



# South Milwaukee Yacht Club



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## *High Tide*

**January 2010**

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### **Photo of the Month**



Tom Schulz takes over as the SMYC  
Commodore for 2010

## 2010 OFFICERS



**COMMODORE**  
Tom Schulz



**VICE COMMODORE**  
Paula Modlinski



**REAR COMMODORE**  
Stan Crawford



**CORRESPONDING SECRETARY**  
John Groth



**TREASURER**  
Kyle Brunk

**FINANCIAL SECRETARY**  
Karen "Kiki" Kilman



**FLEET CAPTAIN**  
Rick Klamrowski

### BOARD MEMBERS

Barb Nowak  
Michael Cieczka  
Rick Klamrowski  
Bob Sandretto  
Tony Karwacki  
Randy Kempowski

### 2009 COMMITTEE CHAIRS

#### BAR

Joel Stojsavljevic

#### CRUISE

Betsy Reifschneider

#### ENTERTAINMENT

Mary Jo Haag

#### FINANCE

Mike Gengler, Jr.

#### FLEET CAPTAIN

Rick Klamrowski

#### GAS

Ben Chadwick

#### GROUND

Tony Karwacki

#### HARBOR & DOCKS

Randy Kempowski

#### HEALTH & WELFARE

Pat Murray

#### HOUSE/HALL

Barb Nowak

#### HOUSE MAINTENANCE

Bob Sandretto

#### JUNIOR ADVISOR

Barb Nowak

#### L.M.Y.A.

Mike Trock

#### MANPOWER

Mike Cieczka

#### MARKETING

Jim Buss

#### MEMBERSHIP

Paula Modlinski

#### PLANNING

Kyle Brunk

#### PUBLIC RELATIONS

Barb Mueller



## Commodore's Comments

2009 will be remembered for a plethora of tumultuous events around the globe and in our own country. An economic meltdown of epic proportions left millions without work and a representative government whose hastily contrived solutions were clouded with mindless banter from both sides of the isle.

A perfect storm for an organization like ours; anything that appeared to be a luxury was demonized by the masses as gluttonous excess. Based on the message from the free media, surely our members would be departing in droves to stand in line for a brick of government cheese.

Our business model of running 95% of the operation by capitalizing on the skills of its members proved invaluable. This model combined with exceptional cost controlling helped keep boating affordable and membership levels steady. Our success was the result of a significant commitment by the membership, committees and the board. This hard work is the reflection of the core values of our members, where success isn't judged by the size of one's boat but the quality of life extracted from the boating experience.

As we enter another new year we are still faced with ever present challenges. Keeping membership levels up will prove to be catamount to our continued success. The representative body that makes up our new board and committees will certainly help us face these challenges but these members need help from everyone if we are to be successful.

Our annual installation of officers January 16<sup>th</sup> is also this month's membership meeting and a perfect opportunity to get together with the new board and thank the outgoing board and committee members for their past contributions. If you haven't signed up please do so before the big price increase January 9<sup>th</sup>.

In December two board members, **Steve Bowens** and **Ryan Behling**, resigned for personal reasons. The board and I have appointed **Tony Karwacki** and **Randy Kempowski** to fill these positions until the next election. **Tony** will be the new Grounds committee chair and **Randy** will be the new Harbor and Docks committee chair.

Our junior program is going through some changes as well. **Barb Nowak** will be the Junior Committee Chair and she will be assisted by **Jim Conti** and **Sharon Hock**. **Kurt Bruck** who has done an exceptional job with the juniors over the years is going to stay on and work on the Junior's non-profit charter. **Kurt** brought the juniors into the 21<sup>st</sup> century with the acquisition of six boats extracted from the east cost. Well attended junior racing was the norm under his leadership and we should all be grateful for his commitment.

Many questioned why I would run for commodore for a fifth time, the answer is simple: SMYC has afforded me the opportunity to extract the most from the spectacular experiences the Great Lakes have to offer both on and off shore. The contributions from those who came before us made this possible and I want to do everything I can to make these experiences possible for those who come after us.

**Commodore Tom**

# SMYC Events Upcoming

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

## January

4	Board Meeting	6:30pm	Club
16	Installation/Membership Mtg	5:30pm	at Crowne Plaza
28	Texas Hold Em	6:00pm	Crawfords

## February

1	Board Meeting	6:30pm	Club
15	General Meeting	7:00pm	Club
25	Texas Hold Em	6:00pm	Crawfords

## Reminder: 2010 Roster

The 2010 board of Directors is in the process of putting together our 2010 Club Roster. If you have any personal information that needs to be updated, please submit those changes to Corresponding Secretary John Groth (groth2@msn.com or 414.378.3240) as soon as possible.

## Wanted: 2010 Committee Members

All 2010 Committee chairs are looking for volunteers to participate in their respective committees. If you have an interest in participating in any of the Committees noted on page 2 of this newsletter, please contact that Committee chair, and will let you know when the next Committee meeting will be. Participating in a Committee is an excellent way to get to know your fellow club members, get a feeling of ownership in your club and get hours! If you would like to participate in a committee, but are not sure which committee is the best fit for you, contact Commodore Tom Schulz.

## Wanted: Newsletter Content

Anyone interested in submitting articles or pictures to the High Tide, please send that content to Newsletter Publisher Mike Gengler (mrgengler@hotmail.com or 414.659.9240) or Corresponding Secretary John Groth (groth2@msn.com or 414.378.3240). Failure to provide us with enough content will require us to continue to run pictures like this in subsequent issues.



January 16, 2010  
Installation Dinner at Crowne Plaza Milw. Airport

Admission price \$35.00 per person until January 9th  
After it will be \$40.00 per person

The program will consist of  
5:30—6:30 Cocktails Cash Bar  
6:30 Dinner and Installation of Officers  
8:00 Dancing with live music by 6 Pack



Seating limited to 100 people  
So make sure you sign up soon!!

Your \$35.00 per person includes  
A beverage, dinner and music to follow.  
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Drawing will be held during first band intermission for refund of your  
1 night stay evening of Installation or dinner for 2 at a later date.

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Please reserve \_\_\_\_\_ dinner reservations for me. I understand  
reservation can only be made with full payment and once reservation is submitted  
the money is nonrefundable. I have the option to have another member in good  
standing to fill my space.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Choice: Beef \_\_\_\_\_ Chicken \_\_\_\_\_ Vegetarian \_\_\_\_\_

Forms must be received at the yacht club with full payment by  
January 9th for \$35.00 per person

Questions should be directed to Barb Nowak 414 762-5541

# Deepest Condolences

The entire South Milwaukee Yacht Club family mourns the passing of life member Gerrie Steinhaus. Our condolences are also extended to the entire Steinhaus family and all of Gerrie's long time friends at South Milwaukee Yacht Club.



## Sick Bay

Best wishes are extended to Butch Webb for a quick and speedy recovery



## Valentine's Day Party at SMYC



SMYC will host a Valentine's Day party. Surprise chefs will prepare a variety of Turducken(s) for the event. Some of the birds will be stuffed with Cajun sausage and cornbread and others with chicken sausage and some surprise ingredients. The cooking team is looking at the possibility of music to follow the dinner.

Party will be on Feb. 13, 2010 with cocktails at 1700 hours and dinner to follow at 1800. For you non nautical individuals that is 5 PM and 6 PM respectively



Tickets must be purchased in advance.



### **Happy Birthday!**

Mike Trock 2/1  
Fred Roeseler 2/2  
Dianne Conner 2/4  
Mrs. Mike Messmer 2/4  
Linda Daly 2/6  
Ralph Michaels 2/6  
Sue Schlichting 2/7  
Cathy Bruck 2/8  
John Hurula 2/8  
Judy Lindemoen 2/8  
Neal Modlinski 2/8

## Celebrators

Joe Tarnowski 2/9  
Tim O'Neill 2/11  
Jared "JJ" Reifschneider 2/12  
Joel Stojsavljevic 2/12  
Mary Oudeans 2/13  
Don Green 2/14  
Dala Milosaljevic 2/16  
Swifty 2/19  
Shirley Tarnowski 2/19  
Jim Rothschadl 2/21  
Mike Gengler Jr 2/23  
Dave Schiel 2/23  
Bob Spenner 2/23  
Don Gall 2/24



### **Happy Anniversary!**

Jerry & Lois Kowalczewski  
2/26  
Steve & Sharyn Hock  
2/29

## Membership Update

Welcome, **Joe and Lynne Ussel**. The Ussel's, of Muskego, have taken ownership of *Pier Pleasure*. Chauncey and Donna Martin, the previous crew, can now sit back and enjoy all the fun without the work, as SMYC Associate Members effective with the New Year.



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**SOUTH MILWAUKEE YACHT CLUB SLIP REGISTRATION**

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 6<sup>th</sup>, 2010 at 12:00 noon and Launch Day will be on May 8<sup>th</sup> 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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