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Commodore's Corner

John Moldovan (RJ)

Commodore



Some of you already know that the Marina was up for bid and that Karen did not bid for it again. This means that we will have a new "owner" starting this season. I was hoping to know who this would be for this edition of the newsletter, but I can't wait any longer. I will probably have the answer at the Commodore's Ball, which everybody should attend.

Commodore's Ball is the first event of the year and over 70 people signed up for it. The record was 75 a couple of years ago, but it won't stand for long. I do believe that we can beat it. Call Sherry before it's too late. She will try to accommodate everybody. This is your chance to meet your new officers and talk about the new boating season with your fellow boat club members. Like all the Balls before it, this one will be a lot of fun. You wouldn't want to miss it... (This kinda reminds me of that AC/DC song.. we got the biggest balls of them all...©)

YES, we do meet during the winter months on the second Wednesday of the month at Zone Car at 1303 West 58th Street. We always have a good time, considering the bar is located outside the meeting room. The club provides the food, so it turns into a real party. All you have to do is show up and enjoy.

For more information about the Club and all the activities that we plan you can always visit our web site at www.embc-cleve.com

RJ

From The Vice

Dan Othberg

Vice Commodore



Hello People,
Time to brush off the snow and get ready to launch. The Ball is coming. We thank our newest Past Commodore Dave Newman, and we welcome our newest Dictator, oops I mean Commodore, John Moldovan. We have a nice size crowd attending this year, hope you are one of them.

On a different note, if anyone has used *CG on their cell phone to contact the Coast Guard requesting maritime emergency assistance, the Coast Guard has asked cell phone providers to discontinue the *CG Service. They have requested that the providers reroute all *CG calls to the nearest 911 operator. Boaters should use VHF-FM as the primary means of making distress calls on the water, cell phone calls to 911 should only be used as a secondary option. Using your radio allows other boaters in the area to hear distress calls and offer immediate assistance. Your radio also enables the Coast Guard, as it expands its Rescue 21 System, to track the precise location of the distress call.

In case you are in Alaska, the *CG feature will remain active in that state, the calls are routed to a single Coast Guard emergency line and are not missed and cannot be redirected.

Patience my friends, we will soon be floating!

Dan Othberg
Vice Commodore

Secretary Escritoire

Nina Gamin

Secretary



As Queen of the Procrastinators, I would like to discuss a chore that I've been meaning to complete (ok, ok - I should say "meaning to start") for over a year now. That is the process of obtaining a passport. By this time next year, we will need a passport to go to Canada, so I believe it's something nearly everyone will have to have.

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This first step is getting the application. I know Dan has a few so you can get one at the next meeting if you choose. They also are available at many libraries and all post offices. I've done this step already. Now if I can just find it in this pile of stuff I have to do... ahh, there it is. Now I only have to fill it out. Jeez!

Okay, now for the big *ching ching*. (I'm only going to talk about **new** applications. You folks who need renewals are obviously not procrastinators and do not need my help.) There are at least three separate fees, so take your check book with you. Cash is acceptable but will cost more, and debit and credit cards are no good at all. Traveler's checks are good and you can get them at the post office, but there is a charge for that too. Age 16 and over: application fee is \$67 paid to the Department of State, acceptance fee is \$30 paid to the USPS. There may be another fee for the passport photo. Not all post offices are equipped to photograph so call ahead or check online at USPS.com.

Now for the totally hopeless but wealthy procrastinator, you may request expedited passport service (3 business days) for an additional \$60 plus Express Mail service at \$14.40 each way, but think of all the late fees you could be paying with that extra \$88.80.

We'll be seeing each other very soon

The Social Scene

Sherry Wilke

Entertainment Committee

The big night is approaching, that's right it is the Commodores Ball.
 March 10th
 7 p.m. to 12p.m.
 Doors open at 6:30p.m.
 Bar opens at 7p.m.
 Dinner at 8p.m.

I am excited in seeing everyone decked out in all their party clothes.

Be sure to tell your new officers how excited you are to meet them, and that you are there for them for what ever is needed.

See you at the next meeting at the Zone Car, on March 14th

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Birthday Wishes

James F., Tobin	3/2
William, Nuss	3/2
Vincent, Leonardi	3/6
Walter, Dlugon II	3/6
Lucille Nuss	3/10
Mike, Chapin	3/12
Jim, Miller	3/16
Nora Cieplowski	3/26



Committees

Sunshine – Vacant

Entertainment – Sherry Wilke

Refreshment – Dale Gutfranski & Nina Gamin

Membership – Russ Leonardi & Dave Newman

Publicity Director – John Moldovan

By-Laws – Chris Cieplowski

Nominating – Tony Soliwoda & Kathy Patyk

ILYA Delegate – Dave Hamm

GCBA Delegate – Steve Antel

2007 Flag Officers

Commodore – John Moldovan (RJ)

Past Commodore – Dave Newman

Vice Commodore – Dan Othberg

Rear Commodore – Bruce Hill

Fleet Captain – Steve Longa

Treasurer – Dan Othberg

Secretary – Nina Gamin

Board of Trustees

- Buck Wilke Pete Welky
- Dale Gutfranski Chris Cieplowski
- Gunther Wingert Rick Verrell



FROM THE SUNSHINE COMMITTEE

We wish speedy recovery to Tony Soliwoda. He took a dive on the ice and snow, resulting in a banged up knee, a cut hand and a fractured bone in his upper arm. He is OK though.



"Hey! It was a hard day at the babysitter's...give me a break!"
This is a picture from Pam and Dennis Owen

Please submit all articles to John Moldovan at news@embc-cleve.com. Please let me know about any illness, deaths, marriages, births, etc. so that we can publish them in our newsletter.

Web Stuff

Submitted by **Buck Wilke**



It's March, and that's the time for the Commodore's Ball,

And no, we're not having Spam for the Ball, but I am a fan of Spam.

Perhaps one of life's most mysterious foods is SPAM. Here are some interesting facts that you may not have known about the "other" other white meat.

Spam stands for Shoulder, Pork and hAM.

It was launched by the Geo. A. Hormel Company of Austin, Minnesota, in 1937 and became a great favorite of military cooks during WWII because it contained protein, was easy to digest and convenient.

A six-year-old Dorset boy became addicted to Spam and ate his way through six tins of the stuff every week for three years. He had to be sent to a child psychiatrist to get him back on a normal diet.

Over four billion cans of Spam have been sold worldwide.

The Hormel Plant at Austin contains an oven that cooks 450 cans of Spam a minute.

Spam came to Britain as part of the Lend Lease Act whereby food given to the U.K. would be paid for when the war was over. Often the only meat available, it became indispensable until rationing ended in 1954. This was reprinted from "Bizarre News".

"Stickie Notes", there are lots of small sticky note programs to be had. From one of the "Lockergnome" feeds comes a really good one. This is a very versatile program. It includes networking and emailing capabilities. There are categories that the notes can be stored in. Alarms and reminders are also there. I've been using this program and I like it. Do yourself a favor download it.

<http://www.zhornsoftware.co.uk/stickies/index.html>

This was sent to me by a very astute member of our club. Thanks Dave.

RETIREMENT PLANNING:

If you had purchased \$1000.00 of Nortel stock one year ago, it would now be worth \$49.00.

With Enron, you would have had \$16.50 left of the original \$1000.00.

With WorldCom, you would have had less than \$5.00 left.

If you had purchased \$1000 of Delta Air Lines stock you would have \$49.00 left.

But, if you had purchased \$1,000.00 worth of beer one year ago, drank all the beer, then turned in the cans for the aluminum recycling REFUND, You would have had \$214.00.

Based on the above, the best current investment advice is to drink heavily and recycle.

It's called the 401-Keg Plan.

See ya at the Ball,

Buck Wilke

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Event	Location	Date	Time
Comodore's Ball	Brennan's Party Center	03/10/07	6:30pm

Upcoming Meetings

EMBC monthly meetings are held the second Wednesday of each month at 7:30pm. During the cold months the meetings will be held at Zone Car.



March 14th
EMBC Monthly Meeting

The monthly meeting will be held at the Zone Car Lounge in the CPPA Hall at 1303 W. 58th Street. The phone number is (216) 631-8455. Please check our website at www.embc-cleve.com for a map.

The Editor's Notes

Deadline for articles in our next newsletter is March 30th, 2007.

Please send in any and all articles; personal news, things for sale, cruise stories, letters to the editor, etc., etc. Pictures are welcome, include some details.

Items may be sent to the Editor:

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You can email your article to:
news@embc-cleve.com

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