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Reaching for the Stars

2015 - 2016

Commander Kathleen Nowroozani, JN Incoming Commander's Message

Six years ago Cyrus and I walked into Peter's Marine to take America's Boating Course, given by the USPS®. We had just bought our first boat and were hoping to learn about being safe boaters and afterwards, when we were offered the chance to take Seamanship we joined Delhigh. We showed up with the other Delhigh members taking the Seamanship class and made friends. For those of you that know my husband, I am sure it is not difficult for you to imagine him walking into a room full of people that he doesn't know and making friends. He does it everywhere we go.

Then you have those of us more like me, those that have a much more difficult time talking to strangers. I think that the people that are more like me might be represented in the number of members that Delhigh has obtained through teaching the ABC class since then.

I know that Delhigh has put membership in the forefront of our priorities for the past several years, however due to circumstances beyond our control we have had very small numbers of students in our ABC classes and I'm sure that there are lots of reasons for that, like the economy, and being in a land locked area. I know that this is the way that a lot of squadrons are able to find new members, but our classes in the past few years have had only 5-7 students each...

That being said, if I told you that things had changed, how many of you would be willing to spend 5 minutes to try and obtain more members?

The reason I ask is that this year, for whatever reason, we have had ABC classes that are filled with students! We are filling every seat at Peter's Marine and sometimes even stealing Bobby's desk chair in order to seat all of the students in the class! There are still those students who are not going to join, those that are not interested or that live too far away or whatever the case may be. What I hate to see are the ones that are interested in joining and aren't being pursued, and I can tell you that it has happened, and I can admit that I, myself, am guilty of not following up. MY GOAL FOR THIS YEAR IS FOR THAT TO CHANGE! The last class that we taught in January had 31 students. Couples, families, fishing buddies, all kinds of groups and individuals. The next class that we have scheduled in April, also has well over 25 students signed up already!

I can't see, given our current state of membership, that we can manage to let this opportunity pass us by. I would like all of the Delhigh families who are willing to give 5 minutes of your time toward squadron growth to take on a group. Call them. Invite them to an event. Make them feel welcome the way we were welcomed when we started making friends here at Delhigh! It doesn't take much, just a little bit of conversation!

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Incoming Commander's Message

Also, anyone who is willing to give us an hour on Saturday April 11 or Saturday April 18, or any of the other future ABC courses, is welcome and encouraged to show up at 1000 for break time to mingle and see if you can make a connection with anyone in the class! The more members we have at break time, the more of a chance we have to connect with someone and get them to attend an event. I know that other squadrons do this and that it can work!

Aaaaaand... That's how it all started with Cyrus and I. We were talked into signing up for the Annual educational cruise in May down in Philly. We got to know some of the Delhigh members and had such a good time that we started coming to other events and now, well now we not only attend the Educational Cruise put on by Delaware River Sail and Power Squadron every year, but let's face it, Delhigh just can't seem to get rid of us!

I know we're not all cut out for this, but I know that there are also those of you that ARE cut out for it! That's why I'm suggesting that each family take on a group or maybe, if we're lucky, more than one group! It will only be a few phone calls to see if we can answer any questions that they may have, see if they're interested in attending an event or even having a FREE VSC! I just want them to know that they are welcome and wanted and to know that we have done the best that we can with the pool of students that we are finally starting to get again! And maybe it's even worth putting together a pot luck, new member dinner a few weeks after each ABC class ends just to have somewhere that they will feel like they can come to learn more about what we have to offer that they might be interested in!

I know that it has been high on Delhigh's priority list to bring in new members and now that we are being given an opportunity I think that it is time for us to step up and see what we can do!

Thank You

DELHIGH POWER SQUADRON 2015 CHANGE-OF-WATCH OUTGOING COMMANDER'S MESSAGE

BY Cdr Cyrus Nowroozani, JN

There is simple, yet powerful sentiment that can be found almost anywhere in the world. It is a part of who we are as individuals and part of our moral and social fabric. In Swahili it is asante, in Arabic it is shukran, in Danish it is tak, in German it is danke, in Hebrew it is toda, in Russian it is spasibo, in Portuguese it is obrigado, and in Spanish it is gracias.

Of course for us here, we express it in the simplicity of, thank you. We do not say it often enough. Thank you to my bridge, for your support and leadership. To Webmaster Fernando Botelho and *Delhighlights* Editor Bea Norris, for their numerous hours on our website and Delhighlights.

Education, for those that have taught, and those that have helped us provide the means to help other become safer boaters. For community service and environmental efforts, thank you to those that supported lake clean up and numerous vessel safety checks. The executive committee and past commanders, thank you for you guidance and mentorship

Thank you Marty and Sari for attending our change of watch, thank you friends and family for your involvement in what is important to us. Behind every great man, is an ever greater woman. Thank you for my wife Kathy, whom I could not have served in this capacity without her support.

Thank you to you as members and leaders giving you most valuable asset, your time. By attending numerous events throughout the year, we made 2014 successful. I wish all the best to the incoming bridge, they will continue to do great things. I am proud of all we gave in 2014, and am excited for an even better 2015.

CYRUS NOWROOZANI, JN DELHIGH POWER SQUADRON COMMANDER 2013-2015

























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Delhigh Power Squadron 2015 Change-of-Watch

By P/C Richard C. Norris, JN

Given all the wonderful effort and planning leading up to this event at Bear Mountain Resort, you would think that over-looking one tiny little detail would not have caused the havoc many encountered upon arrival! You see, the planning committee forgot to make sure Mother Nature cooperated and not let her hit us with a late season snow storm, creating another storm (of people this time) flocking to the slopes for a late season ski on freshly fallen snow. Yep, the place was PACKED, making finding a parking space a real challenge. All I have to say is good thing there were no parking police there; had there been, my car might have been towed!

Anyway, all kidding aside, Kathleen and her committee did a fantastic job! It's by far one of the best Change-of Watch events Bea & I have ever attended. Kudos team! First, how about the view from the banquet room? Just outside our banquet room stood the majestic ski slopes at Bear Mountain Resort. You literally could watch the skiers coming down the slopes right from the tables where we sat for dinner. I really have to say (and this is from a guy who vehemently HATES winter and snow), the view was breathtaking.

If you were fortunate enough to stay through dinner (one couple did not, which I'll explain later) it was not possible to go home hungry. To also say the food was merely delicious would be an insult to the chef; words like marvelous, outstanding, over-the-top and the like would be a better fit.

Another bonus was the list of attendees. Of course there were many Delhigh members, but the attendees also included friends of the incoming and outgoing Commanders' as well as some distinguished guests. These included three D/5 Past Commanders: Chris Brown, Marty Lafferty (who performed the COW) and last but not least Bill McManeman.

As usual the event was emceed by Past Commander Brent Rhoads and as usual he did a bang up job (aside from the bad jokes that is). There were many awards handed out throughout the program, including but not limited to, The Joseph Marakovits Educational Award, awarded this year to Fran Montuori, and two Twenty-Five Year Membership Awards for Chris Brown and Donnie Ludwig.

Oh, with reference to what I said about the couple who did not get to finish their dinner, that couple was P/D/C Chris and P/C Ginny Brown. Chris had an allergic reaction to something (or someone, who knows). Ginny had to rush him home. Anyway, as of the writing of this article, Chris has improved, albeit far from better.

To wrap this up, we all wish to thank Cyrus for the great job he did over his tenure and to let him know we all enjoyed his parting words. As for Commander Kathleen, WELCOME! You've tasked yourself a tough challenge ahead and all we can say is, "We've all got your back Commander! WELCOME ABOARD!"

As they say, it's onward and upward from here. Let's all do our part in helping our new Commander reach her goals. They are attainable, but will require everyone's help and support.

P.S. Cyrus, welcome to the Past Commanders' Club!

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April Meeting



Join Delhigh for our

April Meeting and Easter

Leftovers Pot Luck

Wednesday, 8 April

1830 for Pot Luck

Meeting starts at 1900

Holy Trinity Church

Bring your leftover ham, turkey, potato salad, rolls or whatever it is you liked best from your Easter Dinner!



Come Join Delhigh Power Squadron

As we celebrate Ed Muschlitz's 50th Anniversary

with the

United States Power Squadrons®

and

Delhigh Power Squadron

&

Delhigh's Annual Sock Burning



Saturday, 18 April 1700

at the Lebeduik Residence

Hamburgers and hot dogs will be provided

Please bring an appetizer, side or dessert to share

Don't forget to bring a pair of socks to burn!!!

Please RSVP by April 14th to Nikki at: Phone: (610) – 691-3348 or Email: nikki lighthouse2004@yahoo.com

Delhigh's Beer Tasting

Sunday, 26 April



Weyerbacher Brewing Company
905 Line Street
Easton, PA 18042
Tour and Tasting at 1530
Free plus tip!

Dinner



542 Northampton St.
Easton, PA 18042
1730
Order off the Menu

RSVP to Kathy at: k.now@mac.com by Friday, 17 April

May Meeting and Hors d'oeuvres



Wednesday, 6 May Holy Trinity Church Hors d'oeuvres at 1830

Meeting at

1900

Bring your favorite
hors d'oeuvres to share.



Delhigh's Saturday Brunch

Saturday, 9 May 1000



8732 Hamilton Blvd.
Breinigsville

Order off the Menu

If the weather is nice we will be taking

trailerboats out for a ride at Blue Marsh Lake afterwards!

Please RSVP by 2 May to Kathy at

k.now@mac.com

Delhigh's Annual Beltzville Lake Clean-Up And Vessel Safety Checks

Saturday, 16 May 2015

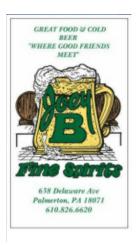
Beltzville Lake

At the Ramp

0900

Bring your family and friends to help with this civic service!

Followed by Lunch at



Order off the Menu
Please RSVP to Kathy at k.now@mac.com

by

Friday, 8 May 2015

Delaware River Educational Cruise

Buffet Dinner and Narrated Cruise

Wednesday, May 20, 2015

Boarding: 1800

Departure: 1830

Rain or Shine!

Aboard the M/V Ben Franklin

\$35 for each adult \$15 for children under 12

Please RSVP to Kathy at k.now@mac.com by Wednesday, May 13

Make Checks Payable to:
Delhigh Power Squadron
And send to
Kathy Nowroozani
6951 Sunflower Lane
Macungie, PA 18062



Come join Delhigh for our

3rd Annual Ice Cream Social

Come to the Nowroozani pool
Wednesday, 3 June 2015
1800

Bring your favorite flavor of ice cream
We'll supply the bowls, spoons and toppings!

Feel free to bring your swimsuits and towels and go for a swim!

Please RSVP to Kathy at k.now@mac.com

So that we know how much chocolate and caramel we'll need!

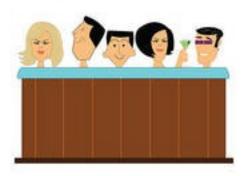


P/C Stemrich's Birthday Bash and BBQ

At the Stemrich's Residence Saturday, 6 June 2015 1700

Hot Dogs, Cheeseburgers and BBQ'd Chicken Provided

Please bring a side dish or dessert to share!



Also feel free to bring your swimsuit and a towel if you would like to jump in the hot tub!

Please RSVP to Cam at

Camillaj3437@aol.com

By Saturday, 30 May

More upcoming activities on page 8

SAFE BOATING WORD SEARCH

L	Q	С	R	Р	Q	Р	В	В	V	С	N	J	J	L
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CAN YOU FIND THESE 18 WORDS?

Boating
Capsize
Coast Guard
Collision
Drown
Float Plan
Hypothermia
Lanyard
Overload
Swamp
Wake

Abbreviations:

Blood Alcohol Concentration
(BAC)
Boating Under the Influence (BUI)
Heat Escape Lessening Posture
(HELP)
Kansas Department of Wildlife &
Parks (KDWP)
National Weather Service (NWS)

Personal Floatation Device (PFD)

Delhigh's Summer Rendezvous

25-28 June 2015

Miles River Yacht Club

24750 Yacht Club Rd St Michaels, MD 21663

For those of us staying at the Hotel:

Best Western

1228 S. Talbot St. St Michaels, MD 21663 410-745-3333

Schedule of Events:

Thursday:

Travel in all day, settle in and grab a drink!

That night at the Gazebo and or Pool at

Miles River Yacht Club we will be having
an Executive Committee meeting. Dinner is
being brought in for anyone who is interested.

Friday:

Lunch at Blackthorn Irish Pub, tour and tasting at Lyon Distilling Co, beer tasting at Eastern Shore Brewing.

Past commanders will BBQ, at the Best Western Pool, followed by some past commander shenanigans!

Saturday:

We are taking a boat ride north to Kent Narrows for lunch at The Jetty.

Dinner is at The Crab Claw out on the deck.

Sunday: Travel safely home.

2015 Summer Rendezvous Addresses

Miles River Yacht Club

24750 Yacht Club St. Michaels, MD 21663

Lyons Distilling Co

In Old Mill 605 S Talbot St #6 St. Michaels, MD 21663 443-333-9181

Best Western Hotel

1228 S Talbot St St. Michaels, MD 21663 410-745-3333

The Crab Claw

304 Burns St St. Michaels, MD 21663 410-745-2900

Blackthorn Irish Pub

209 S. Talbot St. St. Michaels, MD 21663 410-745-8011

Eastern Shore Brewing

In Old Mill 605 S. Talbot St. #6 St. Michaels, MD 21663 410-745-8010

The Jetty Restaurant and Dock Bar

201 Wells Cove Road Grasonville, MD 21638 410-827-4959

Clairborne Boat Ramp

Clairborne Landing Rd St. Michaels, MD 21624

To Clairborne Ramp take 33 NW (4.7 miles) Sight right onto Clairborne Rd (1.6 miles) Left onto Clairborne Landing Rd (0.2 miles)

Talbot County Ramp Permits available at:

St Michaels Auto

906 Talbot St St Michaels, MD 21663 410-745-2848 \$40 CASH ONLY



Delhigh 2015 Summer Rendezvous Reservation Form

25-28 June 2015

Phone:	
<u>Thursday</u>	
1800 - Executive Committee Me	eeting
Pizza, salad, etc.	Adults @ \$10 Each
	Kids @ \$5 Each
Friday	
1130- Blackthorn Irish Pub	\$ 17.00Shepherds Pie
	\$ 14.00Fish n Chips
	\$ 13.00Reuben Sandwich
1330- Lyons Distilling Co	will attend FREE
1430- Eastern Shore Brewing	will attend (\$10 at the door)
1800 – BBQ – Delhigh is provid dessert to share.	ling cheeseburgers, hot dogs, potato salad, buns, condiments. Bring an hors d'oeuvre or
	Adults @ \$ 10 Each
	Kids @ \$ 5 Each
Saturday	
1230 – The Jetty Restaurant ar	nd Dock Bar
Order off the menu	will attend
1830 - The Crab Claw	
Choice of:	Broiled Seafood Sampler \$ 39.00
	(Crab cake, Shrimp, Scallops and fish)
	Prime Rib \$ 39.00
	Fried Chicken \$ 29.00
	All meals served with French fries and coleslaw.
	TOTAL Amount Enclosed
We will bring to share:	SodaBeerWater
Make Check Payable to	o Delhigh Power Squadron and Mail To:
Kathleen Nowroozani	
6951 Sunflower Lane	
Macungie, PA 18062	RSVP By 7 June

Join Delhigh for our July Monthly Meeting at



to watch the Lehigh Valley Iron Pigs play the Pawtucket Red Sox!

When: Tuesday, 7 July 2015

Where: PennTeleData Party Porch (3rd Base Side)

Buffet: 1805-2005

Game: 1905

Cost: \$37.00 each

NOTE: The private, upgraded buffet will be served rain or shine and includes the usual burgers, dogs and sides plus flank steak and BBQ chicken. If the game is cancelled the buffet WILL STILL BE SERVED. We will meet regardless of the weather!

We have our own buffet this year and a roof over our heads so we can still stay dry in the rain!

Please contact Kathleen Nowroozani at 610-351-5192 or k.now@mac.com if you would like to make a reservation to attend.

Payment is required NO LATER THAN: 3 June 2015, please reply by 1 June 2015

See you at the Ballpark!!!

IronPigs Baseball Game						
7 July 2015						
Reservation Form						
We plan to attend the IronPigs Baseball Game on Tuesday, 7 July 2015						
Please respond / commit by: 1 June 2015						
Payment due by: 3 June 2015						
Name (s):						
Number of Tickets:@ \$37.00 =						
Total Enclosed						
(Checks payable to: Delhigh Power Squadron)						
Send to: Kathleen Nowroozani						
6951 Sunflower Lane						
Macungie, PA 18062						
(610) 351-5192						
k.now@mac.com						
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EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

Lt/C Kim Karaman, S

District 5 Calendar

1-2 May Co-op Charting Training

NOAA

16-22 May National Safe Boating Week

All D/5 Squadrons

20 May Del River Educational Cruise

M/V Ben Franklin

Delaware River Educational Cruise

This year's educational cruise is back on the Wednesday evening of National Safe Boating Week and tickets have already been sent to us! Same price as every year, \$35 includes the cruise and dinner buffet. Tickets will be available at the April and May meetings or you can contact Kathy at k.now@mac.com.

Delhigh Summer Rendezvous

This year's summer rendezvous will take place in St Michaels, MD. Hotel and Yacht Club information is in this Delhighlights. Best Western will ONLY hold rooms until Monday, 25 May 2015. All details, itineraries and addresses are in this issue of the Delhighlights and online, including the reservation form, hope to see you there!

Vessel Safety Checks

Remember, as spring arrives and you begin to think about opening your boat, to schedule a vessel safety check for your boat, nice and early in the season. Examiners will be receiving new information soon, to keep you up to date!

EDUCATIONAL OFFICER'S REPORT

Lt/C Doug Mckenzie, JN

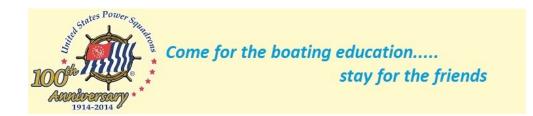
The season for boating is right around the corner! In a few short weeks we'll be unwrapping our boats and getting ready for the summer boating season! To help us prepare for a season of safe boating, Delhigh is teaching the ABC course at Peters Marine on both 10 April and 17 April from 0900 to 1300 both days. We have another large class signed up and are hoping for some new members to continue their boating education!

Our Advanced Piloting class is well under way and soon, we'll have four new AP'ers! There's nothing like the feeling of confidence you get from learning more about charting, plotting courses, and boating in general that our courses teach!

USPS has made three seminars available for online instruction. They are Weather for Boaters, Partner in Command, and Boating on Rivers, Locks, and Lakes. These seminars can be taken at your convenience, and I encourage you all to give them a look and spread the word about them to your friends. We are looking at running the Trailering Seminar as well, very early in the spring.

As we get closer to boating season, I encourage all of you to upgrade your skills and get involved in USPS education! We have a lot to offer!





ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER'S REPORT Lt/C Keith Knoblach, S

We would like to thank all who attended the Phantoms Hockey Game on 13 February; we had 36 members, friends, and family enjoy the game.

The Change-of-Watch was attended by 37 members, family, and friends. Thank you to all who attended and welcomed the 2015-2016 bridge onboard.

The April Meeting and Easter Leftovers Pot Luck is Wednesday, 8 April at1830, at Holy Trinity Church, Bethlehem, Pa. Please bring your leftover Easter food to share with all.

The Ed Muschlitz 50th USPS Anniversary and Sock Burning will be held Saturday, 18 April at the Lebeduik residence at 1700. Please bring a side dish or dessert to share with all.

A Beer Tasting (and Dinner) event will be held Sunday, 26 April at 1530 at Weyerbacher Brewing Company, 905 Line St, Easton, PA. Dinner will follow at Two Rivers Brewing Company, 542 Northampton St, Easton, Pa. Dinner is your responsibility and can be ordered from the menu.

Delhigh's May Meeting and Hors d'oeuvres is Wednesday, 6 May at 1830, at Holy Trinity Church. Please bring your favorite hors d'oeuvres to share with all.

A new event this year is brunch Saturday, 9 May at 1000, at Hometown Diner, 8732 Hamilton Blvd, Breinigsville, Pa. Following brunch, should the weather be nice, we will hold a Trailerboat Rendezvous at Blue Marsh Lake.

The annual Beltzville Lake Clean Up, VSC, and Lunch will be held Saturday, 16 May at Beltzville Lake, 0900. Lunch will be at Joey B's, 638 Delaware Ave, Palmerton, Pa. Lunch is your responsibility and can be ordered from the menu.

Once again the Delaware River Power Squadron is hosting the Delaware River Educational Cruise, Wednesday, 20 May at 1800 on the M/V Ben Franklin in Philadelphia, Pa.

Always a favorite, an Ice Cream Social will be held Wednesday, 3 June at the Nowroozani Pool. Bring your favorite ice cream to share.

Also new this summer is P/C Stemrich's Birthday BBQ to be held Saturday, 6 June at 1700, at the Stemrich residence. Please bring a side dish or dessert you share. The Stemrichs will also have their hot tub fired up, so bring a bathing suit and towel and relax.

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Delhigh members always look forward to our Summer Rendezvous which will be held 25-28 June, at St. Michaels, MD. More information and the registration form is included in this issue of *Delhighlights*.

Come and enjoy Delhigh's July Monthly Membership Meeting, Tuesday, 7 July at Coca Cola Park at 1805. The Iron Pigs will be playing and a new upgraded buffet will be served.

The Botelhos have again invited Delhigh members to their home for a Social Hour, Tuesday, 21 July. More details are provided in this issue of *Delhighlights*.



P/C Michael Lebeduik III,

Delhigh has several certified Vessel Safety Examiners (VSE's), who are qualified to examine your vessel to make sure it continues to stay in compliance with the U. S. Coast Guard safety requirements.

We may also make additional suggestions to make your boating year a more safe and enjoyable season.

These examinations are without charge ** FREE ** and will allow you to correct any discrepancies. Upon completion you will be awarded a decal to show your certificate of successful examination and that your vessel is in compliance.

If you know of anyone in need of a Vessel Safety Check, please have them contact:

P/C Michael Lebeduik, III, at (610) - 691-3348 or email at: TJA.ML3@verizon.net

Depending on your location, your name and number will be forwarded to the closest VSC examiner in our squadron.

DELHIGH POWER SQUADRON BRIDGE 2015-16

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CHECK YOUR LIGHTS

Checking navigation lights often takes a back seat to other boat projects. Besides, if the lights pass vessel safety check muster by coming on, that's good enough, right? Wrong. Just squeaking by isn't good enough when it comes to keeping you and your boat safe.

Are your vessel lights visible for a mile, as regulations require? Is the white light visible for 2 miles (assuming your boat is less than 40 feet) as required by Rule 22? Has time taken its toll, making the lenses of your lights milky? If your red port sidelight is pink and dim, the answer is yes. Do obstructions on deck interfere with the required light pattern? Perhaps a light is just puny, and although it meets the letter of the law, it doesn't do its job of making you visible to others on the water.

Anyone who has boated at night knows that things look different in the dark. Trying to pick out a vessel's lights against a background of dozens (or even hundreds) of shore lights can be difficult, and a poorly lit boat could easily go unnoticed. If you encounter another vessel in the same situation, the results could be disastrous.

Make sure your lights work, meet regulations and aren't obstructed. If you have to replace them, don't buy the cheapest lights. Do some research, and consider whether an upgrade might be appropriate. Make sure your white light won't blind you or whoever else may be at the helm.

Many manufacturers often position lights so they are directly visible from the helm. If your brand new boat has lights that shine onto the helm or are obscured by deck fittings, make your dealer and the manufacturer aware that the lighting is inadequate and unsafe during reduced visibility conditions and nighttime operations.

One more thing: Learn light patterns and what they mean. You should be able to distinguish the light patterns of a sailboat, powerboat, tug with a tow or hovercraft. These light patterns are well defined and documented. In addition to identifying the vessel type, light patterns also allow other boaters to determine the vessel's direction of travel and whether it is at anchor. In some instances, the light pattern will tell you what maneuver the vessel is performing. —Scott Morris, USPS COMPASS



DISTRICT 5 NEWS

Co-op Charting Workshop National Ocean Service Atlantic Marine Center 439 West York Street Norfolk, VA 23510



Date: 2 May – 3 May 2015 Registration (PLEASE PRINT)

Deadline: Registration - 25 April 2015

Rank/Name	Certificate #	Squadron		
Spouse	Certificate #	Squadron		
Address:	² 617	elefe		
City:	State:	Zip:		
E-Mail:	Home Telephon	Home Telephone:		

Special Dietary Needs

Activity:	Number	Cost	Subtotal
Workshop		@ \$15.00	2
Saturday Lunch at AMC		@ \$13.00	
Saturday Dinner		@ \$31.00	
Dinner at Bowman's			
Payable to D/5 Cooperative Charting		Total	

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: D/5 COOPERATIVE CHARTING

Mail to: P/R/C Norma J. Parrish, AP, 1024 Porte Harbour Arch, #201, Hampton VA 23664
Phone: 757-224-4302 e-mail normaparrish@cox.net

Schedule: (Tear off at above line and keep)

Friday $1400-1700-CHECK-IN\ \&\ REGISTRATION-HOTEL\ LOBBY$

2 May 2014 1730 – 1830 – COCKTAIL HOUR

Saturday 0745 - 0810 - COFFEE & DONUTS AT

3 May 2014 0810 – 0830 – INTRODUCTIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

0830 – 1200 – WORKSHOP 1200 – 1230 – LUNCH 1230 – 1600 – WORKSHOP

1800-1900- COCKTAIL HOUR AT HOTEL

1915 – 2115 - DINNER – BOWMAN'S GARDEN CENTER

HOTEL RESERVATIONS: Comfort Inn Olde Towne, 347 Effingham Street

Portsmouth, Va. 23704 www.choicehotels.com

HOTEL ROOM RATES: \$89.00 SINGLE OR DOUBLE PLUS TAX

TELEPHONE: 757-397-7788 (SPECIFY GROUP: D/5, USPS) **DEADLINE 4/25/2015**

Please note telephone number change

ACTIVITY REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS 25 APRIL 2015 - NO ACTIVITY REFUNDS ATER THAT DATE



UNITED STATES POWER SQUADRONS NATIONAL NEWS

18TH BOARMAN NATIONAL USPS YOUTH POSTER CONTEST

"When you boat be ready to float......Wear It!"

OPEN TO ALL CHILDREN AGES 6-14

AWARDS GIVEN IN THREE AGE GROUPS

6 to 8 Years--9 to 11 Years--12 to 14 Years

Entry Rules

- 1) May be vertical or horizontal
- 2) Must be on 15 x 20 or 14 x 22 inch poster paper
- 3) Professional illustrations, photos, copyrighted material or computer generated art may NOT be used
- 4) Poster must not be folded
- 5) Posters will be judged for the idea presented more than artistic ability
- 6) One entry per person
- 7) All entries become property of USPS©
- 8) The contest entry form must be completed in full, legibly printed and adhered to the back of the poster.

FURTHER INFORMATION CAN BE FOUND AT HTTP://WWW.USPS.ORG/NATIONAL/MEMBERSHIP/YOUTH/POSTER.HTM



Positions Available

If you are seeking a position to educate and meet new people, work at your own pace, set your own hours, have a yearly repeat client base, get easy referrals, see immediate results, and know that you are making a difference - become a Vessel Safety Examiner!

Anyone interested in becoming a Vessel Safety Examiner or interested in becoming the Assistant or VSC Chairman for Delhigh, please contact:

P/C Michael Lebeduik III,JN at (610) - 691-3348 or email at:

TJA.ML3@verizon.net

Completing 10 VSC's earns you a yearly salary of one (1) Merit Mark, and the satisfaction of being involved in your squadron.



APRIL

RUSS FONTANA 23 KATHIE MCKENZIE 24

MAY

DAVID SELL 27

CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2015-16

D/5 Annual Spring Conference and Change-of-Watch 27-29 March Princess Royale Hotel, Ocean City MD

Wine Tasting Saturday, 5 April Stone Barn Cellars Winery 1400

April Monthly Meeting and Easter Leftovers Pot Luck Wednesday, 9 April Holy Trinity Church 1830

Sock Burning Saturday, 18 April Lebeduik Residence 1700

Beer Tasting Sunday, 26 April Weyerbacher Brewing Company Two Rivers Brewing Company 1530

May Monthly Meeting and Hors d'oeuvres Wednesday, 6 May Holy Trinity Church 1830

Brunch Saturday, 9 May HomeTown Diner Breinigsville 1000

Beltzville Lake Clean Up and VSC Saturday, 16 May Beltzville Lake Joey B'S 0900

Delaware River Educational Cruise Wednesday, 20 May M/V Ben Franklin Philadelphia, PA

Ice Cream Social Wednesday 3, June Nowroozani Pool 1800 P/C Stemrich's Birthday BBQ Saturday, 6 June Stemrich Residence 1700

Delhigh Summer Rendezvous 25-28 June St. Michael's. MD

July Monthly Meeting Tuesday, 7 July Coca Cola Park 1805

Weeknight Social Hour Wednesday, 21 July Botelho Residence 1800

August Poolside Meeting and BBQ Wednesday, 5 August Nowroozani Pool 1800

Musikfest Mania Wednesday, 12 August Hotel Bethlehem 1800

September Monthly Meeting and Chili Cook Off Wednesday,2 September Holy Trinity Church 1830

Board Game Night or Hayride Saturday, 19 September TBD

Oktoberfest Social Saturday, 10 October Norris Residence 1700

Corn Maze Saturday, 24 October TBA Delhigh Road Rally Saturday, 14 November TBA

Christmas Party Saturday, 12 December The Meadows, Hellertown 1800

January Monthly Meeting and New Recipes Pot Luck Wednesday, 6 January 2015 Holy Trinity Church 1830

2nd Annual Game Night Saturday, 10 January 2016 Brown Residence 1700

Phantoms Hockey Game PPL Center January 2016 TBD

Founders Day Meeting Wednesday, 3 February TBD 1800

Happy Hour Friday, 12 February Corcoran Residence TBD

Bowling Saturday, 20 February TBD

All Calendar events are subject to change as the bridge sees fit.

Please contact Kathleen at commander@delhigh.org for more information on any scheduled event.