

Special Interest Articles:

- Owners meet for the 29th year.
- Do you know what to do if caught in a rip current?
- There be Pirates on the lake!

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29th Annual Meeting of Co-Owners

The 29th Annual Meeting of Co-owners was held on Saturday, June 19th. 80 co-owners were represented in person or by proxy.

The board seats of Dan Fair, Bruce Rohrer and Bob Uehlein were up for nominations and election. Dan, Bruce, and Bob were re-elected by acclamation. Your 2011-2012 Board of Directors are President Dan Fair (slip #70), Vice-President Bruce Rohrer (slip #195), Secretary Bob Uehlein (slip #81), Treasurer Mark Pirie (slip #50), and Director David Juliani, Jr. (slip #176).

Following the meeting the annual picnic was moved inside the clubhouse (just in case there were bugs). Our Harbormaster Eric and his wife Vel Kammermann served up delicious pulled pork and chicken. Everyone brought a dish to pass, providing a great selection.

The annual dock box sale was once again a success with 3 dinghys and a host of nautical items changing hands. The staff this year has Trent, Taylor, Matt, and Abbi returning, with Chrystal joining us for her first summer.

Office and staff hours are 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. through the peak season.

Dockage assistance is always available if you need help entering or leaving your slip, please give us enough notice. All staff members monitor channel 16, 09, & 80A. Please try to hail on channel 09. Channel 16 is used as a distress frequency only. Since we are required to monitor all 3 frequencies, we cannot tell which frequency you are on when you call in unless you tell us.

Mahalo, Merci, Grazie, Danke, Tack, Muchos Gracias!

At the annual meeting of co owners held on June 18th, President, Dan Fair, speaking on behalf of the Association, thanked Board Secretary Bob Uehlein for his many years of service to the Association and lauded the volunteer work that Bob does for everyone presenting him with a gift certificate. Bob was also given a well earned round of applause.

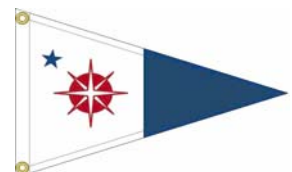
Association Vice President, Bruce Rohrer, presented the 2010 Dock Attendants of The Year Scholarship Award to recipient, Trent Bradley. Trent was chosen by the Board of Directors and

Harbormaster and was awarded a \$500. Scholarship. Trent has been with Northwest Marine for 3 years and is yet undecided on a school. Trent was unable to attend the presentation so Eric Kammermann thanked the association on his behalf. The Scholarship fund is self sufficient of any Association funding and offered each year through the donations of individual slip owners.

On behalf of the Association, Mark Pirie thanked Eric Kammermann for his years of service and stewardship. Eric was

presented with a gift certificate and given a round of applause.

Association co-owner, Jeff Wagner said that he would like to publicly acknowledge this Northwest Marine Yacht Basin Association Board of Directors for their years of service and positive stewardship in leading our organization and that the minutes should so reflect this. A round of applause was given in affirmation.



Boat Service and Storage



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bergmannmarine.com

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If You Ever Get Caught In a Rip Current



Rip current deaths rank second nationwide in water related fatalities.

1. Remain calm to conserve energy and think clearly.
 2. Never fight the current.
 3. Think of it like a treadmill that cannot be turned off, of which you need to step to the side.
 4. Swim out of the current in a direction following the shoreline.
- When out of the current,

swim at an angle – away from the current – towards shore.

5. If you are unable to swim out of the rip current, float or calmly tread water. When out of the current swim towards shore.
6. If you are still unable to reach shore, draw attention to yourself by waving your arm and yelling for help.

Remember, many people drown while trying

to save someone else from a rip current. If you see someone in trouble, don't become a victim too.

1. Get help from a lifeguard.
2. If a lifeguard is not available, have someone call 9-1-1.
3. Throw the rip current victim something that floats -- a lifejacket, a cooler, an inflatable ball.
4. Yell instructions on how to escape.

Parking Reminder

Please remember to park in the North-upper parking lot while cruising. If you have more than one vehicle or a large SUV/truck, park in the North-upper lot. Transient dock rentals are to park in the North upper lot. Seasonal leases are to

park in the North lots. Do not park directly in front of the condos at any time. Do not park on the lawn. The spaces at the South end near the bike rack are for loading and unloading only. Northwest Slip Owners may park in the spaces on the west side of

the Condo lot August 1st through June 30th (the month of July is for condo owners only).

Summer of 2011 Dock Assistants



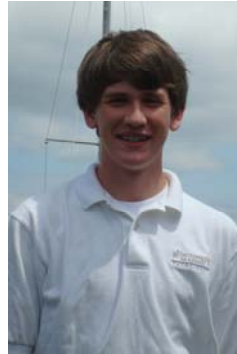
Taylor Markgraf



Matt Klooster



Chrystal Batdorff



Trent Bradley

All of this year's staff have attended a Marina Attendant Training class and have received a certificate as a "Certified Marina Attendant".



Northwest Marine Yacht Club

Poolside

July 22, 2011

6pm - 9pm

Fireworks to follow at dusk!

Certified Marina Assistant's

On June 10th our staff along with the Municipal Marina staff and Bay Harbor Yacht Club personnel spent the day at *Marina Attendant Training class receiving their certificate as a "Certified Marina Attendant"* joining 1200 graduates at 60 marinas on the Great Lakes. Their curriculum included:

- Marine Tourism is a service industry
- VHF marine radiotelephone operation
- Docking of boats
- Line placement and Knot tying
- Safe fueling
- Sewage Pump-out
- Special vessels – catamarans, personal watercrafts, rafting
- Restrooms and shower cleaning
- Fire extinguishers and safety
- Personal skills for success
- Business skills – telephone answering, making change, customer relations
- Glossary of boating terms
- Homeland security
- Clean Marina practices
- Promote Best Management Practices

"Northern Michigan's premier Rockabilly, Roots Rock and Honky Tonk band, The Worker Bees, returns to Northwest Marine!"



"We have 200 photos on FLICKR!"



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On one of those rainy days you should take time to check out our Northwest Marine website. Some of the many things you can access are:

1. a list of area marine links and weather,
2. 2011 Owners Directory,
3. 2011 Owner Search – Alphabetically,

4. 2011 Seasonal Leasees,
5. Northwest Marine Master Deed.
6. 5 Year Major Repair Plan as of August, 2006.
7. 5 Year Major Repair Plan as of May, 2010,
8. Blank lease form.
9. Lease authorization form.

10. Float plan form.
11. United Design request and report.
12. Newsletters.
13. Annual meeting and Board of Director minutes.

You can also find us on Facebook, Flickr, and Google Maps.

Welcome

If you have recently purchased a slip in Northwest Marine Yacht Basin Association you must notify:

(Electrical Utilities)
Charlevoix City Utilities
210 State Street
Charlevoix, MI 49720
231-547-3259

Association dues, accounting, mailings, etc.)
Mason & Kammermann P.C.
110 Park Avenue
Charlevoix, MI 49720
231-547-4911

Emergency Contact information
Harbormaster
231-547-5552
After Hours Emergency
231-547-5434

Take The Pledge



I pledge to boat safely each and every time I go out on the water, keeping myself, my family, my friends and fellow boaters from harm's way.

I pledge to wear my life jacket and ensure everyone on board wears theirs.

I pledge to remain sober and alert, to stay in control of my craft and respect the rights of others enjoying the waterways.

"We have pictures posted on Google Maps....take a look and post some of your own Northwest Marine photos!"

Pirates on Lake Michigan

While the world watches the Somali pirate drama, there's a story to be told of pirates right here on Lake Michigan.

WBBM News radio 780's Steve Miller found out that the lake in Chicago's front yard was home to a few pirates from the 19th and early 20th centuries.

You'll find proof in an edition of the New York Times from Oct. 10, 1855. The headline: Wholesale robbery by pirates on Lake Michigan.

The New York Times reported on people in the area around Saugutuck, Mich., "thrown into the most intense excitement by the operations of a gang of marauders, who are reported to be Mormons from Beaver Island."

But these pirates weren't attacking other ships. They were going after land-based stores.

Beaver Island is located toward the north end of Lake Michigan between the Upper and Lower Peninsulas of Michigan, and it has its own bizarre history. In the 1850s, James Jesse Strang crowned himself the king of the island and declared it a separate country from the United States. Strang was eventually assassinated.

Another incident of piracy came in June 1908, when "Roaring" Dan Seavey took control of a Great Lakes cargo ship and sailed it to Chicago.

Seavey got control of the 40-foot schooner Nellie Johnson in Grand Haven, Mich., by out-drinking its captain and crew, then stealing it.

Seavey was known as a large, intimidating man who drank hard and fought harder. In the years since he sailed the lakes, other legends have sprung up around him.

Rumors said that Seavey killed a man by dropping a piano on him, and that he hunted gold in Alaska with Frederick Pabst of beer notoriety. And no one knew where the skulls he kept on the hull of his ship came from, the Sun-Times reported.

Nonetheless, the Sun-Times said Seavey "found no fortune in his pirating: He was unable to sell the load of cedar posts in Chicago and was captured back near his home in Frankfort, Michigan." Seavey died in 1949.

There were also pirates that roamed and plundered right in the heart of Chicago. During the 1870s, Dick Dooley and his partner "One Night Stand" Cullen sailed

along the city's lakefront and riverfront, stopping to raid warehouses and distilleries and steal their cargo, according to the book *Strange but True Chicago*.

And most infamously of all, Captain George Wellington Streeter stranded his boat on a sandbar on the lake just north of downtown in 1886, then stranded declared that his land was outside of the jurisdiction of Illinois law.

Authorities tried to evict Streeter numerous times, in conflicts that led to gun battles, before a court finally succeeded in removing him in 1918. The trendy Streeterville neighborhood still bears Cap'n Streeter's name.

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"Shiver me timbers."

"Seavey killed a man by dropping a piano on him...."

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There's So Much To Do This Summer!

July 2	Up North 4th Celebration In East Park 4-7 PM
July 9-10	42nd Annual Charlevoix Art & Craft Show
July 9-10	CYC Beaver Island Race
July 13	12th Annual Garden Walk - The Charlevoix Area Garden Club
July 16	Chicago Yacht Club Chicago to Mackinac Race
July 19	Charlevoix Yacht Club Venetian Cup
July 17-23	Charlevoix Venetian Festival
July 23	Bayview Yacht Club Port Huron to Mackinac Race
July 23-24	Fiber Arts Festival at Castle Farms
July 27-28	Earl Young Home Tour with The Charlevoix Historical Society
Aug. 1-3	Michigan PGA Senior Championship
Aug. 6	Charlevoix Yacht Club No Boundaries Regatta
Aug. 7	Charlevoix Yacht Club Couples Race
Aug. 13	52nd Annual Charlevoix Waterfront Art Fair
Aug. 13-14	Charlevoix Yacht Club Omena Bay Race
Aug. 18-20	Charlevoix Sidewalk Sales
Aug. 20-21	Charlevoix Yacht Club Charlevoix to Harbor Springs Race
Sept. 2	Nucore Triangle Race
Sept. 3-4	Red Fox Regatta
Sept. 3-4	Castle Farms Royal Craft Show

