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## CSPS Dinner Meeting Thursday, November 7 Bogey Inn, 6013 Glick Rd, Powell, OH (614) 766-1900



6:00pm Social Time

6:30pm Dinner (earlier start!)

Attire: casual

Guest speaker will be from The Ohio Department of Natural Resources sharing information regarding Ohio waters and area projects. This event will also include the Bungle Jug and River Rat awards ceremonies and include 'tales of the sea' for this year's 'winners'.

Meal cost is \$15 for adults and \$8 for kids and will include a variety of Bogey Inn Pizzas and Appetizers.

Watch the website for the menu to be finalized.





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## CALENDAR of COMING EVENTS

### November

1-3	Fri.-Sun.	D29 Fall Conference
2	Saturday	Daylight Savings time ends
7	Thursday	Dinner Meeting
11	Monday	December <i>Galley Gossip</i> articles due
12	Tuesday	Operations Training 630pm-9pm
15	Friday	Sea Gals Craft Night 630pm
19	Tuesday	Central Ohio Safe Boating Council 6pm @ HQ
26	Tuesday	Executive Committee Meeting 7pm @ HQ

### December

5	Thursday	January GG articles due to mtbuckets@aol.com
6	Friday	CSPS Christmas Party - Montgomery Inn, Dublin
7	Saturday	Findlay Christmas Party
8	Sunday	Ft Wayne Christmas Party
9	Monday	Winter Dock articles due to D29 Secretary
13	Friday	Sea Gals Christmas Party
13	Friday	Toledo Christmas Party
14	Saturday	Lima & Marion combined Christmas Party
15	Sunday	Pt Clinton & Sandusky combined Christmas Party

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## COMMANDER'S MESSAGE

Cdr David Canale, P



The 2013 Boarman Poster contest is in full swing with entries being submitted daily. This year's theme "100 Years of Wearing It" was in conjunction with the USPS 100 Year Anniversary. The youth poster contest awards are funded by P/C Robert "Woody" Boarman, AP of Vero Beach Sail and Power Squadron in hopes that the contest will further youth appreciation of the water and how safe boating is fun boating.



Congratulations to CSPA member Perry Mohr who submitted this poster to the Boarman Poster Contest. Perry's winning submission goes to the District 29 Conference in early November



for judging against the other squadron entries. If Perry wins at district, his poster travels to Jacksonville FL in January for the USPS National Annual Meeting. We wish Perry good luck and hope his poster gets many, many votes!

### Last Notice for the Centennial Cruise

It's not too late to join the USPS Centennial Cruise Group. Join fellow members on a 7-day Eastern Caribbean cruise, 2-9 Feb. 2014, round trip from Fort Lauderdale on Holland America's newest ship, *ms Nieuw Amsterdam*, with stops in Grand Turk, Turks & Caicos; San Juan, Puerto Rico; St. Thomas, USVI; and Half Moon Cay, Bahamas. While supply lasts, we have special pricing from \$819 per person for inside staterooms; outside staterooms from \$979 pp; verandah staterooms from \$1,099 pp, and suites from \$1,879 pp (plus government fees & taxes of \$121.83 pp). The cruise departs Sunday, 2 Feb., immediately following the 2014 Annual Meeting in Jacksonville, Florida. Group transportation from the Jacksonville Hyatt to the port in Fort Lauderdale for the morning of 2 Feb. is available for a nominal fee. To be included in the USPS Centennial Group and the exclusive group events, you must email or call 727-403-0406 to join this spectacular celebration cruise! —Dawn Eckhart

## EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Lt/C Bill Mohrman, AP



As summer draws to an end, most of us have our boats tucked away for the upcoming winter months. I look back and lament to myself, the summer flew by and I resolve to do more boating next year. Well if you are with me in spirit, then there is never enough time for boating. As the leaves are turning, I sat down with the calendar and found out that, WOW! I don't have much free time coming up this winter due to boating activities!



Bill, what on earth are you talking about? We have in the next three months; Classes going on, seminars starting, the first Columbus boat show is only 9 weeks away, 3 ECOM meetings, two dinner meetings, the Christmas party, the D-29 Fall Convention in Findlay, and a Central Ohio Safe Boating Council meeting to attend; all this to do before the end of the year!!! Then starting in January and February we start the ABC class,

attend the USPS 100th Anniversary Annual Meeting in Florida, do another boat show, hold elections, have our Change of Watch, attend the D29 winter council meeting. Before I know it, it is almost Spring!!!

Speaking of boat shows, it is not too early to start thinking about volunteering to man the CSPA booth this year. I need your help to come out and spread the word on what a great value we provide to the boating community. The January boat show runs two weekends starting on Jan 4th, 5th and then Jan 8th through Sunday Jan 12th. I tend to think of a great day boating is "priceless". I watch others struggle with taking the family out because of the lack of knowledge and skills. That is what we do; educate, either through classes, our on the water experiences and at our dinner meetings and in our discussions with our boating mates. Help the CSPA bring others into the fold and offer to them the experience of a perfect day on the water, by volunteering to help us out at the boat show.

Both Julie and I look forward to seeing you all at one of our upcoming meetings or activities and we can discuss our perfect day.



## ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

### Lt/C John Seaver, JN



November is arriving and the holidays are just around the corner. Some important dates this month include our November Dinner meeting at "The Bogey Inn" on November 7th - and Operations Training on November 12th, from 18:30-21:00 at HQ.

Our November dinner meeting will begin at 6pm with social time, followed by an earlier start to dinner at 6:30pm. Attire will be casual and our guest speaker will be from The Ohio Department of Natural Resources sharing information regarding Ohio waters and area projects. This event will also include the Bungle Jug and River Rat awards ceremonies and include 'tales of the sea' for this year's 'winners'. Send your submission to Wade Grosz at [wade@altavistaben.com](mailto:wade@altavistaben.com). He is firing up his permanent marker for the jug and has the plaque at the engravers. Meal cost is \$15 for adults and \$8 for kids and will include a variety of Bogey Inn Pizzas and Appetizers. Watch the website for the menu to be finalized.

Operations Training is a NO COST class focusing on the USPS History and structure, Squadron Committee Work, Squadron Bridge Officer Role and Navigating the National USPS website. This is the course to take if you are interested in our many volunteering opportunities including serving in



Member at Large and on the Command Bridge. This will take place at Headquarters on Tuesday, November 12th from 6:30-9pm. A great class to take to learn the workings of the power squadron! Register online today.

Good news from the October events! At the dinner meeting, Pam and Doug Jackson shared an informative and well-executed presentation on Chartering in the US/B-VI. Their knowledge and suggestions had many people looking at this as a fun vacation. Congratulations to Perry Mohr for winning the squadron poster contest. His entry for '100 Years of Wearing It' will go to the district conference in November for judging. Good luck there Perry!

Mark your calendar for December 6th – and our Christmas Dinner meeting. This event will be held at The Montgomery Inn in Dublin, where we will have a private room with fireplace and separate entrance. The Inn will have staff available so each person will be able to order from a variety of pre-selected main dishes from the menu. Dress code is standard holiday attire.

For our property tax hearing, Commander and Squadron Legal Officer, David Canale, amply represented our case with precedence and insight to our building use. Assistant Education Officer Matt Murphy, Property Manager Michael Hughes and Treasurer Ed Mack gave good accounts of our squadron and building use. P/D/C Bob Rayburn, P/C Bob Van Der Wissel and I attended to provide moral support. We likely won't have a ruling for a couple of months, but we could not have had better representation at any cost. Job well done!

## EDUCATIONAL OFFICER

### Lt/C Brian O'Rourke, P



Well the education department is ramped up and out of the starting blocks! Yeah! Thanks to all of our instructors who are volunteering their time to teach these great course offerings.

There is a minor change to our course line up and I apologize for any inconvenience this may have caused, but JN will not be offered this fall as previously planned.

Currently Piloting and Engine Maintenance have been in progress since September. Good luck to all of the students who are enrolled; you have great instructors who will guide you every step of the way!

Weather is on deck to begin in January, sign up now with our new instructor, this may be standing room only so register early! I guarantee if nothing else you will be entertained and you might even learn something about weather as well!

If you are interested in taking any of our great course offerings just go to <http://www.columbussailandpower.org> click on the Education tab on the left hand side of the page and



then click on Courses to see our schedule. Registration is easy and can be done right from the web page!

#### Scheduled Classes:

- **Piloting** (Delewese) 9/16 – 12/9
- **Engine Maintenance** (Hughes) 9/17 – 11/26
- ~~JN (Newman) 9/26 – 1/23 CANCELLED~~
- **Weather** (Sorenson) 1/14 – 3/18
- **Marine Electrical Systems** (Lowe) 1/22 – 3/12
- **Advanced Piloting** (Rayburn / Lowe) 1/27 – 3/31
- **Sail** (Spilke / Jackson) 2/4 – 5/6
- **America's Boating Course** (M. Seaver & Instructors) 2/15 - 3/1
- **Charting Seminar** (Jackson) 3/8
- **Navigation** (Hankle) 3/5 - 5/21
- **Seamanship** (Ehrbar) 3/18 – 5/13
- **Marine Communications Systems** (Lowe) 3/26 – 5/14

## NEW MEMBER

John Little

# Winter Layup: Get a head start on spring

From USPS Compass – October 2013

## Anchors

Clean, inspect and organize your anchors, line, chain and locker. Pay close attention to signs of wear and the connections between components.

## Corrosion

Electrical connections, metal-to-metal fasteners and non-stainless steel parts need attention to survive the elements. Corroded fasteners present a safety problem. Replace and protect as necessary.

## Electronics

If possible, remove electronics and store them in a dry, climate-controlled environment to prevent condensation and insect invasion. Coat electrical connections with Corrosion Block and spray metal screws with a burst of WD40 or CRC 06007 6-56.

## Navigation lights

If your boat has a bicolor light that combines both side-lights, make sure the colors don't leak to the wrong side. Sidelights must be visible for one nautical mile, and all-around lights should be visible for two. Replace the lights with bulbs whose wattage and brightness conform to these mandates. Check light sockets to ensure that corrosion doesn't block the electric signal.

## Propellers

Inspect the leading edge of prop blades for gouges, nicks, rough spots and cracks. Blend minor nicks and gouges into the

surrounding area with a machinist's general-purpose file. To achieve a smooth surface, finish blending with fine sandpaper. File and sand parallel, not perpendicular, to the blade. Have an authorized dealer repair larger cracks and extensive damage.

Check for bent prop blades by placing a ruler against the anti-ventilation plate so that it touches one blade's tip. Slowly turn the propeller while firmly holding the ruler in place. If the blades intersect the plane of the ruler during this rotation, they are bent. They should be straightened or replaced by a dealer.

## Strainers

Periodically check all raw-water strainers for damage. Disassemble the strainer and remove the plastic sight glass. If the component has any cracks or damage, replace it. Rinse the strainer and rub it clean. Next, check the ends of the strainer's stainless-steel mesh. If compressed, replace the strainer or it won't function. Inspect and grease all seals if in good shape or replace them if damaged.

Don't forget ancillary systems such as fresh water, bilge, circuit breakers, fuses and lighting. These items can be forgotten unless you jot them down. Start a maintenance log and record all your decommissioning procedures so that you know where to begin in the spring.

—Marty Seconhouse



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## CSPS Ship's Store



Need a new Name Tag or CSPS Apparel? Get your purchases made and wrapped in time for Christmas!

Visit the CSPS Ship Store on our website [www.columbussailandpower.org](http://www.columbussailandpower.org) or contact Lt Julie Mohrman at [jmohrman@mindspring.com](mailto:jmohrman@mindspring.com) or 614-581-4814.



**Columbus Sail and Power Squadron**  
**Minutes of the Executive Committee**  
**24 September 2013**

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

Cdr. David Canale, P called the meeting to order at 1900 at the Squadron headquarters, 8492 Cotter Street, Lewis Center, OH.

Cdr. David Canale, P gave the invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Lt/C William Mohrman, AP.

Roll call was taken by sight and the Assistant Secretary, Lt Wade Grosz, AP confirmed a quorum was present.

The following Executive Committee members were present: Cdr. David Canale, P; Executive Officer Lt/C William Mohrman, AP; Administrative Officer Lt/C John Seaver, AP; Treasurer Lt/C Edward Mack; Asst. Secretary Lt Wade Grosz, AP.

**Members At Large:**

**Lt Eldon Hall, Jr. AP; Lt Thomas Doyle, P**

Also present were P/C Tom Norman, P; P/D/C Phil Osborne, JN; P/C Michael S. Hughes, JN; PRO Lt Tracy Garrett, S; Lt Mara Seaver, & member John McCarthy.

The minutes of the August meeting were approved with one correction. Treasurer noted that there was no vote to combine CSPS investments, only discussion. Minutes were approved.

**Report of Officers:**

**Commander David Canale, P:**

District 29 fall conference dates are 1-3 November. Conference is in Findley, Ohio. "Diamond Jubilee" is conference theme.

Read a letter from Lt/C Debbie Smith, P tendering her resignation as squadron chaplain.

Advised all chairpersons to send their merit mark information to P/C Bob Van der Wissel, AP as soon as possible.

Read a letter from Jim Jenkins about his boat insurance company not willing to insure the new owner of Jim's boat.

**Treasurer Lt/C Edward Mack:**

CSPS financial statements were passed out for review and discussion out.

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

Lake Cumberland rendezvous is this weekend 26-29 September.

The CSPS's Ship's Store will be open at the District 29 conference.

**Education Officer Lt/C Brian O'Rourke, P - No Report**

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

October 3 dinner meeting is at Schmidt's in German Village.  
November 7 dinner meeting is at the Bogy Inn in Dublin

Christmas party is December 6 at the Montgomery Inn in Dublin.

Advising the squadron to go as paperless as possible and he will begin the process of scanning our documents.

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

No Report

Minutes were taken by Asst. Secretary Lt Wade Grosz, AP.

**Immediate Past Commander, P/C Tom Norman, P:**

No Report

**Member at large reports:**

No Reports

**Committee Reports:**

**GENERAL COMMITTEES:**

**Nominating Committee:** P/C Michael Hughes, JN; P/C Matthew Murphy, AP; P/C Tom Norman, P: No Report

**Audit Committee:** Lt Doug Jackson, SN; P/C Ron DeCario, AP; P/C Tom Norman, P: No Report

**Rules Committee:** P/C Don Delewese, SN; Lt Wade Grosz, AP; P/R/C Harold Beidel, SN: No Report

**STANDING COMMITTEES:**

**Sea Gals:** Lt Martha Beidel: No Report

**Law Officer:** Cdr. David Canale, P: No Report

**PRO Officer:** Lt. Tracey Garrett, AP — CSPS 2014-2015 calendar is being coordinated.

**Property Officer:** P/C Michael Hughes, JN — Advised all chairpersons to get their merit mark information to P/C Bob Van der Wissel, AP as soon as they can.

**Ship's Store:** Lt Julie Mohrman, AP - No Report

**Housing Committee:** Lt Tammy Cohee, AP - No Report

**Planning Committee:** P/D/Lt C Bill Lehner, SN - No Report

**Finance Committee:** Lt/C Ron Hupman, S: No Report

**Merit Marks Committee:** P/C Don Delewese, SN; P/C Bob Van der Wissel, JN - No Report

**SPECIAL COMMITTEES:**

**Technical Committee:** Lt/C John Seaver, AP: No Report

**Boating Activities:** Lt/C David Canale, P: No Report

**Vessel Safety Check:** Lt John Pruitt, AP: No Report

**Investments Committee:** P/V/C Joe Mesenburg, SN: No Report

**Marketing Committee:** Lt Tracy Garrett, AP: No Report

The next Executive Committee meeting will be on 22 October 2013 at 8492 Cotter St., Lewis Center, OH 43035.

**Motion to adjourn by Cdr, David Canale, P**

2nd Lt/C Edward Mack.

The meeting adjourned at 1933.



# "Life Should Be Like A Paper Chart"

By Dick Sorensen, JN

I love paper charts. There, I said it! There's something wonderful about a one dimensional, paper chart fresh from National Oceanic & Aeronautical Administration (NOAA), or even better, one from our neighbors up north; the Canadian Hydrographical Service. Theirs are 'works-of-art.'

I know, I know, everything is electronic today and I have used it and will continue to use it; but there's just something about laying out a course line on a paper chart, computing distances, plotting your dead reckoning position or GPS point every hour. I like being able to find alternative harbors with a quick glance and just stepping the distance off with a pair of Weems and Platt dividers. And don't get me started on the joy of sliding a set of parallel rules along to the compass rose. It's almost obscene.

And, being a dyed-in-the-wool nautical traditionalist, I take great satisfaction knowing that I'm using the same tools and techniques that seafaring navigators before me used to accomplished great things with. Just like the navigators that took our flag around the world, which led invasion fleets to far-away foreign landings, and assisted in the exploration of our planet. My making it across to Leamington is on that same level. It gives me a sense of accomplishment.

I've had a chance to visit a couple of ocean-going ship's bridges and always gravitate to their navigation stations. Although loaded with the latest electronic navigation equipment, each one of them has a paper chart for the current chunk of ocean we were sailing on and all the necessary plotting tools close at hand. It makes me feel like one of the gang.

I wish life was like a nautical chart where you can see the starting and ending points of your journey and all the obstacles along the way. Shallow water (wrong business decisions,) sunken wrecks (wrong life's partner,) shoals (betting on a sure-thing stock,) reefs (not exercising enough or the wrong diet,) islands, etc.....all laid out for you. In ancient times they even told you where the sea monsters lived.

I'm sure Larry Lowe and his disciples are rolling their eyes in frustration at my 'old school dinosaur-like' love of a paper chart. But let me ask you...which is easier to use? A NOAA Chart or the newest chart plotter with the 150 page operating manual, like the one that came with my very rudimentary Hummingbird 151 fish finder? Paper wins over pixels every time in my book!

But, here's the real secret to why I love paper charts. They don't require batteries!

The USPS *Ensign* staff is still accepting personal stories from members about their time and experiences with USPS to include in our 100th Anniversary issue in the Winter!

If you're interested in participating, answer this question for us: What has USPS done for you? You can email [ensign@hq.usps.org](mailto:ensign@hq.usps.org) or answer here.

Thank you for your help!



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# 2013 Summer Sailing Adventure for Bleu Lagoon

by Doug and Pam Jackson

Pam and I are very fortunate to own *Bleu Lagoon*, our 2012 Lagoon 421 catamaran. This past summer, along with Paul and Jacquie DePalma (on their catamaran *Anomaly*), took a five week cruise to Northern Lake Michigan. We completed this trip from mid-June through mid-July.



Our starting point was the Great Lakes Cruising Club (GLCC) Lake Erie Rally in Leamington Ontario. Leamington Marina is such a nice place and operated by Ronan Oliver. The GLCC is always a fun event with fellow Great Lakes boaters.

On Sunday, at the completion of the rally *Bleu Lagoon* and *Anomaly* headed out to 20-25 knot winds from the West creating 3-5 foot seas. As we were headed for Detroit, we headed directly into the wind and waves. *Bleu Lagoon* lurched up and over wave after wave driving lots of green water over the hulls onto the deck and front windows. At times there was two to three inches of water on deck flowing out the scuppers. Needless to say, this was a bit of a rough ride. This lasted for

about three hours until we rounded Colchester Reef where we were able to turn about 30 degrees to starboard which had a dramatic reduction in green water and smoothed out the ride considerably. This was our worst weather day of the entire trip.

We spent nearly a week getting the boat up and through Lake Huron to St Ignace. We took a side trip



to Mackinaw Island (and got some fudge). From there we had a very foggy day to traverse under the Mackinaw Bridge (we couldn't see it until we were less than 1/8 of a mile away). Thank goodness for radar and chart plotters.

We cruised to Beaver Island (very rustic), Harbor Spings (old money), Grand Traverse Bay (very clear water), Petoskey (for the 4th of July), Bay Harbor (new money and BIG houses), Lake Charlevoix, including the city of Charlevoix (for the GLCC Annual Great Lakes Rendezvous hosted by Joe and Karen Messenbourg), Oyster Bay, Boyne City, East Jordan and more. We

had great weather nearly all the trip with only one weather delay day (due to high winds) and a half day of rain.

We also took a couple of side trips via car rentals to Traverse City for the Int'l Cherry Festival and the Tunnel of Trees. Oh – and we also did a Segway rental in Petoskey – Yikes.

We had a great time on the trip. Our crew included my son David and his wife Emmy for one







week, a close friend Dan Stanton for a week and a co-worker and his wife Kurt and Caroline Smith.

We had a great time with no issues with the boat. The winds were light most of the trip requiring us to motor more than I would have liked, but we had a few great sailing days – the best one was the last day of the trip from PIB back to our home port – the Sandusky Yacht Club. We made 9 knots in 20 knots of South-Westerly winds.

We also wrote a blog for the trip – you can see it (with lots of pictures) at [www.bleulagoon.wordpress.com](http://www.bleulagoon.wordpress.com)



# Ahoy, mateys!

## US to stop printing nautical charts

By SETH BORENSTEIN, AP Science Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) – The federal government is going into uncharted waters, deep-sixing the giant paper nautical charts that it has been printing for mariners for more than 150 years.

The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration announced Tuesday that to save money, the government will stop turning out the traditional brownish, heavy paper maps after mid-April.

The agency will still chart the water for rocks, shipwrecks and other hazards, but sailors, boaters and fishermen will have to use private on-demand printing, PDFs or electronic maps to see the information, said Capt. Shep Smith, head of NOAA's marine chart division.

"Think of them as the roadmap of the ocean," said Smith, who grew up with charts of Penobscot Bay on his bedroom



walls in Maine. "The navigational charts tell you what's under the water, which is critical for navigation."

Nowadays, most people instead use the on-demand maps printed by private shops, which are more up-to-date and accurate, Smith said.

Still, NOAA sells about 60,000 of the old 4-by-3-foot lithographic maps each year for about \$20 apiece, the same amount it costs to print them.

The Federal Aviation Administration, which took over federal chart-making in 1999, wants to save some money and informed NOAA earlier this month that it is going to stop the presses, according to the ocean agency. FAA representatives did not return calls and emails for comment.

It costs NOAA about \$100 million a year to survey and chart the nation's waters. The agency will still spend the same money, but provide the information in the less traditional way.

Sea dogs say they will miss the charts, which also get used as decorations.

"It's the nautical history, you know, pirates and ships," said Newburyport, Mass., harbormaster Paul Hogg, who has a chart on his office wall. "It seems more nautical. There's just kind of, like, a feel to it."

There should be a historical feel to it, because the idea was Thomas Jefferson's. He asked for a survey of the U.S. coast in 1807, and ever since,

a government agency has been charting American waters. The soon-to-be-eliminated maps date to 1862.

The top-selling old-fashioned chart includes little of the U.S. It focuses on northwestern Washington state and Vancouver, Canada. The other top-selling charts cover the Detroit area, Prince William Sound in Alaska, Casco Bay in Maine, and Narragansett Bay in Rhode Island.

At New York Nautical, store manager James "Smitty" Smith saw the end of the old-fashioned maps coming. He sells far more of the on-demand maps on the lighter weight, whiter paper.

But personally, especially for decorations, he prefers the old maps because they are "more soothing on the eyes."

"There must be some art value in them because a lot of people love them," he said.



## I Get it Now!

by Debbie Murphy

My husband, P/C Matthew Murphy, JN has spent a lot of time in classes and doing homework off and on over the past few years and admittedly I didn't see the benefit. When he was home he was racking is brain with something to do with the law of cosigns and papers (charts) were all over the table for hours on end. Really? How many different classes can he take? I thought he was just hanging out with his buddies at HQ as he calls it. Well it turns out there was a benefit!

We were vacationing in the Florida Keys for the first time and decided to charter a Whaler to take a cruise and go snorkeling. The water was amazing and we could see fish and turtles swimming underneath us. As beautiful as it was it was I was a little scared. How do we know how to get to the reef? How do we get back? How deep is this water? How do we know where we are if someone has to help us? All these questions and more I asked after I realized we were pretty far away from land. As I was enjoying the ride and the sun, I thought to myself, I get it now!

He had answers to all my questions and even showed me on the map (chart) where we were. He had me drive while he was figuring out where we could go next and we cruised a few more inlets and had lunch at Whale Harbor. What a beautiful day it was. I felt safe and comfortable knowing he knew what he was doing. Matt explained the different classes he had taken and the different things he learned in each Squadron course and seminar. I still think he enjoys the classes to hang with his buddies though. But now that I understand what we can do on vacations, I am glad he took the classes. I can't wait until our next boating adventure!

Read more: <http://www.myfoxny.com/story/23758129/ahoy-mateys-us-to-stop-printing-nautical-charts#ixzz2ijGRRm3U>



Coming November 15th, Joyce's craft night featuring a new project that is guaranteed to be fun! The activities begin at 6:30 PM at Headquarters. There will be Pizza and Poker in the back room for all non-crafty spouses! More details to come, watch for the e-mail!!



Do you have any humorous boating stories about the 2013 boating season and someone who may deserve the **Bungle Jug or River Rat award**? If so, please send as many details as possible. Stories should be sent by October 30 to Wade Grosz at [wade@altavistaben.com](mailto:wade@altavistaben.com) Awards given at the November 7th dinner meeting.

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As a reminder the SeaGals annual Christmas party will be held at the home of Laura and Guy Williams on December 13th so mark your calendar!

By the way, as a reminder, the SeaGals is a social arm of the Columbus Sail and Power Squadron and as a member you and your significant other are more than welcome to join. Dues are only \$12 per year. Come on join the fun! Contact Martha Biedel or any of the Officers and Crew or just join us at one of our activities.

## november birthdays

3 Paul DePalma	13 Brian O'Rourke
3 Gaige Mohr	15 Eldon Hall
4 Jphn Litle	18 Kelley Forster
4 Don Wogaman	24 Tom Doyle
6 Karen Mesenburg	25 John Wargo
7 Charles May	28 Bob Louthen
12 Devin Needles	30 Alexis Fetherolf
13 Roukue Hager	30 Charlotte Mohr



Congratulations to Mr & Mrs Robert Rayburn who tied the knot on Saturday, October 12th at Gethsemane Lutheran Church. They had a wonderful ceremony with all of their children participating.

## ATTENTION VESSEL SAFETY EXAMINERS

As the boating season winds down, I ask that you check your boats, briefcases, etc. for any inspection forms that you completed this year and did not send or scan to me. I need to turn in a final report and would like to have an accurate total.

If so, please let me know the number (and then mail or scan and e-mail me) and also if you plan to do any more this month. If you have any leftover decals that you will not use, please return them to me as other squadrons farther south of us are still conducting VSC and need the decals.

Thanks to all of you who continue to make the VSC program so great !

John Pruitt, VSC Chair

### Jules of the Nile

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