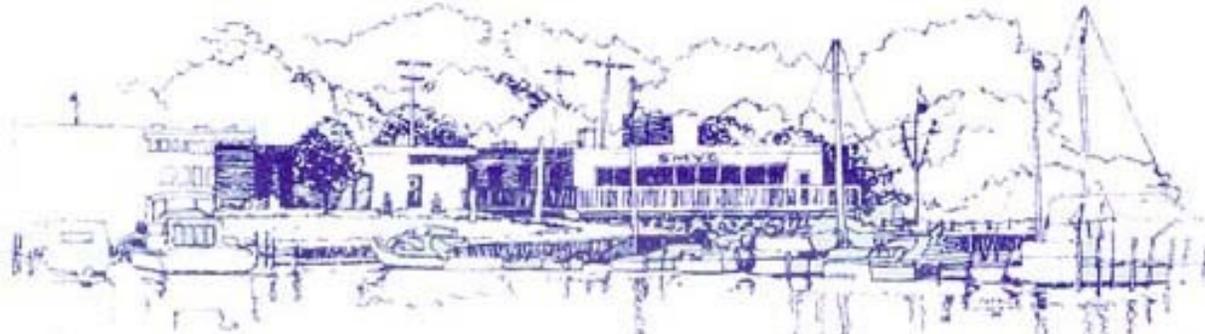




South Milwaukee Yacht Club



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High Tide

November 2018

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Photo of the Month



Swiftly

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CRUISE

TBD

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TBD

MEMBERSHIP

TBD

PLANNING

Tom Schulz

AUDIT

TBD

LAUNCH AND HAUL OUT

Bob Smith

RULES AND BYLAWS

Bryan Gahan

Commodore's Comments

Hello,

The year is coming to an end and we are already making are way through the holi-day season. It doesn't seem like that long ago we were sitting outside under the pavilion talking about how mild the winter was going to be because a La Nina was coming. Well I am still hoping for a warm winter but seem to be losing my opti-mism. The good news is like all things, winter will come to an end and the boats will be back in the water before we know it.

In the past few months I have had the opportunity to attend the installation dinners at South Shore Yacht Club and Kenosha Yacht Club. I would like to thank their members for the hospitality that was extended to me. Attending these events re-minds me of the opportunities that that we have as club members. I strongly sug-gest taking the time to stop at our local yacht clubs. It's always nice to build strong relationships with the other organizations within our community.

This time of the year is also the changing of the guard. If you are interested in being more involved with the club we will have several opportunities for you. I will start having conversations with our current committee chairs and determine what their intentions are for the New Year and what direction everyone wants to go. If you are interested in chairing a committee or being involved with a commit-tee please give me a call.

Please attend the December meeting. Items of interest for the month is that we will be voting on our operating budget for 2019 and also initiate changing several rules in the handbook. I would like to remind everyone that this is your club and if you would like to be involved, this is the place to start.

If you have also noticed the concrete in the front of the building have been poured and the metal for the overhang, "smoking area" has been fabricated and will be down soon. I would like to give thanks to Josh Haase, Tom Schultz and Randy Kempowski for their contributions to this project. Wyane also pulled out some last -minute help and was able to run the conduit for power before the concrete was poured. If you need hours, lots of stuff still needs to be done before years end, please give me a call.

We have several events planned for the holiday season including Trim A Tree, The children's Christmas party and several Packer Games. Take a look at the cal-endar and come on down when you get the opportunity.

Once again, I would like to thank Kathy and Dave Lucht along with all of the helpers for another fun Halloween. I believe this was the 5th annual and I hope to see many more to come.

See you at the club,

Bryan Gahan
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WHO'S WHO OF SMYC LIFETIME MEMBERS

Richard Smukalla

Joined: August 1, 1965

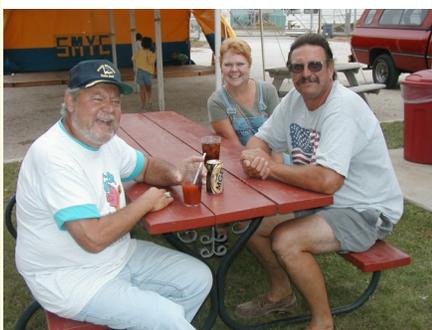
I would like to tell you about another one of our SMYC Lifetime members: Richard Smukalla. More commonly known as Dick Smukalla, just Smukalla or "Swiftly".

Not one to let a stroke or any disability slow him down, he has been an active power boater and fisherman. His latest vessel is the "White Knight." Swiftly's home was on the south wall, about where you will now find Steve Steinhaus and his crew. He then moved to the west wall near the gazebo and in the last couple of years his berth has been on the west wall near the haul out area. He is most often seen with his trusty deck hands: Gary Gale and Andrew Bennett or his son Mark.

Swiftly is a Past Commodore. He was the SMYC commodore in 1987. Swiftly and his board in 1987 are responsible for what you see as SMYC now. His "crew" passed the motion to authorize \$6000 to procure architectural prints to complete the building concept previously approved by the membership. Gordie Conant (with much help from his first mate Donna) and Howie Oudeans (and first mate Mary) took those plans to fruition in the following years. His crew passed a \$500 assessment – payable \$100 a year each October for 5 years. This got the funding started for the refurbishment and buildout of the existing club house and grounds. His crew also accepted a design proposal from member Dick Schumacher to accomplish the dredging and redesign of the harbor entrance. He is the man behind the start of all the physical changes that began in 1988.

Now there are a few stories that still float around the club about Swiftly as he is also a fun loving kind of guy. One story that George Gilmore could probably confirm, says that Swiftly decided to go under one of the bridges on the river in Racine and didn't quite make it. Or that Swiftly left his fish cleaning knives at the end of his pier on the concrete and was told by a 4 year club member that "Richard Smukalla you are old enough to know better!" Or ask Mark Rybka or Kurt Bruck, who was always the first one ready to sign up and make the annual September boat trip to Racine to watch the Green Bay Packer's game on State Street no matter what the weather might be.

Many thanks to this past chief for setting his sites on paving the way for a better SMYC!



SMYC Events Upcoming

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

November

2	Hors d'oeuvre Night	6:00pm	Club
4	Packer Game	7:20pm	Sponsor Needed
5	Board Meeting	6:30pm	Club
10	Pasta Night	5:30-7:30	Rybka/Kempowski/ Mozejewski
	Live Music By Highway 414 from 7pm-11pm		
11	Packer Game	Noon	Sponsor Needed
15	Packer Game	7:20pm	Sponsor Needed
19	General Membership Meeting	7:00pm	Club
25	Packer Game	7:20pm	Sponsor Needed

December

2	Packer Game W/Food	Noon	Ciombors
3	Board Meeting	6:30pm	Club
7	Hors d'oeuvre Night- Trim-A-Tree Trim-A-Tree W/Live Music	6:00pm	Club
9	Children's Christmas Party/Packer Game	11-2:00pm	Juniors
16	Packer Game W/Food	Noon	Boemmel
17	General Membership Meeting	7:00pm	Club
30	Packer Game W/Food	Noon	Barclay/Wheatley

Just A Few Reminders:

***Wednesday's are our game night!!!** Sheepshead beginning at 6:30pm and **Uncle Paul's Trivia beginning at 7pm.**

SAVE THE DATE: This Year's Installation Dinner Dance Is Scheduled For January 26th- More Details To Follow!

***Packer Games and sponsors are posted on the club bulletin board.** Check it out and join us for some food and fun!!!

***We are always looking for new ideas for club events. If you have any ideas, need hours, or would like to sponsor or help with an event- Please Contact Me!!! Dates are available.**

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

SURPRISE 39^{TH(???)} BIRTHDAY PARTY

WHEN YOU GROW OLD YOU DON'T WANT GIFTS ON YOUR BIRTHDAY, YOU WANT TO BE WITH FAMILY AND FRIENDS. Little did I know that my alleged trip to Chicago would turn out to be a surprise birthday party with me as the main attraction. To say I was surprised is an understatement. As I entered the club lounge I couldn't understand (hear) what everyone was yelling about (old age has some disadvantages with hearing) "Happy Birthday George"-it set in and then I saw my family on one side of the lounge and friends on the other.

One can only say THANK YOU for taking the time from your busy lives to make my day.

Being and old timer at the best club on Lake Michigan (maybe the entire boating world) I can only say many thanks for making MY DAY
George Gilmore



SMYC TRIM-A-TREE/ HORS D'OEUVRES NIGHT

Friday, December 7th

Starting at 6:00pm

Live Music by: Kirk Tatnall

Submit a nautical/club themed ornament for the tree and receive a free drink and a chance to win a prize!! Also this year, join in on the

"White Elephant Gift Exchange."

SMYC CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY

Sunday, December 9th, 2018

11:00am- 2:00pm

Children \$6.00 event fee, Adult lunch \$5.00

(Fee includes lunch, games, prizes and crafts)

In secret, please bring a wrapped present with the child's name on it for Santa to give to him/her.

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Dave and Kathy Lucht would like to thank all the members and donations that made this another great event.

