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### WPS 2010 CHANGE OF WATCH

The 2010 Change of Watch, our 71<sup>st</sup>, is fast approaching. At the request of Commander Harry (Sut) Anderson, II, JN the Change of Watch Committee sought a location near the water to hold this event. Successful in the search, the Nauti-Goose Restaurant, located on the Northeast River in North East, MD, has been reserved. This restaurant has recently undergone extensive renovations. The second floor banquet room, ours for the day, not only offers beautiful and appropriate accommodations for our Change of Watch but also includes a scenic overlook of the head waters of the Northeast River.

**Mark your calendars for Sunday, 21 March 2010**, and join fellow members in both recognizing and honoring outgoing Commander Harry S. Anderson, II, JN and his Bridge and to welcome incoming Commander John Ingram, AP, and his Bridge. Socializing will begin at 1130 followed by an all-you-can-eat brunch. A cash bar will be available. The Change of Watch ceremony will begin at 1300. The cost is a very reasonable \$35.00 per person. Please see the enclosed *Registration Form on Page 13* for details.

*2010 Change of Watch Committee*

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### JANUARY & FEBRUARY ASSEMBLIES 2010

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**Change of Watch  
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**21 March 2010**

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**COMMANDER'S  
MESSAGE**

*By Cdr. Harry S. Anderson, II, JN*

**SKILLS + EXPERIENCE = CONFIDENCE**

Confidence in any sport is gained through learning key skills combined with practical use of those skills (experience). Confident boaters use their boats more often and derive more pleasure from their investment. Our squadron is the perfect place to gain the necessary skills and experience to enhance your confidence on the water.

Our organization is for the most part, divided into two groups relative to experience and skill. One group that has taken a majority of our courses and the other group still has a great opportunity to learn. I encourage first mates and family members to take advantage of our courses. When you do, you will find yourself boating more, having more fun, lowering the stress of the captain or taking on that role yourself, and practicing safer boating.

We realize that your time is precious so we have developed about 15 short (2 hour) seminars on a variety of topics. These more focused learning opportunities can grow key skills without a huge time investment and may also stimulate interest in some of the more intense courses. We will offer three seminars collaboratively with the City of Newark in February (see more details in this issue) and others for members only each month this spring.

Our national organization is also evolving a new type of boating certification in response to a United Nations desire to move to more rigorous licensing of boaters. Some other nations, such as New Zealand, already have rigorous boating certification requirements. While this may be more than a decade off in the USA, USPS is getting ready. As this rolls out, members taking a series of seminars and courses and passing an on-water skill demonstration, will receive progressive levels of certification from Inland to Coastal, to Near Coastal to Ocean. These certifications will not only prove proficiency when chartering or applying for insurance, but will give you confidence so you can have more fun while boating. That's what we are about: **FRIENDS, FUN, and BETTER BOATING**



## *Boating Safety News*

### *Carbon Monoxide and You*

I often wondered if we should consider carbon monoxide monitors on Wind Venture. We do not have a generator so do not have a ready source of CO. After seeing some articles about boating and CO, I have changed my mind and this spring will be installing CO monitors on Wind Venture.

The danger of CO is far greater than simply what your boat will produce. The following is a chart of the symptoms of CO poisoning (note the similarity to sea sickness):

Concentration of CO to Air	Symptoms and Time
100 ppm .01%	Slight headache in 2-3 hours.
400 ppm .04%	Frontal headache in 1-2 hours. Widespread in 2.5-3.5 hours.
800 ppm .08%	Dizziness, nausea, convulsions in 45 minutes. Insensible in 2 hours.
1,600 ppm .16%	Headache, dizziness, nausea in 20 minutes. Death within 30 minutes.
3,200 ppm .32%	Headache, dizziness, nausea in 5 minutes. Death within 30 minutes.
6,400 ppm .64%	Headache, dizziness within 1-2 minutes. Death in less than 15 minutes.

#### **The Effects of Carbon Monoxide**

Carbon monoxide (CO) can overcome a person quickly, and in high concentrations, can be fatal in just minutes — see the chart. The most prevalent source of CO is exhaust from gasoline engines and generators. These fumes reach boaters from leaks in the exhaust system, fumes sucked back into the boat, or from other boats. There are many ways CO can find its way aboard.

Since carbon monoxide is colorless and odorless, the installation of CO detectors aboard all recreational boats is recommended. The American Boat and Yacht Council now requires all new boats with gasoline inboards or generators to have a CO detector installed. Be sure to use a carbon monoxide detector designed for marine use. These are calibrated at a significantly different standard than household detectors.

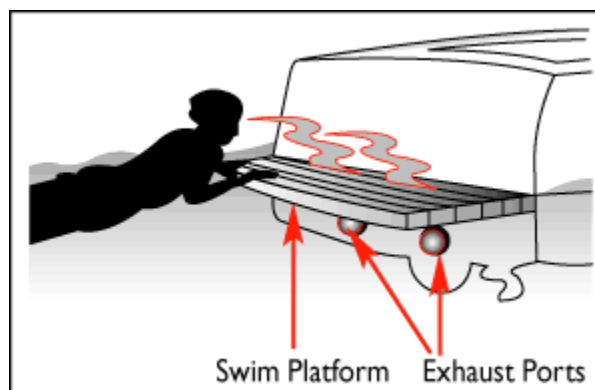
**Remember:** gasoline detectors don't detect CO!

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## Avoid These Death Zones!

- **Swimming near or under the back deck or swim platform.** Carbon monoxide from exhaust pipes of inboard engines, outboard engines and generators build up inside and outside the boat in areas near exhaust vents. STAY AWAY from these exhaust vent areas and DO NOT swim in these areas when the motor or generator is operating. On calm days, wait at least 15 minutes after the motor or generator has been shut off before entering these areas. NEVER enter an enclosed area under a swim platform where exhaust is vented, not even for a second. It only takes one or two breaths of the air in this “death chamber” for it to be fatal.
- **Blockage of exhaust outlets** can cause carbon monoxide to accumulate in the cabin and cockpit area - even when hatches, windows, portholes, and doors are closed.
- **Exhaust from another vessel** that is docked, beached, or anchored alongside your boat can emit poisonous carbon monoxide gas into the cabin and cockpit of your boat. Even with properly vented exhaust, your boat should be a minimum of 20 feet from the nearest boat that is running a generator or engine.
- **Slow speeds or idling in the water** can cause carbon monoxide gas to accumulate in the cabin, cockpit, bridge, and aft deck, even in an open area. A tailwind (force of wind entering from aft section of the motorboat) can also increase accumulation.
- **The “station wagon effect,”** or backdrafting can cause carbon monoxide to accumulate inside the cabin, cockpit, and bridge. This occurs when operating the boat at a high bow angle, with improper or heavy loading or if there is an opening which draws in exhaust. This effect can also cause carbon monoxide to accumulate inside the cabin, cockpit, aft deck, and bridge when protective coverings are used and the boat is underway.
- **Teak surfing, dragging and water-skiing within 20 feet of a moving watercraft can be fatal.**



## *Education Department*

**Please note the following Yearbook Date Change. Spring classes startup at A. I. DuPont High School have been rescheduled from 19 January 2010 to 2 February 2010. As of this writing, based on your recent survey inputs, we shall again be offering Weather.**

Our National Organization has an ongoing program developing the Seminar Program concept. Previous issues of the Lubber's Line have made mention of these brief (2-3 hour/each) offerings. Late in the summer Commander Anderson conducted one of these mini-programs (Anchoring) for boaters in the Rock Hall area. The content of the course and the presentation itself were well done and positively received.

As boaters each of us are aware of the importance education/implementation plays in our on-water activities. Allocating time for a multi-week course may not be a viable option in the short term. Possibly one or more of these 3 hour courses may be just the ticket addressing educational need and constrained time.

### **PLEASE CONSIDER THIS!**

One night and one course monthly, (location and dates yet to be determined) WPS will offer a "night out", through the week, no weekends involved, hopefully designed as a combination social/educational evening for members and guests at a fee of a \$15 donation per person/couple. No registrations, no tests, no "pop quizzes" simply show up!!!! The monthly seminar subject is up to you and can be selected from the Seminar Series (page 29 WPS Yearbook). We are seeking a non-classroom environment with light refreshments a possibility. Three offerings, one each for January, February, and March are tentative and still in pencil (any subject preferences). Course selection(s) is your call. **Pick a subject!** Your timely response will help ensure the success of this worthwhile and informative program.

We are structuring this series of inexpensive presentations to appeal to not only adult boaters, but to crew members of all ages. Notification as to specifics (time, dates, location, etc) will be by the WPS e-mail.

Please note we are also making portions of this educational format available to the general public (see Commander's Message—this issue).

*Lt/C James Robinson, AP, 610-444-5155*

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## ***BOATING SKILLS SEMINARS***

We are offering three boating skills seminars in collaboration with the City of Newark. They will be held in the Newark Senior Center at 200 White Chapel Drive, Newark, DE 19713, [www.newarkseniorcenter.com/](http://www.newarkseniorcenter.com/). The cost is \$33/person for Newark residents and \$44/person for non-residents. For more information, contact Sut Anderson at 302-733-0289 or at [sailhappy@comcast.net](mailto:sailhappy@comcast.net)

### **February 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1830-2030: Boat Anchoring: It shouldn't be a drag!**

This first of a series of 3 boating skills seminars will explain different anchor types and where each works best, sizing the anchor and rode for your boat, how much chain and line to set along with tips and tricks to stay safe while "on the hook."

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JANUARY ASSEMBLY

Rick Carrion – ELF Classic Yacht Restoration Guild

Friday, 22 January 2010

Rick Carrion, ELF Classic Yacht Restoration Guild will be our featured speaker for our first Assembly of 2010. Rick will share his experience with the restoration of the ELF Classic. There will also be an auction of white elephants. The proceeds will be donated to the Antique Boat Restoration Society. Please contact Geri Walker or Sue Engler, if you have any items you wish to donate.

The evening begins at 1830 (6:30 PM) with appetizers and soft drinks and continues with dinner at 1900. Dinner will include Subs, Chips and Ice Cream. The cost is \$8.00 for adults and \$4.00 for children under 12.

All of our winter meetings will be held at the Brandywine Community Center on Naamans Road, just off Concord Pike (Route 202). The Community Center is a free-standing building with a dome, and is by the fountain in front of the shopping center.

Reservations due by Tuesday, 19 January.

*Lt. Rita Shade*

*Betty Ingram*

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Names of those attending (for name tags) \_\_\_\_\_

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## ***Operations Training ???***

If you don't know what Operations Training is you can find out this coming January. There will be a four, two hour classes where we will learn about Power Squadron, the history, the by-laws and how things really get done. If you have intellectual curiosity or want an additional sticker for you certificate or you simply are bored on Sunday afternoons then please join in with the rest of us at my home. The first class is January 3<sup>rd</sup> and will run from 1400 to 1600. So why do we use 24 hour clock time anyway? Come and find out. We will do our best to make classes informative and pleasant. There is no examination required. Please call for directions.

*P/C Mike King*

## ***The Photo Contest***

The results of the 2009 Cruises photo contest were announced and displayed at the October Social. The tradition of rewarding talented and intrepid photographers continued. The pictures themselves were genuine works of art. If you missed the social and would like to see these images of this very special WPS week together please visit [www.wilmingtonpowersquadron.org](http://www.wilmingtonpowersquadron.org). A special thank you for contributing photos goes out to Cmd. Sut Anderson, JN, Don Engler, AP, Sandy Netting, JN, Ann Pounds, AP, and Kathy Reager, P. An additional thank you goes out to Lt. John Goon, AP and P/C Lynda Hastings, AP for assisting with this year's judging.

*P/C Mike King AP*

## ***Change in Lubber's Line Schedule***

Going forward into 2010 the Lubber's Line distribution will be reduced by one issue annually. The first two issues for the year will follow the usual schedule; May, June and July will be combined in the third issue; the fourth issue will cover the months of August and September; and the fifth issue will include October, November and December. We shall continue to contact members via e-mail of up-coming events as well as reminders.

*Lt/C Barbara L. Sharpless, P  
Secretary*

## ***In Memoriam***

Sadly on 2 November 2009 we lost Robert N. Manning, JN. Bob was an active member and energetic contributor to Wilmington Power Squadron for over half a century accumulating 39 merit marks. As a member of the Executive Committee for many years, his incisive inputs were always respected and well received by his peers.

As an enthusiastic proponent of boating safety and education, Bob dedicated many years to the furtherance of WPS goals by his successful involvement in all aspects of the operation and management of our organization.

A man of varied interests, not only water related, Bob remained immersed in many civic and social organizations throughout his life.

To quote Bob, "I've had a wonderful life. Now everybody get on with theirs."

You are missed!



## *Nominees for 2010-2011 Bridge Year*

The report of the Nominating Committee:

### ***Bridge Nominees:***

Commander: Lt/C John G. Ingram, AP  
 Executive Officer: P/C W. Michael King, AP  
 Education Officer: Lt/C James Robinson, AP  
 Assistant Education Officer: P/C C. David Sharpless, AP  
 Administrative Officer: Lt/C Rita A. Shade, P  
 Secretary: Lt/C Barbara L. Sharpless, P  
 Treasurer: P/C Martin G. Wagner, AP

### ***Executive Committee General Members:***

Cdr. Harry S. Anderson, II, JN  
 P/C Donna Zimmerman, JN  
 P/C C. David Sharpless, AP  
 P/C Jay R. Minshall, AP  
 Donald R. Engler, P  
 John S. Ross, AP  
 Lt Judith C. Stadler, AP

### ***Audit Committee:***

P/Lt/C John A. Bryson, AP  
 Lt Thomas S. Webster, SN

### ***Nominating Committee:***

P/C C. David Sharpless, AP  
 P/C Donna Zimmerman, JN  
 Cdr. Harry S. Anderson, II, JN

### ***Rules Committee:***

Lt Conrad L. Hoover, JN  
 P/C Roger L. Cason, SN  
 P/C Martin G. Wagner, AP

The vote on these nominations will be held at the Founder's Day Assembly on 12 February. The Founder's Day get-together begins at 1830 at the Brandywine Community Center off Naamans Road.

Respectfully submitted by the Nominating Committee:

*P/C Martin G. Wagner, AP*  
*P/C C. David Sharpless, AP*  
*P/C Donna Zimmerman, JN*



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### **February 10<sup>th</sup>, 1830-2030: Using VHF and DSC Marine Radio Seminar**

The VHF radio is the mainstay of coastal communications and your lifeline to the Coast Guard in emergencies. Learn how to make proper social and emergency calls and how to use the new DSC, digital selective calling feature.

### **February 17<sup>th</sup>, 1830-2030: GPS Navigation while Boating**

Learn how to choose and operate your marine GPS to know your position and navigate accurately. Enter waypoints and routes and interface with computers for cruise planning.

*Cdr. Harry S. Anderson, II, JN*

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The Wilmington Power Squadron, which is represented evenly by power boaters and sailors, holds monthly socials with topical guest speakers during the off-season. These meetings are held at 1830 at the Brandywine Community Center, located on Naaman's Road just off Route 202. Boaters of all experience levels are welcome to stop in at the socials.

*Lt/C Rita A. Shade, P  
Administrative Officer*



***D/5 Executive Officer L. Chris Brown, JN discusses USPS and e-boating education.***



***P/C Donna Zimmerman, AP receives the Education Proficiency Award from Cdr. Harry S. Anderson, II, JN and D/5 Executive Officer L. Chris Brown, JN***



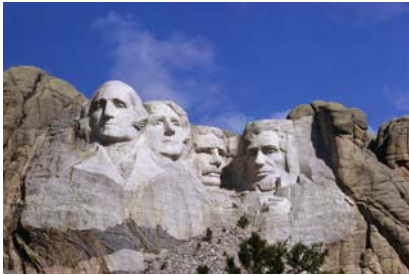
***John A. Bryson, AP is acknowledged for his 25-year membership by D/5 Executive Officer L. Chris Brown, JN and Cdr. Harry S. Anderson, II, JN***



***Ginny Brown***



*(Photos courtesy Cdr. Harry S. Anderson, II, JN)*



## FEBRUARY ASSEMBLY – FOUNDER’S DAY

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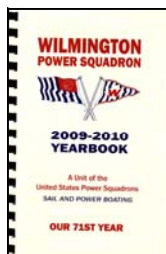
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## WPS Birthday List January - February

<i>January</i>		<i>February</i>	
	<i>Date</i>		<i>Date</i>
Robert V. A. Harra, Jr.	1/02	Erich D. Smith	2/09
Lois B. Radcliff	1/02	Sue F. Engler	2/11
James Robinson	1/04	Francis Richardson, Jr.	2/12
Irene DuPont, Jr.	1/08	D. Jeffrey Russell	2/12
Kathy Scott-Reager	1/15	Paul David Erlichman	2/13
Frank V. Bailor	1/17	Pat Esterle	2/17
David I. Netting	1/21	John J. Polk	2/18
Patricia S. Maher	1/28	Larry J. Camela	2/21
Sally A. Camela	1/29	Nancy N. Goettel	2/22
Pierce W. Johnston, Jr.	1/29	Harry S. Anderson	2/23
George C. Bentley	1/30	Lois H. Slack	2/27



### 2010 - 2011 Yearbook

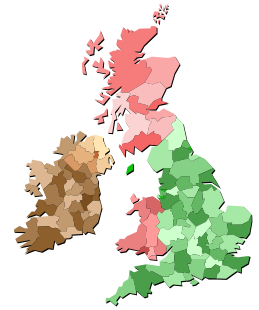
It's the time for our yearbook to be assembled and printed. If you have any changes to your listing in the member roster section of the yearbook, please update your information **ASAP**. E-mail your changes to Barbara Sharpless at: [bdsharpless@verizon.net](mailto:bdsharpless@verizon.net)



**Friends celebrate the marriage of P/C Arlo J. Osgood, SN on 18 September 2009 in Amesbury, MA**

*Pictured left to right are: F/Lt Carl L. Stacey, AP, Lt Mary E. Stacey, P/C Walter L. Osgood, SN, Jean Osgood, Alicia Courter, P/C Arlo J. Courter, N, P/C Lynda L. Hastings, AP, and Lt John P. Goon, P*

**WILMINGTON POWER SQUADRON**  
**CHANGE OF WATCH**



Sunday, 21 March 2010  
 Nauti-Goose, 200 W Cherry Street,  
 North East, MD 21901 (I-95 Exit 100A)

Arrive at 1130 to socialize with friends. You may purchase drinks from the bar.

DELUXE BRUNCH BUFFET

*Fresh Cut Fruit, Danishes, Muffins, Toast, Rolls and Butter*  
*Made-to-order Omelets, Scrambled Eggs, or Eggs Over. Ham, Onions, Peppers,*  
*Broccoli, Bacon, Spinach, American and Cheddar Cheese*  
*Waffles, French Toast, Warm Syrup, Bacon, Sausage and Potatoes*  
*White Rice, Seafood Newburgh and Chicken Stir Fry*

CHANGE OF WATCH CEREMONY – 1300

*Dessert, Coffee and Tea after the ceremony.*

Please send in your reservation slip and check payable to WPS to:  
 Mary Stacey, 600 Benham Ct, Newark, DE 19711-6015 by Friday, 14 March 2010.  
*(Please don't be late. Thanks)*

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WPS CHANGE OF WATCH  
 Sunday, 21 March 2010

Names of Attendees: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ @ \$35.00 per Person = \$\_\_\_\_\_

## Calendar of Events



Weekly Luncheons: Lucky's Coffee House, Concord Pike, Talleyville DE, Wednesday

- 19 Jan. 1900 WPS Spring Educational Courses begin  
A. I. du Pont High School, 50 Hillside Rd., Wilmington, DE
- 22 Jan. 1830 WPS Social  
Brandywine Community Center
- 27 Jan. 1930 WPS Executive Committee Meeting  
Conectiv Energy & Technology Center, Newark DE
- 01-06 Feb. USPS Annual Meeting  
Disney Coronado Spring Resort, Orlando, FL
- 02 Feb. 1900 Safe Boating Certification begins, Kennett Square, PA
- 07 Feb. Deadline for March-April Lubber's Line material**
- 12 Feb. 1830 WPS Annual Meeting & Founders Day Social, Brandywine Community Center
- 23 Feb. 1900 Test Date for Safe Boating Certification Class being  
Taught in the Kennett Square area
- 24 Feb. 1930 WPS Executive Committee Meeting  
Conectiv Energy & Technology Center, Newark DE

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