



SUNSEEKER'S *Boating Club*



APRIL 2018



Hours:

Tues - Thurs: 7pm to 11pm
Fri - Sat: 6pm to 2am
Closed Sunday and Monday
(except special events)

Membership Meetings:

First Wednesday of the month
@ 7:30 pm

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April Highlights:

- Letters from the bridge
- Welcome new members!
- Notes from the Editor
- Upcoming events
- Photo collage



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Sunseeker's,

Who is ready to Launch? I know I am! Spring is slowly coming in, the weather is getting better day by day. We will be uncovering the boats and prepping for launch soon. The club has a lot of activities planned for the summer thanks to your VC Sue & RC Jim. I encourage all members to join in, if you're a new member just ask, we would be glad give you info to get involved.

Your Bridge and Board have been very busy lately. The progress on the new club is moving forward. The purchasing committee is working on the lease and we do have a land contract buyer for our club. As soon as we have these put together, I will present them to membership for approval. We will also have docks available this year. We are working on the details for this year only. The docks still need a lot of repairs that will be starting shortly. We will have a full policy on the docks for the 2019 year.

We had a very busy March and I cannot thank my VC Sue and RC Jim enough for their support. Of course, behind every club officer is a partner that works just as hard, thanks Terri & Wayne. As always, Marty has knocked it out of the park with food prepping along with the generous support of you, the members, for our incoming bus trip. Your Fleet Captain Teri Upholzer, is working hard on bringing people to our club. I understand it is trying at times, but it really benefits the club monetarily to have these trips come in.

We have a very exciting year and big changes for the club. Please get involved and help where you can.

Stay Thirty My Friends,
Jerry Hollis, Commodore 2018



VICE COMMODORE: SUE MILLER

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April showers are here!

March was a fun and crazy month!

Way to go FC Teri on bringing in some fun bus trips! Thank you everyone who stepped up and helped out. Marty rocked it again on getting everything set up.

St Patrick's Day was a blast! Thank you Marty as usual for cooking! The club would be lost without you. Commodore Jerry and Lady Anna planned a great bus trip where everyone seemed to have fun. RC Jim and Lady Terri rocked the bar with some very festive treats! Sandi helped me out with raffling off the Tigers cooler of goodies! Congratulations to Scott and Lori Boyd for winning! Then we had the Rock Bottom band. They were awesome and kept all of the members and guests dancing all night. The next day while I was with my Grandma, Commodore Jerry, Lady Anna, RC Jim, Lady Terri, Marty, Scott & Lori Boyd cleaned up everything! THANK YOU!!!

Thank you Angela and Ann Marie for a fun Easter party for our Jr. SunSeekers.

Thank you to Treasurer Matt for the awesome fish fry! Thank you to everyone who helped with that function as well!

Gentleman Wayne and I attended, AYC Fish fry, AYC bowling fundraiser, and the spaghetti dinner served by the Commodore's. We also did a small burgee run and picked up James after doing some boat shopping. James was happy to come home, he was a built in babysitter at ORYC. The kids were very sad when they saw Gentleman Wayne taking him out to the car.

See you at the club,
VC Sue Miller



REAR COMMODORE: JIM RYAN

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“PARTY” was the resounding word echoing in the Club bar in the month of March. Club activity was up with buses, parties, and private parties abounding! Sales were up for the month and year-over-year! We consumed over 500 drinks just on St. Patrick’s Day alone.

The Four Bus trips added a little to the bottom line, but was huge on camaraderie! We had over 350 visitors party with us in the club in March.



On St. Patrick’s Day we had specialty drinks and great entertainment. The BEER of the month was ‘BLACK and TAN’ with several takers. We have Guinness and Bass Ale available through the rest of the month.

Our Craft Beer for April will be **Two Hearted Ale, Dilly, Dilly!!**

Make suggestions for your favorite Craft Beer and we might select it in the coming months. At the moment, **Dirty Bastard** is in the running!

Drink specials and specialty drinks will be announced through the month. Remember, the popcorn is fresh and the conversation lively, c’mon down!

TAM certification class will be held April 16th. A TAM “Techniques in Alcohol Management” certified member is required on premise during open hours by Michigan State Law. The class is open to all members at a cost of \$30. We are opening this up to local clubs, so please sign up at the bar if you are interested. Occasional bartenders will need this certification going forward. A sign up sheet is located at the bar in the club.

The fun starts at SunSeeker’s, but at Sunseeker’s, the fun never ends!

Dilly, Dilly!

Jim Ryan, Rear Commodore



FLEET CAPTAIN: TERI UPHOLZER

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Happy April, Sunseeker's! I hope everyone had a wonderful Easter.

March has been yet another crazy busy month!

PC Jeff Upholzer and I started the month by attending Ford Yacht Club's Ball. Then we flew off to Miami and met up with 201 other AYC members, including Sunseeker's, PC Jeannette Foley & Gentleman Mark, PC Dennis Niemiec and Lady Debra and new Sunseeker's members, George & Sharon Marx. From there we all sailed off on the Celebrity Equinox the 2017 AYC class cruise honoring John Dalessandro & Lady Dawn. The places visited were, Key West, Costa Maya, Cozumel and Grand Cayman Islands. What a fabulous time we all had!!

We always appreciate the other clubs making Sunseeker's a stop and March was 'the' month for incoming bus trips. Sunseeker's had a total of 4!

First was a visit from 2 clubs on the same day, Elba Mar Boat Club, followed by Ottawa River Yacht Club. A sincere 'THANK YOU' to our Bridge, our Board, our members and our fabulous, one and only, Marty Arvay! While I was off 'sunseeking' they came together and organized for these 2 incoming club bus trips, held within just hours of each other, with each club bringing 100 members each! Not a simple task but from what I have heard, you all made it look easy and the visiting clubs had a fantastic time!

Bayview Yacht Club and Detroit Beach Boat Clubs also visited Sunseeker's. Another sincere 'THANK YOU' to our Bridge, our Board, our members and our fabulous Marty Arvay, who came through again! Everything was perfect and the clubs enjoyed their stop with us.

PC Jeff and I also attended the 2019 AYC Bowling fundraiser for AYC VC Tom Kovach and Lady Patty as well as Monroe Boat Club's ball.

I also attended the AYC meeting at Riverview Yacht Club on Monday, March 26th, along with PC John Hopper, PC John Robbins and PC Jeff Upholzer.

Sunseeker's also held a successful Adult CPR/ AED (defibrillator) Training, in which our Commodore Jerry Hollis conducted – THANK YOU! This training was attended by Sunseeker's members, by other clubs and we even had a resident of Gibraltar attend.

The U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary presented a Boater's Safety Course to a full crowd at Sunseeker's on March 19th. The U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary's knowledge and wealth of information was extremely informative. If you were not able to attend our session but are interested in attending one, please let me know. The 2018 schedule is currently being confirmed. The Auxiliary will forward me the finalized schedule.

If you or anyone you know are interested in the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary performing a FREE Vessel Safety Check, see the SSBC bartender to sign-up or contact me. I will submit the list to the Auxiliary mid-April. The auxiliary will then contact you for an appointment. This is an offer to make you aware of any item/s that may require attention. You will not be fined! NOTE: Any findings from your Vessel Safety Check are not shared with the U.S.

Coast Guard. Please get the word out. The more vessel safety checks the safer our boating season will be!

While we didn't think we'd be able to fit it in, we did manage to capture and steal a few flags this month. We are having so much fun doing this. We are meeting new people all the time and also are hearing how excited they are for Sunseeker's new journey with the new clubhouse.

Good news! Over the past few weeks we have witnessed many boats with fisherman in the canals of Gibraltar fishing for perch. That is a good sign that Erie water temps are beginning to warm up. Predictions remain that it will continue to do so over the next few months!

Please continue to stay safe on and off the water.

Teri Upholzer
2018 SSBC Fleet Captain

Membership News:

Welcome Aboard New Members!

Greg Lundgren, sponsored by Adam Manchester

Tracey Myers, sponsored by FC Teri Upholzer

Rick Marcum, sponsored by Al Carter

Jen Straub, sponsored by Marty Arvay

Thank You!!!

- ✿ A huge thank you to Marty Arvay for heading up the food donations for all of our March incoming buses! Thank you to everyone who donated food, you made our club shine!!
- ✿ Thank you to Angela Stepaniak, Anne Marie Moore, RC Jim Ryan and Lady Terri for a great Jr. Sunseeker's Easter Party!
- ✿ Thank you Marty Arvay for another great St. Patty's Day corned beef dinner! It was delicious!! Thanks to Joe Arvay for carving all the meat.
- ✿ Thank you Commodore Jerry Hollis and Lady Anna for two awesome bus trips!! Everyone had a great time on your St. Patty's Day and Tiger's Opening Day bus trips! You guys sure can rock out a bus trip!
- ✿ Thank you Paige Pennybacker Aubin and Randy Manny for inviting the SSBC Tiger's Opening Day bus to their private Tiger's Opening Day party. The food was catered by our own Teri Prodan and it was outstanding!!! The venue, band, and DJ were fantastic!! We had a blast!!!!
- ✿ Thank you Matt Jamison, Marty Scozewski, Chester Man, Mark Henderilo, Joe Aravay, and Greg Lundgren for serving up an awesome fish fry dinner!!! Thank you VC Sue Miller and Gentleman Wayne for running the food into the club.
- ✿ Thank you VC Sue Miller and Gentleman Wayne for putting on a great St. Patty's Day party and an awesome Fish Fry!
- ✿ Thank you RC Jim Ryan and Lady Terri for all of your hard work helping with prep, the bar, and clean-up, for all the March events and bus trips. Thank you to our volunteer bartenders for keeping our glasses full during all of the events and bus trips!

Volunteers Needed

- ✿ Remember, RC Jim Ryan can always use bartenders. It is a great way to get your work hours in and get to know your club members.

REMINDER: if you would like to submit articles/announcements/stories/pictures for the newsletter, please send an email to Lori Boyd at BoydL@Comcast.net. All submissions must be received by the 25th, for the following month's newsletter! Thanks!

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UPCOMING

Mark Your Calendars EVENTS



- ✿ April 4th - Membership Meeting @ 7:30 PM
- ✿ April 6th - Blue Gavel Sock Hop at the Gibraltar Community Center @ 7:00 PM - 11:30 PM. \$5 Cover, Cash Bar, Raffles, Twist Contest. Featuring the Hippy Chick Band
- ✿ April 14th - Fire Safety with Live Fire Training including Flares & Extinguishers @ 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM at the club. No advance sign-up required. Bring your old flares to this class. The class is open to all!
- ✿ April 15th - Blue gavel meeting at SunSeeker's
- ✿ April 16th - TAM training @ 7:00 PM at the club. Sign-up at the club. Cost is \$30.
- ✿ May 5th - Roadside clean-up @ 9:00 AM, starts at the Gibraltar Community Center
- ✿ May 5th - Spring bus trip with JJ's Entertainment (DJ/Karaoke after) - Open to all!
 - ✿ Theme: Fiesta like there is no mañana!!
 - ✿ Cost is \$25 per person, see the SSBC bartender for sign-up and payment
 - ✿ Bus departs SSBC at 12:00 PM sharp! Bus returns to SSBC by 7:00 PM
- ✿ May 9th - Membership Meeting @ 7:30 PM
- ✿ May 20th - Kids fishing derby
- ✿ May 20th - Mudhen's game with Seaway Boat Club & Sunseeker's
 - ✿ Tickets: \$30 each (includes round-trip transportation & 1 ticket to the game). See the SSBC bartender for sign-up and payment.
 - ✿ Bus departs: Seaway at 12:00 PM SHARP! Sunseeker's at 12:30 PM SHARP!
- ✿ August 10th-12th - SSBC Boating Destination Trip to Algonac Harbour Club
 - ✿ Registration is open! Contact Algonac Harbour Marina at:
 - <http://www.algonacharbourclub.com/ahc1/>
 - 810-794-4448
 - Club: Sunseeker's
 - Boat Length and beam will be required
 - Cost: *\$60 per night *A non-refundable deposit of \$60 (one night) is required.
 - If for some reason you cannot attend, the \$60 can be used up to 1 year at another time.
- ✿ 2018 Poker Runs
 - ✿ June 15-16: Cooley Canal Yacht Club
 - ✿ June 22-23: Harbor View Yacht Club
 - ✿ July 13-14: Ottawa River Yacht Club
 - ✿ July 20-21: River View Yacht Club
 - ✿ August 24-25: Seaway Boat Club

Representing Sunseeker's

*Congratulations PC John Hopper
AYC 2018 Chaplain*



Monroe Boat Club Ball



Ford Yacht Club Ball



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Incoming Buses



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Burgee Hunting



Sunseeker James Babysitting



AYC Bowling Fundraiser

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Classes at SSBC



*Sunseeker's Vacationing
We Miss You Ann and Bob!!*



St. Patrick's Bus Trip



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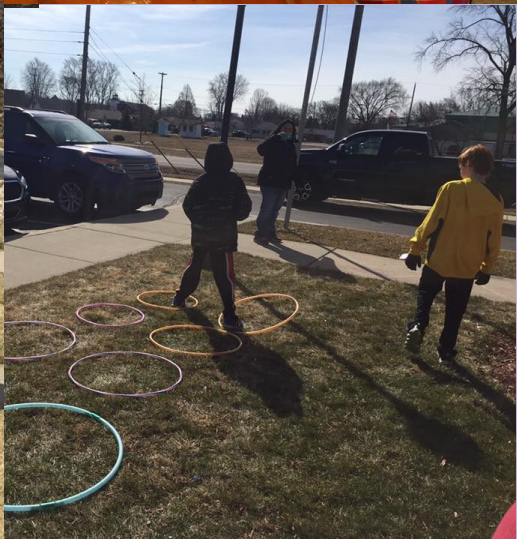
St. Patrick's Day Party



Jr. Sunseeker's Easter Party



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Tigers Opening Day



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Sunseeker's Fish Fry

