



GREAT LAKE STEEL BOAT CLUB CHANNEL MARKER

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From your Commodore - Joe Bacile

Hello everyone,

Our first AYC hospitality room was a great success. I was in charge of the bar, so I wish to thank all of the members who donated the liquor and the members who tended the bar. Your donations of booze, money and time made our room possible. Last, but not least, a very well deserved thank you to Billy Ponder for building the bar. I was amazed at how well designed it was. It held a lot of stuff. Carol had to load supplies into her car because I couldn't fit them all into my pickup truck, but our supplies fit into the bar with left overs going to the closet and shower. There were many compliments from the visitors to our room.

Very soon there will be GLSBC's Commodore's ball. This is a very exciting time for Carol and I and we are looking forward to seeing our friends there.

On a more serious note, the Board of Directors of your club is trying to be proactive in heading off any liability from accidents that may occur in the future. The details are a letter that has been sent to some of our members and is as follows:

From the Board of Directors of GLSBC

To all active members:

A few months ago there was a fire at a local boat club. One boat caught fire damaging the two adjacent boats. The fire department was called and the fire was put out. There was spillage that had to be cleaned up. The township paid the bill and was ready to sue the boat club, but then sued the insurance companies of the boats that burned. If the individual boat owners insurance is not enough to cover the cost, then the boat club assumes the liability.

This letter is to inform our members that GLSBC will require proof of insurance to cover any cost for damage to other boats, club property, and any cleanup of spillage required by the Environmental Protection Agency. The minimum liability requirement is \$100,000 and a declaration page to prove that this liability is covered.

Great lakes Steel Boat Club is on U.S. Steel property. We do not want any accidents of this nature to become a concern of U.S. Steel.

**Thank you,
Board of Directors
Great Lakes Steel Boat Club**

I am sure that most boats in our clubs are covered for this liability, but we have found that some policies do not show it separately from their general liability. Boat US policies have a line item that says "Fuel and other Spill Liability". For our boat the amount is \$854,400.00. Please contact your insurance companies and get them to give you a declaration that states that this liability is covered.

Boating season is right around the corner. This week I saw members getting a head start on their boats. So, see you very soon,

Commodore Joe

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Schedule of Events

March

2nd - First Thursday Think Tank

April

6th - First Thursday Think Tank

May

4th - First Thursday Think Tank

6th -7th - Launch Weekend

12th - **GLSBC** Bus Trip to bar hop
around Wyandotte

20th GLSBC Pancake Breakfast

21st @ 2pm - Blessing of the Fleet
at **GLSBC**

26th-28th - **GLSBC** Poker Run

June

1st - First Thursday Think Tank

9th-11th - *Opening of the Island*

16th-18th - **GLSBC** Rendezvous -
MacRay Harbor Marina

23rd-24th - *AYC Poker Run #1: Harbor
View Yacht Club*

July

6th - First Thursday Think Tank

7th-8th - *AYC Poker Run #2: Elba Mar Boat
Club*

22nd - **GLSBC** Family Summer
Picnic

21st-22nd - *AYC Poker Run #3: Monroe
Boat Club*

28th-29th - *AYC Poker Run #4: Sunseekers
Yacht Club*

August

3rd - First Thursday Think Tank

5th **GLSBC** Progressive Tent Party

19th - **GLSBC** Steak Roast

18th-19th - *AYC Poker Run #5: Ford Yacht
Club*

25th-27th - **GLSBC** Rendezvous -
Boblo Island Marina

From your Vice Commodore / Dock Chairman - Kevin Stone



Hello,

February just flew by especially with the weather being more like spring than winter. That being the case, you need to stop by the club and check on your boat make sure that the jack stands are still in place and have not moved with the freezing and warming temperature.

The AYC party was February 17 and 18. This was our first year for an AYC room and did we hit it out of the park! What a great effort by our club. I would like to thank Billy Ponder and his team for an outstanding job on the room setup and making of the bar, a very nice job. Sheri Hebert and the decorating team did such a nice job, the room really honored our veterans and we received so many complements on how tastefully done the room was. Thank you to all that shared their pictures and memorabilia. John and Cherie Armatis did a super job on the food and a big thank you to all that helped with the room.

Other than the AYC Ball, I have had the pleasure to attend Sunseeker's Commodore Ball and Great Lakes Steel Boat Club's Commodore Ball. Our ball had a great band, gourmet food and beautiful decorations. Congratulations to Commodore Joe and Lady Carol.

There will be a dock holders meeting for all members that are keeping a boat at GLSBC. The dates for the meetings are May 2nd @ 6 pm and May 13th @ noon. You need to plan to attend one of the dates. If for some reason you cannot make either of the dates, you will need to let me know so we can arrange a time to meet. We will be meeting in the club house and there will be food and refreshments. I will be in touch with slip holders if they need to replace dock poles or other maintenance that will need to be done before launch. The club supply's dock poles and the paint, but you will need to supply the fasteners. New dock poles will be over by the small garage and all painting must be done no later than May 2nd.

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V/C Kevin Stone

A note From P/C Tom Kovach:

I would like to thank the Great Lakes Steel team of members who stepped up, helped out, worked, built, cooked, chaired and tore down the room our club hosted at this year's AYC party in Novi. We had a great committee of chair people who took charge of their duties and not only made our room spectacular but all of you outdid yourselves with the theme of the event. Our room was "Veteran's Day" and the salute our club made to the troops was outstanding and beautiful! We had many people tell us our room was winning material!!! Not bad for the first room our club has ever done!!! Special thanks to Bill Ponder for building one the nicest bars I've ever seen. This bar will remain part of our club for many years to come. Thanks again to all of you and I look forward to seeing what you will accomplish next year! Be proud of yourselves GLSBC you all have earned it!

I'm proud to say I'm from GLSBC!

P/C Tom Kovach

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From your Rear Commodore /Entertainment - Randy Pearce

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I hope this finds everyone in good health and spirits.

Brenda and I would like to thank the entertainment committee for all their help to put on a great event, congratulations to all.

February, as promised, was a month packed with events. AYC Feb 17,18,19, followed by Commodore Joe and Lady Carol's ball Feb 25th. The Room was great, the ball was very well done and thanks to all who assisted to put on two great events.

I would also like to thank Patrick Gerrity for an outstanding February first Thursday. He did a great job hosting the event. First Thursday's each month are a great way to keep up with what is happening at the club, as well as socialize with members. Brenda and I try to make as many as we can. This is great fun for all members and their spouses!

The Entertainment committee is finalizing all the plans for launch, which is just around the corner. **Launch Dates May 6th and 7th!**

Once again a great thank you to the entertainment committee for all their efforts. As we firm up the rest of the year events, we will let you know in future communications.

Thank you,
Randy Pearce
Rear Commodore
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From your Fleet Captain / Director - Brian Volz

First of all, Kristen and I would like to say how honored we are to serve the boat club and are looking forward to a great boating season! We have some exciting events planned for the year. Please mark your calendars:

- May 12 - Bus Trip to bar hop around Wyandotte
- May 21st @ 2pm - Blessing of the Fleet at GLSBC
- May 26-28 - GLSBC Poker Run
- Jun 16-18 - GLSBC Rendezvous - MacRay Harbor Marina
- Jun 23-24 - AYC Poker Run #1: Harbor View Yacht Club
- Jul 7-8 - AYC Poker Run #2: Elba Mar Boat Club
- Jul 21-22 - AYC Poker Run #3: Monroe Boat Club
- Jul 28-29 - AYC Poker Run #4: Sunseekers Yacht Club
- Aug 18-19 - AYC Poker Run #5: Ford Yacht Club
- Aug 25-27 - GLSBC Rendezvous - Boblo Island Marina

I will have sign up sheets for these events in the clubhouse soon and more information on each as we get closer to the summer. Check out www.glsbcnews.com for the most up to date events and information.

EVENTS



Paul Spanitz Scholarship Fund St. Patrick's Fundraiser



Save this Date... When Everyone Can be Irish for a Day

 **Saturday, March 18** 

6 – 10 p.m.

T.V.'s Grand Event – 2651 W. Jefferson Ave. – Trenton

Adults \$30 – Children \$10

\$7 for a Lucky Cup of bottomless Harp or Guinness Beer

Live Music from Shamrock Shore Irish Band

By Tickets or Make Donations Online at:

<https://squareup.com/store/paul-spanitz-memorial-scholarship-fund>

Join us for dinner, entertainment and fun for the whole family.

**Traditional Irish dinner will include: corned beef, cabbage, potatoes, salad and
Spanitz Bros. Sausage Irish bangers**

Fundraiser will benefit the Paul Spanitz Memorial Scholarship Fund to help Lincoln Park High School students pursue college. Event will also benefit Wyandotte Animal Shelter/Pound Pals.



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