



CHANNEL MARKER

Great Lakes Steel Boat Club

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From your Commodore

By Greg Tackett



Hello Everyone,

Haul out is right around the corner and unfortunately old man winter is right behind him. Brrrrr, I'm not ready for that stuff yet. Maybe the scientists are right this year and it will be a mild winter, we'll see.

With the recent passing of two of our most senior members and active PC'S , Charlie Green and Ralph Pennybacker, our club has some evolving to do. This means that the club needs you (the members) more than any time in the past. Gary Convery has been announced as the new grounds chairman but he has some big shoes to fill. Just go see, or give Gary a call and ask him what you can do to help. He is doing a great job so far but he is just one guy doing the best that he can. He will need our help to succeed, and we need him to be successful!!!

On to other things, Lady Julie and I were able to represent the club at Detroit Beach Boat Club's Commodore's Cocktail Reception as well as Sun Parlour's. Our club was well represented at both. Many of our current board members and PC'S go above and beyond by taking their time going to these events. It sure makes a commodore proud when you see how well we are represented. Great job guys! VC Joe Bascile and his crew did a great job at the Silent Auction Fundraiser during the last month as well. I hope he made some money to help pay for his Commodore's Ball, they are expensive!!!

That's all I have for now, I'll see you all at haul-out.

Commodore

Greg Tackett



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From your Vice Commodore / Dock Chairman,

By Joe Bacile



Hello all,

Haul out is a few days away. Anyone with electrical concerns, please let me know.

We were away for several weeks on a cruise. The highlight of the entire trip was visiting both Normandy Beach and the Normandy American Cemetery. The memorial is 175 acres and has over 9300 graves. In addition, there are 1700 missing in action and unaccounted for. Imagine standing in the middle of a cemetery that has all the same markers in perfect rows. Now imagine looking in every direction and not being able to see the end of any one row. I think that this visit will be remembered by all ten of us that were in our group.

It was great being away and it's always great to be back home.

I would like to thank Patty and Tom Kovach and all of the people who helped them for putting on the last Polish Dinner. We considered not having it because we would be away, but Patty and Tom graciously offered to put on this last dinner. The dinners all summer were very well attended by Great Lakes members and members from other clubs. Thank you everyone for taking part in our Polish Night.

Finally, Carol and I want to thank all of the people that were involved with the Spaghetti Dinner and Auction. The items in the auction were amazing. Both in the quality of the items and also the number of items to bid on. Carol and I have never seen anything like this before. Thank you to the people who donated the items. Thank you to all of the members who put the baskets together. Thank you to the members who worked so hard at the auction. Thank you to the members who set up and cleaned the hall. Thank you to the servers who prepared the plates of food.

And a very special thank you to Cherie Armatis, Patty Kovach and Mary Alderman who have worked so hard all year long to make this event such a huge success.

See you at haul out,

Vice Commodore Joe

Hello everyone,

There is going to be a benefit fundraiser for the family of P/C Ralph Pennybacker to help Barbara pay for medical bills and funeral expenses. Any donations for the live auction, ie: Bottles for the cooler of cheer, baskets, gift cards or anything you think would be a good fit for the auction may be dropped off at GLSBC labeled to the attention of R/C Kevin Stone at [734-502-1535](tel:734-502-1535) or write on the item: "For the Pennybacker Benefit".

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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!**



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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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From your Rear Commodore,

By Kevin Stone



Hello Members,

Well this is a sad time of the year and reality will soon set it that summer is now over!

September started off with trip to Holiday Harbor and Fleet Captain Dan and Kim did a nice job. I was only able to stay one day but had a good time. The Zukin Rib dinner was once again a big hit. Jack did an outstanding job putting that together and everyone had a good time. Even the Think Tank Bar was very well attended that evening with people continuing to have a great time. Just this past weekend, I went on Jet Express day trip to Put-In-Bay and had a nice time. Had to go for that one last bowl of Lobster Bisque soup.....delicious!

As the Entertainment Chair, I would like to personally thank all of you who volunteered to helped me this year with Entertainment / Staffing at all these events. Without your help and support, there would be no way these events would have been as successful as they were this year. Thank you very much!

Just a reminder that after the boats are pulled out, that First Thursday are a great way to keep in touch with the rest of the people at the club. It is always a good time so come on down and join us.

After haul out, the next big event will be the Annual Meeting / Christmas Party which will be help on December 5th at the club. Hope to see you there. Reminder to bring a dish to pass.

For all the Yellow Dogs, I will be getting with you to see who wants to go this year. The date is Friday, November 6th.

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

Rear Commodore | Entertainment

I have scheduled to bring several acoustical guitar players to SeBC on Friday, October 16th to perform between 8pm and midnight. GLSBC is invited to come on down and enjoy the music.

Thanks

Rick & Michelle Kasza

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From your Fleet Captain,

By Dan Goodfellow



Thank you to those who attended GLSBC at SPBC. Thanks to Bill Woods for rotisserie chicken dinner on Friday night. We had 13 boats in attendance and over 40 participants. Coffee, doughnuts and omelets were a great start to our Saturday. The Commodore's reception featured a rare Tequila called Cazadores, Bacardi Rum, and Jack Daniels whiskey. Kudos to Commodore Doug for the hospitality of SPBC and helping us to arrange a charcoal steak & chicken potluck on Saturday night. Sunday's breakfast on the dock with Kimmie featured blueberry, chocolate chip, and plain pancakes, sausages, bacon, Caesars and mimosas. Pat Gerrity helped arrange some fun on Sunday serving snow cones and cooking up some Peter Spanitz Brothers Sausages. We had more food than we could eat and more booze than we could drink. Thanks again to SPBC and thanks to the members of GLSBC that make coming together like this so great. Suggestions for 2016 events are now being accepted.

Thank you for your support.

F/C Dan Goodfellow



Blue Gavel

I would like to thank all of the members that attended our Zukin's Rib / Chicken dinner Saturday September 12th. It was a tremendous success. It was also a record number of dinners served(180). The thing that made it a winner was the 50 plus members that helped in preparation, cooking, and clean up. Thanks to all. The highlight of the evening was the drawing for the snow blower and power washer from our raffle which also saw a record number of sponsors. Again a heartfelt "thank you" is in order. These two things were dear to our recently deceased P/C Ralph Pennybacker. This year's winner was Joe Byrd. It was the first time a GLSBC Past Commodore won. Joe said if he kept the snow blower it would stay brand new forever because he lives in Florida from haul out to launch so he sold it to Ray Stewart. Most of the proceeds from these go to Penrickton Center for the Blind and for improvements around our club

BERRY BEARY GOOD

P/C Jack Berry

GLSBC Blue Gavel President

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Important Dates

October 3 & 4	Haul Out Weekend
December 5	Annual Meeting
December 11, 12, 13, 14	Chicago Rendezvous

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