AUGUST 2015 ISSUE

From the Top of the Mast

Glenn Arent, Commodore

What a great summer to date we have had at SJRYC, full of events, surprise guests (Arete), and an outstanding showing by our River Rats under the leadership of our new Head Coach Paul Hirn and Assistant Coach Mitchell Davis. Well Done Rats!

It is time again for the Board to solicit candidates from our membership to fill vacancies that will occur for the 2016 calendar year.

2016 Board Positions Available: Benefits: Enjoy the excitement of helping build the second century of a wonderful institution in the Twin Cities, located in the finest yacht club facility on the Great Lakes. Make new friends, and learn more about our Club.

Sharpen your business skills and leadership abilities in a fast paced fun environment.

Selection Process: There are 12 Board positions. Terms are 3 years, so 4 positions are up for election each year. The Nominating Committee will select candidates during September. Ballots will be mailed to the entire membership around October 10th. Votes will be counted about October 26th, and all candidates will be notified of the results shortly after.

Responsibilities: Provide strategic and tactical direction to guide the operation of our Club to insure that it successfully achieves its mission. Fairly represent all the membership, balancing various member interests and the long term financial strength of

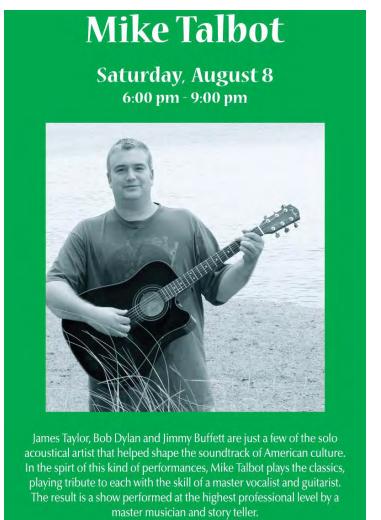
our Club. Participate in monthly Board meetings and special meetings that may be required from time to time. Participate in Club activities and interact with other members to stay in touch with their needs and their view of how well our Club is achieving its mission. Promote our Club in a positive way within the membership and the community. Foster a friendly, inclusive atmosphere among the membership to build the feeling that our Club is like a second home. Serve as chair or member of committees as time and interest permit.

Attributes: Ability to work positively and constructively in a team environment. Vision and the ability to set direction and craft strategic plans that will insure the long term success of

our Club. Understanding of general business operations, including marketing, accounting and facility management. (Our Club is about a \$900,000 per year operation, and still growing.) Personal interest in one or more of our Club's major activities (boating, social activities, and swimming). Must be a Club member or the spouse or domestic partner of a member.

To Apply: Send a letter (1 page or less) to the Nominating Committee, c/o Commodore Glenn Arent, BY SEPTEMBER 15th. Include a photo and description of your background and experience. State why you would like to be a member of the SJRYC Board, and why you believe you would be a good candidate. Email to commodore@sjryc.com, or mail to SJRYC Nominating Committee, Box 3, St. Joseph, MI 49085.





Let's Get Social -

August 8

Lobster / Clam Bake 6 pm Mike Talbot 6 pm to 9 pm

August 9

Deep Fried Pickle Project Family Show & Kindermusic Workshop 2-4 pm

August 13

Board Meeting at SJRYC 6:30pm

August 22

Cheeseburger in Paradise Party 6 pm to 10 pm

August 22

JT Buffet Band 7 pm to 10 pm

Fleet Vice Commodore Report

Byron Higgins, Fleet Vice Commodore

CHICAGO/MACKINAC RACE – OUR GUYS DO WELL AGAIN!!!!!!

The Chicago Yacht Club hosted 330 sail-boats in the 107th race to Mackinac Island, a distance of 333 miles. There were 11 SJRYC sailboats among this fleet and they did remarkably well, AGAIN. The boats participate in various sections and divisions depending on their handicap.

Andy Grootendorst and Jim DeVries in their Morgan 41, *Cynthia*, finished first in

their section and 2nd overall in the Mackinac Cup, a fantastic performance.

Not to be out done, Gentaris Karatasis in *Quick Silver* finished 2nd in his section in the Mackinac portion of his race and 10th overall in the Chicago/Mackinac Cup. But going one step further, they continued to race in the Super Mac, an extension non-stop race that goes from Chicago to Port Huron Michigan, a distance of 568 miles. *Quick Silver* and her crew finish first in his section and 6th in monohaul overall. Another fantastic performance. They will participate in the Port Huron/Mackinac Race this weekend.

Cynthia and **Quick Silver** had a lot of company from their fellow members of the Saint Joseph River Yacht Club racing fleet

Tom Jacobs in *Dandelion* and Jud Brown in *Silk* finished 3rd in their respective sections. Patrick Nelson in *Captain Blood* and Jeff Alisch in *Rush* both had high finishes in their sections. *Attitude*, *Elixir*, *Chateau Ste. Michelle*, and *Wellenreiter* successfully finished their race to Mackinac.

A fabulous "well done" to everyone who participated in the race.





Sunday, August 9 2 pm to 4 pm

Family Concert Followed by Kindermusic Workshop

Enjoy Sing-Along, Dance-Along Music with the Pickles.

Then learn how to make homemade instruments from recycled materials at the Kindermusic Workshop. The Pickles have brought the joy of music to thousands of adults and children around the country.

Bring a chair, bring a blanket or just sit on the grass, but join us out on the lawn to enjoy this fun concert.

Tri-State Regatta Party

Laurie Canfield, Chairperson

Save the date Saturday, September 5 for the *Tri-State Regatta Party*. You won't want to miss the biggest party of the year. This party has it all, from an "all you can eat" pancake breakfast to a grilled steak and chicken dinner.

The entertainment starts at 2:00 pm with *Mike Talbot* at the Rhumbline Bar. *Libido Funk Circus* takes the main stage at 8:00 pm. The party is open to the public, so bring your family and friends.

This huge party takes many volunteers to put on. We need volunteers Friday evening, Saturday day and night, and Sunday morning. Please consider helping the club. Sign-up sheets are in the club entrance or email lauriecanfield@hotmail.com.

Social Report

Laurie Canfield, Rear Commodore

Summer is in full swing and what better way to enjoy it than at the yacht club.

Our second *Lobster / Clam Bake* of the summer will be Saturday, August 8. Cocktails at 6:00 pm with dinner at 7:00 pm. Reservations required. Due to the high cost of lobster, the price of this Lobster Clam Bake will be \$45.00. *Mike Talbot* will be playing at the Rhumbline Bar from 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm.

Sunday, August 9 the club will have **Deep Fried Pickle Project Family Concert** from

2:00 pm to 4:00 pm. Enjoy sing-along, dance-along music with the Pickles. Then learn how to make homemade instruments from recycled materials at the *Kindermusic Workshop*. The Pickles have brought the joy of music to thousands of adults and children around the country. Bring a chair, bring a blanket or just sit on the grass, but join us out on the lawn to enjoy this fun family concert. Children must be accompanied by an adult. This event will be held inside if weather is bad.

It wouldn't be summer without some *Jimmy Buffet* music. Saturday, August 22 will be the club *Cheeseburger in Paradise Party* with live music by *JT Buffet Band* at the Rhumbline Bar. Dinner at 6:00 pm with music starting at 7:00 pm. Please let the bar know if you will be attending so the galley can plan accordingly.

Come down to the club and enjoy all it has to offer!





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