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## Photo of the Month



Jennifer and Will Nichols



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# **Commodore's Comments**

Hello Everyone,

Well we have just made past Summer Fest and the 4<sup>th</sup> and the weather finally turned around. Now it is hot, in my mind too hot. A nice thing about the club is that nice cool breeze off the lake.

I would like to Thank Jon and Mary Joe for sponsoring the Summer Picnic. It was a great time and well attended. The weather was great and so was the band. Besides Jon winning his own, 50-50 it couldn't have gone any better. I would also like to thank the Cuirlik's and Will Nichols for another Breakfast on the boat.

July is the month that we start to think about the following year's Leadership Team. If you are interested in getting involved with the Board let me know. The elections for the Board Members are at the Annual General Membership Meeting in October.

Juniors Sailing is in full swing and the parks and recreation group had their first class this past week. Ryan was excited that the children from the parks and rec group are very motivated to learn about sailing and what Lake Michigan has to offer.

We have a great club and there are plenty of opportunities to enjoy yourself. All kinds of activities are on the horizon from the Powder Puff, Slip Shots, Steak night, a Car show, etc. If you would like to help with any of these events let me know and I'm sure we can get you involved. If you would like to sponsor your own event I can point you in the right direction for that as well.

See you at the club,

Bryan Gahan SMYC Commodore (c) 906-369-4098 (e) smyccommodore@gmail.com



### Past Commodore Comments quote of the Month.

I also found out if you let two women on a shopping mission bring all of their treasures onboard, the boat has the potential of "Knot Getting on Plane"... Jon Haag





## SMYC Events Upcoming

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

### July

1	Board Meeting	6:30pm	Club
6	Fishing Contest	4-11:00am	Moshinski
13	SMYC Summer Picnic-2pm-Food, Music 4pm-8pm		Haag
15	General Membership Meeting	7:00pm	Club
August			
3	Powder Puff Fishing Contest	4pm-10pm	Moshinski/Nichols
5	Board Meeting	6:30pm	Club
10	Slip Shots-Theme: Football	6:30-?	Nall
17	Fishing Contest	4am-11am	Moshinski
18	Associate Member Cruise	11:30-3pm	Barclays
19	General Membership Meeting	7:00pm	Club
24	Steak Night- Dinner 5:30-8pm, Live Music 8-11pm		Nowaks
25	Hang-Over Breakfast- \$5 Donation	10am-Noon	Simons

### Just A Few Reminders:

August events are right around the corner. For more information about our Annual Powder Puff Women's Fishing Tournament, check out the flyers or give Dan a call- proceeds go to the Susan B Komen Foundation. This year's Slip Shot theme is Football- we hope you dress for the occasion!! Don't forget to buy your tickets early for Steak Night. Tickets are available at the bar. This year's music is by The Larry Lynne Band. Thursday's are taco nights. Also, check out the event screen for club information and fun facts to know and share!!

\*Sheepshead- Wednesday Nights at 6:30pm for a fun

\*We are always looking for new ideas for events and activities. If you need hours and have an idea why not sponsor an event? It's easy just give me a call!

> 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: <u>rybkaC@yahoo.com</u>

#### WHO'S WHO OF SMYC LIFETIME MEMBERS Kyle and Debbie Brunk Joined: September 8, 1992

Were you down at the club a week ago this last Sunday? If so, the food that was served for lunch, the pulled pork, yummm, was prepared by Debbie and Kyle Brunk. They were originally preparing it for the fish contest that was called off due to high winds and waves but offered it up to any and all on Sunday. They are very experienced serving food to many SMYC members and guests, as they ran for many years, the Pig Roast that was formally held every Labor Day weekend. Kyle and Debbie are Life Members of the South Milwaukee Yacht Club. They now divide their time between here and Florida. They have sold the "big boat" and gave up their pier in the SMYC harbor this past Spring, but they still have a dinghy and a pontoon boat that gets them around the gulf waters in Florida. Kyle was the club Treasurer for many years and also sat on the board. He has been on many committees including the gas tank upgrade, Cruise, Finance and Audit to name a few. They raised two kids, Joe and Beth, spending most of their summers visiting harbors

along the shores of Lake Michigan. Say hi to Kyle and Debbie next time you see them.

Thank you, Kyle and Debbie, for all of your efforts over the past years.

#### Kyle and Kristen Nichols and Family

Joined: June 15, 2017

#### Ryan Rybka

#### Joined: March 17, 2015

Now, let me tell you about some newer SMYC members. This picture was taken on July 14, 2019. Meg and Tom were serving up breakfast at SMYC with the help of Kristen Nichols and Will Nichols was delivering the meals to the boats. This was their second round at breakfast with the Cuirliks, practice run was June 16<sup>th</sup>. The whole Nichols clan is very active at SMYC. From Membership Committee to Powder Puff Tournament, the Nichols: Kyle, Kristen, Will and Jen are present and actively involved in most events at the club.

Will reminds me of Ryan Rybka who grew up at SMYC as a Junior member (he delivered breakfasts for Tom and Meg too!) and in 2016 became a board member, and in 2018 was Vice Commodore, and advisor to the Juniors Membership 2017, 2018 and 2019. Are we looking at the next SMYC Lifetime members??

Many thanks to the Nichols clan and to Ryan Rybka for all that you do.





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### Once Upon A Lakeshore

### The Lakeridge Boat Club, Ltd

Once upon a time, there was a boat club on the shores of Lake Michigan, just south of SMYC and north of "Metro," about halfway between the two. If you look along the shore you can see the metal framework for the fish weighing station and the picnic gazebo. The club was called **Lakeridge Boat Club**, Ltd and they were 'dedicated to encourage participation in the sports of boating and fishing.' They held fishing contests every month with a picnic lunch after, monthly meetings at the Hickory Inn, a summer picnic, a great Christmas party each year, and an installation of officers each January with a raffle that to this day has never been surpassed by any raffle. They held a huge Ice Fishing Jamboree every winter. There was no harbor, just a launch area and minimal parking for boats and trailers. The camaraderie was tremendous. But because of the shape and the flow of sand and the cost of dredging, it could only accommodate 12-16-foot boats. As the years went on and it was not possible to keep up with the dredging, the boats all launched at Bender or South Shore but returned to the original launch ramp area by car, for weighing in, lunch and camaraderie!

The dreams of bigger boats and leaving them in the water, tied to a permanent pier, had many members drifting to SMYC:

- Don and Del and daughter Dawn Green Whiskey River
- Kenneth and Sandra Kilman Popeye (yes proud parents of Rob)
- Rob and Karen Kilman Sweet Pea
- Don Bernander Bonanza
- Lenny and Grace Fehr County Man
- Jim and Anita Gilmeister Nita Mae I

- Steve and Ceil Gradinjan Cypss II
- Tom Hoffa Higgins
- Jim and Sheila Hughes Jimbo
- Gary and Debbie Luedtke Bounty Hunter
- Chauncy and Donna Martin
- Don and Shirley Martinko Foxy Lady
- Dan and Heidi Moshinski Moe Money

And many became Associate members too. And they brought their spirit of participation and camaraderie to SMYC and encouraged everyone to participate, so everyone could live happily ever after.