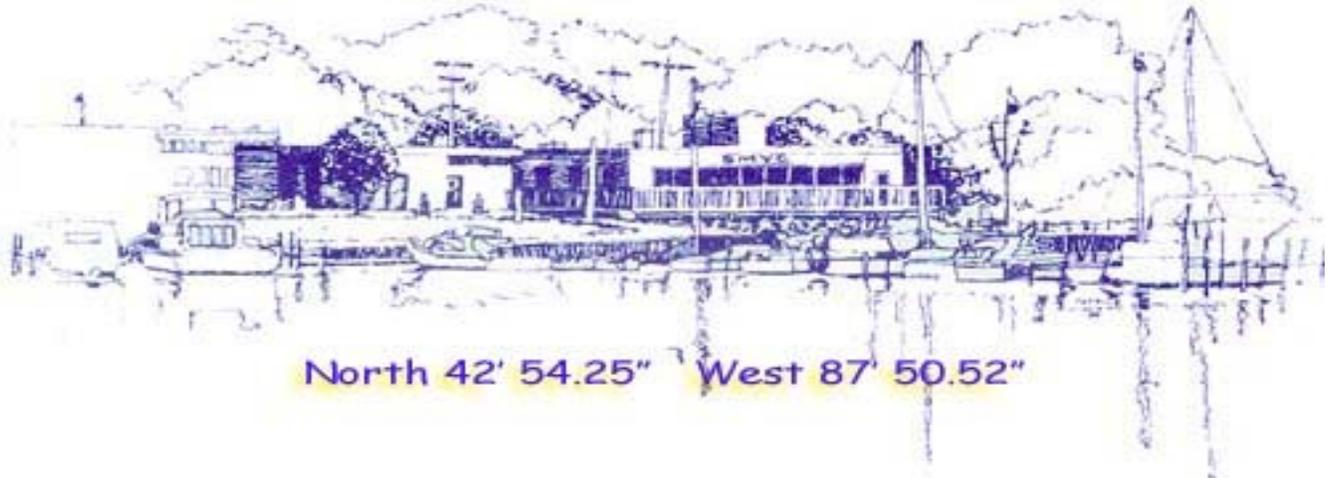




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High Tide

February 2010

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Photo of the Month



Former Commodore Gil Bruck breaks it down with the ladies at the 2010 Installation

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Commodore's Comments

The Climatology Conundrum

We just embraced the spectacular splendor of ground hog day - whoopy freaking do - a holiday whose twisted origins will certainly bewilder future historians. During a long winter in the 1880's some crazy immigrant Germans in Pennsylvania dreamed up this spectacle. It's been told that they remembered that back in their homeland when farmers witnessed bears coming out of hibernation early they would predict an early spring. This was arguably a fairly reliable method of predicting the coming of spring.

With no bears in the immediate proximity the immigrants settled for a ground hog, blend in their February 2nd Christian holiday of Candmas and make up some blather that if this flea infested mammal sees its shadow winter will last for another six weeks and presto you have scientific method to predict the timing of spring's arrival. This sounds eerily like the same scientific principles applied to Al Gores; peer reviewed, Nobel prize winning, proven theory of global warming.

Undoubtedly the Germans were trying to offer a glimmer of hope during the doldrums between the winter solstice and vernal equinox. As we're brutally aware, when you live 44 degrees north of the equator you'll go to great lengths to improve your emotional psyche during winter.

January's installation of officers was definitely the type of event that helped reduce the effects of limited sunlight and may have opened up a whole new competitive sport involving office chairs.

SMYC has some great opportunities in February to further thwart the physical stresses associated with boating withdrawal. Whether enjoying a relaxing moment at bar or attending one of our splendid events planned for this month, your club can improve your mental health. Check the event calendar for additional details

Our February General Membership meeting will have an action packed agenda that reflects the initiatives of the board and the various committees. Travel Lift updates and possible changes to insurance are just a couple of the scheduled highlights.

Keep in mind that we don't need some harebrained holiday to let us know that spring is six weeks away. If you see any bears walking the shores of the big lake you'll know you can put away the parkas with confidence.

Commodore Tom



SMYC Events Upcoming

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

February

1	Board Meeting	6:30pm	Club
5	Hors d' oeuvre Night	6:00pm	Club
7	Super Bowl XLIV Cajun Style	5:00pm	Club
13	Valentines Day Party	5:00pm	<u>Ciurlik's</u>
15	General Membership Mtg.	7:00pm	Club
25	Texas Hold Em	6:00pm	Crawford's

March

1	Board Meeting	6:30pm	Club
5	Hors d' oeuvre Night	6:00pm	Club
6	Pier Bidding	12:00pm	Klamrowski
15	General Membership Mtg.	7:00pm	Club
20	Wii Bowling Tournament	Noon	<u>Modlinski's/Cieczka's</u>
25	Texas Hold Em	6:00pm	Crawford's
27	Easter Party & Egg Hunt	1:00pm	Nowak

Entertainment Chairperson Mary Jo Haag.
If you'd like to sponsor an event or have an idea,
Please contact Mary Jo at

(H) 414-762-6751 (C) 414-861-0471 or email: mojo6751@wi.rr.com

Reminder: 2010 Roster

The 2009 Member Directory will be available March 6th (Pier Bidding Day). Please review your personal information in the 2010 SMYC Directory and submit any changes or additions to our Corresponding Secretary: **John Groth** c/o groth2@msn.com or phone: 414-449-2052.

Fleet Captain's Report

Well its getting to the time of the year where we all have to start thinking of boating this summer. I know I will be busy this next month thinking about it. That's because we have two important dates that are coming up. The first is March 1st. This is the day per our by-laws that all harbor use forms must be received in order be eligible to use the harbor and your pier spot this summer. **This form must be received with your harbor use fee to be accepted.** Because of the time period of time between March 1st and March 7th, I am asking everyone to submit their forms in early if possible. I have to log every form into the computer to update any changes. If you do submit your form early (hopefully) and want to post date your check for a later date, I will hold that check till that date before I give it to Kiki. The second important date is March 7th. This is the date of our yearly pier bidding starting at 12:00 noon. This is the only day that pier spots will be bid so it is very important that everyone be down here. There are many excellent pier locations that are going up for bid this year and I don't want anyone to miss out on a good opportunity for a great pier spot (and a great time watching everyone try to slip into that dream location). It looks like there are about 20 spots that may go up for bid. I will be posting the spots at the club as I see them become available. If for some reason you can not make it down for this day it very important for you to get in touch with me and I will go over your options. I encourage all new members that have not gone threwh this process to contact me if your unsure about what or how it happens.

Feel free to contact me * Get your application in * Mark your calendars * And have fun

Rick Klamrowski
Fleet Captain



SMYC Easter Party & Egg Hunt

Saturday, March 27, 2010

1:00 – 5:00pm

\$5.00 per person no matter your age!

Children & Adult Raffles

Kid's baskets, include toys, passes & gift cards to local children's attractions & sporting events. Raffles for the adults include restaurant gift cards, wine, liquor and much more.



Coloring Contest, Jelly Bean Guess & Craft Contest with prizes for all ages. Easter Egg Hunt with over 1,000 eggs.

The egg hunt will begin at 2:00pm sharp

Dinner served approximately 4:00pm

Kid's Menu = Hot dogs, Mac & Cheese, Veggies & Dessert

Adult's = Italian Sausage & Peppers, Baked Ziti, Parmesan

Potato's, Italian Salad and plenty of Desserts.

Raffles to follow approximately 4:00pm

Direct questions to Barb Nowak at 414 762-5541

SMYC Wii Sports Bowling Tournament w/a Twist

When: Saturday March 20, 2010

Registration and Practice 11 AM - 11:45 AM

Tournament Noon to 6 PM - really!

Cost: \$10 per person - includes:

* Bowling (bring your own shoes 

Complimentary wii-nii & chips 

* plus one free ticket in the 50/50 raffle!

Your sponsors, the Cieczka's and Mod's, aren't afraid to admit they've

learned some things from the 2009 Wii marathon.

This is a single elimination TEAM Competition (64 players = 16 teams) with a twist at the end.

Teams will be randomly drawn - NO family members on the same team.

Four lanes of bowling: Lanes 1 vs. 2; 3 vs. 4

The twist  - Top 4 scores from the two LOSING teams from EACH ROUND go back into a 2nd chance drawing to bowl off against the winning team at the end of regular competition. Team

Prizes: 1st place \$160; 2nd place \$120; 3rd place \$40



Prior Wii bowling experience not required. Fun for ALL ages.

Please bring your Friends and Family!!

Juniors Report

Even though sailing seems so far away...the Juniors are planning to get together for a Bowling Outing on Sunday, Feb 21st. (Place and time still in the works – we will post it on the Juniors bulletin board) Juniors can bring friends to the bowling event. Hopefully there will be more outings to follow.

There are three new advisors for 2010: **Barb Nowak**, **Jim Conti** and **Sharyn Hock** – jointly. **Sharyn Hock** will handle the treasury duties as well. Sailing will be on Tuesdays this year starting between 5-5:30pm (rain or shine). Sailing instructors are from SSSC: **Mike Voss** and **Jack Murphy**. Our first official meeting will be Tues, June 8th. Elections and registration for dues will take place at this meeting. Membership is open to the public, friends are also welcome to join. Cost to become a member is \$5 for ages 8-21. Cost to take sailing lessons is \$25. Liability waivers will need to be signed in order to sail.

Start your thinking caps working now on a T-shirt design for this year. We would like to be able to order them right away in June. If you haven't taken your Boater's Safety Course – Ages 10+ can do so on Sat, Apr 24th (noon-4pm) and Sun, Apr 25th (noon-5pm). The cost is \$30. You must to be 12 yrs of age to operate a motorized watercraft.

March 27th is the Children's Easter Party. **Barb Nowak** is looking for helpers to stuff & hide the eggs, bus tables, plus a variety of other fun duties. We want to run a 50/50 raffle that day as well and workers are needed to run that too. Contact Barb if interested in helping.

Respectfully submitted,
Ashley Hock, Jrs Secretary

Anyone interested in fishing in Alaska?



Tom Ciurlik and Bob Smith have put together a fishing outing in Seward Alaska. Intent is to leave Milwaukee on June 4th and arrive in Anchorage late that evening. Arrangements will be made to pick up one or two 30 foot motor homes for the drive to the Seward Military Resort. Plans are to return to Milwaukee on the evening of June 9th arriving home early on the 10th.



Fishing will hopefully take place for 4 days (possibly an additional half day) with the hope of landing a large halibut.

Any interested club member or friends contact Tom or Bob for additional information

Valentine's Day Party at SMYC



Chefs **Leroy-Bob-Tom** are looking for SMYC members and guests to attend the Turducken dinner on February 13, 2010

The festival will start at 5 PM with cocktails at the M&M plus Cosmo bar (great prices)

Special hors d'oeuvre's will be made with dinner to start at 6 PM

Music to follow-- Purchase your tickets as soon as possible so we can plan accordingly

Support your club



Grounds Report

My name is **Tony Karwacki** and I have been appointed by the Commodore as the grounds committee chair for 2010. Some of the projects we are looking to complete this year are a shelving rack for the jack stands and shed maintenance. If you are interested in helping this is a great way to get hours. Also, if you are interested in assisting in the upkeep of the grounds during the summer months please email me. I am trying to compile a list of talent to draw from.

See you at the club,
Tony



Happy Birthday!

Kim Bruck 3/1
Don Robish 3/4
Monte Lunde 3/5
Jean DeBoer 3/8
Meg Ciurlik 3/10
Christine Cudnofsky 3/13
Jeffrey Holmes 3/13
Gil Magolan 3/13

Celebrators

Ryan Rybka 3/13
Leroy Ciombor 3/15
Ken Kilman 3/15
Ann Michaels 3/15
Sophia Taubman 3/15
Tom Ciurlik 3/16
Kathy Wendling 3/17
Pat Schultz 3/18
Gary Gale 3/19
Lois Meyer 3/19
Joel Wieselman 3/20
Paula Modlinski 3/31



Happy Anniversary!

Stan & Oana Crawford 3/2
John & Elizabeth Frost 3/12
Tom & Meg Ciurlik 3/17
Mike & Roxanne Gengler 3/19

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Please fill out and return no later than **MARCH 1, 2010** to:

Fleet Captain Rick Klamrowski
South Milwaukee Yacht Club
101 Marshall Ave
South Milwaukee, WI 53172

Notice: All slip registration requests must be accompanied by the \$441.30 Harbor Use Fee or your form will not be accepted.

Members who use the Harbor facilities before the Annual Launch Day are required to pay all fees, including Harbor Use, Ramp Use and Summer Service, and turn in a dated Certificate of Insurance if it has expired before you put your boat in the water, to South Milwaukee Yacht Club in care of the Fleet Captain, before you may use the Harbor facilities.

Please make an attempt to answer all information as accurately as possible because this information is used to update our roster books.

PLEASE PRINT

NAME: (Last, First, Middle) _____
ADDRESS: _____ CITY: _____
ZIP: _____ HOME PHONE: _____ BUSINESS PHONE: _____
EMAIL ADDRESS: _____ CELL PHONE _____
BIRTHDATE: _____

BOAT NAME: _____ MFG: _____
LENGTH: _____ FT. BEAM: _____ FT. DRAFT: _____ IN.
OUTBOARD: _____ INBOARD: _____ STERN DRIVE: _____
STATE REGISTRATION #: _____ RADIO CALL: _____

Will you be using the Launch ramp in 2010? YES _____ NO _____
Will you be using the Crane in 2010? YES _____ NO _____
Are you requesting a slip assignment for 2010? YES _____ NO _____
Are you currently assigned a slip? YES _____ NO _____
Is it a permanent/or temporary assignment? _____ The assignment is continuous since _____
Do you wish winter storage for 2010-2011 YES _____ NO _____
Will you store on a skid? _____ or a trailer? _____ Jack stands? _____
List your marine liability insurance carrier: _____
Agent: _____ Policy Number: _____ Exp. Date _____

Members who fail to return this form accurately and properly filled out and accompanied by the Harbor Use Fee will not be assigned a slip for the 2010 boating season. This may seem like a harsh penalty; however it is necessary to insure the timely management of the slips available.

Please note: Pier bidding day will be on Saturday, March 6th, 2010 at 12:00 noon and Launch Day will be on May 8th this year. Remember all fees for the summer must be paid by this Launch Day. This includes the trailerable boats also. All boats are to be insured while using South Milwaukee Yacht Club facilities (Harbor, Storage, Ramp, and Crane). Submit a Certificate of Insurance to SMYC in care of the Fleet Captain before it expires during the boating season.

Thank you for your cooperation, Rick Klamrowski, Fleet Captain – 414-764-6737.

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