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SEPTEMBER 28TH & 29TH, 2019

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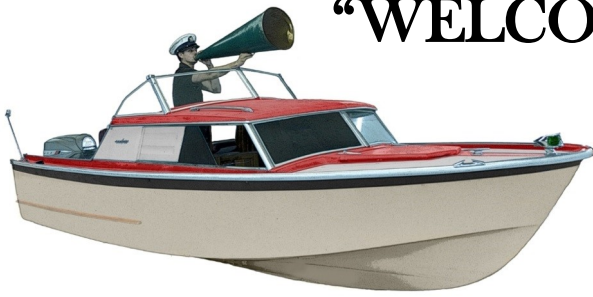
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See Pages 4-8 for Event Details & Registration
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"WELCOME ABOARD"

BLACKHAWK CHAPTER'S NEWEST MEMBERS

Membership Chairperson, Jan Vogeler
reports Blackhawk membership has
grown to over 300 members



Barbara Philips, Lake Geneva WI
James & Liane Birk, Orland Park IL
Greg & Lisa Sammons, Palatine IL

Brenden Miller, Long Lake IL
Henry Miller, Long Lake IL

ALL HANDS ON DECK

Ahoy Blackhawk Members! This is a shout out to any and all to lend a helping hand at some of our upcoming boat shows and events. If you are interested in volunteering your time and energy please contact Bob O'Day at boboday@warehousedirect.com or 630-936-1656



Share Our Stories

Attention Blackhawk members: The newsletter belongs to you and you can make it better. It's all about our stories. Whether hanging out at the docks during a show or dining together as a group, we all share our stories...the restoration project, bringing an engine back to life, a boating event, the maiden voyage, the mishaps as well as the glorious days when all goes well.

To keep the newsletter fresh, exciting and providing new viewpoints to the readers, we need your stories...the funny, the interesting, the informative. There are over 300 members now and I invite all of you to share your stories of a day, a boat, or a lifetime of your experience.

Please send your stories and pictures to stmfittr@aol.com Thanks, Terry Dickson, Smoke Signal Editor

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Presidents Notes:

Greetings fellow Blackhawk members,

I hope everyone is having a great summer and that you have been able to use your boats. As usual for us on the Fox River, we had a delayed start to the boating season due to high water. No fear as there are still 2 good months of boating to come!

In May, we had our Spring Dinner at Gordy's Cobalt Lounge. Everyone had a good time and the food was excellent. A big thank you to Gordy's staff for making it a nice evening.

On July 13th, the 35th annual Fox Lake boat show was held at Famous Freddie's. We had a great turnout and the weather was excellent. Hats off to Ted Cartner and Capt. Ron Van Horn for putting the event together. As the saying goes, all good things must come to an end and with that, Ted announced that this would be the last Fox Lake Boat Show that both he and Cindy would be Chairmen. This means we need some volunteers to chair the show in the coming years. I am sure Ted and Cindy would be more than happy to go over the details for anyone that may be interested.

The club is also looking for a new membership chairperson to take over for Jan Vogeler who has held the position for over 4 years. Thanks Jan for a job well done! Please contact Jan if you have questions about the position.

The Geneva Lakes Boat Show committee has been hard at work putting this year's show together. Registration is currently open so don't delay. See this newsletter for more information. Great job to all the boat show chairpersons!

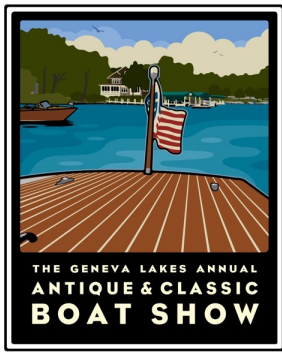
Remember that this club is your club and it requires volunteers to be able to organize and run the events. Please get involved even if it's for an hour or so. It would be nice to see some new faces helping with the events.

As I have done previously, here is a short update on my Chris Craft Riviera project. I missed the boats 70th birthday and the 35th annual boat show to christen the boat. It's almost done and I took the leap and registered for the Geneva Lakes show, however I won't pull a Matt Byrne and launch my boat for the first time at the show. By the end of August it will hit the water for the first time in 33 years.

Happy boating to all and I am looking forward to seeing you soon,

Bob O'Day





Geneva Lakes Antique and Classic Boat Show

presented by

Blackhawk Chapter

of the Antique and Classic Boat Society



September 28-29 with pre-events on Friday September 27
at The Abbey in Fontana, WI

Friday September 27 Estate Tour and Luncheon



This year's cruise and house tour will visit three amazing estates on Geneva Lake, each with truly remarkable features. Transportation will be provided aboard classic Geneva lake launches. Lunch at the Lake Geneva Country Club is included. Tours will depart from the Lake Geneva Country Club . Tour time is approximately 4 hours, 45 minutes.



Joy Rasin Home



Joy Rasin's home is known as Flowerside Inn. It was built in 1899 by Simeon B. Chapin, a stock broker in Chicago (later New York) and was owned by Mr. Chapin and his family until 1955. It is among the few Lake Geneva homes that still survive from the 1800's. Designed by Chicago architects Wilson and Marshall, it is a blending of American and English Country style homes and is surrounded even today by extensive gardens. The home is quite spacious with a large screened in porch, and several multipurpose rooms for dining and relaxing. The living room is 70 feet in length and 30 feet wide, and at one time housed the largest organ in Wisconsin.

Al and Kathi Bosworth Home



Al and Kathi Bosworth's new summer home located at Lake Geneva Pier #1 is the consummate lake home. This property has been in the Bosworth family for three generations since his grandfather purchased it in 1953. It is filled with custom woodwork and cabinetry made by Al's company, Hire Nelson, that is remarkably detailed and finished. Interesting and unusual woods are used throughout and extensive stone work and masonry highlight the exterior and driveway. The décor is special and the result of careful and tasteful selection by Kathi. There are many special features such as a hidden passage to the lake and a garage that is specially built to hold every imaginable type of water accessory.

John and Sara Cobb Home

John and Sara Cobb's recently built home in the historic Loramoor neighborhood was designed by Chicago based Morgante Wilson and built by Matustik Builders. The home was designed to see and enjoy all of Lake Geneva with over 150 windows that create a dazzling panorama of light while allowing guests to see all of the lake and look through the house. Family and friends were the primary vision with a master bedroom that faces the lake, a child's lakefront bedroom room with a Juliette balcony and guest rooms and bunk room for all their guests. The three-story interior with the 4th level "lookout tower" also features a 40-foot long suspended walkway at the second floor level that allows guests to see the bright, airy, modern interior and decor throughout the house. Their home focuses on family, friends, lake and comfort.



The Lake Geneva Country Club



Lake Geneva Country Club, founded in 1895, is one of the oldest in the country. Originally laid out by the golf pro from St. Andrews in Scotland, it is steeped in tradition. The current club house built in 1915 was designed in the "prairie style" by Robert Spencer, Jr., and replaced an earlier club house destroyed by fire the year before. Lunch will be served in the dining room overlooking the lake.

Friday September 27 Reception Cocktails & Dinner



The Friday evening reception cocktails and dinner will be held at Geneva Lake Museum. This unique and spectacular facility displays and preserves the rich history that hides throughout Geneva Lake and the surrounding communities. The exhibits within the walls are time capsules that capture every essence of Geneva Lake and its people; people with amazing stories that unravel with every scene and every word led by our knowledgeable guides.

Saturday September 28 Boat Show



Boats will be on exhibit all day Saturday, beginning at 10:00 am. Be sure you have your boat in the water by then, as we expect a lot of spectators. Local vendors will have items on display, and the Blackhawk Chapter's tent will once again offer t-shirts, posters and other items. The annual "starting of the engines" and boat parade will commence at 4:00 pm.

Saturday evening's dinner will be held in the Ball Room at the Abbey Resort. Cash bar will open at 6:00 PM, followed by a dinner at 7:30, cost is \$30 per person. This is an event you won't want to miss, as boat show awards will be presented at Saturday evening's dinner.

The People's Choice award will be presented on Sunday at 2:00pm. In an effort to honor the winners of the award categories, and recognize the owners, you must register for the Saturday dinner and be in attendance in order to be qualified to win one of the show awards.

Award Categories

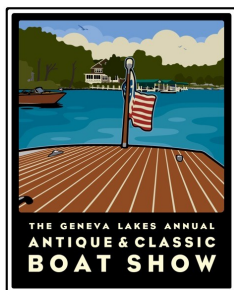
- Blackhawk Chapter Sharpest Arrow
- ACBS Most Preserved
- Best Chris Craft
- Best Century
- Best Streblov
- Best Contemporary
- Most Historic
- Best Fiberglass
- Best Outboard
- Skippers Choice
- People's Choice
- Pre-War
- Best Utility under 22'
- Best Utility 22' & over
- Best Runabout under 22'
- Best Runabout 22' & over
- Post-War
- Best Utility under 22'
- Best Utility 22' & over
- Best Runabout under 22'
- Best Runabout 22' & over



Sunday September 29 Boat Show



Sunday, boats will be on exhibit again at 10 am. People's Choice award and drawing winners announced at the Blackhawk tent at 2 pm. Each year we have many spectators who attend the boat show on Sunday afternoon expecting to see the full line-up of boats on display. Therefore, participants are asked to leave their boats in the water (and land displays intact) on Sunday until 3:00 pm when the boat show officially ends.



The Blackhawk Chapter of the Antique and Classic Boat Society
Presents:

The Geneva Lakes Annual Antique and Classic Boat Show

At the Abbey Harbor, Fontana, WI Sept 27-29, 2019

Name: _____ First Mate: _____
 Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
 Phone: _____ Cell: _____ Email: _____
 ACBS#: _____
 Additional Crew: (First and Last name) _____

Boat Exhibit Information - Saturday & Sunday Boat Show

☐ In Water (\$65) ☐ On Land (\$50) ☐ For Sale (Additional \$50) \$ _____

Boat Name _____ Year _____ Manufacturer _____
 Model _____ Length _____ Engine _____ HP _____

Use separate sheet for any extra boats

Boat Registration Fee \$ _____

Events

Friday, September 27

Estate Tour – Tour estates by boat aboard historic Geneva Lake tour boats, followed by lunch at the Lake Geneva County Club. Tours will depart from the Lake Geneva Country Club. *Note: Guests of ACBS members will be charged at the member rate.*

Attending _____ @\$90/Adult
 #Non Members _____ @\$150/Adult
 _____ @\$25/Child
 \$ _____

Reception & Dinner –The Friday evening reception will be held at Geneva Lake Museum, a unique and spectacular facility displaying the rich history of Lake Geneva (fee includes dinner and open bar including beer and wine).

Attending _____ @\$90/Adult
 _____ @\$25/Child
 \$ _____

Saturday, September 28

Awards Dinner - The Abbey Resort

Dinner includes your choice of Chicken Riesling, Braised Short Ribs or Grilled Mahi Mahi Cancun, Salad, Dessert and beverage.

In an effort to honor the winners of the award categories, and recognize the owners, you must register for the Saturday dinner and be in attendance in order to be qualified to win one of the show awards.

Short Ribs _____ @\$45/Adult
 _____ @\$20/Child
 Chicken _____ @\$45/Adult
 _____ @\$20/Child
 Mahi Mahi _____ @\$45/Adult
 _____ @\$20/Child

Total Amount \$ _____

Deadline for all reservations and activities is September 1st. Registration, dinner and event fees are not refundable. Space is limited. All registrations are on a first come / first served basis.

INSURANCE CERTIFICATION:

I certify that I am the owner of the above listed boat(s), engines(s), car(s), watercraft, displays, exhibits, or other item (here after collectively known as "boat") I intend to display at this event and that I have insurance to cover any damage to my boat or equipment, and to cover any liability for damages to others or their property arising from any use of my boat during or related to the Geneva Lakes Antique and Classic Boat Show in Fontana, WI for which they are herein registered. I agree to hold free and harmless, the officers, directors and volunteers of the Blackhawk Chapter of the ACBS, the Antique and Classic Boat Society, the Abbey Resort, the city of Fontana WI, advertisers and sponsoring organizations from any and all actions, claims, liabilities, assertions of liability, including reasonable attorney's fees, which in any manner arise from or be alleged to arise from any and all connected directly or proximately with the Boat Show identified above.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Insurance Certification must accompany registration.

Make checks payable to:

Blackhawk Chapter, ACBS

Send Registration To:

Matt Byrne

2257 Red Maple Ln

Aurora, IL 60502

For additional info contact:

www.genevalakesboatshow.com

GLBS@BlackhawkACBS.com

or 630-802-2698

or

Register online at www.GenevaLakesBoatshow.com

AWARD CATEGORIES:

This is a non-judged show. All awards will be determined by boat captains and/or the Boat Show Committee. The Boat Show Committee has the right to change the awards depending on the type of boats that are registered for the show. Awards will be presented at the Saturday evening banquet, **captains must be present to win**. People's Choice to be awarded on Sunday at 2:00pm.

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Final notes:

The boat show runs through 3:00 p.m. on Sunday. Each year we have many spectators who attend the boat show on Sunday afternoon expecting to see the full line-up of boats on display. Therefore, participants are asked to leave their boats in the water (and land displays intact) on Sunday until 3:00 pm when the boat show officially ends.

Space is limited. All registrations are on a first come / first served basis. Reservations deadline is September 1st.

Please send us a short description/history and picture of your boat. We use this information in the boat show program booklet and on the web site. You can send all boat information to GLBS@BlackhawkACBS.com. The deadline for the boat show program is September 1.

Lodging



Please make hotel reservations directly with The Abbey Resort at 800-709-1323, mention the "Blackhawk Chapter Antique and Classic Show" for group rates. Group rates are for "Run of the House Rooms". You must identify yourself as a participant when making the reservation in order to receive the Boat Show rate. Boat show rates will not be honored at the point of checkout unless previously specified.

35th Annual Fox Lake Boat Show **FAMOUS *Freddies* ROADHOUSE**

By Terry Dickson
Photos by: Kathy Moberg & Terry Dickson

★ ★ ★ 35th A N N U A L ★ ★ ★ ANTIQUE & CLASSIC IN-WATER BOAT SHOW



Saturday ★ July 13, 2019



For more information: SEDAN1@MSN.COM
Ron Van Horn 708.347.8951 Ted Cartner 847.395.8902



Blackhawks and guests enjoyed a fine day on Pistakee Lake last month at Famous Freddie's. Yeah it was hot but there is not a better place to be than out on the water in July.

We had a good turnout of Classic Boats that ranged from Historic to Late Classic. All beautiful with both wood and glass hulls and inboard & outboard power.

Congratulations to all and thanks for coming out and helping to make this a successful event. Many thanks to Captains Ron and Ted & Cindy for their efforts in organizing the event. And giving us the opportunity to show our Classic Boats on the great piers and enjoy the good food and cold drinks at Freddie's. Also thanks to all that volunteered their time and to everyone that attended.



Looks like mucho horses are headed into Myers bay. 'Dena II' is rumored to have in excess of 2000



We can see here 'Equus Silva' has a bunch pushing her.



Uh Oh!, I think there is 'Double Trouble' on the horizon.

See next page:



CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL FOX LAKE 2019
AWARD WINNERS



2nd Runabout - Don & Judy Chapman
2002 Hacker Craft 'And Baby Makes Three'



Best Runabout - John Wenstrom
1937 Chris Craft Custom Deluxe 'Olivia Rose'



2nd Utility - Mark Newell
1957 Century Coronado 'MARCUS AURELIUS'



Best Utility - Gary Recheysl
1956 Chris Craft Continental 'Double Trouble'



2nd Outboard - Mike & Jen Furibondo
1956 Ole Lind Cedar Plank Runabout 'OVERKILL'



Best Outboard - Pete Cook
1971 Cook Craft: 'Scooter'



2nd Fiberglass - Terry Dickson
1959 Glasspar Seafair Sedan 'Mama Mia!'



Best Fiberglass - Dave Brumm
1983 Chris Craft Scorpion 'DENA II'



Skippers Choice - Cindy & Ted Cartner
1962 Century Coronado 'EQUUS SILVA'



Blackhawk Appreciation Award - Captain Ron Van Horn



Editors Choice - Captain Ron Van Horn
1980 Shamrock Pilot House 'Too Casual'



Junior Blackhawks Update

By Gina Wagner

Where Are They Now?

I've grown up around wood boats all my life. My father is the proud owner of Fox River Valley Boat Company on the Fox River in McHenry, IL where since 1927 has been open to storing and restoring antique classic wooden boats. My grandfather had bought the business in 1968 and then passed it down to my father. I was never aware of the art and history behind any of them because it's what I had grown with, and I never believed there was really any other way to travel across water. As I grew older, I became more involved with the wooden boat community.



I joined the Blackhawk Youth Group when I was about 11, after many years of running around the boat shop. This opened my eyes to what my father really had done his whole life, and to what was a great influence on me as I grew older. I was put into an environment where I was able to meet some of my great friends all while working together to restore a beautiful piece of art. I've always look at wood boats as art, however, I never really considered my father or even my grandfather to have been artists. I can honestly say I look at the whole restoration process in a new light.



Growing up in such a community where you're surrounded by hard working adults and kids your age whose parents are so encouraging and willing to allow their children to try in new situations really makes you grow up a little faster. Being completely honest, I never saw myself going to college. I saw myself taking over the business like my father had taken over after my grandfather had passed away. Obviously God had other plans because I am currently a college student at the University of Wisconsin: Whitewater. I am an Art Education Major, and am planning on minoring in Communications. Needless to say, I am beyond grateful for the experiences I've been able to work through this past year.

I entered the college environment expecting to go to class, make a few friends, and go home every weekend. That's not how it went at all. I began to meet many diverse people in every corner of campus and truly learned that I love people so much (much like my father). I lived for waking up and seeing the friends that become family in my residence hall. Many people had told me I would make a great Resident Assistant (or RA), and I was encouraged to join the Leadership Involvement Team (LIT) for my complex.



After planning programs to allow others to meet new people through their residence halls and helping with anything and everything I could, I was given a position as one of the representatives for my complex in the campus' Residence Hall Association (RHA). Before I knew it, I was shaking hands with some of the most well known students working in Residence Life, and building friendships with each of them. I fell even more in love with UW-Whitewater and became determined to meet as many people on campus as I could through attending events hosted by organizations on campus, joining organizations that allowed me to grow my faith in God, and participating in fundraising events that advocated for mental health. After many weeks of just living in the amazing God given moments, I applied to work in residence life as an RA and applied to be a small group Bible study leader for InterVarsity Christian Fellowship (an organization dedicated to showing Jesus' love to every corner of campus). I am proud to say that I will be leading my own Bible study through InterVarsity all while working in Residence Life as an RA this coming 2019-2020 school year! I am beyond ecstatic! Through UW-Whitewater's RHA program, I was also encouraged to apply to be a delegate for the 2019 NACURH Conference down in Louisiana at LSU, and was accepted!! That leadership conference taught me so much and it's so surreal to me to have been able to represent UW-Whitewater on the national scale. I also cannot explain the gratitude I feel towards my university having taught me what it means to be a leader, and then awarding me with a bronze pin for my leadership at the Reception of Excellence held by RHA at the end of the year.

My first year of college was wild, and I cannot wait to go back this fall. But for now, I am down at the marina helping my parents for the summer. It makes my heart happy thinking about how I grew up down here, and how I am able to still come back after being away. So many thanks to Mrs. Kathy Moberg and Mr. Terry Dickson for reaching out to me and giving me this opportunity to share how growing up in the wooden boat community has affected where I am today. In the end, I am happy I went off to college and I am so blessed to have parents who encouraged me to do so. I truly have grown so much from the experience.

Thank goodness Whitewater isn't too far from home. I will still see you all at boat shows very soon!

All the love,
Gina Wagner





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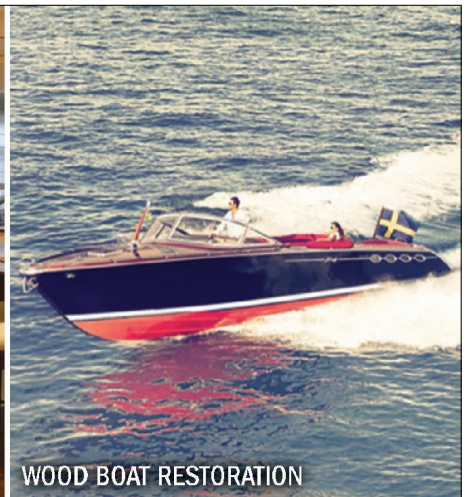


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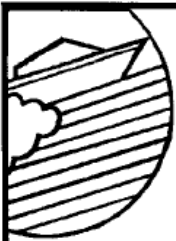
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