



# CHANNEL MARKER

Great Lakes Steel Boat Club

November 2015



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**From your Commodore**

**By Greg Tackett**



Hello Everyone,

Well, the boats are out of the water and most of them are all tucked away for the long winter, and the holiday season is coming up. Blah Blah Blah, how long do we have to wait until the next boating season, woo hoo!!! That's what I think anyway. I am sure that some of you will agree.

Anyway, I thought that everything went well with this year's haul-out. The haul-out crew did a great job "as usual". The powerwash crew did another good job, thanks goes out to everyone that helped our crew leader Dan Goodfellow with that very important job. The kitchen helpers, grounds people, carpenters, electricians, etc.... I could go on and on. We sure are fortunate to have such a wide array of talented people at our club that are willing and able to do whatever needs to be done. A heartfelt thank you goes out from the Commodore.

Lady Julie and I were able to represent GLSBC at a few events during the last month. First was West River Yacht And Cruising Club's commodore's ball, then we went to ILYA'S annual Put In Bay trip. Then we were able to go to Sunseekers Commodore's Cocktail Reception. Our club was well represented at all 3 events. Also, I believe Tom Kovach "and others" were able to go to some date conflicting AYC events that we weren't able to attend. Thanks guys, it sure is hard for one guy to go to everything and still keep a job!!!

I sure hope to see everybody on Nov 8<sup>th</sup> at the fundraiser for the Pennybacker family. Come on out and give a little back to a family that has given "something" to everybody at GLSBC. I know that I cannot begin to describe what having Ralph Pennybacker as a friend "and mentor" has meant to me and my family. I wish nothing but the best for Barb and all of the Pennybacker family. I'll see you there!

Commodore

Greg Tackett

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**From your Vice Commodore / Dock Chairman,**

**By Joe Bacile**



Happy Fall!

The boats are all put up for the season and it's time to rake leaves. This coming winter, don't forget to check your jack stands to be sure they are tight. In addition, make sure that your shrink wrap is not tied to your stands. This can cause the stands to loosen.

This year's Chicago trip has openings for two more couples. Chicago is always fun and every year we find something new to do. Russ Mino discovered Tommy Guns Garage. This is a restaurant and dinner show with gangsters and flappers. Check out [tommygunsgarage.com](http://tommygunsgarage.com). Let me know if interested and maybe we can get a group to go.

Wyandotte Yacht Club had their hay ride last weekend. We got in last minute and had a great time. Just enough rain to keep things interesting. Wyandotte bars are always fun. Thank you Vivian for keeping us on schedule and not losing anyone

The Yellow Dog Meeting is right around the corner and the General Meeting is coming up in December.

Hope to see you all there.

Vice Commodore Joe

A big thanks to everyone who made it to Seaway Boat Club on Friday, October 16th for the live music. The musicians likes it enough to make a return trip and SeBC like it enough to host it again: definitely a Win-Win. So mark your calendars for Friday, November 20th and come on down to SeBC for some live music between 8pm and midnight.

**From your Rear Commodore,**

**By Kevin Stone**



Hello Members,

Well here it is the end of October and is the end of summer for me and I must move back to my winter home and away from my boat and the place I love to be GLSBC.

Even though the boats are out of the water, please still drop by the club. All winter long there will be "First Thursday" gatherings which is a great way to keep up on what is going on at the club and see other club members.

We will be having our Christmas Party / Annual Meeting on December 5th. Please plan on bringing a dish to pass. If you would like, you can call me or email me on what you are bringing so that we are sure we have enough main dishes and other side items.

We should give the Haul Out Team a big hand. They worked in some of the nasty weather and was able to get all the boats out safely with no issues and did a GREAT Job! Thank you Haul Out Team!

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Yellow Dogs will be on November 6<sup>th</sup>. I already picked up the tickets and we have 30 Dogs and 4 Pups participating this year. I will see you all at Cee Emm's Bar at the corner of Dix and Goddard at 5 PM. Bus will leave promptly at 5:30 PM. For those people who are driving themselves, you will need to get with me to get your ticket prior to November 6th.

The entertainment team this year did an outstanding job getting over 190 people fed over the haul out weekend and I can't thank you all enough. Without your help, there is no way we could do what we did. Thank you all!!!

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.

Kevin Stone

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Hello GLSBC Members:

As you all know by now, I along with a small committee are planning a Benefit Fundraiser for P/C Ralph Pennybacker on November 8<sup>th</sup> starting at 3:00 p.m. to help Barb pay for some funeral and medical expenses. We hope that GLSBC will be there in huge support to this important event.

We would ask that if you would like to donate a basket or a bottle for the Cooler of Cheer that it would be awesome support. We are also accepting gift certificates or Sporting Event tickets; all will go to a great cause of helping Barb. Every little bit helps and I know the GLSBC family is always there when in need. You can drop off your baskets or bottles at the club anytime and put them on the pool table. You can also bring it the day of the event if you can't make it down to the club.

If you haven't bought your tickets yet, please let Patty Kovach, Gary Convery or myself know, they all have tickets and can put some aside for you. You can also buy them at the door for \$25 each if you don't get a chance ahead of time.

Dinner will be served from 3 to 5 pm and we are happy to have Jeanne Liedel our favorite caterer helping with the food for this event. The Live Auction will begin at 5 pm with our favorite Auctioneers, Scotty Dunsmore and Jerry Wyatt. I am sure they will definitely entertain you. We will also be having music entertainment by our own GLSBC favorite DJ, Ron Lovasz who has willingly asked us to participate.

There will also be a bar available with the thanks to the Board of Directors and Bridge of SunSeekers Boat Club for their willingness to help with this event.

Thank you to all to those people who are willing to donate their time and efforts to make this event come together. I am sure that Barb will be extremely pleased and grateful to all of you!

Hope to see all on November 8<sup>th</sup> at the Gibraltar Community Center!

Thank you! Kevin Stone - Pennybacker Fundraiser Chair

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We can use your help with the Pennybacker Fundraiser Benefit which will be held on Sunday, November 8th from 3:00pm-8:00pm. The event is going to be held at the Gibraltar Community Center and we will be setting up after 6:00pm on Saturday November 7. We could use a helping hand with the following jobs, Kitchen helpers, Bar helpers, Food Servers, Set up, Clean up, trash and floaters who are willing to help with any of the jobs. If you are interested in helping for this good cause at 6:00pm stop in at the club at anytime and sign your name up on the sign up sheet that will be there or you can call R/C Kevin Stone at 734-502-1535 or email him with your job preference at [kevinstoneglabc@gmail.com](mailto:kevinstoneglabc@gmail.com). Thank you for your consideration and assistance!! It is very much appreciated!!!!

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# **BENEFIT FUNDRAISER FOR THE P/C RALPH**

## **PENNYBACKER FAMILY**

**GIBRALTAR COMMUNITY CENTER  
29340 S. GIBRALTAR RD.  
ROCKWOOD, MI 48173**

**SUNDAY—NOVEMBER 8TH  
3:00 P.M.— 8:00 P.M.**

**COST: \$20—ADVANCED TICKETS    \$25— AT DOOR**

**INCLUDES: A FULL DINNER & BEVERAGES AVAIL.  
DINNER SERVED FROM 3 TO 5 - AUCTION @ 5:00**



**COME PARTICIPATE IN THE LIVE  
AUCTIONS, SEVERAL BASKETS  
OF CHEER, 50/50 RAFFLES,  
AND MORE... IT WILL BE A  
GREAT TIME! WE WOULD  
LOVE YOUR SUPPORT!**



**SPONSORED BY: GLSBC BLUE GAVEL**

If you would like to donate a Gift Basket, Gift Certificate or a Bottle for one of the Baskets of Cheer, or anything else to this good cause, we will gladly accept.

Please contact GLSBC RC Kevin Stone at 734-502-1535, if you have any questions. Please feel free to drop off baskets at GLSBC at any time. Thank You!

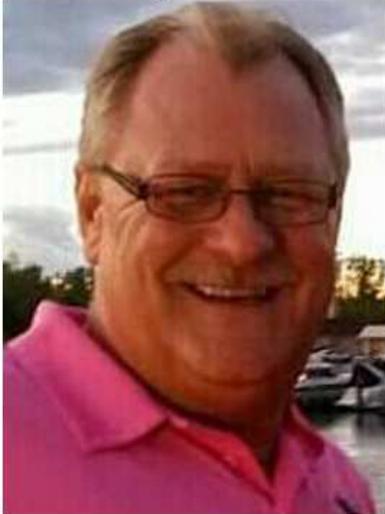
**ALL PROCEEDS WILL GO TO BARB PENNYBACKER  
TO HELP WITH FUNERAL AND MEDICAL  
EXPENSES FOR RALPH PENNYBACKER.**

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## **Meet Your Candidates**

This year we have 3 incumbents and 3 members that would like to join the GLSBC Board of Directors. Active members will receive their ballots in the mail soon. The ballots can be dropped off at the clubhouse mailbox, mailed to Ray Stewart at the club but they must be turned in no later than December 5<sup>th</sup> prior to the beginning of the annual meeting.

**Greg Tackett**



Greg joined GLSBC in 2005. Greg and his wife Julie served on many committees and attended many club events. Greg has been able to provide the equipment to powerwash our boats at haulout since joining the club. Greg was elected to the board in 2009 and has served entertainment chairman, dock chairman, Vice Commodore, and is currently our Commodore.

**Chuck Kato**



Chuck joined GLSBC in 1990. He was elected to the board in 2009. He served as education and safety chairman all 6 years. He has not decided if he would someday in the future take a flag office and become commodore.

**Dr John Armatis**



John joined GLSBC in 1998 and was elected to the board in 2001. He and his wife Cherie served as Fleet Captain, entertainment chairman, dock chairman and flag offices through Commodore (2007 & 2008). John is currently on the board and serving as treasurer. John can always be seen working around the club from cutting trees to mopping the clubhouse to cooking for an event.

**Dan Goodfellow**



Dan joined GLSBC in 2007. Dan and his wife Kim have been very active around the club serving on many committees, attending rendezvous, and working on projects that help maintain our club. He has been instrumental in getting our internet up and running. Dan was the Channel Marker editor for 4 years. He and his wife Kim served admirably as Fleet Captain last year. He was also was one of our AYC representatives attending meetings and functions at many clubs throughout the year. Dan would like to aspire to the level of commodore.

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## Greg Lowe



Greg joined GLSBC in 2009. Greg immediately took on the beautification of the west end by renovating the boat stern and clearing and replanting the island. He is currently on the Planning Committee doing many projects such as building the gazebos, planting flowers, mowing the grass, digging ditches. He assists at the gas dock, and the list goes on. Greg brings many years of experience and leadership in the boating community. Greg definitely would consider going through the flags to become Commodore.

## Sheri Hebert



Sheri joined GLSBC in 2013 and immediately joined in to help out at all of our events. Sheri has served on Family Day committees in 2014 & 2015. Prior to GLSBC she was very involved at WYC serving on the auxiliary board one year as president organizing events and fundraising for club improvements. Sheri was also the editor of the WYC newsletter for 3 years. She and Steve have attended and worked at most of the GLSBC events and some rendezvous. Sheri would be honored to someday aspire to commodore.

## 2015 Board of Directors and Flag Officers

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			Dock Chairman	Joe Bacile

# Important Dates

<b>December 5</b>	<b>Annual Meeting</b>
<b>December 11, 12, 13, 14</b>	<b>Chicago Rendezvous</b>

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