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From The Bridge:

Well, here it is. My final newsletter article for the year and what a year it has been. All-in-all, we can be thankful that we (RVYC) met all the goals and obligations without going into the red (money-wise) too often. We had all yearly club functions dictated by the RVYC constitution and also celebrated the club 50th anniversary in fine fashion at the Edison Boat Club. The fact that this club still operates after fifty years is testimony to the people who make up the membership, both past and present.

As you recall from the November newsletter, we will inaugurate the new bridge officers at the annual Commodore Ball on January 23rd, 2007. This function is being held, once again, at the Laurel Manor in Livonia, Mi. If you plan to attend, please contact Dave or Carol Passmore for more details about cost and

time. Check your club roster for Dave's phone number. In my final year as a bridge officer I will use this space to extend my heartfelt thanks and appreciation to the many (I mean many) members who helped me through my final year as Commodore of the RVYC that would have been much more difficult without that support and to indicate my dedication to the ongoing success of the club I have volunteered to continue serving the club in the capacity of Fleet Captain. (That is, of course, if they need me!)

I hope to see many of you at the next club meeting in January, which is the Commodore's Ball. That's always been my favorite meeting. The club really knows how to party at these special occasions.

In keeping with my habit of borrowing quotes, I offer this final tidbit, again from Mae West: "Give a man a free hand and he'll run it all over you". (She reminds me of Groucho Marx.)

HAPPY HOLIDAYS and
HAPPY NEW YEAR!!!

Commodore Herb Alfaro

Vice Views

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all! I hope your Christmas Trees are decorated and you're ready for the Season. Thanks to Jim and Carolyn Roth for letting us abuse their beautiful house and to Carolyn's cousins for the live entertainment and Rudolf noses. It made for another outstanding Christmas Party!!

It was nice of Carolyn to pass on to us the encouraging words of wisdom from P/C Lee Vauris in regard to the wonderful members of our great club, and their dedication to help one another come what may. Our thoughts and prayers go out to Lee and Marylou during these tough times.

A special thanks to Herb Alfaro for all his hard work and dedication to the Club over the past years!! I hope everyone will join us to honor Herb and his lady this year at our annual Commodore's Ball that will be held at "Laurel Manor" in Livonia, on January 27th. We will have an open bar; Entertainment will be by the DJ's Thomas and Thomas. The cost for the Ball is \$55 per person. We need to have a firm count to Laurel Manor by January 12th to ensure that enough food and beverages will be provided. To secure your place, complete the lower section of the invitation (Included below) and send it with a check (payable to RVYC) to: Mike Schrage, 1012 Whittier Grosse Pte. Park, MI 48230 or Call me @ 313-268-8681.

2007 Super Bowl will return to Kean's this year. It will be held in the RVYC meeting room on February 4th 2007. The meeting will begin at 4:00pm for the pre-Game festivities and the actual game will start @ 6:00pm. The Club will provide beer and soda pop. All you need is a dish to pass and a little cash.
HAPPY HOLIDAYS
Dave

From the Rear

The holiday season is upon us. What better way to begin it than Christmas at Carolyn and Jim Roth's house? What a great party and thank you Carolyn and Jim for your hospitality.

Looking back on this year I have to smile. Planning the different parties has been interesting and fun, sometime funny.

There was not quite enough food at the Venetian, but the preparers certainly had enough to eat and a fun time for sure. We had live entertainment and great weather. There was the world famous Hunt Taylor Jug and Juice Alfaro diving for olives. The best times at the Venetian were before the party started and after the party ended.

There was too much Polish food at the Green and White party. We had catered for 50 people, which was the minimum order. The amount of food seemed like it would feed 100 and with about 30 attendees, a lot of people took home doggie bags. The featured drink was Goombay Smash in the jug and everyone had a taste.

I think we have the beverage part of our parties down pat, as we always seem to have just enough beer, wine and liquor to go around.

The Lake Erie Cruise was exciting because we found a new port to cruise to. Sawmill Creek was very nice, an up-scale version of Maumee Bay. The weather was great all week so we always had a good ride.

Maumee Bay is always a ton of laughs with the burying of the Commodore. This year we “caught up” the past Commodores with a group burial. This is always a nice last stop with the pools, hot tubs and golf course.

At the square dance outing we all learned our right from our left again, as we do every year. It’s always a good time.

And here we are: Christmas and the New Year just around the corner, The Commodore’s Ball in January and about 140 days till we launch our boats.

Rear Commodore Joe Bacile

January Birthdays

Jackie Sanford	1
Jean Like	5
Norm Crain	8
Therese Schrage	11
Karen Bunge	15
Ben Niermann	16
Denise Armstrong	27
Eleanor Button	27
George Perron	28

January Anniversaries

Ron & Ruthie Sherman	3
Russ & Jackie Sanford	20

Chuck & Lynn Koleski will again be hosting the After Glow after the Commodore’s Ball. The address is as follows:

39576 Village Run Drive

Coming from Lauren Manor go North on Haggarty. You will pass two traffic lights on the second light is Country Club Village. Make a left (west) and make a quick veer right onto Village Run Drive and follow it around to 39576.

RVYC IS PLEASED TO INVITE YOU TO THE 2007 COMMODORE'S
BALL HONORING
COMMODORE HERB ALFARO AND HIS LADY JOYCE

JANUARY 27, 2007

TO BE HELD AT THE LAUREL MANOR

COCKTAILS 6:00 P.M. – 11:30 P.M.

DINNER 7:00 P.M.

DANCING – 9:00 P.M.

THE COST IS \$55.00 PER PERSON WHICH INCLUDES DINNER,
DANCING AND AN OPEN BAR.

JANUARY 27, 2007

NAME _____

HOW MANY ATTENDEES _____ @ \$55.00 per person

CHECK AMOUNT: _____

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Grosse Pointe Park, MI 48230

Your check must be received by January 12th, 20