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### The September Quill

Delegates, Commodore's, Past ABYA Commodore's,

Here is a brief overview of what happened at the September 12th meeting at the North Channel Yacht Club, Co-sponsored by the Great Lakes Cruising Club. The meeting was called to order at 7:25 p.m. and we had a beautiful invocation by Chaplain PC Art Brooks, he did a specific invocation to all those who have fallen on 911 and their families. Commodore Rick start the meeting with the Club Mentor program, he wanted everyone to know that the Clubs do have a mentor on the ABYA board to work with them on any issues they have, please get a hold of your Mentor on the ABYA Board.

Commodore Rick presented two checks, one to the Macomb County Sheriff Marine Division, the other one to the St. Clair County Marine Division for our 2016 donation. Sheriff Anthony Wickersham and Sergeant Frank Bernard were there to accept the check donation for the Macomb County Sheriff Marine Division. Lieutenant Paul Reed received the check for the St. Clair County Sheriff Marine Division. Both Sheriff's did a brief overview of how they use this money to help in the safety for boaters. Sheriff Wickersham suggested **in case of an emergency** to use the **911 Network**, you will get a quicker response than the Coast Guard.

Secretary Craig said we are looking for sponsors for the 2017 General Membership Meetings. During the Good of the Order, a lot sheets have been filled out by several clubs, so far it looks like the only meetings available to be either sponsored or co-sponsored are the May 2<sup>nd</sup>, August 7<sup>th</sup>, and November 6th meetings.

To all of our clubs that stepped up, I would like to give you a special THANK YOU, for sponsoring and co-sponsoring the meetings. I have attached the current calendar, if any of the clubs are interested in sponsoring or co-sponsoring a General Membership available, it is a great way to build camaraderie with others, please get back with me.

Delegates, or Commodores it is your responsibility to communicate this news and info to your Clubs.

Treasurer Kim presented the report, and introduced the 2017 Spring Rendezvous. Save The Date of March 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, and 12th 2017.

Rear Commodore Brian did a presentation on the Christmas Charity Ball 2016 which will be held December 3rd at the Barrister Gardens, please return unused tickets to the ball by the November 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting.

Vice Commodore at did a presentation on the Ship Store and the Safety Book. It will be in color in 2017, we are looking to sell ads, and the cutoff date will be in November 3rd. There is a Bootlegger Festival which will be held October 1st in St Clair Shores.

Past Commodore Terry brought forward 2 Millionaire parties, one in October, and one in November, he is looking for some helpers, even for a couple hours. Please get a hold of him if you can help. We are still looking for candidates for the ABYA Secretary's position for 2017.

We had seven ABYA Past Commodores in attendance thank you for attending the meeting.

During the Good of the Order the first Club to speak was Detroit Power Squadron, Mitch presented a wonderful experience he had with the Great Lakes Cruising Club in Duluth Minnesota. He also mentioned that Detroit Power Squadron is having a Gala this Saturday the 17<sup>th</sup> at the Detroit Yacht Club, please see Mitch or the Detroit Power Squadron website for further detail. Mark Lifter of the Great Lakes Cruising Club reported they are having a membership meeting in Toledo Ohio. They will do a Museum tour.

The North Channel Yacht Club thanked everyone for attending this meeting, and a special thank you to GLCC and the NCYC First Mates. Idle Hour Yacht Club said they are hosting the next general membership meeting, October 2<sup>nd</sup>, 12 noon. They are also having a Halloween party on October 1<sup>st</sup>, everyone is invited, please get a hold of Idle Hour for further details. Jefferson Yacht Club is having a Frostbite October 1<sup>st</sup>. North Star Sail Club brought to the table, this weekend is the Metro Beach Boat Show please try to attend if you have an opportunity. Past Commodores Yacht Club is looking for a Secretary, a great opportunity for a Past Commodore to get involved on the board. Their Sunday brunch next year will be January 15<sup>th</sup>, more information to come. Shores Harbor Club said they will be having a Frostbite at Metro Beach in 2 weeks, everyone is invited to attend. Windmill Point said they're Commodores Ball is October 15th at Cedar Glenn, Main Street Drive is the band performing, please get a hold of them with further information. The Y-Knot Boat Club said they are having their Commodores Ball October 15<sup>th</sup>, at The Vintage House in Fraser. 10 Beach Drive will be performing.

It looks like there are a lot of things to do in and around the ABYA, please distribute this information to your club members, so that they may also be a part of these events. The flyers I have received are attached to this email. If you have a flyer on your up and coming events, please send them in, so I may distribute them to the rest of the Clubs.

Keeping up the camaraderie will help make your event a real success, let's ALL join in and work together.

Thank You Sincerely,  
Secretary of A.B.Y.A.

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