

THE RIVER VIEW VIEWS

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View from the Vice

Happy New Year to everybody and may all your resolutions become reality over the course of the year.

Preparations for the Commodore's Ball continued with the Board Members and volunteers meeting at my home on Sunday, November 14th and again on January 9th. The Commodore's Ball will be held again at Laurel Manor Banquet and Conference Center, 39000 Schoolcraft Road in Livonia on January 22nd. The open bar kicks things off starting at 6 p.m., followed by dinner, swearing in of the new Bridge and Board members, a hearty roasting of our outgoing Commodore Jim Baran, and dancing to the live band "DM3" until 11:30 p.m.

The cost this year is \$60 per person. If you have not already replied, please submit your reservation form (copy attached to the newsletter) along with your check to Treasurer, Barbara Taylor, ASAP. We are hoping for at least 50 as a final count. This is one of the best parties of the season, so please try to attend, *for fun's sake*.

Hunt Taylor – Vice Commodore

Rear View

It's that time of Year ... we need your 2011 membership renewal forms. What a deal for \$10 per member! Many thanks again to Ron Sherman (and his able-assistant, Director Bill Middlekauff) who have redesigned our website along with an **online membership application form**. The majority of us have Internet access and in an effort to bring us into the 21st Century and make our Treasurer's job a lot easier, please log into our website at **www.rvyc.info**. Our username is **rvyc** and the password is **forfun'sake**. Its simple, just click on Members Only and then click on Membership Renewal Form (online) and fill in the required information and click on SUBMIT. You will still owe the \$\$ for dues which will need to be sent to:

Treasurer Barbie Taylor
4681 McMillan Ct.
Rochester, MI 48306

For those who do not have Internet access, we are attaching a copy of the form to the newsletter. **All dues are payable on or before March 15th**.

If you have paid your dues to Barbie Taylor without updating your information (even if it has not changed) we earnestly ask

that you submit a new form. It's important and will not only save us time and effort but will ensure that everyone's information is correct.

Again, we're looking for an active enrollment and a lot of *for fun's sake* activities and participation in 2011.

Sorry I can't make it to the Commodore's Ball. My son is graduating from Law School that day.

Rear (soon-to-be Vice)
Commodore Rich Helm

Treasurer's Report for

January

Previous balance	\$2,208.25
Deposits	1,280.00
Expenses	0.00
Ending	3,488.25
Petty Cash	.50
New Balance	\$3,488.75

From the Editor

Thank you to Ron Sherman for the attached interesting article about Lake Superior.

February Birthdays

Ed Pritchard – 2
Jim Roth - 4
Bob Cieslak – 6
Carol Passmore – 8
P/C Dave Passmore - 10
Bill Middlekauff - 11
Barbara Taylor – 12
P/C Joe Clapper – 15
Joey Clapper - 18
Pat Thul – 23
Jeff Niermann – 24
Audrey Fine - 28

February Anniversaries

Jim & Carolyn Roth – 15
Don & Barb Leone – 22
Dave & Carol Passmore – 24

**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.
Rochester, MI 48306-4735**

RIVER VIEW YACHT CLUB MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL – 2011
Renew Online – Click Here → [RENEW](#)

Your Name _____

Spouse/Partner Name _____

Is your Spouse/Partner also a Member (Y/N) _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

Spouse's Cell Phone _____ Other Phone _____

E-Mail Address _____

Spouse's E-Mail Address _____

Your Birthday (MM/DD) _____ Spouse/Partner's Birthday (MM/DD)

Wedding Anniversary (D/M/Y) _____

Boat Name _____

Make of Boat _____ Length _____ ft Beam _____ ft

Home Port _____

Dock and Well Number _____

**Please make checks payable to River View Yacht Club, Inc.
(\$10 per member renewing).**

Please bring a check and this form to the next club meeting, or send to:

**Treasurer Barbie Taylor
4681 McMillan Ct.
Rochester, MI 48306**

Please complete the entire form. This information will be used to create this year's roster and update the RVC.info Web Site. Prior year information will **NOT** be used.

REMINDER: dues are payable on/before **MARCH 15, 2011** to be included in the 2011 roster.

*Pretty Amazing....I did not realize how big this lake was!
Some little known facts most of us never realized!!*



- Lake Superior contains ten percent of all the fresh water on the planet Earth.
- It covers 82,000 square kilometers or 31,700 square miles.
- The average depth is 147 meters or 483 feet.
- There have been about 350 shipwrecks recorded in Lake Superior.
- Lake Superior is, by surface area, the largest lake in the world.
- A Jesuit priest in 1668 named it Lac Tracy, but that name was never officially adopted.
- It contains as much water as all the other Great Lakes combined, plus three extra Lake Erie's.
- There is a small outflow from the lake at St. Mary's River (Sault Ste Marie) into Lake Huron, but it takes almost two centuries for the water to be completely replaced.
- There is enough water in Lake Superior to cover all of North and South America with water a foot deep.
- Lake Superior was formed during the last glacial retreat, making it one of the earth's youngest major features at only about 10,000 years old.
- The deepest point in the lake is 405 meters or 1,333 feet.
- There are 78 different species of fish that call the big lake home.
- The maximum wave ever recorded on Lake Superior was 9.45 meters or 31 feet high.
- If you stretched the shoreline of Lake Superior out to a straight line, it would be long enough to reach from Duluth to the Bahamas.
- Over 300 streams and rivers empty into Lake Superior with the largest source being the Nipigon River.
- The average underwater visibility of Lake Superior is about 8 meters or 27 feet, making it the cleanest and clearest of the Great Lakes. Underwater visibility in some spots reaches 30 meters.
- In the summer, the sun sets more than 35 minutes later on the western shore of Lake Superior than at its southeastern edge.
- Some of the world's oldest rocks, formed about 2.7 billion years ago, can be found on the Ontario shore of Lake Superior.
- It very rarely freezes over completely, and then usually just for a few hours. Complete freezing occurred in 1962, 1979, 2003 and 2009.