



# BLACKHAWK CHAPTER

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Fellow Blackhawk Members:

The 2013 season is now well underway. The Youth Group has been active since January, the Spring Workshop in April was well attended and the Spring Dinner this weekend at the Lake Geneva Yacht Club was fantastic. Now let's get to the boating! I know the weather this year has been less than cooperative, but over the next two weeks I hope to get three of our boats in and ready to go.



Hopefully we will rechristen the 1958 Milo Craft project that we have been working on in time for the Chicago Show.

This evening as I am composing this message, we just wrapped up our Spring Dinner at the Lake Geneva Yacht Club. The skies parted, the rain ceased and with the warm evening, we have officially kicked off the 2013 boating season. With over 45 Blackhawk members and guests in attendance, we enjoyed a wonderful evening. The vista from the deck of the yacht club is spectacular. I would like to thank the Lake Geneva Yacht Club for inviting our group to their facility. The staff at the club made us feel welcome and our dinner was exceptional. As the evening began we enjoyed cocktails on the deck overlooking Geneva Lake and it was great to see our group in the sunshine talking boats and the upcoming year. After dinner I presented a brief presentation covering the plans and events for the 2013 season. If you were unable to attend please check the website later this week as we will have the presentation available for your review.

The next major event on our calendar is the Chicago In-Water Boat Show June 13-16, 2013. This event will be an incredible opportunity for our group to elevate our visibility in the Chicago area. Just last week I met with the show management and we are organizing a parade of boats Friday morning. We will depart from the 31<sup>st</sup> Street Harbor, cruise through the lock to the Chicago River and back to the harbor in time for the show opening at 11:00 AM. The show marketing team is arranging for the Chicago media to cover the event so don't be surprised if we end up on the evening news! Saturday evening we have arranged for a dinner at the Chicago Yacht Club. With wonderful views of the Chicago skyline and waterfront, this will be a special opportunity to immerse ourselves in the rich history of boating in Chicago. Please take a minute to review the show details and registration form in this edition of the Smoke Signal.

All three of our upcoming shows are open for registration. We have added the ability to register for the Geneva Lake Show online. In an effort to simplify registration of events, we can now accept credit cards for show fees. We hope to add both the Chicago and Fox Lake shows to the online catalog in the next week or two.

As always watch your email or snail mail (Be sure to keep your addresses updated with ACBS) for the latest Blackhawk updates. Regularly check the Blackhawk website at [www.blackhawkacbs.com](http://www.blackhawkacbs.com) for the latest information on club events and meetings. I look forward to seeing you all out on the water at our 2013 cruises, shows and events.

Best regards,

Mark Svoboda



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Click on the Smoke Signal tab, click on any issue





# 2013 Blackhawk Spring Workshop at



**Bergersen Boat Co.**

**Custom Building and Restoration**

7163 COMMERCIAL STREET - SPRINGFIELD, WI

## Saturday April 20<sup>th</sup>, 2013

Story and photos by Eric Moberg

More photos on page 10

Considering that all the local bodies of water were at record flood levels, there was little chance of getting an early start on the boating season. So if you can't go boating, the next best thing is to look at boats and talk boats - and what better place to do so than a boat restoration shop.

Lars and the crew at Bergersen Boat Company hosted about 50 Blackhawk members and guests for an informative morning of all things woodie. With the sun (finally) shining brightly, the boats out in the yard could be uncovered, so there was a lot to see, even before going into the shops.



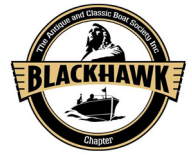
Coffee and treats were set out in the finishing shop, where the smell of fresh varnish told us we were in the right place. Five boats were in the shop, at various stages of finishing. In addition, there was a skeleton that we later learned was an original design that Lars was working on in his "spare time".

After everyone had a chance to wander around and take in the sights, President Mark Svoboda briefly called an informal meeting to order. He provided updates on several of the coming events planned for this season, and summarized some of the results of the recent Directors meeting. See details elsewhere in this newsletter and on the web.

Lars welcomed all the visitors to his business, and gave a quick rundown of what he had set up for us to see. Outside the wood shop, he had set up a demonstration of steam bending, with a steam box and bending jig in operation. Inside, there were several boats undergoing various degrees of restoration, with the most drastic being a keel replacement. Lars demonstrated the technique of planing the new keel to get the proper angles, and discussed boring the shaft hole. He answered questions on a number of topics. Nearby one of his crew gave a demonstration of riveting, allowing some of the audience to try their hand at it.

The Bergersen crew laid out a delicious lunch of pulled pork and sub sandwiches with all the trimmings for the guests to enjoy while they moved between the various shop areas. All too soon it was time for us to head back home and check on our sump pumps.

*Thanks to Lars and Olivia Bergersen and all of the folks at Bergersen Boat Company for sharing a very enjoyable and educational morning with the Blackhawk Chapter.*



Blackhawk Members:

The Chicago In-Water Boat Show organization has presented our club with the opportunity to participate in their 2013 show. The show management was extremely supportive of our participation in previous events at McCormick Place and would like us to be a part of the in-water show for 2013.

The show will be held at the new 31<sup>st</sup> Street Harbor. There are launch ramps at this facility and remote trailer parking will be available. The show will provide convenient parking and a complementary shuttle. We have been allocated both lot space as well as room for as many as 30 or more boats in the water.

***We need to staff the display for the show hours & ask boat owners & volunteers to assist with this effort!***

## Chicago In-Water Boat Show 4-Day Event

**Thursday - Sunday, June 13-16, 2013:**  
31st Street Harbor  
3155 South Lake Shore Drive Chicago, IL

### ***Show Hours:***

**Thursday- Friday, June 13-14, 11am- 6pm**  
**Saturday, June 15, 10am - 6pm**  
**Sunday, June 16, 10am - 5pm**

**Wednesday, June 12, 1pm - 5pm:**  
Show Set Up

**Friday, June 14:**  
Friday Morning Boat Parade Out of Harbor to the Chicago River and Back

***Registration is Open! Sign Up Today!***



We are asking for interested boat owners to respond as soon as possible. We will work to accommodate as many boats as the space will allow. Each presenting owner will receive show credentials that will allow access to the show prior to the public opening. In addition, Blackhawk members will receive a small quantity of free admission passes for the event.

We have also arranged for our group to have dinner at the Chicago Yacht Club on Saturday June 15<sup>th</sup>. All Blackhawk members, presenters, volunteers and guests are welcome. The yacht club offers a rich history of boating in Chicago and a beautiful view of the Chicago skyline and waterfront. Details will follow with the registration form.

For those interested in presenting their boat, a brief registration form follows on pages 5 and 6 to collect key information about the boat, owner and a picture of your boat. (Or check the website for online registration.) This information will be used to prepare signage for each boat presented.

To participate in the show or for additional questions and information please contact Mark Svoboda at (630) 208-1775 or via email at [president@blackhawkacbs.com](mailto:president@blackhawkacbs.com).

***Help make this a successful event by displaying your boat or volunteering to cover the show!***

Best regards,  
The 2013 Boat Show Committee





The Blackhawk Chapter ACBS invites you to participate in

## The Chicago In-Water Boat Show

At the 31<sup>st</sup> Street Harbor Chicago, IL June 13<sup>th</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup>, 2013

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| Name          |  |
| Address       |  |
| City          |  |
| State         |  |
| Zip Code      |  |
| Email Address |  |
| Mobile Phone  |  |
| Home Phone    |  |



### Boat Exhibit Information:

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| Year         |  | Engine     |                                                                    |
| Manufacturer |  | Type       | <input type="checkbox"/> Inboard <input type="checkbox"/> Outboard |
| Model        |  | HP         |                                                                    |
| Name         |  | Motor Year |                                                                    |
| Length       |  | Beam       |                                                                    |

Add a brief paragraph about your boat that we will include in the show signage:

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| <p>Interesting facts and history about your boat. Some examples would be: this has been in our family since it was purchased by my father, I am only the second owner, this boat was in the Chicago Boat Show in 19XX, this is one of 4 surviving models, or any other information show attendees and other club members would find interesting.</p> |  |
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| Boat Registration Fee is \$40 per Boat. | Boats _____ X \$40.00 = _____ |
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| I am not able to bring my boat but I would still like to participate at the show. | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes, I will volunteer at the show ! |
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***Be sure to complete back side of form!***

Setup for the show will be on Wednesday June 12<sup>th</sup> from 1:00 to 5:00 PM. Please note we will not have access to the launch ramp in the harbor during show hours. Boats will need to launch prior to the show opening or utilize another facility. We are scheduled to hold a parade of Antique & Classic Boats Friday morning from the harbor through the lock to the Chicago River south & north returning to the harbor in time for the show opening at 11:00 AM. There will be media coverage of the event so have your boat fueled up, shined up and ready to go !

## Saturday June 15, 2013 Dinner at the Chicago Yacht Club



CHICAGO YACHT CLUB  
A TRADITION OF YACHTING EXCELLENCE

Join us for dinner on Saturday evening June 15th, 2013 at the historic Chicago Yacht Club facility at 400 East Monroe Street Chicago, IL. The Chicago Yacht Club offers a rich history of boating in Chicago and a beautiful view of the Chicago skyline and waterfront. All Blackhawk members and guests are welcome for dinner. Cocktails will be at 6:30 PM followed by dinner at 7:30 PM.

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| Chicago Yacht Club Dinner Registration                     | Dinner Selections:                                 |
| Dinner will include salad, entrée, vegetables and dessert. | Grilled 14oz. Pork Chop _____ X \$48.00 = \$ _____ |
| There will be a cash bar.                                  | Grilled Atlantic Salmon _____ X \$48.00 = \$ _____ |
|                                                            | Kids 12 & Under _____ X \$15.00 = \$ _____         |
|                                                            | Total \$ _____                                     |



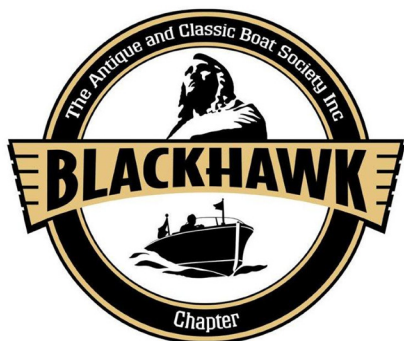
### INSURANCE CERTIFICATION:

I certify that I am the owner of the above listed boat(s), engine(s), car(s), watercraft, displays, exhibits, or other item (here after collectively known as "boat") I intend to display at this 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 2013 Chicago In-Water Boat Show Chicago, IL 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, and the 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.

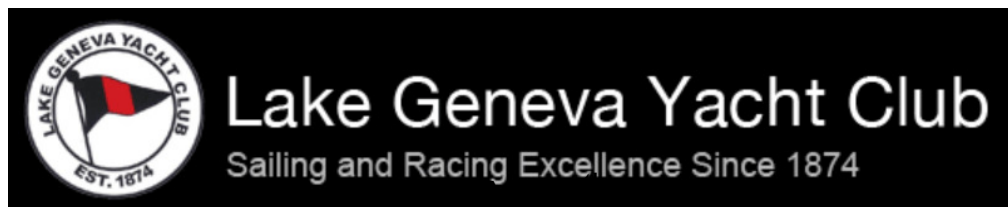
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| <b><u>Make checks payable to:</u></b><br><br>Blackhawk Chapter, ACBS<br><br><b><u>Mail to:</u></b><br><br>Mark Svoboda<br>Two North Northampton Dr.<br>Geneva, IL 60134 | <b><u>Fax or email registration to:</u></b><br><br><a href="mailto:msvoboda@ameritech.net">msvoboda@ameritech.net</a><br><br>Fax (630) 208-1776<br><br>Please reply via Fax or email<br>ASAP | <b><u>For additional info contact:</u></b><br><br>Mark at: (630) 208-1775<br><br><a href="http://www.blackhawkacbs.com">www.blackhawkacbs.com</a><br><br><a href="mailto:msvoboda@ameritech.net">msvoboda@ameritech.net</a> |
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# 2013 Blackhawk Spring Cruise Day and Dinner at



More photos from this event are on page 11



Jan Vogeler greets Gary & Pat Braker  
at the reception desk

The heavy rains and resulting high water of the previous weeks created a delay in getting the launch dock and piers installed, and along with the threat of more rain that day, the Cruise portion of this event was unfortunately cancelled. That did not stop intrepid boaters, Ted and Cindy Cartner, (and guest George Plamondon) from making the most of the day in their CC 1951 semi-enclosed cruiser, Chrysalis. It turned out to be a beautiful afternoon and evening, however, and after the long off-season, the 50 attendees enjoyed the magnificent view of the lake, sipping cocktails and catching up with other boaters on the Yacht Club's upper deck.

Then it was indoors for the feast of tender roast beef and chicken marsala with steamed vegetables, rice, salad, rolls and a yummy assortment of cheesecakes for dessert. President Mark Svoboda presided over the meeting, providing a preview of the many upcoming events of our boating season. He bestowed our appreciation to our hosts, including Blackhawk member and Commodore of the Yacht Club, John Simms; along with Operations Manager Michael Moore; and Head Chef, Richard Serami. Paul Miller, representing the American Outboard Motor Club (which met earlier in the day) presented Mark with a trophy for his 1956 30 HP Evinrude. Dave Vogeler updated us on the Youth Group Project, thanked the members for their support and invited all members to come see the project. Dave also thanked Tom Wagner who donates his time and the space in his facility to the group. Dave and Tom encourage other young boaters or any young persons interested to join this fun and educational program. To find out meeting times for each month, the contact information for Youth Development is on page 2.



Mark Svoboda receives trophy  
from Paul Miller

The Spring Dinner was an enjoyable evening at a wonderful venue and great kick off to the new season!



John Simms and Mark Svoboda



Dave Vogeler talks about the  
Youth Group



Michael Moore and Richard Serami

## Come Join the Fun!

★ ★ ★ 29th ANNUAL ★ ★ ★  
ANTIQUE & CLASSIC  
**IN-WATER BOAT SHOW**



**Saturday ★ July 20, 2013**

*Presented by*  
**BLACKHAWK ACBS**  
*at Famous Freddie's on Pistakee Lake*  
*510 Park Avenue Fox Lake, IL*

★ **9:00AM - 2:00PM** ★  
*Awards presented at 1:30PM*

 For more information:  
Ron Van Horn 708.347.8951 Ted Cartner 847.395.8902 

This one-day, casual boat show is always a laid back, fun day! All classes of boats are traditionally well represented here, including classic glass, race boats, and, of course the runabouts, utilities, launches, plus outboards, (Junior Blackhawk boat included). Registration and food are reasonably priced, (especially if you sign up early).

The many floating docks are large and padded, perfect for whatever size boat you have, and they are nestled in a no-wake end of the bay. (What more could you ask for?) Freddie's bar and dining room are open all morning and afternoon, but don't fill up — save your appetite for the knock out Western BBQ!

By popular demand, the dinner has been moved to an early afternoon meal, right after the awards ceremony. It's a fantastic spread of succulent pork ribs, tender and juicy chicken, corn on the cob, garden salad, coleslaw and dessert. Sooo yummy!

There will be plenty of time afterwards to head out and enjoy Saturday afternoon and evening out on the Chain O' Lakes. Mark your calendars now, and send in your registration today!

### **Western BBQ Buffet at 2:00pm**

Grilled BBQ Chicken ★ BBQ Rib Fingers ★ Corn on the Cob  
Coleslaw ★ Tossed Garden Salad ★ Baked Potatoes ★ Cash Bar

**\$15.00 Boat entry fee (before 7/12/13, \$20 after 7/12/13)**  
**\$16.00 per person for BBQ Buffet**

**Set up is 8:00 to 9:00 a.m.**

There is no launch ramp at Freddie's, you could launch at any of the other Marinas around the Lake.  
Ben Watts Marina ramp is 3 minutes by car or water

**NOTE: A Waterway Permit Sticker is required; it can be purchased at Watts Marina.**  
**For more info: Ron Van Horn 708-347-8951 or Ted Cartner 847-395-8902**

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE \_\_\_\_\_ MFG BOAT \_\_\_\_\_

MODEL \_\_\_\_\_ YEAR \_\_\_\_\_ LENGTH \_\_\_\_\_

ENGINE \_\_\_\_\_ HP \_\_\_\_\_

Send to: Ted Cartner PO Box 683 Antioch IL 60002  
MAKE CHECKS OUT TO "The Blackhawk Chapter"





# Hot Fun in the Summertime!



## Upper Chain O' Lakes RENDEZVOUS!



AUGUST 24<sup>th</sup>



The Chapter has had picnics on the lower Fox River, cruises to Port Edwards, and boat shows in McHenry and Fox Lake. When was the last time we had an event on the upper Chain O' Lakes? Well here is your chance to explore the upper Chain, we are planning a Rendezvous August 24<sup>th</sup>. It will be an informal casual event on Channel Lake, Lake Marie, Lake Catherine (cleanest lake on the Chain), Spring Lake (where's that?), Bluff Lake etc. Some of the places you could visit are Steitz's Resort (climb the aerobic stairway), or historic Webb's Marina (say "Hi" to Frank & Nancy) where you can still buy gauges for a 1950 Chris Craft.

We are planning a boating scavenger hunt around the Lakes where boat teams will be asked to answer questions such as: "How many sunken jet skis are visible at the Gunk Hole Resort" or "How high is the flood high water mark at Webb's Marina". There will be BIG prizes for the winners. (as in sunken jet skis)

There are places where we can meet for lunch and, weather permitting, meet in the afternoon at the Lake Catherine sand bar for a swim.

There is no charge, but if you want to participate in the scavenger hunt let us know where to send the Questions. We can US Mail or EMAIL to you a day or two before the event.

Call or Send your request to: Ted Cartner at 847-395-8902 or Chrysalis40@att.net



## Junior Blackhawks Update

by Dave Vogeler

As a follow up to my last news letter article here is the latest on the Youth Project Boat. Again the Kids have been working hard. It has been amazing to watch their improvements over the past few years. They jump right in and work hard for the few hours we spend each week. When they complete their task or take a break to allow another member of the team to have an opportunity to work on the boat, I find them working on other boats in Tom's shop. Whether it be cutting bungs or plugging screw holes they always seem to put their experience to good use. Their enthusiasm keeps me going.

We spent the last few weeks working on the hull of the Correct Craft. We have completed the majority of the sanding and minor wood repairs. The rotten wood has been replaced and the new transom has been installed. The hull is now ready for paint. I hope to have more to tell you next time.

As always, we welcome any kids in the program. If you know of anyone who would be interested please let me know.

Contact me at [riverrats@ameritech.net](mailto:riverrats@ameritech.net) or 847-477-3373

Dave Vogeler

Youth Development Chairman







***Bergersen Boat Co.***  
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(See page 3 for complete story by Eric Moberg)



Lars Bergersen (on right) discussing restoration



Mitchell O' Day tries his hand at riveting



Some members gather for photo before the workshop



Lars demonstrates fitting a replacement keel



The Woodworking Shop

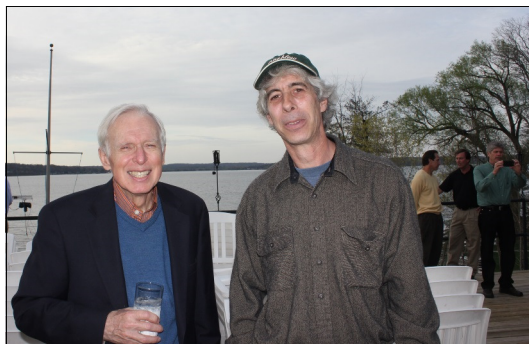
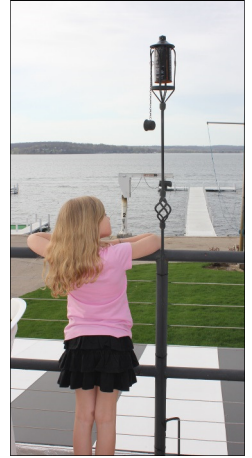


Steam box (foreground) and bending jig (background)



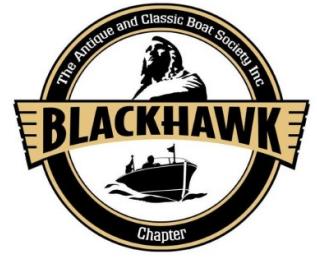
The Finishing Shop







# Mark your calendars for the Geneva Lakes Boat Show at the Abbey Resort and Abbey Marina September 27<sup>th</sup> through 29, 2013



Step back in time aboard three magnificent lake launches for the ever popular Friday Estate Tour on beautiful Lake Geneva! Whether you've taken the tours before, or you've never gone, this year's tour promises to be one you surely do not want to miss out on. Along with cruising in the launches, we will be visiting three new estates this year, those belonging to John and Michelle Simms, Brent and Sharon Brodeski and Bob and Rita O'Brien; plus lunch at the Lake Geneva Country Club. Friday afternoon is yours to do as you wish, whether it is taking your boat out on the lake, spending time in the spa or pool, or just hanging out with old friends or making new ones.



Brent and Sharon Brodeski Estate



Bob and Rita O'Brien Estate



John and Michelle Simms Estate

Friday night's Welcome Reception Dinner is returning to the home of gracious hosts, Larry and Sue Larkin's. Events there have always been fun and delicious, and I'm sure this year's dinner will be sure to please all of us once again. You can arrive there by boat or car, and enjoy the meal out on the lakeside lawn, and feel free to look inside the Lark's Nest at their many fascinating collections.



The two-day boat show in the Abbey Harbor features over 100 boats of all makes and models, some old favorites, and many new arrivals each year. Besides the Captain's Choice voting for boats in multiple categories, the Youth Judges will be voting also. There is always a constant stream of spectators in awe as they stroll the docks, admiring the boats and talking them up with boat owners. The Abbey grounds come alive, also, for two days of music, plus art vendors, the Blackhawk tent with Show posters, shirts, and memorabilia, with both food and beverages available outside or inside. Crowd favorites of "Start your Engines" and the Boat Parade on Saturday will again be a part of this wonderful show. The Awards dinner on Saturday night returns to the Harbor Ballroom overlooking the harbor and grounds filled with those magnificent woodies, classic boats, canoes and ice boats. The boat show concludes Sunday afternoon with the People's Choice Award presentation out on the lawn at 3:00.

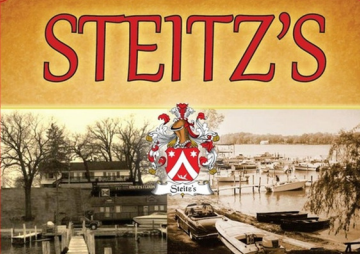
More details and sign up for the estate tours, boat show and dinners will be available on the website. Sign up early to ensure that

you are not left out; space is limited for all events at this show. Take advantage of the new online registration, where you can sign up using your credit card, and book your room directly with the Abbey Resort now (hotel room availability is going fast!)

Obviously, it takes a lot of people to bring this kind of event to fruition, AND to take it all apart at the end of the show. Please contact John Barrett at 630-584-3107 or [johnneeb@ameritech.net](mailto:johnneeb@ameritech.net) to volunteer for the many varied positions that need to be filled to enhance the show and your enjoyment of it!

**For Show Registration and Hotel: Go to [www.Blackhawkacbs.com](http://www.Blackhawkacbs.com), Click on Events, then select Geneva Lakes Boat Show, Registration (print form to mail in, or register online). There is also a link for the Abbey Resort to make hotel reservations online or call the Abbey at 262-275-9000.**





**STEITZ'S**

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CHAIN-O-LAKES SINCE 1938

Dining Room Hours

|          |             |
|----------|-------------|
| Thursday | 3:00-9:00   |
| Friday   | Noon-10:00  |
| Saturday | 11:00-10:00 |
| Sunday   | 11:00-8:00  |

25400 W. BLUFF LANE ANTIOCH, IL 60002  
Tel: (847) 395-4060  
www.steitzs.com

## Steitz Resort Cruise & Outboard Motor Club Meet Saturday, June 1, 2013

The Steitz Resort Cruise and Meet is on Bluff Lake in Antioch and begins about 9:00am as folks gather and launch boats free of charge at the Steitz Marina. A Chain O' Lakes sticker is required to boat on Bluff Lake and a single day pass is available across the street at the cost of \$15.00.

The boat cruise starts at 10:30am and returns to the resort for a specially prepared lunch; about \$8.00.

Motorheads will also be displaying and swapping motors and parts. For more information contact Paul Miller at [pmillerclu@sbcglobal.net](mailto:pmillerclu@sbcglobal.net) or 630.235.8003. *All are welcome!*



### Notice to Renew Your Watercraft Registration!

The Department of Natural Resources **DID NOT** send out watercraft renewal notices this year.  
**It is your responsibility to make sure that your watercraft registration is current.**

**\*\*\*\*The online Renewal system is now available as of April 30, 2013\*\*\*\***

Watercraft owners are able to renew their watercraft registrations by using a touch-tone telephone (1-866-867-3542) or the internet. This service operates 24/7.

<http://www.dnr.illinois.gov/recreation/boating/Pages/RenewYourWatercraftRegistration.aspx>

**S O S**  
**Share Our Stories**



Attention Blackhawk Members: **The Newsletter belongs to You;**  
you can make it better AND WIN, in more ways than one.

Help yourselves to a better newsletter by helping me get more and better content for it. It's all about our stories; the funny, the interesting, the informative...please share your stories! Any contribution of copy or photos per newsletter publication\* will also make you eligible to win in a drawing (prizes to be had worth over \$200!) that will be held at next year's fall dinner. (Winners need not be present.)

**Send your stories and photos to  
[smokesignal@blackhawkacbs.com](mailto:smokesignal@blackhawkacbs.com)**

Thank you to Eric Moberg and Dave Vogeler who contributed stories and photos for this issue of the Smoke Signal!

\*Material submitted may be edited



#### Editors Note: Postage Due Newsletters

**POSTAGE DUE**

For any members who received their Smoke Signal late or had to pay 20 or 40 cents postage due, I extend my apologies for the inconvenience. In an effort to get the newsletters out ASAP, I took a sample 20 page newsletter to the post office to have it weighed, then purchased the 300 stamps of proper postage. After the newsletters were printed and tabbed, I picked them up, applied the stamps, took them to the post office as always. Two days later I began to get newsletters returned and phone calls. I have since learned that there is a new rule (according to SOME post offices) that 2 tabs should be applied; SOME believed that the newsletters were just above the 2 oz limit so \$ was due; a FEW held onto them for a week or two before returning them. (Why???). Most post offices delivered them and I am very grateful for that and I'm NOT anticipating a problem with postage going forward.



#### From Our Webmaster, Matt Byrne:

##### Special Request for Blackhawk Members!

Please verify that the ACBS National office has your correct email address on file. I am getting a lot of lost emails coming back as undeliverable when we send out email blasts of updated information or important messages between newsletters.

**Contact ACBS main headquarters:** To update addresses by email [hqs@acbs.org](mailto:hqs@acbs.org) or by phone at 315-686-2628 or Fax 315-686-2680. Thank you.

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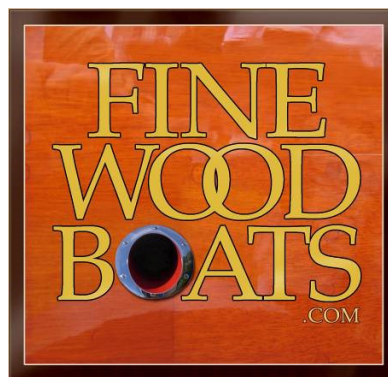
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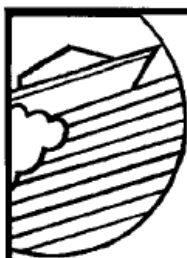
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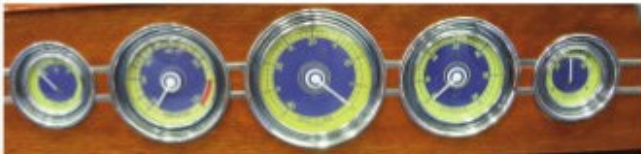


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Provide all advertisements to: Matt Byrne at [mattbyrne@mrbtech.com](mailto:mattbyrne@mrbtech.com) or Kathy Moberg at [smokesignal@blackhawkacbs.com](mailto:smokesignal@blackhawkacbs.com)



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## *2013 Event Calendar*

Sat, June 1 Outboard Club at Steitz's on Bluff Lake, Antioch, IL

Thurs-Sun, June 13-16 Chicago In-Water Boat Show, 31st St. Harbor

Sat, July 20 29th Antique & Classic Boat Show at Freddie's, Fox Lake, IL

Fri-Sun, July 26-28 21st Minocqua Antique & Classic Boat Show at Matt Morgan's, Minocqua, WI

Fri -Sat, Aug 2-3 Glacier Lakes 8th Annual Madison Area Antique & Classic Boat Show

Sat, Aug 17 Glacier Lakes 9th Annual Pewaukee Lake Show & Fair at Lakefront Park

Sat, Aug 24 Upper Chain O'Lakes Cruise Party

Sat, Sept 14 Lower Chain O'Lakes Fall Cruise

Fri-Sun, Sept 27-29 Geneva Lakes Antique & Classic Boat Show, The Abbey, Fontana, WI

Sat, Oct 19 Fall Dinner



New Blackhawk member,  
Grant MacLaren, sent in  
these photos from the  
Sunnyland Meet