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Change of Watch & Commander's Celebration

Saturday, March 5th

La Scala Italian Bistro • 4199 W. Dublin-Granville Rd. • Dublin 43017

6-7pm Happy Hour

7pm Dinner

8pm Change of Watch

Choice of Meal: Lasagna with Ground Beef and Parmesan Provolone Cheeses

Chicken Breast Marsala with sautéed Mushrooms - Smashed Potatoes

Pine Nut Crusted Grouper with Red Pepper Cream Sauce – Smashed Potatoes

\$35 per person All dinners Include Italian salad, Ciabatta bread, Iced Tea & Coffee, Dessert

Children's menu: Spaghetti with Meatball \$17

Uniform A or Business Attire

Reservations must be made by Monday February 22nd with meal choice

csps-rsvp@outlook.com or call 614-384-0245.

No Shows will Be Billed

Please enter La Scala through The Party Room Entrance on the west side of the building





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CALENDAR of COMING EVENTS

MARCH

CSPS Change of Watch and Commander's Ball Saturday April Galley Gossip Info due 7 Monday

America's Boating Class 7am-6pm Scioto Boat Club 12 Saturday

13 Sunday Daylight Savings Time changes 17 Thursday SeaGals Party at Ehrbars Home 22 Executive Meeting @ HQ 7pm Tuesday

27 Happy Easter Sunday

April

Thursday **CSPS** Dinner Meeting 8-10 Fri-Sun District 29 Spring Conference @ Sawmill Creek Resort 530-730 Vessel Safety Examiner Class @ HQ Sunday 10 May Galley Gossip articles due 11 Monday Tuesday Executive Committee Meeting at HQ 7pm 26

May

Saturday Ice Breaker - Derby Day Dinner Meeting @ Catawba Island Club 9 Monday June Galley Gossip articles due 17 Tuesday Central Ohio Safe Boating Council Meeting @ HQ 6pm 20 Friday Ready, Set, Wear It! to work day (life jackets) 21 Vessel Safety Exams & Wear It! Picture Day Saturday 22 Vessel Safety Exams Sunday Executive Committee Meeting @ HQ 7pm 24 Tuesday Grandview Parade and Cookout @ Hughes-Garrett home 28 Saturday 21-28 Sat.-Sat. SAFE BOATING WEEK

2016-2017 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE **COLUMBUS SAIL AND POWER SQUADRON**

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A few years ago on a visit to Kings Island, The Beast was jam packed all day long and it appeared to be a visit that we would not get to experience the best ride in the park without a long wait. If you have not ridden The Beast, I highly recommend the experience, it is an old style wooden roller coaster that was built in the 70's and feels like you're going to derail and crash at any moment. There are bigger and supposedly better roller coasters these days, but The Beast is a true thrill ride. It was getting late and was a cooler evening, the park was clearing out rapidly, so we figured we would take one more shot at a ride – and we found The Beast wide open. We were able to walk straight onto the ride with no waiting and when our ride finished - there was still no line and we were able to stay on the ride for another run. Why am I sharing this? Well, I get much the same feeling staying on the ride as Commander for another year. The first year was a thrill and seemed like things would come off the tracks at times, but it is a thrill I am ready to experience again. I lament that Julie is not taking the gavel this year and look forward to the time when she will.

A number of people have discussed that we should do a two-year Commander term because the first year you are figuring out the job and by the time you do, the ride is over. There have been some discussions about changing the bylaws to include two-year terms, but the problem is the commitment required conflicting with the demands of family and job obligations while performing the Administrative Officer (AO)/ Executive Officer (XO)/Commander/Past Commander (PC) roles for six years in a row. I have also heard a number of comments about 'when you recycle a Commander, it means the health of your squadron is failing', especially since P/D/C and Columbus and Marion PC Phil Osbourne agreed to step into the vacated XO role this year after our AO departed the organization because of external responsibilities. I am not buying it. Just like many membership organizations, the health of our squadron is good, but not great. We are not fighting to be the largest squadron in the nation anymore, but we are still a large



squadron and we are still fulfilling our mission. If you have concerns about our health as a squadron please come to our meetings and share your ideas and concerns. Staying on as Commander is affording me an opportunity that is new to our squadron. Our Executive Committee has implemented a number of adjustments the past year and this will allow me to take a more active stance in seeing those

changes through and building upon them. I am particularly excited about this years Executive Committee and the mix of fresh perspectives and decades of experience. However we still need you, as a member, to share your talents. We can always use fresh or refreshed ideas and feedback. We may need you to provide baby-sitting for children while their parents take a class or seminar. To bring in the younger families and show them what a great organization we are to grow and have adventures with, we need to be able to accommodate the whole family. For the members who no longer have a boat, come find a partner to ride with and join us on rendezvous. Most of us have plenty of room on our boats and we'd love you to join our adventures.

Squadron Business – Our February Dinner Meeting was an informal potluck at HQ - other than the singing portion of the show, it was a great time with great friends. Everyone in attendance was excited to see Sue Goelz join us! I attended the Lima Change of Watch and the Winter Counsel in Ada Ohio with our incoming XO and my wife/Squadron Education Officer Mari. We also picked up some additional nuggets of information from the hundreds of years of experience from those in attendance. Thank you for allowing me to continue as Commander. It is an honor to serve. I hope to see you at our Change of Watch-Commander's Ball event March 5th at LaScala.

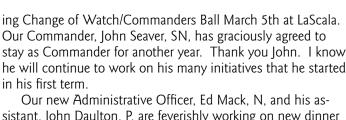
EXECUTIVE OFFICER L/C Julie Mohrman, AP

2016 is going to be a very exciting and busy year for our Squadron. We have just completed our first of America's Boating Course this year and another one day class is scheduled for March 12. February's course had a total of 28 students who are now members of our Squadron. We want to make sure if we see of these new people at our monthly dinner meetings or rendezvous that we welcome them

into our membership.



Speaking of dinners and rendezvous – we have our upcom-



sistant, John Daulton, P, are feverishly working on new dinner locations and exciting programs for the coming year.

We have a full slate of rendezvous' planned for 2016. Whether you are a Lake Erie boater, river boater or inland lake boater, we have a cruise for you. And if you don't have a boat, we have plenty of people that would be happy to have you crew on their boat. Please see the Galley Gossip for the

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EXECUTIVE OFFICER

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full listing of rendezvous for 2016. Mark your calendars and contact the trip chairperson to let them know you will be attending!

Plans are underway for Safe Boating week in May. We will be doing Vessel Safety Exams during that time. We will be needing volunteers to help examiners and pass out our information. So, watch your Galley Gossip for more details.

There is a full list of classes and seminars being offered this spring. Take a look at the class schedules and register for one! It helps us get through the winter dull drums while refreshing your memory on the practices of boating. AND, all seminars are now FREE! So how could you not take one?

Last of all, Thank You for allowing me to serve as your Executive Officer. Think Spring!



GOING CRUISING THIS SUMMER? MAYBE TO CANADA OR THE BAHAMAS? DO YOU KNOW WHAT INFORMATION YOU NEED TO CROSS THE BORDER AND WHAT YOU **CANNOT TAKE?**

DO YOU NEED A QUARANTINE FLAG? WHAT IS A NEXUS CARD? CAN I JUST USE MY PASSPORT?

CAN ITAKE MY DOG?

THESE AND MANY OTHER QUESTIONS WILL BE ANSWERED AT THE FREE

"Crossing Borders" Seminar Thursday, 3 March. **NOTE DATE CHANGE!**

COME AND GET YOUR QUESTIONS ANSWERED SO YOU CAN CROSS THE BORDER WITHOUT CREATING ONE OF THOSE HORROR STORIES THAT YOU HAVE HEARD.

Boat Registration

All boats in Ohio need to be registered; not all boats need titles.

Registrations are required for every recreational boat in Ohio, including powerboats, sailboats, canoes, kayaks, pedal boats, and inflatable boats. What you need to get a boat registered depends on what type of boat it is. Generally you need proof of ownership, some detailed information on the boat, some detailed information on the owner, a drivers license, and the registration fee.

New boats can be registered in person at a Boat Registration Agent or through the mail to a Watercraft office. Call before you go:

- Find a Local Registration Agent
- Registration Fees
- Alternative Registration for Hand-powered Vessels
- Registration Forms

Ownership transfers cost \$5 if the registration has time remaining. If the registration is expired, a full registration must be purchased in the new owner's name before the boat may be used by the new owner. (If the boat is titled then the title should reflect the new owner's name also. before it can be registered in the new owner's name.)

...But Not All Boats Need Titles

Titles show proof of ownership and are required for all boats 14 feet or greater, outboard motors 10HP or greater, and PWCs (ie. Jetski, Sea-Doo, etc.). For those boats that require a title, the title must be an Ohio title in order to get an Ohio registration. Canoes and kayaks do not need to be titled.





Adopt A Highway Program:

Installation of the sign is complete. Look for a communication coming soon to begin our 1 of 4 trash pickup days during 2016.



General Education Updates:

I attended the Winter Counsel meeting in Ada Ohio in February and one of the primary discussions we had included how we can improve our education courses. Over the next year,



all District 29 Squadron Education Officers will be converging to develop a pilot course for Seamanship. National has communicated that the next revision of Seamanship will include a course manual delivered in the form of eBook. As a result, we need to think outside the box to create a new look and feel that meets the students of today's technology while sharing the necessary content. This should include

a blended learning approach that could incorporate a mix of online, hands on, classroom and on the water setting environments. I will be scheduling a meeting with our instructors and anyone else that would like to participate and discuss how we should embrace the changes to this and other course changes to improve learning techniques in the future.

2016 Educational Courses

The following classes are planned for the education season beginning in September. Please watch the web site (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

Cruise Planning (Carr-Jackson) Mondays 3/7 - 5/9 member \$50/non-member \$80 America's Boating Course (March class) Saturday 3/12 (8am-5pm) \$50; includes lunch

Scioto Boat Club - 3232 Indian Village Rd., Columbus OH 43221

member \$175/non-member \$205 Navigation (Hankle) Wednesdays 3/23 – 6/8 (7:30-9:30) 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

Charting (Rayburn/Jackson) Date/Time/Price TBD **FREE** Crossing Borders (Lowe) Thursday 3/3 **FREE**

Trailering and trailer tune-up Saturday 5/14 \$50 per couple/\$30 ind.; lunch included; time/location TBD (Hughes & Mohrman)

Communications Afloat Date/Time/Price TBD FREE



Columbus Sail and Power Squadron Minutes of the Executive Committee 26 January 2016

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

Cdr. John Seaver, SN 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. Lt/C Julie Mohrman, AP led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll call was taken by sight and Assistant Secretary, Lt Tom Doyle, P confirmed a quorum was present.

The following Executive Committee members were present: Cdr. John Seaver, SN; Executive Officer Lt/C Julie Mohrman, AP; Education Officer Lt/C Mari Seaver, S; Assistant Secretary Lt Tom Doyle, P; Treasurer Lt/C Edward Mack, N; P/C William Mohrman, AP; P/C Larry Lowe, SN; Lt Bob Goelz, S; Lt Ruthie Kubinski, P; Lt Jana Mack, S; Lt Mary Rayburn, S.

Also Present: P/R/C Harold Beidel, SN; P/D/C Robert Rayburn, SN; D/C William Lehner, SN; P/D/C Philip Osborne, JN; N/F/Lt Joseph Mesenburg, SN; P/C Michael S. Hughes, JN; P/C Tom Norman, P; P/C Matt Murphy, JN; P/C David Canale, P; Lt Tracy Garrett, S; Lt Mary J. Lauer, P.

The minutes of the December meeting were approved.

Commander John Seaver, SN

Facing a very unusual 2016 for our Squadron – COW/Commander's Ball Combo meeting

- This year's theme Course Correction
- Out-reach Ramp up social media, interface to retail partners, Brunswick Dealer Advantage, outreach to other clubs.
 - Revamp Dinner meetings
- Focus on 'we're about the fun!' MAL focus effort marketing plans, dinner meeting plans and outreach.
- ABC Welcome Dinner Meeting for the ABC Classes Proposal April Dinner meeting sponsored for them so they can come to our Rendezvous event and see what our summer plans are.

Squadron Education Officer Lt/C Mari Seaver, S

- America's Boating Course (ABC) Update –We have approximately 16 students registered for the first class and 5 so far for the March class. Looking forward to seeing additional registrations come in over the next few weeks.
- Instructors Please modify lesson plan slides that you will be presenting and return the thumb-drive to me so that I can update the master presentation. The thumb drive that you received also contains the test (IA) and answers as well. Please save those documents so that you have them handy.
- We will need to find somewhere other than the Scioto Boat Club for our classes next year.

Courses coming soon: Advanced Piloting – Feb I Sailing – Feb 2



America's Boating Course (ABC) - Feb 13, 2016 and Mar 23, 2016

• Virtual Trainer Update - Five new Boating Safety Virtual Trainer units are being tested, labeled and added to the fleet by national bringing the total to 18 by yearend. "Drunk goggles" have also been added to help simulate driving under the influence. Work is underway for generation 3.0 functional-

ity, which will enhance navigation/piloting applications. The new functionality will be introduced at the USPS 2016 Annual Meeting in February.

• Alum Creek Sailing Association -The Programs Chairperson has reached out to us and asked if CSPS would do a presentation on the Boating Education classes and Seminars that we offer. He expressed his personal enjoyment of taking some of our classes and that they have many new members. We will be presenting at their next Membership meeting on February 1st. If anyone would like to join John and myself to present, we would love to have you join us.

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 were sold at the Dinner meetings in November, December and January at \$5.00 ea. or 6 for \$20.00 Drawing for the winner was at the January 2016 Election meeting. Winner was Dave Burge who opted for 2 @ \$250 ea Gift certificates Vances Outdoors and Victoria's Secret.
 - Outreach no report
- Lt/C Julie Mohrman's Announcement: Thank you for the opportunity to be part of the Executive Board of Columbus Sail and Power Squadron over these past two years. Some of you know already, my mother-in-law has been dealing with some severe illnesses and has been in and out of the hospital numerous times since the end of November. Due to the fact that it takes most of both Bill and my free time to take care of and tend to her, at this time I will not be able to fulfill any further responsibilities on the Executive Committee. Thank you for your understanding.

D/C William Lehner, SN, spoke for the entire Executive Committee saying we will greatly miss her leadership and that we hope this is only temporary and she will become active in the Executive Committee again.

Treasurer Lt/C Edward Mack, N

• The highlights of the December 2015 Financial Report were reviewed. Motion by Ed Mack to withdraw funds from investment accounts within the limits of the approved budget as done in previous years. Motion was seconded by Bob Goelz and unanimously approved.



Administrative Officer Lt/C John McCarty, AP: Absent. Assistant AO John Daulton, P; Absent.

Ed Mack stated they were working on getting speakers and venues set up for the coming year. If anyone has suggestions for speakers or topics, please contact the AO or Assistant AO.

The next dinner meeting will be a potluck on Feb. 5, 2016 at headquarters.

Secretary Lt/C Ron Hupman, S: Absent. Assistant Secretary Lt Tom Doyle, P: Present.

All officers are asked to send January 2016 reports to Tom Doyle in addition to Ron Hupman.

Immediate Past Commander, P/C William Mohrman, AP: No report

Members at Large Reports

Lt Bob Goelz, S: Bob thanked the squadron for all the support the members have given him and Susan during her illness.

P/C Larry Lowe, SN: Larry would like to see more people in the squadron running for election.

Lt Mary Rayburn, S: Mary will become the editor of the *Galley Gossip* starting with the April 2016 issue.

Committee Reports

General Committees:

Nominating Committee – P/C Tom Norman, P; P/C David Canale, P; P/C William Mohrman, AP - The committee has worked on reshuffling nominations as a result of Julie Mohrman's necessary withdrawal from the Executive Committee.

Audit Committee – Lt Doug Jackson, SN; P/C Robert Prior, P; P/C Tom Norman, P - Will be scheduling a meeting soon.

Rules Committee – P/R/C Harold Beidel, SN; P/C Bob VanDerWissel, AP; Lt Michael T Hughes, AP - No report

Standing Committees:

Finance Committee – Lt/C Ron Hupman, S - no report **Housing Committee** – no report

Planning Committee – The cruise planning meeting was held on December 15, 2015.

Law Officer – P/C David Canale, P; A motion was made to permit the transfer of residual funds from the Marion squadron to the Columbus squadron. It was seconded by Bob Goelz and passed unanimously.

Merit Marks Committee – P/C Don Delewese, SN & P/C Bob VanDerWissel, AP - John Seaver is sending four more names to District for Merit Marks.

Property Officer – P/C Michael Hughes, JN – The lights on the outside of the building have been fixed.

Supply Officer – Lt/C Julie Mohrman AP - D-29 Burgees are now in stock. They are \$35.00 ea. + tax

Sea Gals - Cdr. Martha Beidel - Feb 19th - Casino

Night with Martha money at headquarters.

Special Committees:

Technical Committee – Alias emails will be migrated prior to next meeting.

Investments Committee – Lt/C Edward Mack, N – see CSPS Investment Status below.

Boat Show – P/C William Mohrman, AP – Boat show attendance was off 10% this year. Nevertheless, members of our squadron volunteered 199 hours and gave out numerous frisbees, cups, and fliers.

Marketing – Lt Tracy Garrett, S –will work with Mary Rayburn on the *Galley Gossip* through the June 2016 issue to ensure a smooth transition. Tracy is reviewing the current calendar and expects to revise four dates to avoid possible conflicts

Roster - Lt Douglas Jackson, SN - No report
Boating Activities - Lt/C John McCarty, AP - No
eport

Vessel Safety Check - Lt John Pruitt, AP - No report

Old Business:

The February issue of the Galley Gossip will be public.

New Business:

CSPS Investment Status - Joseph Mesenburg reviewed our Morgan Stanley account with the Executive Committee. Although the stock market was generally down in 2015, our account fared better than most with a very slight increase.

Grant Status – David Canale wrote a grant request entitled A Youth Initiative Grant. Although grants have become increasingly difficult to obtain, David's request was approved for the full amount requested. David made a motion to accept this grant money from ODNR. The motion was seconded by Bob Goelz and unanimously approved.

Comments from Guests:

D/C Bill Lehner reminded the committee members of the upcoming events in our district.

Last Horizon:

Jeff Mirgon's father Vern William's wife

Sick Bay:

Mrs. Mohrman – Bill's mother continues to have serious difficulties.

Sue Goelz – recovering from her stroke and cancer treatment.

Announcements:

March Galley Gossip articles are due on Feb. 8 The next ECOM meeting is scheduled for Feb. 23, 2016.

Meeting was adjourned at 2055.

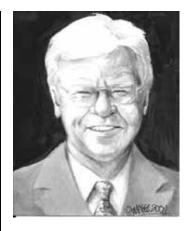
Resolutions

by Dick Sorensen, N

The Super Bowl is over and I assume we are all ready to stop goofing off and get down to work. I have been so busy with the holidays that I didn't get down to making any resolutions, but I'm ready now. I hereby resolve to:

- Not try to lose weight or to join any gym. I know I will not stick to any diet or go to any gym. I never have liked to sweat.
- Trying to balance my checkbook is a waste of time. Every year I start up files, the expandable envelopes things and still can't find anything. Doing my taxes is like the underwater search for the Titanic; hopeless but when April 15th looms successful.
- Trying to stay up past 9 pm. I have worried about it for years. Everyone else seems to stay up to watch the Late Night Guys, the last one I stayed up for was Jack Parr.
- Stop worrying about washing and waxing my cars. For years I have awoken every Saturday morning and made plans to clean the cars. I hereby resolve not to feel guilty about not getting to it. I think Gods random car washes are fine.
- Stop resolving to boat more. Every year I make this strong commitment to spend every waking minute on the water but when Labor Day comes I look back in complete overpowering regret with how little time I have been on the water. 2016, starting at Memorial Day, provides me with 30 days of weekends plus a seven day vacation - 37 days total. Somewhere along the way four days will be lost to lousy weather, another two to a wedding that we absolutely must attend, another four to some grandchild's soccer, baseball, ballet, karate, guitar recital, water coloring event and two more to an out-of-town guest that we will need to entertain. I am thinking of faking my death so no one will ask me to stay home.

I am convinced that I am what I am and no amount of resolve will change me.



Dick Sorensen, N, is proud that he took 31 years to pass the Navigation Course. Like a fine wine he thinks he gets smarter with each passing day.



COME AND UPGRADE YOUR SKILLS FROM PAPER TO PIXELS

ON MARCH 23, 2016 THE NEW MARINE ELECTRONIC NAVIGATION COURSE WILL BE IN A CLASSROOM NEAR YOU!

THIS IS THE THIRD COURSE IN THE MARINE ELECTRONICS SERIES AND WILL START OUT WITH GPS, CONTINUING INTO CHART PLOTTERS. USING AN ENHANCED CHART PLOTTER AND THEN INTO USING YOUR TABLET FOR NAVIGATION.

THESE ARE JUST A FEW OF THE TOPICS COVERED, SO GO ONLINE AND SIGN UP NOW, AND I WILL SEE YOU ON MARCH 23.

www.columbussailandpower.org under the education tab

CSPS Summer Cruise Line-Up



May 7 **Ice Breaker & KY Derby Day**, Catawba Island Club - Ed M Come for dinner and enjoy the Derby. Wear your Derby Hats!

May 28 Grandview Memorial Day Parade & Cookout

Ride on a boat float, walk the route or watch from the sidelines. Our 8th year!!!

June 19-25 Nashville by River - Ron L

Leaving Paducah KY head to Clarksville then on to spend three nights in downtown Nashville.

June 25 Lake Erie Lunch Hook - Larry L

What a fun afternoon off the shore of Middle Bass Island. Location depends on weather that day.

July 15-17 Kanawha River to Charleston - Joe H

Head to the Charleston and see why West Virginia is called 'almost heaven'

Aug 6 Alum Creek Party Day - Glenn & Ruth K

Party in the swim area north of the bridge. Bring the floats and toys for water fun!

Aug 19-21 Muskingum River to Marietta - Ron L

Launch south of Zanesville and enjoy all the hand cranked locks.

Sept 2-5 **Huron Boat Basin Land & Sea Labor Day Fun** - Ron L & Ruth K

No boat needed. Come play on those that show up.

Sept 23-25 Lake Cumberland - Joe H

Renting houseboats as a group. FUN FUN FUN - and fishing

Call **614-384-0245** to get more information or register for a trip.

Vessel Safety Examiners Wanted

Before the boats are back in the water, why not use this downtime to become qualified as a Vessel Safety Examiner! This program will begin its 17th year in conjunction with ODNR Watercraft and the US Coast Guard Auxiliary. It is an enjoyable, worthwhile program, and who knows how many lives have been saved because of everyone's efforts nationwide?

This is an invitation to join us for the upcoming year and beyond. We currently have eleven examiners, and have completed as many as 185 Vessel Safety Checks in a summer. I



will be offering an Examiner class tentatively Sunday 10 April 2016 at headquarters from 1730-1930. However, you can be way ahead by reviewing the material online at the National Website <www.usps.org/national/vsc>.

In the center column of the website, click on "New VSC manual" to download a copy for your review. You may take Test A or Test B, but DO NOT SUBMIT YOUR RESULTS until you have declared your intent to become an examiner and are confident of your knowledge. The tests are open-book.

We will have several scheduled events throughout the boating season, starting with the kick-off of National Safe Boating Week Saturday 21 May. These events take place at Alum Creek Lake (21 and 22 May, which ramp TBA), various marinas on Lake Erie, and anywhere you choose to conduct Vessel Safety Checks. This is a great way to meet fellow boaters, inform them of what is necessary to be safety-compliant on the water, and promote our Squadron.

Please let Vessel Safety Check Chairman Lt. John Pruitt,AP know if you are interested in participating. Contact John by going to the CSPS website <www.columbussailandpower. org>. Click on the Vessel Safety Check link for his contact information.







USPS D/29 SPRING CONFERENCE REGISTRATION

Sawmill Creek Resort, Huron, Ohio

Please read carefully: Anyone attending this Conference must register, meaning if you are attending and not partaking of the meals, we ask that you still complete this form and send it in. The District Conference Committee is surveying members for future conferences. Even though your squadron treasurer will send delegate fees directly to the district treasurer, everyone, including delegates, must complete this form and mail it in to D/Lt/C Jason Snook, SN; 47346 Dove Court, Selby Township, MI 48315-4838 along with a check made out to USPS District 29. Registration and check MUST be received by 2 April 2016.

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If you have special dieta	ry needs, please specify		
Is this your FIRST distric	ct conference?		

Meals	Description	Cost	Entrée Choice	# of Guests	Total Cost
Breakfast	Coffee and Pastries provided by Sandusky; full meal available at the hotel restaurant.				
Adult Lunch	New York Deli Buffet and Brownie	\$25.	NA		\$
Children's Lunch (up to 12 years of age)	Choice of Hot Dog, Hamburger, Chicken Fingers Each served with French Fries and Brownie	\$12.			
Adult Dinner - Plated	Entrée #1: Pork Loin, pan gravy, baked sweet potato, green beans almandine.	\$27.	Entrée		\$
	Entrée #2: Chicken Marsala. Mushrooms on angel hair pasta, green beans almandine.		#1		
	Each Dinner: Tossed Garden Salad with Diced Cucumber, Grape Tomatoes, Red Cabbage, Shredded Carrots, Garlic Herbed Croutons and Dressing of		Or		
	Choice; Assorted Pie for Dessert.		#2		
Children's Dinner (up to 12 years of age)	Choice of Hot Dog, Hamburger, Chicken Fingers Each served with French Fries	\$12			
Adult Lunch AND Dinner	See Above	\$48			\$
Children's Lunch AND Dinner	See Above	\$21			
	·	Total	Amount I	Enclosed	\$

Rank	Name(s)	Grade	Lunch	Dinner Entrée #1	Dinner Entreé #2	Child's Dinner	Delegate YES	Delegate NO
						Not Available to Adults		
						Not Available to Adults		
Child			Lunch at Child's Program					

HOTEL RESERVATIONS

Make reservations directly with the hotel at 419.433.3800. Mention "U.S. Power Squadron" when making reservations to receive rate of \$99 for single or double occupancy for either double or king rooms. **The CUTOFF DATE IS 9 MARCH 2016!!**

KISS THE STONE

(BLARNEY THAT IS)

@ THE EHRBAR'S

ANNUAL ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARTY

1800 (6:00 P.M. for the Irish too)
Thursday, March 17, 2016
1353 London Drive
Upper Arlington, OH 43221

Beer, wine, & pop are included

Dress in Your Greens &

Bring an Appetizer to Share

COST IS \$8.00 EACH

Limericks are always fun to hear (bring one or two)

Call Sherry @ 614/459-0277 with your reservation By Sunday, March 14, 2016 Or e-mail dre1353@yahoo.com GUESTS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME

Hope to see all you on the 17th!!!!



Harry Archer Nahum Burt Gage Green Murray Headlee Mike Hudson Tom Indoe Richard Irwin David Kittredge Ron Lavely Brian Lehner Tim Liggett Sue Lowe

Julie Mohrman Patty Prior John Pruitt Steve Rye Donna Stumbaugh Tom Stumbaugh



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2016 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Month/Year Sponsor	Event Location	Date
March 2016 Sherry & Dave Ehrbar	St. Patrick's Party Ehrbar's Home	Thurs. 3/17
May 2016 Joyce & John Mattis	Night @ The Races Scioto Downs Racino	Wed. 5/18
Aug 2016 Jane & Dave Clark	Family Picnic TBA	TBA
Looking forward to seei	ng you all there.	



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Terrie Lynn

At Last - Hughes/Garrett/Mohr clan

Bob and Patti Prior

David & Lynne Canale

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Ed & Jana Mack

KG LADY

SHE'S OLD SCHOOL

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