



# SOUNDER

## JULY & AUGUST 2006

### Commodore's Comments

Why is it the months of summer just fly by chock full of so many things to do and the winter months seem to just drag on? The key here to us boater has to be the weather.

The gods have been good to us this year as we have been blessed with a classic beautiful summer. There have been no reports of injuries, accidents or major mechanical problems to my ears. Lets keep safety our goal as we wind down this boating year.

I'm sure all our members will join me as I give praise to our Fleet Captain, Gary Szczesniak. (AKA Homie Free) He has put forth great effort and planning, not to forget some great meals. His imagination and themes for our outings have inspired a renewed camaraderie among members. Hats off to you Gary. Job well done!

### 2006 BRIDGE

Commodore	CAROLE MARTIN
Vice Commodore	TONY FRALOWICZ
Rear Commodore	JEFF DEFFEN
Fleet Captain	GARY SZCZESNIAK
Secretary / ABYA Delegate	LYNDA MAREK
Treasurer	CHERYLE JAKINOVICH
Membership	GARY KNAPP
Sunshine Delegate	LINDA MAY
Asst. Fleet Captain	BRIAN FOX



## Comment's cont'd



We are coming up this month on August 12 of the Raft Off in the bay, Lets do it this year and break that record!

On August 18-20 is the Cove Marina outing. There is a dingy poker run and dinner with a dish to pass. Perhaps this time I'll get a money hand. Right. One thing to be sure, I'll be soaked!

I pause for a minute of silence to Wally Breiger. May he rest in peace.

Lets keep Bob Peltier in our prayers, he is facing a serious surgery as soon as his medical problems stabilize.

We also wish Ilene Caracausi a speedy recovery from her surgery.

On a lighter note Bob and I look forward to seeing you on the water.

Safe boating,  
Carole

## Voice of the Vice

I would like to offer my condolences, and also on behalf of all the Club members to Gerry Brieger, and the Brieger family on the passing of Wally. He was a great person who gave us a lot of laughs throughout the years as a member of Sand Pointe. It is a sad day when we loose one of our good friends. He will be missed by all of us.

On another note, I just learned that Bob Peltier is in the hospital down in Florida with some stomach problems. Lets wish him a speedy recovery.

I would like to congratulate Gary Szczesniak and his numerous helpers for some great outings. We are about half way through the summer, and I am sure that the second half will be as good as the first, if not better.

Not much to add at this point on the Commodore's Ball plans for 2007. I'll keep you posted as new things arise. That's all for now, see you on the water, and safe boating to everyone,

Tony Fralwicz – Vice Commodore

### A word from the Asst. Fleet Captain....

I am trying to plan next years float plan and I need your Commitment / feedback for the 4th of July outing. As you are probably aware , next year the 4th of July falls on a Wednesday. We are scheduled to go to Maumee Bay, Friday June 29 thru Monday July 2nd. From there I'd like to go to Cedar Point and then Put-n-Bay. Put-n-Bay will let us reserve space now on the public dock (A-B), but I need a FIRM commitment from those who wish to make the trip as soon as possible. Basically, if I make the reservation between now and December and provide names/boat sizes, our reservation is confirmed so that we are all rafted together. Please call with your feedback: 586-203-7936

Your Asst. Fleet Captain,  
Brian



# Fleet Captain's Report

## August 2006 Fleet Captain's Report

Hard to believe it is already August!

The Hawaiian Luau outing at Mitchell's Bay was great. Good friends, fun and food. They treated us very good and the pictures on the web site will confirm how much we had! The costumes and boat decorations made the outing a lot of fun. Many thanks to Corinne Christensen for her efforts in organizing and running the Hawaiian Luau party at Mitchell's Bay.

St. Clair worked out equally well. Again, we had good friends, fun and food. Thanks to Bob and Carole Martin for taking on the task and running the Captain Morgan party. I never knew we had that many pirates in the club. The drinks and snacks were enjoyed by all who attended.

The Algonac Harbor Club outing was another success. The ribs from Sugar Bush were great. My thanks to everyone that helped pick up, set up, take down and return the tents to Bill and Mitzi's house. Another special thank you to Corinne for organizing and running the dingy poker run there.

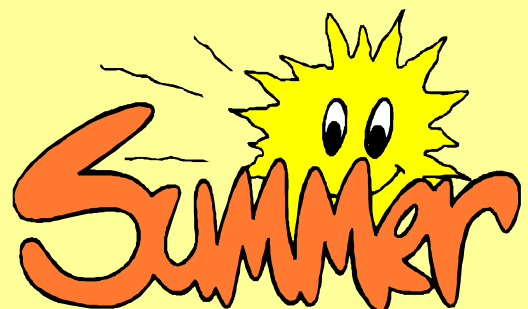
And finally the outing at Bouvier Bridge was just a lot of fun. Thanks to Nancy Horton for organizing and running the adult games. I still can't believe she ripped off the head of Sam's zucchini! And again, a special thank you to Corinne for organizing and preparing for the Chocoholic party. The chocolate fountains, food and gifts were right on the mark. And the members dancing in the PJ's...well you just had to be there! Thanks again to Judy, Gary and Tom from Windmill Pointe Yacht Club for having a steak dinner just for us; the food there was great! I will ask Jeff Deffen to include a schedule from WPYC for the balance of 2006 in the Sounder. The schedule will show their events and dinners. Please support them when you can.

Next on the float plan is the Cove August 18 through the 20th and then Sarnia Bay Marina for Labor Day weekend. There is another dingy poker run at the Cove and a Mexican Fiesta Party at Sarnia. I will call everyone to confirm and provide all of the details for those outings. At this point, we are still on for Idle Hour for our frost bite on September 15th. I will let everyone know if that changes.

If anyone has pictures of any of the outings, please get them to Brian Fox so he can include them on the web site.

See you at the Moot!

You're Fleet Captain,  
Gary



# RAMBLINGS FROM THE REAR

It was a very sad day hearing about the passing of one of our members Wally Brieger. Like Tony said, he was a great guy. I personally got along with Wally very well. He always had a good story, and was a lot of fun to be around. He will be truly missed by all of SPYC.

First of all Gary is doing a fine job! I've had a blast at each outing. Kudos to you! The extended trip was also a blast from Tony's Spanish Coffee at Grand Bend to Dinner On the back of Len & Linda's boat (WHAT'S KNOT TO LIKE) Spending a lazy day at the beach with Dick, Eva and family It was really nice. Good friends and good times.

Well, it has been another great summer of boating so far. Hope everyone is enjoying the weather. Denise and I are getting ready to go down South to visit her family. So we will see you all when we get back.

Jeff Deffen - Rear Commodore

## Happy Birthday !!

Louise Knapp 7/4  
Jim Albrecht 7/9  
Dana Criswell 7/15  
Sherry Perry 7/15  
Loretta Serra 7/17  
Barb Aliotta 7/20  
John Badovinac 7/25  
Reggie Horton 7/28  
Bob Martin 7/28  
Vince Spalla 7/28  
Fran Stocks 7/29  
Kim Gregory 8/1  
Corinne Christensen 8/2  
Mitzi Hamilton 8/4  
Len Bruley 8/13  
Rich Prentiss 8/15  
Edie Limbright 8/17  
Donna O'Leary 8/22  
Mary Sue Wyss 8/30  
Kim Fox 6/6

## Happy Anniversary !!

Corinne & John Christensen 7/15  
Kathy & Jeff Pielack 7/25  
Bob & Carol Martin 7/29  
Linda Marek & Len Bruley 8/5  
Greg & Nancy Withers 8/15  
David & Joyce Withers 8/16  
Lary & Dana Criswell 8/20  
Sam & Ilene Caracausi 8/21  
Gary & Jacquelyn Szczesniak 8/26  
Ken & Jennifer Wambach 6/4

## SUNSHINE REPORT



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