



# SOUNDER OCTOBER 2006

## Commodore's Comments

Greetings to all! It is September and the feel of fall is in the air. The nights have cooled, the trees have even started to turn. I guess it's almost over as we wind down the last weeks of boating season and start thinking of the storage checklist.

Despite the rain at the Cove Marina outing our poker dingy run went on after a brief delay. Of course I got soaked anyway. A great time was had by all. Dick Buckner took first place and Bob came in the money with his pair of Kings, oh well maybe next time I'll get a hand.

The Sarnia Bay outing was packed with fun despite a few showers, wind and clouds. Nothing dispelled our enthusiasm. Two 50/50 raffles were won by Dennis Gregory and Tony Fralowicz respectively. The Mexican Fiesta theme prevailed. Best boat decorations went to first prize winner Sue Fralowicz and second to Louise Knapp. We awarded Eva Buckner best Sip and Dip for her Mexican themed stuffed tortillas. (warm and from scratch)

John, (The Bear) gave us three hours of nonstop music and karaoke. My sides still ache from laughter. Prizes to Best costumed guy, Senior David Withers. Best costumed gal, Yours truly Seniorita Carole. Our Fleet Captain provided wonderful Steak Fajitas and Sunday breakfast Burritos. It was a winner weekend!!

## 2006 BRIDGE

<b>Commodore</b>	<b>CAROLE MARTIN</b>
<b>Vice Commodore</b>	<b>TONY FRALOWICZ, PC</b>
<b>Rear Commodore</b>	<b>JEFF DEFFEN</b>
<b>Fleet Captain</b>	<b>GARY SZCZESNIAK</b>
<b>Secretary / ABYA Delegate</b>	<b>LYNDA MAREK, PC</b>
<b>Treasurer</b>	<b>CHERYLE JAKINOVICH</b>
<b>Membership</b>	<b>GARY KNAPP</b>
<b>Sunshine Delegate</b>	<b>DORIS SOLECKI</b>
<b>Asst. Fleet Captain</b>	<b>BRIAN FOX</b>



## Comments cont'd

Our first fall meeting is at Lynda and Len's home on October seventh at 2pm. Don't forget your chairs and a dish to pass. We are always grateful to these gracious folks for hosting a fun meeting. Life vests for children 9 and under please!

I have asked Jeff to include a reservation sheet I have received from ABYA for the Spring Rendezvous March 2, 3 & 4, 2007. Please read carefully. The theme of Pirates of the Caribbean is a great one for us since we host a yearly Captain Morgan party. You can use what you have acquired or spruce up your pirate wardrobe and flaunt it at next years Captains party!

Here is a little update on the St. Clair raft off. The last time I checked the unofficial boat count is at 1,498. The official count record to beat is 1,453. The final word is not in yet. There was over \$2,800.00 collected for SOSCL and Special Olympics. Great effort!

Our Sunshine Lady Doris is still needing email address info from: Bremenour, Pielack, Schaeffer, Spalla, Trinity, D. Withers. N. Withers, Horton and Doher.

I am recovering nicely from my "female surgery" ten days ago. Thank you for your thoughtful cards and the beautiful flowers from the club. I will see you at the meeting at Len and Lynda's home.



Safe boating

## RAMBLINGS FROM THE REAR

Another great summer of boating with SPYC is over. Thank you to everyone that helped make this summer truly memorable. As always, we are looking for the Boner of the Year. Let us know if you have any candidates. Also, let me know if you have any problems with the Sounder.

I will have the 2007 Spring Rendezvous Registration Form from ABYA at the next meeting for anybody that needs one. Also, ABYA is having an eight night Caribbean Cruise on the Jewel of the Seas Sailing Jan 26, 2008

I will have some fliers for that too. See you at Len and Linda's

Jeff Deffen  
Rear Commodore

### REMINDER FROM LINDA & LEN:

**October meeting Saturday, October 7th. Len & Lynda's 2:00 Address - 38062 Seaway Harrison Township (near Metro Parkway and Jefferson). If you're coming by boat, please call 586-463-6464 so we can make arrangements. Kids under 12 - need lifejackets and need to wear them at all times. Don't forget your lawn chairs. We're planning a bonfire after the meeting and dinner.**

Unofficial SPYC Halloween Costume Party. Food, prizes, raffle  
Sat. OCT 28th @ Sugarbush Tavern  
27900 21 mile just east of I - 94  
586-949-5260 Chesterfield Twp.



## Voice of the Vice

Fall is here, and so is the cold weather. Too bad the end of summer kind of fizzled. Now it's time to put the boats away after another glorious summer of fun on the water. For those of you who did not make the outings, you missed some very good times. Gary S. put together a real good float plan. My hats off to him and all of the people who helped him make the outings such a good time. Brian Fox has some very good things planned for next year also. Please give him all the help you can. The Fleet Captain's job is probably the toughest position on the entire bridge.

Now let's talk about what's left on this year's agenda. Please don't forget that we have a meeting at Len & Lynda's house on Oct. 7th. I am hoping to see a good turnout, especially for those who have not been with us throughout the summer. Also don't forget the meeting at the VFW Hall, and the nominations for officers on Nov. 12th. Then comes our annual Christmas party, for which Gary has something special planned. I'm sure he has it detailed in his article. That sounds like a great time and I am looking forward to it.

### Commodore's Ball Info:

The Ball will be upon us before we know it. It also signifies that the next summer is just around the corner. Plans are taking shape quite nicely. For those of you who don't remember me mentioning it, the location is Cherry Creek Country Club in Shelby Twp. off 24 Mile Rd., Between Van Dyke and the Van Dyke Freeway. The music again will be provided by the Teen Angels. I will have raffle tickets available at the October meeting. Dinner tickets might also be available at that time. I have added some new prizes also:

1st will be a trip to Las Vegas for three or four nights, depending on what day you choose to depart. Including air fare and hotel accommodations.

2nd prizes are a pair (his & hers) Road master mountain bikes.

3rd prize is four tickets to the Red Wings Vs Nashville (last years Stanley Cup winner) on Mar 14th 2007 and it also includes transportation to and from the game.

4th is an HP digital camera and printer combo, and

5th is our cooler of cheer.

Terry and Debbie Giannico will again be helping collect bottles of cheer, so you can start bringing them to the next meeting. The club also needs donations from various businesses for the remainder of the prizes and the Dinner ticket raffle. I will have donation letters at the October meeting.

I think that's all for now. If I forgot something I will have more info at the next meeting. See you there.

Tony Fralowicz – Vice Commodore

# Fleet Captain's Report

Well August is gone, and September is almost gone. Time for changing oil and filters on the boat and pulling it out of the water!

The Cove outing was another great time. Dick Bucker, Mike Holstein and Carol Martin were all winners of the dingy poker run. The dinner of "cubed" boneless chicken breast worked out great. I was concerned when the butcher suggested cubing them because I have never cooked them that way before, but they turned out better than I expected. Not many leftovers either which is a good sign. I want to thank Jeff Hubner again for his help in encouraging people to participate in the dingy poker run, selling the 50/50 tickets and suggesting and organizing the wine tasting party after dinner. He was a great help in making the outing a complete success. Thanks again Jeff! And I hope everyone enjoyed the ice cream treats on the dock after dinner. I know I did.

Sarnia was another fun outing. Although it rained a little on Saturday and Sunday, everyone had a great time. Carol Martin and Dave Withers won a prize for best dressed at the Mexican Fiesta party Saturday night. Tony and Sue won first place for best decorated boat and Gary and Louise won second place. Eva Buckner won a prize for best original sip-n-dip made from scratch. I'll vouch for that because it was very tasty! The fajita dinner was well received. Everyone's dish to pass complimented them. We had fajitas for 60 people. 41 people attended and they were almost all gone. The breakfast burritos went over equally as well. Very little of those left too! Bob Martin's son, John Barrington provided dinner music and karaoke at the party. It gave us all a great opportunity to have a fun time. A lot of brave people got up to sing but the best was Richard Delor singing "Why don't we just get drunk and screw" at the end of the night. And I thought it to be a very appropriate song at the end of a SPYC party although I think the drunken part was already taken care of.

The Frost Bite location was changed because of a mix up. It was moved to Harbor Club North. We had another great time there. We had a bonfire Friday night at the water's edge, dinner, drinks and fun on Saturday in the club house. Did I mention the grilled hot dogs at midnight? Those were very good!!!

After the Frost Bite is the October meeting that will be hosted by Len and Lynda at their house. If you plan to come by boat and stay for the entire party or overnight, please call Len and Lynda so they can arrange for space for everyone's boat at their house. There will be food that will require a dish to pass for everyone. I believe it will be Len's special recipe for country style barbequed ribs! Can't wait!!!

I want thank Corinne Christensen for all of her help with the theme outings. She suggested, planned, organized, purchased gifts, wrapped them up, ran the dingy poker run at Algonac Harbor Club and made all four of them successful. All of the members had fun at the theme outings in large part because of her efforts. There is even talk of theme outings next year and the Assistant Fleet Captain Brian Fox is already looking towards Corinne for help. Watch out Corinne, I'd run and hide now. Again, thanks Corinne for all of your help with the theme outings!

Well Jeff will kill me for another long report, but I had to get it all in.

You're Fleet Captain,  
Gary



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BILL HAMILTON 10/1  
ILENE CARACAUSI 10/2  
BRIAN GAZDICK 10/3  
MIKE GLESEN 10/6  
TONY FRALOWICZ 10/20  
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