

# THE RIVER VIEW VIEWS

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**FROM THE HELM!**

Once again the Christmas Party/Meeting was a success. Many attended and the usual problems with the gift exchange happened. Everyone brought an hors d'oeuvre and believe me, there was plenty for everyone. Some of the gifts for \$5 were quite clever.

It occurs to me that this is probably my last newsletter. WOW!

There are so many people to thank for this year I don't know where to begin. My bridge was truly one of the best and ready and willing to help at any time. I have had a wonderful year as your Commodore and would not have missed it for the world. Our club is really unique in how well we all get along with so many people. Many clubs have quite a lot of different factions. Our club is just one great big group of friends. I am very proud to have been elected as Rear Commodore to run up the chairs.

I hope everyone has a wonderful holiday and it includes health, peace, and happiness for the coming year.

**Commodore Lynn**

**FROM THE VICE!**

It is always a good time to gather with our friends, but especially during the Holiday Season. The decorations are so

festive that it gives everybody a boost in morale.

Today, as I look forward to Christmas and the Holiday Season, a feeling of happiness is taking over, and it really feels good. This really started when we walked into Lynn and Chuck's home for the RVYC Christmas/Meeting/Gift Exchange. Everyone there was so happy and friendly. Strange to say, but this is a group like no other. I believe that if we saw each other on a daily basis we would still enjoy being with one another. What makes us so different is the fact that we are from many diverse backgrounds and businesses, but we have one thing in common, "THE LOVE OF THE WATER AND BOATS." Now, a lot of people would think we are a little "touched" to spend so much money and time on something you can only use about six months a year, if you are brave. But, this is what makes us unique, and when you attend our social functions with RVYC and see what we do "For Fun's Sake," this uniqueness comes shining through. As we approach the New Year, 2004, we hope and pray for everyone in our club and their families that they will have health, happiness, and prosperity in the coming year.

I would be remiss if I didn't mention the up-coming Commodore's Ball on January 10th at the Laurel Manor, in Livonia. Send your check for reservations to Pat Thul by January 1, 2004.

You are all aware that when this group plans a party, a good time is guaranteed. To start with we will have a premium bar - no cheap booze for premium people! Brian Bosman will provide the entertainment and music. We have enjoyed him at previous functions, and he is sure to keep us happy. Dinner is to please everyone's palate. The purpose of the Ball is to honor our Commodore, Lynn Koleski, for the time and effort she has given to our club for the past five years, and to have a good time. She is certainly worthy of all of our good wishes, and your presence is a good way to express our feelings. Don't be left out, make your reservations now!

While I'm on the subject of future happenings, put Sunday, February 1, 2004, on your calendar, for Super Bowl Party, to be held in the meeting room at Kean's, beginning at 3 o'clock. BYOB and a dish to pass. The club will provide pop and beer.

#### THOUGHTS ON AGING

Maybe it's true that life begins at fifty. But everything else starts to wear out, fall out, or spread out.

There are three signs of old age. The first is your loss of memory. I forget the other two.

Middle age is when work is a lot less fun-and fun is a lot more work.

You're getting old when you wake up with that morning-after feeling, and you didn't do anything the night before.

It's hard to be nostalgic when you can't remember anything.

See you at the Ball!

**Vice Commodore Ray**

### **December Birthdays**

1 - Lori Ann Kingston  
26 - Joe Bacile  
28 - Lou Perrone  
31 - Judy Thul

### **December Anniversaries**

31 - Dave & Mary Hall

### **Other December Dates**

22 - Winter Begins  
25 - Christmas  
31 - New Year's Eve

### **January Birthdays**

1 - Jackie Sanford  
8 - Norm Crain (**50!**)  
16 - Bev Niermann  
18 - John Cornwell  
18 - Dan Jablonski  
27 - Herb Alfaro  
27 - Denise Armstrong

### **January Anniversaries**

20 - Russ & Jackie Sanford

### **Other January Dates**

1 - New Year's Day  
10 - Commodore's Ball  
19 - ML King Day Observed

**HAPPY HOLIDAYS!**

**Join us as we celebrate the  
River View Yacht Club Commodore's Ball  
honoring Commodore Lynn Koleski  
and her Gentleman P.C. Chuck  
on Saturday, the tenth of January**

**Two thousand and four**

**Laurel Manor**

**Mezzanine Room**

**39000 Schoolcraft Road**

**Livonia, Michigan**

**Cocktails 6:00 p.m.      Dinner 7:00 p.m.      Dancing 9:00  
p.m.**

**\$ 52 Per Person**

**Please send checks, payable to RVYC, to Treasurer Pat  
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**The favor of a reply is requested before January 1, 2004**