

The Bridge

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From My Deck

By John Coleman - Chapter President

The 15th Annual Wooden Keels & Vintage Wheels show was a success despite the rain we experienced! By my count we had 20 boats registered with several new participants who enjoyed the activities and promised to come back next year.

The dinner at the harbor under the tent was also great, well attended and enjoyed by everyone. Food was delicious and the conversation lively and we shared a few stories about Indian Lake and wooden boats. This year's winner for the Captains Choice award was John Kovach for his 1950 Gentleman's Racing Runabout and the People's Choice award went to Ray St. Clair who was a first time attendee.

Greg Wallace also presented the James B. Wallace award to Mike and Darly Foy for their 1949 Chris Craft U22 that was bought at Schuler Marina and has always been on Indian Lake.

Other events this year were well attended by our membership and we are planning additional events for 2014.

Your Chapter Board is establishing Communication, Activities, Membership and Volunteer committees to move the chapter forward in 2014.



Chapter President, John Coleman and wife Bonnie enjoy their 1954 Chris Craft Sportsman on Indian Lake

If you would like to help on one or more of these committees, please contact one of the officers or directors. Increased membership is one of our key goals for 2014. We have made contact with ODNR who has provided a list of wooden boat owners that we can contact to encourage them to join our chapter and next year's boat show.

Our Ships Store will be managed by Jill Schueller next year and she will be looking for input on merchandise. My personal thanks to Judy Flippo who has run the Ships Store the past several years, introduced new and exciting items to the store, and made the store profitable!

Remember communication is two way and we want to hear from the membership. Let one of the officers or directors know your ideas, questions, comments, suggestions, and or complaints. Let's have fun and grow the membership and chapter activities together!

The mission of the Indian Lake ACBS is to promote the enjoyment of classic boating by providing an organization where people can come together in the spirit of fellowship to share boating dreams, adventures, knowledge, history, experiences and have fun.

Mark Your Calendar 2014 Chapter Events



Sixteenth Annual Wooden Keels & Vintage Wheels Show, Russells Point Harbor.

*Wishing
Our Members
a Joyous
Holiday Season
&
Happy 2014*



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Chapter Members Pick Up Show Awards

Indian Lake Chapter members Jack Beatley and Steve Shaltry both won awards for their boats at recent shows.

Jack Beatley's brought home an International Boat of the Year award from the 13th Annual ACBS Meeting & International Boat Show in Coer d'Alene, Idaho. His 1929 Hacker Craft 30 ft. Dolphin, 'Lu Lu III,' was recognized as Best of Show - Preserved.

The boat is powered by the original 200 hp. Kermath 6.

Steve Shaltry, whose boat is feature on the following page, received the Best Outboard Boat Award at the Century Boat Club Thoroughbred Roundup in Manistee, Michigan. This annual event is held at the original Century factory on the Manistee River in mid-September.

Congratulations to Jack and Steve!



Chapter Annual Dinner

The Chapter held its annual dinner at Cafe 212 in Bellefontaine.

After appetizers and a delicious dinner, the chapter elected the officers listed to the left to lead the chapter in 2014. John Coleman then presented the President's Award to Steve and Marilyn Hero.

Greg Wallace shared photos of the lake when the water was lowered for stump removal during the 1950s and early photos of the Schuler Marina.



Bonnie and John Coleman show the stained glass artwork of their boat presented to them by chapter members.

Featured Member - Steve & Cynthia Shaltry

1953 Century 14 ft. Imperial Sportsman/Johnson 30 HP Javelin named 'Cynsational'

By Mike Fogarty



Steve Shaltry has his wife, Cynthia, to thank for getting their beautiful, show-winning Century. Steve heard about it from a friend who saw it at a garage sale and remembered Steve had always dreamed of owning a “woodie”.

It had been stored for several years, but the owner lost interest and let the storage facility owner sell it to recoup the owed rent. The boat was within Steve’s budget, fit in his garage, and Cynthia fell in love with the lines of the boat as soon as Steve pulled it home.

A nearby neighbor and fellow ACBS member, Sonny Clark, came over to see Steve’s outboard motors and his newly-found Century. Both men

are active members of the Michiana Outboard Chapter of the Antique Outboard Motor Club (ADMC). Sonny was in the midst of an involved restoration of his 1957 15’ Lyman in his shop but agreed to help Steve as soon as he completed the Lyman. By helping Sonny with finishing the Lyman, Steve gained confidence and felt they could restore the Century whose African Mahogany planked bottom needed work.

Restoration on the Century began in November, 2010 and ended July 1, 2011. Steve credits help from A&A Marine in Manistee Michigan, Tom Holmes, resident of Century Boat Club, and CBC Treasurer, Jack Schneiberg, who was also restoring

an Imperial Sportsman for providing information and encouragement. Another wonderful contribution came from Lou Rauh (a Century fan) and the crew at the Antique Boat Center in Cincinnati. They gave Steve their cell phone numbers and answered questions at least a dozen times.

Steve, as a child, vacationed with his family on Saginaw Bay, Michigan. As a small boy he can remember being behind the wheel of a neighbor’s Chris Craft and having his senses filled with the freedom of gliding over the water, smelling the varnish, and hearing the exhaust note.

Steve now has four boats! He retired from teaching in June 2005 and came to our Indian Lake Show in July 2005. The boats on display propelled him to find a wooden boat. Steve and Cynthia felt welcomed that day by our chapter members. He is happy to see the interest members have in classic outboards and hopes to see more mutual support between ACBS and AOMC. ‘Welcome aboard,’ Steve & Cynthia!

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Share your stories

If you have an article and/or photo about Indian Lake, your antique or classic boat, any current restoration project, or any pertinent information that would be of interest to our members ... please send it to Mike Fogarty at: mbbfogarty@aol.com

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Members Judge at Hessel Show

Past President of ACBS, Jeff Rogers, called Brian Fogarty last spring asking if he would serve as a judge at the Hessel, Michigan (les Chenaux Islands) Show. Brian said 'yes' and volunteered his dad, Mike, as well. It was an honor and a learning experience to talk with the owners of 13 outboard boats and 8 classic fiberglass boats and come up with the top 2 in each class.

