

Ask the Propguy

With the political climate the way it is and financial outlook that has been promised for how long now? And for three, four or five years the same -“jobs on the increase, economy slow but steadily improving”, just where does this put the *boat owner*? How does a Captain plan *HIS/HER* precious time and monies for their favorite pass time? Is this gloom and doom ever going to get better? What can I do to change this outlook? Simple, CHANGE YOUR OUTLOOK!!

I don't know if I have gotten callous of the situation or accepted that these situations are the way it's going to be from now on but I'm going to make sure I'm going to enjoy this upcoming boating season.....I'm making my list of what is needed to be done and what I hope to improve on and prioritizing all of it.

- **First** - I am going to do what doesn't need any funding, clean interior, cleaning windows, helm and gauges, polishing stainless railing, washing dock and mooring lines, clean engine air filter/flame arrestor.
- **Second** – checking my underwater gear, propellers, shafts, struts, rudders for signs of need to repair.
- **Third** – inspect my anti-fouling and hull for any needs(touch up to replacement)
- **Fourth** – Buff and wax hull and if time, rub rail up, and the isinglass I've been putting off to do.

My point is it is time to put the fun back into the activity that takes us to that 'OTHER PLACE', where no matter what the predictions of financial institutions or political arenas or world events are, I AM GOING TO ENJOY THIS COMING SEASON!!! Are you with me? Call a boating or fishing or cruising friend and wish them a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

(Maybe even remember a time you shared together around the Marina or boat).

From the crew at Wolverine Propeller, we wish you a Very Merry Christmas and a safe and Happy New Year! If you are having difficulty getting '*in the mood*', give us a call or stop by.

Call 313-383-0020 and take advantage of over 40 years of boating experience and 30+ years of mechanical knowledge – AND A GREAT OUTLOOK OF THE UPCOMING SEASON - to help you get the most for the least spent and understand why. Wolverine Propeller is easily accessible off I-75 at exit #41 to give you a free evaluation of your gear.

May you have smooth seas and blue skies....PG