



COMMODORE'S COMMENTS ★★ ★

Rain, snow, and sleet did not keep 19 members from turning out for the February Educational Night and MBC meeting. If you were unable to attend, you missed an excellent program presented by Brittany Taylor, from State Farm Insurance. Brittany discussed with us how to protect our boats and ourselves with watercraft liability coverage, and property coverage. Thank you to Bob Kowalski for planning this event. This was a very informative program. Call Brittany for more information.

The Sno-Fun Cruise to Miller Brewing Company was a great event and was well attended by MBC members. Thank you to Tom McElwee and Vince Verhasselt for being captains for this fun day! All also enjoyed the dinner after the tour. We really appreciate all the time and effort you two members put into planning this day! Great job, guys!

Mark your calendars for the upcoming "Monday Madness" Happy Hour coming up on Monday, March 10th. Watch for more information on this event and this month's MBC meeting in *The Runabout* or in future e-mail blasts.

Hopefully, by the next time we have an event, the weather will be starting to get warmer. In the meantime, keep warm!

Watch for more information on this event and the MBC meeting

Jim Heyden



BIRTHDAYS

Wish the following members a happy birthday!

MARCH

- 5 Connie Heyden
- 6 George Graubner
- 8 Dave Risch
- 9 Jim Mergener
- 12 Dave Schneckenberg
- 14 Lynda Nelson
- 16 Wayne Happel
- 16 Lynn Verhasselt
- 25 Donna Danowski
- 28 Scott Burke

APRIL

- 3 Ken Dziubek
- 6 Dick Grabowski
- 7 Leo Wagner
- 15 Dave Dorner

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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| March 10 | MBC Monday Madness
Captains: Happels |
| March 20 | MBC Membership Meeting |
| April 2 | Fox & Hounds Excursion
Captains: Schneckenbergs |
| April 7 | MBC Monday Madness
Captains: McElwees |
| April 17 | MBC Membership Meeting
& White Elephant Auction
Captains: Dorners |

A modified Calendar of Events for 2014 appears on the next page for your reference.

2014 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

April
 2 Fox & Hounds Excursion
 Captains: Schneckenbergs

7 MBC Monday Madness
 Captains: McElwees

17 MBC Membership Meeting
 & White Elephant Auction
 Captains: Dorners

May
 9 MBC Shove-Off-Spree Dinner
 at Seven Seas Restaurant
 Captains: Burkes

19 MBC Monday Madness
 Captains: Halsteads

24 or 25 MBC Champagne/Cold Duck Party
 Captains: Halsteads & Merryfields

June
 9 MBC Monday Madness
 Captains: Merryfields

14 & 15 (tentative) LMYA Cruise to Pt. Washington

July
 14 MBC Monday Madness
 Captains: Bergs

18-20 MBC & SSYC Cruise to Racine
 Captains: Grabowskis

August
 4 MBC Monday Madness
 Captains: Heydens

16 MBC Inland Lake Cruise
 Captains: Dorners & Schneckenbergs

September
 7 MBC Annual Picnic

22 MBC Monday Madness
 Captains: Heydens

October
 3-5 T.B.A. Trip
 Captains: Bergs & Heydens

13 Monday Madness
 Captains: Dorners

16 MBC Membership Meeting with
 Educational Program
 Captains: Kowalskis

November
 10 MBC Monday Madness
 Captains: Miotkes

20 MBC Meeting & Trivia Night
 with Officer Elections
 Captains: Hesers

December
 6 MBC Commodore's Ball
 Captains: Burkes

January 15, 2015 MBC Event Planning Meeting

IN SYMPATHY

Shirley Harvey, our dear friend and long-time Milwaukee Boat Club member, passed away on February 4, 2014. Shirley fought a courageous battle against pulmonary fibrosis, never losing her positive outlook and sweet spirit.

The entire Milwaukee Boat Club sends its prayers and loving sympathy to Dick and his family. Rest in peace, Shirley. We'll sincerely miss you.

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WEATHER ALERT

In case of cancelations of MBC meetings or events, we will send out e-mail to all members as soon as possible, hopefully, at least 90 minutes before the meeting. We are asking all members to check their e-mails on bad weather days or call the Commodore at (414) 975-6999 or the yeoperson at (414) 640-9065 for updates.

Submitted by Connie Heyden

BOATING QUIZ

I found a book by C. Dale Nouse as I was looking for another book in my bookcase and thought, Aha! This, quiz book is perfect for MBCers who think they know lots of "stuff." I plan to publish one or more questions each month. The answers to the questions below are on page 3 of this issue. No peeking!

1. Who discovered the boat, or invented it?
2. As you are lolling about over breakfast in a nice harbor, you note the nimbostratus clouds. There's a light breeze from the southeast. The barometer has fallen 0.04 inch since you got up an hour ago. Do you up-anchor for the next harbor? What kind of weather lies ahead?
3. What's the difference between "athwartships" and "amidships?"

I also enjoyed the book's dedication:

To all those who sail boats, race boats, love boats, read about boats, talk about boats, admire boats, dream about boats or just like to sit about on boats...You're the sort of folks I encounter slushing around boatyards on those rare warm days in February.

Gloria Mitchelson
(Find the answers to this quiz on page 3)

**SNO-FUN CRUISE AND DINNER
 FEBRUARY 22, 2014**

We had a great turnout for the Sno-Fun cruise and dinner. Thirty-four Milwaukee Boat Club members attended the Miller Brewery Tour to see the production of the many brands of Miller/Coors products, the historic caves dug in 1849, and the Miller Inn (1898), where we sampled Miller beers.

Then 36 members ate dinner in The Chancery's main dining room. A fun afternoon and evening was had by all.

Tom McElwee

BOATING QUIZ ANSWERS:

1. Although prehistoric man probably floated on logs and maybe even made something to imitate an ant drifting by on a leaf, the earliest evidence of a boat is a paddle for a dugout canoe, found in Yorkshire, England. This paddle has been dated to 7500 B.C.
2. With those three weather indicators, it should be raining and blowing shortly. Unless you want a workout, stay put.
3. "Athwartships" means at right angles to the centerline of the boat. "Amidships" means halfway between the bow and the stern, or halfway across the beam at any point.

MINUTES FROM THE FEBRUARY 20TH MBC MEETING

The educational part of the February meeting preceded the regular MBC meeting.

Commodore Jim Heyden called upon Director of Programs Bob Kowalski to introduce the speaker, Brittany Taylor from State Farm Insurance. Brittany discussed the plusses and minuses of different kinds of boating insurance.

Commodore Jim Heyden called the regular meeting to order at 7:35. The minutes from the last meeting in January were approved.

The Commodore thanked everyone for coming out to the meeting in the bad weather. He suggested creating a plan for cancelations due to inclement weather. A discussion followed on how the club should announce cancelations. It was decided that any cancelations would be announced by e-mail, and that three people would serve as contacts for those determining whether the meeting will go on as planned. The Commodore then reminded everyone about the Sno-Fun Cruise coming up on Saturday, Feb. 22th.

Vice-Commodore Mary Berg announced that a couple of corrections were made to the 2014 calendar. She said to check the March issue of *The Runabout* for the new calendar. Mary also said that the club was looking for a volunteer to captain the dinghy cruise.

Purser Dave Schneckenberg reported that we had a starting balance of \$2706.63, merchandise sales of

\$20.00, expenses of \$375.00 with an ending balance of \$2351.63.

Everyone thanked Director of Programs Bob Kowalski for arranging the excellent program for the evening.

Tom McElwee, Director of House and Equipment, announced that we are hoping to get into the CenterPoint Clubhouse for the March meeting. Look for more info on the location for the March meeting in upcoming e-mail blasts. Tom also announced that around 40 people had signed up for the Sno-Fun Cruise and dinner for this coming Saturday. He informed members what time to arrive for the tour, gave more information on the tour and dinner, and announced a dance at the SSYC to be held Saturday evening that the club members were invited to.

LMYA Committee Chairman Wayne Happel discussed how some of the officers changed in LMYA. He then went on to give information on the upcoming Monday, March 10th happy hour coming up for MBC members. Wayne said this event was to be held at Pistol Pete's on Lisbon Road in Brookfield. Wayne said he would send out more information in *The Runabout* or in future e-mail blasts about this event.

Webmaster Dave Dorner said that everything is up and running. Dave's e-mail address for the club will be labeled dave@milwaukeeboatclub.com.

A discussion was then held about where the MBC Club cards are honored. Members said they would get that info before the next meeting. A further discussion followed about where Yacht Club cards are honored.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:25 P.M.

**Connie Heyden
Yeoperson**



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