

Whistles blow at grand ol' event

Giant steam whistles from Great Lakes freighters, trains, factories and even fire houses are expected for the third annual Grand Ole Tashmoos Whistle Blow on Labor Day, Monday, Sept. 3, in St. Clair.

It will be held from noon-4 p.m. at the River Club restaurant on the St. Clair River, two miles north of St. Clair.

The public is invited to join in and pull a few whistle cords themselves. Anyone with a steam whistle may bring it along. Hook-ups are provided.

The event was dreamed up by the restaurant's owner, Chuck Muter, and St. Clair marine artist Jim Clary, who owns the Tashmoos Whistle. Clary operates Cap'n Jim's Gallery in the plaza arcade in St. Clair.

THE WHISTLES will again blow a master salute — one long and two short — for the Bob-Lo boat Columbia as it cruises past about 1 p.m. on its way to Port Huron and about 3 p.m. when it returns.

The Columbia used to be the Tashmoos' running mate when it was an excursion boat out of Detroit in 1902. The Tashmoos sank at Amherstburg, Ont. in 1936.

The Columbia will cruise close to shore and return the salute, its rails lined with waving passengers.

As the Bob-Lo boat passes, Clary will have two cannons fire a 17-gun salute. Clary will present a framed print of the Columbia from his own maritime art series to the winner of the "Best of Show" award that day.

All whistles are being welcomed at the event, and ribbons will be awarded in six categories: best boat whistle, best train whistle, best industrial whistle, most unusual whistle, oldest whistle and best of show. Judging will be at 2 p.m. There are no entry fees.

TWO MUSEUMS, Dossin Great Lakes Museum on Belle Isle and Port Huron's Museum of Arts & History will loan whistles to the event.

Dossin's entry is a three-chime whistle that Museum Director Bob Leggett says was first installed in 1919 on the tug Barkhamstead. It was later used on the tug Jesse James and then on the Detroit fireboat John Kendall, recently retired.

Port Huron's entry will be the whistle from the packet steamer Pilgrim, built in 1888.

Further information may be obtained by phoning Jim Clary, 329-2776, at Cap'n Jim's Gallery, 201 N. Riverside, St. Clair.



Opening at Dewey's

Deborah Brown begins a month-long engagement at Dewey's in the Michigan Inn on Tuesday, Sept. 4. She will appear through Sunday, Oct. 7. Deborah, backed by a drummer and bass guitarist, sings contemporary and jazz songs, with

some medleys of popular songs from today and yesterday. Deborah Brown will appear Tuesday-Sundays from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. The Michigan Inn is at 1640 J.L. Hudson Drive next to the Northland Theater in Southfield.

Trio's two share stage

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According to Yarrow, "He respects that we didn't ask him to, yet he must feel a little left out." Yarrow said Stacey admitted to him he did have those mixed feelings.

Obviously, the three performers share a strong affection. "A sense of real communication on many levels was very much a part of whatever gift that we share together," Yarrow said. He closed the conversation with another reference to Stacey, noting, "He grew up in Birmingham. We love him very much."

YARROW'S MUSICAL interests have included specials on "Puff, the

Magic Dragon," for which he has just received an Emmy nomination for the sound track. The first "Puff" special is being shown again Monday, Sept. 10; Yarrow has co-produced a second one.

"A lot of my real satisfaction comes from political organizing," he said. Among Yarrow's causes is "anti-nuke stuff." He organized the many celebrities who participated in a Survival Sunday Concert in the Hollywood Bowl and was active in a demonstration at San Luis Obispo. "It took an enormous amount of time and effort," he said.

"I'm also a full-time daddy," Yarrow pointed out. He has two children, Elizabeth, 9-14, and Chris, 7. "That's the great adventure of my life,"

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