



# SUNSEEKER'S *Boating Club*



**November 2012**

# Happy



# Thanksgiving

**HOURS:**

Tues - Thurs: 6pm to 11pm  
Fri - Sat: 6pm to 2am  
Closed Sunday and Monday  
(except special events)

**Bulletin Board:**

<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/ssbcmembersandfriends>

**Membership Meetings:**

First Wednesday of the month  
@ 7:30 pm

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**NOVEMBER**

**HIGHLIGHTS:**

Nov. 16 ~ Steak &  
Chicken Dinner

Nov. 21 ~ Night before  
Thanksgiving Party

Dec. 1st ~ Ugly  
Sweater Party

# News from the Bridge:



**COMMODORE : GEORGE HANRAHAN**

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Hello SunSeekers!

It is hard to believe we are already into November and winter is just around the corner. I hope everyone has had a fantastic summer and not too many props were damaged with all this low water. The club is much busier now with this cool weather. It is great to see so many members having a great time at the club. If you still need to complete your work hours by the end of the year, bartending is a great way to get them.

October was a very busy month at the club. Saturday, October 6<sup>th</sup> was our annual Oktoberfest Party and the AYC Cocktail Reception. I would like to thank all those who assisted making the cocktail reception such a huge success. Special thanks to Sue Deters, Sandy LaFrance, Terry Gaddis, Krystal Lynett, Jan Marcum, Sue Pomerleau, Rita Robbins and Cindy Romak for all your help on the committee for this event. All your efforts paid off and the reception was a complete success.

The Oktoberfest party after the reception was also a great success. Thanks to all of you that assisted VC Matt Romak setting this up, the bartenders and everyone else who helped make this a great night.

Friday, October 12<sup>th</sup> was "Tomtoberfest", a fundraiser for the 2013 AYC Commodore Tom MacDonald. It was great seeing so many SunSeekers at this event and the food was excellent. The event was completely sold out this year, so if you are interested in attending next year, be sure to get your tickets early.

Saturday, October 20<sup>th</sup> was the Spaghetti Dinner fundraiser to support the Gibraltar and Rockwood Food Pantries. SunSeeker's Boating Club made a substantial food donation at this event as a result of the bartender competition. Thanks to all the bartenders who participated and thanks to all of you that made a donation. The winner of the competition will be announced during the November membership meeting.

October 26<sup>th</sup> was our Halloween Party and October 28<sup>th</sup> was the Junior SunSeeker's "Trunk & Treat" event. Both of these events were a huge success. VC Matt Romak did a great job with the Halloween Party and Kathy Hogan did an outstanding job organizing "Trunk & Treat".

Now that 2012 is winding down, we are taking nominations for the "SunSeeker of the Year" award. If you would like to nominate someone, please email me their name and why you feel they deserve the award. The winner of the award will be announced at the Commodore's Ball in February.

Lady Melissa and I attended West River Yacht & Cruising Club's Ball on October 13<sup>th</sup> and Riverview Yacht Club's Ball on October 20<sup>th</sup>. PC John Robbins and Lady Rita will be attending Jolly Roger's Sailing Club Ball and Change of Watch Ceremony on behalf of Melissa and I on November 3<sup>rd</sup>. Lady Melissa and I will be attending our last Commodore's Ball on [November 17<sup>th</sup>](#) honoring Commodore Jerry Taylor and Lady Shirley of Sun Parlour Boat Club. Other than the SunSeeker Ball and the AYC Ball in [February 2013](#), this will be the last ball we attend representing SSBC as the class of 2012.

The SunSeeker's annual Christmas Party will get underway directly after our abridged membership meeting on [Wednesday, December 5<sup>th</sup>](#). Please try to make this last meeting of the year and have some fun celebrating with other members. More details will follow prior to the event.

I hope to see you at the club!

Sincerely,  
George Hanrahan  
Commodore

## More News:



### **VICE COMMODORE: MATT ROMAK**

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Hello SunSeekers,

What a great month we had during October. We started the month off with our Annual Commodore's Cocktail Reception and Oktoberfest. These two events are a great time to showcase our club and what it has to offer. I can't tell you how many compliments we received on how great the club looked and how much fun it was.

This accomplishment goes directly to everyone that volunteered their time and effort to get the club ready. I'm truly thankful to everyone that helped out. Your effort did not go unnoticed.

Along with the Oktoberfest, we also had a great Friday night Steak & Chicken dinner catered by Ray's Prime Foods. This style of dinner was well received by the club. For the month of November, we will have another Steak and Chicken dinner catered by Ray's.

Also, come start your Thanksgiving Holiday off at the club for the "biggest bar night" of the year. Please come up and enjoy the fun.

#### Up Coming Events:

Friday, November 2nd: Yellow Dogs / B@tches Party

Friday, November 16<sup>th</sup>: Steak/Chicken Roast Dinner

Wednesday, November 21<sup>st</sup>: Night before Thanksgiving Party

All of these events are listed on the event calendar, along with all the other scheduled events for the year. Please take a moment to look and mark your calendars. If you have any ideas for an event or would like to have an event at the club, please let me know so we can work together to make it a success.

Once again, thank you for a great year and let's continue to make SSBC the best club around.

Sincerely,

Matt Romak  
Vice Commodore



# More News:



## REAR COMMODORE: AL DREW

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Hello fellow Sunseekers.  
From behind the bar.....

Things are heating up at the club with this year's boating season behind us for this year. Our recent bar tender competition for the [Gibraltar Food Pantry](#) resulted in 604 food items donated and \$168.00 in cash donations. The best one day award during the contest belongs to Kathy and Brian for Margarita night. Congratulations. Thank you Sunseekers – Way to go!

The November signup sheet is hanging at the club. There are several Friday and Saturday openings – what a great way to get your work hours in. Sign up today.

As always we want to thank all of you who have bartended and all of you that have supported our club and bartenders.



See you at the club.

Al Drew  
Rear Commodore



## FLEET CAPTAIN: NICK CUNNINGHAM

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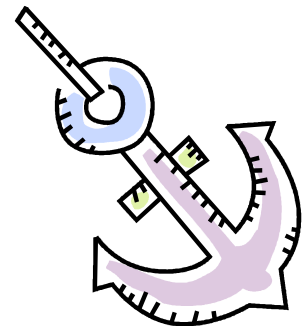
Hello Sunseekers!

I would like to thank everyone that came out and supported me and Kathy when we bartended the Lions Monday Night Football game. It was a great time playing corn hole and watching the game!

Come on up to the club and support the various activities that are sure to be happening over the holidays. Create some great memories with friends while we make it through these cold winter months.

See you at the club!

Nick Cunningham  
Fleet Captain



# Jr. Sunseekers

## Halloween Trunk or Treat!

Thanks so much to all our members that braved the wind and rain to pass out candy to our little ones at the Trunk or Treat this year.

Your treats were appreciated by all the lil' goblins!!

And thank you to those that brought the trunk or treaters too!

The party was a great success and it couldn't happen without everyone coming out and helping!!!

Everyone seemed to have a great time!

Thank you,  
Kathy Hogan  
Jr. Sunseeker Chairperson



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# Membership News:

 **Welcome Aboard New Sunseeker Members!**

\*\*\*\*\* Welcome to our awesome club!!!\*\*\*\*\*

★ **Congratulations go out to Chad Gronda! Chad won employee of the year at the Washtenaw County Sheriffs Office!!**

**SAVE THE DATE:**

**December 1st ~ Ugly Christmas Sweater Party**

**December 5th ~ Membership Meeting and Christmas Party**

Hello fellow Sunseekers,

I trust that everyone enjoyed their summer. Now that we are nearing the end of October, I will soon be working on membership renewals. As you may know, the renewal forms are mailed so I am asking that if you have moved since you renewed or joined this past year, I will need your new address.

Please send your new address directly to me at [ssbc33@gmail.com](mailto:ssbc33@gmail.com).

For anyone who still needs work hours, there is still plenty of time. Feel free to contact a Bridge, Board member or myself for more information.

Sincerely,  
Debbie McGraw  
SSBC Membership Secretary  
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✓ If you would like to put an announcement/story/pictures in the newsletter, please send an email to [jeannettefoley@ymail.com](mailto:jeannettefoley@ymail.com)  
~Items to be put into the newsletter need to be submitted by the **20th** for the following month's newsletter! ..... Thanks in advance!!!

## COMMODORE'S BALL REMINDER!!

The 2012 SunSeeker's Boating Club Commodore's Ball honoring Commodore George Hanrahan and Melissa will be on Saturday, February 9, 2013.

The banquet hall and hotel have been secured. The party itself will be located at Orlando's Familia Banquet Center in Riverview.

A block of rooms has been reserved at the Comfort Suites in Southgate (Northline & I-75). Rooms are \$89.99+tax per night. Rooms will be held until 1/26/2013. Call (734) 287-9200 to reserve and tell them you are with SunSeekers.

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# SUNSEEKER'S

## STEAK & CHICKEN Dinner



Friday, November 16<sup>th</sup>, 2012

Doors open at 6:00

Dinner will Start at 6:30

Dinner will be catered by  
Ray's Prime Foods

- Soz N.Y Sirloin's
- Chicken Quarters
- Baked Beans
- Pasta Salad
- Dinner Rolls & Salad

\$ **15** per  
person

Tickets can be purchased at the club from your bartender.

~~\*\*\*\*\*~~ Please purchase your tickets prior to November 13<sup>th</sup>. I have 50 dinners currently ordered. I can increase the order on the 14<sup>th</sup> if we have sold the first 50. ~~\*\*\*\*\*~~

# SSBC Bartender Competition

Thank you for supporting SSBC  
and the Rotary Club's Fundraiser for the Gibraltar Food Pantry!!



Thank you!

THANK YOU



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# LIONS GAMES @ the CLUB !!

Come on up to the club to cheer for our Detroit Lions!  
Support the club and enjoy the football games with friends and family!!  
Thanks to all of those that have volunteered their time to bartend the games!!!



Sunday

11/4 1:00PM vs Jaguars – George/Melissa

Sunday

11/11 1:00PM vs Vikings – Lori/Dave Stoddart

Sunday

11/18 1:00PM vs Packers – Mark Hendertilo

Thursday

11/22 12:30 PM vs Texans - THANKSGIVING  
(CLOSED UNLESS SOMEONE WANTS TO OPEN)

Sunday

12/2 1:00PM vs Colts – Al Drew

Sunday

12/9 8:20PM vs Packers – Janine Ross

Sunday

12/16 4:05PM vs Cardinals – PC John Robbins and Lady Rita

Saturday

12/22 8:30PM vs Falcons – Bar will already be open

Sunday

12/30 1:00PM vs Bears - Nikole Luton

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# Sunseeker's Adventures!



**Congratulations SunSeeker<sup>®</sup>**  
**Boat Club 2012**  
**Commodore George Hanrahan**  
**& Lady Melissa**

**Congratulations AYC 2012**  
**Commodore Jim Kessler & Lady Patt**

## Oktoberfest & Cocktail Party



# Sunseeker's Adventures!



Here's a future Sunseeker getting ready to tackle the cold winter months with some fun in the snow!!!



Here are some Witches enjoying Sunseeker's Halloween Party!



*Sunseeker's  
Commodore and his  
beautiful Lady  
enjoying the  
Cocktail Party during  
Oktoberbest!*

# Ugly Holiday Sweater Party

Get out those ugly holiday sweaters and come on down to the club for some good times!! The uglier the better!

**Sunseeker's Boating Club**



**Saturday  
Dec. 1st, 2012**



**7:00pm**



**Ugliest  
Sweater  
Contest!!**

**Entertainment**  
Sing karaoke or  
dance to some tunes!

**\*\*Help us celebrate (Jeannette Foley's cousin)  
Andee Szewczyk's 50th birthday with some laughs!!\*\***



# November



| Sun  | Mon | Tue | Wed   | Thu  | Fri  | Sat  |
|--|-----|-----|---|--|--|--|
|  |     |     |   | 1  | 2  | 3  |
| 4     | 5   | 6   | 7<br><br>Membership Meeting @ 7:30pm | 8  | 9  | 10   |
| 11  | 12  | 13  | 14  | 15   | 16 <br><b>Steak &amp; Chicken Night</b> | 17   |
| 18  | 19  | 20  | 21<br>Night before Thanksgiving Party!!   | 22<br> | 23   | 24   |
| 25   | 26  | 27  | 28  | 29   | 30   | 1 <br><b>Ugly Sweater Party</b> |

**December**