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## From the Bridge



The 2022 Rendezvous in Mackinaw City was a smashing success. Chaired by Dee McClure and Craig Shantz, with a lot of help from Craig's wife, Jeanne, things couldn't have gone better. I likened the three of them to ducks in the water, smoothly moving forward but paddling madly below the surface.

It was as close to a perfect event as one could imagine. It was fabulous to see so many familiar faces and meet so many first-timers. Approximately 135 people attended, of whom about 60 were at their first Rendezvous. Details and photos are elsewhere in this issue, but these were some of the highlights:

- \*Opening Commodore's Reception

- \*Informal meals at a variety of locations

- \*Fleet review, in which the Bridge and other officers walked the docks and personally greeted the crews of each boat

- \*Book Club

- \*Bilge and other auctions, which raised over \$7,000 USD for the Great Lakes Foundation

- \*Gadget Hour

- \*Volleyball contest between the Raghaulers and the Stinkpotters

- \*Presentations on the history of the Mackinac Bridge, the history of Fort Mackinac, the origin of nautical terms, and fire prevention (including hands-on use of fire extinguishers!)

- \*Visiting the fort and displays at historic Michilimackinac

- \*A rescue demonstration by the U.S. Coast Guard using a helicopter based out of Traverse City

- \*The Commodore's Dinner

Since many of you missed the Rendezvous, I'll share some anecdotes I told at the Commodore's Dinner about events that occurred to Linda and me on our way from Elk Rapids to Mackinaw City.

Our first stop was Northport, a charming tourist town on the northern tip of Michigan's Leelanau Peninsula. We planned to stay there for three nights to enjoy the town and watch their fireworks on July 4. When I awoke on the morning of the 4th, I found several oil-absorbent pads floating around our boat, smelled diesel, and proceeded to pull them out of the water with my boat hook.

I called the harbor master, who informed me that there had been a significant diesel spill, that the pads were there on purpose, that the harbor was closed until the next day, and that I should put the pads back into the water. Duly chastened, I did as instructed.

I later learned that the previous afternoon, a large power boat had a faulty gasket on its diesel fuel filter, leaked copious amounts of diesel into the bilge, and which diesel was dutifully spewed into Lake Michigan by the boat's bilge pump. Upon arrival, the captain discovered what was happen-

## On the Cover

Aerial view of the Straits State Harbor in  
Mackinaw City, Mich. (H-76.5), location of the 2022 GLCC Rendezvous.

- Photo by Vice Commodore Doug Jackson

ing, but not until after spilling about 30 gallons of diesel into the harbor.

The environmental cleanup crew eventually used over 1,000 pads to absorb as much of the diesel as possible, and the remaining diesel was allowed to evaporate. The good news is that by the morning of July 5 there was no more evidence of the spill. Unfortunately, 8 ducklings and 2 fish lost their lives to the event.

It turned out that the owner and operator of the boat was actor and comedian Tim Allen, of *Home Improvement* TV fame, who keeps his boat at Northport. He of course accepted full responsibility for the spill. The irony of this is that Mr. Allen is the spokesperson for the Pure Michigan campaign.

Second, upon reaching Beaver Island, we found ourselves docked across from a large boat named *Grave Decisions*. We racked our brains trying to figure out what nautical reference was meant by this. Weather prediction? Route planning? What to serve at cocktail hour? It finally occurred to me that the boat must be owned by an undertaker. We may never know the true meaning of the name, but as extra credit for the Commodore's Challenge, please offer your creative suggestions.

### Last Issue's Commodore's Challenge

Last issue's Commodore's Challenge asked you to identify the cruising destinations located at the indicated latitude and longitude. Nine entries were received, all of which had the correct answers. After a rigorous random selection process, the winner was none other than Vice Commodore Doug Jackson. Here are the answers:

Name these Cruising Destinations:

- A) 48 degrees 9.65 minutes North; 88 degrees 29.79 minutes West: Duncan Bay, Isle Royale, Lake Superior
- B) 45 degrees 1.49 minutes North; 86 degrees 5.91 minutes West: South Manitou Island, Lake Michigan
- C) 45 degrees 55.25 minutes North; 82 degrees 27.43 minutes West: Gore Bay, North Channel, Lake Huron
- D) 41 degrees 43.7 minutes North; 81 degrees 21.2 minutes West: Mentor Harbor, Ohio, Lake Erie
- E) 44 degrees 13.75 minutes North; 76 degrees 28.7 minutes West: Kingston, Ont., Lake Ontario

### The Final Commodore's Challenge

Here it is friends, your final chance to enter a Commodore's Challenge from this Commodore:

You may be familiar with the Boatswain's Call, a small whistle used to issue commands on a ship. It's been used in the British Admiralty since the late 1600s. The Boatswain's Call can make a variety of notes, including:

Plain, high and low;  
Trill, high and low; and  
Warble.

When played in particular sequences, the notes form commands known as "pipes." These pipes were used to communicate commands to sailors under noisy conditions.

The challenge is to name the pipe consisting of the following notes:

One second High, followed by one second Low, with a sharp finish.

(Hint: the Internet is your friend.)

Email your answer to me at [dancline@me.com](mailto:dancline@me.com) by September 30, 2022, for one last chance to win a valuable prize!


### Final Thoughts

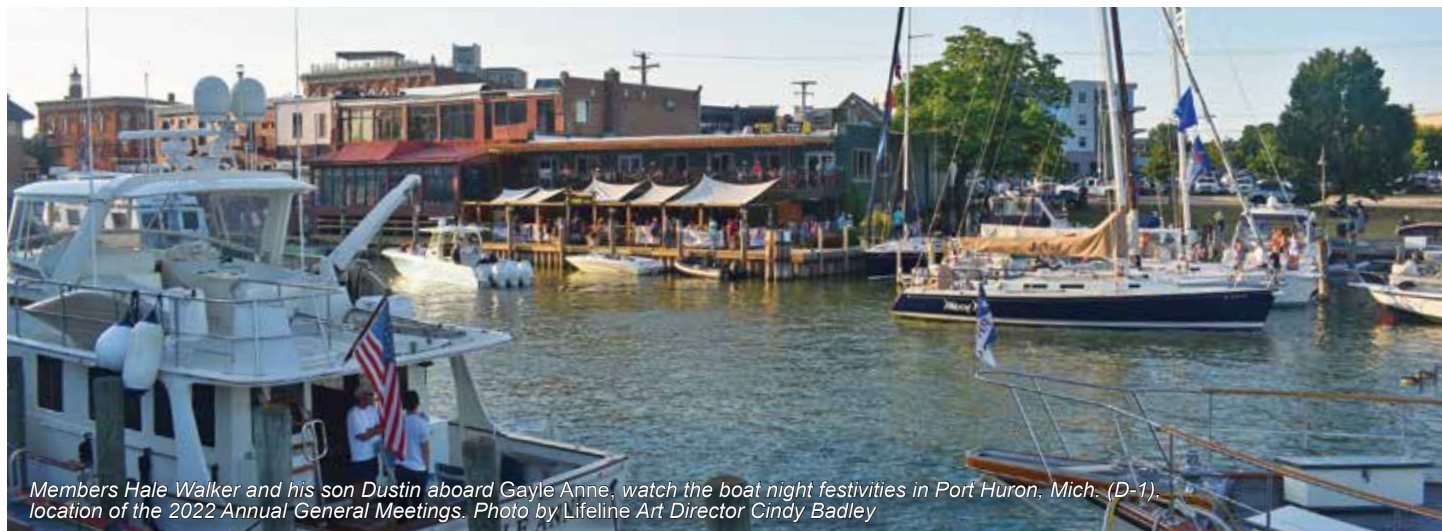
This is my final From the Bridge, as I will soon retire as Commodore of the Club. It has been an absolute pleasure to serve as Commodore of the Great Lakes Cruising Club. It's been a lot of work, and involved a lot of meetings, but the results have been worth it. Linda and I have made many new friends, and I have gained a great deal of personal satisfaction from doing my best to lead this Club.

Many thanks to you for all you have done to ease my tenure, from leading committees, planning events, contributing to harbor reports, serving as Port Captains, and on and on and on. Above all, thank you for being members of the Great Lakes Cruising Club.

Carry on!



**Dan Cline, Commodore ([dancline@me.com](mailto:dancline@me.com))** 



Members Hale Walker and his son Dustin aboard Gayle Anne, watch the boat night festivities in Port Huron, Mich. (D-1), location of the 2022 Annual General Meetings. Photo by Lifeline Art Director Cindy Badley





## From the Editor



### Sunrise? Sunset? Cruisers Get Both

The song goes,

*Sunrise, sunset. Sunrise, sunset*

*Swiftly fly the years.*

*One season following another,*

*Laden with happiness and tears.*

I'm a sunrise guy. I was born and have spent most of my life on the sunrise shore of Michigan, north of Detroit. I get that people love sunsets. A relaxing drink, beautiful colors, kicking back. I get it. But I'm still a sunrise guy.

One of the great things about the Great Lakes is that the sunrise or sunset is just a few miles away. I live in Port Hope, in Michigan's Thumb. I can drive 15 minutes north to Port Austin, the tip of the peninsula. People there see both.

I lived for years a few miles south, in Port Huron. I could post sunrise photos. A friend, the mayor of Sarnia, routinely posts beautiful sunset photos. I can literally see his apartment building from my side of the St. Clair



*Moon Rise at Port Hope, Mich.*

River. He sees one thing, I see another.

Cruisers get the best of both worlds. The Great Lakes offer amazing vistas early in the morning and later at night. A cruiser can catch an amazing sunrise on one side, then, a few hours later, see an equally amazing sunset from the other. Or sit in the middle of the lake and enjoy both.

As for me, I prefer the sunrise side. I spend a lot less time and money on awnings, tents, and sunglasses than sun setters do. And I enjoy the view every bit as much – at least when I'm awake to see it.

**Garth Kriewall, Lifeline Editor**



### Nothing is Better Than a Picnic on Lake Erie

*By Port Captain Ken Vannorsdall*

They came by car and boat to celebrate a GLCC spring tradition: the 2022 edition of the Lake Erie Picnic.

On Saturday June 4, members and guests gathered at Herl's Harbor Marina Park, located East of Port Clinton on Catawba Island (E-16.8) in weather that was fantastic, perfect for the start of the 2022 boating season. Turnout at the picnic was great as well.

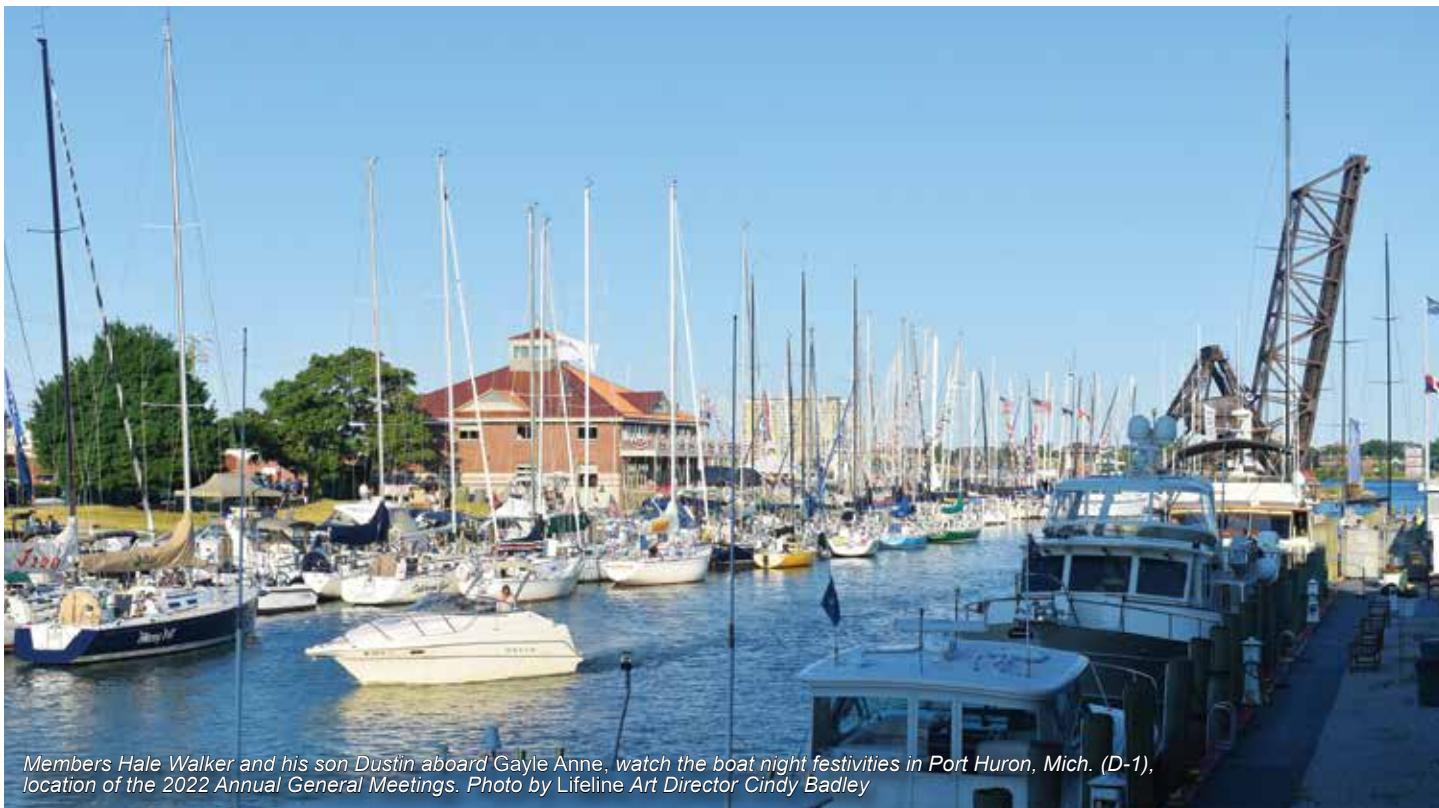
This year's event noted the "retirement" of Denny and Sharon Dutcher as picnic chairs. Denny and Sharon have organized this GLCC picnic for the past eight

years. They also are port captains of West Harbor.

Rear Commodore Jim Ehrman, on behalf of the Great Lakes Cruising Club, presented the Dutchers a letter of appreciation for their years of service and commitment to the GLCC. A special thank-you also went out to Jim and John Herl of Herl's Harbor. The Herls have provided their picnic and restroom facilities over the years.

This picnic was a great success thanks to the Dutchers, the Herls and all those participating.





Members Hale Walker and his son Dustin aboard 'Gayle Anne', watch the boat night festivities in Port Huron, Mich. (D-1), location of the 2022 Annual General Meetings. Photo by Lifeline Art Director Cindy Badley



Farmers Market at Vantage Point  
Photo courtesy Acheson Ventures



Blue Water Bridge  
Photo by Jo Schneider



DoubleTree by Hilton, Port Huron  
Photo courtesy Hilton

## GLCC Annual Meeting Sails into Port Huron on Oct. 28–30

By Office Manager Yvonne Murray

The 2022 Rendezvous was the Great Lakes Cruising Club's first all-member general gathering since the start of COVID. The second will be the 2022 GLCC and Great Lakes Foundation Annual General Membership Meeting weekend.

The 2022 Great Lakes Cruising Club's Annual General Meeting and Change of Watch will be Oct. 28–30 in Port Huron, Mich. (D-1), the GLCC's official "corporate" home.

Friday evening's gatherings will begin at GLCC Headquarters for an open house with Christmas shopping. Next is a visit to the nearby Maritime Center at Vantage Point for a casual meet-and-greet with heavy hors d'oeuvres.

Saturday's activities include our Board meetings, time for shopping in town and seeing the sights, an optional wine tasting, and a beanbag baseball game.

Our Annual General Membership Meetings will include a financial report, the election of the 2022–2023 Flag officers and Board of Directors, and a "State of the Club" briefing from the Commodore.

The Change of Watch will include several changes to both the Bridge and Board. Please join our newly elected Commodore, along with his freshly charged colleagues and veteran Board Members, as they assume control of the helm. Rounding out the evening will be awards presentations, and a guest speaker from the U.S. Coast Guard.

Please see the GLCC website's event page for information and registration details. 🚩

For more information, watch the GLCC website or contact Port Captains Dale & Teena Lashbrook at 810-434-7267 / d2lash@hotmail.com or the GLCC Office at 810-984-4500 / glcclub@att.net



# HARBOR INSIDER

EDITOR'S NOTE: The hundreds of harbors around the Great Lakes are unique in different ways. "Harbor Insider" is a feature for Lifeline that gives new visitors to a harbor some information that isn't typically included in the GLCC Harbor Reports or other resources.

To submit a Harbor Insider for consideration, please follow this broad format. Include any topics you wish about places to do and things to do at your harbor. Email Harbor Insiders to: editor.glcc.gk@gmail.com. Please copy Yvonne at glccclub@att.net, and Cindy at designerglcc@yahoo.com.

-Garth Kriewall, Lifeline Editor



Algonac Historical Society building



Chris Craft Plant



Gar Wood Plant




St. Johns Marsh

# Drop an Anchor at Algonac

By Port Captain Roger Dye

Algonac, Mich. (D-18)

If you study the history of powerboats, you will quickly learn of Gar Wood and Chris Craft. Both are directly tied to Algonac, Mich. Algonac is on the St. Clair River, about midway between Port Huron and Detroit. It was settled in 1805, it was originally called Pointe du Chene (Oak Point). Indian agent Henry Rowe Schoolcraft coined the name Algonac from the Algonquin Indian tribe and the suffix "ac", meaning place.

- **Boating details:** At Algonac, the main body of the St Clair River flows south into its South Channel. The North Channel branches off to the west. The North Channel divides the mainland from Harsens Island. There are a number of Marinas and restaurants along the North Channel. Transient dockage is primarily available in the North Channel.
- **A little bit of history:** The Algonac Historical Society and the Maritime Museum are a short walk from the marina. Chris Smith and his brother Henry started building boats in the late 19th century in Algonac. In 1916, Gar Wood, a noted inventor and industrialist, got into the boat-building business by purchasing the Smith company. In 1924, the Smiths left the Wood operation and formed Chris Craft. The Chris Craft building is on the site of the Algonac Harbor Club and is used for winter storage. "Where it all began" is an appropriate reference to the Algonac area, and can be seen on vans hauling classic wooden Chris Crafts to boat shows.
- **A good place to eat:** The Catch 22 restaurant walls are lined with historic pictures of Algonac.
- **Grabbing a nightcap:** The Algonac Harbor Club has a restaurant and tiki bar.
- **Coffee shop:** Coffee shops are not in abundance in Algonac, but there is a McDonald's.
- **Nearby grocery:** A Kroger grocery is within walking distance of AHC.
- **St. Johns Marsh:** The largest freshwater delta in the world, St. Johns Marsh, is just across the North Channel of the St. Clair River from Algonac, Harsens Island and surrounding islands. 



Algonac Harbor Club aerial view. Photo courtesy AHC



Photo courtesy Cleveland Yachting Club

## Lake Erie Fall Regional Dinner Offers Fine Food and Fellowship

*By Port Captain Ed Mahoney*

The Cleveland Yachting Club in Rocky River, Ohio, is the site of the fall Lake Erie Regional Dinner on Sept. 10.

Port Captain Ed Mahoney will host. The address: The Cleveland Yachting Club, 200 Yacht Club Drive, Rocky River, Ohio 44116. <https://www.cycrr.org>

Cost for this year's event will be \$59 USD, which includes all taxes, gratuity, and credit card processing fees.

This year's event will be at CYC's Center Isle complex. There is an outdoor space available for roaming, the freedom to walk the docks, and of course football on TV. Where appropriate, all 4 of the wall-mounted TV's will be tuned to the Ohio State-Arkansas game.


The event includes a cocktail hour with cash bar, U.S. dollars only, dinner and dessert.

The featured menu is the CYC Clambake: Little Neck clams, roasted chicken thighs, corn succotash, clam chowder, clam broth and apple pie. Dress is casual with

collared shirts.

The CYC harbormaster has placed a priority on dockage requests from GLCC members. Current dockage charges at CYC are \$2.50 USD per foot, with a second night free since GLCC is a member of the Inter-Lake Yachting Association.

If you come by boat, please email your dockage request to the harbormaster, Marc Hooley, [mhooley@cycrr.org](mailto:mhooley@cycrr.org), who will respond with details. Payment can be made by credit card for dockage, but an application for credit must be made in accordance with the information published in the Rocky River, Ohio (E-11) harbor report on the website ([glcclub.com](http://glcclub.com)). Please take note that it requires three business days to process.

There are several hotels in the area, a Red Roof Inn, a Courtyard and Town Place Suites. Please book hotels early. 

## 2022 Trailerable/Small Boat Rally

Save the date & watch for more info to come:

Inland Waterway of Northern Lower Michigan Fall color tour & GLCC Fellowship  
Sept. 29–Oct. 2

Begin & end in Cheboygan, Mich. (H-75). Bring your large dinghy, pontoon, ride on someone else's boat or use your cutty trailer boat. Experience this favorite water route with locks, without the high summertime boat traffic. Places to stay along the way to be provided soon.

Chair: Christine Moore Skrocki 989-245-3343 (text anytime)







## Great Lakes Foundation Ensures Better Future For Water and Boaters

As I wind down my time as president of the Great Lakes Cruising Club, I thought I'd reflect on the historic achievements and progress of the Great Lakes Foundation and its Grants Committee over the past two years.

The Grants Committee was formed at the suggestion of the Board of Directors. The committee vets grant proposals and make recommendations to the Board. The committee received 9 grant applications, 7 of which were recommended to the board and were approved.

The committee: Chair, Port Captain Sharon Simion, Director Mark Lifter, Rear Commodore Eric Sunstrum, Rear Commodore Tony Simion, Judge Advocate Greg Korstad, Director Ardy Barclay, Retired *Lifeline* Editor Philip May, Commodore Dan Cline, and myself, Richard Barzyk.

This committee embodied the mission of the Foun-

dation by working behind the scenes to ensure donations were distributed judiciously.

Grants were awarded to a number of deserving causes, including a sizable land purchase preserving acres of wilderness and shoreline on Manitoulin Island, and channel markers for the upper St. Lawrence River, in the Thousands Island cruising area.

Four grant applications were a result of direct intercession and promotion from committee members. It's important to note that the committee wholeheartedly encourages all club members to be vigilant for potential grant applicants and offer them direction to the committee for assistance with the application.

Almost all grants, regardless of location or size, directly benefit GLCC members, in some way or another.

Our grant to the Nature Conservancy of Canada was particularly impressive as the grant was matched by \$60,000 from the North American Wetlands Conservation Act. That produced an \$80,000 boost for the conservancy's purchase.

A grant to the Thousands Island Association helped secure 120 new channel markers. These keep U.S.





and Canadian boaters safe, and help protect the lakes' eco-system.

The Foundation's pages on the club's website have a refreshing new look, thanks to Cindy Badley, the GLCC's design specialist. She added photos, brief grant descriptions, appreciation notes, and commentary from the recipients.

Lastly, the Amazon-Smile Program was introduced as an optional way for members to make donations painlessly and effortlessly.

Ultimately, Foundation funds distributed over the past 24 months were approximately \$80,000 in mixed currency. The club – and more importantly our Great Lakes – are better for it.

There are too many people to thank individually here, but all contributors have played a critical role in our success.

It's been my privilege to serve as the president of our Foundation. I'm grateful for all the support from

the committee and from the club. I've come to believe the Foundation is truly a beacon of light for deserving causes. Please consider helping us in keeping the light burning brightly.

Member donations are the lifeblood of our Foundation. Your on-going generosity is crucial. There are tax advantages to donating, but I know the joy of giving is the real motivation.

As a boater, you're already blessed. Giving back is the surest way to perpetuate our benevolence and ensure our beloved Great Lakes remain for generations to come.

I ask you to please continue your generous support. On behalf of the Foundation's Board of Directors, I say, "Thank you."




**Rich Barzyk, President** 

## Foundation Grant Helps Expand Dockage Along North Shore of Lake Superior

A new header-dock is being installed at Silver Islet, Ont., thanks in part to a \$26,500 grant from the GLCC's Great Lakes Foundation.

Silver Islet, Ont. (S-128) is the only harbor between Thunder Bay and Nipigon or Rosspoint along the north shore of Lake Superior where dockage is in great demand. The Silver Islet Harbour Association of Thunder Bay officially received ownership of the harbor in 2021.

Phase 1 of the group's long-term project for the harbor is a slip-dock for transient boaters, along with shore-docking for seasonal boaters, both capable of generating critical revenue.

The GLCC's Great Lakes Foundation has distributed more than \$296,241 in grants since 1993. 



*Silver Islet photos by Scott Cheadle, President of Silver Islet Association*





# Rendezvous '22: 'Great to Be Back!'

**Great Lakes Cruising Club 2022 Rendezvous, Mackinaw City, Michigan**

*By Secretary (Ret.) Phil Doolittle, Photos by Rear Commodore Bill Bailey,  
Vice Commodore Doug Jackson and Port Captain Bill Rohde*

More than 60 boats and “substitute boats” of the Great Lakes Cruising Club met in Mackinaw City to renew the lengthy run of the annual GLCC Rendezvous. It was a welcome return after a COVID-cautious hiatus of two years.

A breezy arrival Sunday kept the official “day-glo” clad GLCC docking crews on their toes. Live music from singer/guitarist Buddha Sweet provided background. Potluck appetizers added to the Meet-and-Greet Happy Hour.

Co-chairs Craig Shantz and Dee McClure set attendees on a quest to learn about each other, using customized Bingo cards of personal information.

Rendezvous Monday started with the GLCC Board of Directors meeting, only the second live and in-person meeting that Commodore Dan Cline has presided over in his year and a half in that role. A half-dozen other directors also joined via Zoom.

Vice Commodore Doug Jackson led a discussion on membership recruitment and retention. The Rendezvous also featured a brief Great Lakes Foundation board meeting, followed with an open Port Captains meeting.

Port Captain Coordinator Pamela Carr-Jackson and Harbor Report Editor Julie Thorndycraft demonstrated how to update harbor reports on the GLCC website.

After lunch, Port Captain Bill Rhode hosted the “The Gadget Hour” and demonstrated rope tricks,

navigation tools, cooking pots, and maintenance tools. Doug Jackson showed the small but sophisticated drone he uses for photos.

Whited-suited bridge and other “dignitaries” walked the docks for a fleet review led by Commodore Dan Cline. The review skipped the more traditional dinghy ride so reviewers could meet attendees. Because captains and crews were on the docks instead of their bridges – away from their horn buttons – the review was quieter than usual.

The GLCC took over the White Buffalo restaurant that evening for the Commodore’s Reception, featuring appetizers, refreshments and lots of conversation.

The group gathered Tuesday morning for the Bilge Auction to benefit the GLCC’s Great Lakes Foundation. Auctioneers were Treasurer Niels Jensen, Bill Rhode, Chaplain Nelson Stone, and Barry Lyon.

Two presentations followed the auction. Kim Nowack, director of the Mackinac Bridge Authority, talked about the Straits, the bridge, and special events. She also debunked the story that has kicked around since the 1950s that a worker who died on the job is encased in one of the concrete piers. She also discussed the 5 workers who died during construction.

Steve Brisson, director of Michigan Historic Parks, followed with a comprehensive history of the Straits. He explained how the development of larger ships





affected the location of the forts guarding the Straits, and how the area economy evolved from furs to fish to tourism. He noted that Mackinac Island was the second American national park before it was transferred to Michigan as a state park.

Other presentations featured *GLCCSchool* Instructor Steve Wyckoff explaining that many terms and phrases in common use had a nautical origin, and Bryce Tracy and Bryan Jaeschke of the Mackinaw City Fire Department discussing fire and emergency best practices, including allowing attendees to use a fire extinguisher.

The traditional volleyball game between the Raghaulers and the Stinkpotters was characterized by some long volleys and a few scoring runs. The Stinkpotters took the best-of-three match with 2 straight wins.

The weather was chilly but gorgeous for the evening cruise on one of Shepler's ferries. The route went to the British Landing site on Mackinac Island, passing near St. Ignace, and then beneath the bridge. The captain passed under the bridge 6 times, providing plenty of photo opportunities. Fireworks and the largest full moon of the year topped off the evening.

Wednesday saw us return to the White Buffalo for a hot breakfast, where a server explained the owner also owns a buffalo ranch several miles south of town with an albino buffalo.

Back at the tent, the Bilge Auction resumed before being interrupted by a US Coast Guard demonstration of a helicopter rescue at sea. A dummy represented a person in the water. The chopper descended low enough for a finned rescue worker to swim to the "victim" while the helicopter, back up to a more comfortable altitude, lowered a basket on a cable. The copter

crew winched in the "victim" to the safety, then pulled in the rescue swimmer. This activity took place close enough to the pier that spectators caught the spray kicked up by the prop wash.

After lunch, the group was bused to Fort Michilimackinac State Park. Fort Michilimackinac is a reconstruction of the wooden stockade fort that dominated the Straits in the 18th century, first under the French, then the British. After nearly 200 years of neglect, the fort has been the subject of a lengthy, careful archeological excavation and reconstruction. Modern interpretative displays and docents in period dress give the history.

After returning from the fort it was time for the Commodore's Dinner at the Mackinaw Reception and Conference Center. Commodore Dan Cline, Chaplain Nelson Stone, and Co-chair Dee McClure made comments before the buffet dinner. Awards were given for the boats that traveled the farthest to attend the Rendezvous.

A silent auction for a barometer donated by Weems and Plath and a stay in the Phoenix, Ariz., house owned by Fleet Surgeon (Ret.) Gayle Bowdish and Barry Lyon (donated by them) also benefited the Great Lakes Foundation. Also auctioned was a handmade quilt, an auction tradition, created by Cynthia McNine. It raised \$660, thanks to Cynthia's on-going support.

Overall, \$7,282 was raised for the Great Lakes Foundation from the Bilge Auction, the silent auction, and the other fundraising activities at the Rendezvous.

Thanks go to Rendezvous organizers Craig and Jeanne Shantz, and Dee McClure, and to all who helped. A great time was had by all, but the overriding vibe was, "It's great to be back together again!" 🦋





THE GREAT LAKES CRUISING CLUB

# 2022 Summer RENDEZVOUS

July 10-14

Mackinaw City, Mich. (H-76.5)

*Photos by Rear Commodore Bill Bailey,  
Vice Commodore Doug Jackson and Port Captain Bill Rohde*











## Tour of Lake Michigan Holds Wonders

*This is Part 2 of the log from the extended cruising adventure of Larry and Elizabeth Hunter-Blank aboard the QE II during the COVID year of 2020. They did a tour of the Great Lakes, starting at Chicago, heading to Saugatuck, Mich., and visiting points in between. Their story continues:*

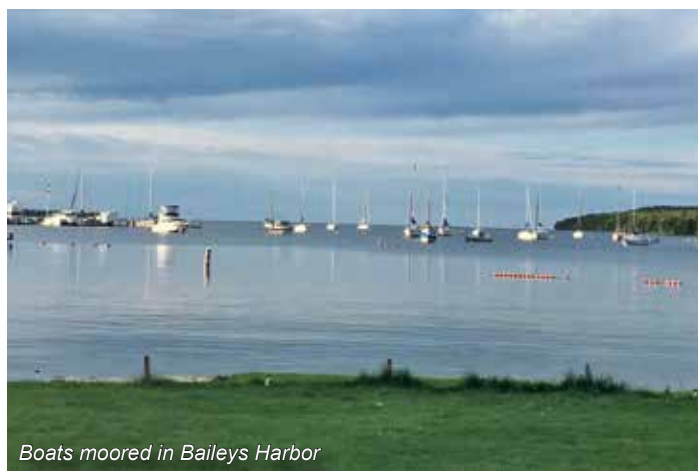
### Sept. 1, 2020

*Baileys Harbor, Wis. (M-54)*

As we exited Baileys Harbor, the winds were out of the south at about 8 knots. We thought we'd try a new way of rigging our sails for what is known as "wing to wing." While we've sailed in this manner previously, we designed a new approach to rigging for such a venture and were quite pleased by the result of controlled and stable maneuvering under sail.

Baileys Harbor is on the eastern, Lake Michigan, side of Door County. Our trip today was to Fish Creek, on the western side of the peninsula (Green Bay). To reach our objective, we navigated across the northern portion of the Door County peninsula and south of Washington Island. This little waterway has the ominous name of "Port Des Mort Passage," or Death's Door. That name alone got our attention.

Despite its name, it was a wide channel and a beautiful setting. It was obvious to us as we made our passage that the leaves were already beginning to turn. This is a beautiful part of the world, but I can only imagine how cold it must be here in the winter. We made our way into Fish Creek and upon settling in, began to walk around the town. We quickly got an understanding of how high the lake has risen when we crossed a boat tied up in what was once the parking lot.



*Boats moored in Baileys Harbor*

We finished the day with dinner at the White Gull Inn.

### Sept. 2, 2020

*Fish Creek, Wis. (M-75, Door County)*

Today was spent in Fish Creek. The marina is within a mile of the Peninsula State Park, which has some great walking trails. We decided to take advantage of them and went on a 5-mile adventure in the woods. It was a nice walk and a good opportunity to stretch our legs after being cooped up in the cockpit of our boat.

Following lunch (a guy's got to eat) we returned to the boat and read. Dinner on the boat was followed by

a short walk to Sunset Beach on the western shore. In a 2-block walk toward the beach, we saw cars from 11 states including Arizona, Florida, and Connecticut. This place can really draw them in. As the sun set, we saw a pelican trying to gather a bedtime snack. We also saw a beautiful moonrise from the cockpit of *QE II*.

### **Sept. 5, 2020**

*Fish Creek, Wis., to Sturgeon Bay, Wis. (M-72.5)*

Another day of unusually strong winds. Winds out of the west southwest between 20 and 25 knots, made getting south from Fish Creek to Sturgeon Bay a challenge. We put up our storm jib (Gale Sail), the fluorescent orange foresail, and reefed the main.

Our performance was better than expected, pointing nearly 35 degrees into the wind. We only



*The Gale Sail, or storm jib, is a bright, fluorescent orange*

made about 4 knots of headway, but that was better than we had hoped given the speed of the wind and beating into 4-foot swells in the process. Ultimately, around Egg Harbor, we turned on the motor, choosing to motor sail the remainder of the trip into Sturgeon Bay and CenterPointe Marina.

We had dinner with Margie and Steve Cooper, fellow Great Lakes Cruising Club members. We had met this lovely couple earlier this year in Kansas City. They have a boat they keep here at CenterPointe Marina and were kind enough to meet us and share sailing stories.

They had just purchased a new boat and we hope to check it out while we are here. It was an amazing coincidence to find another couple who live in Kansas City and have a boat on Lake Michigan. We've enjoyed getting to know them. Tomorrow, our sister and brother-in-law will join us for the weekend. We're looking forward to seeing them and checking out Door County by land.

### **Sept. 9, 2020**

*Sturgeon Bay, Wis.*

Elizabeth and I have been in Sturgeon Bay since last Friday. We've done no sailing during that time, largely due to poor weather. However, we've had ample opportunity to visit with several friends in this "remote" part of the world.

The Labor Day weekend was spent with sister and brother-in-law Donna and Allen Villanueva who visited us from Chicago on their first visit to Door County.



*The sunset overlooking Egg Harbor; Al Johnson's restaurant with a grass roof serving as home to several goats in Sister Bay*

Today, we also had the opportunity to visit with Jim Kane and Marty Hollister Thomas. They were driving up from Chicago to visit Door County for the weekend. While together, we celebrated Marty's birthday.

In all, it has been a nice visit. The weather could have been better, but we enjoyed ourselves and our visit with several friends. Tomorrow, we head back to Chicago via Sheboygan, Wis. The weather is scheduled to clear up and we hope to have favorable winds. Fingers crossed.

### **Sept. 10, 2020**

*Sturgeon Bay, Wis., to Sheboygan, Wis. (M-48)*

We finally left Sturgeon Bay after nearly a week. Elizabeth took the helm and directed us through the channel into Lake Michigan early this morning. As we approached the lake, we passed the Coast Guard station. Along our trip we also passed Rawley Point lighthouse.

We had 3-foot seas and 15- to 18-knot winds directly on our stern. We motor-sailed our way to Sheboygan where we watched a Kansas City Chiefs game. Tomorrow is a 100-mile return to Chicago. Should be fun.

### **Sept. 11, 2020**

*Sheboygan, Wis. to Racine, Wis. (M-45)*

Our sailing trip this year has been a mixture of contrasts. The weather has probably been the worst of our past 15-plus years of sailing on Lake Michigan. In contrast, we've also had some of our best sailing. It's been a strange year to be certain.



We left Sheboygan just past 6:30 a.m. and were met with a beautiful sunrise. It was even better than the pictures would suggest because I had to complete some work preparing for our departure before I could get to my phone. Unfortunately, the old sailing saying, "Red sky in morning, sailor take warning" immediately came to mind. Despite this, we headed south for what was to be over a 100-mile trip to Chicago. We were met with 20-knot winds out of the east (90 degrees to our course) which is a great wind angle for our intended trip. Unfortunately, these winds helped generate 3- to 4-foot seas.

Normally, that wouldn't be too bad, but they were on our beam, making for a very uncomfortable sailing experience. Essentially, we were being rocked side to side along the waves as we were being pushed by the winds toward Chicago. We reefed our foresail twice during our trip along with the main but still managed to make between 6- to 7.5-knot speed over ground.



*The air was cold during the trip to Chicago*

Along the way we sighted three freighters making their way out from Milwaukee. We had plenty of warning and could see their path thanks to our AIS. It was also cold on the water. We left in temperatures of about 50 degrees, and it stayed there all day.

In passing Milwaukee, we had spent nearly 10 hours on the water. After having traveled a little over 60 miles, we decided not to slog it out for another 8 hours. We headed into Racine. The winds were howling. The marina mistakenly put us in a 35-foot slip for our 38-foot boat, causing us some difficulty in our final approach. We weren't happy with its mistake, but the marina comped our two-night stay, so that's nice.

This year has marked several firsts for the *QE II* and her crew: It is the first time we sailed completely across the lake without the aid of the motor. We sailed the entire way from Sheboygan to Racine (over 60 miles) which establishes the longest trip we've ever taken without having to use the motor. Elizabeth has established the fewest number of complaints about her traveling companion than on any other trip. On that basis, it's been a great trip. We have two days remaining.

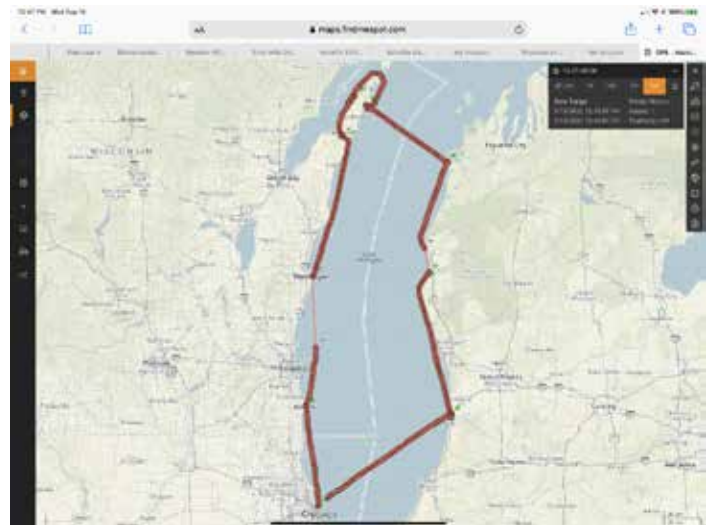
The weather on Saturday calls for terrible rain all day. However, Sunday looks to provide beautiful sailing conditions, with west winds between 10 and 15 knots and waves of less than a foot. It will hopefully provide us with a perfect way to end our three weeks on Lake Michigan.

### **Sept. 16, 2020**

#### *Racine, Wis., to Chicago, Ill. (M-36)*

Say what you will about social isolation in the age of COVID, if you have to isolate, there are few places better than on our boat. We have successfully concluded our three weeks of sailing around Lake Michigan, having covered more than 500 miles. This was a year of contrasts. The weather was, on many occasions, terrible. Yet the sailing was some of the best we have ever had.

We twice sailed long distances during a "Small Craft Advisory," meaning winds over 20 knots and waves of an uncomfortable nature and height. I was reminded of a fellow sailor many years ago telling me that ours "was not a small craft."



*This map shows our location throughout the trip and the distance we traveled. The open spaces were times when we simply forgot to turn on our location device, SPOT. During our final day of sailing, we again sailed a bit "wing to wing."*



*QE II on her mooring in "Sweet Home Chicago".*

Overall, the highlight of our trip came in the confidence we developed in our boat's capability and in our ability to sail her in less-than-ideal conditions. That is worth quite a lot.

We were on the boat for 25 days. That Elizabeth didn't relegate me to the dinghy, throw me overboard, or return with a mysterious claim that I was "lost at sea" was indeed impressive and clearly obliterated the over / under on that bet.

We enjoyed our time on the water, but it's good to be home.

Follow the sailing adventures of the *QE II* and her crew on our blog, [www.QEII.blog](http://www.QEII.blog), where we will be chronicling our future excursions on the Great Lakes. 🚩

**This concludes Larry and Elizabeth's story.**



*About the Founders Award: It is an annual GLCC member award for the best cruising log of a cruise on the Great Lakes. The award honors the founding members of the GLCC.*

*The award recognizes members for exemplary skill and artistry in recording their cruises on the Great Lakes; to foster increased participation and involvement by members in Club activities; and to provide a mechanism for soliciting material which can be used in Lifeline, in the Port Pilot & Log Book, and in other GLCC publications. You may visit <http://www.glccclub.com/founders-award>.*



## Rendezvous, Lake Superior Were 'The Cat's Meow'

*By Mylo Hanson-Occhino  
(with help from David J. Hanson)*

Dear GLCC members and my GLCC pet buddies,

I just attended my first GLCC Rendezvous at Mackinaw City, Mich. I had a great time, I really felt welcome. I liked was all the pretty colored flags. My mom and dad (Lennine Ochino and David Hanson) explained that it is called "dressing ship" and low and behold my dad knew how to do this and had all the flags from before my time of just 2 years on the boat and with this family.

The last leg of our journey to the Rendezvous was from Sturgeon Bay, Wis., some 134 nautical miles away. Now I am "well-seasoned crew" in my new family. I stood at attention and stared straight ahead when the American and Canadian anthems were played.

I saw the Commodore and Bridge. Very nice in their dress whites. They came by to meet me personally.

I loved the fresh air, clear water – and the ducks. It's always a new adventure when we come into a new harbor.

After the Rendezvous, we continued to Lake Superior, a trip my family said they have been wanting to take for some 25 years but couldn't due to work schedules. Now they are both retired, and they concentrate on me.

This was a big thrill for me. I got to go to the beach. I rolled in the sand. My mom and dad laughed every time I poked my nose in the air and breathed in that glorious Lake Superior air. I dipped my paw in the water. Boy, was it cold!

I had a great time at my first Rendezvous, and hope to attend another one in the future and see my new friends and meet more GLCC members.





## Lake Erie Has Never Been Quite This 'Wild' Before Now

*By Hosts Dave & Lori Guertal*

The Wild, Wild West stampeded into Middle Bass Island, Ohio (E-18.5), on June 16. We had 37 boats registered with 83 folks for the weekend, and 55 cowpokes who rode the waves early just to be there for friends, pizza and Western Trivia on Thursday.

It was an easy gallop through mid-week, but Thursday night the wind started kickin'. By Friday morning and throughout the day, many boats were ridin' the waves like a buckin' bronco! Still, only 4 boats had to withdraw because of weather, illness or mechanical issues.

Lynda Nossaman and her posse even tried to ride through, first on Thursday, then on Friday, but could not harness the wind and waves. Not to be bucked off, they all came Saturday morning by ferry instead.

Each person attending was awarded a bag of gold nuggets worth \$20 to spend at the Island Grind Cafe in the Press House at Lonz Winery. Specialty coffees, breakfast and lunch treats were available in trade for the gold nuggets. Thursday night trivia was 25 questions about the Old West. Four rustlers knew their stuff and had 15 or more questions correct. Everyone received a CowTail candy stick for trying and the winners even got extra. Did you know that the OK Corral shootout only lasted 30 seconds? It was a fast showdown for sure.



*Port Captain Dennis Dutcher  
mustering the ring*



*Liz Musolf works  
on lassoing a steer*

Our very own cowboys (Port Captains), Jim Egen-sperger and Denny Dutcher, played their guitars and sang campfire songs for the group during dinner. There were 5 kinds of pizza, tossed salad, chips and amazing cookies to delight our palates. Water, pop and a cash bar quenched our thirst all weekend.

Friday morning, Vice Commodore Doug Jackson, our weekend photographer, set the drone aloft for some spectacular air shots of the Lonz Winery grounds and our boats at the docks. Folks were enjoying the company of our fellow attendees and sightseeing the island. That evening, a taco bar dinner and s'mores bar for sweets were served by Jane Wolnik, owner of the Island Grind Cafe. It was in the beautiful and rustic Lonz Shelter House. Again, Jim Egen-sperger shared his guitar and voice skills.

Our first-timers and group photos were taken with the Lonz tower as the backdrop. We finished the evening by cheering on our last boater, first-timer Bryan Burgess, into his dock at 22:20. At least 20 of us helped guide him in the dark waters.

The winds were high late into the night. Power was cut off from the island for 90 minutes or more. We bucked and twisted but stayed safely in our corrals.

Saturday morning brought cooler air and stiff breezes but did not affect the fun planned for the day. We started off with the flag presentations to Army veteran Andy Leffler (U.S. flag); Canadian citizen Becky Hall (Canadian flag); and Region 53 Rear Commodore Jim Ehrman (GLCC burgee). Doug McCray led the group in singing the U.S. and Canada national anthems. Janice Ehrman followed with a "Blessing of the Fleet."

Jim Ehrman held a well-attended port captains meeting. It sparked interest among several members in becoming port captains.

Western games were played after lunch. Cactus Ringing winners were Steve and Becky Hall, Martin and





Cow girls Laurie Wilke and Veronica Patton shoot 'em up real good as Andy Leffler and Rear Commodore Jim Ehrman look on at the OK Corral

Lynn Jones, and Deputy Port Captain (Ret.) Max and Donna Guzman. Prizes were cactus jellies and teas.

Next up was Steer Roping. "Sir Loin" was grazing quietly until lariats started flying. Four cowpokes at a time were trying to lasso his head from four directions. New member Bryan Burgess was the top cowboy with an impressive time of 26 seconds from the back end of Sir Loin.

Max Guzman, Donna Guzman and Liz Musolf also lassoed the steer in 60 seconds. Winners received a bag of beef jerky. Slim Jim beef sticks were handed out to all who played.

During Saloon Bottle Knock-Down, each player had 9 Nerf bullets to knock over 3 bottles. We had 7 winners. Port Captain Alan Clark, Tim Musolf, Dick Coleman, Donna Guzman, Barbie Leffler, Steve Hall and Gary Wilke each received a sarsaparilla to celebrate their skills. Beer Barrel candies were given out to all who tried.

The last game was the wildest and wettest. The OK Corral Shootout saw water pistols used on opponents and bystanders alike. Martin Jones won the Western toy rifle, Greg Arnold won the toy pistol, and Port Captain Heidi Egensperger won the cowboy bandages to patch up the losers.

Saturday night, the Lucky Fools duo played their guitars and sang for us while we ate beef brisket and BBQ chicken with all the fixings. Folks came dressed in their finest and most creative western attire and played their Wild West poker hands at their tables. The best hand at each table won the cactus and bandana centerpiece at their table.

Dead-Eye Dave and Lusty Lora (Guertal) hosted the evening. Dead-Eye Dave's trusty horse, Bullseye, stood ready for pictures (taken by Doug Jackson) of the guests at the GLCC Wild West Saloon.

After dinner, the group voted on the 3 best-dressed participants. The winners: Jim and Janice Ehrman (undertaker and saloon girl); Gerry Brems (gold miner); and Doug and Chris McCray (best dressed cowboy-cowgirl). The Ehrmans won Cow Chips (chocolate taffy), Brems won Armadillo Poo (also chocolate taffy) and the McCrays won John Wayne toilet paper to clean up.

Chris McCray also received her long-awaited Ken-



Rear Commodore Jim & Janice Ehrman, Chairs Lori & Dave Guertal



Line dancing was a popular activity for these cowfolk



Vice Commodore Doug Jackson & Pam Carr-Jackson pose with Bullseye the horse

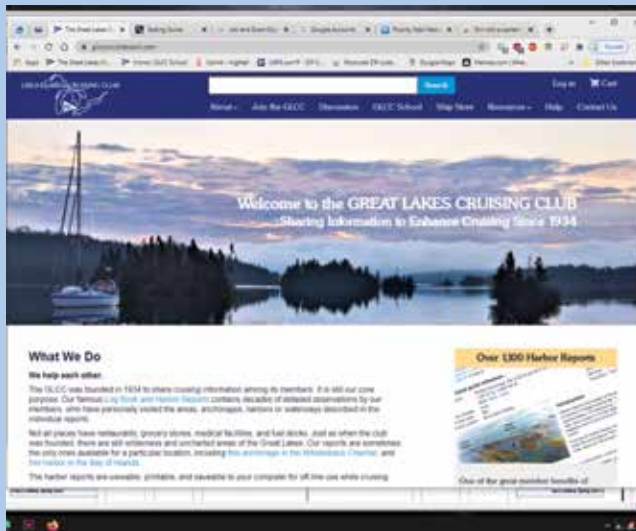
tucky Rose from the 2019 Rally in Leamington. Lusty Lora and Barbie Leffler led the gals in line dancing.

GLCC weekend cowpokes saw a calm, beautiful Sunday morning sunrise as the attendees' boats were leisurely trotting off to their home ports. Everyone finished their weekend by spending the last of their gold nuggets at the Island Grind Cafe on specialty coffees and breakfast treats for the ride ahead.

Special thanks go to Andy and Barbie Leffler, Jim and Janice Ehrman, Doug Jackson, Jim Egensperger and Jane Wolnik (owner of Island Grind Cafe). Without them, this event wouldn't have run as smoothly as it did. The memories will last for years to come.

We look forward to seeing everyone again and hope to add even more friends to the crowd at next year's GLCC Lake Erie Rally, as we embark on an "African Jungle Cruise" on Middle Bass Island on Father's Day weekend June 15-18, 2023. Watch the Winter and Spring *Lifeline* editions for more details as African animals and explorers begin roaming this beautiful Lake Erie Island. 🚩





# GLCC Website Challenge

## Find Your Insurance Options

Amy O'Gara, with the *S/V Maris Stella*, out of Fair Haven, Mich. is the winner of the Summer 2022 GLCC Website Challenge. The question was, "What are the three agencies that offer GLCC members boat insurance options? Where on the website can I find the answer?"

Amy's answer: "The three agencies are MD Marine Insurance (Canada), and Larkin Group, and Travelers (in the U.S.). The answer is on the Membership Benefits page."

Amy's answer entitles her to two official GLCC cold beverage cozies, and all laud and honor that comes with being named in the *Lifeline*.

The GLCC website has a lot of useful information of value to GLCC members. The Website Challenge is designed to encourage members to take advantage of this unique resource. (And, of course, the chance to win a couple of GLCC cozies – not available at any store.)

The Fall challenge question is: How and where do you notify the GLCC Harbor Report editors about changes or needed additions or deletions to a harbor report you visit?

Send your answer to "GLCC Website Challenge" at [glclub@att.net](mailto:glclub@att.net). The first to answer correctly gets the highly desirable cozies and a mention in *Lifeline*.

Remember: Everyone who gets more familiar with our website is a winner. 🚩



## Port Captain's Logbook



### Port Captain Lou Bruska

Holland Harbor & Lake Macatawa, Mich.  
West (M-24)

Lou Bruska has been a sailor for 40 years. He and his wife, Laurel, bought their first boat in 1978, and started racing. After 15 Chicago-Mac races and countless buoy races, Lou now devotes his time to cruising. He has been a member of the Great Lakes Cruising Club since 2003, Chairman of the Log Book & Port Pilot Committee (Log Book Editor) 2012–18 and is currently an instructor with the *GLCCSchool*. In 2019, he received a GLCC Award of Merit. The couple have participated in numerous GLCC activities and events. Their current boat *Sojourn* is a Catalina 36 MKI TR, berthed at the Eldean Shipyard Marina in Macatawa. 🚩



### Port Captains Rob & Kelly Hillman

Presque Isle Harbor, Mich. (H-70)

Port Captains Rob Hillman and his wife, Kelly, took up sailing as a retirement adventure. Rob's only sailing experience was on a 17-foot pocket cruiser, while Kelly had previously owned a Columbia 39. However, in 2015, the couple traveled to Ft. Lauderdale to complete three American Sailing Association courses to become certified in Bareboat Cruising. Soon after, they purchased a 40-foot sloop and began a steep learning curve enjoying the cruising lifestyle. Over the past six years, the couple has lived their summers on *S.V. Windshadow* cruising Georgian Bay, Lake Huron's North Channel, Lake Huron and two seasons on Lake Superior, visiting Isle Royale twice, the Minnesota north shore and a couple of months in the Apostle Islands. 🚩



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## Todd & Susan Alspaugh

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*ENDEAVOR II*

## Thomas & Nicole Anspach

Sturgeon Bay, Wis.  
*SIMMER DOWN*

## Greg & Cherie Barbeck

Diversey Harbor - Chicago, Ill.

## Jim & Marcia Bonahoom

Grosse Pointe, Mich.  
*BLISS*

## Glen & Janet Brannen

Penetanguishene, Ont.  
*GRAND CRU*

## Nick & Winifred Braunsch

Goderich, Ont.  
*WAHOO!*

## Scott Bretting

Ashland, Wis.  
*MS RIVER ROCK*

## Michael Brown & Christine Shaffer-Brown

Doing Great Loop  
*OUR PLAN*

## Bryan & Amy Burgess

Sandusky, Ohio  
*THERAPY*

## Rafael & Amy Caballero

New Buffalo, Mich.  
*SILVER LINING*

## Jane & Tom Fidler

Portage Lake, Mich.  
*PICNIC BOAT*

## Glen & Dorothy Floyd

Titusville, Fla.  
*DOT'S WAY*

## Robert & Keira Gregory

Burnham Park Harbor -  
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*AGAPE*

## David & Anastasia Griffin

Anchor Bay, Mich.  
*GRIFFIN*

## Don & Sue Groszek

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## Daryl Grubbs & Karin Koerner

Jax Beach, Fla.  
*YES DEAR*

## Ellen & Michael Hatch

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## Frank & Liza Hazzard

Holland Harbor, Mich.  
*LIZA MIN*

## Jon & Judy Hollander

Sandusky, Ohio  
*FAMILY RETREAT*

## Brian Lake

Mentor Harbor, Ohio  
*BANTAM*

## John Lefebre & Janet Rideout

Victoria Harbour, Ont.  
*PARADOX*

## Johan Liljeros

Belmont Harbor - Chicago, Ill.  
*ANEMOS*

## Don Martin

Doing Great Loop  
*CHANGING LATITUDES*

## Michael & Meg McGrane

Manitowoc, Wis.  
*INTERLUDE*

## Chris & Cindi Meyer

Grosse Pointe, Mich.  
*WITH GUSTO*

## Robert Morse

Holland Harbor, Mich.  
*CUR-N-SEA*

## Jed & Sarah Moulton

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*LEAVE IT TO WALLY*

## Hugh Wunderlich

Middle Bass Island, Ohio  
*AERIE*

## Rick & Fern Zimmerman

Collingwood, Ont.  
*APRES SOL*



Pictured: Michael & Ellen Hatch

## 2023 Boat Show Schedule

### Progressive Chicago Boat Show

Jan. 11-15

McCormick Place  
Chicago, Ill.

<http://www.chicagoboatshow.com>

### Progressive Cleveland Boat Show & Fishing Expo

TBD

I-X Center

<http://clevelandboatshow.com>

### Toronto International Boat Show

Jan. 20-29

Enercare Centre


<http://www.torontoboatshow.com>

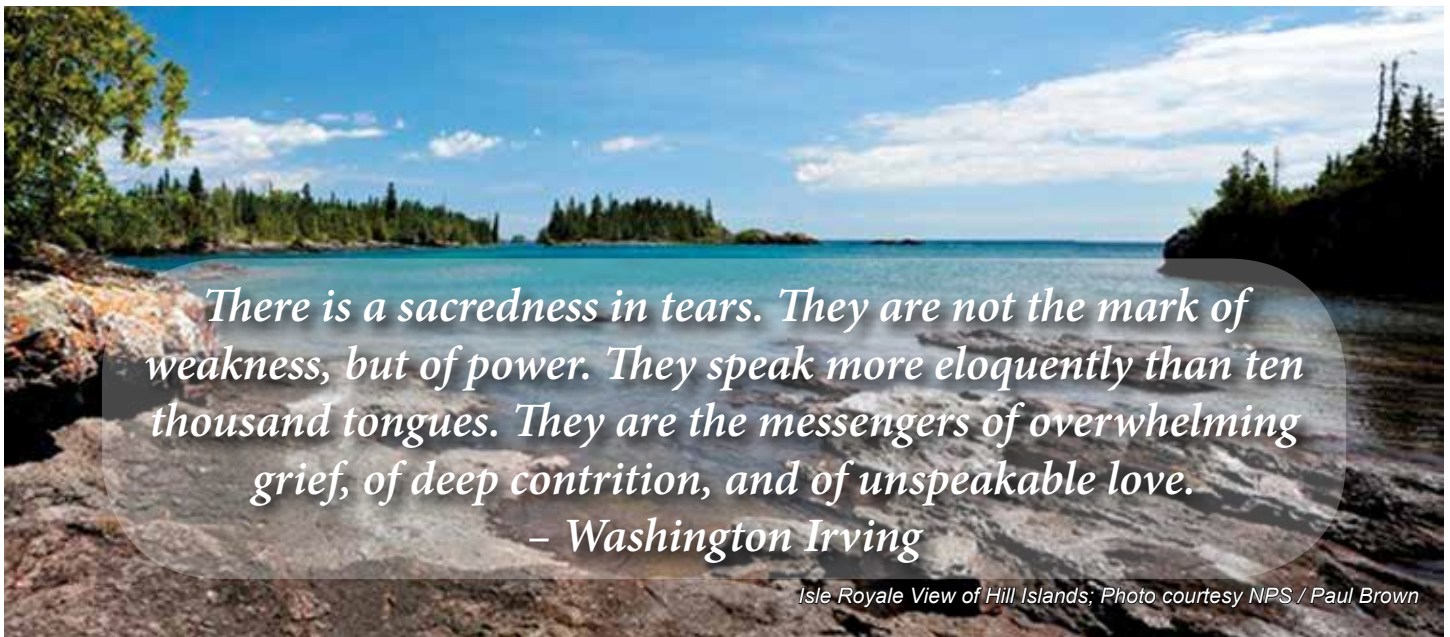
## Be a Volunteer at Boat Shows

The Great Lakes Cruising Club is an active participant in regional boat shows during the non-boating months. Please consider helping out at the GLCC booth during these shows. (Details about upcoming shows are listed here.)

Volunteers qualify for free, or significantly reduced admission. Tasks mostly involve donating a few hours of your time talking to prospective new members and other fellow Great Lakes boaters.

To volunteer and get more information, contact the chairperson for the show you are interested in, or call the GLCC office at 810-984-4500.

After all, If you are planning on attending, why not also have some fun volunteering to crew the GLCC booth? 



*There is a sacredness in tears. They are not the mark of weakness, but of power. They speak more eloquently than ten thousand tongues. They are the messengers of overwhelming grief, of deep contrition, and of unspeakable love.*

*– Washington Irving*

*Isle Royale View of Hill Islands; Photo courtesy NPS / Paul Brown*

## Eight Bells

### **Marianne (Kellie) Hall**

Marianne (Kellie) Hall, 90, of Rogers City, died May 1 in Alpena. She was the wife of Rogers City, Mich. (H-73) Port Captain Beach Hall. They were married in 1954.

Memorials to Kellie Hall may be given to the Westminster Presbyterian Church of Rogers City Endowment Fund, or the Hall Fund for Northeast Michigan. Both charities may be found at the website of the Community Foundation of Northeast Michigan, [cfnem.org](http://cfnem.org).

### **JoEllen Schneider**

JoEllen Schneider died July 6 after a 14-month battle with cancer. She was the wife of long-time member and retired Harbor Report Editor Ron Dwelle.

They joined GLCC in 1977. JoEllen was a key part of the team that converted GLCC harbor reports to files that were then uploaded to the GLCC website.

Donations in her memory may be sent to Gilda's Club Grand Rapids, the Lacks Cancer Center, or the Bluebird Cancer Retreat of Holland.

### **Herb Eldean**

Port Captain Herb Eldean died May 9 at Eldean Shipyard in Macatawa, Mich. Herb had been a member of GLCC since 1979 and was appointed as Port Captain of Holland Harbor & Lake Macatawa (M-24) in 1984, a position he held until his passing.


At age 18, Herb helped turn the Chicago River green for the St. Patrick's Day Parade and at age 24, was appointed federal harbormaster for Chicago's Monroe Street Harbor (M-37). At 25, Herb was awarded a Certificate of Merit by the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary in appreciation of his many rescues of life and property in the Monroe Street Harbor (This was the first time a non-member of the auxiliary was given this award).

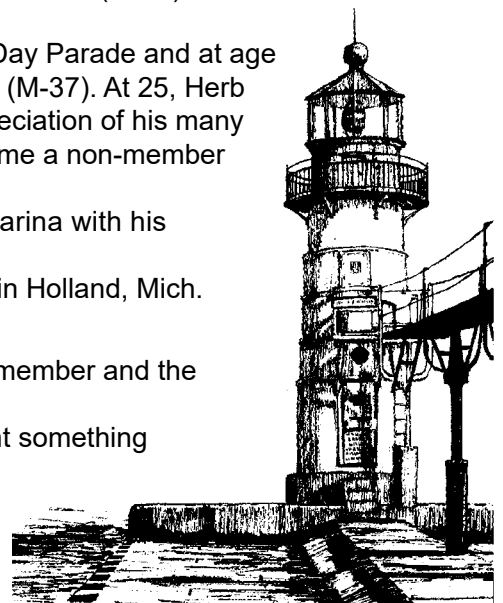
He and his wife, Pat, moved to Macatawa in 1973 and purchased the marina with his brother, Roger, and founded Eldean Shipyard & Yacht Sales.

Memorial contributions are encouraged to the Outdoor Discovery Center in Holland, Mich.

### **Ann Ogur**

Ann Ogur died May 4 in Traverse City, Mich. Ann was a long-time GLCC member and the wife of Rear Commodore (Ret.) Bob Ogur.

Her children suggest that anyone wishing to honor Ann Ogur "please plant something beautiful, volunteer for a special cause, or make a donation to the Peninsula Community Library at 2893 Island View Road, Traverse City, MI 49686, or the Botanic Garden at Historic Barns Park, 1490 Red Drive, Traverse City, MI 49684." 







## Member to Member

Member-to-member ads are available to GLCC members. The ads are intended solely for personal boats and boat-related gear, and for cruising activities such as boat-swapping. They are not available for commercial advertising. Ads run a maximum of three issues in *Lifeline*. For listing details or to place an ad, please visit [www.glccclub.com/forums/ads](http://www.glccclub.com/forums/ads).



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### PORT CAPTAINS NEEDED

Looking for a way to contribute to your GLCC? Consider becoming a port captain. The harbor reports for each port in the Great Lakes are the mainstay of the Club, and port captains maintain the report for their port. Want to learn more? Contact Pam Jackson, Port Captain Coordinator, at [pam@dougandpam.com](mailto:pam@dougandpam.com)



## Great Lakes Cruising Club CALENDAR OF EVENTS

**2022**

**Sept. 10**

Lake Erie Regional Meeting  
Cleveland Yacht Club  
Rocky River, Ohio (E-11)  
Port Captain Ed Mahoney  
216-401-6587 [eemahoney@outlook.com](mailto:eemahoney@outlook.com)

**Oct. 28-30**

Annual General Membership Meeting  
Port Huron, Mich. (D-1)  
Port Captains Dale & Teena Lashbrook  
810-434-7267 [d2lash@hotmail.com](mailto:d2lash@hotmail.com)

**Oct. 29**

Board of Directors Meeting at the  
Annual General Membership Meeting

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