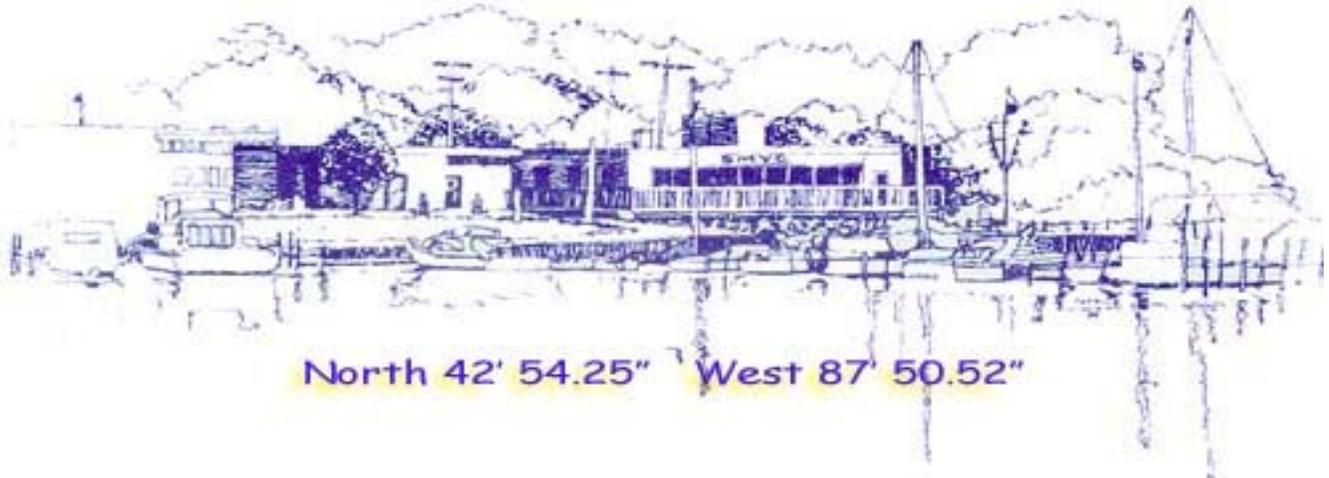




South Milwaukee Yacht Club



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High Tide

April 2015

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Photo of the Month



Easter Bunny makes an appearance at SMYC for the annual Kid's Easter Party and Egg Hunt

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CRUISE

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ENTERTAINMENT

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GAS

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"Fish"

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AUDIT

Kyle Brunk

LAUNCH AND HAUL OUT

Bob Smith

RULES AND BYLAWS

TBD

Commodore's Comments



The snow is gone; the early flowering crocuses have bloomed. Spring is truly in the air. Our attention again begins to focus on our boats. Some have already got an early start. There are a couple of boats with their winter coats off, brave souls. Some have been busy installing new electronics. Wherever you are in the process of getting your boats ready, launching will soon be here. The harbor mouth has been dredged and we turn our attention to the repair of the east wall road. Clean up from winter is happening in areas around the club, so watch for emails looking for volunteers to help.

Thanks to **Jon Haag** and all of the sausage makers who made sausage on March 21st. Their sausage making will be tasted at the club's summer beach party.

Thank you to **Karen** and **Greg Puetz** for their awesome Easter party. I hear the Easter bunny made an appearance. If you were unable to attend, mark your calendars for next year. April 3rd was hors d'oeuvre night. It was the 2nd last one for the year. May's hors d'oeuvre night will be the last one for the year, so plan on attending.

Karen "Kiki" Kilman has been a one women dynamo. Membership has signed up 6 new regular members so far this year. Well on the way to the goal of 10. We are now on social media, face book so like us and spread the word. Congratulate **Kiki** on her efforts on behalf of the club.

I want to thank **Tony Karwacki** for his job "well done" as the club's bar manager this past year. His enthusiasm for the job opened up the bar product offerings with new beers and other drinks. **Mickey Nowak** has been named and Board approved as the new bar manager. Give **Mickey** your support as I do into his foray in the position.

The Blessing of the Fleet is back, thanks to **Barb Nowak**. The scheduled date is June 21st, Fathers Day. Mark your calendars and watch for further details.

As many of you know one of our members, **Sherry Chadwick's** life was tragically taken. It was shocking and caused disbelief that one of us could have this happen to them. It was just last year that **Ben Chadwick** passed away. This tragedy has affected many members of this club in various ways. We all grieve in different ways. Please be respectful. **Sherry's** life here at South Milwaukee Yacht Club spanned many years. **Sherry's** involvement in club activities, I believe, gave many of you fond memories of **her** and **Ben**. We need to remember those memories in order to not dwell on the recent events. **Ann** and **I** wish to express our condolences to all those of you who knew **Sherry** and to her family in this time of sorrow. I hope and pray everyone will do the same.

Thank you to **Cindy** and **Joel Wieselmann** for sponsoring the post funeral gathering for **Sherry Chadwick**. **Cindy** had help from **Tom** and **Debbie Schulz** and **Mary Klamrowski**. If I missed anyone, thank you also.

John Groth Commodore

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Easter Party Recap

The SMYC kids Easter party was quite the celebration. We were fortunate enough that, the weather although cold held up for the event which allowed for the Easter Bunny to leave more than a boat full of eggs to find! We were also lucky enough to have the Easter Bunny hop in and visit for the entire event! The kids got to use their artistic abilities by decorating an Easter picture for the coloring contest. They used glitter, cotton balls, markers, and other fun utensils to create their very own masterpieces, that the Easter Bunny later judged. She was so impressed with all the pictures she could not choose just one winner so they all got prizes! Brunch was served and everyone enjoyed a great spread of pancakes, sausage, scrambled eggs, ham, mixed fruit, and a various expanse of delicious homemade desserts provided by **Karen Puetz, Barb Nowak, and Adrienne Minerick**. Also a big thank you to The **Slominski's** for tending the bloody marry and mimosa bar, it provided a nice refreshing treat for the adults. The guessing games were a hit with the kids, and The Schell's granddaughter and The **Kempowski's** grandson were the big winners walking away with a jar full of candy plus their very own Easter baskets full of goodies. The raffles brought much attention and the **Klamrowski and Schroeder** families and **Patty Williams** must have all been carrying lucky rabbits feet because they came away with the majority of the raffle baskets. **Jon Haag** was the lucky 50/50 raffle winner. The event was a success and we hope everyone had a good time!

We are very grateful for all the help and support we had for this event, a special thank you to; **Debbie & Katy Steinhaus, Tony Santos, Juan & Kerry Carrasco, Brent & Nancy Mason, Matt & Stacey Schwalbach, and Barb & Mickey Nowak, and Jan Ruggles** and last but not least **Lisa Haase**. We'd also like to thank the **Ciurlik's** for getting all of the food and helping with everything. Also a shout out to our bartender **Lori** she did a great job! Also thank you to **Jeanie Spiess** for donating the boo boo bunnies and a huge thank you to the Easter Bunny for visiting, we all enjoyed her company especially the kids! This was the second year hosting this event and we couldn't have done it without everyone's help! We also want to thank everyone who helped stuff eggs! It was a great turnout and with all the laughing and jokes that went on, we filled all those eggs in no time and had fun in the process! Thanks again to anyone we forgot to mention, together we made this event a success!

Thanks again and hopefully warmer weather is coming our way!

The Puetz & Zweck Families



Get Your Liver Ready For Summer

Saturday, May 23rd 2015 7pm Discounted Drink Specials

\$2 Domestic can beer, \$3 Margarita's, \$4 Pitchers of Beer & .25 cents off all drinks (excludes top shelf)

- Once again it's time to get ready for the short Wisconsin summer. Join us at the club on May 23rd. Bring an Hors d'oeuvre, dessert, any dish to share. Catch up with old friends and meet some of our new members. Hopefully there will be plenty of boats in the harbor by then. There is also the possibility of live music, more on that later.
- Door Prizes, Raffles (which include liquor basket, boating basket) 50/50 Raffle, and more! Hope to see you there!! Barb & Mickey Nowak

SMYC Events Upcoming

(Cut and save for reference...don't forget to update from High Tide as events and times may change)

April

3	Hors d'oeuvre Night	6:00pm	Club
5	Happy Easter!		
6	Board Meeting	6:30pm	Club
20	General Membership Meeting	7:00pm	Club

May

4	Board Meeting	6:30pm	Club
8	Last Hors d'oeuvre Night until Oct.	6:00pm	Club
18	General Membership Meeting	7:00pm	Club
23	Get Your Liver Ready For Summer Party Door Prizes, Raffles, Drink Specials, and Music	7:00pm	Nowaks
29	SMYC De Mayo w/ Food and Live Music	6:00pm	Kilmans/Cieczkas

Just A Few Reminders:

Save The Date: Blessing of the Fleet is scheduled for June 21st at 1:00pm.

* We are always looking for new ideas for events and activities. If you have any ideas or would like to sponsor an event give me a call! Thank you!!!

Entertainment Chairperson Cheryl Rybka.
If you'd like to sponsor an event or have an idea,
Please contact Cheryl at
(C) 414-530-8770 or email: rybkaC@yahoo.com

Sausage Fest Recap

Sausage Fest – Big Thank You

We had a great day March 21st making sausage for Events during 2015. Take a look at this picture it says it all!



Now is that a happy crew or what?

I want to thank the entire crew that gave a helping hand – **Dona and Mike Cieczka, Frank Dembowski, Chris Rogers, Kathy and Dave Lucht, Ryan and Jay Behling, Ken Kilman, Bill Wheatley, Tom Ciurlik, Josh Haase, Ryan Schmid, Bob Smith, Matt Schwalbach, Gene Kelley, Mikey Nowak, and Brent Mason.**

Watch for the July 11th Event plans! Sausage, Food, Cocktails, and Fun!

Jon

Membership Update

We are currently having a Membership Drive and are offering a \$75 discount on the Initiation Fee for Regular Membership and \$10 off Associate Dues from now until 4/30/2015. Please have anyone interested in an SMYC membership contact **KiKi Kilman** @ 414.418.5971.

It's been a busy month for Membership. Applicants have their pictures and applications posted on the bulletin board @ the Club. Please make them feel welcome.

Antonio (Tony) Rosa submitted his Full Membership Application on 03/09. He and his wife, **Tara**, live up the hill from the Club and now have a deck boat they plan to splash at the Club for the first time this summer.



Paul Rozinski has been a familiar face for many years at SMYC. He made it official on 3/11. He recently purchased Hurula's boat and plans to put it back into use as a fishing boat with his friend **Jay Leiknes** who joined 3/11 as an Associate Member.



Gene Kelly (no picture), friend of **Matt Schwalbach**, submitted his Associate Membership Application on 3/13. He works with Matt part-time and plans to make friends with many of our fishermen at the Club. I guess we'll see more fishing from Gene than dancing.

Tom & Deb Baughman submitted their Family Membership Application 3/13 and plan to bring their sailboat down this summer with its retractable keel. They and their 12 year old son, **Joe**, live in Cudahy. **Tom** is an electrician and **Deb** is an artist.



Ron Ilk submitted his Full Membership Application on 3/15. He currently winters down south, but summers in Oak Creek. He plans to bring his 22' SeaRay into the harbor this summer and take advantage of Lake Michigan's fantastic fishing.

Ryan Rybka, long-time Junior Member and son of **Cheryl & Marc Rybka**, submitted his Full Membership Application on 3/17. **Marc & Cheryl** joined when **Ryan** was just a baby and many of us saw him grow up at the Club. Ryan recently purchased a SeaRay and is excited about berthing the boat between **Tom & Debby Schulz's** and **Gil Magolan's** vessels.



Andy & Coleen Martin found us on the current SMYC CraigsList ad. They submitted their application on 3/27/2015. They are currently members of the Wisconsin Boating Club (previously known as Waukesha Cruisers Club). They're still shopping for that perfect boat.



Brian Fleming will be retiring from South Milwaukee Police Department next month and submitted his Associate Membership application on 3/31/2015. He's hoping to make use of our back hall with monthly meetings for his next career.



Aaron & Loree Raap submitted their Associate Member Application 4/06. They are good friends of **Tom Ziesemer**. They stayed to watch the Badger game and **Loree** ran into one of her past trainees, **Doug Boville** that same night. Small world.



Loren Bedward, a friend of **Dan Moshinski's**, also submitted his Associate Application on 4/06. He's a former Lake Ridge member and loves to fish.



Birth Announcement: **Seth & Julie Yust** are the proud new parents of a little girl, **Ava Marie Yust** born 3/22/2015. **Ava** is also the granddaughter of **Charlie & Carol Baltutis**.

As always, if you have any questions about your SMYC membership, please contact me @ bounty-hunter3@sbcglobal.net with subject heading of "SMYC Inquiry." If I can't help you out or don't know the answer, I will point you in the right direction.

-KiKi



Have something you would like included in the newsletter?? E-mail all newsletter submissions to smychightide@gmail.com

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Notice: SMYC Fleet Blessing and Flag Ceremony will be June 21st at 1pm



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Save the Date for:

SMYC DeMayo!
Friday, 5/29
Dinner @ 6pm
Live Music to follow

A professional cook from Mexico will be preparing our gourmet meal.

Sponsored by Kilmans & Cieczkas