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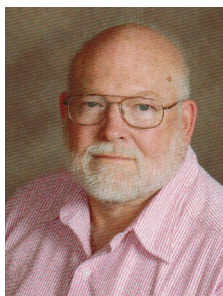
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COMMODORE'S REPORT

Greetings to all Yacht Club members.



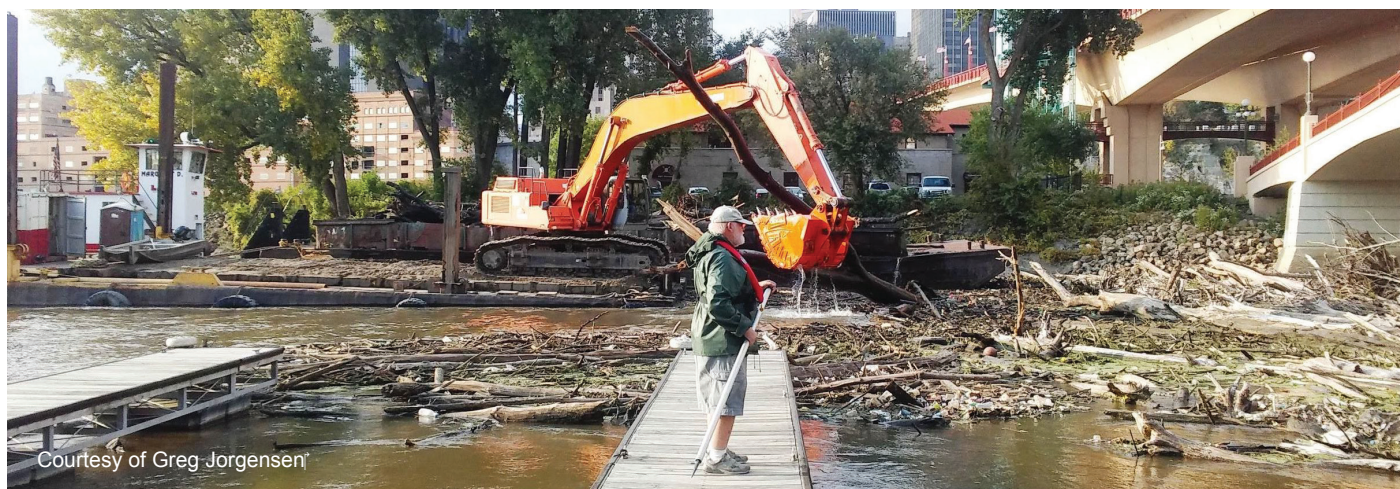
This is a good news / bad news report this time.

First, the bad news: As you've probably noticed, the weather's getting chilly, and the calendar is changing months. That means, it's getting to pull-out season. (Sorry) Let Roger know when you want to come out, and realize we can't pull

everyone the last week. Remember, the yard is sort of a first-in, last out operation, so if you need to spend time on repairs or updates, know that someone may block your boat making early launch difficult. We will try to accommodate your schedule to the best of our ability however. On the other hand, if you know you will be doing work over the winter, remember that if you come out late and block another boat, we may have to move you if you're not ready for launch early next spring. In any case,

be ready to remove your valuables as soon as the boat comes out. That's when you're most vulnerable to theft and/or vandalism, so plan to get your covers on soon after your pullout, and be ready to do your winterizing before the freezing weather hits.

Now the good news: The city had the logjam on the Raspberry bridge removed. The barge company loaded 4 barges full, substantially more than the last time. We intend to be much more proactive in removing any debris before it has a chance to accumulate to such an extent that we can't remove it ourselves. Secondly, we have had some great events on the clubhouse over the last month, including a booya. The food was great, and the fellowship was outstanding. My hearty thanks to all who were involved in putting on the event! Lastly, we are building dock triangles to let us angle the last 8 fingers on the shoreside docks. We expect to have the triangles galvanized soon, but we will probably not be able to install them all, or maybe none at all before we need to close up for the winter, but we'll at least be ready for next spring. As always, thanks to you all for your participation and communications. That's how we keep our community strong. Until next time, Good bye, and keep the river trips safe. — Denny Sando



Courtesy of Greg Jorgensen

ROGER'S ARTICLE

Latest report on the health of the river.

Sadly, it misses a huge problem which I've mentioned multiple times previously. Over the last 30 years or so every community along the river has installed new storm sewer systems that are separate from the sanitary systems and drain right into whatever river that happens to be nearby. This was justified by saying that during storms the water won't overload the sanitary treatment stations and they won't have to dump untreated sewage during overload conditions. Good thing, right? Well, that created two serious problems that no one foresaw, or they ignored:

1. *Because the storm sewers are essentially just pipes that drain all the surrounding flat surfaces, the second it rains the water starts flowing unimpeded into the local tributaries or the main channel. The flows can go up dramatically with no control. The higher flows erode the riverbank much faster; most of the sediment in the system is **NOT** agricultural runoff it's actually the riverbanks of the Minnesota and smaller tributaries as they erode. That's also why there's so damn much tree debris.*

2. *There is no treatment of the water, so any pollutants that it picks up – like vehicle runoff, agricultural chemicals, yard chemicals, construction runoff – all goes right into the stream.*

The problems lately are exacerbated by that fact that global warming appears to be changing our weather patterns such that we get intense short term rain storms that overwhelm the system and immediately increase flows and therefore erosion and the washdown of debris. The ultimate result is that the rivers and tributaries are washing away their banks, and becoming wider and shallower. Within 50 years Lake Peppin will be inches deep at the rate it's filling right now. — Roger Anderson



2016 SPYC BOOYA



DOCKSIDE GRILL - Seafood Chowder

Yields 3 quarts - Total Time: 2 hrs 10 mins

Ingredients:

- 1 pound large shrimp (32 to 36 per pound), peeled and deveined (save shells for stock)
- 1/2 pound scallops
- 1/2 pound monkfish (**substitute:** halibut, scallops)
- 1/2 pound fresh lump crabmeat, picked over to remove shells
- 1/4 pound unsalted butter
- 1 cup peeled and medium-diced carrots (4 carrots)
- 1/2 cup medium-diced yellow onion (1 onion)
- 1 cup medium-diced celery (3 stalks)
- 1 cup medium-diced small white or red potatoes
- 1/2 cup corn kernels, fresh or frozen
- 1/4 cup all-purpose flour
- 1 recipe Seafood Stock (see recipe)
- 1 1/2 tablespoons heavy cream (optional)
- 2 tablespoons minced parsley
- Salt and freshly ground black pepper to taste

Seafood Stock:

- 2 tablespoons good olive oil
- Shells from 1 pound large shrimp
- 2 cups chopped yellow onions (2 onions)
- 2 carrots, unpeeled and chopped
- 3 stalks celery, chopped
- 2 garlic cloves, minced
- 1/2 cup good white wine
- 1/3 cup tomato paste
- 1 tablespoon kosher salt
- 1 1/2 teaspoons freshly ground black pepper
- 10 sprigs fresh thyme, including stems



Directions:

Cut the shrimp, scallops, and monkfish into bite-sized pieces and place them in a bowl with the crabmeat. In a heavy-bottomed pot, melt the butter; add the carrots, onions, celery, potatoes, and corn and saute over medium-low heat for 15 minutes, or until the potatoes are barely cooked, stirring occasionally. Add the flour; reduce the heat to low and cook, stirring often, for 3 minutes. Add the Seafood Stock and bring to a boil. Add the seafood; reduce the heat and simmer, uncovered, for 7 to 10 minutes, until the fish is just cooked. Add the heavy cream, if desired, and the parsley. Add salt and pepper to taste, and serve.

Seafood Stock:

Warm the oil in a stockpot over medium heat. Add the shrimp shells, onions, carrots, and celery and saute for 15 minutes, or until lightly browned. Add the garlic and cook 2 more minutes. Add 1 1/2 quarts of water, the white wine, tomato paste, salt, pepper, and thyme. Bring to a boil, then reduce the heat and simmer for 1 hour. Strain through a sieve, pressing the solids. You should have approximately 1 quart of stock. You can make up the difference with water or wine if you need to.

WET YOUR "BOAT" WHISTLE - Cranberry & Cinnamon Whiskey Sour

4 cocktails - Total Time: About 25 mins

These naturally pink pretties (thanks cranberry cinnamon simple syrup!) boast all of the punch a classic whiskey sour would pack, but also host a friendlier flavor and hue. The cranberry cinnamon simple syrup is what adds all of these wonderful twists to this lovely cocktail! It's a simple combination of water, sugar, fresh cranberries, and cinnamon sticks boiled down to a thick, smooth syrup, and it makes incredible cocktails, and gifts!

Ingredients:

- 2 cups fresh cranberries
- 2 cups water
- 2 cups sugar
- 2 cinnamon sticks
- 3/4 cup bourbon or whiskey
- 1/2 cup lemon juice
- 1/4 cup orange juice
- 1/4 cup lime juice
- Ice cubes & cocktail shaker for mixing

Directions:

In a medium-sized pot add cranberries, water, sugar, and cinnamon sticks. Heat over a medium flame, and bring to a boil. Reduce to a simmer, and cook, stirring occasionally, until the cranberries have burst open and can easily be stirred into the syrup, resulting in a smooth consistency. This will take about 10 minutes. Once done, remove syrup from heat. Fit a large bowl with a fine mesh strainer and strain the simple syrup, leaving all of the large chunks and skin behind. Let cool for at least 10 minutes before using.

When ready to make your cocktails, add 3/4 cup simple syrup, whiskey, lemon juice, orange juice, lime juice, and a large handful of ice to a cocktail shaker and shake vigorously for 30 seconds. Divide into 4 glasses and serve at once.



Board Members Present At Board Meeting										
Commodore	Vice Cmdr.	Secretary	Treasurer	Board	Board	Board	Board	Board	Board	Past Cmdr.
Dennis Sando	MJ Babcock	Bill Tschohl	Greg Jorgensen	Lynn Adler	Bill Gibbs	Charles Hart	Terri Meredith	Fran Potvein	Sue Walters	Dave McKusick
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BOARD MEETING NOTES - JULY

Call to Order: 6:30PM

Attest: Bill Tschohl, Secretary

Guest: Barb Haake

Staff Report: Staff report submitted by Roger.

Workboat situation overview with sinking and raising along with next steps were discussed. The gas dock, raspberry island bridge and island point are full of debris. People are climbing on the debris yet again.

There were some intruders on Barb Haake's boat over this past week. The lower harbor dock stretch from old crane wall to gate F is very accessible. Roger will be looking into a leasehold improvement to put in a fence across that stretch. The fence will need to be discussed with the city for approval.

This will help with security since the loss of Gate F access and the silting on the shoreside has made it easier to access our dock. Another option, if City doesn't like or rebuffs a fence on land, is to build a fence on the dock sections that are vulnerable.

Dave's boat had intruders a couple years ago. He felt he should have taken photos. Bill would dissuade anyone from engaging in a confrontation, call the police and let them determine response.

Security cameras were brought up again as they are cheap and readily available. Cameras, could be taking photos, but wireless cameras eat a tremendous amount of bandwidth.

Our work boat sunk Saturday and was lifted Sunday. Deductible will be \$1,000 to \$1,500. Insurance is expected to pay for the cost of the crane to lift it and costs involved in de-watering motors, parts and labor. Leaky hull, poor pump, inadequate design and heavy quick rain all contributed to why it sunk. Single bilge pump will be replaced with two larger pumps, scuppers are pretty small and will be enlarged. As discussed earlier this year, we need to research a new boat.

Denny has made inquiries to try to determine the costs involved. The workboat will also need a place to be parked that is better than putting it in front of the clubhouse. That isn't a good place for it, but there really isn't a good place to park the workboat currently. Solution on workboat parking will need consideration.

Operations:

Ops ordered a new lock cylinder for the gate lock to be put on the keypad for Gate G. Ops is still discussing on how to implement the gate.

Q: Should gates be galvanized?

A: We are reusing a gate and we'd need to strip in an acid bath, etc. before it could be galvanized.

Second forklift is not functioning and needs a new power steering pump. The second forklift has been handy during yard operations.

Old business: Bike rack?? Discussion is ongoing.

Q: Why don't we have a clubhouse calendar in the clubhouse.

A: Roger needs to come up with a system so it's clear that just writing something on a posted calendar does nothing to reserve the clubhouse.

Finance: Balance sheet and P&L statement submitted by Roger and Greg.

Trailers that have no indicated ownership will be moved to an area and blocked in a bit until they make a claim.

LOA format for slip fees may not be workable and will need further review and maybe revisit one of the prior options.

CGA inspections: Inspection turn-ins are low and slowing so if there was an end date we would be roughly \$15,000 in inspection monies. We do not currently have a deadline and the intention was to have it done so we know we have a safe boat harbor and everyone has participated. We will have to review further for next year and even what can be done yet this year to increase participation. Set an end date, won't launch boats until inspection, some modifications.

Minimum safety requirements, venting, fire extinguishers, etc. are the only requirements to being able to turn in inspection report for a \$200 credit back to an account.

Information has been in a half dozen or more issues of the Anchor and Line along with the website and handouts at the new boater orientation so information is available.

Key is to find issues and work together to better the personal and marina safety. Denny has personally done 68 inspections, but indeterminate on how many fulfilled all basic safety requirements.

Motion: Establish deadline for boat safety inspections to be completed by August 31st, 2016 or \$200 vessel safety check monies are forfeited.

Motion to approve; 2 aye, 5 nay

Discussion on dates, communication, length of notice, etc. possibilities for 2017 and beyond.

Motion: Deadline for completion of Vessel Safety Checks is to be July 1st each year starting in 2017 or \$200 vessel safety check

monies are forfeited. Denny motion, Fran seconded. Motion approved unanimously.

152 slips currently rented.

18 open slips

Standing Rules: Carry-forward comment: We will revisit the Standing rules at our July or August meeting for any potential adjustments.

Take-away for review: Do we have anything noted regarding current boat registration in the standing rules?

Social, Membership, Marketing: Lynn Adler: We've had a couple great events. Andy Ristrum and family and musicians came up for party a couple weeks ago. We will have them again for the holiday party.

The TGIF with the band was well attended and liked by the turnout.

The property management company across the river was contacted and Marketing will bring them materials about chicken feed, September 13th and other marina materials. We will be inviting other marinas to the chicken feed as we have done in previous years.

Candidates have been approached regarding memberships, but some need to complete their first year.

Harbor Maintenance: This is the first high water we've had since last year and when we did harbor changes in LH. Roger will have the crew do some soundings once the water recedes.

Trees and debris on gas dock may need someone hired. City needs to manage debris on Raspberry Island and bridge. Crew went down this past week and we don't have equipment to remove trees blocking the raspberry island bridge.

How much pressure do we put on the city? Pursued by Denny? MJ will work with Denny to get contacts and approach the city about the issue. The trees and debris are not on property we lease so it is outside the scope of our lease with the City.

Clubhouse: A holder for the calendar will be reviewed and put up behind the TV wall in the clubhouse.

Strategic Planning Committee: Nothing new to report. Strategic plan and standing rules will be reviewed in September.

Personnel Committee will be meeting August 2nd and plan to have draft of job descriptions.

Old business:

Acknowledging the ladies auxiliary, taking them to a lunch or something is still an outstanding item.

Unpaid trailers in the yard, status? See earlier note.

New business:

Operations would like to purchase a generator for the workboat. This would simplify and make ops crew more efficient when working with power tools. 3600 Watt straight generator would run \$400-600 for something decent.

Comments: Using power tools to cut up trees, etc. around water may not be a great idea compared to a small chainsaw. Do we even really have any business where we should be cutting up trees the city is responsible for. A generator would likely be used relatively infrequently so a high-end unit isn't necessary. Consensus for Ops to purchase a \$400-600 generator.

Moved to Executive session at 7:47pm

Motion to adjourn: Motion by Denny Sando, seconded by Dave. Motion passed

Adjourned: 8:47PM

Minute Approval: 6/27/2016 meeting minutes: Lynn moved, Dave seconded, motion approved.

AHOY SPYC MEMBERS AND FRIENDS!

Well the season is coming to an end and we have one more event – our Christmas party at the clubhouse. Watch for the invites and RSVP's coming soon. Please get your RSVP in by the date due – it makes it so much easier. We will have it catered along with wine and beer. We will also have the band that played at the jazz Captain's breakfast – they are awesome!! Again, I want to thank ALL of the wonderful volunteers that helped make all of our events so successful – Roger you too!!

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Lynn Adler – Slip UH63
Board member and Social chair.
Skipper of the good ship *Living' La Vida Loca*

SOCIAL CALENDAR

SAT, OCT. 1ST 7:00pm At the Clubhouse

• HALLOWEEN PARTY

MON, OCT 24TH 6:30pm At the Clubhouse

• BOARD MEETING

TUES, OCT 25TH At the Clubhouse

• ALL BOATS OUT OF HARBOR

FRI, NOV 25TH At the Clubhouse

• X-MAS SEASON SETUP

MON, NOV 28TH 6:30pm At the Clubhouse

• BOARD MEETING

SAT, DEC 3RD At the Clubhouse

• CHRISTMAS PARTY

- BOATING WITH KIDS -

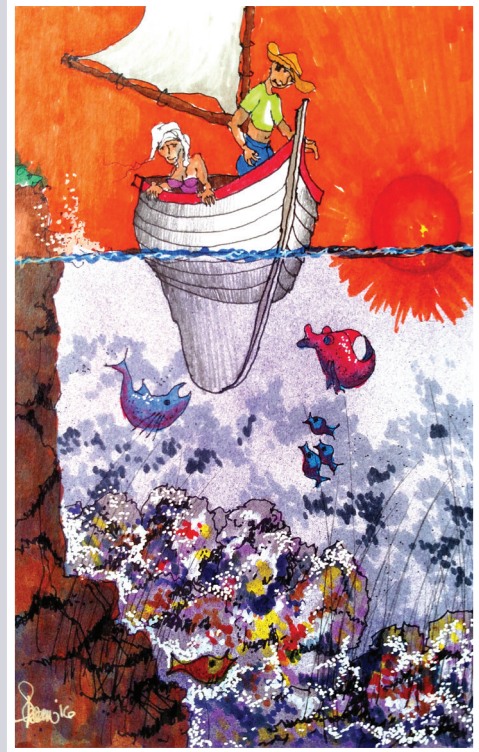


THE LIFE OF SWANNY THE SWAN



SWANNY'S NEW FRIEND...SHARKY!

ARTWORK BY TRUMAN HOWELL



Boat with Underwater Fish



Boat with Red Sky



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Courtesy of Jim Daly



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