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## DULUTH POWER SQUADRON HOLIDAY PARTY

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 7, 1996 DECC - LAKE SUPERIOR BALLROOM

What better way to shake those boating blues than to join your friends and fellow boaters in celebrating the Holiday Season.

This year's festivities will include:

- 🖔 Social Hour 6:00 (cash bar)
- Buffet Dinner 7:00
- Silent Auction (Please bring a wrapped gift, along with a clue to what it may be, for the "Silent Auction". All proceeds will go to Operation Rudolph.)
- © Cookie Contest (Bring a dozen of your favorite Christmas cookie, along with the recipe. Prize awarded for the best cookie)
- Visit from Santa (If you have a secret gift you want to give, bring it wrapped and Santa will present it.)
  - Dance 8:30 12:30 with "Robin Hood" (the "Amazing Shelly's" sidekick)

Cost will be \$22 per person. (Guests are welcome!)

If you do not receive a call from the calling committee, please contact Pam Stokke at 729-6335. RSVP's are requested by Monday, 12/2.

Hope to see you all there!!

### Commander's Report

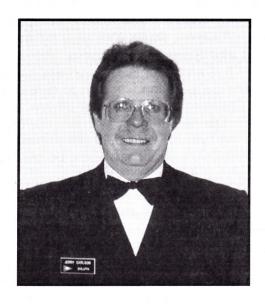
Well, here it is December already, boats are put away, and everyone is dreaming of Spring. It has been a busy year for the Duluth Squadron. Being Commander has led me many different ways. The most enjoyable part so far has been meeting and getting to know more and more members, both new and old.

Congratulations to Wayne Carlson, Bill Gooder, Marty Fossom, and Sid Mason for achieving a real milestone. They have been in the Squadron for twenty-five years, and all have worked hard helping the Squadron however and wherever they could. They have received the twenty-five year pin and sure deserve it.

The October General Meeting was held at the Dry Dock Restaurant, with a great turnout of members, quests and new members. Marlin Bree spoke on sailing on Lake Superior, and also on storms on the big lake. His many stories were most enjoyable and he and his wife sure love our lake.

I would like to mention one other member this month in particular. Everyone in the Squadron knows Dell Forsyth. If you haven't met Dell yet try to meet and talk to him. He has been most supportive and understanding in the recent dock issues and also was instrumental in solving the problem we had earlier in the year with the sail boat and the Sea Scouts.

Dell has been taking care of all dock issues for many years and knows everything there is to know about dates, leases and who to talk to regarding the problems we had regarding the dock lease increase. Dell also was the first person to call me



and discuss the letter regarding contributions for the dock fund. Dell was also the first person to send his contribution to the lease fund.

Speaking of the Dock lease and fund, contributions are coming in and you can drop your contribution at the sign-in table at the Squadron Christmas Party. It will make a nice Christmas present for your Squadron. I hope everyone is planning to come to this year's Christmas Party. The format has changed back to the dinner dance theme and we hope to have a great turnout. See you at the party.

**Cdr. Jerry Carlson, AP** 





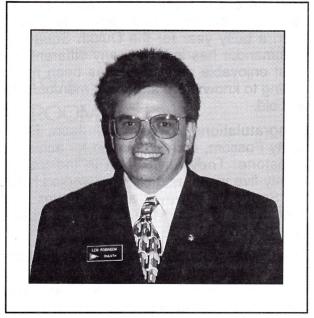
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### **Administrative Officer's Report**

'This the season to be jolly ... with the holiday season fast approaching, keep December 7th open for our annual Squadron Christmas Party. This year's party will be held at the DECC's Lake Superior Ballroom. We are planning a full evening of fun and events. The annual Silent Auction will be held to benefit Operation Rudolph to give children in our community a Christmas they may not otherwise have. Come and join the fun. Dance and party with all your friends. More details will be on the flyer. If you would like to help out give John and Muffy Kalenowski a call. They would be glad to hear from you.

The Membership/Membership Involvement Committees are working on an orientation program for new members. We will be looking for some updated slides from activities held at our dock facilities, vacations to Canada, Isle Royale, the Apostles Islands and the Duluth/Superior Harbor. If you have some good slides which you think would help portray what the squadron benefits are, let me know. The program will be in two parts. 1st - following the Public Boating Course, a slide presentation and discussion of our purpose along with all the



benefits to squadron members. The 2nd part will be in the spring with a visit to our dock facilities to familiarize new members with what's available as a Duluth Power Squadron member. If anyone is interested in either developing the program or participating in the sessions, let someone on the Bridge or the Committee know.

I would like to wish everyone a safe and happy Holiday Season.

#### Lt/C Len Robinson, S







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### **Educational Report**

What's new in Boating Ed? We've just started the all new Advanced Piloting class. The location for our classroom is at the Mariner Mall in Superior, WI. The mall owners have offered the use of their facilities at no charge! Advanced Piloting is now more streamlined and a well structured class for every member. Public Boating begins this January and is being presented in a new order to keep it fresh and interesting.

Watch for a new Public Boating course to be offered in the near future in addition to our traditional course. The new class will require only 6 hours and could be offered in a weekend! Although obviously not as comprehensive as our current offering,

it will address the needs of the many new boaters in need of SAFE boating education who can not make the time commitment for our traditional class.

It's not too late to begin Junior Navigation. If you've completed A.P. and look forward to a challenge, give me a call and we'll get you started.

Next issue will include a revised list and calender of upcoming classes. Looking for a new class to take? Drop me a note and it can be done. Remember take classes. If you've taken it, help teach or proctor. All our classes are for you!

Lt/C Adrian G. Rick, AP

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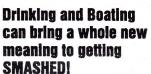
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### **Notes from District 10 Fall Conference**

- USPS name change to United Sail and Power Squadrons. which District 10 voted to approve. It will then be brought up to National.
- Duluth has lost 9 USPS members as of 30 September, 1996. (Present 293 Members).
- June 27 29 Summer Rendezvous, Minnetonka, Streeter Cove.
- Fall of 1998, District 10 will host the Fall Governing Board Meeting, in Minneapolis (September 23 - 27). Jean Peterson will be the District 10 Chairperson of the event. (Needs help with Social events, creative people, printers, sign makers).
- Fall Conference, 1997, Eau Claire, Wisconsin.
- Spring Conference, 1998, Madison, WI.

#### Cover Photo - Witches Tree

This ancient twisted tree is growing out the rock on the east shore of Hat Point. Hat Point forms the Wauswaugoning Bay of Lake Superior at Grand Portage, Minnesota.

Photo and article by P/C Dave C. Carlson, N

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### Schedule of **Upcoming Events**

**JANUARY** 

**DECEMBER** 5 .... Executive Board Meeting,

...... Incline Station

7..... Christmas Party, DECC

2..... Executive Board Meeting,

...... Incline Station

8-12..... Annual Meeting USPS,

...... San Francisco, CA

24-25... D/10 Winter Council Meeting



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for the next issue of the Channel Chatter, February - March 1997

#### Thursday, January 2, 1997

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> Peggy Berg, Editor Channel Chatter 323 N. 61st Ave. W. Duluth, MN 55807 624-1478 (evenings), 723-9496 (daytime) 723-9122 (fax)

If you are submitting a photo, please also include the negative. All materials will be returned after publication.

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