

COMMODORE'S COMMENTS 

Maybe it is just wishful thinking, but has anyone noticed signs that the boating season is getting closer? The boat shows are in full swing and it is not dark at 5:00 PM. Hmmmm ... better not get too far ahead of ourselves, we have some great MBC activities to enjoy before the boats go back in the water.

We had an outstanding turnout for the January planning meeting. Twenty-two members came with some terrific ideas for 2017. This year we will have two Sno-Fun Cruises:

- Skylight Theater, February 18 , Dan & Donna Danowski Captains
- Ice Stock Car Racing, February 26 on Lake Sinissippi in Hustisford, Tom McElwee Captain

The calendar is packed with traditional MBC events as well a couple of new trips that should be interesting. Sam & George are working on a Bourbon tour to Kentucky and, Connie & Jim are organizing a Chicago Gangster Tour.

Thanks to the folks that have volunteered to form a committee to plan our Diamond Jubilee celebration. Anyone with ideas to make this the highlight of 2017 or who would like to help, let me know and we will include you in the planning.

Thanks to all those that came to the meeting with ideas and volunteered to make 2017 a great start to our next sixty years.

Looking forward to seeing everyone at the February 16th meeting at the Tosa Lions Club. Please bring a dish to pass. See you all in a couple of weeks.

Commodore
 Scott Burke



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- February 6, 2017 Monday Madness
 Captains: Dick & Karen Schmidt
- February 16, 2017 MBC Educational Meeting
 Captain: Russ Berg
- February 18, 2017 Sno-Fun Cruise Skylight Theater
 Captains: Dan & Donna Danowski
- February 26, 2017 Sno-Fun Cruise Ice Racing
 Captain: Tom McElwee
- March 6, 2017 Monday Madness
 Captain: Jim & Connie Heyden
- March 23, 2017 MBC Meeting
 Captain: Scott & Barbara Burke
- April 5, 2017 Fox & Hounds
 Captain: Dave Schneckenberg
- April 20, 2017 Wis Historical Society Lecture
 Captain: Scott & Barbara Burke
- April 25, 2017 Monday Madness
 Captains: Wayne & Lynne Happel
- May 12, 2017 Shove-Off-Spree
 Captain: Connie Heyden
- May 22, 2017 Monday Madness
 Captain: Vance & Kathy Werner
- June 3, 2017 Jubilee Celebration Dinner
 Committee: Vince, Mary, Dick, Dan, Donna, Marianne, Connie & Linda
- June 16-18, 2017 LMYA Cruise to Port Washington
 Captain: Jim Mergener
- July 13, 2017 Inland Lake Cruise - Okauchee
 Captain: Dave Dorner
- August 14, 2017 Monday Madness Lake Geneva
 Captain: Connie Heyden
- August 25, 2017 MBC/SSYC Cruise to Racine/ Prairie Harbor
 Captain: George Graubner
- September 2, 2017 MBC Annual Picnic
 Captain: Connie Heyden
- September 7-12, 2017 Inland Cruise - Kentucky Bourbon Tour (tentative)
 Captain: Sam Graubner
- September 18, 2017 Monday Madness
 Captains: Pete & Bonnie Merryfield

CALENDAR OF EVENTS - continued

- October 7, 2017 Gangster Tour - Chicago
Captains: Connie Heyden
- October 16, 2017 Monday Madness
Captain: Sue & Leo Wagner
- October 19, 2017 Meeting & Trivia Contest, Chili Dump
Captains: Craig & Kim Hesel & Tom & Cam McElwee
- November 6, 2017 Monday Madness
Captain: Grey & Cindy Halstead
- November 16, 2017 Meeting, Election of Officers
- December 2, 2017 Commodores Ball
Captain: Connie Heyden
- January 18, 2017 Planning Meeting
Captain: Scott & Barbara Burke



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OFFICERS

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| Commodore | Scott Burke |
| Vice-Commodore & Cruise Director | George Graubner |
| Senior Pilot | Connie Heyden |
| Purser | Dave Schneckenberg |
| Yeoman | Barb Burke |
| Director of Membership | Bonnie Merryfield |
| Director of Programs | Russ Berg |
| Director of House & Equipment | Tom McElwee |
| Director of Refreshments | Leo Wagner |
| Past-Commodore | Mary Berg |

COMMITTEE CHAIRS

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|------------------------------|---|
| LMYA Representative | Wayne Happel |
| Boat US Agent | Mary Berg |
| The Runabout Editor | Dave Dorner |
| Advertising | Pete Merryfield |
| Scuttlebutt | Mary Berg, Gloria Larsen & Bonnie Merryfield |
| Webmaster | Dave Dorner |
| Dry Dock & Welfare | Charlene Zierden |
| Club Sales | TBD |
| Audit and Bylaws | TBD |
| Cruise Directory Advertising | Pete Merryfield |
| Historians/Photographers | Cindy Halstead, Kim Hesel, Bonnie Merryfield, & Connie Heyden |
| Keeper of the Log | Sue Ring-Wagner |
| Editors of Club Directory | Bonnie Merryfield and Todd Weiler |

BIRTHDAYS

Wish the following members a happy birthday!



- | FEBRUARY | MARCH |
|------------------|-----------------------|
| 2 Judy Dorner | 5 Connie Heyden |
| 9 Jim Goodnetter | 6 George Graubmer |
| 15 Joe Miotke | 8 Dave Risch |
| 18 Erv Bluemner | 9 Jim Mergener |
| | 12 Dave Schneckenberg |
| | 14 Lynda Nelson |
| | 16 Wayne Happel |
| | 16 Lynn Verhsselt |
| | 25 Donna Danowski |
| | 28 Scott Burke |

SKYLIGHT THEATER EVENT

Saturday, February 18, 2017 -- Show time at 7:30 p.m. -- Cost \$67.48 per ticket (group price for 10 or more up to 20)**

"I LOVE YOU, YOU'RE PERFECT, NOW CHANGE" - *Love in all its glory is celebrated in this tuneful and witty musical comedy revue. Revealing the joys and frustrations of relationships--at nearly every stage of life--has never been so fun.*

Dinner will be available at the Skylight Bar and Bistro at 5:30 p.m.. Sandwiches, Entrees, Wine, mixed drinks and Dessert are served (\$\$ - \$\$\$). Beverages are allowed in the theater during performance, and they will hold your table for intermission for a drink or dessert or hold your corked bottle of wine.



Dry Dock and Welfare

Bonnie Merryfield had retinal surgery in December and is healing nicely.



**MINUTES OF THE
JANUARY 19, 2017
MEETING OF
MILWAUKEE BOAT
CLUB**



The January 19th meeting of Milwaukee Boat Club was called to order by Commodore, Scott Burke at 7:02 p.m.

The minutes of the last meeting were approved as published in the newsletter.

Scott thanked members for entrusting him to lead the club for the next two years. He outlined the evening's agenda – a short business meeting, a break for pizza, and the 2017 planning session. He mentioned that 2017 is the MBC Diamond Jubilee and asked the members to think about how we can celebrate this special occasion.

Wayne Happel presented the officer burgees. The 2016 Fickle Finger of Fate was awarded to Vince and Lynn Verhasselt.

Vice Commodore, George Graubner was traveling and had no report.

Senior Pilot, Connie Heyden, confirmed Seven Seas for the Shove Off Spree in May and Fox Brook Park in September.

Dave Schneckenberg, Purser, reported that the club had \$2,943.21 as of January 19. We took in \$1,270.00 in dues, and \$1,419 for the Commodore's Ball. We spent \$500 for entertainment at the Commodore's Ball, \$1,404.42 to South Shore Yacht Club for the Commodore's Ball and \$300.00 for the Sept thru December Newsletter. The current balance is \$2,943.21. Dave also reported that we have 33 paid members. A discussion followed about the most efficient way to collect membership dues and whether or not checks should go directly to the Purser.

Past Commodore, Mary Berg, no report. Mary modeled the necklace that was presented to her at the Commodore's Ball.

Membership Director, Bonnie Merryfield, no report.

House and Equipment Director, Tom McElwee, thanked Mary for going to the Lion's club to plug in the refrigerator prior to the meeting.

Director of Refreshments, Leo Wagner, reported that Schlitz is a big hit and will be a regular beer.

Program Director, Russ Berg, No report
Wayne Happel, LYMA Committee Chairman, no report.

Runabout Editor, Dave Dorner, no report. Vince asked if we could put ads in the newsletter. The answer is yes and instructions are in the Runabout for anyone interested.

Advertising, Pete Merryfield, no report.

Scuttlebutt Committee, no report.

Webmaster, Dave Dorner, no report.

Dry Dock and Welfare, no report. However, several members have had health issues and we wish them good health and speedy recoveries.

Club Sales, no report. It was mentioned that all inventory has been sold and now all merchandise, can be ordered online. Burgees remain available through the club at \$25 each.

Old Business: None.

New Business: Discussion regarding the MBC mooring at Oklahoma Beach. The membership discussed restoration; there was no conclusion and is open for further discussion.

Meeting adjourned at 7:29 PM.

Yeoman Barbara Burke



Monday Madness

February 6, 2017,
4:30 PM



ABV Social

11200 W. Burleigh Street
Wauwatosa, WI 53222
In the Game Room

Just east of I-41 in the
Mayfair Collection shopping center.

RSVP to:
Dick Schmidt
dickschmidt100@att.net
414-781-4993
Or just show up!

WELCOME TO AUTO ICE RACING



What is it: Its stock car racing on ice. Races are on an oval track and a point system is used to determine a champion. Prize money and trophies are awarded to the top four finishers.

Where is it: Its held on Lake Sinissippi in Hustisford.

When: Sunday, February 26.

What time: Races start at 11:00 am and run till about 3:00 pm. Come at any time.

Where do we meet: Sinissippi Lake Pub (formerly Karen's Lone Pine), N4571 County E, Hustisford, WI 53034 (Phone 920-349-9333).

Sunday brunch starts at 9:00 am. Award winning bloody Mary's and full Pub menu.

What to bring: Warm clothing, folding chairs, refreshments (anti-freeze) to watch the races.

Captain's: Tom McElwee and Denis Molloy



MBC Meeting February 16, 2017, 6:30 PM Educational Program

Documentary film:

“HEROES ON DECK:
WORLD WAR II ON LAKE
MICHIGAN”

Location: Wauwatosa Lions Club
7336 Saint James St.

Pizza will be ordered in.
A-L bring a dessert,
M-Z bring a salad or appetizer



SEAFARING WORDS IN EVERYDAY SPEECH

Albatross . . . (encumbrance or handicap)

The albatross is a long-winged seabird held in reverence by mariners as an omen of good luck. In Samuel Taylor Coleridge's narrative poem The Rime of the Ancient Mariner, the title character committed an unspeakable act by killing an albatross that had guided the ship through treacherous fog and floating ice. When all manner of misfortune descended upon the vessel, the desperate crew draped the dead albatross around the Ancient Mariner's neck as a sign that he, alone, bore the burden of guilt for its death. Eventually , after many hardships and much suffering, the penitent Ancient Mariner was forgiven and died "a sadder and wiser man." In colloquial English, however, anything that is cumbersome, causes deep concern, or makes difficult the accomplishments of a goal is said to "hang around one's neck an albatross."

Chow . . . (food)

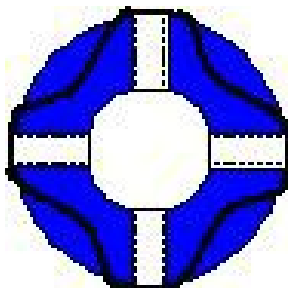
This is another word that dates back to the days of clipper ships and the tea trade to India and China. It is thought to be a shortened version of the Chinese pidgin word chow-chow which means food.

Clean Slate . . . (fresh start)

In the days of sail, the courses and distances made good during each watch were temporarily recorded on a slate. After transferring the information into the ship's log, the slate was wiped clean prior to the next watch. Colloquial use of this expression ashore means to forget past events and start from "scratch."

(Source: When A Loose Cannon Flogs a Dead Horse There's the Devil To Pay" by Olivia A. Isil)

By Gloria Mirchelison



Classifieds Ads

Have something to sell, unload, or just clear out the belly of your boat or locker? Post it here for free to Milwaukee Boat Club members. Send a description and if you want include a photo to david@milwaukeeboatclub.com

Travels, Trips or just on the spur of the moment.

Planning an excursion up, down or across the lake and looking for fellow boaters to travel with (there's always safety in numbers),

or

the day looks to be great and a great opportunity for an impromptu raft off, trip up the river or a day trip on the lake and want company? I will be glad to send a blast out to the membership. Just call me at 414-339-2555 or email to david@milwaukeeboatclub.com

Club Apparel and Merchandise

Clothing and other merchandise can be purchased from Milwaukee Boat Club's online store at: <http://mbcwi.qbstores.com/> through Queensboro Shirt Company



Have your own items you want embroidered with the Club Burgee and name? You can take or send your items to:

Straight Up Embroidery
1190 Richards Rd.
Hartland, WI. 53029
262-367-9999



Costs are around \$10

MBC Planning Meeting January 19, 2017



Oh Captain, My Captain, Commodore Scott



Dan, Russ, John & Leo



Carollyn & Dave



Lynn & Tom



Dan & Donna



Connie whispering to Jim, "Wake Up!"



Tom, singing "These boots are made for walking"




Grey & Cindy



Karen & Dick



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