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Columbus Sail & Power Squadron Change of Watch

Working Together to Stay Afloat Saturday February 20, 2010

La Scala Italian Bistro
4199 W Dublin-Granville Rd - Dublin, OH 43017

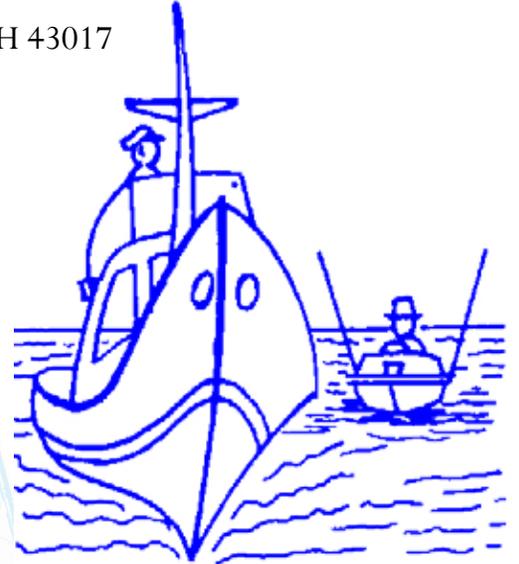
Cash bar 1800

Dinner 1900

Menu - choice of: La Scala Roast Chicken OR Roasted Porkloin.
Meals served with Italian Salad, Ciabatta Bread & Butter, Garlic
Smashed Potatoes, Italian Green Beans, Coffee, Iced or Hot Tea
and Spumoni Ice Cream for dessert.

Price: \$25 per person

Dress: Uniform A or Business Attire



Please RSVP with dinner choice before February 12 to
Matthew Murphy at CSPS@insight.rr.com or 614-886-6732.
No Shows will be billed.

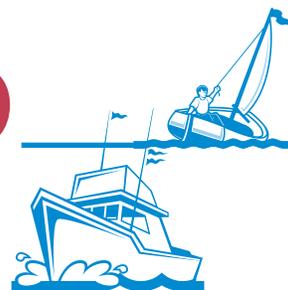




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CALENDAR of COMING EVENTS

FEBRUARY

- 3-7 Wed.-Sun. USPS Annual Meeting in Orlando
- 11-14 Thur.-Sun. Boat Show at Fairgrounds
- 14 Sunday District Winter Council - Ada, OH
- 15 Monday Boat Class Prep Meeting - 7 p.m. - Hughes home
- 20 Saturday Change of Watch
- 22 Monday Public Boating Class begins - Grandview HS
7-9:30 p.m.
- 23 Tuesday Exec Committee 7:30pm - HQ
- 26 Friday April *GG* articles due

MARCH

- 1, 9, 15, 22 Public Boat Class @ Grandview HS 7:30-9:30pm
- 19-21 Fri.-Sun. D-29 Spring Conference & CSPA Commanders Ball
- 23 Tuesday Executive Meeting 7:30pm @ HQ
- 26 Friday May *GG* articles due

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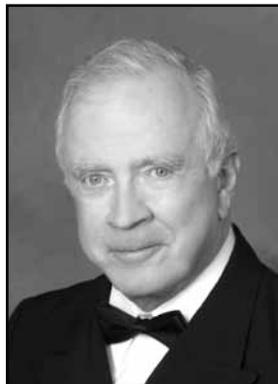
COMMANDER'S MESSAGE

Cdr Robert L. Prior, S



I hope you were able to see some good news for a change in the "Dispatch" this week. There was an excellent article concerning how greatly improved our rivers and streams have become in Ohio as a result of decades of clean-up effort. Certainly, none of this advancement has taken place without significant cost. Yet, we owe our children and grand children benevolent waterways that they can relish in decades ahead.

During the past few months, we added 19 new members to the squadron. The way we keep these valuable assets a part of our team is by personally welcoming them when they attend squadron functions and dinner meetings. If you don't recognize someone, take a few moments to introduce yourself. Both you and they will benefit.



It doesn't seem possible that my term as your Commander is starting to wind down. It has been an honor and privilege to be able to serve CSPS. I strongly urge you to make plans now to attend the 20 February Change of Watch (details appear elsewhere) which will welcome in a new set of officers and at-large members of the Executive Committee.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Lt/C Michael Hughes, JN



Members of the Columbus Sail and Power Squadron - this is my last article I will be writing for the Galley Gossip as your Executive Officer. It has been an honor and a privilege to serve you this year. Next month, I will be writing to you as your new Commander. We have had an exciting year trying some different things. 2010 will bring more changes, more fun and more camaraderie between members. Boating is fun and I want to lead the way.



Please join me at the Change of Watch on 20 February at La Scala Italian Bistro. I want to shake the hand of each one of you and thank you for your continued membership and support in the squadron.

The Boat and Vacation Show will run 11-14 February at the Fairgrounds. We need volunteers to work the booth, promote our classes and seminars, and help at the seminars planned for this show. If you can spare a few hours to

promote safe boating, please contact Tracy Garrett at mtbuckets@aol.com or 614-488-4758.

The public boating class will begin on 22 February and run through 26 April at the Grandview Heights High School. We are in need of volunteers to grade papers, answer questions, help students with knots, and other assistance. This is not only a great way to help the general public in safe boating education, it is a great opportunity to spend time with other squadron members and get to know them better. Please contact Jeff Mirgon jmirgon@yahoo.com or 614-207-2650 to sign up for one, two or more dates.

Tracy and I will be attending the USPS Annual Meeting in Orlando 2-6 February. We will be taking copies of our *Galley Gossip* to spread the word of our squadron's activities. Look for new and exciting information in the April *Galley Gossip* as to our findings in Florida.

We have an exciting list of Lake Erie and trailering cruises planned for the summer. Check out the website for the 2010 listing. If you would like to sign up for a cruise, assist in planning a trip, or have friends and neighbors who would like to go, please contact David Canale or Glen Kubinski.



Change of Address?

Did you recently move? Change your email address? Get a new phone number? To keep you up-to-date on the fun things the squadron is doing, we need to know how to reach you. Please contact Theresa Nadolson at tnadolson@hotmail.com or by phone at 740-501-2784 with your new contact information.





The January elections and dinner meeting admittedly sneaked up on me. Thanks go to Lt Angie Delewese who chaired the Christmas Party. Because between end of year budgeting, project planning, and "normal" property management stuff for my employer I realized I didn't have forethought to have the January dinner meeting planned months in advance. I know it is time for a budget priced event. I assure you it wasn't for a lack of trying.



Please understand I am always looking out for our members to bring value to our events. These financial times have in some cases allowed us to negotiate some better pricing and in some cases we have actually seen the opposite. As AO, I am always looking at another venue, a caterer, an idea for how we can plan the next event. I think of which event best suites which venue. There are a lot of variables. What events are prior, what events follow, how many people will attend, is there a room charge, how much is gratuity? And I would love to brag about all the free meals and drinks given to me as they try to close the deal. Well, that doesn't happen. Oh well. A week ago I left my office in the middle of the day in a cold sweat knowing I better nail down a January dinner meeting. I visited several. The Double Tree gave me a warm cookie at the front desk which served as my lunch that day. Of all venues I visited the one I really liked was too busy to call me back and their phone was disconnected! I suspect they are excellent, although their room size was questionable. I will pass this along to our next AO for future events. The first article I wrote as AO promised you a mixture and I feel confident that I hit that mark which included some balance in the costs to our members. So please realize that along with a full time demanding job, these things take time to plan and there are a lot of things to consider on behalf of our members.

Although I felt the need to offer some explanation for our January Dinner Meeting price and venue I make no apologies.

I think it's going to be awesome. The Lakes is a beautiful place and they have assembled a great meal. We expect a large turn-out for elections and we will have a short program as the votes are tallied. It will be a great meal at a country club for \$20.00 including the tip—and your friends will be there! If you like spicy sauces have the Cajun cream sauce. It's got some kick! Bring cash for the cash bar because the Lakes won't take credit cards. Drink prices include the tip. I hope you enjoy the evening. RSVPs are being accepted now. See the cover for details.

I attended the Findlay D29 conference in November and got a talking to because I didn't bring Debbie. I had a great time and learned from Lt/C Hughes that it is important to buy more than \$5 worth of raffle tickets. Congrats Michael! I also learned the Findlay conference center was excellent. These conferences are for everyone. They are well planned, priced right, entertaining and great opportunity for fellowship. You should attend and bring your spouse so you don't get a talking to.

I plan to attend the National Conference in Florida this February. Yes I am taking Debbie. I'm told to expect temperatures possibly in the 70's which by then will seem quite nice. I hope to learn more about boating, make new friends, and have some great food and drink. All are welcome. Please contact the Commander or any of the bridge officers for more information.

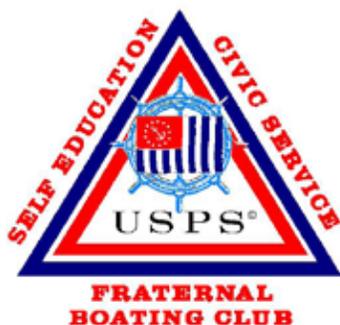
Happy New Year!

Electronic Boat Registration Renewal

Want to get a jump on the new boating season? Check to see if your boat registration expires March 1, 2010. Most Ohio boat owners can conveniently renew their registrations online well ahead of the start of the boating season via the Internet. In fact, each year more Ohioans choose to renew their boat registrations online. It's fast and easy. Look for your renewal letter in the mail and visit online renewal when you can.

To renew your boat registration online, you need a 2008, 2009 or 2010 mail renewal form (for PIN & boat number), a Visa or MasterCard for payment, and a valid email address. You may renew multiple boats with one credit card transaction.

You may change your shipping address before completing your transaction, but boat and boat owner information cannot be corrected or changed over the Internet. Please see your local registration office if you need to change boat information.





Hope everyone had a wonderful Holiday season with your family and friends. Time really flies by and it is time to think about signing up for classes again. Check and see which ones interest you and be sure to call, so we will have materials for you. Boat shows are also coming quickly. We can use all the help you can give, so again, call and sign up. Right after both boat shows we will be having a four-part seminar series. The seminars are a great way to get information in a short, concise venue. The cost is \$25 for a member and family per seminar or \$75 for all four, so the price



is right. For non-members the price is \$30 per seminar or \$90 for all four. After the February boat show we will present the following seminars: 17 February is Charting, 18 February is Boat Handling Under Power, 24 February is Trailing and 25 February is Electronic Navigation.

We will also begin our Public Boating class on 22 February. This is a great time to get friends to sign up. It is also a wonderful way to help your squadron and earn a merit mark. We can always use an extra pair of hands. The cost is \$40 per person and is a fun nine-week adventure.

Remember that Education is the main mission of our squadron. We all enjoy the social aspect, but the education for all of us is very important to ensure that our boating adventures are the best they can be for all. HAPPY NEW YEAR !!!!!

Schedule of Winter Classes

Course	First Class	Duration	Time	Cost	Instructor
Weather	Feb. 1	16 weeks	7:00 pm	\$70	Skip Woodruff
Piloting	Feb. 2	13 weeks	7:00 pm	\$70	D. Delewese & M. Cohee
Junior Navigation	Feb. 2	15 weeks	7:00 pm	\$80	Ralph Newman
Sail	Feb. 3	16 weeks	7:00 pm	\$55	Ken Spilke & Doug Jackson
Marine Electronics	Feb. 10	16 weeks	7:00 pm	\$60	Larry Lowe
Public Boating Class	Feb. 22	9 weeks	7:00 pm	\$40	various

Seminar Schedule

Charting & Navigation	Feb. 17
Boat Handling Under Power	Feb 18
Trailing Your Boat	Feb 24
Electronic Navigation	Feb 25

Location: Squadron Headquarters 8492 Cotter St. Lewis Center 43035
 Time: 7pm-9:30PM
 Cost: Members: \$25 per family OR \$75 per series (4 pack)
 Non-members \$30 per family OR \$90 per series (4 pack)
 RSVP: Debbie Smith 614-890-5864 or debra1ee@sbcglobal.net

For registration call SEO Debbie Smith, AP at 614-890-5864

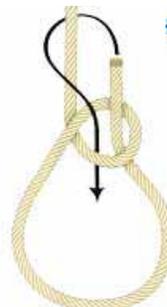
Mastering Marlinespike

Taken from the online version of the USPS Compass

Bowline

One of the most useful knots aboard a boat, the bowline, pronounced "bowlin," can be used to make a temporary loop anywhere in a line. Used on rings, spars or cleats, a properly formed bowline is strong, resists slipping and is easily untied.

Form an overhand loop, and take the line's bitter end through the loop from the back.



B. Bring the bitter end around the line's working part and back down through the formed loop.

Shape and tighten the knot firmly.



Continue building your marlinespike skills by taking the Knots, Bends and Hitches seminar **FREE** at the boat shows Sunday, January 17 at 2:30 pm, and February 14 at noon.



**Columbus Sail and Power Squadron
Minutes of the Executive Committee
15 December 2009**

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

Cdr Robert Prior, S called the meeting to order at 1931 at the Squadron's headquarters, 8492 Cotter Street, Lewis Center, OH.

Lt/C Debbie Smith, AP, gave the invocation.

Lt/C Michael Hughes, JN, led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll call was taken by sight and the Secretary confirmed a quorum was present.

The following Executive Committee members were present: Cdr Robert L. Prior, S, Executive Officer Michael Hughes, JN, Education Officer Lt/C Debbie Smith, AP, Lt/C Steve Smith, Secretary, JN, Treasurer Lt Theresa Nadolson, S, Lt Tracy Garrett, S, Lt Mary Mirgon, Lt Bill Mohrman, AP, Lt Tammy Cohee, AP, Lt Fred Card, S, Lt Tom Norman, S

Others present were P/C Larry Lowe, SN, P/C David Michael, P, P/C Phil Osborne, JN.

With no objection, the order of business was varied to expedite the meeting.

The minutes of the November meeting were approved.

A reminder that Friday is the deadline for the *Galley Gossip*.

Commander's Comments, Cdr Robert Prior:

I would like to once more thank all of those responsible for a great Christmas Party. It was an outstanding event which received compliments from everyone attending. I also attended the Lima/Fostoria, Port Clinton and Sandusky Christmas Parties. Attending other squadron's functions, regardless of what they are, has turned out to be a great experience for me. They always enjoy seeing members from Columbus. I can't begin to encourage you enough to also try to get to other squadron's special events.

I am sure you have all read about the recent hoopla regarding the poisoning of about 5.1 miles of the Chicago River to keep asian carp from getting past the electronic barriers during a recently completed maintenance shut down. One asian carp was found dead in the fish kill zone providing proof that they have arrived in the waters quite close to Lake Michigan. Asian carp DNA was found in the water past the electronic barriers which is significant cause for concern. I fear that once again our governmental agencies feuded while leaving the barn door open.

There are some exciting times coming up between now and the end of March. In January, we will elect all new officers (Bridge) and At-Large members which, together will make up a new ECOM. The new ECOM will be sworn in 20 February at the Change of Watch. In March, our new commander, Michael Hughes, will share his Commander's Ball with that of our new District Commander, our own Phil Osborne. Please plan to attend these events. They deserve your support.

Report of Officers:

Executive Officer Lt/C Michael Hughes, JN:

We enjoyed our own Christmas Party with the roaring' 20's theme. What a great idea and wonderful time seeing everyone all dressed to the nines – especially Barb Hupman as a blonde. We attended the Marion Power Squadron Christmas dinner and had an



enjoyable evening. The venue was very nice and a great gift exchange was made by all in attendance. We attended the Pt Clinton Christmas party last Sunday afternoon. A wonderful music presentation by the High School was followed by a buffet luncheon. Over 50 people were in attendance.

As the Engine Maintenance instructor, 8 of 9 students tested last week and the 9th will test this weekend. Thanks to Bob VanderWissel for filling in one week.

Thank you to Debbie, Bill and Larry for a great seminar series. I had the opportunity to attend all 6 seminars and would highly recommend all members partake in the next seminar series. You will not be disappointed.

The fruit orders were delivered today to our garage. It smells like an orange grove at our home. Thank you to everyone who purchased some fruit for supporting your squadron. I hope we double our order next year as more people sell to their neighbors, coworkers and family.

The Change of Watch will be at La Scala on February 20th. Cost is \$25 per person with your choice of Roasted Chicken or Roasted Pork loin includes a salad, garlic smashed potatoes and Italian green beans. Coffee, tea and dessert are also included.

I hope to see many people there as we will have great time.

Spring brings the D29 Conference and Change of Watch along with the CSPS Commanders Ball. We need your help. Please come to a committee meeting and sign up to help for this event and show how united Columbus is as a group.

Administrative Officer Lt/C Matthew Murphy, P:

Absent.

Educational Officer Lt/C Debbie Smith, AP:

Well, the big news is that our first seminar series is over. Larry Lowe and Bill Mohrman did an outstanding job teaching and all who attended appeared to enjoy and get something out of them. More good news is that we issued 47 certificates for the series. Yeah!! Sobering though is the fact that 7 went to Michael and Tracy, 11 to Steve and I, 9 to Bill and Julie Mohrman, and 3 to Larry, for a total of 30! Other members of the squadron to receive certificates total 5 certificates, plus 2 certificates to wives of members. That leaves 5 individuals from the community which totaled 10 certificates.

While number wish, this obviously was not a profitable project, I do think it was successful, at least by my definition of success. Eleven squadron members continued their education, 2 wives of members will be better for their knowledge and will perhaps join us socially in the future, and 5 individuals from the community will have better and safer boating experiences and know more about our organization as a result of this endeavor. Successful in my book.

I want to thank Tracy for all the hard work done to promote this series. It takes a lot of stamina and skill to work as she does and I for one appreciate it more than words can say. Larry and Bill, the job the two of you did in presenting the topics was outstanding. You are both such excellent examples of our instructors. Thank you for your time and talents. And a big thank you to Tracy, Bill, Larry, Julie, Steve and Michael, for the time and energy you all gave to setting up, making sure equipment was ready and for being there to talk to the students and assisting in any way that you could. You really made this a successful and fun project let alone just making it possible. My deepest thanks and gratitude to each of you.



We are looking to do a series of perhaps four seminars to run shortly after the two boat shows. Hopefully this will encourage even more participation in the public course, for which we already have a least 10 signed up and we haven't even had the boat shows! Time and place will be decided shortly by our group.

Our other classes are going well. We have exams being given to the Navigation group in January, so we will keep everyone up to date on that. Michael's class is going well.

Watch the *CG* for information on upcoming classes.

I attended the D29 fall conference and as usual had a wonderful time and was kept updated on educational information as well as sharing educational ideas with other squadrons. I thank you for the honor of being able to attend and represent our squadron as a delegate, Commander.

Secretary Lt/C Steve Smith, JN:

Minutes of last month's Executive Committee Meeting were approved

Treasurer Lt/C Theresa Nadolson:

Financial statements were presented for review. I will update the squadron charter. The statutory agent needs to be updated with the secretary of state. A budget discussion is being tabled until a special budget meeting can be held.

Past Commander, P/C David Michael, P:

I am meeting with the Columbus parks dept to see how CSPS can be involved with any of their programs.

Ch/Rules Committee, P/C Roger Hankle, SN:

According to SOP 5.8.2 a budget committee needs to present a budget to the ECOM for approval prior to the general meeting. *As noted in the Treasurer's report, a special budget meeting will be held.*

Member at large reports:

Lt Fred Card, S:

There was an article in the Columbus Dispatch regarding the asian carp problem and Congress is to use \$13 million immediately to combat the problem.

Lt Tracy Garrett, S:

We are applying for three grants for money to have banners made for shows, etc., dam painting of the PFD safety slogan, and signs for launch ramps. Sunday, the change of watch committee will hold a meeting from 3 – 5 PM at HQ.

Lt Jeff Mirgon, S:

Reminder, 22 Feb is the start of the public boating course, sign up sheets for volunteers will be at the next ECOM meeting.

Lt Bill Mohrman, AP:

We will be putting on ½ hour short versions of the seminars at the boat shows.

Lt Tom Norman, S:

Regarding the 2010 ODNR Safe Boating Grant Request, there is no change since the last report. We will be notified of grant acceptance in January 2010.

Regarding the forensics report on the Judith A. Lowe Memorial Fund, there was a preliminary meeting with the members of the

forensics team on Monday 7 December. Members are P/C Donald Delewese, Commander Robert Prior, Lt/C Theresa Nadolson and Lt Thomas Norman. The committee will review the squadron's safe boating class financial transactions and report to the ECOM at a future meeting.

REPORT OF COMMITTEES:

GENERAL COMMITTEES:

Audit Committee Chair: John Hollander, AP:

The Commander met with John and he agreed to do an audit this year.

Rules Committee Chair: P/C Roger Hankle, SN:

There are some vacancies on the ballet for January. There are three people nominated for audit, there should be only one as the three members are on 3year staggered terms with only one position up for vacancy each year. Secondly, two people should be nominated for the rules committee – there is only one nominated. Lastly, the rules, audit and nominating committees need chairmen.

STANDING COMMITTEES:

Housing Committee: Lt Tammy Cohee, AP:

The tax bills are now coming to HQ.

Property Officer: Lt/C Michael Hughes, JN:

I have received registrations and warranty for two new projectors from P/C Lowe. These will replace two old projectors in the classroom. MOTION by Lt/C Hughes to dispose of the old projectors as the cost to maintain is not practical. Motion passed.

SEA GALS: Lt Mary Mirgon

The next Sea Gals meeting is in January. Watch your *Galley Gossip*.

SPECIAL COMMITTEES:

Web Master: Lt/C Theresa Nadolson:

Our squadron web site has received a "Web site Excellence Award" from USPS HQ. We have been advised by HQ that the web site sailangle.com is being used to broadcast information to the membership. Look for a link coming to the squadron web page.

Boat Shows: Lt Tracy Garrett; XO Michael Hughes:

We need people to sign up to work the boat shows. Please contact Tracy to volunteer.

MARKETING: Lt Tracy Garrett, S

The *Galley Gossip Sponsor Club* is starting up again. Please contact Tracy to be a sponsor.

Roster: Lt Doug Jackson, JN:

Doug is absent, but about ten days ago a new roster was sent to members of the ECOM.

Vessel Safety Check: Lt John Pruitt, AP:

The final tally of VSCs completed for the year stands at 87.

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Great job!

OLD BUSINESS

1. Judith Lowe Memorial Fund Audit – see report by Lt Tom Norman
2. Property Tax Update - see report by Lt Tammy Cohee

NEW BUSINESS

1. Possible Membership Transfer for David Burge – no application has been received by the Secretary as of this time.
2. Membership management update – with the absence of the AO this will be reported at a later time.
3. Merit Marks Update – the Commander commented that only two merit mark nominations went unapproved and that was for insufficient hours.
4. New Member SOP to be modified – SOP 06-06-91-02(see handout at ECOM meeting) the AO will research HQ current procedures and advise at the next ECOM meeting.
5. The Commander is looking for someone to takeover the

marketing position.

Mile Post: None

Sick Bay: P/C Ron DeCapio, AP.

Announcements:

- *Galley Gossip* articles due Friday, 18 December
- Next Dinner meeting: Thursday, 7 January – Election Night, Lakes Country Club
- National Annual Meeting, Orlando, 3-7 February
- CSPA Change of Watch, Saturday, 20 February at LaScala

The next Executive Committee meeting is 26 January at Squadron headquarters.

Meeting adjourned at 1935.

Army Poisons Chicago Carp Canal - 12/09/2009

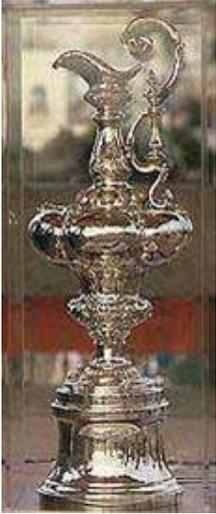
Everyone's worst fears came true Thursday afternoon when a single 22" Asian carp was found floating in the Chicago Sanitary & Ship Canal between the Lockport lock and the "electric fence" which was up river. The day before, Dec. 2nd, the poison Rotenone, a fish toxicant, was poured into a 5.7-mile stretch of the canal to stop the carp from swimming up river while the "electric fence" was turned off for repair. Because of the cold water some biologist fear that there were many other dead Asian carp which did not float to the surface and sank instead. In another action the Asian Carp Rapid Response Group used a 2,000-foot net to catch fish in the Calumet-Sag Canal where the Asian Carp DNA evidence was found two weeks ago but no Asian carp were caught. On Friday night at 10pm the Army Corps of Engineers "electric fence" was turned back on after its repairs.

Poison goes to work on Asian carp

Crews dumped fish poison into the Chicago Sanitary and Ship Canal to clear a six-mile stretch so that no Asian carp slip through while the barrier is shut down for maintenance. The poison will be neutralized downstream at Lockport.



The America's Cup Races February, 2010

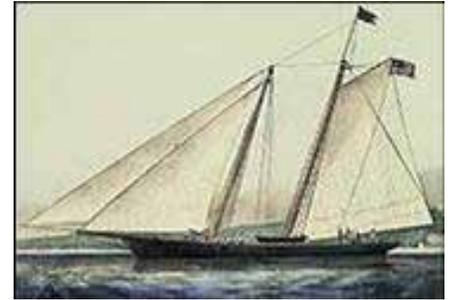


The America's Cup has been an international symbol of sailing supremacy since it was won by the 101' schooner America in 1851 in a race off Cowes, England. America beat 14 British vessels by such a large margin that the Queen, when she asked who was second, was told, "Madam, there was no second."

The Cup was held by the USA for 132 years until it was won by Australia, then New Zealand, Italy, and most recently by Switzerland in the yacht Alinghi. All these races were sailed in monohull sailboats according to design rules...the fastest and finest designs money can buy. Due to a recent change in the design rules, the 2010 America's

Cup races will be sailed in multihulls. The best of seven races

will begin Feb. 8th off Valencia, Spain. The contenders: From Switzerland, Alinghi 5, a 115 ft. long, 85 ft. wide, water-ballasted catamaran; From San Diego, BMW Oracle, a 113 ft.



long, 90 ft. wide trimaran already clocked at 30 in 10 knots of wind. The trimaran is sporting a new 190 ft. tall wing mast. Check cupinfo.com for tv schedule availability.

IPHONE USERS - NEW BOATING APP AVAILABLE

Boat Ramps is a database-driven application that provides the fastest way to locate boat ramp and launching facilities. Boat Ramps provides an easy to use interface that places a database of over 45,000 ramps at your fingertips. With ease Boat Ramps will provide a list of ramps in proximity to your current location. The proximity and number of results can be configured to fine tune the results of your search.

Boating away from your current location? No problem. Simply enter the desired location's zip code or select a city and Boat Ramps will provide you a list of possible ramps to launch your vessel. How to get there? Once a ramp of interest is located its location can be fed to the built-in Maps application to obtain directions. Currently Boat Ramps provides boat ramp / launch locations for the United States, United Kingdom, Canada, and Australia. Ramp / launch locations for additional countries may be added at a later date. Boat Ramps requires the iPhone OS 3.0 to run.

Latest Update:

- Over 45,000 Ramps & Marinas in the database.
- Ramps & Marinas for the United Kingdom, Canada and Australia.
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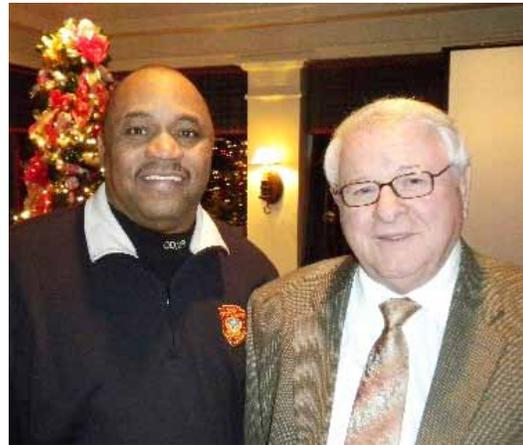


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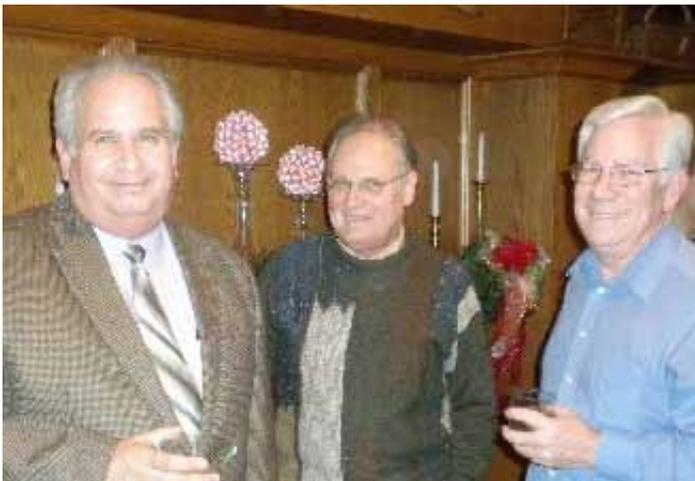
Election Night Photos



Joyce & Roger Hankle discussing the ballots with Bill Lehner.



Guest speaker Victor Ricks with Phil Osborne.



Newly elected Member at Large Michael Robinson with David Michael and Tom Doyle.



John Mattis enjoying the company of Steve Smith and Tom Morehouse.

Loran C Termination

The US Coast Guard released an internal message advising of the imminent termination of the "long range aid to navigation" (Loran-C) on January 4, 2010. The process is expected to take several months. This will mark the end of an era that started during World War II. The Loran system has improved greatly over the years and was on the edge of an advance to "enhanced Loran" (eLoran). It is unclear how other nations, which operate their own independent Loran-C systems, will react to this development.




FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

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| 4 John Jones | 20 Tom Mannirino |
| 6 Larry Willard | 24 Bob Rayburn |
| 8 Terry Wooten | 24 Michael Wolfe |
| 9 Joyce Rogers | 25 Nancy Hauck |
| 12 David Jackson | 25 Jim Jenkins |
| 16 Dorthy Divine | 26 Christine Clay |
| 18 Bill McCauley | 27 Baileen Dodd |
| 18 Debbie Murphy | 27 Judy Holander |
| 20 Jessica Garrett | 27 Jean Mills |



Hey, baby, it's cold outside, but as usual, the Sea Gals have an "app" for that!! At the December Event, over 30 Sea Gals & Studs enjoyed a Bravo's luncheon. A van load of Toys for Tots was collected and delivered! Six lucky people won "Ho-Ho-Ho" Centerpieces!

Plan now to warm your innards (and others) by Winning the Chili Cook-Off. Please bring your award winning chili



Summer Cruises 2010

Mark your calendars for these great boating trips that are planned. To get on the email notification list, contact the cruise host or David Canale at david1141@ameritech.net or Glen Kubinski at glenkubinski@yahoo.com

May 15 - Icebreaker & Monthly Dinner Meeting
@ Nor'Easter Club hosted by Pam Carr-Jackson pam@dougandpam.com and Ramonda DeCapio Ramonda20@sbcglobal.net

June 18-20 - 4 Rivers PA Trailer boaters Cruise & "The Lobsterfest" hosted by Jeff jmirgon@yahoo.com & Mary Mirgon mmirgon@yahoo.com

July 10-14 - GLCC will meet at Mackinaw City, Michigan

July 23-25 - D-29 Summer Conference in Lorain Ohio

July 30-August 1 -Vermillion Cruise (need host)

August 6-8 Sea Gals @ Kelleys Island hosted by Mary Lauer mlauer@orta.org & Joyce Mattis quiltjem@aol.com

August 14 - Larry Lowe's Notorious Lunch Hookup
llowe7298@wowway.com

August 20-22 Ohio River Casino Cruise hosted by Jeff jmirgon@yahoo.com & Mary Mirgon mmirgon@yahoo.com

Sept. 3-6 Leamington Canada Cruise hosted by Ramonda DeCapio Ramonda20@sbcglobal.net & Ron Lavelly ronlavelly@yahoo.com

Sept. 18-19 PUT-IN-BAY No Agenda Cruise
hosted by Ron Lavelly ronlavelly@yahoo.com & Larry Lowe llowe7298@wowway.com



and/or an appetizer. So get out your iphone, blackberry or a pen mark your calendar for February 9, 2010!

Details to follow!

Co-Commanders,
Joyce Mattis & Mary Lauer

Boat Show Volunteers Needed

The Boat Shows will be here in January & February and this is a great time to promote our squadron and the boating class that begins in late February. Please email or call me with the times you can work. Friday, Saturday & Sunday are the busiest so it is best to fill those slots first. The number in () is the number of people needed per shift. Thank you for your help. Tracy Garrett mtbuckets@aol.com 614-488-4758.

FEBRUARY SHOW

Thursday, February 11

2-5pm (1) 5-8pm (2)

Friday February 12

2-5pm (2) 5-8pm (3)

Saturday February 13

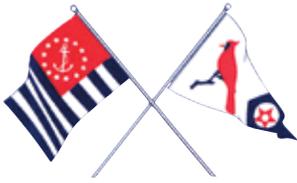
10am- 1pm (3) 1-4:30pm (3) 4:30-8pm (2)

Sunday February 14 (ADA WINTER CONFERENCE)

11am-2pm (3) 2-5pm (3)



David Fannon enjoyed working at last year's boat show...it was fun....we'll show you how!



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If you wish to be listed in 2010, 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.