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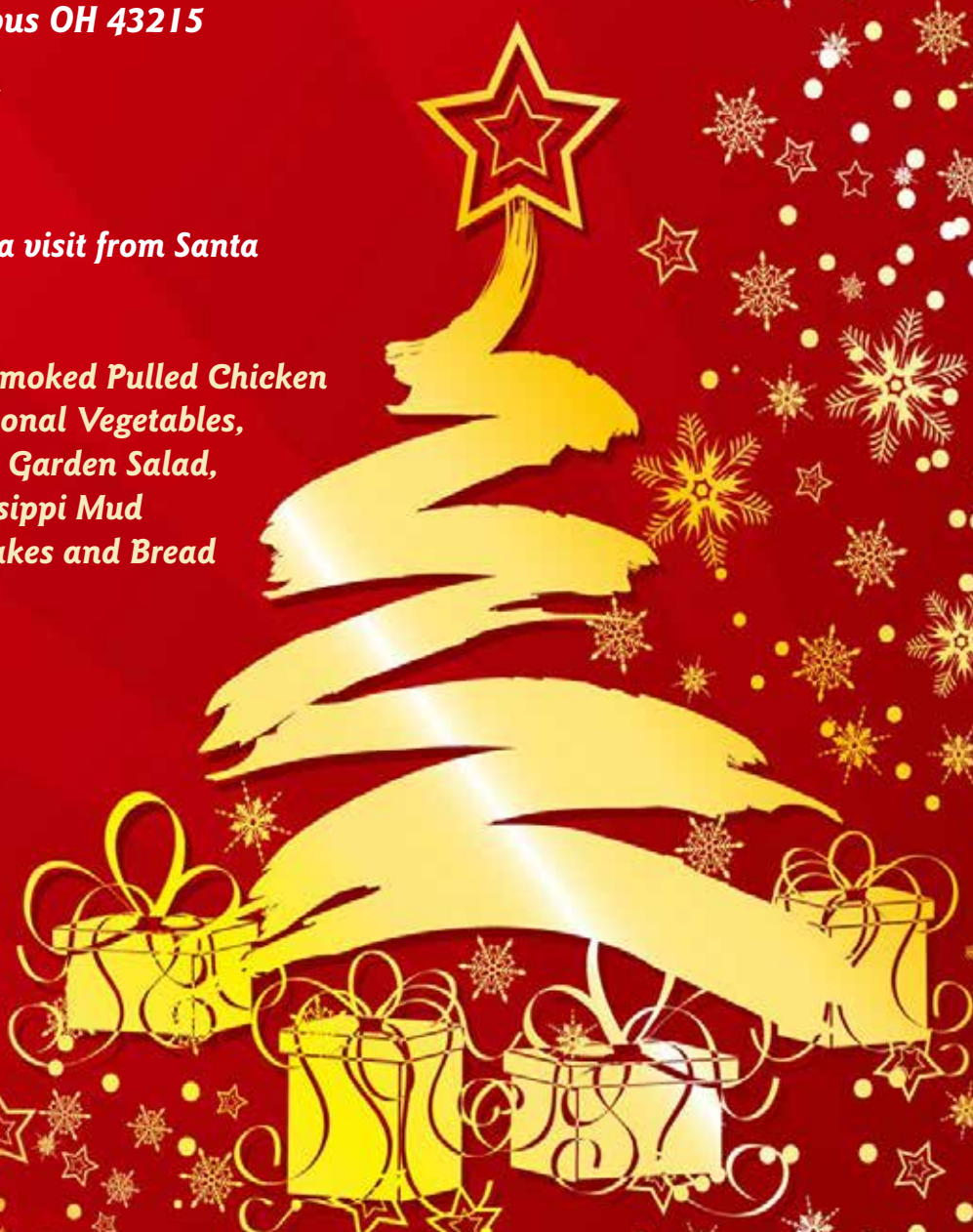
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## CALENDAR of COMING EVENTS

### DECEMBER

4	Friday	CSPS Christmas Party - Barley's Smokehouse - Dublin Rd.
5	Saturday	Toledo Christmas Party
6	Sunday	Ft Wayne Christmas Party
8	Tuesday	January <i>Galley Gossip</i> articles due
11	Friday	SeaGals Christmas Party at Williams' home
12	Saturday	Lima/Findlay combined Christmas Party
13	Sunday	Sandusky/Pt Clinton combined Christmas Party
14	Monday	ABC Prep meeting @ HQ 7-8:30pm
15	Tuesday	CSPS Executive Committee Meeting

### JANUARY 2016

7	Thursday	Set up for Boat Show
7	Thursday	Dinner Meeting and Elections
8-17	Fri.-Sun.	Columbus Boat & RV Show (closed M-T)
9	Saturday	Ft Wayne Change of Watch
10	Sunday	Toledo Change of Watch
11	Monday	February <i>Galley Gossip</i> articles due
26	Tuesday	Executive Committee Meeting @ Headquarters 7-9pm
30	Saturday	America's Boating Course Class #1 8am-2pm
30	Saturday	Findlay PS Change of Watch
31	Sunday	Sandusky PS Change of Watch

### February

5	Friday	Columbus SPS Change of Watch
6	Saturday	America's Boating Course Class #2 8am-2pm

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## COMMANDER'S MESSAGE

Cdr John Seaver, JN



As I write this we are just past Veterans' Day and a terrorist attack in France. Our thoughts and prayers go out to those affected by the events in France and to the families of all the Veterans who didn't come home. I also want to express our gratitude to our Veterans who served – and to those who continue to serve ours and other squadrons nationwide.

Our Squadron also suffered the loss of P/D/C Ralph Behner this week, AKA Father Neptune, who joins a long list of dearly departed members this year. Our thoughts and prayers go out to his family. Ralph was a special guy with varied interests including Studebakers, where he was an active participant in The Ohio Region Chapter Studebaker Drivers Club. Ralph was a member of the Columbus to Marion and back to Columbus Power Squadrons. He was elected and served as the last Commander of the Marion Squadron prior to their merger with Columbus this past year.

I had the privilege of attending the District 29 Conference last weekend in Ada. Ft. Wayne was an excellent host and the district team put together a great meeting. One of the sessions that I was really looking forward to attending was the updated Cooperative Charting Program, which now allows us land-locked members in central Ohio to get in on the game. Cooperative Charting is the program of civic service performed by the USPS in cooperation with the National Ocean Service and NOAA. Within this program, we supply information and corrections to nautical charts, small craft charts, Coast Pilot publications, depth surveys, tidal currents and related documents. It is clear that those are very limited options for us in this area until now!

The Geodetic Mark Recovery Program is now available



for land-lubber participation and another way we can give back. Geodetic Markers are highly accurate reference points established on the surface of the earth by local, state, and national agencies. Maintenance and preservation of these marks is of utmost importance to the National Geodetic Survey (NGS) realizing that many valuable geodetic marks are destroyed by construction, new

roads, erosion, or for other causes. Our job is to locate each of these marks and report their condition together with any change in the directions needed to locate them. Sounds like a nice 'outing' for us to get some exercise in the great outdoors this winter while the poison ivy and bugs are dormant. Anyone for a nice coordinated hike and mark checking? Let me know.



## EXECUTIVE OFFICER

L/C Julie Mohrman, AP



It is hard to believe but the holidays are upon us. So does this mean we are half way to next year's boating season? Well maybe but not quite. I like to think of myself as a "glass half full" kind of gal. Our boating season is over and our boats are buttoned up and stored for another winter's sleep. However, Bill and I are looking forward to the many activities, Christmas parties, boat show and ABC Class that we will be attending and assisting with. Before you know it, spring will be here!

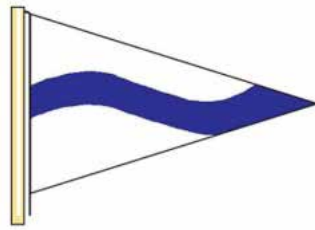
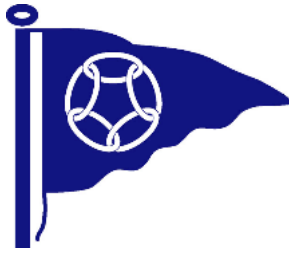


In November, Bill and I attended the District 29 Fall Conference at Ohio Northern University in Ada, Ohio. It was hosted by the Fort Wayne Squadron. We had a great turnout from our Columbus Squadron, with four "First Timers" attending from Columbus – the Kubinski's and the Duff's. Thanks for your attendance and support!

As always the hospitality and the food were excellent. D/E/O our own Bob Rayburn, SN had a wonderful slate of seminars throughout the day, which I took advantage of. I sat in on the Changes in Cooperative Charting, given by P/C Don Stein, JN and also Using Technology to Support your Squadron, given by D/Lt/C Jason Snook, SN. Our own Commander John Seaver, SN gave the "Tech Soup" portion of the seminar. Job well done Commander!

Just after Christmas, we are onto the boat show in January. Please, please we will be needing your help manning the CSPA booth. Our Squadron is only as strong as our membership. So please, think about donating a couple of hours of your time to help the squadron spread the word. You will get into the boat shows for free. Not a bad deal, get away from the snow and cold and put your mind into somewhere warm... So look for Bill's emails on how to sign up for the boat show.

Have a safe, happy and healthy holiday season! All the best to you and your families, and think thoughts of boating on warm seas!



## Great Lakes Cruising Club and Cruising Club of America Collaborate on Safety for Cruising Couples Training Initiative

The Great Lakes Cruising Club (GLCC) is pleased to announce a new collaboration with the Cruising Club of America (CCA) to help make its “*Safety for Cruising Couples*” seminar more widely and very affordably available over the internet.

Speaking to that new collaboration, CCA Commodore Tad Lhamon stated “The Cruising Club of America is delighted to support the Great Lakes Cruising Club’s offering of the Safety for Cruising Couples webinar. This is a win-win for both clubs. The CCA strongly supports making safe approaches to boating - especially short-handed cruisers - available to the wide audiences of the GLCC webinars.”

GLCC Commodore Niels R. Jensen concurred, stating “As most other boating organizations, the GLCC is focused on helping couples and short-handed crews safely enjoy their cruising experience. We’re particularly pleased to collaborate with the prestigious Cruising Club of America on this impor-

tant safety initiative.”

To register for this and other upcoming webinars visit [www.GLCCSchool.com](http://www.GLCCSchool.com) and click “Upcoming Classes” or “Recordings” to view the various webinars presently available for registration. To register for a class you must first enroll in GLCCSchool, a simple and free process of clicking “Free Enrollment” at the top of the screen. If you can’t make a scheduled live webinar there are opportunities to view and even register for a recording of the live event on demand after initial live broadcast.

GLCCSchool classes are taught by industry specialists and GLCC-accredited sail or power boating colleagues, and cover everything from weather to maintenance, provisioning to navigation, safe boating to anchoring techniques, regional cruising guides to locking skills ... and more. Each of these classes is easily accessible from your home computer or tablet. Several new instructors have joined the GLCCSchool faculty in support of its recently expanded offerings. For example, long time pacific coast cruisers, authors and seminar speakers Robert and Virginia Gleser are bringing their popular “Living and Working Together on a Boat 24X7” to GLCCSchool this season. Check the GLCCSchool.com web site for more information on this and other new and refreshed classes.

GLCCSchool sessions typically run 60-90 minutes. On average webinar registration is only \$20.00, discounted to \$15.00 for current Great Lakes Cruising Club (GLCC), United States Power Squadron (USPS) and Canadian Power and Sail Squadron (CPS) members. Selected webinars like the above-referenced Safety for Cruising Couples webinar are further discounted for all registrants.

GLCCSchool is an offering of the Great Lakes Cruising Club, a non-profit organization of roughly 2500 US and Canadian members dedicated to encouraging recreational boaters to safely explore our five beautiful Great Lakes and connecting waterways. The club’s business offices are located at 405 Water Street, Suite 101, Port Huron, MI 48060-5469 USA. For more information click [www.glccclub.com](http://www.glccclub.com).

The Cruising Club of America is dedicated to offshore cruising, voyaging and the “adventurous use of the sea” through efforts to improve seamanship, the design of seaworthy yachts, safe yachting procedures and environmental awareness. Founded in 1922, the Club has 11 stations throughout the U.S., Canada and Bermuda, with approximately 1300 members who are qualified by their experience in offshore passage making. For more information on the CCA, go to <http://www.cruisingclub.org>.



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Mari Seaver  
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## EDUCATIONAL OFFICER

Lt/C Marielle Seaver, S



Mark your calendar 12/14/15 – ABC preparation meeting at HQ at 7:00-8:30 pm. We will discuss what we plan to do this year, the layout of the building and the classroom, who will teach what and more. If you are an instructor, please attend.

Congratulations to the student who recently passed the following course:

### Navigation – Sight Folder

★ John Seaver (Earned the grade of SN) HooRah!!!

### Courses coming soon:

#### Marine Communications

Date & Time: Wednesdays 7-9 pm, Jan 20 - Mar 9, 2016 (8 weeks)

Member cost: \$65.00 - Non-member cost: \$95.00

Course Covers:

- Radio History and Frequency Spectrum
- Definitions of Radio Circuits
- Global Maritime Distress and Safety Systems (GMDSS)
- FCC Rules and Regulations
- High Seas Radio (MF / HF and Satellite Communications)
- Troubleshooting of Radio Systems

Location: 8492 Cotter Street Lewis Center, OH 43035

#### America's Boating Course (ABC)

Date & Time: Saturdays Jan 30 - Feb 13, 2016 (3 weeks), 8 am - 2 pm (Lunch provided).

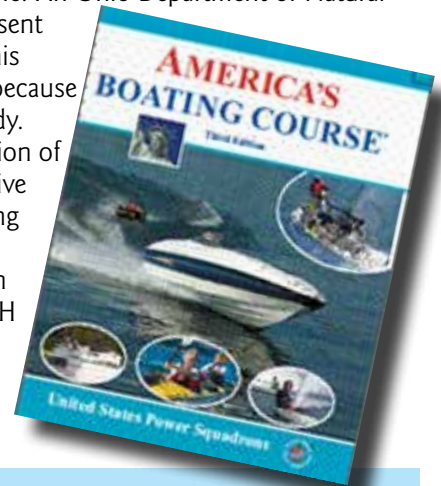
Cost: Instruction is free, class materials and supplemental



charting and plotting materials are \$50. Also: ABC3 students may attend the How to Use a Chart seminar on Feb 21st from 8:00 am to 2:00 pm for free (lunch also included)! Learn the fundamentals of safe boat handling and operation plus basic piloting in this comprehensive classroom course.

This newly revised course will give you the basics of line throwing, knot tying, boat handling, anchoring, navigation rules and aids, emergencies on the water and more. Instructors have many years of boating experience shared between inland waters and Lake Erie. An Ohio Department of Natural Resources officer will present Ohio laws and rules. This course is recommended because of its detailed course study. With successful completion of our ABC course you receive a certificate of safe boating from the State of Ohio.

Location: 3232 Indian Village Rd, Columbus, OH 43221



## 2015-16 Educational Courses

The following classes are planned for the education season beginning in September. Please watch the web site ([www.columbussailandpower.org](http://www.columbussailandpower.org)) for the updates and register early and often. We have a great line up for the coming year. Weekday classes and seminars begin at 7pm at the Columbus Sail and Power Squadron located at 8492 Cotter St Lewis Center OH 43035. Weekend classes and seminars will have times listed. Please arrive 15 minutes early on your first night to complete the registration process.

### CLASS LINE UP

Marine Communications (Lowe)	Wednesdays 1/20 – 3/9	member \$65/non-member \$95
America's Boating Course (various)	Saturdays 1/30 – 2/13	\$50; includes lunch; location/hours TBD
Advanced Piloting (Rayburn/Lowe)	Mondays 2/1 – 4/4	member \$70/non-member \$100
Sail (Spilke/Jackson)	Tuesdays 2/2 – 5/3	member \$60/non-member \$90
Cruise Planning (Carr-Jackson)	Mondays 3/7 – 5/9	member \$50/non-member \$80
Navigation (Hankle)	Wednesdays 3/16 – 6/1	member \$175/non-member \$205
Seamanship (Hudson/various)	Tuesdays 3/22 – 5/17	member \$55/non-member \$85
Electronics Navig. (Lowe/Mohrman)	Wednesdays 3/23 – 5/11	member \$65/non-member \$95

### SEMINAR LINE UP

Instructor Recertification (Rayburn)	Thursday 1/21	FREE – valid for a 4-year period
Emergencies Onboard (Lowe)	Thursday 2/4	\$20 per person
Charting (Rayburn/Jackson)	Saturday 2/20	\$50 – FREE to all registered ABC students location/hours TBD
Crossing Borders (Lowe)	Thursday 3/10	\$20 per person
Trailering and trailer tune-up (Hughes & Mohrman)	Saturday 5/14	\$50 per couple/\$30 individual; lunch included; time/location TBD





**Columbus Sail and Power Squadron  
Minutes of the Executive Committee  
27 October 2015**

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

Cdr John Seaver, JN called the meeting to order at 1900 at the Squadron headquarters, 8492 Cotter Street, Lewis Center, OH.

The invocation was given by Lt Mary Rayburn, S and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by X/O Lt/C Julie Mohrman, AP.

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

The following Executive Committee members were present: Cdr John Seaver, JN; Executive Officer Lt/C Julie Mohrman, AP; Administrative Officer Lt/C John McCarty, AP; Education Officer Lt/C Mari Seaver; Secretary Lt/C Ron Hupman, S; Treasurer Lt/C Edward Mack, N; P/C Larry Lowe, SN; Lt Mary Rayburn, S; Lt Bob Goelz, S; Lt Scott Shaw

Also present: P/C William Mohrman, AP; P/C David Canale, P; P/C Michael S. Hughes, JN; P/C Phil Osborne; P/C Tom Norman, P; P/C Bob Rayburn, SN; D/C Bill Lehner, SN; Lt Tracy Garrett, S; Lt Michael T Hughes, AP.

The minutes from the September meeting were approved.

**Commander John Seaver, JN:**

- Movement of the Tech Committee to the Secretary from Commander – No motion required, this is at the commander's discretion
- Merit Marks – Get them turned in to P/C Don Delewese, SN & P/C Bob Van der Wissel, AP
- District Survey results for Columbus/Marion– District Commander, William Lehner – copies of the survey results were passed out and highlights briefly discussed.
- Dick's/Field and Stream – Polaris. I met with the rep who controls the room and we had a good discussion. They are interested in co-sponsoring a paddle seminar with vendors for Kayak and SUP's.

**Squadron Education Officer Lt/C Mari Seaver**

Awaiting the signs to go up on our Adopt-A-Highway area. An email will be sent about the initial pickup. The Roberts Rules seminar was excellent. Operations Training seminar by Bob Rayburn will be Monday 11/2.

**Executive Officer Lt/C Julie Mohrman, AP:**

- Annual Fund Raiser for Columbus Sail & Power Squadron
- Raffle a \$500 gift certificate from the Store of the winner's choice.
  - Raffle tickets will be sold at the upcoming Dinner meetings in November, December and January at \$5.00 ea. or 6 for \$20.00 Drawing for the winner will be held at the January 2016 Election meeting. Winner need not be present a drawing.
  - 2016 Boat Show
  - Report/Update will be given by P/C Bill Mohrman, AP –



- Outreach
- This report will be included with the 2016 Boat Show Report

**Treasurer Lt/C Edward Mack, N:**

Financial reports were distributed and reviewed. Investments were down last month but up for the year.

**Administrative Officer Lt/C John McCarty, AP:**

The dinner meeting will be November 5 at Harry Buffalo on Sunbury Rd. in Westerville. The program will be the Bungle Jug and River Rat awards. Christmas party will be December 4 at Barley's Smokehouse in Grandview.

**Secretary Lt/C Ron Hupman, S:**

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

**Immediate Past Cdr, P/C William Mohrman, AP:**

The January boat show will be scaled back this year due to increased requests for space by paying vendors. We will share a booth with the Coast Guard Auxiliary. Some emphasis will be on paddle boating. Coastie can be there but there will be paid for the event.

**Members at Large Reports:**

- Lt Bob Goelz, S - No report  
Lt Eldon Hall Jr., AP – Absent  
Lt Michael Hudson, AP – Absent  
Lt Ruthie Kubinski, P – Absent  
P/C Larry Lowe, SN – attended the Roberts Rules seminar and was disappointed at the number of ECOM members there.  
Lt Jana Mack, S – Absent  
Lt Theresa McCarty, P – Absent  
Lt Mary Rayburn, S – Attended the D20 fall conference where they have 2 squadrons closing. Also attended the Canadian national meeting.  
Lt Scott Shaw – No report

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**General Committees:**

**Nominating Committee:** P/C Bill Mohrman, AP; P/C Tom Norman, P; P/C David Canale, P – Slate of candidates is in process.



**Audit Committee:** Lt Doug Jackson, SN; P/C Robert Prior, P; P/C Tom Norman, P – Will start work soon.

**Rules Committee:** P/C Harold Beidel, SN; P/C Bob Van der Wissel, JN, AP; Michael T. Hughes, AP – No report

## Standing Committees:

**Finance Committee:** Lt/C Ron Hupman – An email requesting budget inputs will be sent first week of Nov.

**Housing Committee:** Vacant – Need to prepare job description and operating procedures. Duties were briefly reviewed.

**Planning Committee:** P/C David Canale, P; D/C Bill Lehner, SN – David Canale reported that he has compared the National model by laws with those of the squadron and found that some sections are left out of ours. Will make recommendations at the next meeting. He has reviewed the National's document retention policy which seems adequate and not overly restrictive. There was a motion by P/C Mohrman to adopt the National's document retention policy; 2nd by Scott Shaw; passed.

**Law Officer:** P/C David Canale, P: ODNr has requested some revisions to our grant application. The youth focus seems to have been a good approach. They started scoring grant applications today.

**Merit Marks Committee:** P/C Don Delewese, SN or P/C Bob Van Der Wissel, JN - Send information as soon as possible,

**Property Officer:** P/C Michael Hughes, JN- Several items from the Marion Power Squadron have been received and inventoried. The Orange Township fire inspector wants certification of our heating system.

**Supply Officer:** Lt Julie Mohrman, AP – See X/O report

**Outreach:** Lt Julie Mohrman, AP – See X/O report.

**Sea Gals:** Cdr Martha Beidel – No report.

## Special Committees:

**Technical Committee:** Lt/C John McCarty, Lt Michael Hudson, P, Cdr John Seaver, JN- No report

**Investments Committee:** Lt/C Edward Mack, N; See treasurer's report

**Boat Shows:** P/C William Mohrman, AP – See XO report.

**Marketing:** Lt Tracy Garrett, S – The November GG will be out tomorrow. Fruit sales continue 10/19-11/4. Delivery 12/9. Need a new GG and PR person. We need to set up a meeting soon to plan next season's rendezvous.

**Roster:** Lt Douglas Jackson, SN – Absent

**Boating Activities:** Lt/C Julie Mohrman, AP: See X/O report. Next Sat. is the day to deliver boats to the Franklin County Fairgrounds for storage.

**Vessel Safety Check:** Lt John Pruitt, AP: Absent.

## Old Business:

Proposed revisions to *Galley Gossip*: No redacted marks; eliminate all phone numbers except squadron's main number; eliminate all non-alias email unless a person is willing to

advertise. Motion as to the foregoing by David Canale, 2nd by Scott Shaw. Amendment offered by Bill Mohrman to make changes apply to January GG. 2nd by Scott Shaw; amendment passed. Original motion passed.

## New Business:

Motion by Mari Seaver to buy CD of Roberts Rules of Order; 2nd by Larry Lowe; passed.

## Comments from Guests:

D/C Lehner visited P/D/C Ralph Behner in the hospital and Ralph is very appreciative of visits and cards.

## First Horizon:

Mary Rayburn's son welcomed first child on 10/2.

## Last Horizon:

None

## Sick Bay:

Perry Mohr, Tracy Garrett's nephew who lives with her, suffered a concussion.

## Announcements

Next ECOM meeting is Nov. 24

The meeting was adjourned at 2035.



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# Just Something To Think About

*This is a short rebuttal to the article Dick Sorensen wrote in the GQ a couple months ago. This is written by an unknown writer in order to avoid having the curse.*

Many years ago there was an old Indian Chief that lived in the Scioto River valley. He was known as Chief Black Cloud due to the bad luck that followed him everywhere. Wherever he went and whatever he did bad luck would follow. Much of the time a black rain cloud would follow him around from point to point. The Chief loved his birch bark canoe and enjoyed taking it out on the Scioto River for little cruises. But even a short ride in his canoe would end up in disaster as he would always hit rocks and tear the bottom out of his boat. However, he always blamed it on others. Many times he would blame his squaw back at camp who was cooking for him for hitting rocks and tearing up his boat. Chief Black Cloud had a white squaw and they raised several boys, and bad luck followed his offspring throughout the generations. It has been speculated that some of his descendants still live in the area and the curse follows them to this day.

Could it possible that one of our members is related to Chief Black Cloud? We have a member that constantly has bad luck just like Chief Black Cloud did. He has even blamed cruise organizers for his boat running onto rocks while on a cruise. Can you believe that, blaming the organizer!

On a cruise to Madison IN on the Ohio River, he had a fuel pump failure going down river. Then there was a complete shift cable failure on the return leg of the cruise. That fiasco was while trying to enter a busy lock. Michael Hughes saved him on this occasion capturing the stranded vessel in the lock and towing him to a safe harbor where one of those money grabbing mechanics hang out. Lot of good it did for him to take the Squadron's Engine Maintenance Course!

On the Trent-Severn cruise this member not only destroyed an outdrive, but also two props; not one but two props and an outdrive. Could it be due to this member's age, he cannot remember which side of the navigation markers to pass on? He should have learned this in the squadron's basic boating class, if he really took one. He is such a likable fellow that he even

talked Hank Kauffman into following him through a narrow rocky channel on that cruise. The curse hit again. How can you take all those courses to get a Navigator's certificate and still not know which side of a marker to pass on?

While at the Finger Lakes his dreadful luck hit again. His good friend Bill Lehner offered to let him be a deck hand during this cruise. You see, the infamous "Water Dog" has disappeared from sight. Bill had his boat checked out from stem to stern before leaving, and it was ready to go. The second day of the cruise Bill's motor quit and a local repair shop said it will take 3 weeks to get in the parts to fix it. Could this be the curse again?

After having a few minutes of friendly conversation with him, I took my boat out into beautiful Seneca Lake for a spin. A couple minutes after leaving shore, the boat broke a belt and become disabled. Later in the week Chief Black Cloud Jr hitched a ride on our Lima friends jet ski, the next day they had a great deal of trouble getting it started. Chief Black Cloud curses again?

One night at our group dinner, Chief Black Cloud Jr struck again. You see, the evening before in the hotel lounge, the Chief was giving a group of our women dance lessons. He told them that the "Electric Slide" was the newest dance out and proceeded to show them all the steps. One of our guests from Anchors Away Marina was sitting next to Black Cloud Jr. at dinner when a piece of meat got struck in her throat. Several of our members assisted her with the Heimlich maneuver to save her life.

This is just something to think about. A member that has so many "Bungle Jug wins he has to rent a storage container to store them. Do you think he might have a little Indian blood in him? Has tendency to blames others for his mishaps? Just draw your own conclusions of what's happening before you pull your chair up beside him at a dinner meeting. You may be his next victim.



*Dick Sorensen, the squadron's newest N, is extremely proud to finally join the elite fraternity of Navigators. He considers this accomplishment a living example of the kindness of his fellow man and not due to his intellectual mastery of the subject.*





# Ten Phrases You May Never Knew Came From Sailing

From CaptainGino.com "Life's A Breeze"

When you stop to think about it... sailing is pretty amazing. From a historical perspective, through its role in travel, trade and war, it was the absolute hinge of western civilization for hundreds of years. Through that time, sailors' slang and terminology became rooted in the English lexicon and still exists profoundly to this day. Here's a list of 10 everyday phrases that you may not have realized were born in the days when sailing made the world go round... wait... is that a nautical phrase?

## #10 "A Clean Bill of Health"

According to dictionary.com this phrase derives from the days when the crew of ocean going ships might be a little less than hygienic, so they needed to present a certificate, carried by a ship, attesting to the presence or absence of infectious diseases among the ship's crew and at the port from which it has come.

## #9 "Feeling Blue"

How often do you hear people talking about feeling blue or have the blues? An entire genre of music comes from this phrase. Who knew that came from the world of sailing? See-the-sea.org explains the popular phrase comes from a custom that was practiced when a ship lost its captain during a voyage. The ship would fly blue flags and have a blue band painted

along her hull when she returned to port.

## #8 "Pipe Down"

Parents have been screaming "pipe down" to their kids forever, but where does that actually come from? Apparently, Pipe Down was the last signal from the Bosun's pipe each day, which meant lights-out, quiet down, time to go to bed.

## #7 "Over a Barrel"

We all know when someone has you "over a barrel" things aren't going well. This saying is used all the time these days to indicate being severely compromised, but it began in the most literal way. Sailor crew would sometimes be punished for their misgivings and that involved being tied over a cannon barrel and whipped. It's no wonder that one stuck around. Yikes!

## #6 "Toe the Line"

Perhaps you've been at work and your boss has scowled at you and said, "Toe the line, or you're gone". If this has happened to you, we are sorry, that sounds like a horrible work environment. But, if you were wondering about the origins of his demand, it's an old naval expression that refers to a ship's crew who would be called to gather and form a line with their toes all touching a given seam (or line) of the deck planking.

## #5 "By and Large"

Folks say this one all the time to refer to the big picture. "By and large, USPS is the most awesome organization in existence"... something like that. This term got started on a sailboat with the word "by" meaning into the wind and "large" meaning off the wind. So sailors would say: "By and large this ship handles quite nicely."

## #4 "Loose Cannon"

Everyone has known a few people who are loose cannons – unpredictable and dangerous on some level. Not surprisingly the term comes from when a ship's cannon would come loose from its lashing. The big dangerous thing would be sliding all over the place making for some uncomfortable time on deck trying to get that bad boy back in its spot.

## #3 "A Square Meal"

People often talk about getting three "square meals" a day...what the hell is a square meal? It's actually quite simple – the wooden plates back in the days of tall ships were square.

## #2 "Hand Over Fist"

These days this phrase usually refers to making a bunch of money, although it can refer to anything happening fast and in abundance. It comes from a more literal origin – sailors would be tugging at lines as fast as they could, hand over fist, to trim sheets and raise the sails.

## #1 "Son of a Gun"

It's amazing that this phrase has lasted so long. Back in the day, as you might imagine, sailors were often less than virtuous and every once in a while a "lady friend" of a crewman might give birth to a child on the ship. A good spot for this sort of thing was between the guns on the gun deck. Now let's say this little rascal isn't claimed by any of the aforementioned sleazy sailors, this little grommet would sometimes be called a "son of a gun".

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# LAST HORIZON

## Ralph Frederick Behner

December 21, 1932 — November 12, 2015

Marion, Ohio

Ralph Frederick Behner, age 82 of Marion, passed away on Thursday, November 12, 2015 at the Riverside Methodist Hospital in Columbus.

Ralph was born on December 21, 1932 to Walter F. Behner & Iva Seitter Behner in Marion, Ohio. He graduated in 1950 from Pleasant Township High School. After meeting, while both were engineering students at Ohio State University in Columbus, he married Lois H. Molzan on December 27, 1952.

Ralph was Honorably Discharged from the Air Force ROTC in July 1953.

He worked at North American Aviation as a Structural Design Engineer. While there, he worked on: the F-86H to "beef up" the blast panel, the FJ-2,3,& 4, the T28D, the F-100F to add a 2nd seat, the A3J Vigilante, F-107, F-108, and the B-70. In 1959, Ralph began working at Pollak Steel as a mechanical engineer until being promoted to General Maintenance Supervisor. He was elected president of the Marion Area Plant Engineers in 1972. In 1973 he left the former Pollak Steel, (then Armco, now NuCor) to co-own a franchise Yamaha Dealership that also sold used cars, specializing in antique ones. Next he sold insurance for Prudential Insurance (1986-94) and Western Southern Insurance (1994-2014).

Ralph had been active in the United States Power Squadrons for over 50 years, as a Life Member & Governing Board Emeritus Member. He was the last active Charter Member of the Marion Power Squadron, served as Marion's Commander, District 29's Commander and taught Boating Safety plus more advanced classes. Ralph held Life Member status with Elks 32, 7201 VFW, The American Legion, Lighter-Than-Air Society of Akron, NRA, and the Studebaker Driver's Club, where he served as a Regional Director in the late 1970s. He belonged to the Y-Men's Service Club, Marion Civitan Club, and Lion's Club. Held offices with Big Brothers (treasurer), Junior Achievement (Advisor, Executive Director, & Board Member), AARP (President & Board Member), Marion Area



Insurance & Financial (Advisor), and the Pleasant Alumni Assoc. (President 4 times).

Due to his community service, he was awarded the Marion Star Humanitarian Award (2004) and the "Outstanding Senior" Distinction (2005). Ralph also was active in Gideon's International, serving with ministries to the prison and nursing homes; Served as Treasurer for Trinity Lutheran and also belonged to Emanuel Lutheran, Gethsemane Lutheran, and St. John's Lutheran of Marysville, before returning to Emanuel. The verse that he took to heart was Romans 8:28.

Ralph is survived by his wife of 62 years, Lois H. Behner; his four children: Sandra Michael of Las Vegas, Nevada, Debra (Jim) Kirk of Hide-A-Way Hills, Ohio, Ralph "Max" of Las Vegas, Nevada, and Michael of Delaware, Ohio; Grandfather of eight and Great-grandfather of ten. He is preceded in death by his parents.

Visitation was held on Sunday November 29, 2015 at the Denzer-Farison-Hottinger & Snyder Funeral Home, 360 East Center St., Marion from 2PM to 4PM with US Power Squadron ceremonies at 4PM; Funeral services were held Monday at Emanuel Lutheran Church, 241 South Prospect St., Marion at 10AM with Pastor Kevin Kehn officiating; Burial was held privately.

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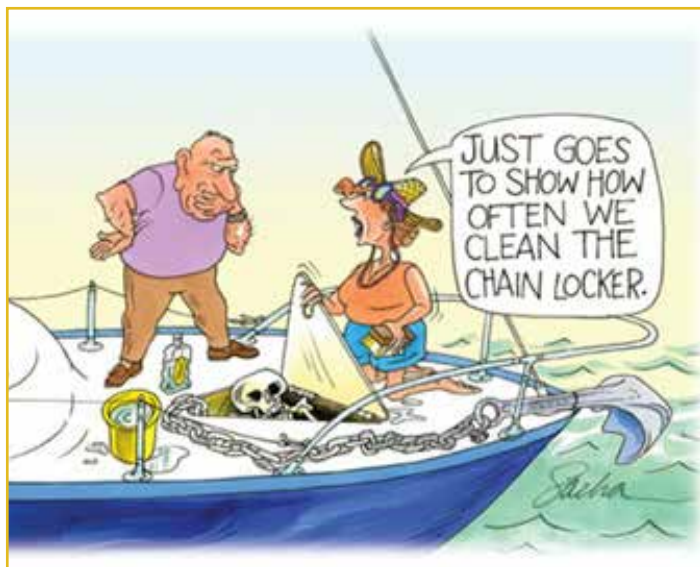
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Cost of the party is \$6.00 each to defray expenses. It's Christmas and the season of giving, so please bring an unwrapped gift for a child that we can share our bounty with those not so fortunate. We will arrange for delivering all of the gifts to Firefighters-For-Kids for the Christmas season. Please call Laura or Guy @ 486-1232 to tell them you are coming (leave a message or call in the evening) or e-mail us at dre1353@yahoo.com Let's start this holiday season with an evening of enjoyment with friends.

*The Crew.*



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Looking forward to seeing you all there.  
*The Crew*

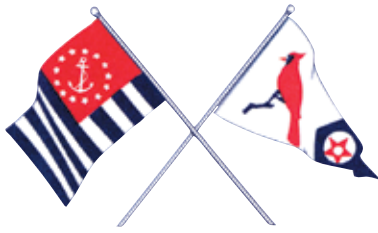
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