

November 2006**Shore Bits from the Commodore.....**

Well the boat has been winterized and is in its winter home. Right now it seems like its going to be a long time before we can get it out of storage and it is back in the big pond.

Our October membership meeting was held at the McKinley Pavilion. My thanks go to Mary Wilson in ordering the food - lasagna, salad, garlic bread, etc., (everything tasted so good) and to those who assisted in the setting up and cleaning up afterwards. Those attending were - Charles and Linda Brown, Mark and Linda Cretser, Joe Kelley, Tom and Marilyn Koerner, Chuck and Sharon Lustig, Dick and Karen Schmidt, Mike Schultz and friend, Pam, Al and Marge Walz, Cameron Wilson with the little ones, Woody and Mary Wilson, Bob Wolf, Mary Ann Wolf, and Andy and Ellen Baugher. Guests were Rose Wolf and Jenny Bruss. We began planning the events for 2007. For those who were there - thanks for your input and we will need your input at the November meeting so we can complete the year.

***November 8 (Wednesday).** General meeting and Thanksgiving dinner at Benny's Cafe, 5354 South 27th Street, Milwaukee (located just north of Grange Street, its on the East side of the street). Free for members - \$14.00 for guests. Social hour (cash bar) begins at 5:45 with dinner at 6:30 PM and the business meeting at 7:15 PM. We will continue to discuss which events to hold during 2007. Please let Ellen Baugher (262-789-7746) by 8 PM on Monday, October 30th if you are coming or not.

***December 3 (Sunday)** Christmas Party at the Venice Club (more information will be sent to you).

The October board meeting was held on Wednesday, October 25th. Among the topics was the planning of handout(s) and the appearance of our booth

at the Boat Show that will be held in January.

If you have questions, comments or need additional information, please contact me (262-789-7746). We hope you had a great summer and a safe boating season. See you at the upcoming events!

Ellen

PS. Don't forget to support the following businesses that have been very generous to The Club in the past: Barnacle Bud's, Johnny V's Classic Cafe, Skipper Bud's, and West Marine.



<http://www.showspan.com/mbs/index.html>

2007 Dates & Times

Friday, January 19	3pm-9:30pm
Saturday, January 20	10am-9pm
Sunday, January 21	10am-6pm
Mon - Thurs, January 22-25	3pm-9:30pm
Friday, January 26	12noon-9:30pm
Saturday, January 27	10am-9pm
Sunday, January 28	10am-5pm

Admission

Adults: \$8.00

Children (12 & Under): FREE



November Birthdays

November 5 - Mike Schultz
November 23 - Joe Kelley

November Anniversaries

November 6 - Woody & Mary 38 years
November 17 - Andy & Ellen Baugher 27 years



Thanksgiving

November Meeting Wednesday, November 8th

Place: Benny's Café
5354 South 27th Street
Milwaukee, WI

Time: 5:45 PM Social hour (cash bar)
6:30 PM Dinner – Thanksgiving Dinner with trimmings
7:15 PM Business Meeting
Planning 2007 events. Bring your ideas!

Current members - free; non-members - \$14.00 per person.

Optional: For those who care to donate, we will be collecting canned food for a local Food Pantry.

Please contact Ellen Baugher (262-789-7746) by 8 PM on Mon-

MILWAUKEE HARBOR YACHT CLUB

Minutes of the General Membership Meeting October 11, 2006
Held at The McKinley Marina Pavilion, Milwaukee, Wisconsin

Commodore Ellen Baugher called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. after a membership dinner.

Minutes: April will be published in the next Fore & Aft.

The Treasurer's Report: The balance was \$3253.10, less \$260 for the evening's membership meal costs.

OLD BUSINESS:

Insurance: Ellen thanked Sharon and Chuck Lustig for researching other clubs' insurance practices, and alternatives. It was decided that MHYC will continue their current insurance policy, with disclaimers and member insurance information provided annually to MHYC with renewals/applications. Guests will also sign disclaimers when participating in events.

Boat USA membership: Ellen thanked Bob Wolf for finalizing this matter. Our Club membership #GA81358Y will result in a \$12.50/year versus \$25 fee. Members will enter this number and rate on their individual renewals/applications.

Upcoming Events: November 8, 2006 Thanksgiving dinner and meeting with an optional food donation(s) from members for a local food pantry. The site will be set. The meeting agenda will include: finalizing 2007 events and dates, and announcing the Nominating Committee.

December 3, 2006 Christmas Party at the Venice Club in Brookfield. Dick and Karen Schmidt will be doing the invitations; volunteers are needed; optional donations of personal items may be brought for the armed forces serving in Iraq.

E-mail address for Ellen and Andy Baugher: pourhouse999@sbc.global.

NEW BUSINESS:

Sunshine contact: A member is needed for this task since Dick and Carol Ann Schmidt have moved to Florida. Please contact Ellen to volunteer.

Elections: Board members will provide Ellen with a brief description of their positions that will be published in the November Fore & Aft. Voting will be ballot at the February, 2007 membership meeting.

Volunteers who wish to serve on the Nominating Committee can call Ellen at 262-789-7746 or via email. No Board members or their spouses will serve on the committee.

Web page: Mary Ann Wolf needs current member and boat pictures for the roster now so they can be ready early in 2007. Members may keep the ones they use now if you are satisfied with them.

Name Tags and Club Clothing: A member is needed to coordinate these functions. The plastic name tags will have a magnet for fastening. Clothing will be presented by Mary Ann; orders will be submitted via email.

Skipper Bud's Rep: Keith Koch is no longer with Skipper Buds's. A new rep will be selected.

Booth at January Boat Show: January 19-28, 2007. Charlie Brown, Mary Ann Wolf and Mike Schultz will serve on this committee.

Boaters Plus: Honorary member Jack Stratmeyer is going out of business.

Event Planning: Ellen presented a 2007 event plan for the membership to discuss and begin selecting and planning events. Dick Schmidt, Mark Cretson and Tom Koerner will check out various sites for the March, 2007 Commodore's Ball.

Events will be finalized at the November, 2006 meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Linda Brown, Secretary

“Between the Devil and the Deep Blue Sea”:

The most difficult seam to caulk on a wooden ship was the seam between the hull and the deck. Caulking this seam was such miserable, hard work, the sailors named it the “Devil Seam”. Whenever a man was lowered over the side to work on this particular seam, he was literally “Between the Devil and the Deep Blue Sea.”

Lake Michigan Yachting Association (LMYA)

Associating with LMYA offers two levels of value to boaters.

As a member of Milwaukee Harbor Yacht Club, you already are enjoying benefits, due to LMYA's work with various governmental agencies. LMYA has been instrumental in working to ensure transient slips at the new lake-front park in Milwaukee, to helping to promote opening the locks between Green Bay and Lake Winnebago, and similar actions.

But to realize the full benefits that LMYA offers, a member of MHYC should become a sustaining member of LMYA.

The cost is minimal, and the benefits include access to the Blue Book, as well as the set of Lake Michigan Cruising coupons. For anyone that uses a boat, the Cruising Coupons will repay the cost of becoming Sustaining member several times over each season.

The LMYA expands the horizons of boaters. It brings new people to different places. We encourage camaraderie and education among members. Though the exclusive Cruising Card™ no other organization can offer you a better investment in boating's future.

Milwaukee Harbor Yacht Club is a voting member of the LMYA, and a significant list of benefits are available to MHYC members that include the Cruising card, as well as the efforts made on behalf of all LMYA members to help steer efforts of Government agencies

There are two types of individual membership — Sustaining and Life. A sustaining member pays annual dues and renews the membership. A Life member pays once and is a member for life.

All members get the SPREADER. It's a quarterly publication update on all that is happening in boating on Lake Michigan.

New members get a complete book and renewal members get updated inserts. All sustaining and life members get the CRUISING CARD™ with nearly 50 offers of FREE SLIPS and other discounts.



*Milwaukee Harbor
Yacht Club
2006
October Meeting*





Photos courtesy of Charlie Brown & Robert Wolf

If you are a member of one of the affiliated clubs listed on this site, you are already eligible to join. Boaters and other non-club organizations can become a contributing member. Such applications must be made to the Board of Directors for consideration.

For lack of a better comparison, the LMYA is the "NRA" of boating. We are a group of people who get involved. We are interested in our sport. We want to improve the sport and increase the ways we can utilize boats and water sport activity. Recently we have resisted prohibitive trailering rules...we are fighting to open the FOX locks in Wisconsin ...we are fighting to clean up toxic hot spots in Illinois...we are fighting restrictive anchoring laws in Indiana...we are watching restrictive and prohibitive so called "grey water" discharge legislation in Michigan. We need your support. You need to be a part of the LMYA!

CRUISING CARD EXCLUSIVE!

Because of the LMYA's relationship with clubs and boaters it can exclusively offer the CRUISING CARD™. Issued annually only to life and sustaining members, this includes offers of FREE dockage, discounts and FREE merchandise. NO other organization has as large a program on Lake Michigan! And it is included FREE with your sustaining or life membership dues. If every offer was used the boater would save over \$600 if they had a 30 foot boat.

Charlie Brown

MILWAUKEE HARBOR YACHT CLUB

Minutes of the General Membership Meeting April 19, 2006
Held at Johnnie V's Classic Café, West Allis, Wisconsin

Commodore Ellen Baugher called the meeting to order.

Guests: Mike and Debbie Garner.

Membership attendees: Andy & Ellen Baugher, Charles & Linda Brown, Mark & Linda Cretser, Brian & Julie Kaufman, Joe & Jeanne Kelley, Tom Koerner, Chuck & Sharon Lustig, Dave & Carol Schmidt, Mike Schultz, Howard & Gail Shaw; Steve Shaw, Al Walz, Woody & Mary Wilson, and Mary Ann Wolf.

Minutes; Mike Schultz moved they be approved as printed in the Fore &

Aft; Charlie Brown seconded this; they were approved.

The Treasurer's Report: The balance was \$3815.70 at the March 29th Board meeting.

OLD BUSINESS:

Insurance: Our policy was renewed. Sharon and Chuck Lustig are still researching other insurers.

Boat USA membership: Bob Wolf is still looking into this.

Upcoming Events: Annual membership envelopes were distributed with final event date changes.

South Shore Yacht Club/LMYA weekend of events is July 8-9, 2006. Reservations are required for meals and the captain's gift. There will be games and an auction, and slips for LMYA members at no charge with a coupon with paid dues to LMYA.

NEW BUSINESS:

The founding member/past commodore Bob Arps passed away. Sharon Lustig moved to send a card and \$50 donation to an education fund for the grandchildren. The father, Bob's son passed away a few weeks before Bob. Joe Kelley seconded this; approved.

Web page: This needs updating. Woody Wilson, Mary Ann Wolf, and Marge Walz will work on the information.

Name Tags: There were problems with them at the Commodore's Ball. Mary Ann Wolf suggested a permanent 1" x 2-1/2" badge with a burgee and pin, or magnet, or tie tack attachment be purchased. The cost is estimated to be \$6.50 to \$10 each. Mary Ann Wolf will research this and present it to the next board meeting.

Some members desire more events. Individuals desiring or going on boating excursions want to have a way to contact others for participation.

Membership burgees were distributed to new members Tom and Marilyn Koerner, Steve and JoAnn Shaw, Mark and Linda Cretser, Richard and Deborah Paur, and, Brian and Julie Kaufman.

Meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Program: "Vessel Safety Check" video presentation was made by Mike Schultz. It showed the process inspectors use, and tips for passing the safety inspection by the Coast Guard Auxiliary.

Respectfully submitted,
Linda Brown, Secretary

Milwaukee's NORTH POINT LIGHTHOUSE.

The first Lighthouse was completed in 1854, and the present lighthouse was completed in 1887. And was taken out of service in 1994.

The North Point Lighthouse Friends, Inc was incorporated in 2002 with the stated objective of restoring the octagonal cast-iron tower, and work on the keepers quarters for office use.

The Friends have a website describing the objectives for bringing the lighthouse back to use.

<http://www.northpointlighthouse.org/friends.html>

Other web-sites concerning the North point Lighthouse;

<http://www.cyberlights.com/lh/wisc/northpoint.htm>

<http://www.lighthousefriends.com/light.asp?ID=245>

<http://www.terrypepper.com/lights/michigan/northpoint/northpoint.htm>

<http://www.terrypepper.com/lights/michigan/northpoint/northpoint.htm>

<http://www.lakeparkfriends.org/explore/lighthouse.shtml>

<http://www.cr.nps.gov/maritime/light/northpt.htm>

<http://www.northpointlighthouse.org/history.html>

And, some additional URL's referring to Milwaukee lights.

<http://www.wisconline.com/attractions/lighthouses.html>

<http://www.terrypepper.com/lights/michigan/milwpierhead/milwpierhead.htm>

http://www.terrypepper.com/lights/state_wisconsin.htm

A History of the Early Development of Milwaukee Harbor

<http://www.port.mil.wi.us/history.htm>

From the Boating Television Network
<http://www.btonline.tv/>

Court Ruling Makes Boating Illegal in Much of U.S. **09/14/06**

The Marine Retailers Association of America is alerting its dealer members to a court ruling that some say could have serious consequences for boating.

Judge Robert G. James of the U.S. District Court, Western Division of Louisiana, has declared it is a criminal trespass for the public to boat, fish or hunt on the Mississippi River and other navigable waters of the country.

“Even though this action seems like a horrible pre-April Fools’ joke, it is very serious,” said MRAA president Phil Keeter, in a statement. “Because essentially all the waters and waterways of our country are considered navigable in the U.S. law, this ruling declares recreational boating, water skiing, fishing, waterfowl hunting and fishing tournaments – except if conducted in a navigable shipping channel — to be illegal and the public subject to jail sentences for recreating with their families.”

In addition, the judge held that federal law grants exclusive and private control over the waters of the river, outside the main shipping channel, to riparian landowners. The shallows of the navigable waters are no longer open to the public, the MRAA reports, adding, “Boating has now become illegal in most of our country.”

In the Aug. 29 decision, Judge James rejected the findings of the magistrate judge who found earlier that the public had the right under federal law and Louisiana law to navigate, boat, fish and hunt on the waters of the Mississippi River up the normal high-water line of the river.

In that ruling, MRAA says Magistrate Judge James Kirk relied on long-established federal principles of navigation entitling “the public to the reasonable use of navigable waters for all legitimate purposes of travel or transportation, for boating, sailing for pleasure, as well as for carrying persons or property for hire, and in any kind of watercraft, the use of which is consistent with others also enjoying the right possessed in common.” “MRAA is working with the Coast Guard, state boating law administrators, and NMMA ... to fight this onerous ruling,” said MRAA chairman Glenn Mazzella, in a statement.

Comment Period Extended for Coast Guard Free-fire Zones in Lake Michigan

News item. The U.S. Coast Guard has extended until Nov. 13, 2006 the comment period in which boaters or other concerned parties may comment on the proposed “safety zones” to be established in Lake Michigan off Milwaukee and at fourteen locations in Lake Michigan and thirty-four throughout the Great Lakes.

The U.S. Coast Guard has recently placed weapons, including machine guns, on its boats in the Great Lakes. The Coast Guard is now requesting public comments on its proposal to establish large, permanent free-fire zones (to practice their gunnery skills) in the Lake about five miles off Milwaukee, Kenosha and Waukegan and other locations in Lake Michigan, and near other cities throughout the Great Lakes. The Coast Guard calls these areas “safety zones” where live machine-gun ammunition will be fired. The proposed free-fire “safety zones” for southern Lake Michigan can be seen here: <http://www.piersystem.com/go/doc/1295/134067/>

The public meeting for the Milwaukee, Wisconsin, and Chicago region will be November 1st at Genesee Theater, 203 North Genesee St., Waukegan, Ill. It is scheduled for 5:30 pm to 8 pm . Prior to the start of the public meeting , Coast Guard officials will conduct an open house from 4 pm to 5:30 pm to answer questions and provide background information.

Further information on the safety zones and instructions for submitting public comment can be found at: www.uscgd9safetyzones.com.



A U.S. Coast Guard boat equipped with machine guns patrols the Detroit River in Michigan.

Galley Chef

Herbed Shrimp in Beer



2 lb Peeled raw shrimp
 1 1/2 c Beer
 2 Cl Garlic, minced
 2 tb Chives, snipped
 2 tb Parsley, snipped
 1 1/2 ts Salt
 1/2 ts Pepper
 Shredded lettuce
 2 Green onions, finely chopped

Combine all ingredients except lettuce and green onions in a bowl. Cover, Refrigerate 8 hours or overnight; stir occasionally.

1. Drain, reserve marinade.
2. Broil shrimp 4 inches from heat until cooked and tender. (about 2 minutes on each side, less for small shrimp) Do not overcook or shrimp will become tough. Brush occasionally with marinade.
3. Serve shrimp on shredded lettuce; sprinkle with chopped green onion. (marinade may be heated and served for dipping, if desired) Makes 6 servings

BLT Dip

1 lb bacon fried crisp, cooled then crumbled *
 1 cup mayonnaise
 1 cup sour cream
 1 whole tomato, seeded and chopped

Mix bacon, sour cream and mayonnaise together, mixing well. Seed and chop tomato. Mix it in when ready to serve. Serve with crackers, or veggie tray.

* Cut bacon up into small pieces before frying, then drain well on paper towels.

Please submit your favorite "Onboard" recipe to: wolfmr@yahoo.com

**MILWAUKEE HARBOR YACHT
Board Members**

Commodore	Ellen Baugher
Vice-Commodore / Event Chair	Joe Kelley
Recording Secretary	Linda Brown
Treasurer	Marge Walz
Membership Chair / Safety Chair	Mike Schultz
Member-at-Large	Mary Wilson
Member-at-Large	Robert V. Wolf
Newsletter Editor / Webmaster	Mary Ann R. Wolf
Sunshine	Karen Schmidt

**MILWAUKEE HARBOR YACHT CLUB
2006 Calendar**

**November 8 - Thanksgiving General Meeting
December 3 - Christmas Party**

Watch future issues of the *Fore & Aft* for more details.

Next Newsletter Issue:
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November 25, 2006
Deadline for Articles and other Written
Material.

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