OCTOBER, 1966

A Tribute

With the passing of next Sunday's election George Arnold Offenberg completes eight years of active participation in the affairs of our club. George joined the club in the spring of 1952 and in the ensueing 14 years has made far too numerous contributions to list in the limited space here. However, for five of his eight years he has served as governor in charge of the house committee. All the many present and past Governors know intimately just how much personal time and devotion are required by this assignment. He has fulfilled it with great benefit to the club, and his year as Commodore has been outstanding.

Lots of members do lots of work for the club as this log has tried to point out on many occasions, but George's contribution has been far greater than just work. He naturally loves human beings and conviviality and his welcome and friendship and hospitality to everyone is his trade mark. Could anyone have missed his HI YA DOLL, or his HELLOO DARE SKIP? He is the quickest draw with a friendly greeting this side of Dodge City. He is no slouch on a draw for a bottle or a helping hand to anyone with a problem. His dues have been but a small part of the monetary contributions he has made to the Club.

He has worked for UNITY at all times, placating the disturbed (and we do have that) and moderating differences of viewpoint at every turn. He has furnished humor, optimism and enthusiasm to many a depressed moment, and when faced with utter defeat he shrugs his shoulder in that familiar pattern and utters the well worn "Well, Ya Can't Win Em All" and passes quickly on to more pleasant things. If you ask him how his hurt left hand is, he'll tell you the right one feels just fine.

It is a blessing for the club that our constitution provides that for five more years he will serve the club as Trustee, as his ray of sunshine is much needed in the board meetings that struggle with the many frustrating and difficult problems that face the club. George, the Governors tribute of last Friday is only a small token of the esteem in which you are held by your fellowman.

WE SALUTE YOU COMMODORE, and may you live LONG and HEALTHY, you are a most deserving candidate for membership in our group of distinguished PAST COMMODORES.

D. O. C.

Ladies' Auxiliary News - JoAnn Downey

Last Wednesday the card players were invited to Ella and Ralph Wooley's. It was a pot-luck dinner, the men came out for dinner. There were 25 people there. It certainly was nice and enjoyed by all.

Next Wednesday they are all invited to Gene and Agnes Hays'.

This past year certainly has been an active one. Dorothy Mearham was a very efficient President, and with the help of some good committees a lot of things were completed.

Next year's President, Arthelda Haggard is already busy setting up her committees, so next year's work is well laid out.

Don't forget the ladies' election next Sunday. The slate is a good one - so please, everyone, get out and vote for your favorite candidate. The gals running are Jodi Richards, Jane Langley and Sue Metzger.

We all missed Helen Corne this weekend...but she has been pretty busy. Bill was in the hospital and she is his favorite nurse.

We sure enjoyed Lucille Bickel this past month - but a word of warning to her! We'll all be waiting to get back all the quarters next summer!

Grace Daugherty is in the Hudson Avenue Nursing Home, Newark, Ohio I'm sure she would appreciate cards.

Now I'll turn this column over to June Headley. Lots of Luck!

One of the most significant achievements of Commodore Offenberg's administration has been the purchase of a 35 foot water front lease from past Commodore Bob Irwin and obtaining permission from the state to put in 23 new docks near the Club. Construction is underway and we hope to have these completed and ready for occupancy well before the April 1st spring rush. The slips will be twelve feet wide and will handle cruises and we are in hopes that our members who dock elsewhere because of inadequate slips will now be able to have a Club dock. We understand that 5 of them are already spoken for and we would suggest that you get your reservations in early to the new governor in charge of facilities assignment. We are very grateful to past Commodore Irwin for his generosity and also to one of our honorary members, Mr. Melvin J. Rebholz, Director of the Division of Parks for the state. Melvin and his lovely wife Betty have visited with us now a couple of times at the Club and we are in hopes that they will make frequent use of their honorary membership in the Club. Their home is in Cincinnati prior to joining the Governor's cabinet several years ago. They have a beautiful young blonde daughter of 2 years of age and a son 21 who is about to take the big plunge into matrimony. We are also indebted to Mel for the kind consideration that was given to the Club's needs by his Division of Parks. We are also indebted to Mr. Howell Williams, the Superintendant of Buckeye Lake for his patience with us and for his sympathetic consideration of our problems. We hope that when you get an opportunity you will each make yourselves known to our honorary members as they are most valuable supporters of a good BLYC.

Past Commodore George Crites is at it again. He left Naples last Friday for a weeks trip from his home in Naples to fish in the Florida Keys around Marathon. Accompanying him are P/C Lambrecht as well as Woody Johnson, Dale Dupler and Earl Fisher. George has a 40 foot Owens Cruiser that sleeps 6 and we wish for all of them a lot of fun and a safe return.

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Ken

REMEMBER THE CLAM BAKE ON OCTOBER 23. Let's make this a big affair and also a money maker for the Club. Details were in last month's Log and more will be in next month's Log. Year mark Sunday, October 23, and plan to join this big occasion and meet your friends at BLYC.

REMEMBER THE RAVEN HIGHLAND SNOWBALL is October 8th & 9th and THE LIGHTENING SNOWBALL is October 15th & 16th. We understand that Paul Smith and his Orchestra have been engaged for both nights and there will be the usual wonderful cocktail session with hors d'oeuvres and the dinner to follow.

We knew that past Commodore "Doc" Lieberman was influential but now he is hobnobbing with Vice Presidents of the good old U.S.A. At the recent Amvets Convention Doc played an organ selection and had the pleasure of making the acquaintance of Vice President Hubert Humphrey. We're disappointed Doc that you didn't bring him out to BLYC and introduce him to the rest of us.

We certainly would not close the year without thanking our faithful advertisers. We hope you make a special effort to patronize them as without their support the Log would cost the Club twice as much money.

Dale and Gladie Lawrence were so enthused by their trip in Bruce Crompton's bus that they purchased one in Los Angeles and drove it home. We have a picture of it for the next Log if it comes out well. It is a roll-a-long which we understand is the Cadillac (pardon me, Ray) the Lincoln Continental of the one room rolling homes. We hope they will enjoy many fine trips and we congratulate them on contributing to the economy.

Junior News - Gov. Downey

Happy to see that several of our Juniors that were instructed by Max Slaughter are now full time crew members. Don hopes that Junior activity will double next year. Thanks to all the skippers who donated much of their time and their boats.

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We are most pleased to receive into the Club three new members. At the last meeting Don Clark (Trudy), 3715 Lima Drive, Westerville, Ohio, was elected to membership. Don is in the carpet service business. Also, Joseph H. McAtee (Rosalee), 1345 Lakewood Road, Columbus, Ohio. Joe is in the Electric Power and Equipment business. The third new member is Robert Donaldson (Margaret), 5130 Beacon Hill Road, Columbus, and Bob is with the Economic Transportation Company. We welcome each of you to BLYC and hope that you will make many friends and enjoy your associations. If you will identify yourselves as new members, you will find our members most hospitable. We really should have a new member badge of some kind as we have so many guests in the Club it is difficult for us to recognize new members unless they themselves make the fact known. We hope their sponsors will make a special effort to introduce them around the Club. Five of our distinguished sailors participated in the North American Lightening races at the Buffalo Canoe Club weekend before last. They were George Fisher, John Ranft, Jim Dressel, Sam Hays and J. Limbaugh. We understand they ran five heats of the boat entrance and ended up with a select group of 104 to compete in the finals. In this group the top 30 will be permitted to participate in the World Lightening championship races to be held at Hamilton, Ontario in September, 1967. We are proud that two of our members, George Fisher (14th) and John Ranft (15th), finished within the first 30 to qualify. We should be proud of each of our members for participating and we certainly take off our hats to John Ranft and George Fisher for such a distinguished record in competitive sailing.

Herb Hunt has lost three hard-to-get stainless steel cleats.
Anyone knowing their whereabouts, please communicate with Herb.

Herb also has sunglasses that he found around the Club and if you are missing a pair you might check with him.

We understand Bob Richards wants to sell his Chris-Craft runabout since he has bought a new and larger (we do mean larger) Chris-Craft Continental. They might make a good deal at the end of the season.

Letter to the Commodore - Doris Dye

In the name of the Fisher Henry Wood Cancer Ray, Bob and I are very pleased to present the Buckeye Lake Yacht Club the accompanying flag.

Attached for historical records of the club is a copy of the letter to Honorable Winfield K. Denton of Indiana dated 15 July 1966 signed by Mr. J. George Stewart, Architect of the Capitol, certifying this flag was flown over the United States Capitol Building especially for the Cancer Ray.

Only those parents of the juniors can know the full extent and effectiveness of Max Slaughter's program with the juniors this summer. He has used his own boat and equipment throughout and permitted these youngsters to take complete charge. He has given them superb instructions and has won their wholehearted friendship and response on a very disciplinary basis that their parents could never approach. This kind of healthy well-supervised activity for juniors is not available for money at any price and parents and juniors alike will always appreciate this experience. We understand that Max has volunteered to do this again next year and this is the best news the Log has had to report in a long time.

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<u>Pictures</u>: On the first page you will see shots taken by P/C Williams of the past commodores party which was held at P/C Bob Irwin's Bateson Beach home on Sunday August 20th. We regret that P/C McGinnes did not arrive until after the picture taking. First row is (all P/C's) Jim Beam and Kyle Armstrong. Second row is Newt Davis, Bob Irwin, and Bob Mann. Third row is George Crites, "Doc" Lord, and Earl Williams. Bottom row is Art Schwoerer, Bob Irwin, Geo Crites, and "Cap Holstein", right picture Gus Schell, Chris Lambrecht, Ernie Wilson, George Crites.

Second page: Betty and Mel Rebholz, Director of the Division of Parks of the State of Ohio (see story elsewhere), Mary and Bill Cantieri, Jack and Hannalee Schwartz with Vern Porter. Second row: Whitey Limes, Bill Corne, Helen and Les Neukirk, Bea and Dale Dupler, the Commodore at P/C meeting. Third row: "I'm sorry) Iris Smith, LaRae and Ed Peters, Andy Thomas, Wendell Butler, Lucille and Lon Bickel, Helen Corne, Anny Johnson, Dorothy Slettery. Fourth row: two scenes from the wonderful evening at Scioto Downs. Bottom row: June and Murray Headley, Miss America Jean Sherman, P/C's Chris Lambrecht and "Doc" Lord.

Third page top row: JoAnn Downey throwing Susie Metzger in the lake, Billy Graham, Jr. and his date, Woody and Annabelle Johnson on with Whitey Limes between them, with Fred Mosgrove in the background. Second row: Birthday party for P/C Pete Burns, Doris and Bob Dye presenting "Capitol Flag" to Commodore and Gov. Metzger, P/C Burns at P/C party. Third row: Dale Dupler and P/c Schwoerer standing behind Dale Lawrence and Woody Johnson, P/C Holstein and Ken Merrill, Ginny and Chet DeMary, Nancy and Jin Dressel, and Judy and Ed Ballinger at the races (Scioto Downs party). Fourth row: Wes Smoot and Charlie Hill (our host) with P/C Williams displaying some of his earnings for the night, Annabelle Johnson and Bea Dupler trying to make their accounts balance at the Labor Day dance, Gov. Hays winning a bet (and nearly breaking his neck). Fifth row: Bob Richards, Gov. Walker with Cecelia and Bill Graham (Sr.), Gov. Boswell (with cup), Janet and Gov. Ray Walker, Flo Boswell, Bob Richards with Cindy, and Martha Schell with eyes closed dreaming of the wonderful Luau meal to come.

Last year the Log tried to persuade candidates for Governor to place ads in the LOG instead of mailing letters. It would save them money and help the club budget. This year again the offer was made to all candidates and we have two takers. This is a new development and next year will perhaps see this idea catching on.

Many persons have expressed praise for the most prompt and efficient way in which Gov. Ed Metzger has handled the dual job of Secretary-Treasurer for these last two years. Certainly the accuracy of the Directory is a testimony to his devotion to every facet of club responsibility. He has also been the No. 1 reporter of news to the LOG editor. He is deserving of our thanks as the year comes to a close, and certainly most deserving of any responsibility in the club to which he may be elected.

Let's show our appreciation to all of the candidates who run for election. There is always heartache for the losers but there is consolation in having participated in a dynamic organization. We hope you will express appreciation to all candidates who have worked so hard and spent their own personal funds to campaign for office in the interest of giving the membership the opportunity to elect their governors under the duly constituted democratic procedure. Each member is entitled to work for and vote for any candidate of his choosing and let any friendships that may have seemingly been suspended during the contest be quickly resumed in the customary fellowship of the Club. Our Commodore is the best loser in the Club. For years on Sunday morning he has lost every race. When asked how he did, you get a cheerful "Just fine, not a single boat passed us in 9 miles". In last Sunday's race we hit a mark and dropped out to disqualify ourselves but again it was "We took a first place - we were the first boat in the race to hit a mark". This is the true spirit of BLYC - participation in Club activities.

All candidates are reminded to remove all signs and election paraphernalia by Sunday night.

The ELECTION EVE SKITS will be held Saturday night September 17th and will begin somewhere between eight thirty and nine. This is a fun night for everyone and we hope a good crowd will turn out. It is rumored that Gov. Walker will have Jean Martinez put on another skit of her own authorship with the theme being about a candidate for election in BLYC. Those who saw her last skit about a Highlander sailor with his wife as crew will long remember the laughs. We hope the committee in charge has the mercy to put her on last so the rest of us poor blokes won't have to follow that act.

As we said this month a-year-ago, so we say again. This is perhaps the last issue of the Log under its present editorship. We are deeply grateful to the many who have furnished the news to make it a success. Without the assistance of Ken Merrill and Woody Johnson the picture pages would not have been as interesting. We have tried to report all personal news and all activity news from every quarter with accuracy. We hope that no one has been embarrassed either by print or by pictures (we announced one false pregnancy).

It has been a pleasure to serve the club and long may the BLYC burgee wave o're the waters of Buckeye Lake with sportsmanship, sociability and friendship for all.

******* - Editor, Dave Cox















































































