



THE HUNTER HAILER

April 2016

Commodore's Corner

Woo Hoo! The daffodils and forsythia are blooming. Days are slowly getting warmer. It must mean that boat launch season is here. Yea!! Looking forward to seeing everyone at the marina and on the water soon.

We had a small but happy group that met for brunch at Drury Lane Oak Brook on Sunday April 3rd. Food and company were great as always. Since only a few members were able to attend, we thought it would be a good idea to have a second Spring meeting. A barbeque is planned for Saturday May 21st at Racine Riverside Marine. A flyer with more information accompanies the newsletter. Hope you can attend. It is always great to see everyone.

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Upcoming Events

Riverside Marine Open House April 23-24

Spring Potluck Barbeque Sat. May 21

Racine Riverside Marine

2016 Summer Rendezvous July 8 through 10 Racine Riverside Marine

We are in the planning stage of our premiere event of the year, Summer Rendezvous. Member input is vital for the event to be a success. The event only improves when we have more members involved.

The first planning session is scheduled for Saturday April 23 at 3:00 PM in the Racine Riverside Boater's Lounge. This is the first day of Racine Riverside's Open House. Many of you will be there working on your boats so take a few minutes and come inside and give us your ideas.

Rendezvous will be a little earlier this year. It is scheduled for July 8-10 at Riverside Marine. Racine is always a popular cruising location and a great jump off point for a summer cruise.

Note, there is still time to renew your membership. Dues are just \$ 30.00 a year for so much fun, friendship and camaraderie. Also, if you know any Hunter owners who are not members, let them know what they are missing. Remember, the more the merrier. Please contact Ray and Nancy Olson for membership information.

Also, a big thank you to Susan Cain for updating the website, www.lmhsa.org. Information is current and lots of pictures are posted for member enjoyment.

See you on the water soon.

Tom & Sonja Wiora
Commodores

APRIL

Spring is here – finally, maybe. The days are getting longer. Snowbirds have returned from their Winter migration (you know who you are). The temperature is finally warming up yep...the sailing itch will need to be scratched soon.

Since the last issue, the Chicago Boat Show and Strictly Sail Chicago occurred. Hunter was represented at the show by the award winning Hunter 31 and the Hunter 37. The Show also had a number of interesting seminars available.

Things are looking up - the on-going Winter/Spring boat show circuit continues, harbors are preparing to open for the new season, Spring equipment sales and dealer/marina Open Houses are all taking place.

January was Strictly Sail in Chicago. February had the big Miami International Boat Show and Miami Strictly Sail. This month there is Strictly Sail Pacific and the Annapolis Spring Sailboat Show.

And everyone seems to be having sales – do you need new bottom paint, replace your dock lines, fenders, soaps and waxes and on and on. It is time to make your shopping list.

Earlier this month, I went up to Racine and while most boats are still covered, some have already been launched and others were in the process of getting ready to splash. (Some hardy souls have already been out on the water!)

It's that time of year to start working on getting the boats ready for a new season.

Racine Riverside our sponsoring dealer is having their Open House this month April 23-24. The hours are 10-3 on Saturday and 11-3 on Sunday.

On Saturday, at 3PM we'll be having the first Rendezvous planning meeting.

Next month we're adding a Potluck Barbeque to the schedule on Saturday May 21 to be held at Riverside Marine.

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Association News: If you haven't sent in your member renewal, it is not too late. If you have questions on membership, please contact Andy and Liz Yonovich. Andy is updating the Directory for 2016. New directories should be out shortly.

Website – Updating on the website has begun. We are still looking for photos from last year's Rendezvous.

Rendezvous – volunteers are needed to plan and coordinate this year's Rendezvous. A meeting to discuss this year's Rendezvous is being scheduled for Saturday April 23rd for 3PM at Racine Riverside in the Boater's Lounge.

Staff Photographer – We are always looking for photos for the website and to share with members. If you like to take pictures, the association wants your support and assistance in taking photos at association events.