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From the Helm

The November meeting held at P/C Lynn Koleski's home was one of the better-attended functions. It seems that meetings held at members' homes draw bigger crowds AND bigger 50/50 jackpots! Thank you for your hospitality, Lynn, and to all who brought a delicious dish-to-pass that enhanced the free pizza.

As you will read in Vice Commodore Hunt Taylor's article, the November election retains some old favorites and brings some new blood to the 2011 Bridge and Directors. Congratulations to all.

Director Bill and Elaine Middlekauff are graciously hosting our Christmas Party/December meeting this year. The date is Friday, December 3, beginning at 8 p.m. (Please see Fleet Captain Jean Pritchard's attached Schedule of Events for directions to the Middlekauff's home.) As in the past, a \$5 gift exchange is the fun part of the evening, the harder part being to find a \$5 gift to exchange (remember, no regifting from past years!). And in keeping with past tradition, Linda Baran will again serve as Sergeant-At-Arms to keep control of this infamous part of the evening. This meeting also carries on the tradition of eating, drinking, and being merry, so

please consider bringing a dish-to-pass and BYOB. Please coordinate your offering with the Middlekauff's about the dish you plan to bring so we have a nice variety of appetizers and desserts (and so we don't have 8 shrimp bowls and 6 cheese plates as the only fare).

The Greenfield Village Holiday Nights and Dinner on Saturday, December 11th rounds out the Club's activities for the year; the next gatherings will be the Commodore's Ball and the Super Bowl party.

Wishing everyone a happy Thanksgiving holiday, *For Fun's Sake!*

Commodore Jim

View from the Vice

The "Haul-Out Party" was held on October 16th and attended by 22 members on a bright sunny afternoon in the grassy area next to the pool at Kean's. Hot dogs and brats were provided with all the trimmings with additional delicious dishes to pass supplied by those who attended. Fun was had by all and the day wound down with a beautiful sunset.

The first Friday in November was the club's election night. Following are the results from the elections:

Commodore – Hunt Taylor by acclamation

Vice Commodore – Rich Helm by acclamation

Rear Commodore – Joey Clapper

Treasurer– Barbie Taylor

Secretary – Carolyn Roth

Directors – Randy Fryfogle and Bill Middlekauff

Lynn Koleski has again volunteered to retain the position of “Sunshine Person” and Carolyn Roth has again volunteered to retain the position of “Newsletter Editor”. Both these positions enhance the image of the club and require many hours of work and we are all appreciative of their efforts.

I extended the offer of Fleet Captain to Ruthie Sherman who graciously accepted the position. The Board and membership is looking forward to working closely with Ruthie to make next years’ activities and rendezvous the best they can be.

Preparations for the Commodore’s Ball continue with Board members and volunteers meeting at my home on Sunday, 11/14. The Commodore’s Ball will again be held at Laurel Manor Banquet & Conference Center on January 22, 2011, with cocktails starting at 6 p.m., followed by dinner and dancing to a live band.

Please see the attached invitation to the Ball. If you are attending the December 3rd Christmas

Party; please bring the form along with your check. We hope to get an early head count for the Ball.

Hunt Taylor, Vice Commodore

Treasurer’s Report for November

Previous balance:	\$1,625.64
Deposits	226.00
Expenses	(\$58.39)
Ending	1,793.25
Petty Cash	44.35
New Balance	<u>\$1,837.60</u>

At the November meeting we conducted our final 50/50 drawing. Newly elected RC Joey Clapper was the lucky winner! In a gesture of generosity, Joey returned his winnings to the club! Thanks Joey ... for fun’s sake!

And, the annual 50/50 loser’s drawing was held, the 2010 winners (a.k.a. “the lucky losers”) were Commodore Elect Hunt Taylor and MaryAnn Helm, they each received \$25.

Fleet Captain Report

Please see the attached Schedule of Events for directions to the Middlekauffs home for our December 3rd party.

Regards, Jean Pritchard

From the Editor

For the month of November ... the simple list ...

Don’t fret over your Thanksgiving dinner; try this recipe for “Foolproof Gravy.”

Prep/Total Time: 20 Min.
Yield: 2-1/3 cups gravy

Drippings from 1 roasted turkey
½ to 1 cup turkey or chicken broth
¼ cup plus 1 tablespoon all-purpose flour
½ cup fat-free milk
1 teaspoon chicken bouillon granules
¼ teaspoon poultry seasoning
1/8 teaspoon white pepper
(Optional: any measurement of Classic)

Pour drippings into a 2-cup measuring cup. Skim and discard fat. Add enough broth to the droppings to measure 2 cups; transfer to a small saucepan and bring to a boil.

In a small bowl, combine flour and milk until smooth. Gradually stir into the drippings mixture. Stir in the bouillon granules, poultry seasoning and white pepper. Bring to a boil; cook and stir for 2 minutes or until thickened.

Enjoy!

December Birthdays

Michael Conrad - 7
John Roth – 19
Joe Bacile – 26
Judy Thul – 31

December Anniversaries

Bill & Audrey Fine - 28
Keith & Beth Armstrong – 31
Dave & Mary Hall - 31

RVYC 2010 Schedule of Events

Please call or email Jean (jeanpritchard@sbcglobal.net) for any questions regarding the remainder of our 2010 events.

Friday, December 3rd – Christmas Party & Gift Exchange

Remember the \$5.00 limit and no "regifting" from 2009!

Location is at Director Bill & Elaine Middlekauff's home located at 2449 Oak Ridge Rd., Troy 48098, tel. 248-641-9330.

Following are directions to the Middlekauffs home:

www.maps.google.com

Lat /Long

42 35 56.91N

83 11 52.24W

From Northville area:

Take I-696 East to Telegraph. Head north to Long Lake.

Turn Right and head east to Beach Road (traffic light).

Turn Left on Beach heading north. Enter on the fourth street on the right Foxchase and then make an immediate left on Oak Ridge Drive, 3rd house on the left with pillars.

From I-75:

Take the Crooks road exit and go straight through the Crooks traffic light on Industrial Parkway for approx 1/2 mile

Turn right on Long Lake heading west to Beach Road (traffic light).

Turn right on Beach heading north. Enter on the fourth street on the right Foxchase and then make an immediate left on Oak Ridge Drive, 3rd house on the left with pillars

Saturday, December 11th – Holiday Nights and Dinner at

Greenfield Village – starting at 5 p.m., (All tickets are sold)

Dinner @ Eagles Tavern & outside activities in the village afterwards (dress in layers and bring a "nip" to stay warm)

Participants: Alfaro(2), Baciles(4), Deptula(1), Koleski(1), Middlekauffs(2), Pritchards(2), Shermans(3), Thuls(2), & Crains(4)

Saturday, January 22, 2011 - Commodore's Ball at Laurel Manor

Honoring "three-peat" Commodore Jim Baran

**RVYC IS PLEASED TO INVITE YOU TO THE
ANNUAL COMMODORE'S BALL
HONORING 2010 COMMODORE JIM BARAN
AND HIS LADY, LINDA**

JANUARY 22, 2011

**TO BE HELD AT THE LAUREL MANOR
39000 SCHOOLCRAFT ROAD
LIVONIA, MI 48150**

Cocktails at 6 p.m.

Dinner at 7 p.m.

**Tribute to the Commodore and Introduction of
the new Bridge and Board Members at 8 p.m.
Dancing from 9 p.m. to 11:30 p.m.**

**THE COST IS \$60.00 PER PERSON (INCLUDES
DINNER, DANCING AND OPEN BAR)**

NAME _____

NUMBER OF ATTENDEES _____ @ \$60.00 per person

CHECK AMOUNT: _____

**Please make checks payable to RVYC and return this flyer to:
Treasurer Barbara Taylor
4681 McMillan Ct.
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Your check must be received by January 8th, 2011