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COMMANDERS COLUMN



Now that 1992 has passed, I'm sure everyone is looking forward to a bright new year ahead in 1993. One thing started out bright already for many, regarding the United States Coast Guard sticker. Remember, members with boats 21' and under do not require the sticker on their boats after October 1993. Boats 37' and shorter will become exempt with the eventual phase out in 1994.

We are very pleased with the number of members who have renewed their membership for the 1993-94 year, and look forward with optimism to a terrific year – that will continue to move our Squadron in a positive direction.

As I write this article, I know that planning is already underway for our Boat Show booth at the Duluth Arena and Convention Center,

and that the Fitting Out Party is already in the planning stages. These are two activities which play a key role in our being an active Squadron. The Boat Show helps the public in learning more about our organization as well as Public Boating Course dates, etc. The Fitting Out Party requires an aggressive fundraising effort to help us continue through the entire year, as this is our only fundraiser of the year. Why not start the new year out right and volunteer to work the Boat Show booth for a 3-hour shift, or maybe get involved on the Fitting Out Party Committee? This will certainly help you toward earning a Merit Mark for 1993.

Contact people:

Fitting Out Party - Jay Halling - 722-8172 Boat Show - Jerry Rock - 392-5921

As this will be my last article to you as Commander, I would like to take this time to thank all of you who have helped make my year as Commander a successful and enjoyable one. No Squadron can put on activities such as the District 10 Rendezvous, Fitting Out Party, Corn Roast, etc. without the committed members and chairpeople we have working together. Again, I thank all of you and look forward to sharing time with you in the New Year.

Cdr Greg Brisky, AP



EXECUTIVE REPORT



Work is nearly complete on appointing officers to chair the various committees for all departments for the coming year. Thank you to all members who have accepted the responsibility of chairing these offices and committees.

I have been nominated by the Duluth Squadron Nominating Committee to serve as your Commander for the next Watch Year. I am excited and anxious for the Annual Meeting and Elections on 18 February, and the Change of Watch on 27 February.

Lt/C Bruce Beste, AP

Over the past year I have tried to introduce you to the officers in the Executive Department and give you a better understanding of their duties and responsibilities. All of the officers in the Executive Department fulfilled the Squadron's needs suberbly. Thank you to all that served in 1992-93 Watch Year.

The Executive Department has been busy planning for the 1993-94 Watch Year. The Duluth Squadron goals were presented to the D/10 Council by 1/Lt Jay Halling at the winter meeting on 29-30 January. Jay represented our Squadron as I could not attend.

A calendar of events, activities, and meetings for the coming year was presented to the Executive Committee and accepted.

DEADLINE NOTICE

FOR APRIL ISSUE

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MARCH 5, 1992

POSTAGE, WHAT DOES IT COST

There has been discussion regarding the fact that in 1992 we changed to mailing via bulk mail; perhaps at a cost of longer mailing time to some locations. We are attempting to adjust our mailing schedules to allow for this change; but you should be aware of the considerable savings benefit.......which enables the Squadron to spend monies that would otherwise be allocated to postage, for more fun and worthwhile causes.

TOTAL POSTAGE RECAP 1992 VS 1991

	1992	1991
CHANGE OF WATCH	\$66.25	\$46.75
CHANNEL CHATTER	\$114.80	\$906.33
CHRISTMAS PARTY	\$22.40	\$125.00
COOP CHARTING	\$22.11	\$108.27
CORN ROAST	\$22.28	
D10 RENDEZVOUS	\$80.00	
DUES	\$29.00	
EDUCATION	\$165.32	\$449.13
FITTING OUT	\$58.00	\$58.00
GENERAL MEETINGS	\$95.25	
NEW MEMBER	\$29.00	
OFFICER EXPENSE	\$553.21	\$675.54
PREDICTED LOG	\$22.06	\$123.25
ROSTER	\$27.41	\$72.00
SAFE BOATING	\$40.01	
	\$1,347.10	\$2,564.27

Total Postage Savings

(\$1,217.17)

NOTE: Some 1991 postage amounts were not available by specific event.

LT/C PAM ANDERSON, S TREASURER

EDUCATION UPDATE



Congratulations to the following individuals who have enriched their knowledge in Seamanship:

Dean Baltes, S
Roy W. Bulloch, S
Charles H. Rouse, S
Steve Farrell, S
David C. Mattson, S
Sue Farrell, S

Another great accomplishment . . . William A. Carlson and James D. Robinson, Jr. are now Navigators! Way to go, guys!!

Report on classes in progress:

Advanced Piloting: Gene Rock and Candy Hengel are introducing the tides to the students. As with most students who have taken AP in the past, they wonder why they have to learn tides when our area does not have such a thing. However, a day will come when the information will come in very useful

 just ask Tony & Linda Wisocki! The students will be writing open an closed book exams by March.

Marine Electronics: Class taught by our electronics expert, P/C John Harrison, AP. Eleven students wrote that exam and will hear results soon. Good luck.

Weather: Class began on Wednesday, 13 January, with our own weather guy, Robert Wilson.

A reminder that the next Public Boating Course begins on Tuesday, 23 February 1993 at the Duluth Technical College. If you would like further information, you can call me at 525-1000. This is also a reminder to write this date, and the following 7 weeks down in your calendar, as we do need your help with registration, correcting homework, visiting with the students, etc. Remember, this is where future Squadron membership comes from. We have to visit with these people on an informal, casual basis to let them know who and what we are. An hour of your time on any of these given Tuesdays will help not only those conducting the course, but our entire Squadron. You count!

P/C Candance Hengel, N SEO



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1992 ANNUAL EDUCATION REPORT 1 MARCH 1992 - 28 FEBRUARY 1993

The following courses were offered to Duluth Power Squadron members in 1992:

Advanced Grades	Graduates	Date
Boating Course	60	2/92
Boating Course	24	11/92
Seamanship	29	3/92
Seamanship	7	12/92
Piloting	33	3/92
Advanced Piloting	17 enrolled	10/92
Junior Navigation	1 self-study	
Navigation	5	3/92
Elective Courses	n	
Cruise Planning	24	4/92
Marine Electronics	11	10/92
Weather	15 enrolled	1/93
Synopsis:	Boat Course	84
	Advanced Grades	74
		18 currently enrolled
	Elective Courses	35
		15 currently enrolled
		to containly official

Of our 38 new active members for 1992, 16 took an advanced grade.

The goals set forward at the beginning of the Watch Year for Education were to offer 2 boating courses and 4 educational courses, and that was met.

As Educational Officer, I attended the Annual USPS Meeting in Miami, and 2 Governing Board Meetings. I also attended 2 D/10 Conferences and 1 Winter Council Meeting. Teaching aids were submitted at both D/10 Conferences.

It has been the Department's goal to get everyone to complete the Seamanship course. We offered 2 classes this year to work toward that goal, but still have a long way to go.

Emphasis was also directed toward all active members to set up an education plan for themselves, and work toward attaining the Advanced Grade of AP and take 3 elective courses. At our December '92 meeting, 17 individuals received a certificate of educational proficiency.

The Education Department extends a huge thank you to all instructors and class monitors who

Fitting Out Party

April 24, 1993

Augustino's Restaurant

The Fitting Out Party will soon be upon us. It is never too early to start collecting items from around the house to be sold during the auction.

The Fitting Out Party is the big fund raiser for the squadron each year, and everyone's help is always needed and appreciated.

The committee will be forming soon and then more information will be forth coming.

Raffle tickets will be out as soon as the committee has everything ready to go. Plan ahead, mark your calendar, and be ready for alot of fun.

Jay Halling, P



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A NOTE FROM THE EDITOR

I would like to thank all of the members that have submitted articles over the past year. It does make it much easier to put together a news letter of interest to our members with the varing articles from different officers and walks of life. Please keep up the good work.

Please watch for the dead line for the next news letter in the current issue. If your article is ready get it to Gloria Vitullo early so as to help us meet the mailing dates so the material is current and timely.

Starting with the April / May issue I will run a CLASSIFIED ADS section for our members to advertise their personel used boating equipment. If you would like to list anything send me the information and it will be printed in the next issue.

Dave Carlson

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Education continued

gave of their expertise and time. Many thanks also go to the education staff who helped coordinate this past year's classes:

Ass't Education Officer

Mark L. Anderson, P.

Advanced Grades Chair

Kenneth Page, AP

Elective Course Chair

Michael King, AP

Teaching Aids Chair

Larry Anderson, S

Candance L. Hengel, N Squadron Education Officer

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WELCOME ABORAD TO OUR NEWEST MEMBERS

Jim, Sandra and Ryan Tuhkanen. These members just completed the Boating Course in December 1992. They have a 27' power boat, "Rain Oar Shine."

Michael J. Milano. Mike also just completed the Boating Course in December. He has a 30' sail, "Cybele," which is berthed at Port Superior. He and his wife, Marcella, live in Hinckley.

We again welcome James Balmer aboard. He has been a member in the past, and reinstated.

A new family member, although not new to Squadron members, is Daryle Rock. Daryle is currently taking the AP course.

Dean M. Baltes completed the Boating Course in October 1992, and has recently completed the Seamanship course. Dean and his wife, Sandy, are new boaters, enjoying their first year aboard the "Sandean," a 26' power boat.

Richard A. Stanius completed the Boating Course in December and is currently enrolled in the Weather course. He and his wife, Linda, have a 34' power boat, "Play'N Hooky."



SEA SCOUTS

The Duluth Squadron is the sponsor of the local Sea Scout unit, called Ship 6. At the present time the unit is not active because there are no members. We as coordinators of the unit would like to see this change. The unit is chartered with the Boy Scouts of America, as an explorer unit. There is at this time a good number of Squadron members who have siblings in this young adult category. To join you must be 14 years of age. You can stay in Sea Exploring until you are 21 years of age. The unit is open to both boys and girls. In the last active unit we had more girls then boys. It is not just open to Squadron members siblings, any one can join.

Sea Exploring happens on, in, and under the water. Its program is based on career, social, service, citizenship, outdoor and fitness activities. Some Sea Exploring groups, called "Ships" use the traditional Sea Exploring program of advancement, uniforms and seamanship. Others are involved in recreational boating, marine science, scuba diving or maritime careers. Sea Exploring offers the challenge and excitement of the Sea-sailing, navigation, safety, communication, mechanics, weather, piloting and much more.

Ship 6 has at this time one small sail boat and money in the bank. If you meet the age requirement or have young adults in your home we would like to hear from you. Contact Commander Greg Brisky at 724-4916 or 727-8324, Bruce Beste at 624-5696, or Bob Byrne at 394-3935. Come and check us out.

Sea Scout Coordinator P/C Robert Byrne N

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PLEASE HELP US

Your Squadron officers are in the process of updating computer files and roster information for the new year. You can help us out by completing the following information for us if you have had a name change, moved, new telephone number, different boat or what ever may have changed.

If any of the above information is different then what is in the current roster, please complete this form and mail to:

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This committee schedules personnel to run the booth. It is recommended that personnel manning a booth or exhibit wear USPS uniform or such clothing as will present a proper image to the public. The Boat Show Committee is responsible for storing and maintaining the booth and other exhibit material.

Lt. Gerald S. Rock is serving as our Boat Show Chair for the 1993 exhibition season. He has started preparing for the Duluth Boat & Sport Show at the DECC on 17-21 February. Please call him at 392-5921 if you can assist him an any way.

Thank you.

Lt/C Bruce Beste, AP



LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

The following members completed the Leadership Development Program conducted at the D/10 Fall Conference on 17 October 1992 at Stevens Point, WI.

Bruce Beste, AP Harvey Hengel, N Greg Brisky, AP Adrian Rick, P Mary Brisky, AP Kathy Rick Arne Wuorinen, AP

Congratulations to these members who have bettered themselves in their role in USPS.

Lt. Karen A. Naslund, P

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FEBRUARY 18
FEBRUARY 27
MARCH 4
MARCH 18
APRIL 1
MAY 20

DATES

FEBRUARY 17-21 FEBRUARY 27 MARCH 26-28 APRIL 24 MAY 1 MAY 15

MEETINGS

EXECUTIVE BOARD
ANNUAL MEETING & ELECTION
CHANGE OF WATCH
EXECUTIVE BOARD
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