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FROM THE HELM!

November Elections – For Fun's Sake

I don't know about you but I'm inundated with campaign stuff: phone calls with messages about candidates, calls for polling predictions, candidates' literature in the mail, campaign signs in yards and on every street corner, bumper stickers, and the proverbial numerous ads on TV. For a change it's nice to know there's an election forth coming that has no ads, no brochures, no campaign promises or no glitz to muddle through before casting your vote. Instead, you just need to show up for the November Membership Meeting at Kean's on Friday, Nov. 1st and vote.

Past tradition has had each candidate introduce himself or herself, give a brief history of one's involvement in RVYC, and answer questions raised by the membership. It's brief, usually painless (even for the candidates), and the voting process begins. Afterwards, pizza is served, compliments of the Club.

Don't forget: bring your own drinks, and **you need to be present to vote**. Besides, you will need to be present for the "Loser's Drawing", whereby four lucky winners will receive \$25 should one of their old losing 50/50 raffle tickets be drawn. After all, our election is ***For Fun's Sake!***

Funning For Office 2003:
(listed alphabetically)

Rear Commodore (elect 1)

- Jeff Niermann
- Ron Sherman

Treasurer (elect 1)

- Joe Clapper
- Pat Thul

Secretary (elect 1)

- Jon Jordan

Director (elect 2)

- Joe Clapper
- Joanne Giffer
- Chuck Koleski
- Dave Passmore
- Jim Roth

As *predicted*, the Bake Sale Auction was fabulous and there was a wonderful array of goodies to choose from. However, it was *unpredictable* when Lee was going to say, "SOLD!" Plus there were a few *unpredictable* hand gestures the auctioneer interpreted as bids, resulting in sold goods. I thank **P/C Lee Vauris** for making the sale entertaining and thanks to all who were present for baking and/or contributing \$285 to the Club's coffers.

Any *predictions* for the winner of the Secretary position? The pollsters say Jordan by a landslide. See you on the 1st.

Commodore Jean Pritchard

FROM THE VICE!

I am so looking forward to the November 1st meeting and election – remember that the Club is buying the pizza!

December 6th is our Christmas meeting. It will be held at Wyandotte Yacht Club. Prior to the meeting a number of members will be having dinner at the Auburn Café. I'll warn them to watch for a crowd at around 6:00 pm.

Also, remember that we have a Christmas game after that meeting. I have the rules in writing and they will **not** be changed mid-game! (Copies will be available in advance at our next meeting.)

I plan to have a Commodore's Ball meeting at my house on Sunday, November 3rd, 4 pm. If you would like to help me with decorations and planning for a beautiful Ball for Commodore Jean, I would certainly appreciate the help. The Ball will be held at the Laurel Manor, on Saturday, January 11th, 2003. More info to follow in future newsletters.

See you on the 1st for the elections!

**Rear Commodore
Lynn Koleski**

FROM THE REAR!

This is the time of the year that challenges you to be creative, with many options. Innovative decorations for Halloween and costumes to wear for that special party.

Fall decorations that will last until Thanksgiving and are festive. The only sad time is when the boat is put away for the winter and we are looking for something to take the place of boating. As I have said before, we are fortunate to have a great membership in RVYC that is always ready to do something. The bowlers on every other Saturday have a good time and spectators are welcome. We usually join the bowlers for dinner or a snack after bowling.

November's meeting will be the election of officers for 2003. It is very important to come to the meeting and vote for your favorite candidate.

On a lighter note: A woman goes to the local newspaper office to see that the obituary for her recently deceased husband is published. The obit editor informs her that there is a charge of 50 cents per word. She pauses, reflects, and then says, "Well, then, let it read, 'Fred Brown died.'" Amused at the woman's thrift, the editor tells her that there is a seven-word minimum for obituaries. She thinks it over and in a few seconds says, "In that case, let it read, 'Fred Brown died. Golf clubs for sale.'"

See you at the November meeting.

**Rear Commodore
Ray Brown**

BARAN'S BLABBERING!

Spring forward, fall back. Sunday, October 27, 2002. What time is it? An hour earlier or later than it was yesterday? I'm so confused!

Pleasantly confused by the attendance at the October meeting. It was an ugly weather night, but lo and behold! Lots of folks came and auctioneer P/C Lee Vauris got some wonderful prices for the baked goods.

Long-time-but seldom-seen-unless-you-bowl-members, **Don and Barb Leone**, brought 5 friends who became our Club's newest members! Welcome aboard to: **Herb and Joyce Alfaro**
Ronald Freestone
Ray and Sandy Lacey

Herb is the RVYC Bowling league's new secretary, having taken over from Barb-who-did-it-forever-Leone, and Joyce is his left-handed right-hand gal; Ray and Sandy also bowl on the league. All are boaters, so be sure to say "Ahoy maties!" next time you see them. As Rear Commodore Ray Brown said, the bowlers are also a great bunch of folks to meet with, whether or not **YOU** bowl. They do heart-smart dining afterwards, though some will cheat and do heart-dumb meals, so there is something for everybody.

It didn't get much press, but Sec'y **Ruth Peterman** "did" the latest square dance outing. Lots of Clappers, but many non-bellringers, too. Ruth provided great Sloppy Joes (**not** her brother and nephew), and others provided delicious nibbles, **For Fun's Sake!**

Editor Linda Baran

October Birthdays

2 – Chuck Koleski
4 – Shirley Nesbitt
7 – Dave Hall
8 – Michelle Walker
9 – Mary Gavin
10 – Jack Kingston
16 – Ed Murphy
20 – MaryLou Payette
26 – Bill Nesbitt
27 – Ray Brown
30 – Ken Armstrong
31 – Gracie Spicer

October Anniversaries

2 – Dan & Jill Martyka
2 – Larry & Kelly Thomas
10 – Jeff & Bev Niermann

Other October Dates

27 – Daylight Savings ends
31 – Halloween

November Birthdays

5 – Gary Proctor
8 – Peggy Cornwell
17 – Dale Binkley
18 – Pat Binkley
22 – Norm Feliks
25 – Ron Sherman

November Anniversaries

3 – Jack & Lori Ann Kingston
12 – Norm & JoAnne Crain
13 – Chuck & Lynn Koleski
22 – Jim & Linda Baran

Other November Dates

1 – RVYC Meeting & Elections
11 – Veterans Day
28 – Thanksgiving Day
30 – St. Andrew's Day

I GET MAIL!

Recently received a nice note from **Audrey Fine** (*Just Fine!*) to share with you. It reads:

FYI

For those members who remember **Dottie Rouse**, you may want to acknowledge her **100th** birthday on **November 21st**. After all, how many of us have known someone who has lived that long and “still has their buttons,” to quote Dottie?

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