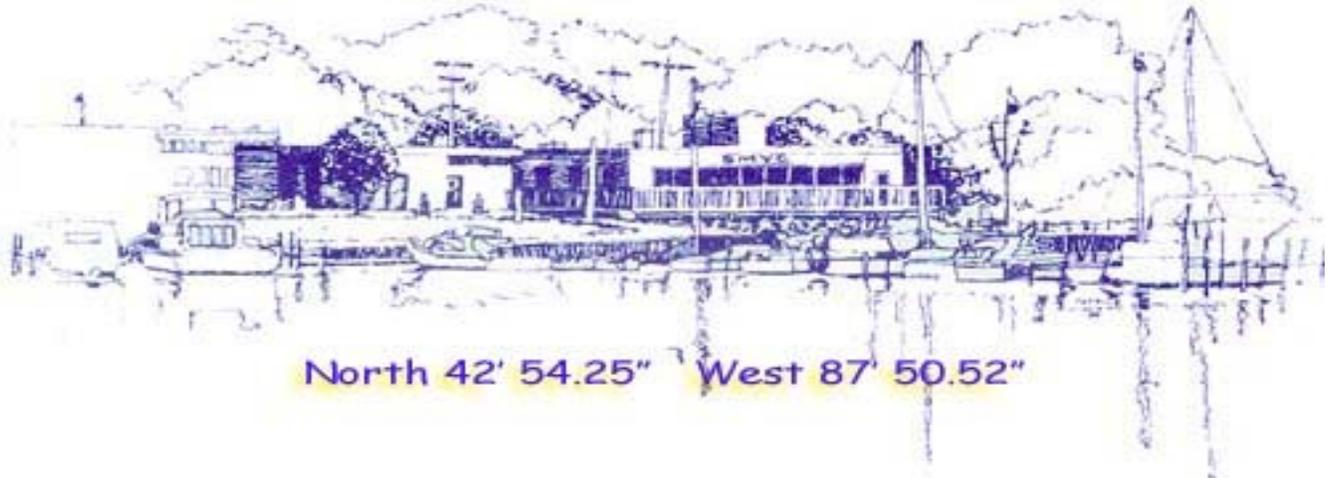




South Milwaukee Yacht Club



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High Tide

May 2011

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Photo of the Month



Happy 120th Birthday! Mike Cieczka and Bill Wheatley celebrate their birthdays at SMYC brunch

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Commodore's Comments



It is May 1st and the big yellow ball in the sky is glowing and we can actually see it. Maybe this is the sign we have been waiting for. April in case you missed it, had 30 days of which 17 days produced precipitation of one sort or another. In the final 15 days of April, 13 days included hail, rain, sleet, and snow. However, we were lucky compared to other parts of our country.

Our Club impressed me again at the April General Membership Meeting. First, the attendance over the last two months has been commendable. We have been able to make substantial decisions and the majority of membership has been in attendance. Membership has had the opportunity to voice their opinion and give guidance to the Board. I for one thank you for your feedback. Truly my hope is that we have this type of attendance and open conversation throughout the year.

Our dredging project is moving forward. The inlet to the harbor has been dredged and the spoils have been transported off site. We are ready for phase 2 of the project – the inner harbor dredging. Our goal is to begin within the next 2 weeks.

The Travel Lift and Trailer are being readied for launch. A concrete pad is being constructed around the Travel Lift piers and will be complete in time for the launch. The Fleet Captain, Grounds, and Harbor and Docks are working on a plan for getting the boats back in the water.

So as per normal, it is busy around the club. Please watch for Club emails over the next couple of weeks. We are going to need a great deal of assistance getting the Club ready for the summer. Pitch in wherever you can.

Ok since January, I have been ending my comments by stating how much time remains before the boats are back in the water. (Of course we have had an opportunity or two getting things moving in the desirable direction) Therefore, I am almost scared to make further predictions...blame it on a new Commodore without a clue...but I am feeling pretty good about this next statement. The boats will be in the water...soon!

Jon
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May Junior's Report

We are still searching for a sailing instructor for our summer sailing program. If you know of someone that may be interested and is an experienced sailor and is at least 21 years of age please have them call or email Barb Nowak at 414 899-6551 or Barbara.nowak@aurora.org

May 21st the juniors are sponsoring a SMYC "Earth Day". Volunteers of all ages are welcome. There is a lot of trash that has accumulated over the winter months, lots of cement that needs sweeping, grass that needs raking, etc. Please join us on May 21st at 10:00am. The amount of volunteers we have will determine how long it takes us to **Clean- Up Our Land**. We will supply the plastic bags and gloves as well as **coffee, juice and snacks**. If you can, please bring a rake, broom, weed wacker or clippers, etc as our supply at SMYC is limited.

Gordon's Brunch Recap

Wonderful weather, great (no, outstanding) food, many smiles and lots of memories. The largest gathering of friends and strangers met at the SMYC on May 1st for what has been known as **Gordon's Brunch**. Chef's **LeRoy Ciombor**, **Bob Smith** and **Antonio Frank** prepared a wonderful brunch that was enjoyed by over 150 members and guests. Helpers **Meg Ciurlik**, **Chris Ciombor**, **Sophia-David Taubman**, and **Donna Conant** made sure things went smoothly. With help from the 2 Mikes (**Genglers**) a portable bar was set up for **George** and **Patty Slominski** to work their magic on bloody Mary's and other libations. A set of young legs from one of the club's outstanding group of juniors (**Ryan Rybka**) made sure that the elder workers kept the stair climbing to a minimum.



Thank all of those who attended and remember, it's your club-**SUPPORT IT**

Lend A Hand
And Help Us Clean Up Our Land

Sponsored by the SMYC Juniors



Volunteers Needed to Join Us for
Earth Day Clean Up
Saturday, May 21st at 10:00am

The club will supply the bags and gloves. Rakes are needed.



Directory Reminder

The 2011 Member Directory and Membership Cards are available for pick up from the bar. Additional copies of the Directory are available for purchase @ \$2.50 each.

Concrete Challenge

SMYC members step up yet again to help out, in traditional fashion!

Concrete is direly needed in front of the Travel Lift well, due to dangerous undermining and erosion in the area over the winter. Our guys worked all weekend (4/30-5/01) planning and prepping by welding, backfilling and putting in the forms, and the plan is to finish with pouring concrete this Saturday, 05/07/2011.

Total expected cost for the project is \$2,500. A very generous, anonymous member has offered to match contributions made by fellow members dollar for dollar (up to \$1,250), for donations made to specifically to cover the cost of the concrete.

I'd like to challenge the various sections of the harbor in a friendly competition to raise the cash to cover the cost of the cement. This challenge is based **on the percentage of participation from each section, not** the dollar amount collected. Are you on the **Gold Coast**, **Gas Dock**, **Outer Wall**, **South Wall** or **North Wall**? As part of the **Gas Dock**, I challenge my fellow Gas Dock Monkeys to participate! Any amount donated counts towards your "home" section's participation percentage.

Fundraising runs from now until 6/15/2011. Place your cash or check donation in an envelope labeled "Kiki: CONCRETE" along with your First/Last name clearly written on the envelope, to assure your section receives credit. Envelopes should be turned in at the bar. For those who cannot or did not physically help with project, this is a fantastic opportunity to help us see the project through to completion.



Each participant from the winning section will receive one entry in a random drawing to win either a \$35 **Adamczyk Foods** Gift Certificate, a new pizza oven courtesy of the **Ussel's** or a portable DVD player courtesy of **Patti Cardarelle/Sentry Insurance**. Let the competition begin!

Karen (KiKi) Kilman

SMYC Events Upcoming

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

May

1	Launch/ Gordon's Brunch	9:00-Noon	Gordon's Crew
2	Board Meeting	6:30pm	Club
6	Last Hors d' oeuvre Night until Oct.	6:00pm	Club
16	General Membership Meeting	7:00pm	Club
18	Flare/Fire Extinguisher Shoot Off	6:30pm	Power Squadron
21	Earth Day Clean Up	10:00am	Juniors
22	Blessing of the Fleet	10:30am	Haag
26	Poker Night	6:00pm	Crawfords
29	Wii Bowling Tournament	6 pm	Ciezka/ Modlinski

June

6	Board Meeting	6:30pm	Club
10	Pasta Night	5:30-8:30pm	Kempowski/Rybka
20	General Membership Meeting	7:00pm	Club
30	SMYC Poker Night	6:00pm	Crawfords
TBD	Coast Guard Vessel Safety Inspection	TBD	Club

Entertainment Chairperson Cheryl Rybka.

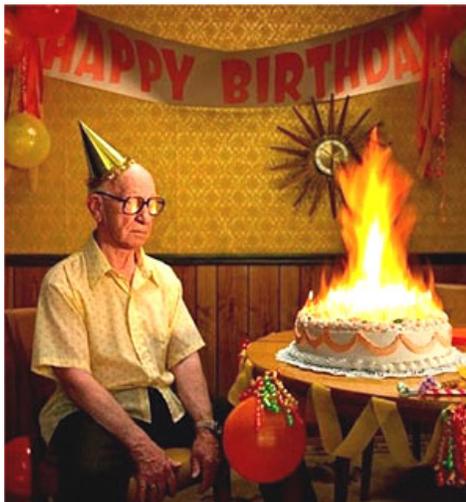
If you'd like to sponsor an event or have an idea,

Please contact Cheryl at

(H) 414-766-1605 (C) 414-530-8770 or email: rybkaC@yahoo.com

Happy Birthday!

Kyle Brunk 6/1
 Henry Reichenbach 6/1
 Paul Ruggles Jr. 6/5
 Jackie Minick 6/11
 George Slominski 6/11
 Sherry Landry 6/14
 Elizabeth Frost 6/15
 Jim Leavens 6/15
 Jay Behling 6/20
 John Chronert 6/21
 Randy Scheel 6/21
 Megan Michaels 6/23
 Tom Schulz 6/24
 Bridgette Leavens 6/25
 Jeff Mueller 6/25
 Lori Hollnagel 6/27
 Pam Spenner 6/27



Happy Birthday!

John Weinhold Sr. 6/29
 Sharon Chronert 6/30
 Katy Gengler 6/30
 Joann Reichenbach 6/30

Happy Anniversary!

Randy & Shelly Scheel 6/1
 Gil & Cathy Bruck 6/3
 Joe & Shirley Tarnowski 6/11
 Ray & Lori Hollnagel 6/13
 Keith & Kay Somerlot 6/16
 Patrick & Jackie Minick 6/17
 Jerry & Marilyn Kotarak 6/19
 Bill & Laury Saxler 6/19
 Ken & Karen Kilman 6/22
 Mark & Cathy Juriewicz 6/30

Easter Party Thank You

And again, Mother Nature shined on the Easter Egg Hunt, mittens were not needed and a great time was had by all. An Eggstra big thanks' to all who made the day possible. **Bill, Ryan & Mickey** did a great job on goose poop patrol so the plastic eggs were the only *items* picked up off the ground. **Jeannie Spiess, Cheryl Rybka, Meg Ciurlik, Paula Modlinski, Bill Wheatly, Debby Schulz, Mickey & Jimbo** all made the raffle baskets possible by their very generous donations. (**Jeannie** gave us her donation before we even asked!) Thanks to everyone that kept the kids from getting too close to the lake and taking an unwanted swim. We had an awesome turnout of helpers for the party, there are too many to mention and we thank you ALL. We would also like to thank **Ed** from Sprits Bar & Grill. His very generous donation added \$90 to the final profit of \$410.00.



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Happy 120th Birthday!

At the SMYC brunch on May 1st, Mike Cieczka celebrated his 50th birthday, while Bill Wheatley celebrated his 70th birthday.



An Event You Don't Want To Miss!!

SMYC Pasta Night

Friday, June 10th from 5:30-8:30pm



Your choice of **Butter Garlic Clam Sauce**- \$9.00 donation
Or **Marinara Meat Sauce**- \$8.00 donation
Children 12 and under- \$5.00 donation

*Dinner includes salad, bread, cookie sundae dessert,
and **live music** by the **Rustbelt Boys** starting at 8:00pm.
Tickets will be available ahead of time
at the bar or the night of the event.

Join us for an incredible meal, live entertainment,
raffles, and a whole lot of fun!!



SMYC Wii Sports 

MOONLIGHT Bowling Tournament 🎳

When: Sunday May 29, 2010

Registration and Practice 5 pm - 5:45 pm

Tournament 6 PM - midnight

Cost: \$10 per person - includes:

- * Bowling (bring your own shoes ) * Complimentary wii-nii & chips  * Cheesy Nachos and pizza available for purchase.
* plus one free ticket in the 50/50 raffle!

Your sponsors, the Cieczka's and Mod's, are back for the third year in a row, changing it up to keep things interesting!

Bonus: Those with boats in the harbor can "crash" on board!



Single Elimination **TEAM** Competition

Teams are drawn **Randomly**

NO Family Members on the same team!

Team **CASH PRIZES**

Tons of Fun for ALL! (This event will run 'til Midnight, so keep that in mind when registering teams with very young children).

SIGN-UP on the Bulletin Board to reserve your spot!

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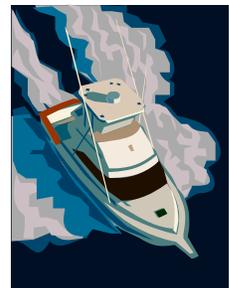


Sunday, May 22, 2011

Mass at 10:30 AM with Father Tikalsky



Flag Ceremony
Blessing of the Boats



Lunch served at 12:30 PM

Lunch tickets can be purchased at the door \$12.00 each