



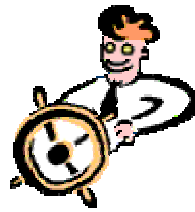
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2009 Bridge Members	
Gary Szczesniak	Commodore
Brian Fox	Vice Commodore
Len Bruley	Rear Commodore
John O'Leary	Fleet Captain
Terry Smith	Assistant Fleet Captain
Kim Fox	Secretary
Corinne Christensen	Treasurer
Shilo Markwood	Sunshine Lady
Jeff Deffen / Carole Martin	ABYA Delegate



## Commodore's Report



## Vice Commodore's Report

Well, I don't have a committee yet for the 2010 Commodore's Ball as Gary did however; I have chosen the hall, "Sycamore Hill's Golf Club," which is located at 48787 North Ave, in Macomb, just off 21 Mile. I'm still working out the details of the band and hopefully I will have more information on the band at the April or May meeting. Along with that, I'm working out the details of prizes and tickets as well. As a reminder, this is

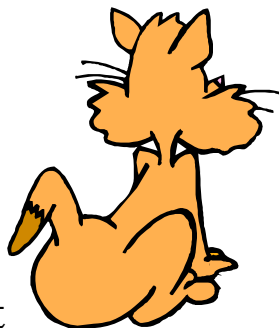
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the biggest event SPYC throws and to make it successful, I need the help and support of everyone in the club.

Thanks to Gary and everyone that assisted with the 2009 Commodore's Ball. It was a Ball to remember with great fun, friends and family.

Vice Commodore,  
**Brian**



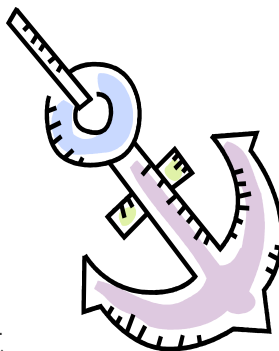
### **Rear Commodore's Report**

Well we have another month of winter thankfully behind us, making it closer to spring launch for us all. Reflecting back over the past month, I have to say thanks to Gary and the Balls R Us Committee along with all who worked so hard to make our SPYC Ball such a wonderful and hopefully successful event. Looking ahead, I can see that Johnny O also has been very busy trying to get our Float Plan in order for the 2009 boating season. Looking good John. I have to say to our Vice, thanks Brian for another wonderful video presentation which we all enjoyed - not only with the one monitor but two; great job and well done thanks again. Please let's not forget all of our SPYC members and family who are ill. We wish for them to all make a speedy recovery and be able to get behind the helm and look ahead to smooth sailing in the days and months ahead. I look forward to seeing everyone at the next meeting, Sunday, March 8, 2009 at 2pm at Mariners Boat Club.

***Len Bruley***  
Rear Commodore

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### Fleet Captain's Report

#### Seasons Are Changing, So Has The Float Plan!!

First, A GREAT BIG THANK YOU to all that helped with the Commodores Ball. Gary & all his little helpers did a band up job on putting this event together. What a wonderful night.

Please take note that there are a few significant changes to the float plan due to conflicting events, other club obligations & financial considerations. I believe that the float plan is now finalized and shortly we will be making a posting for each outings activities. It's time to check out of Betty Ford's clinic.

The first change is to Fitting out Party. We were facing an 80% increase in cost from Penna's for the exact same that we had last year. Cant imaging doing anything less, so I found a place (Roosevelt's) that is willing to work with us. They will match last years price that we paid and will still have some entertainment options. I know some of my Paisano brothers were hoping for a chance to win a game of Bocce this year but we will have to see if they are any better at pool (probably not). Roosevelt's is a new Facility that has a great environment & food. It is located on the Southwest corner of Hall (M59) and Hayes. Ironically, just a half mile north on Hayes from Penna's

The Metro outing was set for August 21<sup>st</sup>. Unfortunately Selfridge just announced that the air show this year is the same weekend as our outing. I know a lot of us like to see the air show and I did not want anyone to have to make a choice. Hey, now we get two events. We have rescheduled the outing at Metro 1 week earlier on August 14<sup>th</sup>. I expect that most of us that want to see the show can informally "hook" up together in front of Selfridge on the 22<sup>nd</sup>.

Last change is regarding the raft off on June 12<sup>th</sup>. The ABYA outing in Bay City was officially cancelled. There is still how ever enough interest in an ABYA outing and the all important rubber band races that an outing has been scheduled for Sunday June 14<sup>th</sup> at Mac Ray's. The boat races will be in the pool. We do need to support not only Lynda as

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our ABYA representative but the ABYA it's self. I was asked if we could reschedule the raft off outing so we can participate in this ABYA outing. After considerable review, we though that we may be able to do both. Some of our club members may be "power challenged" and two days on the "hook" in Munchies may be too much for their energizers batteries to handle the strain. So we are proposing to spend Friday June 12<sup>th</sup> and most of Saturday in the bay and leave for Mac Ray's Saturday late afternoon. We can then get back to power & party & grill on land. We will then be able to get up early enough on Sunday to help set up & subsequently win the rubber band races. I have 8

wells reserved currently. Most of the Mac Ray & Belle Maer club members can use their wells and allow these 8 for those not conveniently located at one of these marinas. Please let me know who needs a well for Saturday night. Compromise is so much easier.

As always, please review the sounder and email me what events you are interested in at the above email address and I will add your name to the sign up sheet free of charge.

Respectfully, cruise & cocktail director.  
Johnny O



### Members' Comments

Talk to me . . .



### Sunshine Report

**Bob Peltier-** Bob is still in the intensive care at Royal Oak Beaumont Hospital. The incision wear he had the surgery is not healing. He has had a

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blood transfusion and has been on a ventilator. Bob is not doing well. Lets keep him in our thoughts and Prayers.

**Bob and Carole Martin's Son (Paul)**- Paul is also still in the Neuro-intensive care unit at Beaumont Hospital. His pneumonia is gone. But he has a surgically implanted shunt to drain off cerebral spinal fluid that was causing excess swelling and pain. Possible he may get some of his movement back. Dr's\nurses tried him on small amounts of soft food, his swallow was O.K but he has a huge distended abdomen and a "parialitic ilius" (won't go through-kinda frozen) Paul still has a positive spirit that full recovery is out there waiting. Per Carole. Wish Paul's family well.

**Jim Maynard (former member of SPYC)**- Passed away on Monday February 23<sup>rd</sup> 2009. He was 73 years old. Visitation was on Thursday from 3-9p.m and Funeral was held on Friday @ 11:00A.M. @ Kaul Funeral home.

**Doug Hubner** underwent emergency appendectomy surgery on February 21<sup>st</sup>. He is back to school and doing well.

God Speed and Safety to everyone and look forward to spring.

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](mailto:markwood.shilo@att.net)

### Upcoming Events

**Next SPYC Meeting**                      **March 8th at Mariners**                      **2:00 p.m.**

### **Clean Boating Workshop**

**Wed. March 18<sup>th</sup>. 6:30-9:30 p.m. (registration 6:30-7:00) MacRay's Banquet Center ABYA and Clinton River Watershed's Clean and**

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**Green Boating Workshop – Learn about the current state of Lake St. Clair; What boaters can do to help Marinas be green, Share and Learn clean and Green Boating practices, Overview of the Great Lakes Restoration Blueprint/Great Lakes Water Compact. All boaters and non-boaters welcome. No charge for this event. For reservations call 248-601-0606 or e-mail at [contact@crwc.org](mailto:contact@crwc.org).**



Happy St. Patrick's Day!

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## BIRTHDAYS

7<sup>th</sup> Debbie Giannico  
17<sup>th</sup> Kathy Pielack  
18<sup>th</sup> Gary Knapp  
21<sup>st</sup>. Len Jakinovich  
24<sup>th</sup> John O'Leary

## ANNIVERSARIES

21<sup>st</sup> Ben & Marianne Lindemann

## 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