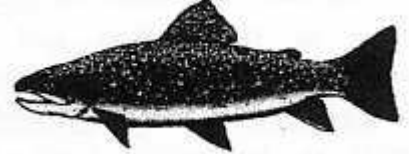


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President's Message

This is being written June 27th, 2004 we've just completed the second Lake Erie tournament on Lake Erie. Geoff White and his family did a fine job hosting both tournaments. The water was a little rough at times but we all managed to fish the 4 days of the 2 tournaments. Lot's of walleyes were caught and I had the pleasant surprise of catching a 7 lb. King Salmon.

We had Lance Valentine for our speaker at the May membership meeting. He did a presentation on fishing in general but mainly on walleye fishing it was a question and answer session. He brought his boat down so we could see how it was rigged for walleye fishing. He always does a nice job for the club in his presentations and I'm glad he's a friend of the club.

I talked to Lance yesterday and was glad to hear that he placed in the money at 11th place in the latest PWT tournament in Bull Shoals, Arkansas. He is now in 33rd place in the present seasons ranking. Let's all wish him luck in the remaining tournaments.

We had our annual Show and Tell boat show at the June membership meeting. Despite the inclement weather we did have several boats show and lots of used tackle and accessories for the garage sale. The Coast Guard Auxiliary, David Pederson and Linda Bovensiep were on had to inspect boats for the 2004 season. I understand all our boats were well equipped and passed the inspection. Warren and Marti Newsted brought their motor home towing their truck with their boat on top it was quite a sight. All of the paraphernalia needed to put the boat & trailer on top of the truck were designed and constructed by Warren. He tells me he thinks these things up in his sleep. Roger Beukema was on hand to take some pictures, which will probably be in a future Oakland Press. We had a good turn out for the meeting I wonder if it was the sale or Tom Ott and Mike Odle's hotdogs, which generated the turnout.

We don't have a speaker set up for the July membership meeting as yet. We should have lots to talk about with the "No Ketchup" tournament and the Lake Erie tournaments.

Hope to see you on the water

Bill Purves

LOOKING FOR INPUT

It's not often that one of the Board members comes up with a serious issue for discussion, however, at the June Board meeting, one of the directors brought up the issue of the number of tournaments that the Club tries to hold each year. For the past several years, turnout by the membership at the tournaments has gone downhill and it is becoming extremely difficult to get people to volunteer to be port chairpersons for these events. A large part of this problem can be attributed to the overall decline in OCSA membership. As brought up at the last Board meeting, maybe it is time to scale back the number of tournaments to something more manageable, say 3 or 4 each summer. Nowadays, our social calendars are full with soccer games, birthday parties and other commitments that compete for our time on the water, so the thought was that fewer tournaments would allow members to schedule their other commitments around fewer tournament dates and hopefully increase membership turnout at these tournaments. Please note that no action has been taken by the Board concerning this topic. However, we would like to hear your thoughts and suggestions on this issue.

Respectfully,
Glenn Appel
Vice President

Environmental Issues:

"The Old Wolverine"
By Glenn Uhl

Recently there was a story about a wolverine sighting in the State of Michigan. What is so odd about this is that there really isn't a history of these animals in this state, going back to the fur trade days. Another odd thing about this sighting is that it was in the thumb area up near Bad Axe. Where the animal is now is anyone's guess.

However, let me relate a similar story with a very unique twist involving yours truly. I can honestly say that back in 1959, I was the first person in the State of Michigan to see a live wolverine. Sounds like a real bunch of bovine scatology doesn't it? I'll tell how I did it.

When I was discharged from the Marine Corp in 1959, one of the jobs I got was with Northwest Airlines. I worked at Metro airport on the second shift. One of my duties was loading and unloading baggage from different flights. On this particular afternoon, just before dark, I noticed a few day shift people hanging around. When I inquired as to why they were there, they told me that there was a live wolverine arriving on a flight from Anchorage Alaska. When the plane taxied up to our area and stopped, I was the first one into the baggage hold. It was a little spooky, there was not much light in there and a very distasteful smell but, he was still in his cage so I am still here to tell this story. We got him and his cage out and transferred him to Capital Airlines which in turn flew him to Traverse City where he resided in their zoo for many years. I don't know if he is still alive or not but this is my story.

Yours Truly
Glenn Uhl

Great Lakes residents must stand up and fight for water

By JOYCE BRAITHWAITE-BRICKLEY

While Michigan interest groups squabble over passing a tough new law protecting our water from being exported, neighboring states line up to tap the Great Lakes.

This brings menace to our future in the Great Lakes state.

Most Michiganians are only vaguely aware that in 1998 an Ontario company received a permit from the province's environmental ministry to export up to 50 tankers of Lake Superior water a year to Asia.

The uproar caused by that permit, later rescinded, led directly to the 2001 signing of a new regional agreement by Great Lakes governors and premiers that commits all to enacting protective water standards. Michigan, known since the 1970s as a leader among the states in environmental protection, is heading the pack to implement an agreement, right?

Wrong. Instead of moving swiftly to protect the lakes, as requested by Gov. Jennifer Granholm, the Michigan Legislature is finding excuses not to act. Some interest groups object to any limit on their ability to take as much water as they want out of rivers, lakes and underground aquifers — ground water that filters between particles of soil and rock and supplies 45 percent of Michigan's population with drinking water, the rest being from lakes and streams.

There's no time to waste. While it's easy to fixate on thirsty Texans or far-off arid Asian countries as threats to our water, the source of short-term threats is much closer. Just look across Lake Michigan or Lake Erie.

Wisconsin Gov. Jim Doyle, the incom-

ing chairman of the Council of Great Lakes Governors, has openly acknowledged what insiders know: Wisconsin will seek to take Great Lakes water to cities within its borders but outside the boundaries of the Great Lakes Basin. Communities in Illinois, Indiana and Ohio either already have made or will make similar bids to support fast-growing communities. Chicago currently diverts 3,200 cubic feet per second of Lake Michigan water out of the basin every day, all year.

The lakes are large but ultimately vulnerable. According to the International Joint Commission, a U.S.-Canadian body overseeing boundary waters, only 1 percent of the volume of the Great Lakes is renewed annually by rainfall and snowfall. The remainder of the volume is, in a sense, a gift of the glaciers. If we begin taking more than 1 percent for human needs, levels will decline, and the Great Lakes could ultimately be transformed into the Pretty Good Lakes — or worse.

Conservation, as practiced since Teddy Roosevelt, means we must limit our appetites for natural resources today in order to pass along at least as many options as we've known to our children and grandchildren. To decry water protection legislation as akin to hysteria is to do our descendants ultimate disservice. They deserve better from us and will justifiably damn us if we don't give it.

Joyce Braithwaite-Brickley was assistant to the Michigan Republican Party chairman and political adviser and campaign manager for former Gov. William G. Milliken. Her e-mail address is priorities@charter.net.

Up Coming Events:**OAKLAND COUNTY SPORTFISHING ASSOCIATION
HARBOR BEACH TOURNAMENTS****July 10 & 11, 2004****Captains Meeting at 5:30 a.m. at Marina Office****Weigh-In at 1:00 p.m.****Picnic will be served after the weigh-in on Saturday**

Please contact Port Co-Chairpersons Bill Anglebrandt at (248) 391-0670 or Glenn Appel at (248) 625-3492.

Salmon/Trout Tournament**July 17th and 18th****Harbor Beach—Lake Huron**

Capt. Meeting: 6:00 am Marina Office

Fishing: 6:30am to 1:00 pm—Sat Weigh-in 2:00pm Ott's Cottage see directions below
6:30 am to noon—Sun Weigh-In 1:00 pm Picnic Shelter in Water Works Park

Lunch: Lunch will be served at the Ott's on Saturday. No lunch on Sunday.

Directions to Ott's Cottage from marina: M-25 North 3 miles to Forest Bay. Turn right one block to lake.
2880 N. Lakeshore.**Please Contact: Tom Ott—989-428-5168 if you plan to attend or for more information.****Salmon/ Trout Tournament - Arcadia & Frankfort
Saturday & Sunday - August 28th & 29th, 2004**

Come on up for an OCSA weekend of Lake Michigan Fishing, Friends and Fun. It's one of the last 2004 Great Lakes gathering of the club so don't miss it! Fish for Salmon and Trout at Arcadia and Frankfort with the OCSA gang. Meet with friends at a favorite restaurant or watering hole. Walk through the towns, along the shore or up and down the sand dunes for fun. Just be there!

Captain's Meeting will be held both days at the Arcadia Municipal Marina at 6 AM. Coffee and donuts will be provided. Fishing will be from 6:30 AM to 1 PM on Saturday and to 12 Noon on Sunday. Weigh In will be held at the same site at 2 PM on Saturday and 1 PM on Sunday. Lunch will be held on Saturday at 3 PM nearby at the Point Arcadia Association clubhouse (directions provided at Weigh In).

Now with the club we'll troll the deep	And show 'em all some fish to keep.
We'll call on the radio about weight and lure	And tell our buddies, that's for sure.
At the Weigh In with cooler so heavy	We'll wait for last to show our bevy
Of Steelhead and King and Brown we hope	To beat 'em all and that's no joke.

Entry fee is \$7 for members, \$10 for non-members and \$5 for lunch only. **Pre-registration is preferred.**

For additional information or early registration call Ed Matusko at 231-889-0265 or Elise Matusko at 248-708-9352.

For registration in the week before the tournament, call Ed Matusko at 248-514-7167. Leave a Voice Mail if necessary.

Per club rules, you can also register "on the water" on tournament day.

Editor's Note:

Now that Salmon fishing is beginning, please send to me any submissions (Advertisements, photos, announcements, notices, or recipes) that you have for the *Downrigger* please send them to me via e-mail at lewisscott@yahoo.com I will be working in Microsoft word so if your submission could be in that format it would be a great help.

Scott Lewis

Recipe Corner

Here is an opportunity to share your favorite recipes for fish or game. If you have any recipes you would like to share please send them to me at lewisscott@yahoo.com or at the address on the cover to this Downrigger.

Scott

Tortilla Spirals

Sensational-looking spirals are easy do-ahead party fare. There are two different fillings: smoked salmon and dried tomato. Both are delicious.

Prep: 35 minutes plus chilling

Ingredients

- Smoked Salmon Filling (bottom)
- Dried Tomato Filling (bottom)
- 8 (10-inch) flour tortillas

Directions

1. Prepare fillings.
2. Spread each filling evenly over 4 tortillas. Roll each tortilla up tightly, jelly-roll fashion. Wrap each roll in plastic wrap and refrigerate until firm enough to slice, at least 4 hours or up to overnight.
3. To serve, unwrap tortilla rolls and trim ends. Cut rolls into 1/2-inch-thick slices.

Makes about 144 appetizers.



Smoked Salmon Filling

In medium bowl, combine 1 1/2 packages (8 ounces each) cream cheese, softened, 4 ounces thinly sliced smoked salmon, chopped, 3 tablespoons capers, drained and chopped, and 1/4 cup loosely packed fresh dill, chopped, until blended.

Dried Tomato Filling

In medium bowl, combine 1 package (8 ounces) cream cheese, softened, 10 dried tomato halves packed in herb-seasoned olive oil, drained and chopped, 1 container (5.2 ounces) spread able cheese with pepper, and 1/3 cup packed fresh basil leaves, chopped, until blended.

Each appetizer with salmon filling: About 28 calories, 1g protein, 2g carbohydrate, 2g total fat (1g saturated), 6mg cholesterol, 76mg sodium.

Each appetizer with tomato filling: About 32 calories, 1g protein, 2g carbohydrate, 2g total fat (1g saturated), 6mg cholesterol, 42mg sodium.

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The All New Good Housekeeping Cookbook

Tournament Insight

Lake Erie June 19, 2004

On June 19 our club once again descended on Lake Erie for some of its fine Walleye fishing. Once again like last year a cold front came through the night before leaving us with a cool dark clouded morning with the wind howling at 15 - 20 mph and the threat of rain. Being the diehards we are we went ahead and ventured out to be greeted with 3 - 5 foot waves depending on where you were on the lake. Even with the weather the way it was the Walleye were there and cooperative. Four boats made this trip with varied results. Some with thrills and laughter and some with mishaps but all returned safely and unscathed. Every boat caught some nice Walleye with Fish Dinner being the most productive for the day but not necessarily with the biggest fish. After the weigh-in we all went over to where the Newstead's were camping at the state park. We dined on a fine feast of hot dogs, fruit salad, macaroni salad and potato salad. I would like to thank the Newstead's for letting us use their camp site.

Saturdays Results

1st	3.6 lb	Geoff White	Hawg Slayer
2nd	2.6 lb	Stanley Pietrzak	Hawg Slayer
3rd	2.3 lb	Robert Karagosian	My Princess

Mystery Fish: Dick Hickson My Princess

On Sunday, June 20 we returned to Lake Erie for another crack at those Walleye. The weather was much more cooperative with no wind and flat water. Even the fish seemed to agree with the situation at hand. We were joined on this trip with a new member and his son, Robert Schultz and son Brandon Schultz. It's always great to see new member's and faces at these Tournaments. Again Fish Dinner had the magic ticket and boated the most fish and this time they had one of the largest of the day. The Last One even brought in a surprise for everyone to drool over. They boated a 6.8 lb King Salmon, go figure. This fish was a real surprise because no one said anything all day. When asked about the quietness from them we were told that when people talk English on the radio his Japanese Honda motor quits running so the radio stays off! Sounds like a real fish story to me but hey were all here to have fun. Again I would like to thank everyone that showed up for this event, it's what keeps this club going.

Results For Sunday, June 20

1st	6.8lb	Jeff Loehr	Fish Dinner
2nd	5.2lb	Warren Newstead	The Last One
3rd	4.8lb	Warren Newstead	The Last One

Mystery Fish: Brandon Schultz

LAKE ERIE TOURNAMENT JUNE 26 & 27, 2004

On June 26 we took to the waters of Lake Erie for the second weekend of our back to back Walleye tournaments. As usual Lake Erie greeted us with her usual unpredictable waters. We ended up with two days of unusual water which went

from rough 3 footers to flat, back to 3 footers all in a matter of 6 hours each. Because of the wind pattern the fishing was really tough for everyone. All the boats participating caught fish but you really had to work for them both days. On Saturday, we had a lunch of Mr. Pita sandwiches and homemade macaroni salad. Even with the tough conditions everyone seemed to have a good time. We ended up moving the weigh in over to Brest Bay Marina because Sterling State Park was jam packed with people parking on the grass and receiving tickets. We decided it wasn't worth the trouble.

All in all we had 4 boats with 13 fisherpeople each day that caught 41 fish all together. Thanks again to everyone that turned out for the tournament.

Saturday June 26

1st	3.9lb	Mark Morris	Hawg Slayer
2nd	3.0lb	Bill Purves	Last One
3rd	2.6lb	Mark Morris	Hawg Slayer

Mystery Fish Bill Purves

Sunday June 27

1st	3.1lb	Mark Morris	Hawg Slayer
2nd	2.9lb	Mark Morris	Hawg Slayer
3rd	2.7lb	Robert Karagosian	My Princess

Mystery Fish Robert Karagosian

Thanks Again Your Port Chairpersons

Geoff White & Kristi White Lake

Coupon Corner Chris Temple from the Gander Mountain, located at the Summit Place Mall in Waterford, has agreed to give a 10% discount to all OCSA members. You must present the coupon below with your OCSA membership card at the time of purchase to obtain the discount. The discount doesn't apply to firearms, electronics, gift certificates, or licenses.



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Call Tom @ 248.879.0244

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Electric winch- Strong arm-model 4000-- \$65.00

Danforth anchor—model 8600 with 6 ft of chain and 100 ft of ½ rode--\$40.00

Vinyl coated anchor --- \$15.00

Lee's Rod Holders- flush mount chrome plated brass -- \$10.00 each

Fish Hawk Temperature gauge- down to 100 ft-- \$45.00

Miscellaneous antenna mounts and rod holders--- \$ 1.00

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Calendar of Upcoming events

July 17/18 Harbor Beach Tournament Contact Tom Ott for more information

August 7/8 Open for suggestions Do we have any volunteers?

August 14/15 Ludington Do we have any volunteers?

August 21/22 Arcadia/Frankfort Contact Pat & Walt Van Conant for more information

August 28/29 Arcadia/Frankfort Contact Ed, Jean and Elise Matusko for more information