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2017 Change of Watch

On 12 March 2017 the Wilmington Sail and Power Squadron's 78th Change of Watch was held at Schaefer's Canal House in their southern window room. The well-received buffet lunch consisted of chicken breast with lump crabmeat and/or grilled bistro steak medallions. MC for the day, P/C C. David Sharpless, AP, called the ceremonies to order following the dessert offering.



P/C Sharpless chose to speak briefly on the "Tradition" embracing not only our Change of Watch ceremony but "Traditions" as they relate to the WSPS organization as a whole. He commented: "Once annually we have these Change of Watch ceremonies; they are year-over-year repetitious proceedings that have followed essentially the same protocols since 1938. For a span approaching eight decades, WSPS people have been doing their "THING", i.e., like-minded members becoming and remaining friends, mutually enjoying the many facets of the boating hobby, while aging along with "ole" WSPS as the years "sail" by. Our organization has been the beneficiary of many of these life-long relationships, good, organizationally committed people enjoying their affiliation with WSPS. The level of dedication of so many of these members for so many years may have been our most important and enduring Tradition.

Today is a day of remembrance for all members past, a time of quiet appreciation for those whose dedication, gifts of time, energy, and expertise helped make us the organization we are. During this ceremony we shall regrettably recognize the recent passing of members who each in their own way



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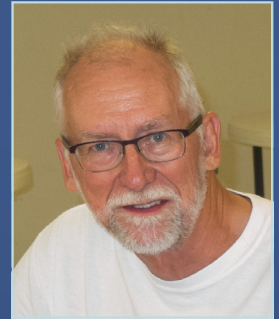
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**OUR
COMMANDER'S
MESSAGE**



This is my first message as your commander. I am very excited about my new role and I look forward to serving you, enjoying our social events and supporting boating safety.

The Squadron has a rich history and many things we should be proud about. I hope, with your help, we can make 2017 a good year for old and new members. My work will be guided by the brain storming last summer when the squadron leadership met to look to our future by examining barriers to new and current membership and what types of actions we should take. The top three barriers were:

- 1) affordability for new members
- 2) lack of squadron awareness in the community
- 3) reaching out/understanding what younger people want.

With respect to actions to increase membership the group targeted: Marketing with Cabela's, increasing courses offered, use business cards, use one-on-one relationships and create incentives/subsidize dues for new members. These top tier findings as well as other findings by the group will be my focus.

Communication is key in every successful organization which is one reason I have started a periodic e-mail to members. It will be labeled "Out and About" and will provide a timely notice of Squadron developments and activities.

I would appreciate your feedback about the e-mails so communication method can work for you. Our next big event is the annual summer cruise - a wonderful WSPS Squadron tradition. Dennis Wallace & Terry Butler with their committee have organized a great itinerary. Not everyone with a boat is going on the cruise but everyone is invited to the kickoff Saturday dinner before the cruise begins at Sailing Emporium.

We hope to see you!

Commander Bruce Wyngaard, AP

Change of Watch ~ 2017

contributed to the proud eight decade legacy which is the Wilmington Sail and Power Squadron. A very special comment of appreciation to those elected and appointed members who this day will be accepting helm responsibilities for the 2017-2018 Bridge Year. Thanks to all for their ongoing participation! Perpetuation of the legacy once again rests in committed hands.”



The Pledge of Allegiance was led by F/Lt John Goon, AP and the invocation given by our Squadron Chaplain, Lt Carol Hanson, P. The tolling of the bell and a period of silence recognized the passing of: D. Patricia Haac, a Certificate Holder for many years, P/Lt/C Conrad L. Hoover, JN, John J. McEvoy, AP, P/C Jay R. Minshall, AP, and P/C James Robinson, AP. Twelve Past Commanders were introduced. District 5 Representative, District First Lt Walter K. Neese, SN, was introduced. Following his remarks, Commander John Ingram, AP was called to the podium for his final message as Commander. He then called his Bridge officers to the podium presenting tokens of appreciation to each with a personal thank you for their support over the 2016 -2017 Bridge year.

Lt/C Barbara Sharpless, P, was summoned to the podium for the presentation of the Life Membership Award for 25 Merit Marks (21 of those years, all consecutive, were served as our Secretary). D/1/Lt Neese, again assuming the podium, relieved Commander Ingram of his responsibilities as Commander of the Wilmington Sail and Power Squadron and, in turn, Commander Ingram dismissed his officers and committee persons elected or appointed for service rendered during his Bridge tenure.

The installation ceremony continued with the administration of the Oath of Office to incoming Commander, Bruce A. Wyngaard, AP, for the 2017-2018 Bridge year. The Oath of Office was then administered to the 2017-2018 Bridge Officers and the Executive Committee members. Commander Wyngaard delivered his acceptance of Command, thanking membership for ongoing support in his closing statement.

P/C Sharpless, again assuming the podium, presented P/C Ingram with his second Past Commander's plaque commemorating his service for the 2016-2017 Bridge year.



Following the formal portion of the program, P/C Sharpless recognized the Change of Watch Committee, Lt/C Barbara Sharpless, P, P/C Donald Engler, AP and Kathy Leef, P, for the planning of the day's event and wished to once again recognize the efforts of P/C John Ingram, his wife Betty, and the 2016-2017 Bridge and Executive Committee. In closing, he offered a special comment of appreciation for ALL of the supporting membership whose contribution made this past year a successful one. A WELL DONE EVENT!

A group picture followed by a picture of all Past Commanders was then taken by P/C Dennis Wallace, P.

2017 WSPS Summer Cruise



The eagerly anticipated, much ballyhooed, annual summer cruise is here. Actually, to be technically correct, it will be here in a few short weeks. However, it's not too late if you haven't signed up yet. Are you waiting for, a personal invitation? Well here it is... your personal invitation to sign up for the highlight of the Wilmington Sail and Power Squadron's boating season. You certainly don't want to be left out of the conversation when cruise attendees regale others of the exploits and wonderful memories of the great cruise of 2017. Do you? Of course not!. So sign up now... right this minute... don't bother finish reading this article! Print the following sign-up sheets, fill them out, and call me to tell me that you are coming. Don't forget the check- we can't do much without the check!

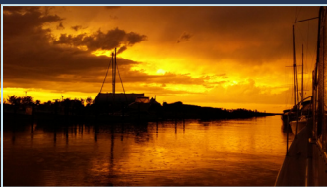


OK now that we have that out-of-the-way you can sit back and relax knowing that you will not be left out of the greatest WSPS event ever... our annual summer cruise! You will enjoy the camaraderie of friends, fellow members and fellow members soon to become lifelong friends. All of that plus you get to be talked about during the closing ceremony. If you don't get the reference don't worry you will. Feel free to call me or anyone on the cruise committee if you have any questions.



See you on the water!

Dennis Wallace, P WSPS Cruise Chairman
215-527-2043



WSPS Summer Cruise Registration #1

WSPS 2017 ANNUAL CRUISE / PICNIC REGISTRATION
June 17 – June 23, 2017

Boat Name: _____ LOA: _____ Draft: _____ Beam: _____

Power _____ Sail _____ Captain's Cell Phone Number _____

Boat US Member: (Y)_(N)_ Number: _____ Captain's E-mail: _____

Crew: In addition to names, please include ages of children and relationship of guests

Captain: _____ Guests: _____
 Mate: _____ Children: _____ Total Crew _____

***Note: Please note any special considerations or accommodations required on bottom of page 2.**

Cruise Fees: Registration Fee: \$40 - due no later than 15 March
 Cruise Fees: *balance due no later than 30 April*
 Late Registration Fee: \$40 additional after 30 April \$ _____

ITINERARY AND ACTIVITIES

Saturday – June 17, 2017 **Sailing Emporium - Rock Hall**
 KIAs – *Mayhue/Wyngaard*
Activity: ***Commander's Kick-off Party and Picnic***
 Picnic Fees: () Adults & Children X \$10.00/person \$ _____
 Slip Fee: Vessel LOA () X \$ 2.00/ft . \$ _____
 Electricity: 30 AMP line(s) () X \$ 8.00/ea \$ _____
 50 AMP line(s) () X \$16.00ea \$ _____

Sunday – June 18, 2017 **Rhode River- Anchor Out**
 KIA – *Carol Hanson*
Activity: ***"Dinner on the Hook" Raft-up***
 Will be Attending _____ Will Not be Attending _____

Monday – June 19, 2017 **Herrington Harbor South Marina**
 KIAs – *Betty & John Ingram*
 Slip Fee: Vessel LOA () X \$ 2.25/ft \$ _____
 Electricity: 30 AMPS \$6.00 \$ _____
 60 AMPS \$12.00 \$ _____
Activity: TBA; Dinner on your own.

Page 1 Subtotal \$ _____

WSPS Summer Cruise Registration #2

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Balance Forward from Page 1 \$ _____

Tuesday – June 20, 2017 **Mill Creek Solomon's Anchor Out**

KIAs – Donna & Bill Zimmerman
Activity: TBA

Wednesday – June 21, 2017 **Zahniser's Marina Solomon's**

KIA – Terry & Richard Butler
Activity: Wine & Cheese Happy Hour

Slip Fee:	Vessel LOA (_____) X \$ 2.25/ft		\$ _____
Electricity:	30 AMPS	\$6.00	\$ _____
	60 AMPS	\$12.00	\$ _____

Note: If any boat wants to come in on Tues. June 20th, the boat captain needs to call (410-326-2166) at least a week before(Boat captain will pay for their slip fees).

Dinner on your own, after Happy Hour/ Hors d'oeuvres

Thursday – June 22, 2017 **Hudson's Creek/Little Choptank - Anchor Out**

KIAs – John & Jean Marie Bailey
Activity: TBD

Friday - June 23, 2017 **Brewer's Oxford Boat Yard and Marina**

KIAs – Bev & Bart Wilson

Slip Fee:	Vessel LOA (_____) X \$ 2.25/ft		\$ _____
Electricity:	30 Amp Line(s) (_____) X \$7.00		\$ _____
	50 Amp line(s) (_____) X \$14.00		\$ _____

Closing Ceremony Hosts – Carol Hanson and Dennis Wallace
Dinner and Closing Ceremonies at TBD

Barbeque by Adam's Ribs () X \$28 \$ _____

Note: Bring Your Own Beverages.

Grand Total \$ _____

*Please List Any Requests for Special Boat and/or Crew Consideration(s), etc:

**Please make your check payable to: WSPS; mail it with this form to our
Treasurer, Lt/C John Ross, 234 North Star Road, Newark, DE 19711**

Educational Department

Thoughts on a New Squadron Year



To start the year, I am pleased to say we have a good group for the spring boater certification class at Cabela's. P/C Dave Sharpless, AP and John Koval, P are our principal instructors. Twenty four students are enrolled; about half from four family groups and half as couples or persons attending alone.

Of the family groups, they each recently purchased boats and wanted to start out right together. A father and son are taking the class together, and the father said that he had been boating for years and now that his son was coming of age, he "wanted to be sure he was doing it right."

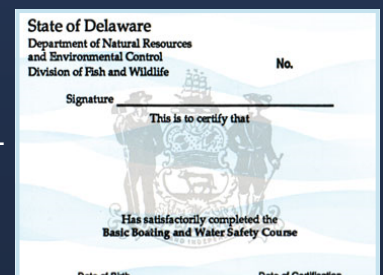
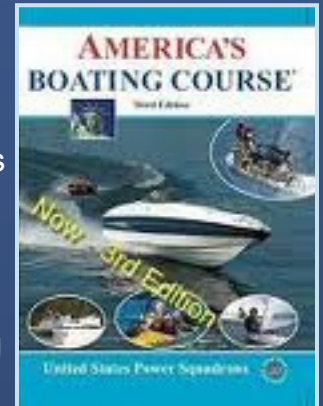
My favorite is a 14 year old who has been boating with his family all his life. He said his father is a waterman and he has been driving the 37 foot workboat since he was five. When I asked, he said, "I've been driving the boat but we thought I should get legal." He's been spot on with his answers in class.

The District 5 conference in Ocean City March 31 and April 1 was an eye opening affair. Of course I was most attuned to the updates on the educational programs of the United States Power Squadrons. I've been involved with this organization some fourteen years in three different squadrons. I've been a bridge officer and executive committee member with all three units and very much aware of the evolution of the educational program. But I was shocked. It was very clear that "this ain't your father's Power Squadron." Quickly rethinking that thought, "this ain't the Power Squadron you joined."

All courses are technology based with more advanced PowerPoint slides to document the classes. All navigation courses, including the extended America's Boating Course (ABC3), will include electronic charting. The current format is Open CPN, free downloadable charts.

A substantial change to USPS policy to make course materials available to the public is growing. Squadrons have been routinely reminded that they may offer all of their courses and seminars to the public and that emphasis will grow. Of course, squadrons are told to offer them at a higher price to non-members; and National will charge non-members an additional fee for grading and recording the exams.

USPS has an agreement with BOAT US to offer seven of the USPS seminars on-line for a fee. of the on-line students are not members. At the conference, we were informed that 75% of the on-line students are not members.



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Members pay \$19.95 while the public pays \$29. USPS also offers many seminars and webinars on-line directly to the public. The biggest push coming down the line is "On The Water Training" (OTW). District Education Officer Charles Wells, SN said that it will be his theme for the next year following his re-election to the district bridge. He said that every member of the USPS is entitled to free on the water training.

The concept was first discussed around 2007 and has been slowly taking form. The goal is to create a Boat Operator Certificate, with tested skills of boat handling commensurate with the level of education in the advanced grades and other required skills such as CPR, navigation, and fire extinguisher use. Certificates would be issued for skill levels at inland waters, coastal and advanced coastal. The intent has been to create a universally accepted credential of boating skill.

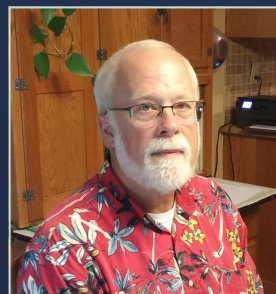
The greatest hurdle will be the volunteers to support the program with their boats and their time. On -The-Water instructors must be certified for that skill before they can train other boaters. To develop the instructors, DEO Wells has scheduled a certification event on Kent Island, MD on May 20. Candidates are not required to have passed the written portions of the program prior to taking the practical test.

There was a review of several updates that are in development for new seminars and courses. There were also more innovative programs discussed, both in the pipeline and under development, but space doesn't allow their inclusion here.

Suffice to say that there are some really great ideas, but I am left to wonder just how they can be brought into reality. Surely these new educational offerings and certifications might help to grow the organization's appeal, but how can we deliver these noble goals when we struggle to retain and attract members?



P/C Mark Atkinson, AP
Squadron Education Officer



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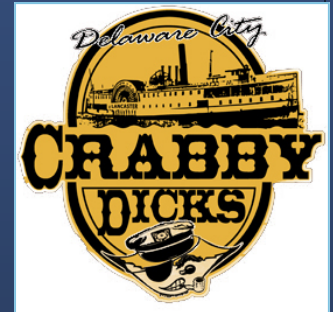
Join Us for a trip to Fort Delaware!

Would you be interested in taking a boat ride from Delaware City to Fort Delaware?

Maintenance on the Old Fort continues every year so if you haven't been recently, it is time to go again!

The boats going out to the island won't be running until early May until they start, we won't have exact times, however, the general idea is to cross over to the island about 10:00 a.m. and come back around 1:00 p.m. Then we can walk over to **Crabby Dick's** and have lunch together.

As details become available we will e-mail them along, but now is the time to write on your calendar:



“Boat trip – Old Fort Delaware – Lunch – WSPS” May13th.”

P/C W. Michael King, AP



Administrative Department

AN EDUCATIONAL CRUISE ON THE DELAWARE RIVER

Aboard the M/V Benjamin Franklin

Start Safe Boating Week with a Buffet Dinner and Narrated Cruise

Wednesday, 24 May 2017

Boarding: 1800 Departure: 1830 Rain or Shine

During the south bound trip, you will enjoy a delightful, full course dinner on the lower dining deck of the Ben Franklin. The informative and exciting narration by Jim and Bill will focus on aids to navigation, piloting, and chart work using a hand held compass, GPS, and plotting our position on Delaware River Chart 12312. On the return trip you will see lighted aids, ranges and navigation lights on the big ships.



Bring your neighbors and friends

Make reservation by sending a check in the amount of \$35.00 for each adult payable to DRSPS to Doris Brecht, 401 Ryers Ave., Cheltenham, PA 19012 (267-738-7183).

List name of each guest and e-mail address. (\$15.00 for children under 12)

Directions: The M/V Ben Franklin departs from 401 N. Columbus Blvd. which is just north of the Ben Franklins Bridge. South on I-95: take the right hand lane at exit 22 for Callowhill St. At the bottom of the off ramp, turn left on Callowhill St. and go several blocks. Turn left on N. Columbus Blvd. You will almost immediately come upon the parking lot at #401 where yo will find ample parking. Coming north on I-95: use exit #20, turn left onto Co-lumbus Blvd. Parking lot is just north of Dave & Buster's Restaurant.

Sponsored by Delaware River, Delhigh, Kingsway and Main Line Power Squadrons.

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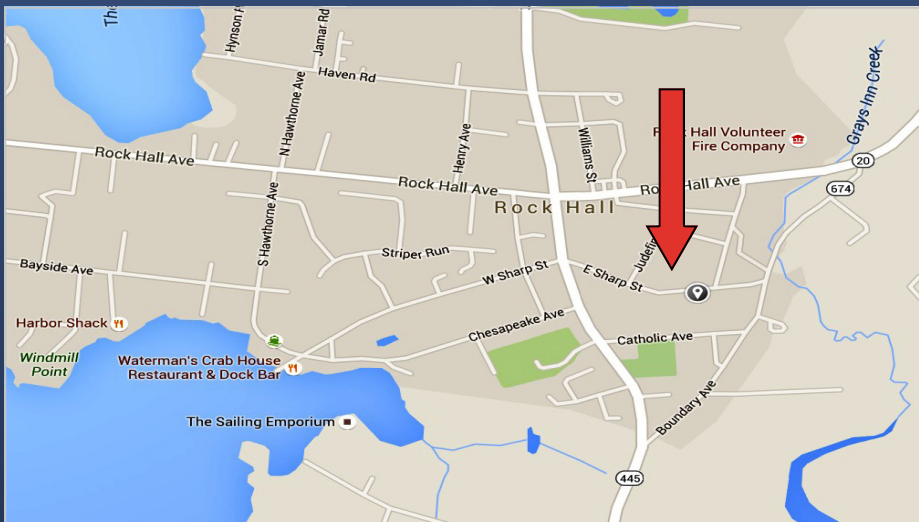
5th Annual WSPS Crab Feast

Join us for the WSPS 5th Annual Crab Feast to be held on July 29th, at the Sgt. Preston Ashley American Legion Post #228 located at 21423 Sharp Street in Rock Hall, MD 21661. This is our second time at this facility, which is totally air conditioned.

All communication will be through our Administrative Officer P/C John Ingram, AP.

Please call John at **(302) 633-1733** or email him at: cmdrjgi@verizon.net and let him know that you will be coming and what appetizer you will be bringing. Yes, reservations are necessary for this date.

All members and guests are welcome to bring as much non-alcoholic beverages as you please, however, all wine, beer, and mixed drinks must be purchased from the American Legion's bar area.



DATE: SATURDAY, 29 JULY
 TIMING: 2 PM UNTIL 6 PM
 COST: \$10 PER MEMBER;
 GUESTS ARE \$35 EACH
 FOOD: MARYLAND BLUE CLAWS
 PLEASE BRING AN APPETIZER
 WINE, BEER, AND MIXED DRINKS
 WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR
 PURCHASE FROM THE BAR.
 PLEASE DON'T BRING YOUR
 OWN!



Boating Safety News

How Safe is the Chesapeake Bay to Swim in?

Results of Bacteria Sampling in Chesapeake Bay Watershed		
Enterococci / 100 ml of water		
Site	July 7	July 15
Savage Park on the Middle Patuxent	40	1,752
Middle Branch Park on the Patapsco	2	792
Toilet	2 (clean)	268 (w/ feces)
Fairview Beach on the Potomac	64	240
James Creek Marina on the Anacostia	2	124
Inner Harbor on the Patapsco	724	120
Oyster Harbor on the Severn	12	24
Herald Harbor on the Severn	2	24

After the rain on July 15, 2016 tests showed that three of the seven sites had bacteria levels far higher than Maryland and Virginia standards for safe recreation, and five were above the level for safe swimming. Two – Savage Park in Howard County, Md., and Middle Branch Park in Baltimore – had bacteria levels much higher than the dirty toilet.

And all but one site -- the Inner Harbor of Baltimore -- showed a rise in bacteria levels following the rain. But even the Inner Harbor sample was higher than the allowable level for safe swimming.

“The problem is now that every time it rains, the material that’s sitting in our streets, sitting on our yards, just gets washed into our creeks,” said Dr. Sally Hornor, a biology professor at Anne Arundel Community College, who conducted the

water analyses for News21.

Maryland and Virginia’s state and county health departments advise against swimming and direct contact with water within 48 hours of major rain, usually defined as a rainfall exceeding one inch.

“Particularly in the summer when we have these huge thunderstorms, water comes off the land quickly and carries with it any bacteria that might be present,” said Kathy Brohawn, chief of the bacteria assessment division for the Maryland Department of the Environment. Levels exceeding 104 bacteria are unsafe for swimming, and levels exceeding 151 are unsafe for human recreation. The states follow the Environmental Protection Agency’s guidelines for water quality. The bacteria limits mark the point at which more than eight in 1,000 people would be predicted to contract a gastrointestinal illness after full-body contact with the water.

Next Steps:

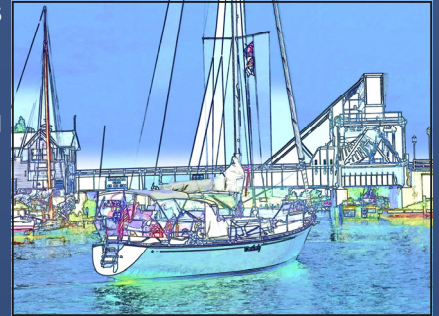
You can sign up on the public health department’s website: <http://aahealth.org> Anne Arundel County Department of Health located in Annapolis, MD for e-mails or text messages about the water. If there are sewage spills or other issues, you should get an automatic alert telling you to avoid those areas until they have been determined to be safe for human use again.

How to Race your Cruiser

Take Your Sailing to the Next Level, and Have a Lot of Fun Doing It

Every sailboat is at heart a racing boat, and every sailor should do a little racing, simply because it will make you a better sailor.

This is why renowned naval architect and yachtsman Uffa Fox, in his classic work "According to Uffa," admonished beginners to get into racing as soon as possible, because: "Once you race every fault is pointed out in the way other boats sail away from you, and when you do anything well this too is revealed as you start sailing away from the rest of the fleet."



Beyond that, sailboat racing is also deeply satisfying, if for no other reason than you absolutely, positively, cannot use your engine, which can be a pain, but means that when you've reached the finish you've done so through your seamanship and ingenuity alone. Of course, to an outsider, racing can appear not only confusing, but stressful to the point of being downright painful. However, it's not half as chaotic as it seems once you understand the basic principles involved.

There are also plenty of races and programs expressly designed to make racing as accessible as possible, and even the biggest, fanciest regattas typically have a place for beginners, in the interest of building their fleets. Remember too, that the other crews out there want newbies like you to join in, since the more competition they have the better. So let's get out there, mix it up a little and have some fun.

Here's another dirty secret: few sailors read the official Racing Rules of Sailing (RSS) much more closely than they do the Sis (sailing instructions). In other words, don't feel like you don't belong just because you can't recite them chapter and verse.



That said, there are a few basic rules of the road you must obey when two or more boats want to sail through the same piece of water at the same time.

Specifically:

*A port-tack boat always gives way to a boat on starboard;
A boat to windward always gives way to a boat to leeward;
An overtaking boat astern always gives way to a boat ahead.*

Beyond that, the most important rule to be aware of is the one that requires an outside boat to allow an inside boat room to go around a mark, provided the inside boat has a clearly established overlap at the moment it crosses what is typically a three-boat-length-radius "zone" around the mark.

That's pretty much it; have fun!

Membership/Member Involvement

Welcome to Mr. Gangone, a new member who has transferred from Oyster Bay Power Squadron. He has now moved to Lewes, DE but would like to maintain a membership with our Squadron. His boat will be kept in Lewes. USPS is presently working on the transfer papers.

Name: John James Gangone Certificate Number: E143201

E-Mail Address: jayjaygangone@yahoo.com

Address: 23084 Narrows Lane, Lewes, DE Phone: 302-945-1168

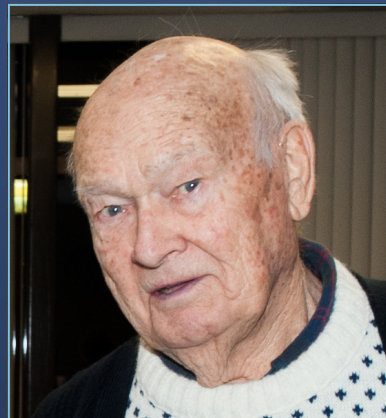
Boat: 33' Searay Express Cruiser Boat Name: Voodoo Queen

In Memoriam

P/C Jay R. Minshall, AP, age 96, passed away on Tuesday, February 21, 2017.

Jay served as our Commander during the 1973-1974 Bridge Year. His association with WSPS, along with wife of 68 years, Jeanne, was active and contributory for many years earning him 57 Merit Marks.

The easily distinguishable family cruiser, *Reverie*, was the focus of his many mechanical and woodworking talents for a period approaching six decades. Boating was a family activity during the formative years of the six children. He and Jeanne missed very few WSPS functions over the years. Health, not enthusiasm, restricted the couple's participation in squadron shore-side activities. During the annual "Cruise", the itinerary occasionally took the fleet into unfamiliar and less than well-defined (water depth) gunk holes. Fellow Captains, when in doubt, followed the *Reverie*; WHY- because he had most likely been there before!



He was a perennial, less than bashful member of the Executive Committee for countless years, willingly volunteering for any and all squadron assignments. He enjoyed sharing his varied life knowledge and experiences with like-minded individuals, especially boaters. The versatile Jay (USCG license holder) taught effectively both in the classroom in earlier years and later aboard the *Reverie* hosting "show and tell cruises" emphasizing the historical importance of our local waterfronts.

A very energetic and civic minded man, Jay belonged to many volunteer organizations in and around the Chester County area. Our group was not the only beneficiary of Minshall family involvement. From all of us, "It has been our pleasure".

Sincerest condolences to Jeanne and the Minshall family. The viewing was held on 4 March.

WSPS Birthdays

Carol Hanson	May 03	Maurice A LaPlace	Jun 15
Lynn A. Mahaffy	May 07	J. Mark Walters	Jun 16
Paul W. Esterle	May 08	Michael A. Royal	Jun 17
Thomas A. Minshall	May 12	Jane E. Drummond	Jun 21
Richard Alan Butler	May 14	William Orris	Jun 22
Bruce A. Wyngaard	May 16	Lyn F. Anderson	Jun 26
Paul Bosco	May 18	C. Forrest Collier	Jun 28
Reade Y. Tompson	May 18	Robert B. Hall	Jun 30
Susan L. Clark	May 20	Allene Hopman	Jul 05
Leslie A. Brower	May 22	James F. D'Wolf	Jul 07
Kirk L. Bailey	May 25	Lynda L. Hastings	Jul 07
Hugh M. Mahaffy	May 28	Wendy Shipman	Jul 07
Stephen A. Leishman	Jun 03	Kathleen H. Leef	Jul 19
Harold C. Marden, Jr.	Jun 06	John G. Ingram	Jul 24
Bart Wilson	Jun 07	Robert F. Mahaney	Jul 31
Bill Moody	Jun 09	Eileen Malin	Jul 31
Donna Zimmerman	Jun 12		

A Word from our National Branch of the USPS

“The National Boater Safety Committee would like to request that squadron general members assist their Vessel Examiners during National Boater Safety Week, 20-26 May 2017.

This would be a great opportunity for members to see the VEs at work and have a better understanding of their value. This would also be an opportunity for members to meet and greet the boaters with “America’s Boating Club” information.”

Stf/C Bob Bales, AP
Assistant Chair Boating Safety Committee



Schedule of Up Coming Events

13 May		WSPS Event – Trip to Pea Patch Island See Lubber's Line article on page 9 for specifics
17 May	1930	WSPS Executive Committee Meeting Conectiv Energy & Technology Center, Newark, DE
20-26 May		National Safe Boating Week
24 May	1830	Delaware River Educational Dinner Cruise Ben Franklin Yacht 401 N. Columbus Blvd., Pier 24, Phila., PA 19123 page 10
03 June		Trailer Boating Day on Upper Bay Specifics to be announced via email communication
07 June	1800	WSPS Executive Committee Meeting Brandywine Hundred Library
07 June	1830	WSPS Cruise Skippers' Meeting Brandywine Hundred Library
17 June	1700	Commander's Kickoff & Spring Picnic Sailing Emporium, Rock Hall, MD
18-23 June		WSPS Annual Cruise, including Sail Races ~ see page 4
15 July		Deadline for August/September Lubber's Line Material
22-27 July		D/5 Summer Cruise Various Points on the Chesapeake Bay
28-30 July		D/5 Summer Council and Rendezvous Norfolk, VA
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