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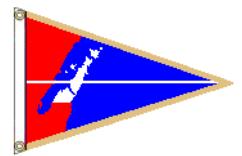


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INTRODUCING OUR NEW BANNER

In the world of advertising, it is important to market a brand so anyone seeing the ad will recognize the product and so when you see a logo like this  or this  you immediately think of Honda or Apple.

At the USPS Fall Governing Board meeting in San Antonio this past fall, one of the conference topics was “branding”, in this case the need for squadrons and districts to promote the national USPS theme to better unify the organization. And so newsletter editors are encouraged to modify banner pages to accomplish this goal by displaying the logos of the organization. What you now see at the top of this page is our new banner that has increased the size of the USPS heading, added the USPS 100th anniversary flag, and the D10 logo as well as our own burgee.

DOOR COUNTY SAIL & POWER SQUADRON

Please RSVP by Friday 10 January
to Dolores Hermann at 743-
1675 or [click here](#)

ANNUAL MEETING

FRIDAY 17 JANUARY 2014

STURGEON BAY YACHT CLUB



5:30 P.M. SOCIAL HOUR

6:30 P.M. DINNER

7:30 P.M. MEETING & ELECTION OF OFFICERS

MENU SELECTIONS

9 oz. Grilled Pork Loin w/apple brandy glaze, Parsnip Puree \$28

4 pcs. Pan Fried Perch, Sweet Potato Mash, Cole Slaw \$23

Vegetable Lasagna \$20

All entrees include soup & salad bar

PROGRAM: We are pleased that new members Ben and Marie Coons will highlight their recent cruise as they brought their 42' power boat, O'My Marie from Red Wing, Minnesota to Sturgeon Bay. Marie is our current D10 Commander.

COMMANDER'S MESSAGE

A BIT OF HISTORY

As I do from time to time, I got bored with the background photo on my computer. When I went back into my files, I ran across a photo of Stonehenge that I had taken on a trip to England in 2005. Having recently watched a Science Channel program updating the current knowledge of Stonehenge and the surrounding area, I decided to use it.



I've always been fascinated with Stonehenge, in that a people without written language, and only the most primitive of tools, were able to mine, transport and erect such a monument. There is also growing evidence that it is part of a complex involving a wooden henge a short distance away, the river Avon, and connecting avenues. Current thinking is that there was a celebration of life at the wooden henge, and reverence for the dead at Stonehenge, with a walk along the Avon (symbolizing life?) between them. There also may be some definite relationships to other relic sites in the area.

The builders, likely from 3500 BC to 1600 BC, had to mine the large stones, called Sarsen stones, up to 5 feet by 8 feet by 25 feet, and weighing up to 30 tons (60,000 pounds), and transport them 20 miles across difficult terrain

and then erect them. Some of the smaller rock (bluestones, harder than granite) was apparently mined 200 miles away and brought to site as 4 ton blocks. Modern efforts to recreate the methods used to move the rocks have not been terribly successful. There is a competing idea that glaciers did at least part of the work. But it is an absolute monument to the power of human enterprise when focused on a common goal.

This is the time of year when our own enterprise completes its cycle and renews for the coming year. Our annual meeting is just ahead and we have a special treat in that our meeting program will feature D/C Marie Coons, P and husband P/D/C Ben who will present a travelogue of their adventures moving their boat from Red Wing in the Mississippi to Sturgeon Bay via the waterways. Marie and Ben have also become associate members of DCSPS and will be cruising out of Sturgeon Bay for the next couple of years, so be sure to introduce yourselves and make them welcome.

NEW SQUADRON

Of special interest this year is the reestablishment of a Squadron across the bay. We will be discussing ways to welcome and support the Marinette and Menominee Sail and Power Squadron to our family. They are receiving their charter at the USPS annual meeting this month. It was done with lighting speed. Our first preliminary discussion was held at our Squadron Rendezvous in Menominee back in August, and the group started to organize a Provisional Squadron, but there was enough interest that they were able to apply for a charter as a full-fledged squadron right away. I think they

are showing remarkable drive and will be a real asset to our district and USPS. There was a Squadron in Menominee before 2004, and these folks will be using the same burgee, only with the M's



reversed (but you can't tell that).

CHANGE OF WATCH

Change of watch will have a new wrinkle this year in that, if all goes to plan, we will have a Sunday afternoon luncheon and Change of Watch. The year I was D/C Nominee, I had one of these on my schedule, Central Wisconsin. We had a great time and I'm sure you will enjoy the event. I'll be Skyping in to both meetings if communications allow, and we always have a backup plan so that the event comes off cleanly. **Save Sunday the 9th of February for this event.**

When the boats are away is a good time to prepare for the next season, Seaman-ship and Sail will be offered coming up, so be sure to take advantage of the opportunity.

Fair winds,

Bob

THE HOLIDAY PARTY

At Crossroads of Big Creek, 24 members enjoyed good food and conversation. The Auction and Raffle raised over \$500. Congratulations to John and Nancy Reichmann, winners of the Sail Cruise. Thanks to Steve Rank for sponsoring this raffle prize.



Bob King, Alan & Nancy Wentworth and Jerry Anderson—Bob forgot to wear his red sweater



Karen DeNoto, Cynthia Weis, Mary Smart, Janice King, Bill Galligan, Michelle Anderson and Cleida Galligan—catch up on boating stories



Gary & Sandy King, Bob DeNoto, Julie & Terry Keating, John & Mary Welch—toasting a great holiday season



Bob DeNoto and his #1 Elf, Craig Weis, conduct the auction



Jerry Smart and John Hermann—Happy Holidays to all!



Terry Keating welcomes new members Janet and Dick Grotz.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

For the 2014 Change of Watch

Sunday 9 February

NOON BRUNCH/LUNCH

Stone Harbor Resort & Conference Center

Sturgeon Bay

Watch for your special invitation

Meet the incoming D10 Commander Dale Perry

D10 FALL CONFERENCE

OCTOBER 24-26

Hosted by our Squadron, we have a wonderful opportunity to welcome other squadron members in the district to our beautiful Door County. Co-chairs of the Conference are Bill Galligan and Dolores Hermann. Committee members are Bob and Karen DeNoto, John Hermann, Mary Mayheu, Nancy Reichmann, Cynthia & Craig Weis, and Mary Welch.

As conference time approaches, we welcome many hands to help staff the hospitality rooms and direct people to their conference rooms and dining areas. If you can help for a day or part of a day, please contact one of the Committee members.

WE NEED YOU!

FROM YOUR EDUCATION OFFICER

We have just completed a busy fall classroom schedule.

Dan Balch and John Reichmann have both passed engine maintenance.

Robert Curran and Terry Keating have completed AP and we are awaiting the return of their tests.

John Reichmann has passed JN. JN is a huge accomplishment and I want to express to John how proud all of us in the squadron are of him. John completed this course as an independent study. If anyone is interested in pursuing JN as a class or an independent study please contact me so we can set it up.

Mark your calendars for 6 Feb – 27 March for the seamanship course and Sail is scheduled from 10 April – 29 May. Contact me to sign up.

Happy New Year and Safe boating in 2014!!

Steve Rank



When it's cold outside, find a place to stay out of the wind. Photo submitted by Nancy Reichmann.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO

1st—Mary Mayheu

8th—Ben Coons

19th—Fred Will

20th—Joan Nocenti

22nd—Janelle Peotter

22nd—Joan Korb

23rd—Don Cameron

29th—Suzanne Brennan



Thank you to all of the members who contributed articles and pictures. Please take no offense if your article was somewhat changed or if your picture was not included in the Scuttlebutt. Changes, exclusions and inclusions are made based on space.



Submit articles and pictures for the February Scuttlebutt by January 30, 2014



Send your comments, ideas and articles to:

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Schedule of Events



January 2014

7th—Executive Committee Meeting—7 p.m.—on-line

17th—Squadron Annual Dinner Meeting and Election of Bridge Officers—SBYC—5:30 p.m.

26th—USPS Annual Meeting—Jacksonville FL (thru Feb. 2)

February 2014

6th—Seamanship begins



9th—Squadron Change of Watch—Stone Harbor—noon

18th—Executive Committee Meeting—7 p.m.—on-line

22nd—Squadron Cruise Planning Meeting—location TBA



March 2014

28th-30th—District 10 Spring Conference—St. Paul S&PS



April 2014

1st—Executive Committee Meeting—7 p.m.—on-line

10th—Sail begins

TBA—Vessel Safety Examiner Season Prep Meeting

15th—ABC Class begins

May 2014

6th—Executive Committee Meeting

16th—Fitting Out Meeting & Social



June 2014

TBA—Vessel Safety Checks every Saturday



17—Executive Committee Meeting

21—Flare Shoot

22—Squadron Cookout

July 2014

29—Executive Committee Meeting



August 2014

22-24—Squadron Annual Rendezvous—Menominee MI



Scuttlebutt December Quiz Answer

Nautical charts for tidal regions present vertical datum, i.e., soundings based either on MLW or MLLW. How are these two references determined? Try to answer without referring to your earlier class materials.

ANSWER: MLW (mean low water) is the average local height of all low tides recorded over a 19 year natural cycle. However, in most regions low tides occur twice a day and one tide is often lower than the other. The more conservative vertical datum of MLLW (mean lower low water) is the long term average of the lower of the two daily low tides.

Congratulations to John Reichmann for correctly answering this quiz.

Scuttlebutt January Quiz

Where in Door county was this picture taken?



Can you think of an interesting and informative quiz? Please send it to the Scuttlebutt Editor.

Send your answers to the Scuttlebutt Editor

dolores.e.hermann@gmail.com. Correct answers will appear in the next issue.

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MEMBER BENEFITS

Did you know that membership in USPS comes with a variety of benefits? Benefits like insurance, office supplies, hotels and rental cars. [Click here](#) for more information available on the USPS website.

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