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CSPS Elections Night **Thursday, January 5, 2012** The Lakes Golf & Country Club 6740 Worthington Rd. - Westerville, OH 43082



Social Hour: 1800

Meet the Candidates & Vote: 1900

Dinner: 1930

Menu: Mixed garden greens salad, Penne, Bowtie and Fettucini Pastas; Cajun cream with mushrooms, yellow peppers, & onions, alfredo sauce, marinara sauce with meatballs, rolls with butter; cookies and brownies; iced tea.

Price: \$22.00

Cash Bar - **Credit Cards not Accepted**

Uniform/Dress: Uniform F or casual business attire

Program: Elections - Awards Night - 25 Year Members, Member of the Years
and See the new Web site

RSVP Date: by Mon. Jan 2, 2012

RSVP To: David Canale 614-323-6040 or email: davidcanale4u@yahoo.com

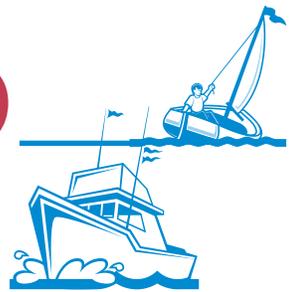




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CALENDAR of COMING EVENTS

January 2012

5	Thursday	Dinner Meeting & Annual Elections
7	Saturday	Toledo Change of Watch (COW)
7-15	Sat.-Sun.	Ohio RV & Boat Show @ the Fairgrounds
9	Monday	February <i>Galley Gossip</i> articles due
10	Tuesday	Sailing Presentation 7pm @ HQ
11	Wednesday	Marine Electronics begins 7pm
14	Saturday	Ft Wayne COW
17	Tuesday	Executive Committee Meeting 7pm @ HQ
21	Saturday	Pt Clinton COW
23	Monday	Advanced Piloting begins 7pm
23	Monday	Weather begins 7pm
24-28	Tues.-Sat.	USPS Annual Meeting - Jacksonville, FL (all welcome)

February

2	Thursday	USPS Founders Day
4	Saturday	Findlay Change of Watch
5	Sunday	Sandusky Change of Watch (75th Anniversary)
6	Monday	March <i>Galley Gossip</i> articles due
6	Monday	Sail Class begins 7pm
9-12	Thurs.-Sun.	Sports, Vacation and Boat Show @ Fairgrounds
11	Saturday	Lima Change of Watch
12	Sunday	D29 Winter Council in Ada
18	Saturday	Columbus Change of Watch & Commander's Ball
25	Saturday	Marion Change of Watch
28	Tuesday	Executive Committee Meeting 7 PM @ HQ 1900

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COMMANDER'S MESSAGE

Cdr Matthew Murphy, P



The Christmas Party was one of the best. My voice was shot for two days and my face hurt from smiling so much. I enjoy watching people have a great time with friends. Much of my family was there and a few were missed because of illness or other commitments. My son Gage, daughter Ella and her fella, Will, had a great time and cannot wait until our next big event. We missed two of our invited guests who just couldn't make it. Please join me in praying for Jessica Proper and her mom Kris. We missed you. Daughter Devoni was taking finals and Nate was playing hockey. Eli was at his post. The band, dancing, service was awesome. Of course the food was excellent as usual at LaScala. I cannot say enough about the party. Excellent job and thanks go to my Flag Lieutenant Lt Angie Delewese, P and our Administrative Officer Lt/C David Canale, P for their hard work in planning the event. Thanks also to "Santa" who always helps make our Christmas Parties special.



What's new? **The new web site has launched!** What a great gift our squadron received from our Technical Committee. Our official launch date was 9 December which was just in time for the Christmas Party. The same address plus some new ones are ready for use. <http://www.columbussailandpower.org> or <http://www.columbuspowersquadron.org> will get you to the new site. Members should visit this web site often. The content is much more dynamic than before. Several enhancements were included in this site. Our goals were to enable updates from the Officer's Departments instead of requiring all the work to be done by one person such as our Webmaster Theresa Nadolson. Officers or the appropriate designee can administer their own information to update events, educational offerings, photographs, calendar entries,

and more. The look is modern and more boating oriented. The public and members can register for classes and RSVP to events. It's fresh, backed up nightly, and saves a lot of work for many of the people that operate the Squadron.

The team led by Lt John Seaver and his committee consisting of Lt Theresa Nadolson, Lt Brian O'Rourke, Lt Tracy Garrett, Lt/C Tom Norman, Lt Michael Cohee, Lts William and Julie Mohrman, Mari Seaver and P/C Larry Lowe deserve a lot of credit. From concept to launch this site was completed in just a few months. Much of this was due to the site developer selected. Michael Allen has created several other squadron sites and we were fortunate that his prior work could be applied to our needs. I am more impressed that our team was so well-focused and supportive of the goals and of each other. These volunteers spend hundreds of hours collectively and the improvements keep coming. I sincerely hope you find it helpful and informative. Comments are welcome. WELL DONE!

Now that we have made it so easy to see our course offerings and register for classes, let's get to it! The courses are priced right and your own squadron has some of the best instructors and course material available anywhere. Learning is great fun and what a sense of accomplishment one feels when they have met the challenge. Take a friend with you. Buddy up, study up and learn together.

I stole an idea from another squadron. I have challenged our Education Department to try something a little different. A "gals only" Seamanship course is in the works. We need an instructor (preferably female) to step up and volunteer to teach. I will be happy to add the course on the web site myself!

We also made it much easier to recruit new members. Do you have dock mates, friends or neighbors you think are worthy of being a member? Point them to our website. We

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EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Lt/C Tom Norman, P



The holiday season is in full swing and I hope everyone is having a joyous holiday. As we prepare for the new year with resolutions and thoughts of change, we have a fine slate of candidates for offices to lead us on for a successful 2012. Everyone is encouraged to participate and help make the year a great time for CSPS. There are many exciting rendezvous: the Ohio river, Lake Cumberland, Lake Erie, maybe a trip to the Georgian Bay Canada; dinner meetings with picnics and special day trips. This year promises to be another great year.

Your bridge is reaching out to you the members for new ideas for service, education safety, and projects. Contact any officers and let them know your thoughts. We have been successful with our projects: 50/50, fruit sales and the Kroger Reward program. These projects have aided us with additional



revenues that have assisted the power squadron in additional activities. We need to continue with these fund raisers as they provide us with much needed revenue. The fruit sales have been the most successful due the efforts of Commander Matt and P/C Mike. More of us need to participate with these sales. We all should be registered with Kroger as our purchases do reward the squadron with easy money. If you need

directions on how to register your Kroger card, please contact me.



Fall and winter are, believe it or not, exciting months for boating (that is if you are into planning, education and social events). Recently, a cruise planning meeting was held and a tentative schedule has been established for 2012. A formal introduction by each cruise coordinator will be the presentation at the March dinner meeting. It's never too early to set aside some time and plan to attend a cruise or two. Cruises are fun and they also hone your boating skills and compliment the educational process. Our next dinner meetings are 5 January (Election of new officers), 18 February (Change of Watch and Commanders Ball), and 8 March (Cruise Presentation).



including a song and dance presentation ala "Glee". A highlight of the evening was D29 Commander Critzer being presented a set of platform shoes by Santa. Then, it was off to our own Columbus Squadron party at LaScala. This was the most heavily attended event of the year. As usual the food was great, the atmosphere was festive and the Ed Pollina band rocked the night. A highlight of the evening, attended by delegations of many other squadrons, was Santa presenting gifts to the children in attendance. Then, finally, it was up to Sandusky for the joint Sandusky/Port Clinton party. The Sandusky Yacht club was elaborately decorated in a "Nutcracker" motif, and the servings of prime rib and Lake Erie perch were outstanding. The Sandusky High School bell and choir group presented a truly unique Christmas bell presentation. All in all 2011 draws to a close in a wonderful and beautiful way. Best wishes to all for a great 2012.

Congratulations are also due to the squadron "geek" team that recently launched our new web site. Please visit it at columbussailandpower.org. A special thank you to all the members who have also agreed to participate in January elections and serve on the Executive Committee. It is the time and efforts of our members that make the CSPS a successful charitable, educational and social organization.

Finally, as 2011 draws to an end Lynne and I have had the opportunity to attend holiday celebrations held by other squadrons, as well as our Columbus Squadron's gala. The first was the combined Findlay/Lima/Marion event. This was a wonderful event with excellent food and entertainment

2011 Merit Mark Recipients

Congratulations to all CSPS members! Your dedication to our squadron and the safety of boaters has contributed to our squadron donating over 7000 of community service! THANK YOU TO:

Bob Abell	Larry Harris	Eli Murphy
Kevin Baron	Jonathan Hollander	Nate Murphy
Jim Beall	Michael S Hughes	Sue Nadolson
Shelley Beall	Michael T Hughes	Theresa Nadolson
Martha Beidel	Barbara Hupman	Ralph Newman
Harold Beidel	Ron Hupman	Tom Norman
David Burge	Jim Igo	Brian O'Rourke
David Canale	Doug Jackson	Phil Osborne
Lynne Canale	Jim Jenkins	Lou Pflaum
Fred Card	Henry Kauffman	John Pruitt
Pam Carr	Glen Kubinski	Bob Rayburn
David Clark	Ruth Kubinski	Sherwin Rltchie
Michael Cohee	Ron Lavelly	John Seaver
Tammy Cohee	Bill Lehner	Debbie Smith
Colette Cramer	Larry Lowe	Steve Smith
Angie Delewese	John Mattis	Karen Snyder
Donald Delewese	Joyce Mattis	Dick Sorensen
David Ehrbar	Joe Mesenburg	Ken Spilke
Nathaniel Ehrbar	Karen Mesenburg	Ron Stewart
Robert Ehrbar	Jim Meyers	Sally Stewart
Sharon Ehrbar	Jeff Mirgon	Bob Van Der Wissel
David Fannon	Mary Mirgon	John Wargo
Jessica Garrett	Bill Mohrman	Bob Wells
Tracy Garrett	Julie Mohrman	Ruth Willcox
Wade Grosz	Tom Morehouse	Skip Woodruff
Roger Hankle	Debbie Murphy	



SHIPS STORE NEWS

CSPS Name Badges available now!

Do you need to update your name badge or maybe need a spare? We have name badges available with both magnetic back or pin back through the Ship Store at \$12.95 ea . Please contact Lt Julie Mohrman, AP to place your order jemohrman@mindspring.com

Come see us at the January Diner meeting. We have a number of new items that have been added to our inventory. We still have CSPS T-shirts and Hooded Sweatshirts on sale. Contact Lt Julie Mohrman, AP to place you order jemohrman@mindspring.com or cell 614-581-4814.

Look for the Ship Store on our new CSPS Website in the members only area!

EDUCATIONAL OFFICER

Lt/C Debbie Smith, AP



Oh the weather outside is frightful, but the classes are so delightful, since you've really no place to go.....come to a class !!!! As great a group of boatpersons as we are, there is still room for learning new things, or just brushing up on the old lessons. We have some great classes beginning and you won't want to be the one to miss out.



On Wednesday, January 11, Larry Lowe will guide us through the wonderful world of Marine Electronics. This class will be in several sections. The first will be Marine Electrical Systems. That class covers the practice of wiring your boat, including wiring practices and diagrams, direct and alternating current power, galvanic and stray current corrosion and lightning protection. Trouble shooting is emphasized throughout so students will feel comfortable performing even tricky wiring tasks after passing this course. The second part of the course is Marine Communications Systems. This of course will deal with the various communication systems available. This is a great course for not only the Captain of the boat, but also the first mates and other crew.

Then on Monday January 23 we will once again have the Wonderful Weatherman Skip Woodruff breezing in to teach about weather. This class is a must for anyone who wants to really enjoy their boating adventures. Weather can make or break the fun you have planned, so come and find out how to plot and plan for the best times you can.

Free on Monday, January 23, but weather isn't your thing? Well, how about a class on Advanced Piloting? Robert Rayburn will be heading up this endeavor. This goes into much more detail than Piloting and is a must for any good captain or crew. It is also a great class for those who have been out of the picture for awhile and would like to brush up on your skills.

Do you ever dream, on those cold winter evenings, of sailing away into the sunset and leaving all your worries behind? Well, Ken and Doug have the class for you!! Sail!!! This wonderful class begins on Tuesday February 7. It is an interesting and informative class, even if you don't sail. It is well worth your time. As an introduction to the class, there will be a preview meeting on TUESDAY, JANUARY 10 AT 7 PM. CSPS member Marcin Swiderski, will tell us all about his sailing trip from Baltimore to Miami and Doug Jackson will update us on his new 42 foot Catamaran sailing vessel. It should be a fun evening and full of information.

For everyone who has had Junior Navigation, we are happy to announce that we are offering the Navigation course. Our very own, Roger Hankle will fill your heads with all the latest and greatest knowledge in this course. He will begin on Tuesday March 6. This is a hard class, but the knowledge and skills learned are invaluable for the topnotch Captains and crew.

Details on our public ABC class is forth coming. As soon as ABC3 ends, Seamanship class will begin. Stayed tuned for further information.

Be sure to visit to our newly designed website where you can sign up for any classes and to see the latest happenings in CSPA.

Schedule of Winter Classes

Sail Intro	Tues 1-10-12	7 pm	an educational evening on sailing.
Marine Electronics	Weds 1-11-12	7 pm	\$65 members/ \$90 non-members
Advanced Piloting	Mon 1-23-12	7 pm	\$70 members/ \$95 non-members
Weather	Mon 1-23-12	7 pm	\$70 members/\$95 non members
Sail	Tues 2-7-12	7 pm	\$60 members/\$80 non members
Navigation	Tues 3-6-12	7 pm	\$175 members/\$200 non-members

CALL 614.890.5864 to register for a class.

Cleveland Boat Show

District 7 is asking for assistance from District 29 working the Cleveland Boat Show January 13-22, 2012. If you would like to sign up, visit www.signupgenius.com/go/boat6 When you sign up for a time, you will be asked to enter your email address. A reminder email will be sent to you a few days before your scheduled volunteer time. If you would like to volunteer but do not have internet access, call Jeff Evans at 330.441.1180.



**Columbus Sail and Power Squadron
Minutes of the Executive Committee
22 November 2011**

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

Cdr Matt Murphy called the meeting to order at 1900 at the Squadron's headquarters, 8492 Cotter Street, Lewis Center, OH.

Lt/C Tom Norman gave the invocation. Executive Officer Tom Norman led the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll call was taken by sight and the secretary confirmed that a quorum was present.

The following Executive Committee members were present: Cdr Matt Murphy, Executive Officer Tom Norman, Secretary Ron Hupman, Lt Tammy Cohee, Lt Ruthie Kubinski, P/Lt/C Jim Meyers, Lt Michael Cohee, Lt William Mohrman, Lt John Seaver, P/C Michael Hughes.

Others present were: P/D/C Phil Osborne, P/C Larry Lowe, Lt Tracy Garrett, P/C Harold Beidel, Martha Beidel, P/V/C Joe Mesenberg, Lt Julie Mohrman.

The minutes of the October meeting were approved.

Commander's Comments, Cdr Matthew Murphy

Cdr Murphy deferred to others in order to expedite the meeting and reserved the right to comment as needed.

Reports of Officers

Executive Officer, Lt/C Tom Norman

A reminder for all squadron members to review their volunteer hours worked during the year to P/C Bob Van der Wissel and P/C Don Delewese NOW. We want to make sure that all squadron members are recognized for their efforts in supporting our squadron.

The fruit sales are running very well with several taking up P/C Michael Hughe's challenge to the squadron to buy an additional box of fruit for the homeless shelter. His goal is to sell 100 boxes of fruit this year; he has surpassed that mark with over 30 boxes for the shelter.

We requested a budgetary change to our ODNr watercraft grant to purchase additional equipment as well as updating our existing software and hardware. The grant administrator has requested additional information and we have complied with that information. Many thanks go to our technical committee for their recommendations and support, Lt John Seaver.

We had a great squadron meeting last Thursday and planned many rendezvous for the coming year. There is a lot of work involved in putting these rendezvous together. Many thanks go to all those who participated.

Check the December Galley Gossip for your slate of officers for the coming year. Election night is January 5.

Remember to buy all those holiday food supplies with your registered Kroger cards.

Happy holidays to everyone. May we see everyone at one of these get-togethers the Sea Gals December 2nd at Villa Charmante and bring an unwrapped gift the "Toys for Tots"; and the Squadron Dec 9th La Scala Bistro.

Administrative Officer, Lt/C David Canale

Absent – No report

Education Officer D/Lt Debbie Smith

Absent- No report

Secretary Lt/C Ron Hupman

Minutes of last month's Executive Committee Meeting were approved. Thanks to those who have emailed reports. Reports should be emailed to hupmanI@att.net.

Treasurer Lt/C Theresa Nadolson - Absent - Financial reports were distributed by email.

Past Commander – P/C Michael Hughes – No report

Members at Large Rports

Lt Karen Snyder – No report

Lt Tammy Cohee – No report.

Lt Ruth Kubinski – No report

P/Lt/C Jim Meyers – The deadline for nominations for

Members of the Years is November 30. The committee will meet that night to make selections.

Lt Michael Cohee – No report

Lt Bill Mohrman – No report

Lt Brian O'Rourke – Absent

Lt Richard Sorensen - Absent

Lt John Seaver – No report

General Committees

Nominating Committee Chair: John Mattis – Michael Hughes reported the full ballot will be in the December GG.

Standing Committees

Finance Committee - Lt/C Ron Hupman – A budget meeting is scheduled for Dec. 6 at 1900 at HQ.

Housing Committee – Lt Tammy Cohee –has a design for a vinyl stick-on window sign. A poster from Costco would be a cheaper option. We will hold off on a decision until next month.

Law Officer – Lt David Canale – Cdr Murphy reported that a motion to appeal Delaware County's decision on the squadron's property tax status has been filed. Lt Canale spent many hours researching and preparing the motion.

Merit Marks – P/C Don Delewese, P/C Bob Van der Wissel – Absent - Merit marks have been submitted for the past year totaling over 7000 hours of volunteer time.

Property Officer – P/C Michael Hughes –Reported that the HQ carpet needs to be professionally cleaned. We should add a budget item for this and other general maintenance.

Supply Officer - Lt Julie Mohrman – Sales were good at the November dinner meeting. The ship's store will be open at the January dinner meeting.

Sea Gals – Lt Martha Beidel – The Christmas cocktail party will be Dec. 2. See the GG for details.

Special Committees

Technical Committee – Lt John Seaver - Asked for a decision on who will control web site content. There was



general agreement that the XO and AO should be responsible for content in their respective areas. Theresa Nadolson wants to continue as webmaster. The webmaster will be responsible for the technical structure of the site. It was agreed that 12/1 will be the target date for initiation of the new site. Everyone was asked to review the site and direct comments to Lt Seaver.

Investments – P/V/C Joe Mesenberg- PVC Mesenberg presented an overview of the squadron's portfolio. He discussed our investment objectives and the current status of the portfolio. In general, our investments are sound and have shown reasonable growth in spite of the economy in recent years.

Boat Shows: Lt Fred Card/Lt John Mattis – Lt Garrett reported on the new backdrop stands that were on display at the meeting. Lt Garrett made a motion to buy an additional banner and change the web address shown. Motion seconded by Tom Norman and passed unanimously. Motion by Bill Mohrman was that the property officer gets rid of the old backdrops by 12/1. Second by Tom Norman and passed unanimously. Michael Hughes made a motion to buy a second set of lights for the backdrops. Second by Bill Mohrman and passed unanimously.

Marketing: Lt Tracy Garrett – The GG will feature a new section spotlighting a member each month. We need to make decisions very soon on the location and scheduling (Saturday vs. 6 wks.) for the ABC3 class. Schedule needs to allow time to court graduates coming out of the class before the summer break in squadron activities in order to retain them after the 6 month free membership has expired. There was discussion of the potential to use class fees as an incentive to become a member of the squadron.

Comments from Guests

P/C Larry Lowe mentioned that at a recent central Ohio Safe Boating Council meeting it was reported that ODNR is planning to offer 'on the water training' for boaters.

Meeting Adjourned at 2049

Commander's Message

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will be happy to walk them through the membership process.

By the way, I am running for Immediate Past Commander. Can I have your vote? See you on election night.

*Boating
Is Fun . . .
. . . We'll Show
You How!*

Let's Talk Sailing

Come talk sailing with us on January 10, 2012 at 7 pm at HQ

Presentations:

1. The October, 2011 delivery of a Beneteau 47 from Baltimore to Miami.
2. A new Lagoon 421 sailing catamaran is delivered to one of our members.

RSVP to Ken Spilke (614) 881-9109 or gloken12@insight.rr.com (last minute attendees are also welcome).

YOU ARE ALSO INVITED TO JOIN OUR SAIL COURSE:

15 weeks beginning Tuesday, February 10th, 7:30 to 9:30 pm.

The course covers aerodynamics, standing rigging, sails, sail plans, running rigging, wind forces, boat design, stability and balance, marlinspike, preparation to set sail, sailing upwind, sailing downwind, helmsmanship, spinnaker handling, docking and anchoring, heavy weather and storm conditions, and Navigation Rules.

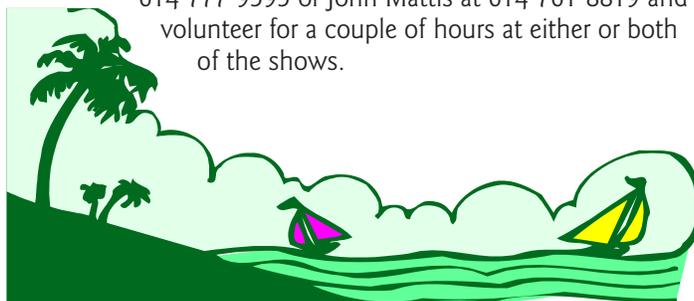
To sign up for the course, please contact Debbie Smith at 614-890-5864.

BOAT SHOW TIME!!

It's Boat Show time again!! January 7th thru the 15th is the Columbus RV and Boat Show at the fairgrounds and is our best opportunity to recruit folks to our Public Boating Class as well as potential new members. Accordingly, we need your help to work in our booth to help pass the word.

The second show, the Sports Vacation and Boat Show, is February 9th thru the 12th also at the fairgrounds and we will need help with this show as well.

It is fun and always a good time talking about boats and boating safety. Time is short so please call Fred Card at 614-777-9595 or John Mattis at 614-761-8819 and volunteer for a couple of hours at either or both of the shows.





Family Style Christmas Dinner @ La Scala



District Commander Doris Critzer & P/C Bill Critzer



Bob Van der Wissel enjoys the company of his friend Carol.



Jeff & Mary Mirgon "birthday boy"



The Murphys enjoying time together



Ruth Wilcox & Phil Osborne



Ron & Linda Lavelly



New members Lisa & Matt Mills



Angie & Don Delewese tell Santa what they would like under the tree.



Becky & Jeff Blankenbeckler



Friday, December 9



Glen & Ruth Kubinski



Jane Clark & Mary Card



Colette Cramer shows her holiday shoes,
Tom Doyle checks them out.



CSPS Fruit Sales to aid local shelters

Squadron member and Past Commander Michael Hughes was on a mission this year. His goal was to sell the most fruit but to ask his patrons to purchase an additional box for delivery to a local shelter or food bank. Over 250 pounds of oranges and grapefruit were delivered to the Near Northside Emergency Materials Assistance Program on High St, Goodwill Industries and Faith Mission. A hearty handshake and hugs were given to Michael by each group. A big Thank You goes to the following patrons.

- Ron & Ramonda DeCario
- Bob & Patti Prior
- Dan & Tova Albert
- Bradley Sherman
- Dave & Meredith Tipple
- Don & Anna Compton
- Jim & Ginny Egan
- Gary & Sandy Hofmaster
- Jeff & Mary Mirgon
- Jim & Gail Smith
- Michael Hughes & Tracy Garrett
- Tom & Beth Flood



Please keep this in mind for next year. If you do not wish to order fruit for yourself, how about helping a shelter with a box or two. Delivery is included.

25 Year Membership Pin

Anyone who has paid dues for 25 years is allowed to wear a 25 year membership pin. This device has a silver braid. There is no written designation for this qualification. *Note: A 25 year member is not necessarily a Life Member but a Life Member is a 25 Year Member.* This device has a silver braid.

Please come to the January dinner meeting so we may present you with your award.



- Lt Jonathon Hollander, AP
- William H Edwards Jr., P
- Linda Moss-Edwards, P
- Lt Wade Grosz, AP

Senior Navigator—what does that REALLY Mean?

By Cdr Matthew Murphy, P

It was my distinct privilege at the October 2011 Dinner Meeting to award two educational grades of Senior Navigator to P/C Donald Delewese, SN and to Lt Michael Cohee, SN. It is absolutely one of the greatest honors a Squadron Commander can have to hand out the plaques to a recipient in recognition of them filling their ticket.

How does one fill the ticket? The ticket is a term for the educational tracking certificate we receive when we become new members. Following the beginning boating course the first Advanced Grade Course is Seamanship which is 18 class hours of education. Next is Piloting for 20 class hours; Advanced Piloting for 20 class hours; Junior Navigation 29; and the last of the Advanced grades is Navigation for 33 class hours. There is more. So far one has only been graded as N. These next courses that must be taken to achieve SN but may be taken in any order are Cruise Planning 20 class hours; Engine Maintenance 20; Marine Electronics (aka Electrical Systems) 22; Sail 20; Weather 22 class hours. Depending upon the actual class hours spent in class and the actual hours one spends studying-- the total hours over the years really add up. Some quick math before we get to homework renders a total of 224 hours of class time. If we divide by two that indicates the number of approximate weeks it took. If we assume there were four hours per week of self-study, review and taking sightings, well let's just double the class hours and call it a minimum of 448 hours for each SN. That likely is conservative.

This does not include any additional seminars one may have taken such as Radar or Locks, Rivers and Dams. It also does not include everyone's favorite seminar How to Catch Bass on FISHHARD.

Seriously though these hours do not go toward SN, they absolutely go toward a lot of other students. Don and Michael both have instructed over the years. Lately it has been Piloting. As we know this is a volunteer organization where instruction is provided by volunteers who pay it back and forward. Michael and Don both exemplify that philosophy by instructing. Here is a quick history on each of them. (Don't worry I am keeping it focused on the Squadron education and I have filtered out the social activities.)

Donald Delewese joined the Squadron after many years of boating when he decided to be more focused on education and safety. The year was 1997 where he passed the Public Boating Course, Seamanship, and Piloting. In 1998 he passed Advanced Piloting, Cruise Planning and Officer Training (Operations) which qualified him for Education Proficiency (AP plus 3 electives). He became Instructor qualified in 1999 and also took Engine Maintenance and Marine Electronics. He took Weather in 2003 and to this day he raves about that class. In 2008 he passed Junior Navigation. In 2010 he passed Navigation. Lastly he passed Sail in 2011 and filled the ticket. I don't have the dates but along the way P/C Delewese has also been a Vessel Safety Examiner, Commander of the Columbus Sail and

Power Squadron which name was adopted on his watch. Don served as Membership Chair and several other positions. Don currently is my Protocol Officer, a Piloting Instructor, Chairman of Operations Training, Co-Chair of Merit Marks, one of my advisors and a West Harbor Port Captain. Don (along with Angie) also recruited me as a member and he has probably done more than I can remember or find in the History files. He was the emcee at my Commander's Ball and chaired the planning committee with Angie. I could go on but he will likely kick my tail for this much. I can't say enough about what he has done for me over the years and for the Squadron.

Michael Cohee joined the Squadron in 2005. In 2006 he passed Piloting and Officer Training. In 2007 he passed Seamanship, Weather and Advanced Piloting which also qualified him for Educational Proficiency. In 2008 he became VSE qualified, passed Cruise Planning, Engine Maintenance, and Junior Navigation. Tammy must have been working her tail off at her job while Mike was working his off in class that year. Marine Electronics was in 2009 and in 2010 he passed Navigation and Sail. 2011 brought the final stamp for

Michael when he became Instructor Qualified. In 2011 Lt Cohee who currently serves on the Executive Committee as a Member-At-Large and Membership Chair also found time to perform 18 Vessel Safety Checks, and contribute to committees such as TechCom. Michael helped us find significant cost reductions and increased technological capabilities with our phone system by performing much research and presenting the solutions to ECOM. Michael is one of the more active Members-At-Large and another great member to know and have an ice cold "Blue" with. I am sure I am missing some other items about Lt Cohee but I think this is a pretty cool bio on his Squadron education which he has achieved in a relatively short time. Tammy is a lucky gal to have such a smart boat captain and I am proud to have Michael on ECOM and achieve his SN on my watch. With all this gold he has earned for his uniform I think it is time he decorates one! He would do well with tridents too!

By now I think I have convinced my readers that these Senior Navigators have invested a tremendous amount of time in their education and many continue to contribute weekly back to others in the Squadron. They are in good company with the rest of our elite. They are alphabetically listed with their year achieved. Lt Robert Abell, SN (1975), Herbert Beidel, SN (1986), P/R/C Harold L. Beidel Jr., SN (1971), Stephen H. Eichhorn, SN (2000), P/C Roger P. Hankle, SN (1985), P/D/C Michael W. Henestofel, SN (1982), P/C Wm E. Lehner, SN (1992), P/C Larry L. Lowe, SN (2002), P/V/C Joseph R. Mesenburg, SN (1999), P/Lt/C James E. Meyers, SN (1986), P/C Jack L. Price, SN (2002), P/D/C Robert E. Rayburn, SN (2000), P/C Vernon P. Williams, SN (1968).

Congratulations once again Donald Delewese and Michael Cohee. You have inspired me and I am sure many others to continue learning.





December 2nd was the Sea Gals Annual Christmas party and this year it was held at Villa Charmante Clubhouse in Worthington. The cocktail party was attended by over 40 celebrants with wonderful hors d'hourvres and much good cheer!! All were tested on their knowledge of Holiday Songs and their sense of direction with several prizes awarded to those with the keenest memory, including an indulgence that required the ascertaining of right and left!! Much thanks to the committee, whose valiant efforts prevailed in support of a wonderful party. The commander even said so!



As a reminder January, we will be having our movie night. As is the custom of theaters, we won't have an idea of what is playing until shortly before the engagement, so be on the lookout for a call from the calling committee regarding day and time.

So from the Sea Gals, we hope that you had the Merriest of Christmases and a happy, healthy and prosperous New Year!



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| 11 Susan Hall | 23 Fred Card |
| 12 Bonnie Cook | 23 John Seaver |
| 12 Glenn Mitchell | 24 Brunehilde Beitz |
| 13 Sherry Ehrbar | 26 Lynne Canale |
| 13 Ursula Marshalek | 30 Larry Harris |
| 16 Kris Langille | 31 Mary Hetzel |
| 18 Frank Harmon | |

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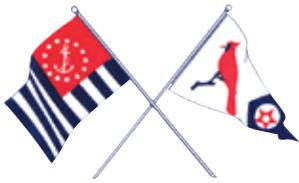
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Do you and your friends enjoy scrap booking? If so, CSPS needs your creativity to enter the USPS contest running from January through December. Photos from CSPS events will be made available to create the pages. When complete the book will be sent the USPS conference in January for judging. When returned to the squadron, book could be given to the outgoing commander as a reminder of their year. If you are interested in this project, please contact Tracy Garrett for the guidelines and timetables. 614.488-4758 or mtbuckets@aol.com



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