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COMMODORE'S COMMENTS ★★ ★

On Friday, May 10th, over 50 members of the MBC gathered for the annual Shove-Off Spree at Seven Seas Restaurant on Nagawicka Lake. The food was delicious and the company great! A very special thank you to Scott and Barbara Burke for the time and effort they put into planning this great beginning to the boating season.

It is always a treat to see who will be awarded a bottle of wine for being the first to launch their boat this season. Dave Risch was awarded this honor this year. Congratulations to him!

Instead of an MBC breakfast or lunch this month, there will be a happy hour get together! Don't forget to mark your calendars for Monday, June 10th for a Milwaukee Boat Club happy hour at Bullwinkle's on Bluemound and Barker Road in Brookfield. See more information in this issue of *The Runabout*.

Also, **mark your calendar with the new date for the LMYA Weekend on June 21st.** This weekend is always great fun. I look forward to seeing many of you there.

Connie Heyden and Mary Berg announced that MBC shirts and hats are still for sale. We hope members will either buy a shirt or a hat.

Thank you to Grey Halstead and Dick Harvey for being captains of the Champagne and Cold Duck event at McKinley Marina. It was a cool, beautiful, partly sunny day and this event was very well attended with present members, their guests, and perspective new members. The food was great. A special thank you to Dick and Nancy Grabowski for being great salesmen with the MBC shirts and hats at this event. Everyone had fun, and it was a success. Thank you to Grey, Cindy, Dick and Shirley for all their work for this fun day.

Hopefully, great weather is ahead of us and we will have a great boating season! Connie and I look forward to seeing you at the upcoming events!

Jim Heyden



BIRTHDAYS

Wish the following members a happy birthday!

JUNE

3 Lynne Happel
22 Tom McElwee
22 Sue Ring-Wagner
25 John Goetzman
26 Jim Palmieri
27 Russ Berg

JULY

1 Kathleen Winkler
7 Jean Bluemner
7 Karen Schmidt
13 Jackie Hohn
29 Patty Heibel

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- | | |
|-------------------|--|
| June 7, 8, & 9 | MBC Cruise to Pirate Days
in Port Washington
Captains: Dan & Donna Danowski |
| June 10 | MBC Captains & First Mates Happy Hour
Captains: Lynda Nelson & Connie Heyden |
| June 21, 22, 23 | LMYA
Captains: Jim & Sally Mergener |
| July 12, 13, & 14 | MBC Cruise to Prairie Harbor
Captains: Dan & Donna Danowski |
| July 27 | MBC Dinghy Cruise on Milwaukee River,
Pub Crawl & Dinner
Captains: Dave & Judy Dornier |

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**THE CAPTAINS' & FIRST MATES'
 HAPPY HOUR GET-TOGETHER**

When: Monday, June 10, 2013

Time: 4:00 – 7:00 Happy Hour

Where: Bullwinkle Sports Bar
 20290 W. Bluemound Road
 Corner of Bluemound Road and Barker Road
 (Next to Motel 6)
 Brookfield, WI

Hosted by Connie Heyden and Lynda Nelson

**MBC CHAMPAGNE / COLD DUCK
 SOCIAL
 SATURDAY, MAY 25, 2013**

Despite a mostly cloudy day and fifty degree weather, the MBC Champagne Cold Duck Social had a great turnout at the McKinley Marina Pavilion. The turnout was so good for the event, we actually ran out of name tags. With brats and hot dogs provided by the club, and scrumptious appetizers, salads and desserts brought by the members, everyone ate well. We had several guests from South Shore Yacht Club and McKinley Marina. We may even get a new member or two as a result. Wayne Happel brought a guest, the new owner of Wayne and Lynn's boat. Wayne had a big smile on his face when introducing him. As always, a great time was had by all.

Grey Halstead

BON VOYAGE, JIM & PATTY!

Our dear friends and fellow MBC members Jim Palmieri and Patty Heibel have fulfilled their dream and made the big move to Prescott, Arizona.

They left the cold rainy Wisconsin weather on May 23rd to start their journey down to Arizona, first making a detour north to St. Paul to visit Patty's parents. We wish Jim & Patty all the best. We will miss you guys!

NEW MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENT

Vince Verhasselt's correct e-mail is Sounddr1@sbcglobal.net

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Boat Info: Liberty
Catalina
39' 10" 40 hp
McKinley F49

Ralph & Kathleen Winkler
W240N2361 Range Line CT, A
Pewaukee, WI. 53072
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E-mail: ralphwink@aepro.com
E-mail: kathwink@aepro.com

Boat Info: Boomerang
Inland Wahoo
26' 250 hp
SSYC Mooring

Pete and Bonnie Merryfield returned from Ft. Myers, FL. with two cats instead of just their Mickey whom they had taken down with them. "Little Orphan Annie" a gorgeous and friendly spayed tortoise shell, had been abandoned at their condo complex in October. Bonnie's friend Mary had been feeding affectionate Annie, but Mary's cats and Annie didn't get along. Everyone was leaving to go back up north for the summer, and Mary and Bonnie were doing everything they could to find someone to care for Annie. During a phone conversation that final week in FL., Bonnie's friend Carole in Waukesha said if the Merryfields could get Annie to Wisconsin, Carole would take her. Everything fell into place for Annie's adoption. AirTran allows six pets to ride in the cabin, and Annie was the last pet reservation accepted. TSA allowed Bonnie to go into a small check room with the two cats while the pet carriers were taken through the x-ray machine. The carriers were kept back-to-back, and Mickey and Annie never saw one another. Annie slept the entire trip. On the way to the Merryfields' home in Delafield, Annie was transferred to her new mom Carole outside the Petlicious store off I-94 in Pewaukee, and it was "love at first sight" for Carole and Annie. Carole's vet pronounced Annie "remarkably healthy", and now Annie has a forever home, far from her unknown Florida beginnings. "Happily Ever Afters" really do come true!

SCUTTLEBUTT



Congratulations to Wayne and Lynne Happel on selling their boat "Happely Ever After." The boat, truck and trailer went to a good home. MBC members even got to meet Patrick the new owner at the "Champagne/Cold Duck" get-together on May 25th. When Bonnie told Patrick that he should be able to feel the "good vibes" from all the fun times many of us have had on the boat, he said he could definitely feel them!

Dave and Carollyn Schneckenberg sold their pontoon in six (yes, 6) hours! The "For Sale" notice had barely been posted on Craig's List when they got a call from a perspective buyer. He came out, looked at the boat, liked what he saw, and the deal was done! Dave and Carollyn already have another beautiful pontoon to take the place of the one they sold.



INTRODUCING VINCE AND LYNN VERHASSELT.....



New members Vince and Lynn Verhasselt (pronounced Ver hass elt) lived in New Berlin before moving to Franklin. ("Small world" side note: At the "Shove-Off-Spree", they learned their beautiful home was built by MBC members Vance and Kathy Werner's son Vance, Jr.!)

When Vince and Lynn were married thirteen years ago, their new family combined Lynn's three sons and Vince's three sons, which gave them their very own "Brady Bunch". Needless to say, there was never a dull moment! Lynn's son Patrick is now thirty-eight and lives in Greenfield. He and his wife Melissa are parents to nine-year-old Evan who was born on the Fourth of July. Shawn is thirty-five and lives in Bay View. Ryan is thirty-one, and he and his wife Pamela are expecting another grandson for Vince and Lynn at the end of July. Vince's son John is twenty-eight and the father of two girls, Klaire, six, and Bailey, eighteen months. John and his girlfriend Tana live in West Bend with Tana's two sons, Michael, eight, and Anthony, six. Brian is twenty-five, lives in Slinger, and he and his fiancée Brittany will be getting married next year. Andy, Vince's youngest son, is twenty-one and lives in West Bend.

Lynn was an LPN in the cardiac unit at St. Luke's before retiring after thirty years in the field of nursing. Vince is a field engineer for SMS (System Maintenance Services).

Vince has been boating since he was between four and five years old. His family had a Klepper, a German-made "fold boat" that was stored in three or four bags and then assembled. It was, basically, a two-man kayak; a canvas shell, with a sail main and jib, and was designed to be taken camping. That portable Klepper started Vince's lifelong love of boats. Young Vince bought a 16' Chrysler Mutineer and followed that with a 22' Catalina which he sailed for a year. That boat was followed by a 26' S-2 that he owned for ten years. Vince then purchased "For My Lady", a 36' S-2 which is now slipped at South Shore Yacht Club in E-29. The boat is named after Vince and Lynn's wedding song by the Moody Blues. Lynn was introduced to Lake Michigan sailing in 1998 when she began dating Vince and has proven to be a more than capable First Mate. Vince has owned "For My Lady" for thirty years and has sailed along the Wisconsin coast and crossed Lake Michigan more times than he can count. Favorite destinations include Grand Haven, Ludington, Pentwater, and Frankfurt.

When not boating, Lynn enjoys shopping, estate sales, reading, babysitting, and dining out. Every third week Vince is on 24-hour call and has to keep that in mind when planning non-boating activities. When he's not "thinking about new things to put on his boat", Vince enjoys cook-outs, and both he and Lynn look forward to getting together with their extended family and friends. The Verhasselts are also members of SSSYC and are on the entertainment committee there. They learned of MBC from the Graubners.

Vince and Lynn consider themselves to be "very social people." Milwaukee Boat Club members definitely agree and extend a hearty "Welcome Aboard" to this friendly and fun-loving couple!

Bonnie Merryfield

**MILWAUKEE BOAT CLUB
SHOVE-OFF SPREE
MAY 10, 2013**



Bonnie & Donna



Sandy, Barry, & Bob



John, Jim, guest Mike



Leo, Pat, Sue, Denis, Dan



Joe, Steve & Dave

MILWAUKEE BOAT CLUB SHOVE-OFF SPREE MAY 10, 2013



Pete & Barry calling raffle winners



Pete busy selling raffle tickets



Kathey & Bill



Cindy, Kim, Judy & Kathey



Dale, Peter, Wayne & Vance



Connie, guests Diane & Mike, Dave

**MILWAUKEE BOAT CLUB
SHOVE-OFF SPREE
MAY 10, 2013**



Scott & Barbara, Sam & George



Dale & Tricia



Raffle winner Dave



Vince & Lynn

**MILWAUKEE BOAT CLUB
SHOVE-OFF SPREE
MAY 10, 2013**



Nita, Kim, Carollyn, Cindy



Kathy, Bonnie, & Peggy



Mary Ann & Cam



Raffle Master - Pete, and Denis



Jim, Dave, raffle master Pete, John, Bob



Patty & Jim

**MBC CHAMPAGNE - COLD DUCK SOCIAL
MCKINLEY MARINA PAVILION
MAY, 25, 2013**



Pete & Leo



Bonnie interviewing Lynn & Vince



Barbara, Craig, Jim, John, Russ, Kim



Donna, Jackie, Carolyn & Gloria



Dave & Wayne

**MBC CHAMPAGNE - COLD DUCK SOCIAL
MCKINLEY MARINA PAVILION
MAY, 25, 2013**



Scott, Barbara, Sam, George, Lynn & Vince



Event Captains - Cindy & Grey



Connie, Sue, Mary & Kim



Lynne, Kathy, Davis, Carollyn & Jackie



Tom (guest), Cam, Tom M.,
Kathleen & Ralph (guests)



Dick, Joe, Peggy, Donna & Nancy



Russ, Gloria, Bernie & Sam

**FOR SALE
MILWAUKEE BOAT CLUB SHIRTS AND HATS**

Spring and summer are coming soon. Time to get your wardrobe all set for warmer weather! Help support the MBC and order one of their shirts or hats.

ORDER NOW! WE HAVE LIMITED AMOUNTS OF EACH SIZE!

Fill out the form below and return with a check made out to Milwaukee Boat Club. Give or send your order form and check to:

Mary Berg
6837 Milwaukee Ave.
Wauwatosa, WI 53213

Shirts and hats will be delivered in the late spring.

Woman's Short Sleeve Shirt: \$25.00

Size:

- Small
- Medium
- Large
- X-Large

\$25.00

Men's Short-Sleeve Shirt: \$25.00

Size:

- Small
- Medium
- Large
- X-Large

Hats: \$15.00

One Size Fits All

Total Amount Enclosed

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