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The Columbus Sail and Power Squadron

Change of Watch

Friday, 6 February 2015

The Montgomery Inn

4565 West Dublin-Granville Road, Dublin, OH 43017

Come join us to welcome the new commander, John Seaver, JN and his bridge into the Columbus Sail and Power Squadron.

Time: 6:00 pm - 6:45 pm Social Hour
6:45 pm - Dinner
8:00 pm - Change of Watch Ceremony

Price: \$34 per person (kids are 1/2 price)

Menu: (Select one at time of seating)

- Order of Ribs
- 1/2 Chicken - all white
- Ribs and Chicken Combo
- Coho Salmon
- Pork Chops

Includes Ribs King Salad and a side choice of Baked Potato, Sweet Potato, Onion Straws, Mac & Cheese, Vegetables, Saratoga Chips or French Fries

Dessert - Cake

Drinks: Cash Bar

Dress: Uniform A with hand tie or business attire.

RSVP (By Monday Feb 2) to: Lt/C Julie Mohrman at 614-581-4814 or jemohrman@mindspring.com

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CALENDAR of COMING EVENTS

January 2015

- 27 Tuesday Executive Committee Meeting & Seating of New Bridge @ HQ - 7pm
- 31 Saturday America's Boating Class - Scioto Boat Club 8am-2pm

February

- 1 Sunday Sandusky Change of Watch
- 6 Friday Columbus Change of Watch - Montgomery Inn
- 7 Saturday America's Boating Course #2
- 8 Sunday District 29 Winter Council Meeting - OH Northern Univ, Ada
- 9 Monday March *Galley Gossip* info due
- 14 Saturday America's Boating Course #3 TEST DAY
- 15 Sunday Pt Clinton Change of Watch
- 17 Tuesday Central Ohio Safe Boating Council Meeting at HQ 6pm
- 19 Thursday Instructor Rectification 7-9pm @ HQ
- 21 Saturday Charting Course 8am-2pm All Hands Needed
- 24 Tuesday Executive Committee Meeting 7pm @ HQ
- 28 Saturday Marion Change of Watch

March

- 6-8 Fri-Sun USPS District 29 Conf & Change of Watch - Dublin Marriott
- 9 Monday April *Galley Gossip* articles due
- 14 Saturday Columbus Sail & Power Squadron Commander's Ball
- 12 Thursday New Member Meeting - HQ 6:30p with dinner
- 24 Tuesday Executive Committee Meeting 7pm @ HQ
- 25 Wednesday Electronic Navigation begins

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COMMANDER'S MESSAGE

Cdr Bill Mohrman, AP



As I write this and you read it, the Columbus Sail and Power Squadron has traveled a 75-year journey through time. From the early days of an all men's club of power boaters, the squadron has seen many changes in boating, education and membership. The squadron, as defined by our forefathers, has a definite powerful structure that has stood the test of time but yet adapted itself to the changing environment we live in. I would like to take you through the changes under my watch as commander this past year.



To use a timeless boating analogy, it is not a captain who sails the ship, but rather the crew who follows direction and it is by the sweat of their brow that the ship's sails were set and trimmed to take advantage of the prevailing wind. Likewise the squadron is run by you, the membership, who have become involved, taken leadership roles and worked tirelessly to propel the squadron to its original mission of education, fellowship, and civic service. So it is not my accomplishments we will examine, but rather those that this crew has accomplished over the year.

As long as I have been in the squadron, I have been asked countless times by those unfamiliar with us "So, what is the Power Squadron?" It seems that we are one of the best kept secrets here in Columbus. We have tried over the years many different avenues to spread the word of boating safety and as children grow to adults and then have children of their own, we have to keep repeating the gospel. But times have changed and we are changing with it. We have witnessed traditional printed media being replaced by other forms of communication. The new generation doesn't get the Dispatch on the front porch any longer. An informative and dynamic website is an absolute must. We have a very good website due to the efforts of our membership. It takes not only a webmaster to input the information, but also a host of people to deliver the ever changing content so that a visitor will feel we are a dynamic organization.

In response to busier lifestyles, we have branched out through Radio advertising to touch the more lives of potential boating public. What started through a modest once a year talk on the "community

happenings" is now moved into larger actual radio ads for our ABC course. This was a huge step for the squadron to take, but it has given us name recognition that has eluded us for so long. As success breeds other success, we now have the opportunity to use community service messages on TV. Our founding fathers could not have foreseen the impact of TV as it was just invented the year before. I don't know where this will lead us, but touching more lives is our mission.

As a front door defines a house, our boat show booth is for many people the first impression of the squadron. We have worked to improve our booth to make it a destination for families at the boat show. Lake CSPS with the remote control model boats has attracted children of all ages to try their hand at piloting a vessel. Our success with the children has landed us that much coveted TV spot this year. We didn't stop with Lake CSPS, we added the Boating Virtual Trainer (a much too stuffy name if you ask me) to the booth for the older visitors. Through the use of 3 screens it gave the user a feeling he or she was actually piloting a 24' center console outboard. Most people thought the experience was amazingly real, just missing the wind in their face. We even had a couple of the captains become sea sick. How is that for virtual reality?! Thirdly we fine-tuned our focus and message our booth and volunteers presented to the public; take a safe boating class and we teach the best one in town. This fine focus and attention to our image has paid off in a big way with the boating public. We now have boat dealers ASKING US to teach classes in their facilities. Others want to partner with us as they see CSPS as a positive image in the boating community.

How did we accomplish this? It was the hard work and focused resources you the membership has put into improving our image, message, and classes for the squadron. I cannot list everyone here that was instrumental in making this work but I do want to say this captain did not do this without his dedicated crew. I say THANK YOU to each and every one of you that volunteered your time, effort and passion for the squadron.

As my time as Commander comes to a close, I do want to thank one unsung hero who has hung by me through the year, my wife Julie. She was my sounding board, my confidant, my supporter, and most of all, my wife. Thank you Julie, I cannot put into words what your support means to me.

Good luck to John on his voyage with the ship CSPS. May you have fair winds and following seas.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Lt/C John Seaver, JN



As my year winds down in the Executive Officer role and I look forward to the opportunity of the Commander's role, I pause to reflect on the whirlwind that was 3 years of Member at Large and 1 year each of Assistant Squadron Education Officer, Administrative Officer & Executive Officer. There are far too many people to recognize that have made Mari, Katrina and me feel welcome and acclimated us to the business of the squadron.

There have been so many willing to share advice - D/C Lehner, DEO Rayburn, P/C Phil Osborne and Ruth Wilcox, Tracy Garrett, Harold & Martha, Roger Hankle, Don Delewese, Barbara and Ron Hupman, Bob VanDerWissel, John Pruitt and Jim Meyer as well as so many of our great instructors led for me by Penny and Ralph Newman as well many squadron leaders like P/DEO-P/C Lowe, P/C Prior and P/C Norman. A number of recent Commanders P/C Hughes, P/C Murphy, P/C Canale and our current Commander Mohrman have demonstrated a willingness to try new things with some very



favorable outcomes and that is a trend I intend follow.

Our squadron has also added many new members who have jumped in and provided valuable contributions through donation of their time at boat shows and on the Executive Committee. These and future members will be the life-blood of the squadron moving forward. The structure of the squadron requires new members to further our civic and educational mission and I will lean on our existing membership to envision and implement new ways that we can reach

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ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

L/C Julie Mohrman, AP



I would like to start off with thanking The Hunan House for doing a wonderful job of hosting our elections night. I have to admit The Hunan House is one of my personal favorite restaurants. They are very easy to work with and go out of their way to make the evening special. Oh yes, did I mention the food was fantastic!

It seems that on our election evening, every few years Mother Nature tests us by throwing some inclement weather our way. This year she had a slight departure in that the weather remained passible for January, but the flu season hit many of our members. At one point in the day, I had visions of half of our membership being out with the bug; however in the end we lost only about 10% to illness.

I would like to congratulate these people who were elected to their new positions: John Seaver, JN as our new Commander, John McCarty AP as Administrative Officer, Ed Mack as Treasurer, P/C David Canale, P as Asst Treasurer, Mari Seaver, S as Education Officer, Dick Sorensen, JN as Asst Squadron Education Officer, Ron Hupman, S as Secretary and Tom Doyle, P as Asst Secretary. Also Ruth Kubinski, P, Theresa McCarty, P, Jana Mack, S, P/D/C Larry Lowe, SN, Mary Rayburn, S and Scott Shaw on their terms as Members at Large. With Bob Goelz, Eldon Hall, Jr, AP and Mike Hudson, AP returning for another term as Members At Large. Our Rules Committee consists of P/R/C Harold Beidel, SN, Michael T. Hughes, AP and P/C Bob Van Der Wissel, AP. The Audit Committee will be Lt Doug Jackson, N, P/C Tom Norman, P and P/C Bob Prior, P. The Nominating Committee will be made up of P/C Tom Norman, P, P/C David Canale, P and almost P/C Bill Mohrman, AP. Congratulations to everyone and I am very excited to work with each and every one of you this coming year.

Come join us to swear in the new Commander and his bridge at the Montgomery Inn on Friday, February 6. The Montgomery Inn is well-known for their award winning Ribs



and Chicken. As tradition goes, our District Commander, Larry Cole will swear in the new Bridge and Officers for 2015. The past commanders will then test our last year's commander Bill Mohrman, AP to see if he passes the muster of the Bar Exam to join the ranks as a Past Commander (P/C).

Finally I would also like to thank everyone that helped me this year as AO. Coming in as Administrative Officer mid-year had it challenges. Fortunately I had a very capable assistant that had much of the remaining year's functions planned out. Thank You – Dick Sorensen, JN! Last of all I want to thank our Commander (and he just happens to be my husband) for all the help and support he gives me every day. Thank you Bill!

We hope to see you at the Change of Watch!



The Distinctive Communicator Award for 2014 has been presented to the Columbus Sail and Power Squadron for our *Galley Gossip* publication. It takes all of you to produce this award winning publication each month. Thank you for all of your submissions.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Lt/C John Seaver, JN

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out and teach those wanting education and well as to attract and retain those interested in our rich social environment. We need to formulate new methods to gather ideas and utilize assets, like the SeaGals, to identify opportunities to further the mission of CSPS. I expect and welcome ideas, criticisms and feedback at any time – feel free to call or email. I am looking forward to this challenge and opportunities this will present.

Two big events are pending for March – the District Spring Conference will be hosted by Columbus during the weekend of March 6-8th. If you have not attended a district meeting you really owe it to yourself to jump in and take advantage of this great learning experience. The Saturday morning seminars and activities are all open for you to learn and utilize for low or no cost. You are also welcome to book a room to enjoy the camaraderie into the evenings.

The following weekend, on March 14th is our CSPS 75th Anniversary Party and Commander's Ball. This will be a formal affair and we are still working to finalize the menu, festivities and pricing, but it is looking like the 94th Aero Squadron facility will work great for this party. I look forward to this opportunity and I hope to see you all there!



The ship's store has all the latest attire for the upcoming spring/summer season. Order your CSPS short sleeve, lightweight, wicking material shirts today. Visit the Ship's Store online through our members-only section of the website. Key Words: Member AND Boating or contact Julie Mohrman at jemohrman@mindspring.com or call 740-965-3183.



It has been a real pleasure being your Squadron Education Officer again, even if it has been for a short time. Mari Seaver will be the new SEO and I feel that the education department is in good hands. Mari has been the chairman of the boating classes for several years and has done a terrific job. She has unlimited energy with lots of great ideas on how things should be done. Be sure to congratulate Mari on her new endeavor and give her your support.

USPS has been promising us a Marine Electronic Systems course, the third link to the Marine Electronics program, for several years. Now they have released the Canadian Power Squadrons version for us to use. It is called Electronic Navigation. I have reviewed it and find it to be very informative so I have changed the class schedule. Instead of starting

Marine Communication Systems on March 25, we will be starting the Electronic Navigation, upgrade your skills from paper to pixel, class on that date which will run for eight weeks. Some of the topics are how to use GPS, electronic charts, electronic navigation, chart plotters, tablets, and automatic identification systems (AIS) to name a few, there are a total of 15 chapters. Also, there are simulators for navigation.



So if you navigate using any form of electronic charts, this class is for you.

The Anchoring seminar is on Wednesday, February 4 and we will have the miniature anchors there for you to try in mud, sand, and gravel. Come and find out which anchor or anchors are best for you. There are some new anchors on the market that are really impressive. Is it time for you to upgrade?

Just a reminder to all of the people that recently completed the Piloting class. The Advanced Piloting (AP) class begins on Monday, February 2. Bob Rayburn will teach you how to navigate when water conditions are not ideal.

Be sure to check the class schedule for all of the upcoming classes, including the Instructor Recertification class. When does your certification expire?

Last month's question was: You want to impress your new girlfriend with your boating skills, so you take her to your favorite hidden cove in your new 25 foot power boat to anchor for the night. What light or lights do you need to display? The answer was B. One all around white light visible for two miles. I'll see you on the water or in the classroom.



Taking on the high pressure and squalls are the newest **Weather** students: seated - Pat Carpenter, Penny Newman. standing - Ike Hershaw, Ralph Newman, Bruce Quatman & Bob Van der Wissel.

2015 Educational Courses

Register for all these courses and read a complete description on our website found at www.columbussailandpower.org under the education tab. All classes will be held at CSPS Headquarters unless otherwise noted. Weekday classes and seminars begin at 7pm. Please arrive 15 minutes early on your first night to complete the registration process.

America's Boating Course (various)
Marine Electrical Systems (Lowe)
Advanced Piloting (Rayburn/Lowe)
Sail (Spilke/D Jackson)
Cruise Planning (P Jackson)
Navigation (Hankle)
Seamanship (Hudson/various)
Electronic Navigation (Lowe)

Saturdays 1/31 – 2/14 \$50
Wednesdays 1/21 – 3/11
Mondays 2/2 – 4/6
Tuesdays 2/3 – 5/5
Mondays 3/2 – 5/4
Wednesdays 3/18 – 6/3
Tuesdays 3/24 – 5/19
Wednesdays 3/25 – 5/13

Scioto Boat Club 8am-2pm includes lunch
member \$65/non-member \$95
member \$70/non-member \$100
member \$60/non-member \$90
member \$50/non-member \$80
member \$175/non-member \$205
member \$55/non-member \$85
member \$65/non-member \$85

SEMINARS:

Anchoring & Staying In Place
Instructor Recertification
Charting (Instructors: Various)

Wed 2/4
Thursday 2/19
Saturday 2/21
Scioto Boat Club 8am-2pm includes lunch

\$20 per person @ HQ
for current instructors only
\$FREE for ABC students; \$50 all others

Practical Marine Electrical Maintenance
Marine Radar
Practical Marine Engine Maintenance

Wednesday 3/4
Thursday 4/9
Thursday 5/14

\$20 per person @ HQ
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**Columbus Sail and Power Squadron
Minutes of the Executive Committee
16 December 2014**

(These minutes will be approved at the January Executive Committee meeting.)

Cdr Bill Mohrman, AP called the meeting to order at 1900 at the Squadron headquarters, 8492 Cotter Street, Lewis Center, OH.

Lt/C Julie Mohrman, AP gave the invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Lt/C John Seaver, JN.

Roll call was taken by sight and the Secretary, Lt/C Ron Hupman confirmed a quorum was present.

The following Executive Committee members were present: Cdr Bill Mohrman, AP; Executive Officer Lt/C John Seaver, JN; Administrative Officer Lt/C Julie Mohrman, AP; Squadron Education Officer P/C Larry Lowe, SN; Secretary Lt/C Ron Hupman, S; Treasurer Lt/C Edward Mack, AP; Lt Thomas Doyle, P; Lt Bob Goelz; Lt Eldon Hall, Jr., AP; Lt Mary Lauer, P; Lt John McCarty AP

Also present: P/C Michael S. Hughes, JN; Lt Mari Seaver, S; P/C Tom Norman, P; P/C Harold Beidel, SN.

The minutes of the November meeting were approved with the correction that the Judith Lowe Fund must be used for public benefit and could not directly benefit the Arch City Rowing Club without, for example first advertising the availability of the funds to the general public.

Report of Officers:

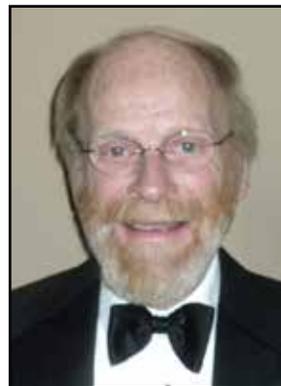
Commander Bill Mohrman, AP:

Boat Show: The Jan 9-18th Ohio RV and Boat Show is fast approaching. Watch your emails for the instructions to use Sign-up Genius again this year. We will have Lake CSPS, the Virtual Boating Trainer, registrations for ABC and general help slots available. Set up will be on Thursday afternoon Jan 8th, so we will need people to help set up the lake, hang signs, and arrange the booth. We will be asking for funding of the following:

- Electricity - \$55
- Tablet - \$ TBD
- WiFi Access: \$129

Squadron Education Officer P/C Larry Lowe, SN:

- I have received the USPS version of the Canadian Power Squadron course titled ELECTRONIC NAVIGATION, This course will be used for the USPS course titled MARINE ELECTRONIC SYSTEMS until it is written. I am reviewing it now and will probably be scheduling it in place of the USPS Marine Communications Systems course in the spring.
- The BOAT HANDLING UNDER POWER seminar with the simulator will be on January 7, 2015.
- The WEATHER class begins on January 13 and the Marine Electrical Systems class will begin on January 21.
- The ABC3 class begins on January 31 at the Scioto Boat Club.



- The Mid America Boat Show (Cleveland Boat Show) is January 15-19, 2015.
- Have any Members-at-Large had any response from members on seminars that they would like to be offered?

Treasurer Lt/C Edward Mack, AP:

Financial reports were distributed and reviewed.

Executive Officer Lt/C John Seaver, JN:

- Rendezvous planning meeting – Held at HQ on December 2nd – thanks to PC Canale for covering Pizza costs and those who baked and brought treats.
- Christmas Dinner meeting on 6th at LaScala was a great time.
- King Cabinets – I will set a meeting date after January 3rd with the Property officer to evaluation additional storage options for the squadron
- Boat show - \$120 for WiFi for the show – do we need to vote? Off on 1/9 to help setup the boat show; Order cups – need to plan what we are putting in the cups – vote? Vote for Tablet – No more than \$200 – may be far less.
- Spoke to Rachael Jones at USPS National to get a contact for the anchor manufacturer. I will follow up with Ultra Anchor to discuss purchase of demonstrator anchors of our own. We are shipping the Squadron Anchors 2-3 times per year.

Administrative Officer Lt Julie Mohrman, AP:

- Holiday Dinner Meeting – 42 people attended the dinner meeting at La Scala Bistro on Saturday evening December 6th. We had a great evening with the 2nd annual “Ugliest Christmas Sweater Contest”, a visit from Santa Claus himself and a wonderful dinner. Terri McCarty won the Ladies Ugliest Sweater this year. And for the Men – Ed Mack’s very original sweater won hands down! Ed set new limits on originality this year. I want to thank all the elves that helped me that evening, Charlotte Mohr, Harold Beidel, Perry Mohr, Bill Lehner and my husband Bill Mohrman.
- January Dinner Meeting – CSPS Annual Elections will be held on January 8, 2015 at the Hunan House on Dublin-Granville Road in Columbus. In addition to the Elections, we will have a very interesting speaker that night, John Wargo from the US Corp of Army Engineers, to discuss Cold Water Boating Emergencies and his personal experiences. For dinner, we will have a sampling of gourmet Asian foods starting with appetizers – Spring Rolls, Crispy Bamboo Shrimp and Fried Mince Chicken Lettuce Wraps; Wonton soup; the Main Entrees – General Tso’s Chicken, Green Pepper Steak, Szechuan Duck, Lake Tung Ting Shrimp, Mala Green Beans and both steamed and fried rice, with Fortune Cookies for dessert. Dinner is \$26.with kids ½ price. Social time will start at 6:00, with introduction of the candidates from 6:45 to 7:15. Dinner will



be from 7:15 to 8:00PM with John Wargo from the US Corp of Army Engineers starting his presentation at 8:00 on Cold Water Boating Emergencies and share some of his personal experience. It is cash bar for all drinks and beverages. Dress that evening is Uniform F or Casual Business Attire.

• Upcoming Dinner Meetings – Friday, February 6th – will be our 2015 Change of Watch at the Montgomery Inn in Dublin Ohio. Final plans are being worked on. Check out the next Galley Gossip for more information and details.

Secretary Lt/C Ron Hupman, S:

All officers are asked to send reports to hupman1@att.net

Member-at-Large Reports:

Lt Robert Burton – Absent

Lt Tom Doyle, P – Regarding a calling committee of Members at Large: The squadron has 135 households which would be about 13 calls per Member at Large. We need an updated roster before implementing this. If the caller takes the reservation, let the member know that they will be charged if they don't show.

Lt Bob Goelz- One new member has been signed. Six notices have been sent to members who have not paid their dues.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

GENERAL COMMITTEES

Nominating Committee: P/C Matthew Murphy, JN; P/C Tom Norman, P; P/C David Canale, P – Work is complete.

STANDING COMMITTEES:

Finance Committee: Lt/C Ron Hupman – After discussion of the proposed budget, including new expenses for the boat show and possible expenses for the D29 Spring Conference, Ron Hupman moved that the budget be approved on the basis of requiring the withdrawal of a particular amount from investment earnings/savings. John McCarty 2nd; passed unanimously.

Merit Marks Committee: P/C Don Delewese, SN or P/C Bob Van Der Wissel, JN - Done for this year.

Property Officer: P/C Michael Hughes, JN- The squadron has an old digital camera that will be removed from the inventory and sold for whatever it can bring.

SPECIAL COMMITTEES:

Investments Committee: Lt/C Edward Mack, AP; P/V/C Joe Mesenburg, SN – Joe Mesenburg provided an analysis of the squadron's investments and reported that the investments are in good condition.

Boat Shows: Cdr William Mohrman, AP – See commander's report.

Marketing: Lt Tracy Garrett, S – Michael S. Hughes presented and discussed Tracy's report on her negotiations with radio stations. It was the consensus of the group that

Tracy should implement the proposed radio advertising at the amount authorized at the November ECOM meeting.

Boating Activities: Lt/C John Seaver, JN: See XO report

New Business:

Calling Committee – Lt Tom Doyle, P – see Members at Large report.

Last Horizon:

Donna Stumbaugh's mother, Alice Douglass Mathers, on December 11

Sick Bay:

Fred Card – Being treated for a brain tumor
Ron Lavelly – recovering from knee replacement
Tom Norrman – Improved after recent hospitalization

Announcements:

Next ECOM meeting is January 27

The meeting was adjourned at 2047

Instructor Recertification

Who dares to teach must never cease to learn. Helping others learn can be an exciting and rewarding experience. Masters in any trade, however, realize there is always more to learn. New knowledge becomes available, new techniques are developed, new technologies evolve, and one always can hone their own professional skills.

The Recertification Seminar has two major goals: (a) to expose participants to recent changes relevant to teaching USPS courses, and equally important (b) to provide an opportunity for participants, who are experienced

USPS instructors, to share their experiences as to what works and what doesn't in the courses they have taught. A third purpose is to meet the requirements of states that require periodic recertification of individuals teaching state-certified safe-boating courses.

Please attend this seminar on Thursday, February 19th from 7-9pm at squadron headquarters. You are encouraged to register at www.columbussailandpower.org This is your opportunity to keep your instructor status current. Questions? Contact Bob Rayburn at r.e.rayburn@sbcglobal.net

1 Subject; 1,200 Photos

By Dick Sorensen, JN

Gary and Judi had us over for dinner as it was their turn to host. They are treasured friends. Usually drinks, dinner, cards and occasionally a movie. Little did we know that this visit was to be different, strangely different from any other in our 42 year-run.

They had just returned from a ten-day vacation spent in America's arid southwest and wanted to share their experiences; and over 1,200 photographs. Now I think that Nature in all its forms is absolutely stunning and often breathtaking and I personally think that it is at its finest where the land meets the water. But here's the point, how many brown rocks can one look at? Ten? Twenty? Ok. Throw in a few prehistoric Indian pictographs and I could go for another dozen or so.... but 1,200.

They had them organized following the route of their sojourn through the Arizona desert. And we sat dutifully on their sofa o-o-h-ing and a-a-a-hing over each one of them. Visually we travelled through lots of different zip codes but always the same rocks. No pretty multi-stemmed cactus, not a sign of a rugged 'Marlboro man' cowboy herding some 'doggies down the trail' and certainly no solitary coyotes. Just rocks. What are they going to do with all of these rock photos? They better not let my Sharon get a hold of them like she got a hold of my boating stuff! Out the door they'd go, thank you very much.

It really baffles me why these intelligent friends of ours needed to take 1,200 pictures of various desert scenes and rock formations. What are they going to do with them? The Wexner Art Museum surely won't be asking them to 'do a show' on limestone variations. Or mount an exhibit titled, 'Gary and Judi: Studies in Sandstone.' I guess they just like rocks. Who's to find fault with that. I know people who take thousand of photos of their boat, flowers or grandkids and I can understand that. I've even got a box of empty ocean wave pictures that are pretty boring but I can't bring myself to throw them out. So why am I perplexed over our buddy's love affair with rocks?

What do you cherish? Salt and Pepper sets? Swarovski crystal? Old nautical items? Classic cars? Isn't it interesting what we choose to collect? I just think if your collection of anything gets to 1,200 items you need to weed some of them out.

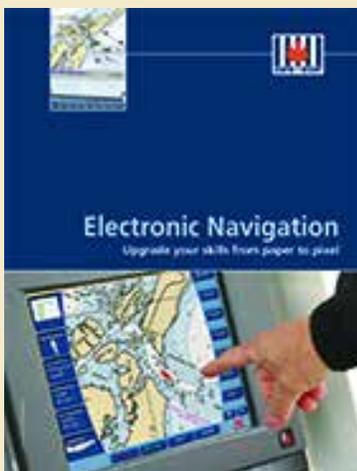
But good friends are to be cherished more than a few cramps in one's 'gluteus maximus'. So Gary and Judi keep that camera clicking. Got to go. Heading down to the workshop to organize my paint chip collection.



Dick Sorensen, along with his buddy, Steve Tanzer writes a weekly restaurant blog. Read it if you think your *gluteus maximus* is strong enough at ColumbusChow.blogspot.com

NEW COURSE! NEW COURSE! NEW COURSE!

ELECTRONIC NAVIGATION UPGRADE YOUR SKILLS FROM PAPER TO PIXEL THIS NEW COURSE IS COMING TO YOU STARTING MARCH 25, 2015



Learn all about navigating with your chart plotter using waypoints and routes. Are you using your laptop to navigate with? What about your tablet, or smart-phone? Find out how to navigate using these instruments. What is the difference between raster and vector charts?

These are just a few of the topics covered in this new eight week course. For a complete course description go to USPS.ORG education department home page and click on Marine Electronics, or contact Larry Lowe at 614-314-9439, or afterglow15570@gmail.com

This new course is being offered instead of the Marine Communications course this year.

Merit Marks 2014

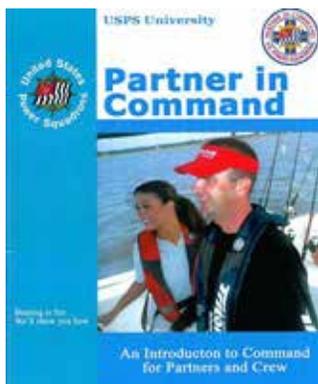
The United States Power Squadron would like to congratulate the following squadron members for their support in 2014 by promoting safety on the water through education, civic opportunities and social experiences. CSPS members reported a total of 6,451 hours of service. Thank you!

Herbert Beidel	Don Delewese	Michael T Hughes	Joyce Mattis	Ralph Newman
Martha Beidel	Tom Doyle	Mary Humbel	John McCarty	Tom Norman
Harold Beidel, Jr.	David Ehrbar	Barbara Hupman	Terri McCarty	Bob Prior
John Bumgartner	David Fannon	Ron Hupman	Joe Mesenburg	John Pruitt
David Burge	Jessica Garrett	Doug Jackson	Karen Mesenburg	Bob Rayburn
Nahum Burt	Tracy Garrett	Glen Kubinski	Jim Meyers	John Seaver
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Lynne Canale	Eldon Hall, Jr	Bill Lehner	Gaige Mohr	Ken Spilke
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David Clark	Mike Hudson	Sue Lowe	Bill Mohrman	Bob Wells
John Daulton	Joe Huffman	Ed Mack	Debbie Murphy	Sam Woodruff
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Spring Conference Opportunity

Boating Partners

A hands-on seminar for you!



Practice boating skills using the boating skills virtual trainer with the Partners In Command Seminar.



A female instructor will provide time for you to increase your knowledge & confidence for on-the-water activities. Come join us for a fun and rewarding experience.

ATTENTION ALL NEW COLUMBUS SAIL AND POWER SQUADRON MEMBERS

Please join us for an informal meeting at our squadron headquarters (8492 Cotter Street, Lewis Center, OH 43035) **Thursday, March 12th at 6:30 PM**. We will supply pizza, salad, dessert and drinks for all as we introduce you to some of our squadron members and show you around our headquarters. Bring your boating stories! Please RSVP by March 9th to sue_goelz@yahoo.com or call 614-598-6709.



USPS D/29 SPRING CONFERENCE REGISTRATION

6, 7, 8 March, COLUMBUS MARRIOTT NORTHWEST, Columbus Sail & Power Squadron



Please read carefully: Anyone attending this Conference must register using this form meaning if you are attending and not partaking of the meals, you must still complete this form and send it in. The District Conference Committee is surveying members for future conferences. **Even though your squadron treasurer will send delegate fees directly to the district treasurer, everyone, including delegates, must complete this form and mail it in to D/Lt/C Gerald R. Smetzer, JN; 4863 Woodland Drive; Port Clinton OH 43452 along with a check made out to USPS District 29. Registration and check MUST be received by February 27, 2015!**

Is this your FIRST district conference? _____ If you have special dietary needs, please specify _____

Meals	Description	Cost	Entrée Choice	# of Guests	Total Cost
Breakfast Buffet 6:30 a.m. in the hotel atrium, both Saturday and Sunday	Freshly Brewed Regular & Decaffeinated Starbucks Coffee, Selection of Tazo Teas, Assorted Fruit Juices; Farm Fresh Scrambled Eggs with Fine Herbs, Maple Pepper Bacon, Assortment of Cold Cereals and Milk Assorted Muffins & Bagels with Cream Cheese; Whole Fresh Fruit	Included in room rate.	NA	NA	Included with registration
Adult Lunch	Sandwich Buffet Smoked Turkey Wraps (Smoked Turkey, Lettuce, Tomato and Champagne Mustard) Deli Sandwiches (Imported Prosciutto, Hard Salami, Mozzarella Cheese, Roasted Peppers and Pesto on Focaccia Bread) Vegetarian Sandwiches (Grilled Vegetables, Mozzarella Cheese, and Sun-Dried Tomato Aioli); Chocolate Chip Cookies; Whole Fresh Fruit; Bottled water and assorted soft drinks	\$25.00	NA		\$
Adult Dinner	Entrée #1: Chicken Breast with Dijon Sauce Entrée #2: Grilled Boneless Pork Chops Both Dinners: Market Salad with Selection of Dressings, Assorted Bread Basket, Sweet Creamery Butter, Mashed Potatoes, Asparagus & Carrots, Chef's Choice of Dessert; Freshly Brewed Regular & Decaffeinated Coffee, Selection of Teas	\$40.00	Entrée #1 Or #2		\$
Children 11 & under Dinner (Lunch with the children's program.)	Chicken Tenders, French Fries and Fresh Fruit	\$16.25			\$
Total Amount Enclosed					\$

Rank	Name(s)	Grade	Lunch	Dinner Entrée #1	Dinner Entrée #2	Child's Dinner	Delegate YES	Delegate NO
						Not Available to Adults		
						Not Available to Adults		
Child			Lunch at Child's Program					

HOTEL RESERVATIONS

6, 7, 8 March ~ COLUMBUS MARRIOTT NORTHWEST
5605 Blazer Pkwy, Dublin OH 43017

IMPORTANT! IMPORTANT! IMPORTANT!

The deadline for room reservations is 13 February. The room rate is \$119 per night plus taxes. Please make your room reservations directly with the hotel. Call 614-791-1000 or 800-228-9290 and ask for the US Power Squadron rate.



IT'S TIME TO "GEAR-UP" FOR THE ANNUAL SEA GALS CASINO NIGHT
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2015 AT 1830 (6:30 PM)
HEADQUARTERS (8492 COTTER ST., LEWIS CENTER, OHIO)



SNACKS, PIZZA, BEER & WINE (DINNER STARTS AT 1900)

LOTS OF FUN GAMING WITH "MARTHA" MONEY FOR GREAT PRIZES
(ROULETTE, CHUCK-A-LUCK AND BLACKJACK)
COME JOIN YOUR FRIENDS FOR A FUN EVENING

COST IS \$10.00 AND INCLUDES EVERYTHING

CONTACT LUCY OR WADE GROSZ FOR RESERVATIONS
WADE@ALTAVISTABEN.COM OR LEAVE A MESSAGE AT 889-0934
(due to our having to order pizza in advance, no-shows will be billed)

Conference Raffle Items



February Birthdays

Dear EVERYONE: This is Dave Canale. I have volunteered to organize a fund raiser and/or 50/50 raffle for the Spring Conference. I have a couple ideas but would like to start stockpiling any donations. IF ANYONE HAS ANY DONATIONS (boating items, supplies, gift cards, gag gifts (yes, funny things can be won too!), or virtually anything of value (it could even be a homemade gift certificate—like agreeing to take the winner out to dinner or a movie or wax their boat), then PLEASE GET THOSE ITEMS TO ME. You can call or text me on my cell number of 614-323-6040 and I can meet you or pick up items. Or, if you are dropping something off at HQ, then you can just let me know and I will pick up the items or meet you there. I would really like to make this years' conference special since it is our own Bill Lehner coming in as District Commander! I know that I will be donating something. What about you? Call me!

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| Christine Clay | Jeff McNealey |
| Jessica Garrett | Debbie Murphy |
| Jon Hollander | Howard Pritz |
| William McCauley | Bob Rayburn |

LAST HORIZON

Donna Garrelts Morehouse, age 67, passed away at McNaughten Pointe on Monday evening after a long struggle with Alzheimer's disease. She was preceded in death by her father Alfred Garrelts. She is survived in death by mother, Beatrice Garrelts; husband, Thomas Morehouse; daughter, Marlo Morehouse; brother, Craig Garrelts (Cindi); brother-in-law, Malcolm Morehouse (Jackie); niece, Amanda Buckner (Evelyn); nephews, Scott, David and Rafael Morehouse; and special friends, Cheryl Early and Jessica Pierfelice. Donna graduated from Walnut Ridge High School in 1965, graduated from Capital University in 1969 and received her Master's from University of Dayton. Donna taught school for 35 years at the Navajo Reservation, AZ, Columbus Public Schools, Etna Public Schools and the last 18 years at Liberty Union Thurston School Districts. She received numerous awards for her academic and teaching achievements. She had a long history with Camp Wyandot, from camper to counselor (Ms. Clippie), spending many summers there. Donna enjoyed camping, music, books, crafts, gardening, and sewing. She was the joy in our lives.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be sent to Epiphany Lutheran Church, Reformation Lutheran Church or Camp Wyandot, Inc. www.evansfuneralhome.net

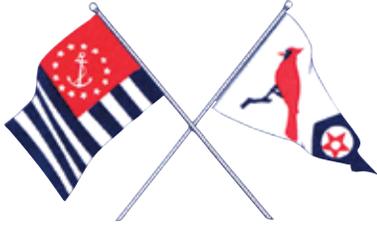
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Send your \$20 per listing fee made payable to Columbus Sail and Power Squadron to: Tracy Garrett, 1263 Oakland Ave, Columbus, OH 43212. If you have any questions, please contact via e-mail at mtbuckets@aol.com or by phone at 614-488-4758. If you wish to be listed in **2015**, please complete and mail the request form with your payment. Submissions received before the first of each month will be in print the following month.