip for one night on a first come, first served basis. Remember, prospective LMYA members (those who belong to a yacht or boat club) may sign up at the event. Feel free to call me if you have any questions. I hope all of you will stop in at SSYC during the LMYA weekend.

Don't forget the MBC "Dinghy Cruise" will be held on July 21st. Watch the www.milwaukeeboatclub.com website for more details.

Let's hope the good weather continues and that all of us have a safe boating season.

Have a great Fourth of July!

Pete Merryfield

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

July 21	Dinghy Cruise on the Milwaukee River Rendezvous for dinner (restaurant TBA)
August 18	SSYC Annual Corn Roast (Dancing, public invited)
August 25	Port Washington Cruise
September 8	50 th Anniversary Celebration
September 15	Oktoberfest at Bavarian Inn, Glendale
October 9	Captains' & Admirals' Breakfast
October 25	Club Meeting, 6:30 P.M.
November 13	Captains & Admirals' Breakfast
November 15	Club Meeting, 6:30 P.M.
December 1	Annual Commodores' Ball
December 4	Captains' & Admirals' Breakfast
January 28, 2008	Club Meeting, 7:30 P.M.



BIRTHDAYS

Wish the following members a happy birthday!

JULY

- 6 Gail Vieira
- 7 Jean Bluemner
- 24 Shelly Kohen
- 28 Ann Goodnetter

AUGUST

- 2 Robert Garnier
- 13 Jane Knollenberg
- 15 Craig Hesar
- 29 Dick Harvey

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EDITOR'S NOTE

I want to thank you all for your recent hospitality at the South Shore Yacht Club "Spaghetti Dump." I enjoyed the chance to meet the many MBC members who welcomed me to the function with nothing short of a feast.

Since then, I have been pleased to receive submissions from a growing sub-section of the membership. Please don't hesitate to contact me if you would like to submit something for inclusion in a future issue of *The Runabout*. If you choose to contact me by phone, please be aware that I am available from 10:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m., seven days a week. Of course, e-mail is welcome at any time.

Enjoy the remainder of the summer!

Liz Beaudoin

RIVERSPLASH JUNE 2, 2007



Getting set to kick-off "Riversplash" -
Left to right: Grey Halstead, Leo Wagner, Pete Merryfield, George
Graubner, Bud Martiny, Russ Berg



Gloria & Bemy Larsen, Pete Merryfield, Russ Berg



Left to right: Linda (Graubners' guest), Judy
Domer, Sam Graubner, Bonnie Merryfield, Sue
Ring-Wagner, Mary Berg, Cindy Halstead, Mary
Martiny

**SSYC'S ANNUAL "REVIEW OF FLEET" PARADE
JUNE 9, 2007**



Doug Gallus & Gail Meira in "Mousekateer 2"



Dick & Nancy Grabowski & Family in "Do It"

LMYA "RENDEZVOUS" IN SHEBOYGAN JUNE 22, 23, AND 24, 2007



Russ and Mary Berg show their ingenuity in reattaching their swim platform.
(See Scuttlebutt)



The Bergs get ready to camp out in "Summer Toy" (See Scuttlebutt)

LMYA "RENDEZVOUS" IN SHEBOYGAN JUNE 22, 23, AND 24, 2007



Friday night cocktail hour
Left to right: Russ Berg, Jim Heyden, Pete Merryfield, Keith Ponath, Wayne Happel



Dinner at "Rupp's" on Friday night
Left to right: Lynne Happel, Sally & Keith Ponath, Wayne Happel, Kathy & Gene Schnagl



Left to right: Pete Merryfield, Russ Berg, Jim Heyden, Bonnie Merryfield, Mary Berg, Connie Heyden



Serving Saturday's Breakfast
Left to right: Jim & Connie Heyden, Mary Berg, Tom McElwee



Resting up for another round of shopping
Left to right: Nancy Tucholka, Lynne Happel, Bonnie Merryfield, Mary Berg, Connie Heyden, Kathy Schnagl, Donna Finch

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Elen & Andy Baugher enjoy the Riverwalk shops



Leo Wagner & Sue Ring-Wagner



Saturday's LMYA Dinner at "City Streets"
Bob & Jane Knollenberg



Left to right: Jim Heyden, George & Sam Graubner,
Connie Heyden



Nita Swartwout & Dave Risch

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Tom and Cam McEwee



Cindy and Grey Halstead



Pat and Barry Goodstein

SCUTTLEBUTT



Milwaukee Boat Club was well-represented at South Shore Yacht Club's "Review of the Fleet" on June 9th. **Pete Merryfield** (MBC's Commodore) and **Mary Berg** (President of SSYC's Auxiliary) stood on the reviewing stand and proudly saluted as the boats paraded past. **Dick and Nancy Grabowski** and their family in "Do It" and **Doug Gallus and Gail Vieira** in "Mousekateer 2" were among those who participated in the parade of boats.

Russ and Mary Berg and **Jim and Connie Heyden** cruised up to the LMYA "Rendezvous" in Sheboygan in "Summer Toy" and had an adventure outside of Port Washington. When the davits holding the dinghy onto the back of the boat came loose, Russ tried towing the dinghy tied to the swim platform. When the swim platform came off, Russ was forced to leave the dinghy in Port Washington and bungee the swim platform to the back of the boat. When the prop fell off just inside the harbor in Sheboygan, Russ had the boat pulled out of the water, and he and Mary camped out in the boat as it rested on stands in the marina parking lot. **Jim Heyden**, who is relatively new to cruising with Russ, asked, "Does this happen often?"

Lynne Happel, Connie Heyden, Kathy Schnagl, Bonnie Merryfield, Nancy Tucholka, and Donna Finch discovered fabulous sandals at the TLC boutique on Sheboygan's Riverwalk. When **Sam Graubner and Pat Goodstein** saw the sandals that the ladies were wearing at Saturday's dinner, Sam and Pat left the dinner, went to the boutique, and were welcomed into the store by the owner who opened up after hours especially for them.

MBC'ers are always there for one another and adapt to any situation. When the Bergs had to leave their boat in Sheboygan for repairs, they cruised home with the Schnagls, who already had **Wayne and Lynne Happel** as their guests. **Jim and Connie Heyden** were welcomed aboard the Merryfields' "Merrytyme" and had another adventure on the way back.

On the way home from Sheboygan, "Merrytyme" hit "Love Rock" located off Bradford Beach. One of the props had to be replaced. Could Pete and Jim have been paying more attention to the sunbathers than to the depth finder?

Many LMYA members were green with envy and quite impressed when **Gene and Kathy Schnagl** presented "The Great Loop in a Capsule" as the feature presentation at the "Rendezvous" dinner on Saturday evening.

All of us who have pets were saddened to hear of the passing of **Barry and Pat Goodstein's** little dog Scrappy. Those of us who slip at SSYC will miss seeing Scrappy being walked on the docks.

Joni Johnson walked in two fundraisers this spring. For the American Cancer Society Hartland Relay for Life June 15th and 16th she was St. Charles team captain and raised over \$1,500. Her team missed first place that weekend by forty-seven dollars. The team total was \$12,402. For the Waukesha Memorial Hospital Foundation-Riverwalk May 5th, she raised over \$450 in donations. Those totals were made possible by many of you.

Bud and Mary Martiny left in "Dry Martini" for their trip to North Channel a few days later than planned due to the late arrival of a new chart plotter that had to be wired in place. Then the small craft warnings and high winds kept them at SSYC a few more days. They finally left early Saturday, June 30th and, with the calm seas, went 122 miles to Manistee, Mich. for a couple of days. They left Monday, July 2nd at 7:00 a.m. headed for Beaver Island, but again the sea god was kind. With waves only to two feet, they skipped Beaver Island and kept going 166 miles all the way to Mac Island, arriving at 4:15 p.m. Luckily, they got the last slip for three nights and will have been to North Channel by the time you read this. The brave souls went all by themselves.

Todd and Jan Weiler are looking forward to an exciting summer of international travel.

Jan will travel to China and Russia to participate in the International Crane Foundation's "3 White Cranes, 2 Fly-Aways, 1 World" program. The purpose of the program is to study cranes and to teach ecology and conservation. Jan and other educators will meet with teachers from South Korea and Thailand and study cranes and other birds. Not only will they teach students, but they will also teach Chinese teachers to communicate important lessons regarding ecology and conservation to their students.

Todd will first travel to London to visit with his cousins, and from there, he will travel to Vienna to meet with German pen pals. Leaving Vienna, Todd will move on to the Czech Republic to attend a WWII memorial service which honors the heroic WWII squadron of American pilots who were shot down over the town that holds the ceremony. Todd's uncle Jim was one of those who died there. Every year the town remembers and honors the squadron members who died trying to liberate them.



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