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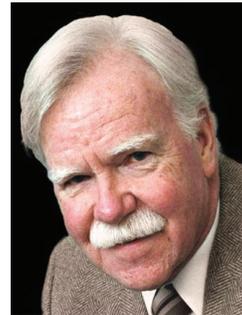
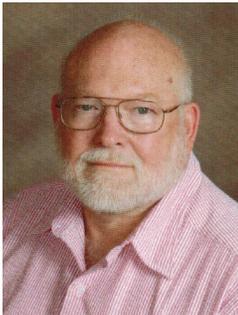
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SPYC ELECTIONS 2018

GOOD LUCK! To all of the Candidates.



**St. Paul Yacht Club
2018 Election of Officers and Directors**

2018 BALLOT FOR ELECTION OF SPYC's BOARD OF DIRECTORS
Annual Meeting February 13th, 2018 at 7 pm at the St. Paul Yacht Club Clubhouse.

If mailed in, use a numbered addressed envelope to:
SPYC Election 2018; 100 Yacht Club Rd. B-1, St. Paul, MN 55107
Your ballot must be in the SPYC Office no later than 3 p.m. February 12, 2018.

You will be voting for ten (10) SPYC Board members comprised of **four (4) Officers**: commodore, vice-commodore, secretary and treasurer and **six (6) Directors**.
(The eleventh Board member is the immediate past commodore; no vote required.)

OFFICERS – Please vote for one (1) person in each below listed office:

COMMODORE:

Dennis Sando

VICE-COMMODORE:

Jerry Quaal

SECRETARY:

Terri Meredith

TREASURER:

Ralph Delong

DIRECTORS: You must vote for six directors. If you vote for more than six or less than six, your ballot will be NOT be counted. Check six (6) from the below list:

Lynn Adler

Bill Gibbs

Troy Janisch

Bruce Johnson

Teresa Muckala

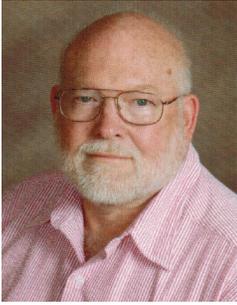
Steve Nelson

Mike Patten

Bill Tschohl

NO WRITE-INS ALLOWED

Remember the 2018 Board Election and Annual General Meeting is Tuesday, February 13th at 7:00pm at the Clubhouse. To Vote you must be a regular member and a current SPYC account, along with paid member dues. There is one vote per membership. Absentee ballots are available BY REQUEST from the SPYC office. Only an official numbered ballot from the office can be used to absentee vote. Contact the office at 651-292-8964 or spyc@comcast.net to request a ballot. Absentee ballots must be at the SPYC office no later than 3:00pm on February 12th. All other votes must be cast in person at the meeting.



DENNIS SANDO

Running for Commodore

I'm running for the office of Commodore of the St. Paul Yacht Club. I've served on the board for more than 10 years in a wide range of positions, starting as officer at large through Vice Commodore, and Commodore in 2016 & 2017. It has been my goal to help keep club expenses as low as possible to allow us to keep our slip fees at a manageable level. In addition, I've worked very hard to make the harbor and the boats as safe as possible. I have done extensive work in the yard, working in flood preparation, boat haul-out, and launching. This background gives me a unique perspective in the club operation and an intimate understanding of the needs to keep us operating as efficiently as possible.

With me, you will have a Commodore who won't quit, keeps an even temper, and who has an excellent knowledge of the marina infrastructure and operation. I have a great rapport with all the staff, and I work well with each of them. I am straight-forward, and you will always know where I stand on an issue. My goals for the upcoming year will be to keep expenses under control, and continue to keep the harbors accessible. Both of these are very difficult tasks, and I will devote as much time as possible to achieve them. Thanks for your consideration, and I hope, your vote.



JERRY QUAAL

Running for Vice-Commodore

Hi, I love boating; I've been on Lake Minnetonka, I've been on the St. Croix, I have been on the Erie Canal. The BEST place is here on the Mississippi River in St. Paul and here at SPYC. I just love it here!

I'm Jerry Quaal, I have a 36' Carver (Quaality Times). I am in the greenhouse business supplying Minnesota and 7 surrounding states. I have been part of the SPYC for 18 years. I was in the lower harbor our first year; I am now in the upper harbor. I was the clubhouse chair for one year, and then became the Treasurer for five years. Being part of the SPYC Board for several years has been a challenge and rewarding. The most important part was seeing Roger installed as manager. As Treasurer, bringing capital spending down to what was needed and seeing our finances turn around to a very positive number with the economic challenges of the times. I also served on the Finance Committee. I hope to again, whether elected or not. I truly care about the success for us and the new users of the SPYC here on Harriet Island!

Issues to be addressed:

- Doing what is BEST for all at the marina
- Dredging as needed, now and in the future
- Continued maintenance
- Replacing equipment (as needed)
- Addressing any Club policy changes
- Our contract with the City of St. Paul
- Focus on continued debt reduction
- Providing affordable boating.

See you on the river! I look forward to continuing to serve you!



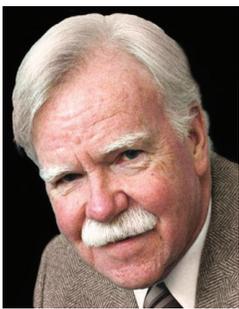


TERRI MEREDITH

Running for Secretary

My husband Steve and I and our dog Finnegan have been in the upper harbor for the past five years and we love being a part of SPYC. Our boat, Finnegan's Wake is in the upper harbor in slip 33. I have been a board member for the past three years, and was the Secretary last year. I have also been involved with the bylaws committee, the social committee and the finance committee.

The SPYC is cooperative organization with a rich history of members being involved and serving in different areas, and we all have a responsibility to consider where we can contribute to the success of our club. During my time on the board, I've learned so much about SPYC and I have a much better appreciation of the issues we face, as well as for the people who have taken responsibility for serving us all in so many different areas. This is a special place and it is because the commitment our members make to each other. I hope you all consider where you can serve in our club in 2018. I would like to continue to serve you as the Secretary this year and I hope you'll vote for me.



RALPH DELONG

Running for Treasurer

I have been a member of SPYC since 1978. There is a soft spot in my heart for wooden boats (no pun intended); however, my current boat (Dry Martini) is fiberglass with just a touch of teak. I am a professor at the University of Minnesota School of Dentistry; soon to be retired. I managed a department with over 100 full and part-time faculty and a budget of several million dollars for over 15 years. In addition, I ran two successful strategic planning committees in the School of Dentistry. These efforts required strong management skills, fiscal responsibility,

secretarial skills, and interactions with state governing boards; skills that I would bring to the club.

As a past member of the SPYC Board, I have worked to improve the financial standing of the Club. If elected as Treasurer, I will do my best to maintain a financially stable club and to maintain open communications between the board and the membership through accurate and transparent financial reports.



LYNN ADLER

Running for Board

It was a pleasure to have served on the board the past few years. They have definitely been both challenging and productive ones.

I have been boating on the river for over 25 years and have been a part of the St. Paul Yacht Club since 2005. Having kept my boat - La Vida Loca - on both the Dahlgren Dock as well as the Upper Harbor, I understand issues that are of concern to our membership as a whole; specifically dredging, safety and a commitment to keeping our membership strong.

We are a marina, a club and a neighbor. Each harbor is unique, yet we are one marina. I would like to continue to bring our lower and upper harbor together – it still seems too separate. I saw progress with this last year – Linda Den Bleyker arranging the Boat Hop which was a great success. Had the weather cooperated it would have been even bigger. I will work on continuing this process, as I believe we need to continue to moving in the direction of being ONE MARINA!! Building a strong club through everyone's involvement is something that we all can benefit from. You can find me at Slip U63 or call 612-599-4545. Thanks for your support the last few years!!

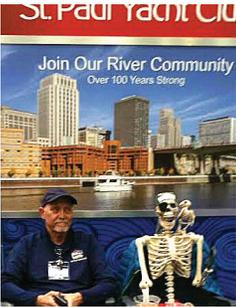




BRUCE JOHNSON

Running for Board

I'm excited to bring a fresh voice to the board and not just represent the liveboards but all members of the SPYC.



MICHAEL J. PATTEN

Running for Board

Member in good standing with SPYC since 2003. Isn't it amazing how time seems to fly by when you're having fun! While 'FUN' is certainly our primary focus here at SPYC, I do realize that our unique, affordable boating experience is heavily reliant on membership participation in our various social activities and infrastructure needs. Over the years, my wife Shirley and I have found small ways to pitch in via: Rules Committee, Nomination Committee, Grievance Committees, Social - Club House Committees.

Board experience: Served two terms (4-years) as a Board Member of a mid-size HOA (Home Owner's Association) last serving in the capacity of Board Secretary. I am subsequently familiar with 'Robert's Rules of Order'.

During the boating season, Shirley and I can be found at Slip 64 - Upper Harbor.

Our email is Contactpatten@gmail.com, My cell phone number is in the Membership Directory: 612-423-6265.



BILL GIBBS

Running for Board

"In times of stress, the best thing we can do for each other is to listen with our ears and our hearts and to be assured that our questions are just as important as our answers." Fred Rogers

This quote from Fred Rogers has been my compass for navigating the waters of the SPYC Board of Directors.

While we've faced some challenging issues over the years, I've always listened with an open mind; and I welcome questions and concerns because they help us better understand the kind of club we want to be.

I've worked on the Strategic Plan, By-Laws, and Standing Rules over the past several years. While we've made strides in these areas, there is still more work needed to review and finalize these areas. From my experience, I can see that continuity in the Board of Directors is critical to it's success. I would like to continue to serve on the Board because experienced leadership will help ensure that we continue the good work that has been done.

Sincerely, Bill Gibbs





TERESA MUCKALA

Running for Board

Hello! I came to SPYC's Dahlgren Dock on a sunny day in July 2006 after meeting John Senglaub. In the fall of 2012, we were married, and the Animal House in slip 25 became our permanent summer cabin. We lived aboard May-Oct in 2014 during a house remodeling project – best summer of my life. Most recently at SPYC, I am on the dispute resolution committee – no one called, so everyone must be getting along! On the professional side, I'm a market insights and strategy associate at Medtronic, serve on the Economic Development Commission in Mounds

View and just rolled off the Friends of Pool 2 Board of Directors. Key values for me are transparency, good processes, growth and doing your homework. I think the current Board of Directors has done an excellent job overall. Whatever the outcome of the voting, I'm happy to be here.



BILL TSCHOHL

Running for Board

I took a year off from the board to get my footing as Camping Coordinator for my son's Cub Scout Pack. The lessons I learned from working with the fine men and women of the St Paul Yacht Club served me very well in that personal expedition. From planning and cooking for dozens to better dispute resolution I think I've learned a little from everyone.

I had the pleasure of serving on the board previously with many of the members currently serving. I've served as both Secretary and member-at-large. The one thing I've learned is that we need to set reasonable goals for ourselves and our organization. For 2018 I think we're already on a great trajectory and will only need some further small, measured refinements. The fine board you've had these past years has had quality Flag officers that need our help with fine-tuning the great organization we have. This year's Flag Officers are again an exceptional set of individuals. If elected I will help with whatever priorities they set, but also want to get input from the club to bring back to the board.

I appreciate the opportunity to be on the board again and ask that you bring me back for another year. Please call or email me if you have any questions. Thanks, Bill Tschohl.





TROY JANISCH

Running for Board

The St Paul Yacht Club has been home to my family since October, 2014. I've been a liveaboard member on Miller Dock along with my wife Carol, my daughters, Phoebe and Chloe, and our labradoodle Sophie. Kahale, our Skipperliner is located next to the Trubador. When I was new to the Twin Cities, SPYC members became our local family and friends. We treasure the time we've spent getting to know everyone on at docktails on Miller Dock and at the club events hosted at the clubhouse. As a prospective board member, I'm interested in actively contributing to the club and ensuring its longevity more than pursuing any specific platform. I'm a marketing vice president at U.S. Bank specializing in social media and digital marketing. I also teach MBA classes at St Catherine's University in St Paul. I have more than two decades of marketing and business experience - so I feel that I have a lot to contribute to the club.

There are opportunities to improve the club's visibility, provide new members and transients with a welcoming experience, and play a larger role in the evolution of St. Paul's waterfront. If you'd like to know more, have questions, or want to share your suggestions for the future of the club, contact me by email at tj@socialmeteor.com.



STEVE NELSON

Running for Board

I am the proud parent of two children, Paige (19) and Brett (16). I am also the partner to Andrea (Andi) Raffaele and our Red Shepard, Scout. The last 15 years I have been a Regional Sales Manager for Easiway Systems, a manufacturer of products for the screen printing industry. In that capacity I manage sales and distribution channels in the western half of the U.S.

We have spent 10 years river boating between SPYC and Treasure Island Marina. This, along with many summer vacations traveling the Upper Mississippi as a transient boater, has given me the chance to see the best of many marinas. Without question the SPYC has something very unique as community. The cast of characters here is second to none and I am proud to call many if not most of you my friends.

The many people I have known from the SPYC board in the past have taken the success of this club very serious. I would hope to as well. My goal, in short, would be to strive to introduce "river life" to more boaters from the greater Twin Cities. I am always amazed at how many people in the area are unaware of the SPYC. Their introduction to us could provide a great renewal, because the success of any club is in its ability to attract and maintain a strong group of active members. Oh, and maybe an ice machine?

I look forward to the chance to help us move ahead. Ahoy!





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LOOKING FORWARD TO A BANNER YEAR IN 2018

