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## **President's Report**

It is nice to have warmer weather. I sure am glad spring has arrived.

It saddens me to inform you that one of our vice presidents recently passed away; John Taylor. John was from Sun Parlour Boat Club. I wish to express my deepest sympathy to John's family. John will be missed by all who knew him.

The next General Membership Meeting will be held at Mariner's Boat Club, Sunday, April 13, 2003 at 2:00pm. For those interested in dinner after the meeting, we will have a half chicken dinner, or steak dinner. I would like to see a good turn out not only to see everyone again, but to take care of a few items on the agenda.

The Spring Rendezvous is shaping up very well. This will be 06/14/03 and 06/15/03 on Belvidere Boat Club Island. This rendezvous is a joint venture between Belvidere Boat Club and Conger Bay Boat Club. We are planning on having a pig roast with all the trimmings. A flyer is inserted in this log for more details.

See you Sunday, April 13, 2003, at the meeting.

Joe Kerszykowski  
President District 25



## **President Elect and Treasurer's Report**

The wearing of two hats-President Elect & Treasurer-sure has had me busy for the last few months. Before I knew it, the new

boating season is almost here! My genuine wishes for a safe and active boating season are extended to all members of the Blue Gavel.

The Spring General Meeting is set for Sunday, April 13<sup>th</sup>, at Mariner's Boat Club on North River Road. The meeting will start at 2:00pm. All members are invited. Let's have a great turnout for the District. Bring your ideas, comments, suggestions & questions to the meeting. The meeting provides information of all kinds & gives you an idea of what is happening in the District and District Boat Clubs. Also, the drawing for the 200 Club Raffle will be held during the meeting. \$1,000 in cash prizes will be given away. The recommended dress code for the meeting is the Blue Blazer-Gray Pants Uniform. There will be a Steak & Chicken Barbecue immediately following the meeting. See you all there.

Our district web site is still on line, running and being kept up to date. The web site is a great form of communication and I urge everyone to take a look at it and use it. The web site address is [www.iobg25.org](http://www.iobg25.org) . If you have an email address and it's not in our data base, please send it to me so I can update your record. If your email changes, please send the change to me.

The District 25 log will be placed on the web site and can easily be downloaded. The log will be mailed to those members who do not have an email address listed with the District. The log will be available for downloading at any time and this also helps reduce the District's mailing costs. See you at the Spring Meeting in April and the Summer Rendezvous on June 14<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup> at Belvidere Boat Club.

Jerry Fillip  
President Elect, Treasurer

## Vice-President's Reports

### **Detroit River South**

P/C Jack Gracia No Report

### **Grosse Ile**

P/C Ralph Pennybacker No Report

### **Detroit River**

P/C Don Miller No Report

### **Lake St. Clair**

Ed Goethals On May 2, Shores Boat Club is having a bowling tournament at Total Sports. The cost is \$15. Contact me for more information.

### **Anchor Bay**

P/C Jim Wogan Y-Knot B.C. is pleased to announce the new chapter officers for 2003:

Treasurer: Barry Cincoski

Secretary: Tom Chronowski

Vice President: Jim Harten

Pres.: Tom Rodgers

Our board is dedicated in 2003 to have an active chapter of IOBG. New PC's joining us this year are Ralph Marcy and Roger Black. We have sixteen PC's in our chapter this year. Y-Knot IOBG is participating in our fifth year in Blue Gavel.

Original members celebrating anniversaries in IOBG are:

Bill McNelis (past president)

Sam Bileti (past president)

Bob Ulmer (past president)

Jim Harten

John Lawrence

Bill Harriman

Jim Wogan

John Rechtzigel

Tom Rodgers

Other PC's celebrating IOBG anniversaries:

Tom Chronowski

Barry Cincoski

Kevin Culberson

Mary Ann Lawrence

Albert Scalzo

The second goal of Y-Knot is to support the Humanitarian Fund.

Last year we received very good participation from our members. The fund raisers planned for 2003 are as follows:

Rose Bowl Football Squares

Super Bowl Football Squares

Casino Bus Trip to Windsor

Monies raised will be directed to Children's charities. We sincerely wish everyone in IOBG a happy and healthy New Year.

As Commodore of BBYC, I can tell you we are going to sell raffle tickets for a Vegas trip, or \$1,000.00 toward a trip of your choice. The raffle tickets will cost \$10.00 a piece with a limit of 200 tickets being sold.

We anticipate receiving \$2,000.00 from gross sales of the tickets with \$1,000.00 going towards the trip and \$1,000.00 for the Humanitarian Fund.

### **Detroit River North**

Dave Wright                      On May 4<sup>th</sup> at 2:30 Sun Parlour Boat Club is having a spaghetti dinner. Feel free to contact me for further details.

### **Anchor Bay North**

P/C Walter Breske                      No Report

### **Clinton River**

P/C Art Brooks

In anticipation of the New Year, I have been in contact with representatives of the three clubs making up the Clinton River area: Huron Pointe Yacht Club, Moslem Shrine Yacht Club and Mariners Boat Club.

HPYC has assured me that they will definitely participate in this years humanitarian drive. They plan on having a spaghetti dinner for the benefit of the U. S. Naval Sea Cadets Great Lake Division and the "Pride of Michigan". Their fundraising activities have been very successful in the past and should certainly enhance our Humanitarian Fund.

I have been in contact with Mr. Tom Weir of the Moslem Shrine chapter and he tells me that this chapter is also planning to participate in the Humanitarian Goals program this year, plus there is a good chance that he may be signing up at least two new members. Nice work Tom, keep up the enthusiasm in this Chapter.

In a recent discussion with Mike Napior, president of the Mariners Boat Club chapter, he tells me that they are planning on an event to help support the District's goals for the Humanitarian Fund. Mariners Boat Club has been very supportive of their IOBG chapter in the past. We look forward to their fundraiser.

It is nice to have the clubs in the Clinton River IOBG group pulling together. The enthusiastic leadership in these chapters is truly appreciated.

**IOBG25 2003 President's Ball**





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*John Taylor*

*May 18, 1942 - March 20, 2003*



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*Remember me whenever you see a sunrise,  
Remember me whenever you see a star,  
Remember me whenever you see a rainbow  
Or woods in autumn colours from afar.*

*Remember me whenever you see the roses  
Or seagulls sailing high in a sky of blue.  
Remember me whenever you see waves  
Shining in the sun.  
And remember, I'll be remembering you!*

*Remember me whenever you see a teardrop,  
Or meadows still wet with the morning dew.  
Remember me whenever you feel love  
Growing in your heart.  
And remember, I'll be remembering you!*

## Supply Officer's Report

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### The following supplies are available for purchase:

Burgee-4x6 ON Stern&Block	\$7.00
Burgee 12x18	\$9.00
Burgee 6x54	\$42.00
Belts 48"	\$6.00
Belt Buckle	\$11.00
Caps	\$10.00
Decal-window	\$2.00
Sleeve Patch-Black	\$8.00
Sleeve Patch-Dark Blue	\$8.00
Silk Tie	\$24.00
Tie Tac	\$15.00
Silver Stars 3 on Bar	\$9.00
IOBG Name Badge-W/Logo	\$11.00
Spouse's Name Badge- No Logo	\$9.00
IOBG Name Badge Auxilliary	\$11.00
Clip on Tie Tac (Sterling Silver)	\$15.00
Shirts – Polo W/Logo (White or Navy)	\$38.00
Sweater, V-neck (White or Blue)	\$44.00
Ascot-White, W/Logo	\$18.00

### New Items

Cotton Club Grey Shirt (Navy Trim No Pocket)	\$32.00
Timberline Fleece Pullover W/Neckline	
Zipper (grey, Red, Gold, Charcoal)	\$40.00
Garment Bag W/Logo	\$24.00

There are more items available. For a complete list, please call.

lobg25 was saddened to learn of the passing of John Taylor. He was not only a vice-president but a good friend. John we will miss you.

