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## Presidents Message

Greetings fellow Blackhawk members,

I hope all of you and your families are having a great summer and are using your boats!



In June we had the Lower Fox River cruise. We had gorgeous weather, however, being that it was early in the season and people didn't have their boats ready and only two boats participated. We had a good time cruising the 17 miles of river and we had lunch at The No Wake Bar and Grill along with several members and guests that joined us for lunch. We will try this event again next year so plan ahead.

In July, we had the 36th annual boat show at Famous Freddie's in Fox Lake IL. We dodged a bullet as far as weather goes as there seemed to be the threat of rain most of the day. The only time I got rained on was walking up to my house after putting the boat away! A huge thank you to Valerie Diedrich and Ted Cartner for organizing the show and congratulations to all the award winners! There should be some photos and a list of award winners in the next newsletter.

On Sunday August 29th there will be The Chicago Classic Boat Rendezvous along the Chicago Riverwalk. Please consider bringing your boat down for the day for the unique opportunity to cruise the river and to display your boat in downtown Chicago. See this newsletter for registration information.

Remember that the club is your club and it takes volunteers to organize and run events so please get involved even if it's for an hour or two at the event or helping in the planning process.

In regards to getting involved, now is the time to start thinking about chapter officer and board member positions that need to be filled in the fall. Please consider running for one of the elected positions and let me know if you are interested in helping run the club.

We will be scheduling a Fall Dinner and elections sometime in September so please keep a lookout for more information.

Safe boating to all and I am looking forward to seeing you out on the water soon.  
Bob O'Day





Attention Blackhawk members: The newsletter belongs to you and you can make it better. It is 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](mailto:stmfittr@aol.com) Thanks, Terry Dickson, Smoke Signal Editor

## 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](mailto:boboday@warehousedirect.com) or 630-936-1656



## "WELCOME ABOARD"

### Blackhawk Chapter's Newest Members

Membership Chairperson Valerie Diedrich reports Blackhawk membership has over 250 members



Thomas & Minden Clark, Rockton IL

Jerry Van Ness, Naperville IL

Richard Fickey, Lake Havasu City AZ

Bradley & Jaci Bartel, Manawa WI

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# CLASSIC BOAT RENDEZVOUS

AUGUST 29th, 2021

10am - 2pm



*Margaret West*

Special thanks to Downtown Docks for their generous support of the Antique and Classic Boat Society

## CHICAGO RIVERWALK

Between State Street and Dearborn Avenue





# Blackhawk Chapter ACBS

## 2021 Chicago Classic Boat Rendezvous

### Registration



Captain's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Mates \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_  
Boat Information:  
Year \_\_\_\_\_ Make \_\_\_\_\_ Model \_\_\_\_\_ Length \_\_\_\_\_  
Engine \_\_\_\_\_ HP \_\_\_\_\_  
Description \_\_\_\_\_

#### Insurance Certification:

I certify that I am the owner of the above listed boat(s), 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 2021 Chicago Classic Boat Rendezvous 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 city of Chicago IL, 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 Rendezvous identified above.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

#### Please send registration to:

Michael Furibondo  
2451 W Eastwood Ave  
Chicago, IL 60625  
773-230-7247  
mfuribondo@gmail.com

#### Show Location:

Chicago Riverwalk between State and Dearborn  
11 W. Riverwalk South  
Chicago, IL 60601

#### Sunday August 29th - Schedule of events

Launch: 7am-9am  
Setup: 9am-10am  
Show: 10am-2pm  
Final Parade: 2pm-3pm

#### Suggested Launch location:

Richard J. Daley Park Boat Launch  
3150 South Western Avenue  
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<https://www.chicagoparkdistrict.com/parks-facilities/daley-richard-j-park>

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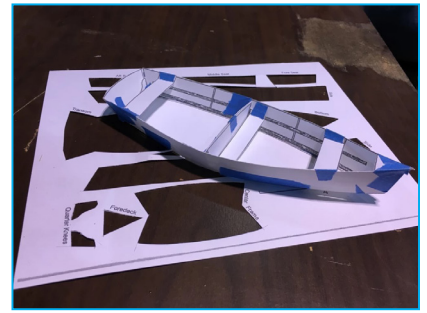
Online registration: <https://genevalakesboatshow.com/chicagoregistration>

Come join us for a day of cruising the Chicago River and Lake Michigan and take advantage of the opportunity to display your Classic in the heart of Downtown Chicago.



Boats will be docked on the Riverwalk in front of City Winery and a classic boat parade will follow the show.





From June 14-26, the Chicago Maritime Arts Center offered its first boat-building class in Wisconsin to a dozen kids from the Boys & Girls Club of Kenosha.

Led by CMAC board members Patrick McBriarty, Joe Rickard and Ted Cartner, the students built two wooden Bevan's skiffs and launched them in Kenosha harbor on the final Saturday.



This was a great start to the 2021 summer season which will continue with boating skills and boat-building classes through to the end of August.

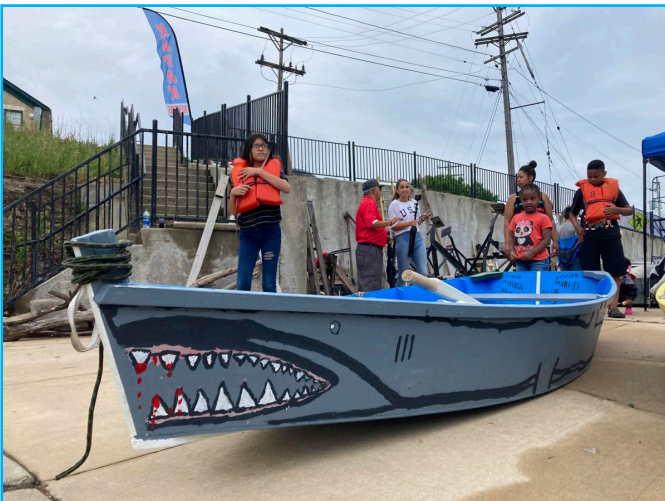


It was a great pleasure to work with these young kids, most of whom had no prior experience with boatbuilding or boating in general.



The kids also had help along the way from long-time Blackhawks (l-r) Ted Cartner and Dennis Downes and BGCK counselor Jason Justus.





Photos above courtesy of Kenosha News



# Rock the Boat

Hosted by WGN-TV Chicago's Best  
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<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/rock-the-boat-chicago-maritime-arts-center-tickets-161002826789>

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<https://www.chicagomaritime.org/>



# MINOCQUA ANTIQUE & CLASSIC

## BOAT SHOW

LAKE MINOCQUA AT THE BOATHOUSE

JUNE 25-26, 2021



Submitted by Ruth Lynch

Each person who participated in the 2021 Minocqua Antique and Classic Boat Show was excited to get together with other boat enthusiasts for a grand time on the water! The beautiful Minocqua chain of lakes (a 10,000 acre, six lake chain including Minocqua, Kawaguesaga, Mid, Mud, Tomahawk, and Little Tomahawk lakes) was alive throughout the weekend with the beautiful sounds of wooden and classic boat motors. The weather co-operated beautifully and attendance was high from boat show participants as well as guests who came to see the treasured boats in the water and on land displays.

The weekend started with a welcome party for boat show registrants at the Lepping dry dock on Thursday evening hosted by the Lepping family. The event was well attended and was a fun kickoff to the weekend with great food and beverages, live music, comradery, and beautiful boats on display.



Ross & Ruth with Kathy and Cindy and all eyes are smiling.



More smiles for the Italian beef sandwiches.



The show itself started officially at noon on Friday June 25 and continued through Saturday with boat displays in the water and on land at The Boathouse and Redman Realty Group on the shores of Lake Minocqua. Several boats participated in a boat parade at the half-time break of the MinAquaBats waterski show on Friday evening. Raffles, clothing, and food/beverage sales generated funds for the benefit of local organizations. There were 52 boats registered this year which was a great turnout of varied types, makes and models of boats from four states (Illinois, Iowa, Michigan and Wisconsin). Marc and Lynn Toigo, event directors, did an excellent job of facilitating a tremendous show. In addition, several community and boat-related groups who helped sponsor and host booths at the show helped make it a success.



Tom's *Love You More*  
1956 Chris Craft Deluxe Runabout



Clark family's *Just Swell*  
1949 Chris Craft Deluxe Runabout



Dicks *Dickin' Around* - 1975 Century Resorter



Roberta & Bill's - 2015 Glen L Torpedo

Awards were given in a number of categories based on voting by fellow boat captains. Everyone can no doubt agree that we are looking forward to the 2022 MACBS!

Photographer Gunnar Larsson took literally hundreds of photos throughout the weekend. Anyone interested in obtaining prints can contact him at [gunnarvlarsson@gmail.com](mailto:gunnarvlarsson@gmail.com).





Ted & Cindy's *Chrystalis* - 51 Chris Craft Semi Enclosed Cruiser



Captain's Choice,  
Scotts *Muse* - 1930 Chris Craft #111



Best Antique or Classic Wood Boat (other than CC or Century), Eric & Kathy's *Rebel* - 58 Streblow



Chad's *Nothing Else Matters* - 78 Eliminator





**Best Pre-War Chris Craft, Jake's *LAMB CHOP* - 41 Barrelback**



**Best Century, Jay's 47 Seamaid**



**Best Post-War Chris Craft-Utility, Gary & Sue's *Double Trouble* - 56 Continental**



**Best Fiberglass, Terry & Mary's *Mama Mia!* 1959 Glasspar Seafair Sedan**





Charles & Amy's *Keep on Flyin'* - 68 Century Resorter

Karen & Ric's *Nauti n' Nice* - 1950 Chris Craft



Rich's 54 FeatherCraft  
Gotta love that new Merc.

Marc's 57 SwitzerCraft Shooting Star  
Gotta love that old Merc.



Best Post-War Chris Craft Runabout, Don & Carol Ann's *EMMY B* - 1947 Deluxe Runabout

People's Choice, Jamie & Karen's *Old School*





**Best Outboard, Doug & Linda's - Miss Josephine - 1954 Peterborough Seafarer w twin Johnson Javelin 35hp**



**Best Non-Powered, Tim & Colleen's Winchester Boat Works Row Troller**



**Ross & Ruth's IRISH AYES 2003 Grand Craft**



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# CLASSIFIED ADS



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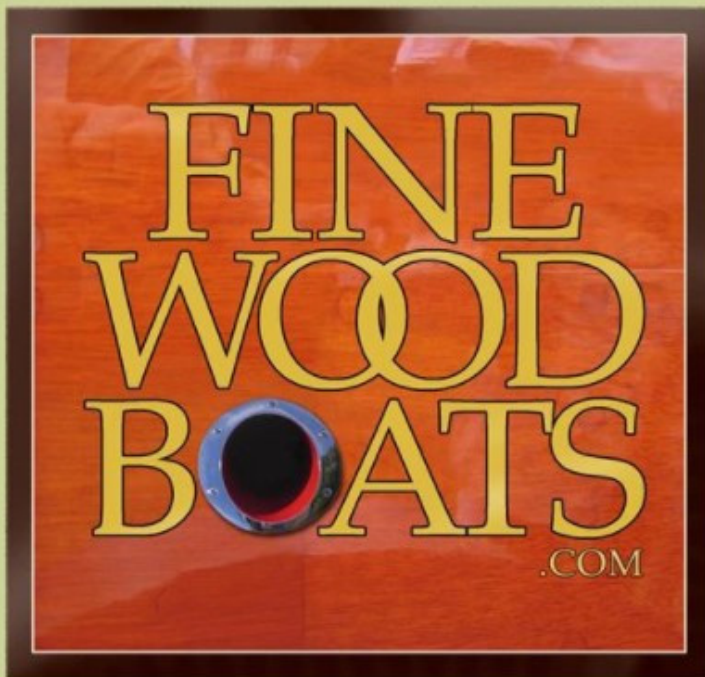


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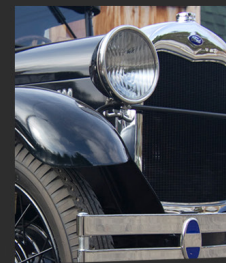
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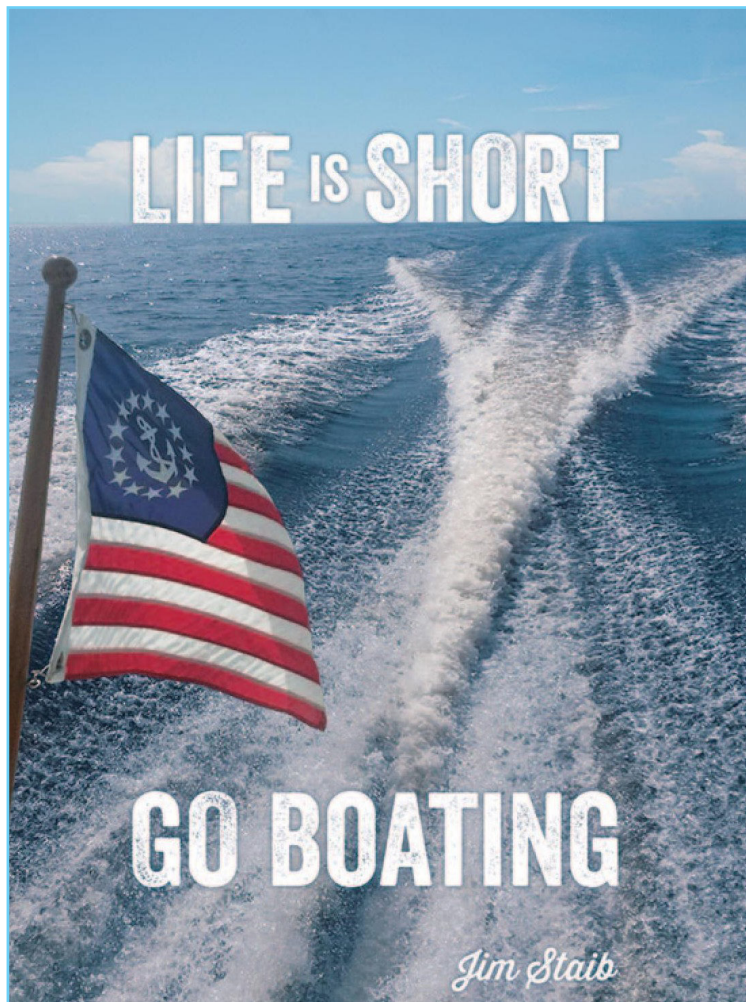


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### ***2021 EVENT CALENDER***

Sun	August 29,2021	Classic Boat Rendezvous at Downtown Docks
	Sept 2021	Geneva Lake Cruise
Sat	TBA 2021	Fall Dinner

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