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October Dinner Meeting and Program with Marion and Lima Power Squadrons “Life on the Great Lakes Freighters”

Tuesday 20 October, 2009

**Karen's Event Center - 16701 Square Dr.,
Marysville, OH 43040**

937.644.0731 • www.karenseventcenter.com



Speaker Glen Nekvasil

**Vice President – Corporate Communications,
Lake Carriers' Assn. in Rocky River**

Time: Social Time 1830 • Dinner 1900

Program 2000 lasting 45 minutes plus a 15 minute Q&A*

Cost: \$23.00 per person. Cash Bar

Meal Choices: Baked Swiss Steak and Honey Baked Ham; Real Mashed Potatoes;
Green Beans; Seven Layer Salad; Rolls/Butter; Coffee/Punch/Iced Tea/
Sodas; Cookies.

Attire: Uniform A, or Business preferred. Business casual is certainly accepted.

RSVP is critical for meal planning and cost management.

Email RSVPtoCSPS@insight.rr.com or call Matthew Murphy at 614-886-6732.

Please designate meal choice.

**This much anticipated program promises
to be both interesting and fun.
Come join our friends from Marion and Lima!**

**Please note out of respect to the crew of the Edmund Fitzgerald
no questions will be entertained on that particular topic.*





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CALENDAR of COMING EVENTS

OCTOBER

5	Monday	Piloting Class begins
7	Wednesday	Engine Maintenance Class begins
11	Sunday	Waldo Shoot-Out - 9:00 a.m.
19	Monday	Merit Marks Due
20	Tuesday	Monthly Dinner Meeting - Marysville, OH
22	Thursday	Seminar Series begins
27	Tuesday	Executive Committee - 7:30 p.m. - HQ
30	Friday	December <i>GG</i> info due

NOVEMBER

5	Thursday	Monthly Dinner Meeting
13-15	Fri.-Sun	D/29 Fall Conference - Findlay
24	Tuesday	Executive Committee - 7:30 p.m. - HQ
27	Friday	January <i>GG</i> info due

DECEMBER

5	Saturday	Holiday Party
15	Tuesday	Executive Committee - 7:30 p.m. - HQ
18	Friday	February <i>GG</i> info due

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COMMANDER'S MESSAGE

Cdr Robert L. Prior, S



As this reaches you, all of us on your Executive Committee hope you have had a great summer of boating. The Prior family certainly did, but not only on our own. The squadron trips and rendezvous were very special and will be long remembered. Please put squadron boating outings on your schedule for next summer; you won't regret it.

Reminder: Details for the next District 29 meeting follow:

What: D29 2009 Fall Conference

When: 13-15 November

Theme: "Tie One On"

Location: Findlay Inn and Conference Center

I often use this space to encourage all squadron members to participate in District functions. They are not only fun but equally rewarding in new friends made and crucial boating information gathered. We will circulate sign up information via e-mail once we receive it. New members are definitely eligible to attend and very much welcome; no reason to hold back.

During the warm weather months, we spend more time up at Lake Erie. In so doing, I often listen to radio station WJR (AM 760) out of Detroit; they offer solid content. It is one of the few 50,000 watt "clear channel" stations authorized by the feds. Another reason I like to listen to that station occurs when we are out on the water. Crackling and static on such a power signal is a solid clue that "weather" is moving in from the west.

You've undoubtedly read of the recent accomplishment of a Great Lakes Compact consisting of a very solid agreement



by the US states and Canadian provinces which are contiguous to the Great Lakes. It covers the use and protection of all its waters. In the regard of many, achieving the compact is a long overdue and an essential breakthrough badly needed to protect this valuable resource. However, the ink was barely dry on it when some of the more strident environmentalists received a great deal of alarmist

ink because the use of bottled water wasn't specifically addressed; gloom and doom was being spread high and low.

I happened to be listening when WJR hosted and interviewed a marine attorney and degreed hydrologist who was very impressive! His command of the facts and the compact was extremely impressive. He provided statistics to illustrate that the current use of bottled water from the Great Lakes is statistically insignificant. The authority also outlined several checks and balances in the compact that would prevent runaway use of Great Lakes' water in bottling. Even a worse case scenario, which would never be permitted to happen, the use of bottling water would be somewhere around 1% of the water supply. It is always refreshing to have facts to extinguish fiction.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Lt/C Michael Hughes, JN



While the end of our boating season is approaching, the beginning of new squadron functions is opening. This boating season, we have had fantastic cruises both on the Great Lakes and on the rivers. Be it the Ohio River, the Muskingum River, Lake Erie or Lake Huron, the wind and the waves have treated us well.

For the youth, school has been in session for some time.

For the rest of us, it is time to sign up for a squadron class. This year, we have seminars available for all to attend. Pick and choose the ones that interest you, or attend all of them. I hope to see you in a classroom this fall and winter brushing up increasing your skills. Our last public boating class created several new members. I hope you met them at the September dinner meeting. If not, look for them in the classrooms or at the next dinner meeting.

The number of boaters on our cruises, local meetings and district meetings is on the increase. Thanks to your



efforts, we are seeing more of you at each event. Please keep attending these great events to show support for your squadron and to have a great time with old and new friends. Boating is fun, we'll show you how – it is working.

As a squadron first, I am putting together a Shoot-Out – no experience required. Sunday, October 11th, we will meet at 9am at Norton Sporting Goods, 100 Norton Rd, Waldo, OH. This outdoor range is large enough for all to attend and can accommodate any firearms you may have (no full automatic weapons or hand grenades allowed). If you do not have a firearm, come anyway – someone will let you shoot something. So pack up your guns Annie, and bring the ammo too! Cost is \$10 per person. Please contact me at 614-488-4758 if you wish to attend.

The D29 Spring Conference and CSPS Commanders Ball is being combined for a fun filled weekend March 19-21, 2010 here in Columbus. D/Lt/C Phil Osborne will become District 29 Commander and we will be celebrating the CSPS Commanders Ball at the same affair. Our theme will be "Working Together to Stay Afloat". We must work together in the next 5 months to make this event float. It will take many people to make this weekend a success so please come to the planning meetings. Watch for further notice.



October 2009 is upon us! Beginning in March 2009 I was approached by Lt/C Karen Ruth, S of the Marion Power Squadron about co-hosting a dinner meeting that would include a speaker who once was a Great Lakes freighter captain. After a lot of hard work from Karen and approval from our Executive Committee the event is almost here. 20 October will be a special joint dinner meeting between Lima, Marion and Columbus Power Squadrons. Uniform A or Business attire is suggested but certainly all are welcome at our events and come as you are. See the cover for more details. I personally find this topic very interesting and hope that- for all the work that has gone into it- that RSVPs are early and in great numbers. Marysville is a short drive but if anyone needs a ride or wishes to car pool, post a request out on the Columbus Sail and Power Facebook site or contact me directly



murphymg@insight.rr.com 614-886-6732.

5 November 2009 will be a return to an old land-based marina for the Squadron that is under new ownership and management. The location is La Scala and the program is likely to be a silent auction. So gather up your gear that you would like to donate to the Squadron for the event. If the auction or another program doesn't come together P/C Don and I will sing Frank Sinatra tunes. Final information will be sent in the November GG and email.

District 29 Fall Conference is 13-15 November. I plan to attend and have a ball. I will learn more about the USPS and see some friends I made from the District. I encourage you to attend.

Change of Email Address

A new tool has been added to the USPS website to allow any USPS member manage their email address. Log in at www.USPS.org/national/tools Under other tools, log on as a USPS member using your certificate number and the PIN number set up earlier this year. Once logged on, under Membership Information click Manage your own Email Address. Please help us by keeping your email address current. If you encounter any problems, contact Tracy Garrett at 614-488-4758.

ATTENTION:

ALL MILITARY VETERANS OF DISTRICT 29!

I need your help putting together a presentation to recognize each of you. Please send me a picture of yourself while serving in the service in your military uniform or fatigues - either by email or snail mail. Include with your picture, the branch of service and the year(s) you spent serving our country.

All pictures received by US Mail will be returned immediately. I have received several pictures by US Mail and returned them by mail that same day. All those that will be sending a picture using the internet, please send as an attachment.

Please, help me and send that picture soon...like today. This will be a very special presentation honoring each of you. Again, your picture must have been taken during your service time and in military dress or working uniform. Thank you.

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FIRST HORIZON

Grandbaby **Evelyn Zoe** was born 17 September, 2009 to Grandparents **Bill and Ellen Hogue**. Mom and baby are doing great. **CONGRATULATIONS!**



Squadron Shoot-Out

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**Please contact Michael Hughes at
614-488-4758 if you wish to attend.**



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Schedule of Fall Classes 2009

Course	First Class	Time	Location	Duration	Cost
Piloting	Mon. Oct. 5	7 p.m.	Headquarters	13 weeks	\$70
Engine Maintenance	Wed. Oct. 7	7 p.m.	Headquarters	13 weeks	\$60
Seminar series	Thurs. Oct. 22, 29 Nov. 12, 19 Dec 3, 10	7p.m.	Grandview Heights H.S.		

Junior Navigation review call if interested

Headquarters address: 8492 Cotter St., Lewis Center, OH 43035
For registration call SEO Debbie Smith, AP, at 614-890-5864



Columbus Sail and Power Squadron Minutes of the Executive Committee 25 August 2009

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

Cdr Robert Prior, S called the meeting to order at 1930 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 Lt/C Michael Hughes, JN, Administration Officer Lt/C Matthew Murphy, P, Education Officer Lt/C Debbie Smith, AP, Secretary Steve Smith, JN, Treasurer Lt/C Theresa Nadolson, S, Lt Tracy Garrett, S, Lt Wade Grosz, AP, P/C Roger Hankle, SN, Lt Jeff Mirgon, S, Lt Mary Mirgon, Lt Bill Mohrman, AP, Lt Tom Norman.

Others present were P/C Ron DeCappio, AP, 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 May meeting were approved.

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



Commander's Comments, Cdr Robert Prior:

The D29 Summer Council was held at Gem Beach on Lake Erie. David and Bonnie Michael deserve special "kudos" for hosting the entire district at their facility, The West Harbor Yacht Club. The two of them worked double overtime to make sure the weekend was a success, which is surely was.

Hats off and congratulations to all of you who participated in painting the Delaware Dam flood wall last month. Thank you for a job well done. It is amazing the visibility the finished product receives from passing motorists. I've had a number of people comment to me about it, including those in sister squadrons.

It was an honor and great fun to be one of the 11 boats and 25 people from our squadron who participated in the Huntington – Ohio River rendezvous (14-16 August) for trailer boaters. We all covered the Ohio from Gallipolis, Ohio to Huntington, WV and some went downriver past Ashland, KY. I will stop here in the assumption that E/O Michael Hughes will report further.

It was ironic when I finally read the Sunday paper after the trip was over that there was an article in *The Dispatch* regarding the Ohio. The thrust of the article was that the waters of the Ohio are much improved with four of the five dam pools being rated "good" and one rated "satisfactory." This is a huge improvement over readings taken only 25 years ago.

"Tie One On" is the theme for the D29 Fall Conference. As members of the Executive Committee, I urge you to attend to help represent our squadron. District functions are fun, educational and rewarding. This year's D29 Fall Conference will be held at the Findlay Inn & Conference Center, 13-15 November, hosted by Fostoria.

On the subject of "Fostoria" they are going through the process of formally changing their name to "Findlay" in as much as 90% of their membership lives in the Findlay area.

I sent out a broadcast email on the subject of boat inspections ten days ago. If you have not had your vessel safety checked as of yet, there is still time. My sincerest gratitude to those who have taken the time to have your boat inspected and to those of our squadron who have volunteered their time to serve as VSC examiners.

Report of Officers:

Executive Officer Lt/C Michael Hughes, JN:

The D/29 Gem Beach conference was well attended. I have not had that much fun with a squirt gun since I was a kid. My hat is off to the Sea Gals and Bonnie & David Michael for a great weekend.

The Huntington trip was a major success due to great planning and fun

group of people who attended. There were 6 friends of members who attended the weekend trip – a potential for new members. While in Huntington, Phil Osborne and I, along with our lovely spouses, made our way to 93.7 The Dawg, a local country radio station. We were granted a live 30 second public service spot where we advocated safety on the water through the use of life jackets. A nice plug was added for USPS and CSPS.

The Central Ohio Safe Boating Council (COSBC) meeting held August 18th provided much information. Next month a new picnic shelter will be constructed at Alum Creek beside the sailboat marina. This can be reserved thru the Sailing Association and can be used for meetings, classes, etc. Thirty picnic tables with seating for 250 along with propane grills are available for use.

COSBC requests our assistance in July 2010 for the RAD program. This Recreational Accessible Day (RAD) gives disabled and less fortunate kids rides on pontoon boats driven by CSPS members. These boats are furnished by local boat dealers and need experienced drivers. People are needed to help teach kids to fish as well. I would like our squadron to greatly participate in this event during my administration. More will be available about this in the future.

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Administrative Officer Lt/C Matthew Murphy, P:

The June 2009 Sea Gals-CSPS event at Capri Lanes rendered 25 attendees. Comments from the attendees were that it was a great time and we should consider doing it again. We reported positive revenue from the event. Not all attendees bowled but all had fun. Revenue was shared with Sea Gals as were the costs. The management of Capri was very good to work with.

A look ahead-

10 September is the Dinner Meeting themed "Hold on Tight to Summer Monthly Meeting and Social Time. Among the agenda items will be recognition and welcoming of new members. Other awards and recognitions will be distributed as well. Lt. Debbie Murphy and I welcome you to our home for this event starting at 1800 for social time. See the Cover of the September Galley Gossip for details.

20 October is a highly anticipated program from a former great lakes freighter captain. The event will be held in Marysville to accommodate the Lima and Marion Power Squadrons as a joint event. The address and cost will be on the web site soon and will be distributed via email and in the October GG.

5 November is the dinner meeting to be held at La Scala. The old friend of the CSPS is under new ownership.

5 December is the Christmas Party. It is an evening event on the first Saturday of December. Plan on dressing up and wear your dancing shoes. It will be held at the Dublin Metro Hotel. Information for rooms and pricing will be distributed soon.

I want to further express my appreciation for Ron Lavelly and the rendezvous planners over the past year. It is a lot of hard work and time on their part and I have heard nothing but compliments about the events.

Educational Officer Lt/C Debbie Smith, AP:

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Secretary Lt/C Steve Smith, JN:

A new squadron roster has just been sent out via email. Please review your information and submit any changes.

Treasurer, Lt/C Theresa Nadolson, S:

The monthly financial statements were presented and reviewed.

Member-at-large reports:

Lt Tracy Garrett, S:

The District 29 conference will be in November. Come to the conference and wear a funky tie.

We were given a vessel safety exam by the USCG in Huntington, WV, during the rendezvous.

The District 29 spring conference will be in Columbus during 19-21 March 2010. It will be held at the Worthington Inn and will be a joint change-of-watch with Columbus and D29 both having their change-of-watch.

Lt Mary Mirgon:

I attended the Algonac and Huntington rendezvous and both were great!

Lt Bill Mohrman, AP:

I boat at Lake Cumberland and boating there was down significantly this year. For example, 90 house boats for rent at the state dock were taken out of service this season due to lack of demand. There were lots of alcohol related boat accidents there as well. The marine industry is in financial trouble.

Lt Tom Norman:

I second Bill Mohrman's comments regarding the marine industry being in financial trouble. Evinrude Motors as well as Fountain Boats and Crownline Boats have all filed for bankruptcy.

I attended the Algonac and Huntington rendezvous this summer and they were great.

REPORT OF COMMITTEES:

GENERAL COMMITTEES:

Nominating Committee Chair: P/C Ron DeCapio, AP:

It is about time to get ballots ready after Labor Day for the January elections. Myself, John Mattis and David Michael comprise the nominating committee.

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

The Rules Committee has needed for several years to do a better job of handing off to the incoming chair. That is our goal this year.

STANDING COMMITTEES:

Merit Marks Committee: P/C Bob Van Der Wissel, absent.

There was a comment by the Commander that we should all submit merit mark information ASAP after an event to avoid forgetting as time goes by.

Property Officer: Lt/C Michael Hughes, JN:

Many thanks to Globe Windowing Cleaning Company for cleaning the HQ windows.

Special Committees:

Web Master: Lt/C Theresa Nadolson:

Our web site is being evaluated by National. Please submit any interesting boating related web sites to me so I can show it as a link from our web site.

Marketing: Lt Tracy Garrett

The National Water Safety Council has a grant available that we can apply for. Deadline is 31 Dec 2009. Mid America Boating ran an article this summer on CSPS participation in a Columbus parade promoting boating safety. CSPS won first place as the best float in the parade.

Going forward, we are looking for co-chairs for next year's rendezvous. One chair for Lake Erie and one chair for trailer boating.

Squadron Remote Education: P/C Larry Lowe

Nothing is scheduled at this time.

NEW BUSINESS

1. ODNR grant opportunity – Tom Norman to get things started until someone can take it over.
2. Change date of October dinner meeting – combined with other squadrons in Marysville, on a nonstandard date.
3. Fund raising – Matt Murphy.
4. P&L – Judith Lowe money to cover the cost of the last public boating course still has not been moved to the educational fund. Action required by Treasurer.

Sick Bay:

Tammy Cohee – possible surgery on Friday.
Ron Hupman – hip replacement recuperation
Roger Hankle – 27 Oct ankle surgery
Georgia Rayburn

Announcements:

- Leamington, Ontario Cruise, 4-7 Sept. (Don't forget your Passports!)
- Next Dinner Meeting: 10 September, picnic hosted by the Murphy family
- Next ECOM meeting – 22 September at HQ
- D29 2009 Fall Conference 13-15 November, Findlay Inn and Conference Center.

The meeting adjourned at 2130.

Energy Conservation and the Art of INSULATION

Many years ago during a public speaking class at OSU, back in the mid 80's, I made a statement which, to say the least did not impress my professor. I tried to link Energy Conservation and National Security together asking everyone to turn off their lights and conserve for National Security. The idea was young and was just getting started.

Growing up in New Jersey during the gas embargo of the 70's taught me one thing; life is hard without gas for your car. Many years have come and gone and now we hear a lot more about Renewable Energy and going Green. But the one that seems the most logical is still Energy Conservation. Let's face it; saving what we have is very important. Today as in the 1970's adequately insulated homes not only save money for homeowners every month, but they also help Americans conserve vital energy resources for the future and keep the demand pull factor from forcing energy prices higher. Remember, last year at the gas pump, lower supply higher demand. There are many ways we can make our homes more Energy Efficient but the most significant way is to check our home insulation either by you or by a professional. Insulation keeps your home warmer in the winter and cooler in the summer. Insulation performance is measured in R values, its ability to resist heat flow. The higher the R value the greater the resistance to Energy loss. Different R values are recommended for walls, attics, basements and crawlspaces, depending on your homes and geographical location.

Insulation works best when air is not running through it or around it. So, air sealing of penetrations is an important process before insulating to get the highest performance and energy savings.

In Ohio, the Department of Energy suggest that our attic insulation should be R- 49, Walls, R – 18, Floor over unheated areas R – 25 and crawlspace walls R -19 to make our homes efficient. Many of our homes I inspect come very short of these suggestions.

Another good reason for insulating, besides conserving our natural resources, reducing greenhouse gases and saving money, is from our government in the way of the America Recovery and Reinvestment Act. This bill provides for a tax credit of 30% of the cost to insulate up to

\$1500.00 for the calendar year 2009 – 2010.

So take this opportunity and check your homes Energy performance. Give us a call at [ENERGY TECH INSULATION, INC. at 614-487-8884](tel:614-487-8884) and let's take advantage of the tax credit and save energy at the same time for National Security. PS. I hope my professor is not in the CSPS club.

Glen Kubinski, President
Energy Tech Insulation, Inc.
614-487-8884
614-679-7297 mobile

Requirements for the Inland Navigators Certificate

To be certified, a member must be at least 16 years of age, be mentally and physically capable of operating a boat, and have sufficient visual and auditory sensory ability to do so. Holding a driver's license will suffice to certify meeting these requirements.

Inland Navigator (IN) Requirements:

- **IN Candidates Guide (27Jan09)**

- **Courses**

NASBLA approved safe boating course
Seamanship (or S 101 and S 102)
Engine Maintenance (EM)
Marine Electronics or Marine Electrical Systems or ME

101

- **Seminars**

How to Use a Chart (CHT) (or Piloting, or Chart Smart or Boating)
Onboard Weather Forecasting (WF) or Weather

course or Weather Modules

Using GPS (GPS) or the new P or AP course

VHF Radio and VHF/DSC Marine Radio (or ME 102 or Marine Communications Systems)

2 additional seminars or 1 additional course

- **Skills**

BPH - Basic Powerboat Handling skill demonstration or US Sailing Safe Powerboat Handling on-the-water program

FE - Use of Fire Extinguishers

- **Optional Endorsements**

IW - Inland Waterways (Navigating Rivers, Dams and Locks seminar)

PAD - Paddle craft (canoes and kayaks) - Paddle Smart seminar

SA - Sailboating (or Sail or Sail Modules)

Note: The optional SA endorsement is required to be IN certified to operate a sailboat. The optional PAD endorsement is required to be IN certified to operate a paddle craft.

KROGER REWARDS

We received the first quarterly summary for May 1 thru July 31 under the new Kroger Community Rewards Program. Only 16 households in our squadron are participating in this program. Please register your cards today - it is quick and easy and does not cost you anything - PLUS you will be helping the squadron each time you shop at Kroger. Follow the steps below and be on your way to grabbing free money for the squadron. Please ask your friends, family and neighbors to donate to our organization.

Step 1: Go to www.krogercommunityrewards.com

Step 2: Click on "Sign in/register" on top right.

Step 3: If you are a new online customer, create an account with your email and a password. You will create a profile based on the store you usually shop, the demographics of your household, etc. By providing this information, Kroger will mail you free food coupons on a regular basis.

Step 4: If you are a returning customer, sign in and click

"my Kroger" to edit your profile.

Step 5: Under "my Profile" section, click on "edit kroger community rewards info".

Step 6: Your Plus Card number will appear - click "save changes"

Step 7: Your name & address will appear - click "save changes"

Step 8: Find our organization - type **81790** in the box; click search.

Step 9: Choose Columbus Sail & Power Squadron; click "save changes".

Step 10: You are now registered!!!!

You must register each card you have within your family. After registering, please look at your receipt on your next visit. It should say Columbus Sail & Power Squadron at the bottom of your receipt. If it does not, please visit the customer service desk. If you encounter any problems or do not have internet access, contact Tracy Garrett at 614-488-4758 to register.

Don't forget your necktie!

D/29 Fall Conference Findlay Inn, 13-15 Nov



Friday night will be an **"Ugly Necktie"** competition so start watching those yard sales or check your closets for a real winner.

D/29 Fall 2009 Conference will be held at the Findlay Inn & Conference, 200 E Main Cross St., November 13-15. **Call 1-800-825-1455 to book your room at \$75 + tax per night.** Use code "SQUAD" for this special rate. Don't delay - reserve your room today!! Continental breakfast included.

Saturday meal package is \$42 for lunch & dinner per person if paid before 10-31 and \$50 if paid 11-1 or later. No reservations accepted after 11-8. Dinner choices:

Chicken Bordelaise – Roasted chicken breast served with roasted vegetable and button mushroom Bordelaise sauce.

Bourbon Glazed Salmon – Fresh salmon marinated in bourbon sauce and char grilled to perfection.

Medallions of Pork – Grilled center cut tenderloin of pork, topped with a brandy apple glaze.

Conference registration (no charge) and meal package payments can be made by check, Visa or Mastercard to: P/V/C Douglas Kerr, 450 Snow Trail Drive, Findlay, OH 45840 -- dougkerr@woh.rr.com

Registration forms available on the D-29 webpage. Book rooms and meals before 1 November for the best rate. Lets all **"Tie One On"** in Findlay through educational seminars, friends and entertainment.

Madness on the Muskingum

July 10-12 was a great weekend to take a ride on the Muskingum River. Five boats carrying 13 people left McConnellsville for the 30 mile trip downriver with clear skies and calm waters. The river's manually-operated locks, recognized as one of America's great engineering accomplishments, are similar to those built throughout the United States before the turn of the century. Our group travelled through six of the river's 10 locks before arriving in Marietta.

After checking into our dockside hotel, we headed downtown to join the festivities of the Marietta Riverfront Roar. Bands were playing at the two music stages set up on the Levee. The streets were lined with the Formula 2 & 3 boats just waiting for the start of Saturday's races on the Ohio River. These small boats use more than 180 spark plugs, run on pump gas, accelerate from 0 to 100 MPH in under six seconds and reach top speeds of 115 MPH.

Saturday the streets were filled with a reported 31,000 people, food vendors and race boats moving to the water's edge. The Pioneer Corvette Association Car Show had over 125 entries while using 2 city blocks to view everything from an Audi to a Volkswagon. Steve Smith went down memory lane after seeing his little red beetle that he used to pick Debbie up in for a date. Debbie did not remember the car – she must have only had eyes for the driver. Afternoon



It takes two to lock through — Jim & Ruthie will show us how.



The Stockport Mill Inn at lock #6 offers 14 guest rooms overlooking the river and a banquet facility.

rains cut the races short so everyone headed to the local microbrewery for some food and suds.

Sunday was a pleasant but warm day to head back up river. Everyone loaded successfully and headed back to Columbus.

Tom Doyle took one on the chin with a misfortune involving wheel bearings. This resulted in several trips back to McConnellsville throughout the week for parts and to retrieve his boat.



Racing on the Ohio River at 115 MPH.



Pilot: Magic Mike trying to snag himself a free ride.



The drinking will continue until Morale improves.



Tom Doyle's unconventional launch method. But hey, whatever floats your boat!?!



On September 15, 2009 the Sea Gals had a wonderful time at Casa Patron. There were 36 members who joined us for an evening of friendship and GREAT food on the patio. The weather was perfect!! We all felt like we were on vacation. Tom Morehouse won the 50/50. Dave Ehrbar crushed his glass of water as if it was an empty soda (?) can. You had to have been there.

Sea Gals' next event will be a Halloween Party to be held at Barb & Ron Hupman's on Saturday, October 10th. It will be at their Buckeye Lake home rain or shine. The evening will

be filled with surprises and everyone is asked to dress like their favorite Nautical Hero. Prizes will be given for the best costume. Dinner will be provided, but please bring your own beverages. Details will follow. For a good time call: Joyce Mattis 761-8819 or email Mary Lauer mlauer@orta.org ; Mary Card 777-9595. Please RSVP by Oct. 5th.

Mary Lauer/Joyce Mattis
Co-commanders

Scenes from the September Meeting



*Chef Dave on a break
after grilling.*



Karen Snyder accepting new member pin.



*Murphy's guest Peter Dohm chatting with
Matt and Debbie's son Gage*



Great turnout for September!

*Below: P/C Don Deleweese and Lt Angie
taking a break after grilling at "Murphy's
Bar" with Robert Stephens, Cdr Prior, Karen
Snyder and P/C Harold Beidel.*





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