

PRESIDENT'S LETTER-MIKE HESSLER

At the April membership meeting there was a change of some officers and chairmen. Chuck Finnell has chosen not to run for his Board of Governors seat. Chuck did a great job on the Board and we thank him for his service to the club.

He will be replaced by Jeremy Maggiore who ran for his seat and was elected at the April meeting. Al Houser was elected to the position of Financial Secretary, replacing Jim Wright who held that position for 20 + years. Jim's financial expertise, dedication and devotion to his position made the Anchor the financially strong club that it is today. The membership presented Jim with a plaque honoring him for his service and he received a standing ovation as he left the podium.

Changes in committee chairs include Al Houser who was Bar chairman and Michael Broglin former Building Chair. A great big thanks goes out to both of you for the fine job you both did for the club in those capacities. Rick Lloyd will be the new Bar Chairman and Damon Cozad will be the new Building Chair. I know our members will give all the new officers and chairs their complete co-operation as they embark on their new positions. All other chairmen are serving in their same capacities.

Jeff Ross was granted \$500 to purchase ornamental grass and other plants to help beautify the club grounds. Jeff and his crew Bob McGrath and Frank Conder completed the planting recently. If you are mowing around the new plants please take care not to mow them over.

Now that boating season is upon us I have noticed some of the garbage cans contain items that we don't serve in them. Just a reminder, that all members and their guests **MUST buy their soda and alcohol from the club.** There are no exceptions to this rule.

Softball season has started and I have been assured that one Anchor team will be at home the entire season. Come out and support both teams.

Bocce ball and volleyball will be starting shortly and that is always a good time for all.

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We recently had our electrical inspection from the fire department and they found quite a few items of concern that need our immediate attention. Once I receive their letter I will get it to chairman Cozad so he can schedule the work to be done. I think it can be completed in a day if we get enough help.

Now that the temperature is heating up we expect to see a lot more members using the club. If you look in the bar area you will notice that tint has been applied to help cut down on the sun and the reflection off the water. It will be completed shortly and really does a good job of cutting down on the glare that has been present since we built the addition.

At the last officers meeting it was decided that anyone who will be seeking funds for whatever reason in excess of \$500 must appear at the officers meeting and advise them prior to asking for the funds at the membership meeting. This will allow the officers to discuss it and give the o.k. if acceptable.

One of our most important and worthwhile events will be coming up in May, the cancer fundraiser. Most all of us have been touched by this dreadful disease in one way or another and **ALL** the proceeds are donated to the Simmons Cancer Center. Please sign up to work this worthy event and come out and support it. Trust me, it will make you feel good knowing that we helped to try and stamp out cancer.

I hope to see you at the club and who knows if Jeff Ross is there he might even buy a beer.

VP Report-Mike Covey

Last Call for dues, docks and campground fees. If you do not pay by the end of April, you will be removed from the membership roster and in order to be reinstated an assessment fee of \$25 will be assessed.

Recently emails were sent to all of the members whom did not have their full complement of hours entered in the database, we know that most of you have worked the required hours, and may have entered these hours in the database at some point yet, they were not found in the database when the end of year report was run. If you fall into this category, please e-mail or call the membership chair, Jim.Cannamela@comcast.net or call 217-553-1844 to make sure the hours are entered.

A few of you may not have been able to get the required number of hours in during the 2014 year, 4/1/2014-4/7/2015. If you fall into this category there are two options, you may elect to purchase un-worked hours at a rate of \$21.50 per hour, or you may elect to roll your unworked hours into the 2015 year, this option would require approval from the officers, and would require that at least 50% of the hours be worked prior to November 2015. Please let Jim know whether you would prefer to pay for un-worked hours or roll them into 2015.

Either action needs to be completed as soon as possible, 4/30/2015 is the last date hours from last year can be added to the database. If you have additional questions do feel free to call me.

With that being said we have a new database that Jim has installed on the computer. It should be easier to enter and see your dates and hours worked. Stop by and check it out.

Newsletter Information

Howdy, Folks! It would seem spring has arrived....somewhat. I hope everyone had a good Easter holiday, and is now ready to get back out on the boats! I spoke with several officers at the last officers meeting. It is my intention to stop emailing the newsletter in the next two months. The plan is to send an alert out with the ABC website, and alert you when the newsletter is available. The newsletter will be for public view, and you should be able to print it out if you wish. The purpose of the emails was to cut costs, and make it easier on the membership as a whole. As I have been putting this together, there are new members in, members that drop, and trying to keep and maintain the database of emails has proven to be a futile task. Also, it seems my email carrier likes to randomly remove people. So, I am going to try this. Please be patient!



Saturday
May 16, 2015
10 a.m.—10 p.m.



Food
Fun
Drinks

3rd Annual Cancer Fundraiser

407 E. Lake Shore Dr. Springfield, IL 62712

Proceeds donated to Simmons Cancer Institute at SIU

(For all types of cancer and donations stay local)

Volleyball and Bocce Ball Tournaments

Music all day

Southern Cross Band from 6-10 p.m.

Live & Silent Auctions

To sign up for Bocce Ball or Volleyball Tournaments contact

Tim Strutz on 217 341-2016

For general info or donations contact

Paula 899-3553, Dar 741-7445, Tammy 899-5499 or Frank 306-1868

Operation Payback-Mary Reagan

Once again, thanks to everyone who helped us by donating, packing and sending another 16 boxes to the soldier. We are rolling right along but are low on funds once again.

We are thinking of doing another fundraiser after the Cancer Fundraiser is over – as this should be our first priority at this time.

The total collected from the “lighthouse” this month was \$77 and the the bar jar held \$44. That, along with some of the tip jars from other functions, should help us get out one more mailing. We will probably do that in June. Please continue to keep the soldiers in mind when shopping.

It is getting hot in Afghanistan and Kuwait, and they are requesting things that might help keep them cool – I did find the water bottles with fans at Five Below.

If anyone has any ideas for summer fundraisers please let me know – we’ve come a long way in the past year and a half and hope we can keep up our project.

Membership Committee

Please be sure to welcome our new members:

Ryan Carmody

Henry Marbold II

And congratulations to members whom recently came off probation:

Patrice Jones

Chad Leet

Birthdays



Robert Patsche 05/01
Doug Neuweg 05/01
Carol Bourland 05/02
Devin Phillips 05/03
William McCarty 05/05
Darrell Marcy 05/05
Jim McGrath 05/06
Ed Lind 05/07
Greg Moon 05/08
Robert Dennison 05/10
Debora Larson 05/10
Dale Hewitt 05/12
Arnie Dutcher 05/13
Jason Ruggles 05/16

Chuch Horrighs 05/17
Jim Wright 05/20
Ed Wollet 05/21
Gary Stover 05/23
Ed Clark 05/24
Mix 05/24
Janet Lambert 05/24
Jackie Endres 05/24
Harvey Lomelino Jr. 05/25
Judy Wollet 05/25
Bobby McGrath 05/26
Carolyn March 05/28
Joe Crowe 05/29

Anniversaries



Tom & Sandy Flattery 05/05
Tom & Mary Reagan 05/07
Ralph & Carol Bourland 05/09
Tom & Jeannette Bland 05/15
Mike & Mary Burmeister 05/16
Robert & Deborah Miles 05/16
Jeff & Janet Lambert 05/16
Dave & Kathy Barker 05/17

Jim & Retha Riemer 05/17
Tom & Katie Madonia 05/18
Bob & Annette Nunes 05/21
Jeff & Tracy Bridges 05/21
Steve & Kathy Buckman 05/26

May 2015

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17	18	19	20 Softball	21	22 70	23
24	25 	26 Officer Meetings	27 Softball	28	29	30
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