



# September 2013

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### **Photo of the Month**



SMYC'ers take in the band during SMYC's annual open house weekend





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# **Commodore's Comments**



What a month we had in August at SMYC! If you were ever going to celebrate the end of summer, it would look a great deal like what we just had. **Tom Hoffa** and **Dan Moshinski** put together a spectacular Powder Puff fishing event with proceeds going to Breast Cancer Research. The next weekend was an In-House fishing contest where a guy named "**Fish**" did pretty well!

The **Ciurlik's** put on another great Sunday breakfast mid-month with those fancy pancakes that were filled with goodness.

Slip Shots was a big hit! The **Fiverson's** did another outstanding job herding us around the harbor. And yes we have a new signature on the helmet!

The annual Open House weekend was another smashing success. Friday night started with **Barb** and **Mickey Nowak's** sponsored Steak Night and as always, was an elegant night. Saturday festivities started with the **Junior's** luncheon which I understand was a great success. The Pig Roast was again a great meal, a few cocktails, and fabulous music...Ok, maybe a few cocktails is an understatement! **Mary Karwacki** coordinated the event and did a great job! Finally, Sunday morning breakfast sponsored by **Bob Smith** and his bright eyed and bushy tailed coffee clutching gang was the end of a perfect weekend. None of this could have been a success without all of the volunteer assistance from the Club members. This is a very busy weekend for everyone. The Board and I want to thank all of you that stepped up and lent a helping hand before, during, and after the events. Finally we had a spectacular showing from our friends at **Harbor Lite Yacht Club** and I want to thank their Club for coming up and spending time with us.

On Labor Day weekend, we had a SMYC Rendezvous at Reefpoint Marina. **Steve, Debbie,** and **Katy Steinhaus** were the gracious hosts of this event. Everyone that came had a great time and the weather was perfect for the end of the summer. Sunday was a poker run to **5<sup>th</sup> Street Yacht Club, Harbor Lite Yacht Club**, and **Racine Yacht Club.** We thank them very much for their hospitality and cold beverages.

The beginning of September brought two losses in our SMYC family **Richard Kenyon** and **Kenneth Kilman**. Our thoughts and prayers go out to both families. We also had an addition, **Rachel** and **Ryan Behling**, were blessed with a daughter **Claire Sarah**. Congratulations Behlings!

We only have a month or so left in the 2013 boating season. Haul Out is just around the corner. I never know if I am ready for the end or not! My house needs some attention...but it is not nearly as much fun as spending time down at the Club; on the boat and just hanging out with a great group of people.

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# **Steak Night Recap**

Another great start for our Pig Roast Open House Weekend. We had a fantastic crew in the morning and in the evening. Thank you everyone as you're the ones that made it a success. We would like to extend a special thank you to **Meg & Tom Ciurlik, Donna Conant, Jeannie Spiess, Karen Puetz and Sandy Webb** for all their help in the morning. They are truly hard working & dedicated members. Chef **Rob** had a new partner on the grill this year. **Peter Russo** filled in for Steve **Fivenson** and did a fantastic job. After dinner members and friends burned off their dinner dancing the night

away to music provided by The Best of Everything. After all was said and done the profit for the evening was approximately \$1,250.00. Again, thank you everyone!!



**Barb & Mickey** 

# **Slip Shot Photos**



# **Help Save Postage**

For any members who are interested, we are now offering the delivery of Club invoices via e-mail. This is an *option*; you must opt –in. If you'd like to switch from the current postal delivery, please opt-in by sending an email to <u>SMYCFinancial@yahoo.com</u> Indicate you'd like your invoices delivered via email and confirm the correct delivery address.

#### SMYC Events Upcoming

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

September

2	Board Meeting	6:00pm	Club
7	Fishing Contest	4am-11am	Moshinski
8	Packer Game Party	3:25pm	Haag
16	General Membership Meeting	7:00pm	Club
21	Oktoberfest	6:00pm	Schulz
October			
4	Hors d'oeuvre Night	6:00pm	Club
21	General Membership Meeting		
	and Election of Officers	7:00pm	Club
26	Halloween Party	A Sponsor Is	Needed

#### Just A Few Reminders:

\* Packer Game sponsors are needed. Call for more information or to schedule a party.
\* Save The Date: Installation Dinner at SMYC has been scheduled for January 18<sup>th</sup>. We hope that you will join us for this amazing event.

Entertainment Chairperson Cheryl Rybka. If you'd like to sponsor an event or have an idea, Please contact Cheryl at (C) 414-530-8770 or email: rybkaC@yahoo.com

#### Happy Birthday!

Kris Klamrowski 10/2 Andrew Cozad 10/3 Nick Schmidt 10/5 Sheryl Hurula 10/8 Dottie Minch 10/8 Mike Gengler Sr 10/12 Donna Conant 10/15 Robert Behling 10/16 Jim Schlichting 10/17 Scott Wisniewski 10/17 Jane Dallmann 10/19 Moe Landry 10/19 Bill Saxler 10/20 Sharon Kempowski 10/22

#### Celebrators Happy Birthday!

Patrick Minick 10/23 Tom Peterson 10/23 Kandis Hock 10/25 Pat Hofrichter 10/26 Adam Miller 10/26 Tammy Behling 10/28 Mickey Nowak 10/28 Bennett Andrew 10/30



If you don't see your birthday here, please email wordart@.rr.com

#### Happy Anniversary!

Bob & Christine Behling 10/2 Bob & Bobbi Sandretto 10/2 Art & Darlene Marasco 10/5 Jeffrey & Heather Holmes 10/11 Bob & Pam Spenner 10/12 Steve & Debbie Steinhaus 10/18 George & Pat Slominski 10/23 Jeff & MaryBeth Johnson 10/24 Rick & Mary Klamrowski 10/28 Clark & Kathy Chiaverotti 10/31

# Hang Over Breakfast Report

Sunday started off slow with **Chef Leroy Ciombor** showing his knife skills via the hall windows to a steady stream of onlookers (more mushrooms and peppers please), **Kris C and Meg** rushing to put the finishing touches on tabletops (who cares if the colors don't match-the party is over) while **Donna Conant** preped herself for two plus hours of being the "Egg Lady" (you try to scramble eggs for two straight hours and stay happy as she kept smiling)

In the kitchen the "ebelskiver's were frying (more with jam please) while "Boss Bob" worked the kitchen crew like a family progenitor

Once the crowds arrived and the kitchen crew was able to see the disagreeable physical aftereffects of the prior nights imbibing the difficult task began. Within a short period of time (plus BM and coffee) smiles overcame the blank stares and fun was had by most

Thanks (especially HLYC crew) for making the breakfast a success **RSS-LC-KC-DC-MC-TC** 

# **Open House Recap**

Formerly dubbed the "Pig Roast," this year's newly rebranded SMYC **Open House** was a great success. Despite lower than normal attendance we still managed to have plenty of **food**, **fun** and **frolic** on the lake shore. It continues to be our largest annual fund-raiser and 2013 was no exception!

I would like to extend **my thanks to all** who were involved in making this event a success; it would not have been possible without dedication and assistance of many. While not an all-inclusive list, I do have a few special "Thank You!" messages that I need to publicly convey. If I've missed someone I apologize, it is not intention-

- al.
- Thank you, Tony Karwacki for tolerating my complete and utter neglect the week of August 19 August 26. I also really appreciate that you didn't bat an eye when I asked you to refurbish a 50 year old bicycle! What a beautiful job you did.
- Carol Baltutis your coordination of monies and meticulous attention to detail made post-event financials a breeze!
- **Dona Cieczka** I will spring for your pedicure...after three days on your feet with decorating and prep work, you deserve a break. The place looked amazing. Thanks to **Mike** as well for the heavy lifting.
- The outside Bar wouldn't have been the same without John Nowicki and his hilarious dreds. Kudos to all the bartenders, you hustled quite a bit with the dice.
- To Jane Wisniewski, Steve Steinhaus, Barb Nowak and the entire crew of food workers; the spread was amazing and delicious.
- MC'ing the outside raffle sales and regaling us with Jamaican trivia was **Neal Modlinski** and his cast of volunteers. Very entertaining, as always.
- Thank you to all the volunteers who spread mulch, pulled weeds and generally spruced up; the Club grounds looked great.
- And finally, to all who worked and generously donated to the over-the-top inside raffles. Wow; it was a sight to behold; and very profitable.
- Club member honorable donation mentions go to; Greg Zielenski, Tom Shulz and Mike Schell (aka Fish).
- Extra special thank you to West Marine (John Groth) and Horny Goat Marina (Kurt Bruck) for their business donations.
- For creativity and skill at making a t-shirt and a bottle of booze into an eyecatching raffle package—thank you Katy Steinhaus.

Again, thank you for being there, and making the coordination and execution of this event possible. I almost look forward to next year! And, I promise, we will order a larger quantity of ladies t-shirts next time....

Mary Karwacki Financial Secretary



# **Nominating Committee Notice**

**Chuck Cottrill** (chuck@alphadie.com) is our Nominating Committee chair again for this year. If you are interested in getting involved with the Board, contact Chuck and he will get you signed up. The elections for the Board Members are at the Annual General Membership Meeting in October. The following positions are up for election: Commodore, Vice Commodore, Rear Commodore, Corresponding Secretary, Treasurer, Financial Secretary, 2 - 3 Year Board Members, 1 - 1 Year Board Member . Annual election of Officers and Board is October 21, 2013.



# **Powder Puff Recap**

The powder puff fishing contest benefiting Breast cancer research was a big hit, raising \$325.

**Jeannie Speis** caught the 1<sup>st</sup> place fish with a 26.12lb Chinook, 2<sup>nd</sup> place was **Sharon Kempowski's** 24.3lb Chinook both were caught on **Ryan Behling's** boat. **Kim Endres** had the 3<sup>rd</sup> place fish with a 23lb Chinook aboard **Tom Hoffa's** boat. Overall 7 boats caught 40 fish.

Special thanks to all the Captains for participating. Sponsoring the event were Baird, Insinkerator, Greg's Mobile, Horney Goat Marina, Mike Scheel, Cooper Power and Ace Hardware in S Milwaukee.

# **SMYC Fall Rendezvous**

The SMYC Fall Rendezvous at Reef Point Marina is history. Boats started arriving on Friday, some rafts made their way to Harbor Lite for a Friday fish fry and others found other places to eat at and enjoyed downtown Racine. Saturday morning was a little slow for some. More boats arrived that morning to completely fill up dock W12. The sun at the pool was hot and the cool water was refreshing. Saturday morning rafts headed back to Harbor Lite to watch the Badger game and most of the ladies went shopping. **Kyle Brunk, Katy Steinhaus** and **Tony Santos, Jon Haag**, and **Debbie** 

**Steinhaus** won the Badger Pool. The Saturday Pier Cocktail Party was a great place to eat, drink, and converse with other club members. The spread of hor d' oeuvres was spectacular, **Debbie** and I were amazed. Sunday started with 9:30 a.m. breakfast with eggs, polish sausage, Red Solo Cup Bloody Mary's and Mimosas,



and other goodies provided by many club members. 11:30 a.m. brought the poker run. We had 11 rafts and 28 people cruising down the river to 5<sup>th</sup> Street Yacht Club, Harbor Lite, Racine Yacht Club, and the Brewhouse at Reef Point. One card was pulled at each destination and after everyone pulled their 4<sup>th</sup> card a pair was still the winning hand. After the 5<sup>th</sup> card was pulled players had a choice to pull an extra 2 cards and then the excitement picked up quickly. **Jim Spiess** pulled a full house winning \$150, **Jon Hagg** with a smaller full house won \$90, and **Steven Steinhaus** with a flush won \$60. Where can you have this much fun for a \$5 entry fee? In total we had 15 boats at Reef Point. It wouldn't have been a successful weekend without the participation by our great members. For years at SMYC when we show up to an event we all have fun and boy do we know how to party!!!

Thank you for your participation and I look forward to the 2014 SMYC Spring Rendezvous in Sheboygan!!! Steve Steinhaus & Crew

# Open House Photos (look for even more next month)







#### South Milwaukee Yacht Club

101 Marshall Avenue South Milwaukee, WI 53172





# SMYC Oktoberfest 2013



# Saturday September 21st



Grab your favorite stein Oktoberfest beer, food and join us for and music by Squeezettes!

\$25.00 per person at the door or \$5.00 just band at the door \$20.00 per person in advance

Tickets available at the bar beginning 8/10

6:00 Oktoberfest beer & food til it's gone band starts at 7:00

Questions? Contact Debby Schulz 414-403-4023