

THE RIVER VIEW VIEWS

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FROM THE HELM!

Well, here we are almost Thanksgiving Day and the weather was mid-sixties. Good ole Michigan! And hey, how about that U of M football team!

The November elections went well and the pizza filled the bill (and our stomachs) afterwards. I would like to recap the 2004 bridge:

Commodore Ray Brown
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Rear Commodore Jon Jordan
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I can certainly leave office knowing I leave RVYC in very capable hands. We have a lot of new blood which should bring a lot of new and exciting ideas for the coming year.

Now, remember that the December Meeting/Christmas Party will be held on **Friday, December 5, 8 pm sharp** (come earlier if you like) at the **Koleski home, 39576 Village Run Drive, Northville.**

Coming from Northwest or Northeast, take I-696 west to I-275 south, exiting at 6 Mile Road. Make a right on 6 Mile, pass Haggerty and about $\frac{3}{4}$ mile down, turn left into Country Club Village onto Country Club Knoll. The first stop sign is Village Run Drive; turn left and the address is **39576.**

November 2003

If you are coming on I-96 west take it to I-275 north and get off at 6 Mile Road. Turn left and cross Haggerty. Go $\frac{3}{4}$ mile; turn left into Country Club Village onto Country Club Knoll. First stop sign is Village Run Drive, turn left and the address is **39576.**

If you get lost on the way over, keep your cell phone handy and call me at 734-420-5391!

Happy Thanksgiving to all and hope to see many of you at the Christmas party.

Commodore Lynn

FROM THE VICE!

This is sure a strange time of the year. Most of the boats have been put away for the winter and we're all looking forward to spring. However we still have a few months to get through and when RVYC members put their minds together, they sure know how to throw a party.

First is the Christmas Party at the Koleski's home. This will take the place of a December meeting. It is always a fun get-together with gifts, food and BYOB. Remember, EACH PERSON should bring a \$5 gift to exchange AND label who it is from. If you would like to bring an hors d'oeuvre, that would be fine.

As 2003 comes to an end, a New Year is dawning and that brings us to another get-together. We'll have an opportunity to strut our stuff at the Commodore's Ball. The Committee has put together a great evening with open bar and dancing to your heart's content. Do not hesitate or procrastinate, and send your reservation, post haste!

The third happening is the Super Bowl Party at the end of January – always a good time. More information in future editions of the newsletter.

Everything I ever needed to know, I learned from my mother and father ...

I learned about TIME TRAVEL:
"If you don't straighten up, I'm going to knock you into the middle of next week!"

I learned LOGIC:
"Because I said so, that's why."

I learned FORESIGHT:
"Make sure you wear clean underwear, in case you're in an accident."

I learned IRONY:
"Keep that up and I'll give you something to cry about."

I learned about HYPROCRISY:
"If I told you once, I've told you a million times. Don't exaggerate!"

I learned about BEHAVIOR MODIFICATION:
"Stop acting like your father."

I learned about ENVY:
"There are millions of less fortunate children in this world who don't have wonderful parents like you do."

Vice Commodore Ray

FROM THE REAR!

Well, here we are in November already and facing the last meeting of the year with this great bunch of people. I can't believe how time has flown. It truly seems like the summer just got started and now we're facing snow. Well, welcome to life in Michigan!

We had a fantastic turnout for the Square Dance last month with the attendance reaching a record high of 85 people. We have grown so big that they are going to move us to a bigger barn next year 'cause "we just don't fit" anymore. Ruthie and I won first place in the cowboy outfit contest (yeah I know, but I wasn't the judge). I thought I won because everyone liked me so much but now I'm finding out that it was the bare butt that really caught the attention of everyone. I guess you would have to have been there but it was a sight to see, I assure you!



Ruthie and I are both excited to get with everyone at Lynn and Chucks for RVC's annual Christmas Party on Friday, December 5th so make sure you come and partake in the festivities. It's always a VERY good time. (Rules for the gift exchange are listed later in this newsletter.)

Following that, we will have the Commodore's Ball to "thank" Lynn for all her hard work as our club's Commodore this year and to welcome in the new Board. Ray says this will be the mother of all parties so don't miss this one!

Well, gotta go for now so I'll see you at the next party!

Rear Commodore Ron

November Birthdays

8 – Peggy Cornwell
14 – Jon Jordan
17 – Dale Binkley
18 – Pat Binkley
22 – Norm Feliks
25 – Ron Sherman
27 – Herb Alfaro

November Anniversaries

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

Other November Dates

7 – RVYC Meeting (elections)
11 – Veterans' Day
27 – Thanksgiving Day
30 – First day of Hanukkah

December Birthdays

1 – Lori Ann Kingston
16 – Dave Carson
26 – Joe Bacile
28 – Lou Perrone
31 – Judy Thul

December Anniversaries

31 – Dave & Mary Hall

Other December Dates

5 – RVYC Meeting & Gift Exchange
@ Koleski's, 8 pm
22 – First day of Winter
25 – Christmas Day
31 – New Year's Eve

Rules for a Peaceful Gift Exchange

1. Bring a gift AND **MAKE SURE YOUR NAME IS ON IT!**
2. Begin with one "unique" person, e.g., who drove the furthest **or** whose birthday is closest to this date **or** who sold a boat this year, etc.
3. You cannot pick your own gift.
4. After the first person selects a gift and opens it, the person whose name was on the gift gets to choose a gift next.
5. That person may exchange the gift with first person, but **ONLY ONE EXCHANGE!**
6. The person whose name was on the gift gets to choose a gift next. He/she may exchange with either person, but **ONLY ONE EXCHANGE!**
7. Keep moving. Whomever the opened gift was from gets to pick next.
8. The last person to pick a gift may exchange that gift with anyone.

In a nutshell:

- After you open a gift, you may exchange it with any opened gift.
- You may make **ONLY ONE EXCHANGE,** AND it must be immediately after you opened a gift.

**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

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