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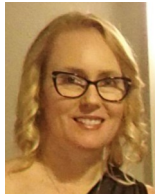
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Commander's Corner

Cdr Kathleen Nowroozani, SN



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As Summer fades to Fall the temperatures are becoming much more pleasant. A bit of business was done this summer and the updated Bylaws that were approved at the September meeting are now in the hands of National to approve or suggest edits. Thank You to the Bylaws committee for all your hand work and dedication.

Many of our members attended the Celebration of Life for Kim Karaman, S that was held September 2nd. Her daughter gave an amazing eulogy which described Kim perfectly, and gave us all a small peek into their family while growing up. Food was served and more memories were shared, and even a few laughs, which is what Kim wanted as we remembered her life.

As always, there are many different events happening this fall, and the details are included in the following pages. I hope you will find a few events that you will enjoy and join us at a get together soon.

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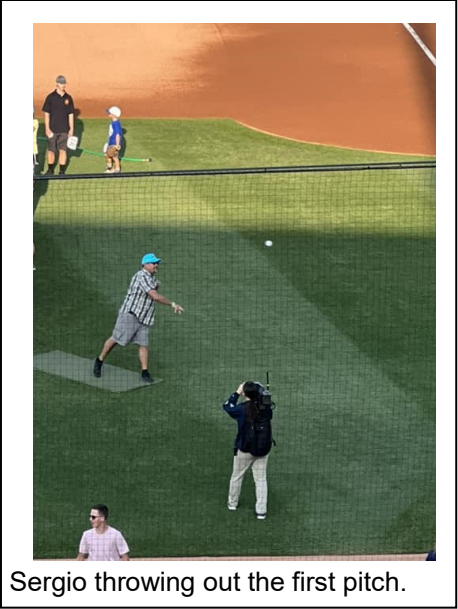


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August Iron Pigs Meeting



Oliver, Sam, Micah, Terrell, Vince, Sergio, Michele, Cyrus, Cam, Joe, Chris, Castin, Dana, Aria, Allie, Rosemary, Ellen, Jane, Nikki, Kathy, Ed, Joey and Jeanette with Ferris.



Sergio throwing out the first pitch.



Ed smiling for a picture with Ferris.



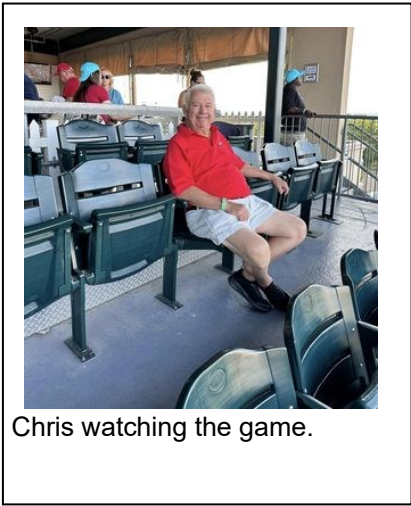
Vince, Michele, Sergio, Kathy and Cyrus chatting before the game.



Ellen, Joey and Jeanette posing with Ferris.



Kathy, Michele and Nikki walking around the stadium.



Chris watching the game.



Musikfest Mania



Delhigh Power Squadron



Joe, Cam, Oliver and Kathy found a table in the shade to eat and listen to music.



Joe and Oliver talking around Cam as she and I were having our own discussion across the table. Should have switched seats!



Joe and Oliver walked through the Army truck and came out with swag.



The rare sighting of Cam with a beer! I had to get a photo.



Cheers to Beers! Too bad the DJ under this tent was not what we were looking for.



Oliver and Kathy on the move for more music.



Joe and Kathy found more music and more beer.



Rouge Diplomats were by far the best band we heard all night!



Found seats to listen to the band and stay for a while. Joe, Cam, Kathy and Oliver all had a great night!



Bonfire and Surprise Party



Chris all decked out with is crown, sash and cane.



Chris with his family, grandson Cameron, daughter Kim, Chris, granddaughter Allison and daughter Dawn.



Nikki, Chris and Kathy enjoying the sunshine.



Brent and Jane enjoying some food.



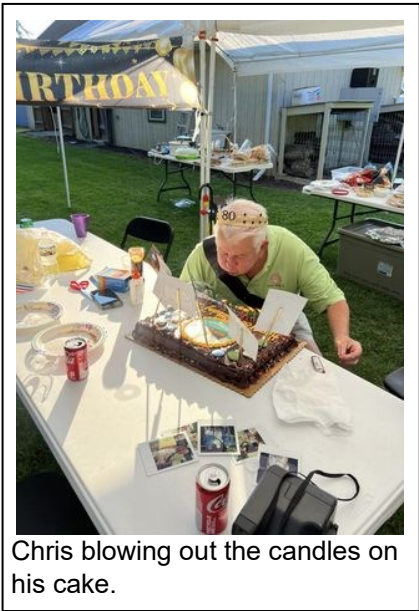
Joe, Jane, Brent, Diane, Bob, Cam, Kathy and Fran talking and working on Chris' scrapbook.



Fran and Diane smiling in the shade.



Keith, Ed and Cyrus eating and catching up.



Chris blowing out the candles on his cake.



Chris going through his scrapbook of memories and friendship.



Bonfire and Surprise Party



Delhigh Power Squadron



Mark putting the hot dogs on to cook.



The hot dogs cooking over an open fire.



Jane and Brent getting ready to shoot clays.



Joe shooting clays with Oliver pulling.



Mark shooting clays with Oliver pulling.



Vince and Cyrus shooting clays with Oliver pulling.



Mark showing Oliver how to drive the tractor.



Mark teaching Vince to drive the tractor.



The evening's bonfire.



Cookout



Cyrus, Chris, Brent, Jane, and Kathy catching up in the great outdoors.



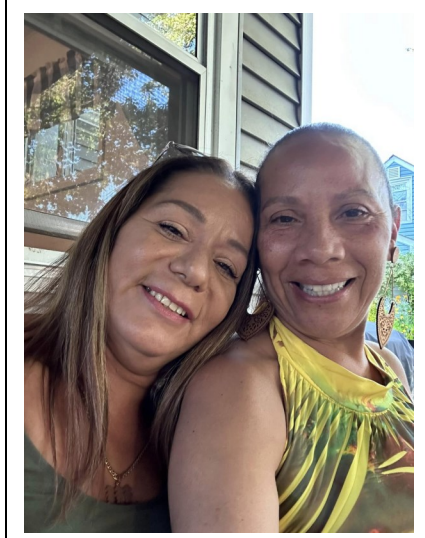
Brent and Jane enjoying the cool weather.



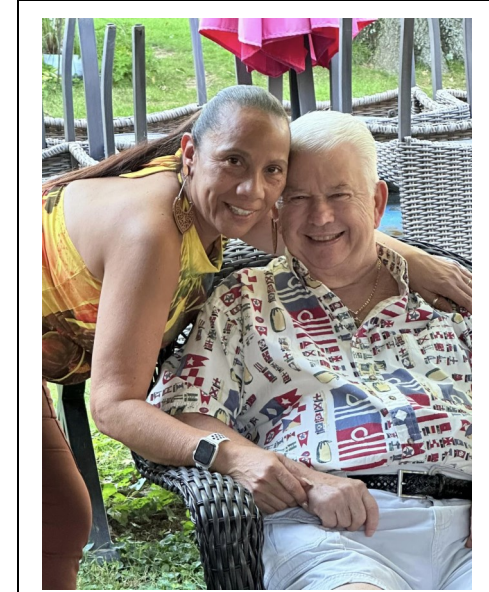
Nikki, Kathy, Cookie, and Cyrus visiting the bar for some fun!



Kathy and Ed smiling for a great picture.



Cookie and Nikki looking pretty!



Nikki and Chris posing for the camera.



Chris checking out the eats!





Join us for our annual

Sporting Clays Event

At

Lehigh Valley Sporting Clays



2750 Limestone Street
Coplay

Saturday, October 14
9:30am

Come one come all to the 10th annual Sporting Clays Event! New shooters and old hats are welcome! Approximate cost is \$40



Please RSVP to Cyrus at c_nowroozani@yahoo.com

or (956)240-5554

With the names of everyone in your group and whether or not they are new to shooting.



At the Meisner Residence
Saturday, October 14
5pm

Bratwurst and sauerkraut will be served. Please bring an appetizer, side dish or dessert to share.



RSVP to Jeanette at

Jeanette@meisnerservices.com

or (484)221-0039





at our
Boos & Brews
beer tasting

The Lamboy Residence
Saturday, October 28
4pm

Sand-witches and finger foods will be served. Please bring a side, dessert, or favorite beer to share.



RSVP to Michele at
mhays41@yahoo.com
or (201)519-3897...if you dare

November Meeting

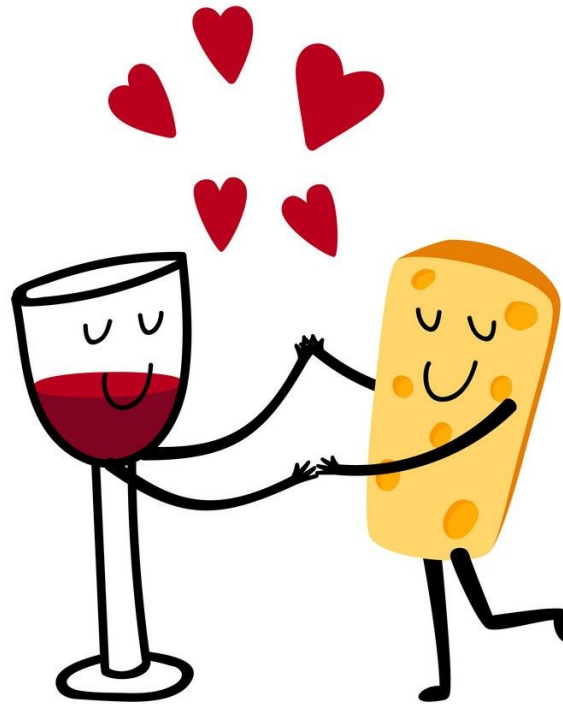


3079 Willow Street, Coplay
Wednesday, November 1
6pm

We will meet in the back room and order off the menu.

RSVP to P/C Robert Rendish, P
527 Elm Street
Emmaus, PA 18049
RobertRendish1@yahoo.com
(484) 619-4013





Wine and Cheese Pairing

Saturday, November 18

3pm

Montuori Residence

Please bring a wine and cheese to share.

Crackers, glasses, plates and napkins will be provided.

RSVP to Kathy at k.now@mac.com or
956-240-5553





Holiday Party at



468 Pottstown Ave
Pennsburg
Friday, December 8
6pm

We will have our own room in the back of the dining room and order off the menu. The menu is extensive, please take a look at it before arriving.

As always we will be collecting new, unwrapped toys to drop off at



This year you can also click the picture above and make a donation without ever leaving the house.

We will also be doing a Pollyanna Gift Exchange. Please bring one gift per couple or one gift per person valued at no more than \$20 if you would like to play.



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Please note that this is a Friday and not a Saturday this year.





America's Boating Club Lehigh Valley
Invites you to join us for some hockey



Vs.



Saturday, January 13, 2024
PPL Center, Allentown
7:05pm

Tickets are in section 112
Doors open at 6:05pm

\$25.00/person
(Checks made payable to Delhigh Power Squadron)

Please RSVP to Kathy at
k.now@mac.com or (956) 240-5553
By December 14th





Become a Better Boater, Take an In-Person Boating Course with

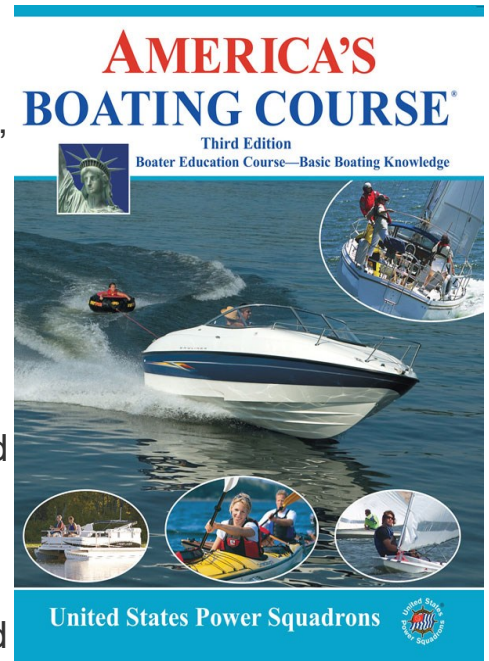


Taking a boating class reduces your risk of accidents and injuries, saves you money on boat insurance and qualifies you to test for your state boating license.

America's Boating Course is the most comprehensive, single source, in-person boating course available to give you the skills you need to enjoy your time on the water and boat with confidence. Our boater safety class meets the certification requirements for a Pennsylvania boat license.

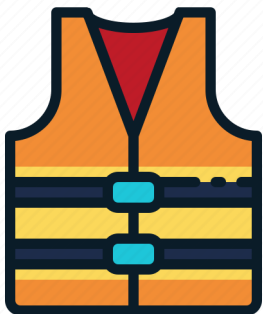
What You'll Learn:

- Information about Pennsylvania State Boating Laws, regulations, boat registration, and licensing
- Required boating safety equipment
- Do's and Don'ts of boating safely
- Practical Knowledge of navigation and rules of the road
- How to handle medical emergencies onboard and mechanical problems on the water
- The basics of towing and trailering
- Special, important information for hunters, anglers, and sports enthusiasts.



For the best, most comprehensive boating education available, take America's Boating Course with our certified expert instructors.

Cost of the Class is \$50 per person with book



For more information or to register for the course contact

Sergio at slamboy3@gmail.com





VSC Corner

By: P/C Keith Knoblach, AP



Don't let this cold weather stop you from getting out on your boat; there are still days to enjoy being on the water. Whether you are fishing, cruising, or just finding that quiet cove to eat and relax, be aware of all that is going on around your area.

Remember to do your pre-trip check list to be sure you have everything you need for the day. Check the weather in your area. and watch for changes that would ruin your day. It is a good idea to take a jacket along if you are staying late. The temperature drops quickly when the sun sets this time of the year. For those who boat in Pennsylvania, remember the law is that everyone must wear a life jacket beginning in October.

Even though the boating season is coming to a close, if you need a Vessel Safety Check, we are still available to meet up and do it for you.

Remember to always be attentive to what you and others are doing. Fall is a great time to get on the water and take in the scenery of the changing leaves and wildlife. Have fun in all you do.



October

P/C Cyrus Nowroozani, JN
FI/Lt Oliver Nowroozani, P
P/C George Kelchner, AP
Mark Dlugos, P
P/Lt/C John Kudera, AP

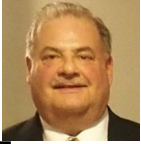
November

P/Lt/C Fran Montuori, SN
Patrick Flannery, AP
Randy Meisner, AP



Click to go to [America's Boating Channel™](https://www.boatinghighvalley.com) to see videos about safe boating and boating education!





Executive Officer's Report

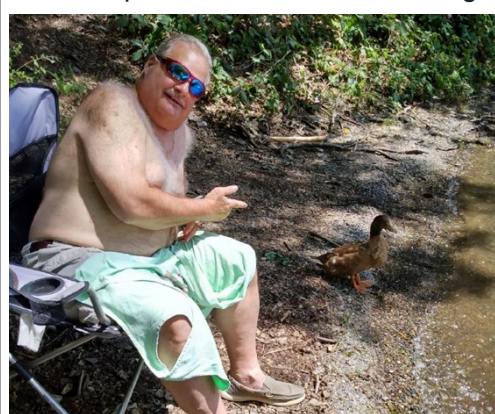
I always wondered what creatures would be found at Beltzville Lake; a local lake created by the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, Bureau of State Parks of Pennsylvania, for flood control, many years ago. I had heard many a tall tale of fish the length of 4-6 feet. Of Walleye and Pike fish with large, sharp, pointy teeth, ready to take a taste of any unsuspecting swimmer, water skier, or tuber.

I've seen large turtles swimming about; usually close to shore and heard stories of these turtles biting off fingers and toes of swimmers not aware of the dangers of these very hungry, amphibious creatures. Legend has it these reptiles have been known to chase down swimmers and people having picnics close to the shoreline. Allegedly. Well, over the many years I've been boating at this lake with friends and family, we have never had any altercations, fights, bite marks, or missing toes or fingers...until recently.

My brother, Mark and I were boating at Beltzville lake a few Saturdays ago, when we were searching for a reasonable shoreline where I could beach the boat for some lunch and relaxation. We went to an area that we were familiar with, but never had beached the boat there. This spot has a rather steep shoreline and a rope for anyone who wanted to swing out over the water and splash in.

Shortly after our arrival, we were greeted by a suspicious duck. He looked us over, checked us out, and allowed us to stay. We set up our chairs and got out our cooler bag. This duck became more friendly and walked around us freely, getting to know us; even inspecting my boat, a 2001 Stingray 180LS, while hanging out with Mark, who started to feed him some of his chicken wrap. The duck liked it!

We really hit it off, and the duck introduced himself as Don. We proceeded to have lunch together, relaxed,



talked about the lake and how so many people enjoy visiting the State Park.

We even took a photo together. Wow! So unusual, natural, and wildlife friendly. To the Breezes.

We have had a lot of great events this summer with our members and friends! The ice cream social was smoky from the wind and the wildfires, but the ice cream and company were amazing. Summer Rendezvous was great and the weather almost cooperated, yet with the chill in the air, the new fire pit at Mariner's Motel was the perfect spot for late night chats. I hope you plan to join us there next year.

We had our poolside meeting in July and a trailerboat rendezvous. Our August Iron Pigs meeting granted us great weather and new Fester's caps that we were able to wear the following week at Musikfest. We surprised Chris at our Bonfire with his family in attendance for a surprise 80th Birthday Party, which was a great surprise! The chili cookoff was a delicious evening with yummy chilis and lots of dessert. The cookout is always a good time with friends as well.

As Fall has finally arrived, we look forward to many more of our usual events. October 14th is our Sporting Clays event, the Oktoberfest meeting and potluck.

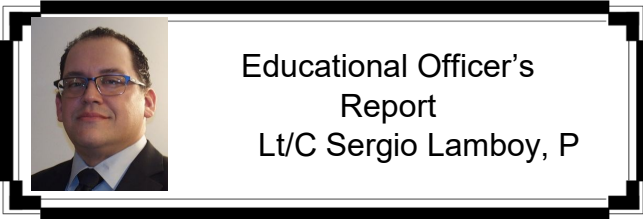
Please remember to RSVP for these events. Boo's and Brews, our Halloween inspired beer tasting, is another event coming back this year as we had so much fun last year! Our November meeting will be back at Morgan's Local Flavor, a definite favorite of our members.

Wine and Cheese Pairing has moved up a week to November 18th. Be sure to bring a wine and cheese pair that sound exciting to you. Our Holiday Party will be at Pizza Como and PC Pub in Pennsburg. Please make sure to note the address, and head to the location in Pennsburg. We will order off the menu which is extensive, please take a look at it ahead of time, you can find it [here](#).

The Phantoms Game is scheduled for Saturday, January 13th. This is a favorite of many of our members and families, be sure to RSVP for this 30 days prior to make sure we have enough tickets.

I hope that you are all enjoying the cooler temperatures and the changing colors that Fall brings so intensely. See everyone soon.





Educational Officer's
Report
Lt/C Sergio Lamboy, P

Once again, the most colorful season has graced us with its presence. Autumn is probably one of my favorite seasons. The possibilities of adventure await us around every turn. The turning of the leaves on the trees and the multitude of colors always amazes me. Though the summer allows us to enjoy the sunshine and watersports, barbecues and beach days, the fall allows us to bundle up just a little; slow down just enough to be able to see the wonderful foliage surrounding us as we cruise through the many waterways we love to explore. Though this time of year reminds us of the chore of preparing our vessels for a long winter's slumber, it also allows us to look back on the great times and memories we created this summer passed.

With that being said, the latest issue of *Compass* has an article titled "[Fall boating preparation](#)," detailing some of the things to do to get our boats ready for the impending chill of winter so we are not surprised come the spring. Also, with the change of seasons comes the possibilities of severe weather, and there is a very informative webinar, called "[Thunderstorms and Severe Weather Forecasting](#)," available on the America's Boating Club site. The cost to non-members is \$40, but with the discount code USPSA-BC23 the cost is cut in half (only \$20 dollars), and as a member, the course will be recorded in your training record.

Though the boats will be put away until the spring for most of us, I look forward to the many social events our group has planned during the months to come. Michele and I hope to see our boating family through the coming holiday season. Until we see one another, again enjoy the colors of fall.

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your desired Check-in and Check-out
dates or call the Rosen Plaza at:
1 (866) 470-9700
to secure your room



ABCub Annual Meeting
February 6-11, 2024
Orlando, Florida

DISTRICT 5 NEWS

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Fall Educational
Conference
Maritime Institute
Linthicum, Maryland
November 2-5, 2023





Learning to read the waves will make you better at handling your boat on the open sea.

At the helm, your job is to pick a path between and around steeper waves to minimize their impact on your vessel. As seas build, use steering and throttle to work around them.

Head seas

Taking seas head on can be harmful to the boat and crew. Instead, take steep waves at a 30 to 45 degree angle off the bow. This minimizes the chances of burying the bow at the base of the next wave. By taking a path across the wave fronts, you spread out the peaks and flatten the slope the boat encounters.

If the seas are high enough, you may be forced to take them head on. When this happens, slow down as you meet the wave. Use throttle to meet it and go over the top. As your bow clears the peak, throttle down so you don't accelerate down the wave's back side.

Beam seas

Beam waves come at the side of the boat and can lead to excessive rolling or yawing depending on their size. They can also cause you to lose control. The best method for handling a beam sea is to take the waves at a 45 degree angle, which means you may have to run a zigzag course to reach your destination.

Following seas

Waves coming from the stern are called following seas. This situation appears more benign than heading into the waves because you are moving with the wind and riding on the smooth side, rather than the steep side, of the waves. However, if the boat goes over the wave, a steep drop could cause the bow to dig in the trough and the following wave to push the stern sideways, creating a broach. In following seas, it's best to ride on the back of a wave, moderating your speed to stay there. If you can't maintain your position, let the wave break behind you and flow under the boat. Be careful if your boat has a low transom; the following wave might overtake and swamp the boat.

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Boating Links



If you have ever wanted to learn about storm forecasting USPS is having a seminar Wednesday, Sept 27 from 8-9:30pm. You must register for this course but it is half off for USPS members with code USPSA-BC23 [Registration \(gotowebinar.com\)](http://gotowebinar.com)



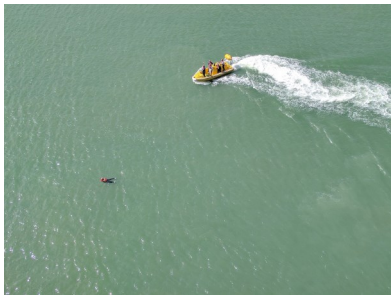
Is it time to start thinking about buying a new boat? If so, it may be worth your time to read this article on how not to get ripped off. Make sure you protect yourself from boat brokers. [Special Boat-buying Section: How Not To Get Ripped Off - Practical Sailor \(practical-sailor.com\)](http://practical-sailor.com)

Have you ever wondered why lookouts are required at all times while on your boat? Read this interesting story about a collision between a small boat and a coast guard boat and you'll understand just how important lookouts are while you are out on the water. [DCA22PM034.aspx \(ntsb.gov\)](http://ntsb.gov)



Hurricane season is upon us once again, but how do you prepare your boat for a Tropical Storm if one is predicted to arrive in your area? Read the article at the following link to find out what you can do to help keep your boat safe. [Preparing Your Boat for a Tropical Storm - Practical Sailor \(practical-sailor.com\)](http://practical-sailor.com)

Engine cut off switches became mandatory in all 50 states a few years ago and while we all know why. Have you heard about the new technology coming out with wireless and multiple fobs? Find out more here. [What You Need to Know About Wireless Engine Cut-Off Switches |](#)



This is a great story about cold water immersion, but also about how quickly things can go wrong, and what we can do to make sure that if they do, we know how to keep everyone safe. Definitely worth the read. [Cold Water and Cool Heads | Boating Safety \(boatingsafetymag.com\)](http://boatingsafetymag.com)



Ed's 91st Birthday Party



Chick-fil-A in Whitehall threw a 91st Birthday Party for Ed! Ed has been going to Chick-fil-A every Friday after bowling for many years and the owner decided to have a party for his birthday, knowing that Ed would surely be there that day. He posted the invitation on their Facebook page and it was shared by others so that friends and family could join. Many of Ed's friends, family and fellow volunteers showed up to celebrate with him, which was a surprise, as Ed thought he would be eating alone. Chick-fil-A decorated and bought a big cake and even presented Ed with the gift pictured below to hang on his wall. Ed's grandson, granddaughter and great grandkids, Kathy and fellow volunteers from Miller Keystone all showed up along with a few of his old neighbors. Ed had a great time! And make no mistake, Ed took the rest of that big cake home to enjoy!



A Chick-fil-A employee delivering Ed's cake with a flashing Happy Birthday sign and candles.



Ed enjoying himself and making a joke while everyone sang Happy Birthday.



A gift of great memories from the staff came with a few tears.



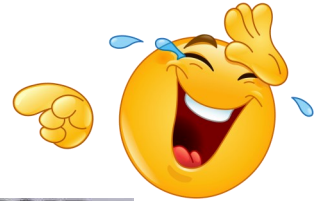
Ed with 2 volunteers from Miller Keystone, on the other side of the table Ed's grandson and his family and Kathy.



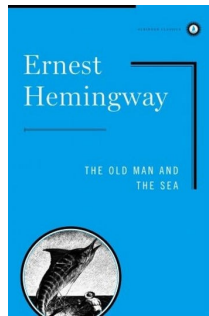
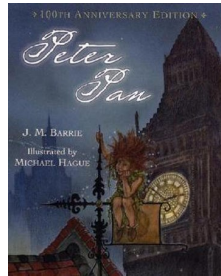
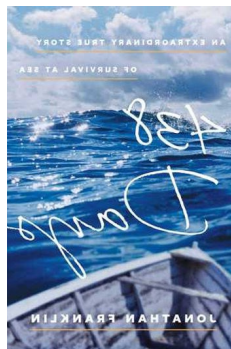
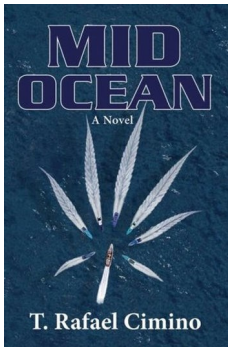
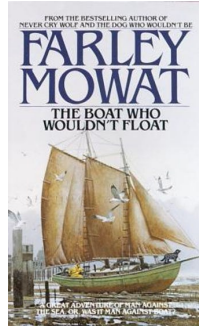
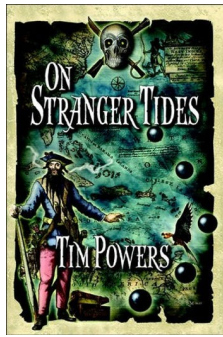
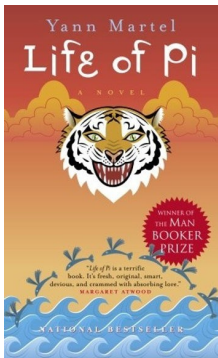
Ed with the Chick-fil-A Owner (far left) and employees.



A BIT OF FUN



When the cooler weather creeps in, it's always tempting to cozy up with a cup of tea and a good read. When you can't be boating, you can be reading about wild sea adventures with some of these great stories featuring adventures out on the open water:



Read the synopsis for each here: [The Boater's Reading List- 15 Stories of Nautical Adventure for Anyone Stuck on Shore \(boatblurb.com\)](http://TheBoater'sReadingList-15StoriesofNauticalAdventureforAnyoneStuckonShore(boatblurb.com))





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January Meeting and Potluck
 Wednesday, January 3
 Nowroozani Residence
 6:30pm

Phantoms Game
 January 13
 PPL Center
 7:05 pm

Bowling
 TBD

Wine and Chocolate Tasting
 Saturday, February 3
 Lebeduik Residence
 TBA

Founder's Day
 Wednesday, February 7
 TBA

Game Night
 Saturday, February 17
 Meisner Residence
 TBA

Change of Watch
 Saturday, March 2
 TBA

All Calendar events are subject to change as the bridge sees fit. Please contact Kathy at k.now@mac.com or (956) 240-5553 for more information on any scheduled event.

Boaters



What my friends think I do



What my parents think I do



What society thinks I do



What my boss thinks I do



What I think I do



What I actually do

