

**COMMODORE Kenneth Suddick****Comments . . . . .**

**I**t is the first of May... it is warm...boats are being launched... and racing season starts this month. All is right with the world! The first event is the Detroit River Challenge on May 20<sup>th</sup>. Rear Commodore Bill

Kuester is promoting something new this year. It is called **OPERATION SHANGHAI**. GPSC is inviting anyone who wants to try crewing on a racing sailboat to show up for a training session on Sunday May 20<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 am. This will be in conjunction with the River Challenge Race. He will place the first timers on a boat that is entered in the race. This is a great way to attract new sailors and new members. Bill has also has something new planned for our Tuesday Sundown Spring Race season starting May 29<sup>th</sup>. We will invite any sailboat owner who has never raced to sign up for a novice class. All fees will be waived for the first six races. An "on dock" training session will be held for the novice class on Tuesday, May 22<sup>nd</sup>. We welcome members and non-members alike.

Don't forget to join us at the Patio Party at the Tompkins Center after the first race on May 29<sup>th</sup>. This will be an excellent opportunity to introduce potential new members to our club.

The GPSC Summer Rendezvous will be a trip to the South Channel Yacht Club on June 16 and 17. Please see the flyer that is included with this Anchorline for more information. David Gaskin and Linda Rumon are making the final plans for our GPSC Regatta on Saturday, July 7<sup>th</sup>. This year's Regatta Awards Party will be held at Patterson Park. Please note the new venue.

A special thanks is in order for Past Commodore, Tom Fraser and the Past Commodores who hosted, cooked for and organized the Commodore's Steak Roast Saturday, April 21<sup>st</sup>. This event was well attended and all had a great time.

Commodore Ken Suddick

**May 1<sup>st</sup> Board Meeting Report**

Commodore Ed Olsen presented the club with "The Second Quarter Century History of the GPSC". He and Commodore Dennis Cotter have put together this beautiful book. We had one hundred copies printed and we will offer them for sale through Dry Dock for \$15.00. We sold 11 copies last night. If you would like to purchase a copy, please contact our Dry Dock Chairman, Tom Caufield. We will put the history on CD's and distribute them free of charge to all club members this summer. This is a great read and I would like to thank Coms. Olsen and Cotter for their effort.

The Board also approved the membership applications for Dick & Merrie Lynn Ruzzin and Stephen Walker. I would like to welcome them to the club.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Commodore Ken Suddick

**G.P.S.C. Regatta  
Club Class  
July 7<sup>th</sup>, 2007**

Once again you will have the ability to claim the bragging rights of; "I've got the fastest boat!" for the next twelve months. Yes, it may seem childish to let our ego come forth, but why not feed that inner child, and put a smile on your face at the same time.

Please plan on bringing your boat, (sorry, sailors only,) and crew together for the "**Club Class**" race held on the DRYA "C" course, during our annual regatta. This class is for club members only, either skippering their own boat or one they enter for the race. The primary intent of this class is to give members who **don't** race the Saturday DRYA regattas a chance for that honored piece of taffeta with 1<sup>st</sup> on it. We have our own start, not one mixed with other racers, and will do one race on the 7<sup>th</sup>, which normally requires about an hour of your crews sweat and ability. More details will follow next month by e-mail, but plan your schedule now and keep the 7<sup>th</sup> open for this race.

If you have questions please contact: [xferry@sbcglobal.net](mailto:xferry@sbcglobal.net), or 800-764-2593.

Commodore, Frank X. Ferry

# GPSC Race Committee



Summer Series registrations are piling up on my desk and from the amount of early responses I believe that once again GPSC will host the premium weekday night race series on the lake. First gun, 1855 hours, May 29<sup>th</sup> at the Flag Pole in WPP. Come on down, help work on the dock or just enjoy the view and the first race party on the patio afterwards.

An active boating month is ahead of all of us. First the launching, May 19<sup>th</sup> the Leukemia Cup, May 20<sup>th</sup> the River Challenge and May 29<sup>th</sup> the GPSC Series.

Operation Shanghai notices are being posted around town. This is scheduled for May 20<sup>th</sup> and is an opportunity for anyone to get an introduction into crewing and sailing. The GPSC skippers who are sailing in the River Challenge race will be asked to host these parties for the afternoon.

We are still hoping that the Novice Class will attract new racers to the Tuesday sundown series.

We still have dock assignments available.

Lynda Rumon has agreed to do race records. We plan to equip the main cabin of "Misselaineous" with the computer and a printer and have the race results completed by the time we leave the Park each Tuesday. Our goal is to get them out and posted on the Web Site by Wednesday morning.

In conjunction with the Novice Class and for my training, I will be conducting a "mock race" on Tuesday, May 22<sup>nd</sup> at the flag pole. I encourage all the new crews to come down and follow us through a "mock" start and get briefed as to what to expect. With this in mind and the fact that only the choir attends, the May 11<sup>th</sup> Race Seminar at BYC will not be conducted this year.

Smooth sailing,

Bill



## OPERATION SHANGHAI

The Grosse Pointe Sail Club invites anyone who wants to become part of a racing sailboat crew this summer to contact

Bill Kuester, GPSC Race Chairman  
313-824-2167 or  
e-mail [bkuester1@aol.com](mailto:bkuester1@aol.com)

An "on dock" and "on water" training session will be held on Sunday, May 20, 2007 at 1100 am in conjunction with the Detroit River Challenge Race.

Location: Grosse Pointe Park Marina  
Windmill Pointe Drive

## NOVICE CLASS RACING

The Grosse Pointe Sail Club invites any sail boat owner who has never raced to join for novice class races in the GPSC Tuesday Night Spring series of six races starting May 29, 2007. Registration fees are waived!

For more information contact:

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313-824-2167 or  
e-mail [bkuester1@aol.com](mailto:bkuester1@aol.com)

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## VIEW FROM THE REAR

.... Rear Commodore  
**William Kuester**



Congratulations are in order to Commodores Olsen and D. Cotter. The GPSC's history of the second 25 years has been published and is available for purchase for \$15.00 from Dock and Supply. It is good reading. Thank you both for an outstanding review.

PC Tom Fraser and his fellow PC's hosted a great Commodores Steak Roast last month. Over 80 Members and Guests attended the event that was enjoyed by all. Our next social event is the Pancake Breakfast, Fleet Blessing and the start of the Tuesday Sundown Series on Mat 29<sup>th</sup> followed by the party on the patio and WPP.

Dave Gaskin, Linda Rumon and the Regatta Planning Committee have planned an exciting weekend for us beginning July 6th. Starting with the invitational cocktail party, Saturday morning Breakfast, Races on Lake St. Clair and the Awards Party in Paterson Park have kept the group busy. Please note that the Awards Party is open to all GPSC Members and their guests. **The location is the other GPP Park and not at Windmill Point Park.**

It's always good to see the boats returning to the docks. I don't know who holds the record for earliest launch this year, but seeing the Clark's "BAREFEET" all alone on pier 4 suggests that the honor goes to Pat and Dee. Elaine and I hope to launch the trawler in time to support the River Challenge Race on Sunday, May 20<sup>th</sup>.

Have a great and safe summer on the water, smooth sailing,

Bill

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## SAVE THE DATE SATURDAY, JULY 7 --GPSC REGATTA PARTY

YOU DON'T HAVE TO BE A RACER- JUST WANT TO HAVE FUN?

THE DAY BEGINS WITH A LIGHT BREAKFAST FOR PARTICIPANTS AT THE TOMPKINS CENTER AT 7 A.M.

THE DRYA RACE WHICH WE HOST WILL BE A WINDWARD-LEEWARD RACE ON THE NEW DRYA COURSE WHICH COMBINES THE "A" AND "B" COURSES. THE "C" COURSE WILL INCLUDE ITS USUAL STARTS AND THE JAM CLASS.

THE PARTY WILL BE AT **PATTERSON PARK** AT THE LARGE, COLORFUL TENT, FROM 5:00 TO APPROXIMATELY 9:00 P.M.

MUSIC, FOOD AND BEVERAGES ARE PROVIDED. FLAGS PRESENTED TO THE WINNING RACERS. FUN FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY -SO BRING THE KIDS !!

ADMISSION IS \$7.00 FOR ADULTS AND \$4.00 CHILDREN.

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This event is a memorial to club member Wally Solak, who

fought a courageous battle against multiple myeloma, blood cancer. He underwent two stem cell transplants and was in complete remission when stricken with colon cancer. This Regatta remembers his love of life and sailing; therefore, we Sail for Life.



## Sail for Life Blood Drive



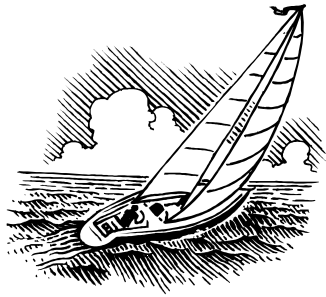
*On June 26, 2007 the Sail for Life Regatta will be held in the Tompkins Center at Windmill Pointe Park. The Blood Drive will be set up from 3-9 pm.*

Crews of sailing vessels, power boaters, friends and the community at large are asked to donate blood in the name of a boat or a person. A tally will be kept and the winning boat or person will be awarded First, Second and Third place flags at the July 7, 2007 GPSC Regatta. Since the blood collection date is on the day of a racing event, we will accept blood donations made at any Red Cross Donation Center the week preceding. In addition, we would gladly accept cash donations to the American Red Cross of Southeastern Michigan as "counters" for the competition. Registration forms will be made available.

**The Grosse Pointe Sail Club is proud to join the American Red Cross of Southeastern Michigan and its community to provide life saving help.**



## Racing and up coming Events



May 19<sup>th</sup>. Leukemia Cup Race  
May 20<sup>th</sup>. River Challenge  
May 28<sup>th</sup> Memorial Day Pancake Breakfast and  
Fleet Blessing  
May 29<sup>th</sup>. First Tues Nite Race and Patio Party  
June 16-17 GPSC Summer Rendezvous  
June 23 Detroit River Days Parade  
June 24 Fourth Annual Rum Challenge  
June 26 Sail for Life Blood Drive  
July 7<sup>th</sup> GPSC Regatta and  
Awards Party at Patterson Park  
August 10<sup>th</sup>. GPSC Ladies Race



# Views From the Vice

## .... Vice Commodore

**Peter D' Angelo**



**H**appy boating everyone! The GPSC has scheduled with the help of our many member volunteers an active season of races, parties, rendezvous, regatta, and special

events to fill your summer with fun. Come and enjoy and bring your friends. With a little encouragement they will soon want to join in on the fun.

The 2007 Detroit River Challenge race will take place May 20. The GPSC has been asked to start the race off Windmill Pointe. We are in a keen need for volunteers. I will be calling around. This is an easy way to experience race support. Our responsibility is to set the first mark and the start mark and to start the race only. The finish will be further down the river in front of the Edison Boat Club. Volunteering will earn you the right to the awards party at the Edison Boat Club after the race. Great fun!

The Fleet Blessing and Pancake Breakfast is open to all. A wonderful way to enjoy the Memorial Day weekend. The Park uses the event to meet new boaters to the marina which affords the GPSC the opportunity to introduce them to our club as well. Plan on being there Monday, May 29, to participate in the event and introduce new comers to our club. You are our best diplomat.

**Rob Sharrow**, Race Support, has done a fine job enlisting volunteers for the Sundown Series races. There is still a need for volunteers a bit later in the season and a need for Commodores for race directors and patrol boat officers. Contact Rob to fill these positions.

**R. Com Bill Kuester** in addition to his responsibilities as R.Com and Race Chair has found time to put together two new race events. Operation Shanghai is open to anyone to wants to become part of a racing crew. An "on dock" and "on water" training session will take place in conjunction with the Detroit River Challenge race. The Novice Class racing program invites any sail boat owner to join in on a novice class races in our Sundown Series races. My commendations to Com. Kuester for these exciting and dynamic plans

See you on the water!

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# Detroit River Days

Working in partnership with the Detroit Yacht Club, Detroit International River Days presents the 1st Annual Detroit Boat Parade of Lights. Boaters from across the state of Michigan are invited on Saturday June 23rd, 2007 to exhibit their decorated sailboats and powerboats for fantastic prizes, which will light up the Detroit River in a spectacular fashion. This incredible sight will be coming to the City of Detroit for the first time ever, and will be patterned after the very successful Venetian Night, which has become a great annual tradition and spectacle in Chicago on Lake Michigan. The parade begins at 10pm, so guests and spectator boats should plan to come early to get a great viewing position.

Trophies and first, second, and third place prizes will be awarded in four different categories. Categories will include Best Classic Boat, Best Sailboat, Best Power Boat (25ft-40ft), and Best Power Boat 41ft and over. All boats must be at least 25ft in order to participate in the competition. First prize in each category will be an all expense paid trip for two to Bondurant High Performance Driving School in Chandler, Arizona, where guests learn how to drive like the Pro's on an authentic race track with specially designed race care models of the Chevrolet Corvette, Cadillac CTS, Pontiac Grand Prix, Pontiac GTO and other high performance GM vehicles. Other prizes will include dinners for 10 at Coach Insignia or Andiamo Riverfront. An application is included in this Anchorline and you can get more event information at [www.DetroitRiverDays.com](http://www.DetroitRiverDays.com), by emailing Beth Kurta at [ekurta@comcast.net](mailto:ekurta@comcast.net) or calling the Detroit Yacht Club at 313-824-1200. Applications must be completed and submitted by June 11, 2007.

I hope to see a great turnout by members of the Grosse Pointe Sail Club!

## Please mark your Calendar

GPSC Summer Rendezvous

*Metro Beach metropark marina*

September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, & 3<sup>rd</sup>

Come by car or boat

Program:

Saturday

Lake rally/Poker Run, model boat contest

armstrong dinghy race, GPSC Hold'em

Sunday

Golf Scramble, model boat race, GPS wheel of fortune

pig roast, fifty-fifty raffle, awards ceremony

Monday

Club breakfast

## GPSC Patio Party

*At the Tompkins Center*

May 29, 2007

After the Race

Free Beer, Wine & Pop

Hot Dogs \$1.00 each

Bring your crew & friends

Please bring a dish to pass



## Rum Challenge Notice of Race



### ***On the Offer of Challenge by Commodore Gary James of the Detroit Yacht Club and the Acceptance by Commodore Ken Suddick of the Grosse Pointe Sail Club;***

The Race Committees of the Detroit Yacht Club and the Grosse Pointe Sail Club announce the **Fourth Annual DYC - GPSC Rum Challenge** to be decided between teams of their club's yachts on **Saturday June 23, 2007**, with an **entirely new scoring system**, that is designed to be more fair to both Clubs.

**Venue:** This Jib and Main Race will be held as the first start of the DBC/GPC Annual Regatta sailed in Lake St. Clair, starting and finishing in front of the Grosse Pointe Club, 6 Berkshire Place in Grosse Pointe Farms. Spectators are invited to the Grosse Pointe Club to view this challenge race as well as the racing in other classes of this Regatta.

**Stakes:** The DYC - GPSC Rum Challenge Trophy and a Case of Quality Rums from around the world.

**Course:** A 10.7 mile triangle west of the shipping channel, starting in front of the Grosse Pointe Club to a mark NNE of the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club, thence to a mark ESE of the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club near the west side of the shipping channel, thence returning to the finish line in front of the Grosse Pointe Club.

**Participants:** Any member of the Detroit Yacht Club or the Grosse Pointe Sail Club with a boat that either has or can be assigned a PHRF rating is eligible to participate. The Race Committee reserves the right to determine the eligibility of any boat to participate in this regatta.

**Registration:** Registration for the DYC - GPSC Rum Challenge and rating application forms for those who are not on the DRYA valid list are available from:

Bill Lynch (DYC Fleet Representative)

Home 313-822-7778

Office 313-983-4753

Email [wmjlynch@comcast.net](mailto:wmjlynch@comcast.net)

Larry Haggart (GPSC Fleet Representative)

Home 313-882-6028

Office 586-563-2600

Email [lhaggart@sbcglobal.net](mailto:lhaggart@sbcglobal.net)

*Registration Fee: Twenty dollars*

**Sailing Instructions:** General Instructions for the DBC/GPC Annual Regatta will be available on the DRYA website ([www.drya.org](http://www.drya.org)). Watch your email for more details as they become available. Registrants will be provided additional specific instructions for the DYC - GPSC Rum Challenge.

**Please contact either Bill Lynch or Larry Haggart for further information.**



Grosse Pointe Sail Club  
**Annual Memorial Day  
Pancake Breakfast!**

*Monday, May 28, 2007*

**9:00 – 11:00 am**  
**Tompkins Center, Windmill Pointe Park**



Hosted by GPSC Directors  
All Are Welcome

Meeting with GPP Marina Supervisor following  
at 10:00 am



**Fleet Blessing**

**The Annual Blessing of the Fleet will follow at 12:30 pm. All boaters (members and non-members) are invited to participate. You are encouraged to fly your GPSC burgee and dress ship. Our Fleet Chaplin and Honor Guard will be stationed on the seawall near the marina entrance. Boaters should gather downriver and travel single file upstream to receive a blessing.**

(SUMMER RENDEZVOUS REGISTRATION ON BACK SIDE OF THIS FLYER)

# GPSC Summer Rendezvous

## South Channel Yacht Club June 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup>

**Program:**

Lake rally/Poker Run

Golf Scramble

Club dinner (hamburger/chicken) dish to pass

Fifty-Fifty Raffle

Awards Ceremony

Cost: \$40 plus 1\$/foot for vessel over 30 feet

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Reservation for South Channel Yacht Club Rendezvous

Captain's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Vessel's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Length: \_\_\_\_\_ Beam: \_\_\_\_\_

# Adults in crew: \_\_\_\_\_ # kids in crew \_\_\_\_\_

"MC" # \_\_\_\_\_

**Please enclose a deposit of \$40.00 payable to G.P.S.C.**

**Mail completed form with check to:**

**Al Raquepau, 30619 Pebblestone Ct. Beverly Hills Mi. 48025**

**Questions? contact: John Maxwell @ 3138220438 Al Raquepau @ 2482586864**

(Details on Memorial Day Pancake Breakfast and Fleet Blessing on other side of this Flyer)

**The Race Committees of:**  
**Bayview Yacht Club**

Detroit Yacht Club

Edison Boat Club

Grosse Pointe Sail Club

Invite you to participate in:

**THE 14<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL**

***DETROIT RIVER CHALLENGE***

Sunday – May 20, 2007

Jib and Main Race

**Open to all Sailboats (Racers and Cruisers)**  
**No entry fee**

**Start off Windmill Pointe Park**  
**(GPSC Tuesday Night Series Starting Line)**

Warning Signal at 1:00 PM

**Picnic and Awards immediately following at Edison Boat Club**  
**(Race Application on Reverse side of this flyer)**

**Sailing Instructions and Course from the Club Representative**  
**listed below:**

**BYC:** Chuck Reader Phone: 586 776-1132

**chuckreader@aol.com**

**DYC:** Holly Burns Phone: 313 523 7546

**hkburns@comcast.net**

**EBC:** P/C Frank Stellingwerf Phone: 313 882-5232

**stellingwerff@dteenergy.com**

GPSC: Com. Peter D'Angelo

Phone: 313 460 5744

[Re.peter@comcast.net](mailto:Re.peter@comcast.net)

Or on the Internet at: <http://www.saildyc.com>

# River Challenge 2007- RACE APPLICATION

Sunday, May 20, 2007 - warning signal 1:00pm

## OWNER INFORMATION (PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY)

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address (Street, City, Zip) \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: Home \_\_\_\_\_

Business \_\_\_\_\_

FAX \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail address =====>>>

**Preferred Communication method**

## BOAT DATA (PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY)

Boat Name \_\_\_\_\_

Make/Model/Any Other Identification \_\_\_\_\_

MC Numbers \_\_\_\_\_

Sail No. \_\_\_\_\_

PHRF (DRYA) Rating\*

*\*If you are not sure, leave blank and the Race Committee will assign a rating.*

### GENOA

Size \_\_\_\_\_%

Material \_\_\_\_\_

Furling headsail? Yes / No

Above deck? Yes / No

### KEEL TYPE (check one)

Fin Keel \_\_\_\_\_

Shoal Draft \_\_\_\_\_

Centerboard \_\_\_\_\_

Other \_\_\_\_\_

### PROP TYPE (check one)

Folding \_\_\_\_\_

Feathering \_\_\_\_\_

Fixed 2-Blade \_\_\_\_\_

Fixed 3-Blade \_\_\_\_\_

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

## Club Affiliation

## OWNER'S ACKNOWLEDGMENT

In consideration for the acceptance of this application by the sponsoring Club's and the sponsoring Club's invitation to participate in the above described race, the undersigned owner/skipper (a) acknowledges that racing sailing boats has certain inherent risks and can be a dangerous activity and (b) nevertheless voluntarily assumes all such risks, whether foreseen or unforeseen, and waives any and all claims that he or she may have for damages of any kind against the sponsoring Clubs, their race committees and/or any officer, director, member, employee or agent of the sponsoring Clubs or their race committees, arising out of or related to his or her participation in any such race. The skipper and crew shall be responsible for deciding whether to start or to continue this race. 'I agree to be bound by *The Racing Rules of Sailing* and by all other rules that govern this event'.

**Owner's Signature** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date** \_\_\_\_\_

This race is open to all types of sailboats for Jib and Main racing on the Detroit River. **ALL ENTRANTS MUST BE REGISTERED.**

Please mail to:

River Challenge 2007 Race Committee  
Attn: Frank Stellingwerf  
Edison Boat Club  
100 Lycaste  
Detroit, MI 48214

or FAX to:

River Challenge 2007 Race Committee  
Attn: Frank Stellingwerf  
Edison Boat Club  
313-821-3846