

June 16, 1999

TO: Members of Detroit Lodge No. 7

The minutes to the March 26, 1999 meeting of the Detroit/St.. Clair River Operations Working Group have been released. A copy of the minutes, which contained several attachments, is enclosed. If anyone has any questions or comments about the minutes and attachments, please contact Pat Owens, who serves as chairman of the lodge's Navigation Committee (810-364-8374).

Several articles have appeared in area publications that have mentioned lodge members. Rev. Richard Ingalls, Rector of Mariners' Church, was mentioned in an article about the church that appeared in the Spring, 1999 issue of Destination Detroit and another article about various blessings of the fleet held around the Great Lakes that appeared in the April, 1999 issue of Lakeland Boating. Calvin Hughes was pictured in an article about the U.S Coast Guard Auxiliary that appeared in the January 27, 1999 issue of the Detroit News. John Jamian was interviewed for an article about the Detroit/Wayne County Port Authority that appeared in the May 20, 1999 issue of the Detroit News. Bill Hoey Sr. and Steve Carrothers were interviewed for a feature story about Diamond Jack's River Tours that appeared in the June 2, 1999 issue of the Detroit News.

Now that the winter meeting schedule is over, I would like to take this opportunity to thank a number of lodge members who volunteered to serve as cooks at the lodge luncheons this past season. They are as follows: Art Herrala, Ron Ingram, Ken Cookson, Joe Salerno, Sam Buchanan, Tom McMullen, Tom Allor, Al Brata, Oscar Rosso, John Polacsek, Ken Gerasimos, John Sarns, Pat Owens, Bernie Ogden, Scott Suomela and Kathy McGraw. As the one who basically coordinates the logistics of the lodge's winter meetings, no one knows more than myself how vital our volunteer cooks are to the success of our luncheon and meeting schedule. And this year we had a very large number of willing hands who cheerfully helped out. Thank you one and all. Also, thanks again to those members & spouses who opened their homes for special lodge events this past winter: Bill & Carolyn Hoey who hosted the lodge's annual holiday party in December, to Tom & Sue McMullen who hosted the lodge's joint meeting in January and to Bill & Jeanie Graham who hosted the lodge brunch after Blessing of the Fleet in March.

I hope everyone's summer is going well and I wish all of our sailing members working on the waters of the Great Lakes a safe and prosperous shipping season.

Fraternally yours,

Paul M. Jagenow
Secretary-Treasurer