




DELHIGH POWER SQUADRON

DELHIGHLIGHTS



District 5

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As fall turns into winter, my Monday nights are filled with Celestial Navigation classes. The days are still warm and though the water temperature in the lakes are lower, we still find ourselves out on our boat! Maybe we're wearing our sweatshirts instead of our swimsuits, but the smell of the water is still a glorious thing. We know that winterization must lay somewhere in the very near future and maybe by the time you read this we will be all put away for the winter, but in 4 days we have plans to be back out on the boat! This is a joy of fall that I have never experienced before. Thinking that each trip will be the last only to get one more trip in again a few weeks later!

As several of our newest members are set to start Piloting this January, I would like to have this encourage us to make a push during the January ABC class to find new members. Please consider taking some time during their break time one of the two days the class is being held to stop by and make a connection with a student or two. (If you are not sure when break time is, feel free to contact Doug or me). The best way to get people to come back is to get to know them and contact them again to make sure that they know that they are welcome. A few minutes of your day can make a big difference and sugary treats never hurt either!

As our Delhigh year gets closer to its end, the calendar is finally down to a single page of fun events. So many great events have occurred this year and we are looking forward to planning many more for next year. Feel free to let the bridge know if there is anything that you would like to see on the calendar and know that by the next Delhighlights, the executive committee will have a full calendar of events planned. I hope to see you all at an event soon, but if not, my family and I wish you a very Happy Holiday Season and the joy of friends and family in the New Year.





By Cdr Kathleen Nowroozani, JN

This October, Delhigh toured the Weyerbacher Brewing Company in Easton. It was exciting to see a brewery with such a large distribution of kegs and bottles all still done by members of the community. One single worker fills all the kegs that are sold and distributed. There are a few bottling machines but you could tell by the tour guide that there was a quality and respect given to the finesse needed to properly run the machines and keep the quality at a level that the workers could be proud of. There were air filters to keep dirt out of the beer and the boxes are still glued by hand. If you are planning to buy a case of bottles you will not find handles in them, they don't like the light getting in.

There was a lot of bar space in the main area. Inside the bar area there were quite a few people playing the trivia game that was going on and it was getting very heated if the questions were not phrased correctly. The picnic tables outside were filled with people relaxing with their beer on such a nice day. The bar was full as well and there were over a dozen beers to try, all of them brewed by Weyerbacher, one for every kind of beer lover. There was even a foosball table if you were willing to put your beer down long enough to play. Only a few bar snacks are served there, but it is definitely a nice place to stop for a pint when you have the time.



By P/C Cyrus Nowroozani, JN

Delhigh held its fourth annual Sporting Clays event at the Leigh Valley Sporting Clays in Coplay on 12 November. There were twenty members and guests in attendance. Experience level ranged from first time shooters to the more advanced marksman.

The event consisted of eight stations along the grounds. Several stations had the clay birds coming over the manmade lake from the quarry dig and out of what was left of buildings adjacent to the dig sites. Each shooter took shot at fifty clay birds over eight stations on the course.

There were four squads that shot at the event. The first group included P/C Joe Stemrich, P, Joe Stemrich Jr., their guest Rosemary, and Lt/C Gary Corcoran, AP. The second team was comprised of P/C Rich Norris, JN and this son in-law, Bill Grube, and P/Lt/C Russ Fontana, AP and his son, Anthony.

The third group included P/C Brent Rhoads, SN and his wife, Jane and their daughter Jess, and guests Ken and Anita. The fourth squad had P/C Mike Lebeduik III, JN , P/C Cyrus Nowroozani, JN , Lt/C Doug McKenzie, JN , and his son, Tom. First Lieutenant Fernando Botelho, AP, was our resident photographer for the day.

Top score as a group went to team four hitting 58% of their targets. Fun was had by all. For additional information please visit their site at <http://lvsclays.com/>

Special thanks to our veterans in attendance: P/C Michael Lebeduik III, JN, P/C Rich Norris, JN, Bill Grube and P/C Joe Stemrich, P. We thank you for your service.

(See Delhigh's Facebook page for Photos)



By Lt/C Keith Knoblach, JN

Delhigh's Oktoberfest was held on 1 October. It was hosted by Rich and Bea Norris at their home.

Although it was a rainy day the event was a great success. The food was excellent; we had everything from apple sauce to sauerkraut, several types of sausages, ham, potatoes salad, and deserts and liquid refreshments of all kinds. I have to admire our members who look for different recipes and are willing to make them even if it is the first time they are making it. The food was traditionally German and the variety of dishes was widespread from appetizers to entrees. You know it is good food when it gets quiet because everyone is eating.

It was a nice relaxing time where we all mingled and talked about many different subjects from boating to sports and a little politics. And it stopped raining long enough for Cyrus and his sons to play a little soccer and football. Unfortunately, it didn't stop raining long enough for Chris to make S'mores on the fire pit.

But as things go the evening came to a close and we all parted our ways and already anticipating the next fun Delhigh get together.

We want to thank Rich and Bea for opening their home to us and for the great hospitality they gave us.

Thank you to all who came to our event for without you there would be no event.

SURPRISING CHRISTMAS TRIVIA



Dutch children have long cheered the annual coming of Sinterklaas—known also as Saint Nicholas—who sports a crimson miter and rolls into town on a steam boat filled with presents in mid-November. Then, he rides around on his mighty white steed Amerigo and distributes gifts. Over time, Sinterklaas' image was transmuted into Santa's, and Amerigo became a sled with flying reindeer.

While there had been mention of "Santa Claus" in the American press dating back to 1773, Washington Irving is generally considered the first man to significantly transform the Dutch Sinterklaas into "Santa Claus." In his book History of New York, he spoofed the gift-giving legend and portrayed Santa Claus as a pipe-smoking sailor in a green coat.

In parts of Eastern Europe, it's customary to place a live carp in your bathtub for consumption on Christmas Eve. Why? Some suggest that it's due to the fish's vital role in the area's fishing industry and because eating meat was considered a luxury—thus the need to save the carp for a special occasion.

In German, Donner means thunder and Blitzen means lightning.





Delhigh's Annual Christmas Party
at

McCarthy's Red Stag Pub

534 Main Street
Bethlehem

Saturday, 17 December 2016

Cocktail Hour Begins at 1800
Cash Bar with

Irish Sampler – Dubliners fondue, bangers, smoked salmon on brown bread, and potato pancakes.

Dinner Buffet:

Haddock in Oats, Chicken Tikka over Rice, Cottage Pie,
Roasted Root Veggies, Roasted Red Bliss.
House Salad with Balsamic Dressing and Brown Bread

Dessert:

Seasonal Bread Pudding: a traditional bread pudding blended with seasonal fruit. Served warm with whiskey sauce.

Non-alcoholic beverages are all included

\$49 per person

Pollyanna Gift Exchange

Please bring a gift valued \$20 or less if you would like to participate. One per couple or one per person, whichever you prefer.

Send Checks to:
Chris Ellis
1229 Vermont Ave
Allentown, PA 18103
610-390-7159

by Saturday, 03 December

Delhigh Christmas Party

Reservation Form

Please respond by: December 3, 2016

Traditional British Buffet dinner includes:

Cottage Pie- Mince of beef, carrots and onions seasoned with HP sauce, topped with mashed potatoes and onion stout gravy.

Chicken Tikka Masala- A true British national dish - curry of chicken marinated in spices with a creamy tomato garlic sauce served over curried basmati rice.

Haddock and Oats- Broiled haddock topped with a rolled oats butter topping.

**Roasted Root Veggies,
Roasted Red Bliss Potatoes,
House Salad w/Balsamic Dressing
and Brown Bread**

Name(s)

_____ @ \$49.00 each

Total Enclosed: _____

(Checks payable to: Delhigh Power Squadron)

Send to: Chris Ellis, S
1229 Vermont Avenue
Allentown, PA 18103
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(610) 390-7159

**UNIFORM OF THE DAY – UNIFORM A WITH
BOWTIE OR OTHER APPROPRIATE ATTIRE**





January Meeting and New Recipe Pot Luck

Come join Delhigh for our first meeting of the New Year and bring and try out a new recipe at our pot luck dinner.

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Holy Trinity Church

Wednesday, 4 January
2017

1830 Potluck

1900 Meeting



3rd Annual



with Delhigh

Come Join Delhigh for a night of fun and games!

Saturday, 14 January 2017

1700

at The Brown Residence

3151 Club Drive

Allentown

There will be a wide variety of games available to test your wit or occupy the senses!

Ginny's infamous Antipasto Salad and homemade soup will be provided along with a variety of drinks

Please bring an appetizer or a dessert

RSVP to Ginny at

[610-433-3523](tel:610-433-3523)



vs.



Wilkes-Barre/Scanton
Penguins

Friday, 20 January 2017

PPL Center

1905

**Tickets are together and in the
Red Zone**

Section 112 just like last year!

Doors open at 1805

\$22/person

Please RSVP to Keith at

610-509-3526 OR
keithk56@aol.com

By

Saturday, 10 December 2016



Delhigh Power Squadron's 2017 Founder's Day Meeting

Wednesday, 1 February 2017

1760 Pub -n- Grille

1176 Trexlertown Road

Trexlertown

1800

Buffet Appetizers of Mild Wings and Tomato Bread

(tomato and mozzarella on top of toast)

Choice of:

Beer Battered Fish –N- Chips

Yuengling beer battered cod served with house cut fries

BBQ Baby Back Ribs, Full Rack

Dry rubbed, slow roasted ribs, glazed with signature sauce, served with mashed potatoes.

Chicken Fettuccini Alfredo

Fettuccini pasta and grilled chicken topped with creamy alfredo sauce

All Choices are served with side salad

(choice of: Balsamic Vinaigrette, Creamy Italian, Lite Italian, Raspberry Vinaigrette, Blue Cheese, French, Lite Ranch, Ranch, Oil and Vinegar, Caesar, Honey Mustard, Thousand Island)

When you RSVP please select a meal and salad dressing

\$25 each

Please RSVP with your dinner choices to Keith at

610-509-3526 or keithk56@aol.com

by Sunday, 22 January



Executive Officer's Report
Lt/C Kim Karaman, S

Educational Officer's Report
Lt/C Doug McKenzie, JN

I hope that everyone had a wonderful Thanksgiving with family and friends.

Thank you to all our Vessel Safety Examiners, who have completed 58 Vessel Safety Checks this year. A job well done!

There are two D/5 events on the calendar:

On 19-26 February 2017, United States Power Squadron Annual Meeting will be held at The Rosen Center, in Orlando, Florida. Details and Registration form are on the D/5 website. When you get to the website, click on the events icon to get the information.

From 30 March-2 April 2017, the D/5 Spring Conference will be held at The Princess Royal Hotel in Ocean City, Maryland. This is the D/5 Change-Of-Watch and also training for bridge members to learn the duties of the position they have. Thursday night is your squadron commander's party and on Friday night you can visit all the hospitality rooms for fun and learning. Saturday evening is the District Commander's Reception and the Change-Of-Watch ceremonies which includes awards for various activities. If you can get away to go, you will have a very good time and get to meet other squadron members and share some of your boating experiences. Hope you can make it. The details and registration forms are on the D/5 website.

I want to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays!

It's late in the season now; only the hardest of boaters are still in the water. Some of my fisherman friends are hitting the late striper run but my boat is, sadly, all wrapped up for the winter. With that chore behind me, it's time to focus on the classes Delhigh will be teaching this winter.

D/5 is running the Junior Navigation and Navigation courses online and some of our members are taking advantage of that. This is a great opportunity to take these advanced courses with great instructors!

Delhigh is running the Piloting course starting in January. We have seven students now, but we can take a few more if you are able to join us.

We are also teaching the ABC course in January and we just finished the teacher recertification class so we have lots of teachers ready to go!

The United States Power Squadron® has so many educational opportunities, many available online, so please take advantage and further your boating knowledge.





Administrative Officer's Report
Lt/C Keith Knoblach, AP

Hello everyone. The month of October has been a fun filled time for us at Delhigh.

Our Oktoberfest on 1 October was an awesome time, filled with great German foods brought by our members, and enjoyed by all. We had 22 attend our social event. We would like to thank Rich and Bea Norris for hosting the event at their home. And thank you all who attended and brought the excellent and tasty dishes.

On 16 October we had our Beer Tasting at Weyerbacher Brewery. The tour of the brewery was entertaining and informative. The beer tasting was excellent and we got to try many of the different types of beers they make. After the tour and tasting we all went to Two Rivers Brewing Company for dinner. We had 12 guests attend this event.

The Corn Maze and Taco Night on 22 October were attended by 26 guests. Although the Corn Maze was closed due to inclement weather, we all gathered at the Nowroozani home for tacos. It was a fun filled night with great tacos and side dishes and desserts for all to enjoy. Thanks to Cyrus and Kathleen for hosting the event at their home.

The Sport Clays Outing on 12 November was attended by 21 guests. It was held at Lehigh Valley Sporting Clays, in Coplay, PA. Thanks to P/C Cyrus Nowroozani, JN for setting the event up.

Our Annual Holiday Party will be held on 17 December at McCarty's Red Stag Pub, 534 Main St., Bethlehem, PA. The event will start at 1800 and the cost is \$49.00 per person. Please RSVP Lt Chris Ellis, S, at tab-by1cat@hotmail.com. or 610-390-7159. Please send check to Lt. Chris Ellis, S 1229 Vermont Avenue, Allentown, PA. 18103.

Our Monthly Meeting and New Recipe Pot Luck will be on 4 January 2017 at 1830 in Holy Trinity Church, Bethlehem, PA. Please bring a new recipe dish to share with all.

Delhigh's Game Night will be 14 January 2017 at 1700 and will be hosted by P/D/C Chris Brown, JN and P/C Ginny, P, at their home, located at 3151 Club Dr. Allentown, PA. Please bring an appetizer or desert for all to enjoy. Please RSVP Ginny at 610-433-3523.

On 20 January 2017 at 1905, Delhigh members can attend a Phantom Hockey Game at the PPL Center in Allentown, PA. The cost is \$22.00 per person. We will be seated in the Red Section again this year. Please RSVP Keith Knoblach at 610-509-3526 to call or text, or keithk56@aol.com. Payment is due by 17 December.

Our Founder's Day Meeting will be held on 1 February 2017 at 1830 at 1760 Pub-n-Grille, 1176 Trexlertown, PA. The cost is \$25.00 per person. Please RSVP Keith Knoblach at 610-509-3526 to call or text or at keithk56@aol.com.

Our Bowling Day is 11 February 2017 at 1100 at Hampton Lanes, 326 Main St. Northampton, PA. Please RSVP Keith Knoblach at 610-509-3526 for calls and texts or keithk56@aol.com.

At this time I would like to wish everyone a Happy and Safe Holiday.

Come for the Boating Education... Stay for the FriendsSM



VESSEL SAFETY CORNER

P/C Michael Lebeduik, JN

Vessel Safety Corner

We would like to take this opportunity to thank all the individuals who had Vessel Safety Exams conducted on their vessel this past boating season. Now is a good time to consider taking one of the many courses offered online to stay current or see what is new or has changed.

Your Squadron VE's, Cdr Kathleen Now-roozani, JN; Lt/C Keith Knoblach, JN; Lt Richard Garnjost, SN; P/C George Kelchner, SN; P/Lt/C John Kudara, AP and P/C Michael Lebeduik, JN look forward to serving you again next year. We wish you and your families a Happy and Safe Holiday Season.

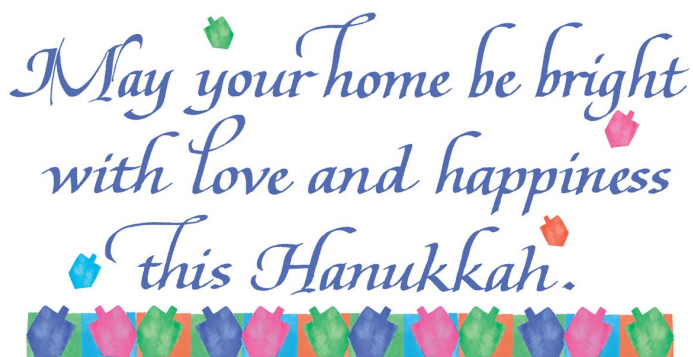


DECEMBER

Michelle D.	Botelho	11-Dec
Joseph F.	Arieta	13-Dec
Patricia A.	Arieta	13-Dec
Keith J.	Knoblach	18-Dec
Joseph F.	Marakovits	19-Dec
Ronald S.	Handwerk	20-Dec
Nilsa	Lebeduik	20-Dec
Marilyn L.	Ludwig	25-Dec

JANUARY

Yuanzhi	Luo	1-Jan
Richard A.	Bruch	9-Jan
Donald R.	Ludwig Jr.	18-Jan
Donald J.	Hillbish	19-Jan
Joseph P.	Stemrich Jr.	21-Jan
Douglas S.	McKenzie	24-Jan
Robert Joseph	Rendish	29-Jan
Gary Thomas	Corcoran	30-Jan
Beverly R.	Strothers	30-Jan



May you and your family cherish the wonderful memories of love, care and hope. May you live life in joy and peace.
Merry Christmas
Happy New Year.





Boating Safety



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When your boat goes aground

What to do when you run aground?

It is said there are only two kinds of skippers: those who have run aground and those who won't admit it. Many groundings are painless, requiring only a wait for the tide to rise. Other times, grounding can be downright dangerous, causing damage to the hull, rudders and props. If you are moving fast when you hit the bottom, you and your passengers could become human missiles.

What can you do to minimize the danger of running aground, and how can you avoid it?

- Obtain and study charts for the areas where you will be boating.
- Ask local marina operators about hazards not shown on charts, such as shoaling and debris in the water.
- Download the weekly **Local Notice to Mariners** for chart corrections and information about buoys that have moved.
- Go slowly through shallow areas and follow channel markers carefully.
- Remain seated while underway and wear your life jacket.
- Close hatches and cabin doors to limit the distance you can fall if a sudden stop occurs.
- Know what to do when you run aground.

After running aground, stop your engines and assess the situation. First check to see if anyone aboard has injuries. Then check the integrity of the hull and whether your boat is taking on water. If the answer is yes, call for help using 911 or VHF channel 16. Make sure everyone is wearing a life jacket.

If the boat is leaking, try to plug the leak with anything at hand. Have someone pump or bail until help arrives. Attend to injured people and apply first aid as needed.

If your boat isn't sinking or in imminent danger, don't call the Coast Guard. Instead, try to float free by lifting the outdrives, redistributing weight on board, or using a kedge anchor to pull the boat into deeper water. If the tide is rising, a short wait may solve your problem. If you are stuck hard, call a tow boat.

Get unlimited towing insurance before you need it. The reasonable premium for this service is the best money you will ever spend.

—Bob Russell, USPS Compass



DISTRICT 5 NEWS

FALL CONFERENCE

Three amazing posters were entered from District 5 in the United States Power Squadrons® 2016 Youth Poster Contest and were presented at Fall Conference! Two were sponsored by Northern Neck Power Squadron and one from Absecon Power Squadron.

In the 9 to 11 age group, Mia Bundy, a student at Northumberland Middle School in Lottsburg, VA, won first place. Mia was sponsored by Northern Neck Power Squadron. Her poster will be taken to Orlando and submitted in the national competition.

In the 12-14 age group, both Ralph Carugno and Madison Garrity submitted excellent posters. Ralph Carugno of Mays Landing, NJ and sponsored by Absecon Power Squadron won second place and Madison Garrity, a student at Northumberland Middle School and sponsored by Northern Neck Power Squadron won first place. Madison's poster will be entered into the national competition in January.

All three entrants will receive a Certificate of Participation from District 5 and a personal letter from District Commander Randy Stow.

The weather was wonderful, the accommodations great and the camaraderie, as always, delightful.

On Thursday night a fun casino night was held and based on the photo album posted on Facebook; those that participated had a marvelous time!

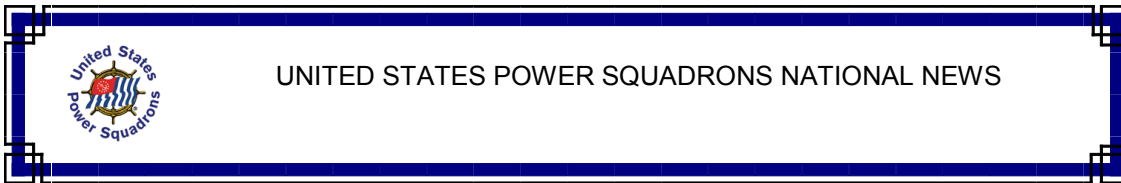
Friday seminars included something new; Boating Safety 4 Kids (ages 6-12). Additional seminars included the CPR/First Aid Course and the Boating Simulator Virtual Trainer Exhibit.

On Friday night we watched *Finest Hours*, a true story about a nearly impossible Coast Guard Rescue. Wonderful, inspiring film and - thanks for the popcorn, Sari Lafferty.

Saturday held the Teaching Aids exhibit, Educational Department Update and Editors'/Publications Committee meeting, and a presentation on Sea Scouts. After the Commander's Reception, the Banquet and Awards Ceremony was held.

On Sunday the Fall Conference convened at 0900 and during the Conference, it appears we had finally reached a consensus on the final changes to the D/5 Bylaws, which were finally approved. By 1130 all were ready to depart for home.

If you've not been to a USPS ® Fall Educational Conference, you're missing a great event. Plan to join us at any of the D/5 events during 2017: Spring Conference, Summer Council or Fall Conference. You won't be disappointed.



Warm Welcomes Await You In Orlando!

Can't wait to welcome you to Orlando! We're so glad you'll be here. My wife Dot and I are pleased you chose Orlando to come and visit. There many things to see and do, most of which center around "Gripping and Grinning" with old friends and delighting in opportunities to make new ones.

The National Meetings committee has done a great job organizing and preparing a large number of fun, educational and attractive events for your pleasure while you visit us here. The hotel is happy to have us back, and we can look forward to more great times with the accommodations, tours and meal choices.

This annual meeting is the second one to feature the registration/audio-visual recovery fee. Your support in Pittsburgh was fantastic and was instrumental in raising enough money to offset the audio-visual fee and a little bit more. Your Board of Directors thanks you!

Many seminars have been planned as well as our re-energized Expo held on Friday.

As is now our custom, tropical shirts are the uniform of the day on Friday and

"USPS casual" every other day except for the official meeting on Saturday. For those attending the awards dinner on Thursday, our customary blazer ensemble is in order.

We're delighted that award-winning author Michael Tougias, co-author of *The Finest Hours*, will be with us for our Keynote Breakfast Friday. We look forward to his slide presentation about the U.S. Coast Guard's most daring sea rescue. Don't miss it!

Thank you for joining us in Orlando.

With warmest regards,

Luis

— *Chief Commander Luis Ojeda, SN*

Annual Meeting 2017

Orlando, 19-26 February 2017

See USPS® website for more information



2016-2017 Calendar of Events

Holiday Party

Saturday, 17 December 2016
McCarthy's Red Stag Pub, Bethlehem
1800

Founder's Day Meeting

Wednesday, 1 February 2017
1760 Pub and Grille
1800

January Meeting and New Recipe Pot Luck

Wednesday, 4 January 2017
Holy Trinity Church, Bethlehem
1830

Bowling

Saturday, 11 February 2017
Hampton Lanes
1100

ABC Class

Saturday, 14 and 21 January 2017
Peter's Marine
0900-1300

USPS® Annual Meeting

19-26 February
Orlando, FL

Game Night

Saturday, 14 January 2017
Brown Residence
1700

Change-of-Watch

Saturday, 4 March 2017
Carriage House

Phantoms Game

Friday, 20 January 2017
PPL Center
1905

All Calendar events are subject to change as the bridge sees fit. Please contact Keith at 610-509-3526 or keithk56@aol.com for more information on any scheduled event.