



Sounder April 2009



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Terry Smith	Assistant Fleet Captain
Kim Fox	Secretary
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Shilo Markwood	Sunshine Lady
Jeff Deffen / Carole Martin	ABYA Delegate

Commodore's Report

42 more days until launch date but who's keeping track? Me! I don't know about you, but Jackie and I have had enough of cold weather. We are looking forward to boating season!

The ABYA dinner hosted by SPYC at North Star Sail Club is set for April 6th. Please support Jeff and try to attend. Besides helping with the dinner, the guest speakers are always good and it is another chance to get together with your club members.

The fitting out party is set to be held at Roosevelt's April 18th. Jackie and I will not be able to attend. We will be on vacation leaving that day for Mexico so be kind to Brian during the meeting. We are sorry we can't make it but know all will have a great time. Johnny O has some fun in store for all of you.

We have a few members who are not feeling well. I have been calling Ralph and Bob to check up on their progress. If you get a chance, take a few minutes out of your busy schedules to give them a call to let them know we are thinking about them and wish them a speedy recovery.

See you at the May meeting at Len and Lynda's house.

Gary

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Vice Commodore's Report

Even though the calendar says spring, the temperature does not feel like it! I'm sure that is not stopping most of you from peeling off that shrink wrap and applying a few coats of wax.

Just a few things from me, the 2010 Ball is set for February 6, 2010 at Sycamore Golf Club, in Macomb Twp. I am still working out all the details, but I know I will be changing it up a little from past Balls.

With the membership being low for the past couple of years, I think we should do some kind of membership drive, maybe relax the requirement of becoming a member. I will bring it up at the next meeting, so let's think of some good ideas.

Thanks,
Brian

Rear Commodore's Report

Well another month has gone by and now we are officially into Spring; we just have to wait for the warmer weather to come. Realizing that a lot of members have shrink wrap on their boats, Mac Ray's has put together a shrink wrap recycling program again this year. They will accept anyone's used shrink wrap at Mac Ray Harbor (regardless where you stored your boat) and have special areas assigned for drop off of your used shrink wrap. This is an easy way to dispose of the material and a great way to help the environment since it will be recycled.

On another note, the annual Clinton River Watershed/ABYA Clinton River clean up is Saturday, May 9, 2009 at North Star Sail Club/and the Pride of Michigan dock (on South River Road). For anyone who is interested in lending a hand, they can use all the help they can get. Community service hours will be offer to teenagers, so bring them along. If you have a dinghy or small boat and want to bring it, please do so as they can use it. Make sure you have plenty of life jackets. They also need lines to tie to the debris (doesn't have to be good

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line just whatever you have around the house that's sturdy). The Sea Cadets are offering to clean your boat up at the end of the event. After the clean up is done, on Saturday afternoon and evening, Lynda and I will be hosting a Surf & Turf cookout. The menu is crab legs and cow tenderloin with grilled veggies and salad, and if the weather permits a fire that evening for us all to gather around and enjoy (beverages – did I mention adult beverages?) BYOB.

If you are interested in helping with the cookout or would just like to attend, please call and let us know, so we know on how much food to purchase. Please RSVP no later than May 2, 2009. To be fair with everyone, I will take the total cost of the food and divide it by the number of folks who attend. Last year we did this and I figured 1 lb. of crab legs per person plus a serving of the tenderloin and all the fixings and it was around \$50.00 per couple. The price may vary a little bit depending on what the price of the crab legs are. Last year I got them for \$12.99 per pound. It's just a little incentive to get you to help at the Clean-up, and who doesn't love a party!! I look forward to seeing everyone at the Fitting Out Party.



Len Bruley
Rear Commodore

Fleet Captain's Report

So Close You Can Smell It!!

Well here we are, what a great time of the year. The Spartans are still rollin' on there way to the Final Four (at least) & as I leave work there are a few hours of day light. No, that does not mean I have two more hours to work on the honey due list. Instead two more hours to work, plan and shop for all the things on that I want to do on the boat and probably can't afford to do. Yeah, that's why they call it March Madness.

Nothing better than the smell of new wax being appliedstop it... I am talking about Carnauba wax. What were you thinking? As an incentive to git R DONE, and have a

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clean fleet, (can't help myself, I know, I'm "Ask'n too Much") I will give a "real mans" chamois to the first one in before the next meeting (assuming you beat me in).

The fitting out party is set for Saturday, April 18th at Roosevelt's. The general membership meeting will start at 5:00 pm at Roosevelt's. The address is 44935 Hayes Rd. It is on the south west side of Hall Rd & Hayes. Dinner will be served at 7:00pm. We currently have 24 guest signed up. We need to get to 50 to make this cost effective. Again the cost is \$8.00 per member & \$11.00 for non members. The meal will be Baked Mostacolli, Chicken Tenders, Gourmet Pizza, Salad & Dessert. Please email me if you plan on going and did not sign up. I need to have a head count and need everyone's support in making this outing viable. Come one, come all, bring a friend or two.

I will send out a flyer with directions in the next week. I can also attach a copy of the sign up sheet for convenience. I would like to wish everyone a Happy Easter.

Your, Fleet Captain.
Johnny O



Members' Comments

Talk to me . . .

Sunshine Report

Carole and Bob Martin's Son (Paul)- First of all, Paul thanks everyone for his prayers and the get well card that we sent him. Guess what, the miracle man is at work. All tubes and lines are out and he had been transferred to Henry Ford hospital of Macomb on 19 mile Rd for rehab. Paul is currently in PT, OT and etc. He encompasses the entire day. (until 4:00P.M) He is moving is legs, his shoulder but not elbow or hand and standing with help. Paul's determination will get him to the max. Keep praying for him.....

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Jim Markwood- Ten days ago Jim had gotten a dust particle of some sort caught in his right eye. He went to the eye Dr. and they said he had a clogged duct. They put him on antibiotics and steroid eye drops. Well, it didn't work. He has to under go surgery on Mon. 3-30-2009 morning to relocate the tear duct. Good luck to you Jim.....

Jennifer and Ken Wambach's daughter- Sarah fell and broke her right elbow a couple weeks ago. She had surgery to place a pin in her arm to hold the bones together. Her recovery time is 6 to 8 weeks. The surgery was done on Thursday 3-12-209 and hopefully everything went well.

Ralph Solecki- Ralph and Doris said Hello to everyone. Ralph is doing good and getting around slowly but surely. They will see everyone at the May meeting at Len and Lynda's house.

Bob Peltier- Bob is very sick and he is not getting better. Its going to be a long road to his recovery . Wish him well and keep him in your thoughts and prayers.

Happy Easter holiday, peace and love to everyone.....
Your #1 Sunshine Lady, Shilo Markwood

If you have any kind of news for the sunshine lady please
contact me at markwood.shilo@att.net

Upcoming Events

**Next SPYC Meeting April 18th Fitting Out Party Roosevelt's –
Shelby Township (Hall Rd and Hayes) Meeting begins at 5:00**

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BIRTHDAYS

4/10 Dennis Gregory
4/14 John Christensen
4/20 Dewey Pugh
4/21 Roy Perry
4/25 Jeff Hubner
4/27 Sue Fralowicz

ANNIVERSARIES

4/7 Barb & Larry Aliotta
4/12 Edie & Jim Limbright
4/15 Bob Peltier & Carol Trinity

For Sale

1994 40' SeaRay EC Excellent Condition Loaded 600 hrs. \$107,000 obo (586) 530-5906

1987 34' SeaRay Sundancer Good Condition 800 hrs. \$29,000 (586) 777-9663

For Sale a very large dock box, white fiberglass, triangle shape. Excellent condition. Back 54", sides 37", 27" deep. Bob Martin 586 566 1550 or cell 810 335 7711. \$250.00 firm.

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A safe and Happy Easter to All!

