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General Membership Meeting

Tuesday, September 02, @ 1900 **Brevard Veterans Center** 400 Sykes Creek Pkwy. Merritt Island, FL

Monthly Speaker

Captain Rick Rescott of Port Canaveral Sea Tow will provide boating knowledge relative to "driving (?)" and operating vessels, and the results/mishaps of not having or utilizing good boating skills. In addition, he will provide some insight about the ongoing collaboration amongst USPS, Coast Guard Auxillary and Sea Tow to promote safe boating.

ATTENTION ON DECK

We recently received resignations from Jim Green (Admin. Officer) and Carolyn Green (Asst Secretary) whom are committed to full time care of extremely ill parents. However, we are fortunate that Kermit and Susan Forbes have agreed to assume the vacant positions. Kermit is a P/C of a squadron in Pennsylvania and Susan was inducted as a new member during the August membership meeting. Kermit will assume role of Admin. Officer and Susan will assume the Assistant Secretary position. Our special thanks goes to this fine husband and wife team.

Permanent rules will be voted on at the Sept. membership meeting. Copies of the permanent rules were passed out at the August membership meeting and will also be available at the Sept. meeting.

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We welcome comments, boating stories and any articles of interest you'd like to submit...

E:Mail an <u>Attachment</u> to debra.burleson@yahoo.com

AT THE HELM

Commander J. P. Longway III, P



As we are closing in on ending "the dog days of summer" we need to be vigilant in preparing and monitoring for hurricanes. We were fortunate at July's General Membership meeting, when a scheduled speaker was a "no show". One of our new members who was sworn in that night, agreed to provide an "off the cuff" presentation on preparing/mooring your boat(s) in anticipation of a pending hurricane or tropical storm. Our thanks to a newly installed member Ken Charles, who is the Dock Master at the Cocoa Village Marina. He's off to a good start for achieving a Merit Mark for this year.

The next scheduled educational session for members is the Seamanship Course to kick-off on Monday, 25 August at Wuesthoff Hospital. See the details in P/D/C Fred Adame's SEO Report. The instructors for this course are Lt's Bob & Adrianne Goldstein. Both are AP's, and are exceptionally seasoned sailors. For those of you that still need to take Seamanship, please take advantage of being taught by these two members, who will share their many real life experiences throughout the course. Much appreciation for Fred's efforts and his band of Instructors for keeping boating knowledge at the forefront of the Squadron's mission.

Special congratulations to P/D/C Dick Schnoor, SN for being chosen as our Squadron's candidate for the "Chapman Award", which is awarded to five winners who National determines as the outstanding instructors in the USPS.

Thanks to Lt Doris Valentine for coordinating the effort to ensure a pleasant, fun-filled and rewarding (for some) day on the Sun Cruz Casino Cruise. Approximately 30 participants had a great time on a beautiful day at sea. In addition, thanks to P/C Duane Balkema, AP for facilitating the Squadron Rendezvous at the Sunset Grill . We had close to forty members attend, which required us to position the tables in a "Domino" arrangement to accommodate the many members that kept coming. Thanks to all those members who continuously support our courses, activities and events.

As you will see throughout this issue, the Calendar of Coming Events & flyers identify a number of boating & socials events, invites to Banana River Squadron's gatherings, and the D23 Fall Conference in Daytona Beach. Please take time to schedule to attend, participate and enjoy by supporting the efforts of others.

Please note that a "Request" from the D23 Commander is included in this issue and will be distributed via E:Mail, addressing the need to assist Orlando's Squadron to prevent them from disbanding. I will address this request more in the future. Please give it due consideration if you are willing, able and available. Thanks in advance.

Peace (V)

EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT Lt/C Lance H. VandeBerg, P



Our vessel examiners have completed 163 inspections so far this year. We have purchased some examiner hats and badges to help promote this important function.

Life vests (PFD's) are available through our squadron at wholesale prices, courtesy of Bill Bickerstaff. All types are available. Savings should be 15-20% off retail prices. For more information or how to order call me at 321-456-5799.

The USPS District 23, 2008 Fall conference will be held in Daytona Beach at the Holiday Inn Oceanfront Resort on October 10-12th. The event rate is \$89 and \$99 +12.5% tax. However, if you pay directly to DBSPS by Sept. 19, you can avoid paying the tax. For reservations call 386-255-5494 or a mail-in reservation form is available in this issue.

SEO REPORT P/D/C Fred P. Adame, SN



The current big news is our Seamanship Course which is scheduled to begin on or about Monday, 25 August, at Wuesthoff Hospital in the cafeteria meeting room. Seamanship is the basic, starting course of the Power Squadrons' Advanced Grades. It's the course everyone ought to have under their life belt, whether they own a boat or not. Why do I say this? It's because our primary purpose is to be an educational organization with a core of knowledge about recreational boat handling and navigation. We need this to be able to pass it on to the public in the interest of making them safer boat operators.

The instructors for the course are Bob and Adrianne Goldstein, both AP's, who have just returned from their third trip to the Abacos in the Bahamas. I've sailed with them aboard their ketch *Restless* and they certainly know their Seamanship. They've sailed Long Island Sound, the waters off Cape Cod, the ICW from Virginia to the Florida Keys and chartered in the Virgin Islands. Bob has his Coast Guard unlimited passenger carrying license since 1980 and also a 100 ton Merchant Marine license.

The course costs \$10 per student plus the cost of the book which is \$37.10 and can be shared. But, and this is something new, if you pass the course, the Squadron will reimburse you for the cost of the text. That means the net cost to you would be only \$12.10. Pretty cheap for a 10 week course where you'll enjoy hearing Bob and Adrian's stories, drink free coffee with your fellow members and learn how to be a better seaman and boat handler. It may not be too late to sign up. Just give me a call at 635-9455.

The next boating class will start on Wednesday, 1 October, at Cape Canaveral Hospital. It looks like we will be teaching what's know as *The Squadron Boating Course* as an interim measure while we await the new 3rd edition of *America's Boating Course* which will be available in the spring. If you've never been involved with putting on one of our boating classes, I urge you to get involved. You can serve as an instructor, a table proctor, sales assistant or even help lug material out to John's car. And, if you came, you qualify to go out for ice cream at Steak 'n Shake afterward. P/C John Mulkey, P, is the Chairman of the Local Board for Boating, and would welcome a call from you at 633-0094.

Our squadron has nominated P/D/C Dick Schnoor, SN, as the squadron's candidate for the Charles F. Chapman Award. Chapman was one of the Founding Fathers of USPS and was the original publisher of the text that bears his name. Five of these awards are presented each year to five outstanding instructors in USPS. The District Educational Officer picks the nominee from each district. The five national winners each receive an LCD projector for their squadron. We have collected letters of support from recent students and we hope these will help Dick win one of the National Awards which he well deserves.

Finally, some late breaking news. We now have another graduate of Dick Schnoor's Weather Course. I just got word that Clay Bernichon, P, has passed the course, and with flying colors – a perfect course. Congratulations and a "well done" to Clay.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Lt/C Marilyn Flanigan, P



Members of CBSPS:

In accordance to the USPS "Checklist for Ammending Squadron by-laws" date June 2005 and our recently approved by-laws, Section 17.3, state the squadron Secretary must notify the membership that by-laws have been approved and the effective date. "This is to inform all members that as Mate: Kermit of 25 March 2008 USPS approved our new by-laws Lazy Susan VI and our name change to include "Sail." There is no requirement to provide all members a copy of the by-laws, however, if a member requests a copy, it will be provided. It should be noted that a copy is now available to view on the Squadron's website at www.cbsps.com.

As you were told at the 5 August meeting, Lt Carolyn Green, P had to resign as Asst. Secretary to care for her Mother who is very ill. I'm very glad to announce that new member Susan Forbes has consented to being our new Asst. Secretary.

Here are the latest roster changes:

NEW MEMBERS

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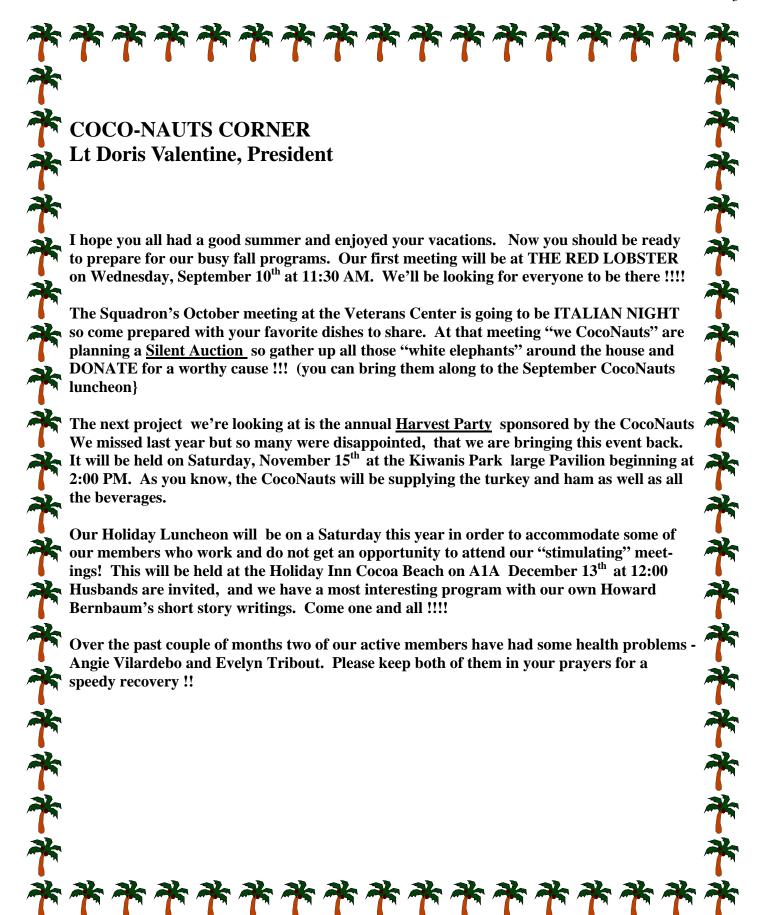
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Linda Granger, S 321-730-5632 (new) 321-455-6064 (delete)

Don Frischman (321-242-4597) from the BRSPS is hosting and unlimited champagne brunch, Sept. 28 11a-2p Suntree Country Club Grille Room. Reservation deadline is Sept. 23.

> **Adults \$25 Children \$12.50** Make payment to: **BRSPS** % Don Frishman 75 Nicklaus Dr. Melbourne, FL 32940







Galaxy 23

From the District Bridge D/Lt/C Robert C. Flint, AP Treasurer

They say Spring is the time for renewal but for the United States Power Squadrons its Summer. That's right. For a majority of our members annual dues were due in June. As Treasurers we have access to USPS Headquarter's reports identifying those that have paid and those that are past due. We also get reports on who is due next month (for Headquarters billing). Use these valuable reports to help your Bridge make contact with the "stragglers." Some people just need a reminder of the past due bill while others need to be reminded of the benefits of membership such as social comradery, planned cruises, interesting general meetings, unparalleled education courses. For whatever reason they joined we on our Squadron and District Bridge, as well as fellow members, need to ensure we are meeting the needs and expectations of these stragglers. If not, why not.

The beginning of September will see several of the District heading to Detroit for the USPS Fall Governing Board. This is a great opportunity to participate in the management of USPS and assist on steering the helm of the organization on a true and straight course. You don't have to be an officer to attend. It is open to all members and is a great way to get a true understanding of how our organization operates.. It is also another place to meet old friends and make new ones from all over the country.

We on the District Bridge are here to manage the District and educate our Squadrons. Our next opportunity for a face to face meeting is the Fall Conference to be held 10 - 12 October at the Holiday Inn Ocean Front in Daytona. With Daytona Beach Squadron as our hosts you know it will be a party weekend with a touch of business thrown in on Saturday. The theme for the weekend will be the Fabulous 60's. Friday's hospitality suite and "Love and Peace" party will help renew old friendships and form many new ones. See the flyer elsewhere in this publication. On Saturday we'll test the management skills of our Bridge by providing the latest information on USPS policy and direction through our Department Meetings as well as Council and Conference. Be there and be involved. Don't be part of the problem, be part of the solution.

Membership continues to be an issue with our organization. We are competing with the many activities our prolific society offers each and every one of us. We must balance our time between our jobs, our families and our recreational activities. What other organization allows you to combine recreational activities, family activities, educational opportunities and giving back to society through community support? USPS does all this and more. But you have to be a participant, not an observer, to take advantage of all these opportunities. Considering the minimal price for membership, USPS gives more "bang for the buck." Take advantage; be a Member; be invloved.



Dick Leatherman, SN Commander D23

To All D23 Personnel:

On 08/08/08, I met with Cdr Linda Brummet, AP about the status of the Orlando squadron. The situation is as follows: Of 33 members, only about 10 are still active. The remainder are basically inactive due to advanced age. The Orlando bridge positions are either unfilled or staffed by a couple of "don't give up the ship" individuals. Most all of the committee positions are unfilled.

Cdr Brummet has asked me to announce the following plan in an attempt to save the squadron from disbanding. Specifically, she is requesting some ambitious members of neighboring squadrons to transfer to the Orlando squadron for about 2 years for the purpose of serving on the Orlando bridge. Hopefully, within 2 years there would be sufficient new members to carry on squadron functions without external assistance. The Orlando squadron has served their area, which has a multitude of boating lakes since 1957. Dissolution of this squadron would be a significant disservice to the residents of Orlando and its suburbs.

Therefore, I am asking all D23 Cdrs to forward Cdr Brummet's plan to your members. Interested persons should contact Cdr Brummet at BrummetL@bellsouth.net or call 407-298-1229 H/407-493-0363 C

Please give this request your immediate attention. I would like to have this issue resolved prior to D23's Fall Conference on Oct. 11.

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For Information contact Lt Doris Valentine





check website (cbsps.com) or e-mail for updates

AUGUST:

- 25 - Monday, 1900, Seamanship Course, Wuesthoff Hospital Cafeteria Meeting Room

26 - Tuesday, 1830, CBSPS Executive Board Meeting- Merritt Island Library

SEPTEMBER:

- 02 Tuesday, 1900, CBSPS General Membership Meeting Brevard Veterans Center
- 03-07 Wednesday Sunday, USPS Governing Board, Detroit Michigan
- 6 06 -Saturday 1130 BRS&PS End of Summer Cook-out @ Pelican Bch Park, Satellite Bch
- 10 Wednesday, 1130 CocoNauts Luncheon @ Red Lobster, Merritt Island
- 20 Saturday, Squadron Rendezvous at Conch Key Grill
- 23 Tuesday, 1830, Executive Board Meeting Merritt Island Library
- 28 -Sunday, 11-2, BRSPS Brunch Suntree Country Club Grille Room

OCTOBER:

- **≥ 01 Wednesday, 1900, Boat Smart Course Cape Canaveral Hospital**
- 07 Tuesday, 1800, CBSPS General Membership Mtg, Italian Nite & CocoNauts Silent Auction
- 08 Wednesday, 1130, CocoNauts Luncheon St David's by the Sea, Cocoa Beach
- 10-12 D23 Fall Conference Holiday Inn Ocean Front Resort, Daytona Beach
- 22 Wednesday, 1900, Boat Smart Course Exam—Cape Canaveral Hospital

NOVEMBER:

- 07 Friday, 1900, CBSPS General Membership Meeting Brevard Veterans Center
- 12 Wednesday, 1130 CocoNauts Luncheon Moose Lodge Merritt Island
- 15 Saturday, 1400, Harvest Party Kiwanis Park Merritt Island (large pavilion)
- 22 Saturday, CBSPS Rendezvous- Old Florida Grill in Frontenac
- 25 Tuesday, 1830, CBSPS Executive Board Meeting—Merritt Island Library

- DECEMBER:

- 02 Tuesday, 1900, CBSPS General Membership Meeting Brevard Veterans Center
- 06 Saturday, Cocoa Beach Land Parade (Float)
- 6 07 Sunday, 1700 CBSPS Christmas Party—Rockledge Country Club
- 13 Saturday, 1200 CocoNauts Holiday Luncheon Buffet, Cocoa Beach Holiday Inn

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Boating Committee Report

By P/C Duane L. Balkema, AP

Hi members! We had a really nice turnout for our Saturday, July 19th Squadron <u>Cruise to Sunset Café on Banana River</u>. Thanks to all who attended. We had a great time, note the pictures.

Our next outing, <u>Cruise to Conch Key Grill is planned for Saturday the 20th of September</u>. It is a waterfront place (about 3 feet of water depth at dock) and you can come by land yacht. It is at 6533 S. Hwy 1, Rockledge or 1.8 miles North of the Pineda Causeway. I would like a count by/at the next meeting. Lets have a good turnout. Also put Saturday, the 22nd of November at Old Florida Grill in Frontenac on your calendar.



BLOOD DONATION

The next blood donation will be on 17 September @ 0900 at the Blood Center on US Hwy. #1. All donations are appreciated!!!!





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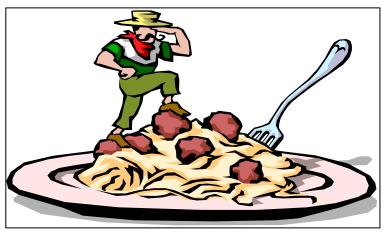
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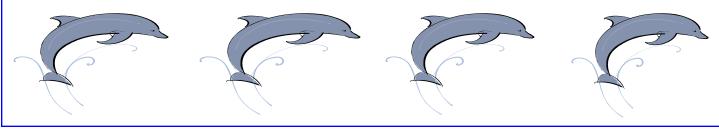
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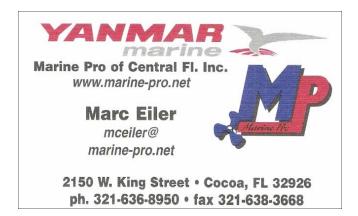
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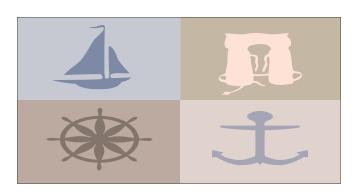


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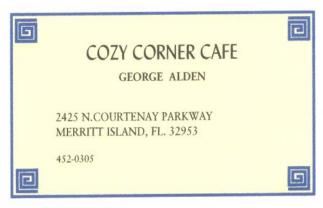












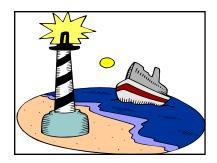


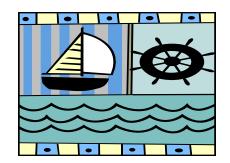






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