



# CHANNEL MARKER



Great Lakes Steel Boat Club

March 2015

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From your Commodore,

By Greg Tackett



Hello Everyone , I waited to write this (February) newsletter until the last day so I could give a report that included the 2015 Commodore's Ball in it.

I would like to start by thanking everyone that came out and Bowled with us @ Belmar Lanes. The turnout was light this year but a good time was had by all. Next was the Superbowl party. Even though old man winter thru us a curve ball with about 15" of snow that day, our members (and friends) came down to the club anyway. Kevin Stone did a wonderful job. The food was great, the clubhouse looked superb and the door prizes were a nice addition that went over very well. I'll bet we have a full house next year. Especially after Dale Neff brags about that 50" TV that he won. Good Job everybody.

Next, Julie and I were able to go to Elba-Mar's Commodore's Ball. It was very nice to see all of the 2015 Commodore's as this was the first ball that Julie and I attended this year. Then came AYC down in Perrysburg Ohio. The theme was Put-In-Bay this year and boy oh boy did they do a great job. The time and money that must have gone into that weekend had to be enormous. They even had Ray Fogg and the Roundhouse legend Mad Dog there to entertain us. Hats off guys!!

Finally, with much anticipation, the GLSBC 2015 Commodore's Ball was here. I know that I am extremely biased, but I believe that it was the best ball I have ever been to. Everything, I mean everything was terrific!!!! The hall, the decorations (thank you Julie and company), the food, the band, but most of all the people that came out and supported us. Wow!!!! 124 members and spouses, WOW!!!! I believe we had a total count of 264!!!! I cannot begin to thank the ball committee and everyone that helped enough. THANK YOU ALL!!!!

**I will see you all soon, remember, it's only 9 weeks until launch.**

Commodore

Greg Tackett

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From your Vice Commodore / Dock Chairman,



By Joe Bacile,

Hi everyone!

March is here at last and I will be very happy when it starts to warm up.

I have three trips in the works. Chicago, Niagara Falls, Ontario and The Lost Arrow Resort in Gladwin, Michigan. The Chicago trip will be December 11,12,13 and 14. See the flyer below for the details. Niagara Falls is in the planning stage and will be in March of 2016. I will keep you posted as this trip is finalized.

Number three trip is to The Lost Arrow Resort on the Tittabawassee River planned for this summer for **People who don't have to work** and who want to spend a few days running pontoon boats up and down the river. This resort is already getting booked for the weekends this summer so we will be going during the week for a three or four night stay. They say a picture is worth a thousand words so go to: [www.lostarrowresort.net](http://www.lostarrowresort.net) to check things out.

I am also working on a Polish Dinner Night during the week for this summer, similar to our burger nights except instead of burgers there will be Stuffed Cabbage, City Chicken and Kielbasa with Sauerkraut. Hence the name Polish Night.

Stay tuned for more information.

V/C Joe

## GIRLS NIGHT OUT! COME ON DOWN TO GLSBC FOR OUR FIRST PAINT PARTY!

Friday, March 6, 2015

6:30pm

We will be painting the following painting:



Seats are limited please reserve asap!  
To save your spot or for any questions please call, text or email Lady Julie Tackett  
[julie.tackett18@gmail.com](mailto:julie.tackett18@gmail.com) or Call/text 313-283-3263

The cost is \$35 which includes everything you will need to complete your painting.  
The class is held by ARC Painting Parties.

Feel free to bring your own refreshments to enjoy while doing your painting!

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**From your Rear Commodore,**



By Kevin Stone

I would like to start off by saying "Thank You" to all that made it down for the Super Bowl Party and battling the 3<sup>rd</sup> most snow fall for one day total in our history. I can't thank my team enough for helping with the setup, cooking, serving and plowing and with clean up the following day.... thank you all.

Door prize winners were Dale Neff who won the 32" TV and Dan Murphy won the sound bar. We also had two 50/50 winners for \$115.00 each and I luckily won the 50" TV, only because Seahawks forgot how to play football in the last minutes of the game. I hope everyone had enough to eat and a good time! Hope everyone comes out again next year!

First Thursday on Feb 5<sup>th</sup> was a big hit once again. What a great event, even in the coldest of months, we still got 20 to 30 people down to the club. Pat Gerrity did a super job catering dinner, and a good time was had by all. In March, Kevin McNiven will be the host.

Just returned from AYC this past weekend and had a great time in fact it was a blast. If you never have been to AYC you should attend and see how much of a good time it is, so mark your calendars for next year. It is a nice way to see your boating buddy's in the mid of winter. The theme this year was Put-in-Bay and the clubs did an awesome job with decorating the rooms and of course had to have Mad Dog Adams and Ray Fogg to entertain us. You were even able to get great Lobster Bisque from Sun Seekers. It was a great party for Commodore Dan Thomas and Lady Nancy. Congratulations to the newly elect AYC Commodore for 2015 Steve Hyder. I am sure it will be a great year with Steve at the helm!

Still looking for input to see if we have enough interest in having an Easter Party for the kids on Saturday April 4<sup>th</sup> -- to date only had few people show interest.

Launch is May 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> which will be our next big event at the club. I am looking for people who are willing to help out in the kitchen and with cleanup. Signup sheets are on counter at club. Thank you in advance for your help.

We will be having our first Family Day meeting March 8 @ 1 PM and the theme will be “The Circus” for this year. There is a sign up sheets on the counter at the club for people that would like to help with the planning. I am sure you have a lot of ideas and we can use the help. Our focus is making a great day for the kids.

Please feel free to contact me to give me your input. It’s your club and without your input and participation it would not be a boat club but just a marina!!!

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A message from your Fleet Captain  
By Dan Goodfellow



As many or most of you know, Great Lakes Steel Boat Club is an outstanding member of the Associated Yacht Clubs organization. As your 2015 Fleet Captain, I met with the Commodores and Fleet Captains of the other organizations and in doing so, learned about a challenge that exists each year amongst the clubs. It’s called the AYC Poker Run. There are 5 different clubs that will host gatherings throughout this summer. I am encouraging and inviting you to help me represent GLSBC.

June 19-21	Toledo Sail Club
July 3 – 5	Swan Boat Club
July 31 – Aug 2	Maumee River Yacht Club
August 21-23	Bay View Yacht Club
September 11-13	Detroit Beach Boat Club

If you are interested in going by land, by sea, or with me. Let me know! The GLSBC rendezvous sign-up sheets are located in the club house. Get on board and join GLSBC’s Big Wave of Fun in 2015.

Thank you,  
Dan Goodfellow  
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# **GLSBC Chicago Rendezvous 2015**

Round Trip Transportation on the Lakefront Bus Lines

## **Three Nights Again This Year!**

*Friday, Saturday, Sunday & Monday – December 11th, 12th, 13th & 14th*

We are once again going to stay at the Embassy Suites Hotel located at 600 N State St in Downtown Chicago for Friday, Saturday and Sunday nights.

**Book early because there will only be ONE bus  
with only 54 people this year!**

We will be departing GLSBC on Friday morning, December 12th.

We will be taken directly to the Embassy Suites Hotel.

We will leave from the Hotel on Monday at 12 noon for the return trip to GLSBC.

SMALL personal coolers and snacks are welcome on the bus.

**This includes a made to order breakfast every morning and a  
two hour cocktail reception every evening at the hotel**

**Total for the Trip = \$620 \*PER COUPLE\***

**\*There will be a non-refundable \$200 deposit due at the time of sign up\***

There will be a raffle for a trip for two. Tickets are \$5.00 each or 3 for \$10.00. The drawing will be during the

GLSBC Steak Roast on Saturday, August 22, 2015

*This is a fundraiser for VC Joe Bacile and Lady Carol's ball in February 2017*

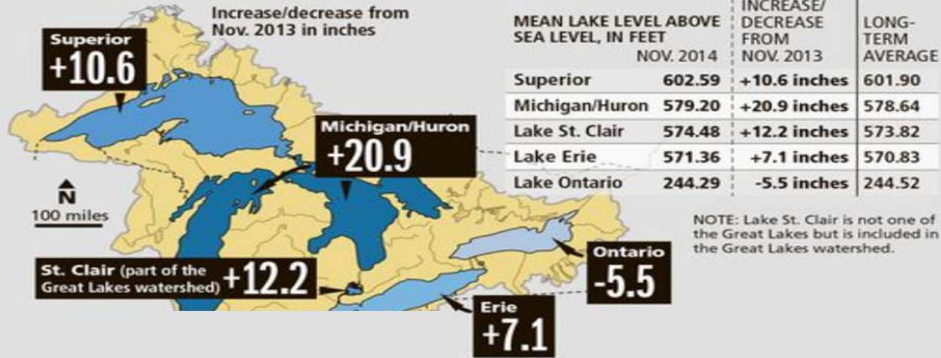
*The names & full payment are due by 9/1/2015.*

Email Patty Kovach ASAP at [pkovach@ameritech.net](mailto:pkovach@ameritech.net) to get on the list and to get info on where to send your deposit check.

Questions can be directed to Joe Bacile @ 248-249-1916 or Patty Kovach @ 734-284-7471

# GREAT LAKES LEVELS CONTINUE THEIR REBOUND

After record low water levels on connected Lakes Michigan and Huron in January 2013, they and other Great Lakes have seen a strong recovery. In November, all Great Lakes except Lake Ontario had higher levels than last year and were above their long-term average depths.



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## Important Dates

April 4 - Comedy Club Fundraiser @ Portofino's	Aug 5, 6, 7, 8 - ILYA Powerboat Bay Week, Put-in-Bay
May 2 & 3 - Launch	Aug 14, 15, 16 - Rendezvous - Toledo Beach
May 16 - Pancake Breakfast	Aug 22 - Steak Cookout
May 17 - Blessing of the Fleet	Sept 5, 6, 7 - Rendezvous Holiday Harbour
May 22, 23, 24 - GLSBC Poker Run	Sept 26 - Silent Auction Fundraiser @ GLSBC
June 26, 27, 28 - Rendezvous Kean's Marina	Sept 26 - OOTI Jet Express Trip
July 18 - Family Day	Oct 3, 4 - GLSBC Haul Out Weekend
July 24, 25, 26 - Rendezvous AquaPaloosa @ MacRay Harbor	Dec, 11, 12, 13, 14 - Chicago Rendezvous

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