



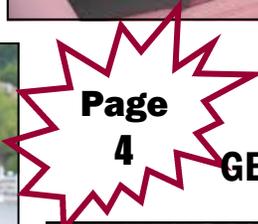
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Newsletter of the **BLACKHAWK CHAPTER-ACBS**

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Start Your Engines!

GENEVA LAKES ANNUAL ANTIQUE & CLASSIC BOAT SHOW

September 27-29, 2013



Antoinette V, a 24' 6" 1929 elegantly designed gentlemen's racer with a hull built for performance. Designed by John L. Hacker and built by Kramer Boat Works for Chicago Mayor Anton Cermac, this will be the marquee boat on display at the Geneva Lakes Show. Powered by the original Scripps 202 engine, view & learn more at the show!



Blackhawk Chapter Annual Fall Dinner October 19, 2013

See page 3 for Details & Sign up Sheet!



Lower Chain O' Lakes Fall Cruise

Saturday, September 14, 2013

See page 9 for Details

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Fellow Blackhawk Members:

I am composing this note on the evening of Saturday, August 24th. Today we completed our first ever Blackhawk Chapter open boating cruise day. A big Blackhawk thank you goes out to Ted and Cindy Cartner for organizing a cruise plan and a Chain O'Lakes fun facts contest. We had 10 boats participate in this inaugural event. We met at Webb's Marina, toured the upper chain and had lunch at Steitz's Resort. A swim party followed at the sand bar between Lake Catherine and Channel Lake. It was a fabulous day blessed with great weather, great boating and good friends. Thank you to everyone that participated. Remember our next Cruise Day is scheduled for Saturday, September 14th with Eric and Kathy Moberg serving as our tour directors. Also coming up is the fall dinner; your chance to get together with other members and reminisce about the past boating season and make plans for the next year. More information on all these events will follow in this edition of the Smoke Signal.



Registration for the 2013 Geneva Lake Antique and Classic Boat Show is well underway. As of today, all events are open for registration, but we are filling up fast for both the Friday Estate Tour and the Friday Reception and Dinner at the home of Larry & Sue Larkin. Remember you can register and pay fees online. As in past years we are publishing a show directory that will include information and a picture of your registered boat. To ensure that your boat is included in the show directory, please make sure to register by September 10th. The online registration process will allow you to easily upload an image and a short paragraph about your boat to include in the directory. More show information and registration forms can be found in this edition of the Smoke Signal.

As always watch, your email or snail mail for the latest Blackhawk updates. Regularly check the Blackhawk web site at 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

Blackhawk Chapter Annual Fall Dinner

Saturday, October 19, 2013
5:30pm Cocktails Dinner at 7:00pm

Once again, Tom & Marge Wagner have graciously offered to host our annual fall gathering at their Ringwood Showroom. Please join us to dine in this unique showroom built to look and feel like a 1950's era marina with a collection of over 50 boats. We will recap the 2013 season and share plans for the year 2014. **SOS** prizes will be awarded, also.

 Fox Valley Boat Co. 
Ringwood Showroom
5103 Mann Drive Ringwood, IL



Dinner Buffet Includes:

Beef & Chicken Entrees
Rolls & Salads 
Warm Vegetables
Assorted Desserts
Coffee & Condiments

Cost per Person:

\$40.00 Adults
\$10.00 Kids 

Cash Bar:

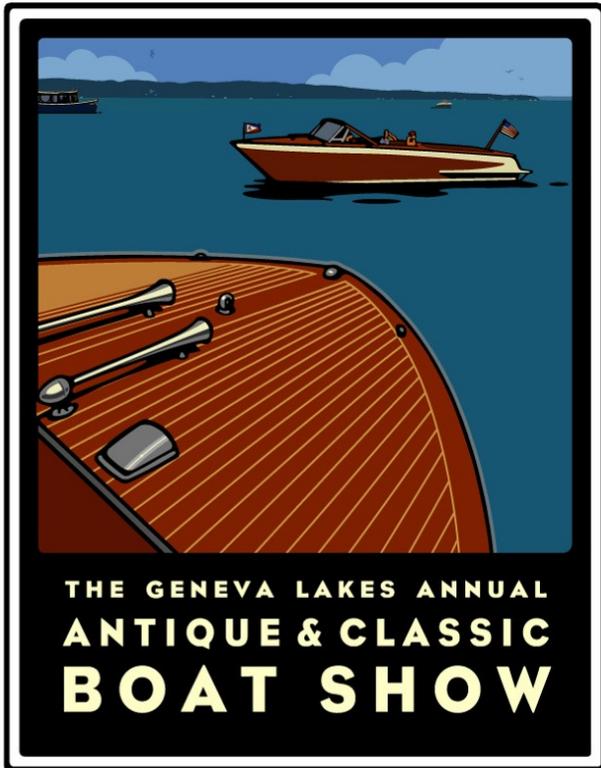
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SEPTEMBER 28TH & 29TH, 2013

Don't miss out, Sign up now!

Cruise on the three magnificent lake launches for the ever popular **Friday Estate Tour** on beautiful Lake Geneva! Tours will depart from the Abbey Harbor House in Fontana on Friday morning aboard Sea Lark, Polaris and Louise. Tour time is approximately 5 hours. We will be visiting three new estates this year, those belonging to John and Michelle Simms, Brent and Sharon Brodeski and Bob and Rita Obrien; 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. Arrive by boat or car at the home of gracious hosts, Larry and Sue Larkin for **Friday's Welcome Reception Dinner** and enjoy the delicious meal served out on the lakeside lawn.

Help yourself to coffee and rolls at registration in the Harbor House prior to the **Boat Show which begins Saturday morning at 10:00**. This two-day boat show in the **Abbey Harbor on Saturday and Sunday** 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 at 4:00 will again be a part of this wonderful show. **New this year** will be Marque boat, 1929 gentlemen's racer, "Antoinette V", and artists doing original paintings of boats during the day, with the paintings available by silent auction at the **Awards dinner on Saturday night**. Choose your entrée on the registration form for your dinner in the Harbor Ballroom overlooking the harbor and grounds filled with those magnificent woodies, classic boats, canoes and ice boats. Cocktails will be served beginning at 6:00, dinner at 7:30. You won't want to miss this event, as the awards are presented following the dinner. In an effort to honor the winners of the awards and recognize the owners, you must register for the dinner and be in attendance in order to be qualified to win one of the show awards.

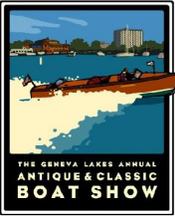


The exhibit begins again Sunday at 10:00 a.m., and concludes Sunday afternoon. Because of the large number of spectators on Sunday, Captains are asked to keep their boats in the water until 3:00. The **People's Choice Award** presentation and the **raffle drawing winners** will be announced on the lawn outside the Blackhawk sales tent at 2:00.

More info plus sign up for the estate tour, boat show and dinners are available on pages 5 and 6, as well as on the website. Space is limited for all events at this show, many events are almost sold out at the printing of this newsletter, so don't delay, sign up now. **Take advantage of the new online registration, where you can sign up using your credit card; book your room directly with the Abbey Resort now, too (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 johneeb@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, 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.



The Blackhawk Chapter of the Antique and Classic Boat Society
present

The Geneva Lakes Annual Antique and Classic Boat Show

At the Abbey Harbor, Fontana, WI Sept 27-29, 2013

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 (\$50) On Land (\$35) Nautical Exhibit (Free)* For Sale (Additional \$35)

*i.e. Model Boats, Outboard Motors etc. A nautical exhibit may not have items for sale. If you would like to be a for sale exhibitor please submit a "Boat Show Exhibitor" form. A boat can be displayed as a nautical exhibit but it will not be considered for awards, is not allowed to launch and cannot be for sale.

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.

Note: Guests of members will be charged at the member rate.

Attending _____ @ \$70/Adult
Non Members _____ @ \$100/Adult
_____ @ \$25/Child \$ _____

Reception Cocktails and Dinner – Cocktails reception and dinner and program at the Larkin estate on Lake Geneva.

Attending _____ @ \$50/Adult
_____ @ \$20/Child \$ _____

Saturday, September 28

Awards Dinner - The Abbey Resort

Dinner includes your choice of West Shore Sunset Chicken, Prime Rib 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.

Prime Rib _____ @ \$50/Adult \$ _____
_____ @ \$20/Child
Chicken _____ @ \$50/Adult
_____ @ \$20/Child
Mahi Mahi _____ @ \$50/Adult
_____ @ \$20/Child

Weekend Package Discount – For each adult participant registering for all three events: Estate Tour, Cocktail Dinner Buffet and Saturday Awards dinner receive a special Blackhawk discount of \$15.

_____ @ \$15/ea - \$ _____

Registration forms received after September 10, 2010 additional \$25.00 late fee (Check if late) \$ _____

I would like to become a member of the ACBS and Blackhawk Chapter \$65/year \$ _____

Total Amount \$ _____

*Portions of this year's proceeds will be donated to the
Lake Geneva Lake Level Corporation & Lake Geneva Water Safety Patrol*

**Deadline for all reservations and activities is Sept 9th. 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 2013 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
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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. People's Choice to be awarded on Sunday at 2:00pm.

Blackhawk Chapter Sharpest Arrow ACBS Most Preserved Best Chris Craft Best Century Best Streblow Best Contemporary Most Historic Best Fiberglass Best Outboard Skippers Choice Peoples 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
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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 9th.

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.

FOX LAKE BOAT SHOW

By Cindy Cartner

Hats off to Captains Ron Van Horn and Ted Cartner for pulling off a fantastic 29th Annual In-Water Boat Show! With the ample space on the floating piers at Famous Freddie's on Pistakee Lake, participants could tie up immediately as they arrived, starting at 8AM. By the time I arrived with the registration tent and paperwork, the Motorhead Outboard Club was already setting-up in the parking lot, displaying an array of vintage outboard motors. By show time there were 44 boats, dozens of outboard motors, and piers crowded with spectators.

The weather could not have been better, sunny with a slight breeze, temperatures hovering around 80.

The wood and fiberglass, classic and antique beauties were judged by the participating skippers. At 1:30 the ever-anticipated awards ceremony was presented by our very own Blackhawk Chapter president, Mark Svoboda. The winners were:

SKIPPERS CHOICE:

BEST RUNABOUT:

2nd RUNABOUT:

BEST UTILITY:

2nd UTILITY:

BEST OUTBOARD:

2nd OUTBOARD:

John & Erin Fischer

Tom & Marge Wagner

Nick & Olivia Wenstrom

Nick & JoAnn Caselli

Jeff Borre

Nick Wagner

Kennith Klein

1936 Chris Craft Model 511

1956 Chris Craft Runabout

1937 Chris Craft Custom

1959 Chris Craft Continental

1959 Chris Craft Ski Boat

1950 Wagemaker Wolverine

1954 Wagemaker Wolverine



But wait, there's more! After the awards were given, we ambled up to the relaxed atmosphere of Freddie's party room, overlooking Meyers Bay, where a huge Western Bar-B-Q buffet was waiting for us. Baby back ribs, grilled chicken, baked potatoes, coleslaw, salad, and succulent corn on the cob filled our plates. One member was known to return to the buffet 3 times for another cob of corn. I won't mention George's name here...

I'd like to thank all the participants and spectators for helping make this another successful club event. Also, thanks to Chris Kerwin and her sweet 10 week old pup, Mable, for assisting at the registration/membership tent. Kudos also, to Co-Editor, Cindy Chicoine for designing the 2013 show poster. See you next year for our 30th!



Fox Lake Boat Show



Minocqua Boat Show (Brrrrr!)





Hot Fun in the Summertime!



Upper Chain O' Lakes

RENDEZVOUS!

AUGUST 24th



The long anticipated rendezvous and cruise on the Upper Chain O' Lakes was really a fun day! We launched in the morning and enjoyed a casual, bright, sunny day in the company of other members. Remembering that a picture is worth a thousand words, I'm keeping this story short and sweet—check out the photos!



We'll Have Hot Fun in the Fall, too!

Lower Chain O' Lakes RENDEZVOUS!

September 14th 9:30 a.m.

Meet at Bauske Boat Basin (Rte 12 Bridge in Fox Lake) For more info, Call Eric Moberg 815-344-0060

21st Annual Minocqua Boat Show July 28-30, 2013

by Kathy Moberg,
Lily Horn and Ellie Eckert

My Minocqua Boat Show story typically begins boasting of the warm weather, blue skies, pristine water, eagles, loons and deer. Unfortunately, this year's story is a tale of frigid temps, dreary, wet weather, with a biting north wind, white caps, and trips to Walmart for the participants to purchase jeans, sweatshirts, raingear, hats and even gloves! Also, for a different perspective of the show, I have assistance in the telling of the weekend adventure by our Granddaughter, Lily Horn, and Wil & Mary Vidal's Granddaughter, Ellie Eckert.



A few of the boats in the Friday parade

Bundled up in layers to ward off the 45 degree damp air, 16 boat captains and their crews carried on the Friday night tradition of the pre-ski show boat parade, officially opening the boat show. On Saturday, to the delight of the spectators, 44 of the 50 registered woodies and classic fiberglass boats braved the inclement weather (50's, cloudy with some drizzle) on the first full day of the boat show. The temps being about 30 degrees cooler than average, along with wind and wetness, proved to be prohibitive to normal playtime activities in the northwoods and chain of lakes, so the town of Minocqua was really buzzing with activity. The boat show was well attended and appreciated by those

looking for entertainment! There were land and water displays, including inboards, outboards, canoes; even aqua and woodie cars. (See photos on page 9)

One especially bright spot on the docks was the warmth and sunny feelings brought about by two smiling girls (Lily, age 9 and Ellie, age 8) who traversed the docks bearing gifts of Mardi Gras beads, smiley face pins and candy which they exchanged for donations from the spectators for the Multiple Sclerosis Society. (Read their stories on the following page). The Minocqua Boat Show raises money for MS each year thanks to the efforts of Gordon Moore and Al Hanley (Show Chairmen), The Boathouse (where the show was held), Trig's Grocery (who donates the brats sold dockside), and Pete Eckstom and Associates (who donate and sell commemorative T-shirts at the show). Hagerty Insurance and 5 Star Marketing also helped sponsor the event. The total raised for MS through the show was \$6,247.00.

A cruise to Lake Tomahawk was planned for Saturday evening to attend a BBQ dinner at the home of Don Bergman. The dinner went on as planned, but due to the forecast of thunderstorms, most of the attendees went by car.



Lily and Ellie present to Gordon Moore the \$401.63 that they raised for MS

Editors Note—Special thanks to the very kind and trusting Joel Levin (who didn't even know me, but...) not only did he lend me his camera Friday night (I had forgotten mine), he sent me a zip drive with the photos that I had taken plus dozens more! His beautiful boat, Legacy, is pictured above in the parade and on the opposite page, as they are racing across the lake. Thanks also to Wil Vidal for submitting photos.

I had fun in Minocqua! Lily and I roasted marshmallows to make yummy s'mores. We also collected money at the boat show for MS. Last year we collected \$200 so we made a goal to get more this year. We doubled the amount with \$400. We felt very happy and proud. I hope the boat show raised enough money to find a cure for MS. On Saturday night the Bergman's invited us all over to their gorgeous house on Lake Tomahawk. They were so kind to have a cookout with delicious food and drinks. I had fun playing with their sweet dog, Ivy. Even though it rained, we stayed dry in the beautiful boathouse.

—Ellie Eckert

The boat show was nice, but the weather was the part Ellie and I did not like. We were so happy to collect \$400 in donations (without the drop ins) for Multiple Sclerosis! 😊 So with the horrible weather, we decided to not go swimming in the lake till it warmed up so we went to the Beacons pool, which is so warm. So most of my trip was good. If you sponsors, captains and donators read this, I really appreciate you guys and girls because you helped a lot of people with MS live longer, better lives. Ellie and I really thank you. And for the people who donated and did not get a necklace, candy or smiley face pin, they will always be in our hearts.

—Lily Horn

Sunday gave us a slightly higher temp, (still unseasonably cold) but it was windier and wetter. The enthusiasm and camaraderie of the captains, crews, and spectators was never dampened, however! The awards were presented as follows.

- People's Choice** – 31' , 1961 Shepherd – Kim Goluska, Eagle River/Chicago "Branch Office"
- Captain's Choice-Best of Show** – 16', 1957 Peterborough Seafarer, Doug & Linda Stone, Merrill, WI "Josephine"
- Best Outboard** Same as Captain's Choice, Best of Show listed above and pictured below on the left
- Best Century** – 18', 1972 Century Resorter, Dick Mickle, Minocqua, WI
- Best Pre-War Chris Craft** – 19' 1942 Chris Craft Barrel Back , Dr. Wafik A. Hanna, Land O' Lakes, WI/Hinsdale, IL
- Best Post War Chris Craft** – 22' 1956 Chris Craft Continental, Ralph A. Marrinson, Fort Lauderdale, FL/Minocqua
- Best Post War Chris Craft** - - 17' 1956 Chris Craft Runabout, Dan Zellner, Milwaukee, WI "Sweet Melody"
- Best Antique or Classic Wood Boat other than Chris Craft or Century** – 19' 1958 Streblov, Eric & Kathy Moberg, "Rebel"
- Best Classic Fiber Glass** – 19' 1958 Chris Craft Silver Arrow, The Warning Family, New Lenox, IL "Bernadine"
- Best Non Powered Boat** – 11' Dinghy, Freedom Boats



Always a fun show and usually great weather; mark your calendars for next year's show!
July 25-27, 2014. For more info, contact Al Hanley, 5 Star Marketing & Distribution
715-453-4511 or alh@5starmandd.com

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 For more information contact:
 Tom Wagner 815-385-0454 or
 tom@woodboat.net

Editors Note: This is my last issue as Editor, and it has truly been a wonderful experience! I would like to express my gratitude to some special people. Thank you, Matt, (computer Doctor) for rescuing me from my many bouts of techno deficiency; To Mark, (our President Extraordinaire) for always getting the info I needed to me by deadline; To the awesome Board of Directors and Officers for voting to let us use color on the cover & center pages, plus getting Cindy on board; To the fabulous members for making it easy for us by sharing their stories and photos (SOS); and to my artistic friend and Co-Editor, Cindy, for making it fun! Cindy will continue on as Editor. Please be supportive of her so she can continue to provide you an informative, timely and interesting newsletter that is available to you both by mail and online. Team editing was great, and since Cindy is not a member, (not even a boater), she could use an assistant (see ad below). See you out on the water! *Kathy Moberg*

Classified Corner

HELP WANTED: Membership Chairman Effective: Nov 1, 2013 Objective: Secure new members, retain those we have. Responsibilities: Welcome new members and send nametags. Staff Membership Tent at events. This is a turnkey operation. I'll have the info you'll need. Contact: Cindy Cartner 847.395.8902 or membership@blackhawkacbs.com

HELP WANTED: Effective Oct 1, 2013 Assistant Editor for Newsletter; no experience necessary. Computer skills a must. Writing, photography and graphic design or organizational skills helpful. Contact smokesignal@blackhawkacbs.com to volunteer.

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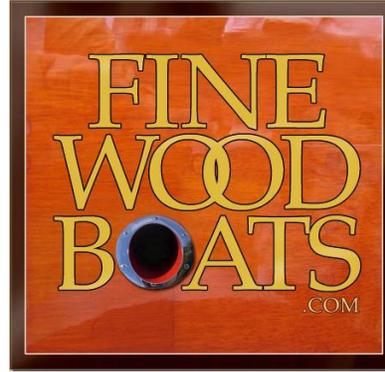


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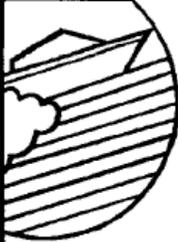
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Sat, Sept 14 Lower Chain O'Lakes Fall Cruise

Sept 17-23 ACBS Annual Meeting & International Boat Show, Coeur d'Alene, ID

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

Sat, Oct 5 Fox River Valley Boat Co. Open house from 9:00-2:00

Sat, Oct 19 Fall Dinner

