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Channel Chatter

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June, 2006

USCGC Alder Tour

Duluth Sail and Power Squadron members are invited to tour the USCG Cutter

Alder on Thursday, July 13 at 1700.

The 225 ft. Alder's missions are Aids to Navigation, Icebreaking, Search and Rescue, Homeland Security, Law Enforcement, and Marine Environmental Protection. Cdr. Steve Teschendorf and his crew will be on hand to give us a guided tour and answer questions.

After the tour, there will be a cookout next door at Harbor

Cove Marina. Bring a chair, your beverage, and whatever you would like to grill. Parking will be available in the Harbor Cove gravel area. See you there!



Captain's Platter Fishing Contest

The Captain's Platter Fishing Contest is a fun tournament open to the public. This year's contest will be held Saturday, June 10 at the Squadron dock. There are three prizes for each category: Walleye, King Salmon, Lake Trout, Other Salmon, and Captain's Platter (combined weight of



largest fish of each species caught by the boat). There are also drawings for door prizes, and 100% of the entry fees are given out in prizes. The entry fee is \$10 per boat plus \$5 per person. The contest will run from 0600 to 1600, with prizes awarded at 1700.

Contest Chairman Todd Carlson encourages all Squadron members to enter the contest or just come over to the dock and watch the weighing in. Commander Murray George will be manning the grill if you wish to purchase a hot dog or brat There will also be a VE available to do Vessel Safety Checks during the day.

Don't miss this growing event sponsored by the Duluth Sail and Power Squadron.

The United States Power Squadron is America's #1 Boating organization. If you would like information about becoming a member, please contact Murray George@ 218-310-6231 <murray.w.george@smithbarney.com> or Valerie Ouellette @727-6079.

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Commander's Report

May, 2006

Public Safe Boating Education is among the activities that our Squadron does well. I had a chance recently to observe the Public Save Boating Class and Steve Farrell in action with 30+ members of the class. Hats off to Steve and all of our Educators, as they are truly part of our backbone. Joe Hesch is doing a great job as SEO. Kay Bakke our Ass't SEO is very involved in designing a number of things about how we think about, advertise and present the future of all our Education programs. Jim Robinson, Bob Bruce, Bob Ouellette, Jim Munger and others continue to teach our public, and member classes that help us all become more safe, and conscience boaters.

Some of our recent radio publicity has helped in getting people to attend these classes. In addition this same publicity has given us additional exposure and direction to our website for safe boating class information, especially important considering the recent boating tragedies.

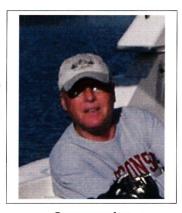
We also need to continue to think about ways and means of continuing to simplify our processes, meetings, and events, so that the few gifted volunteers who do step up don't carry too heavy a load. I think that part of the solu

I am happy to have several other good reports:

- We have a 30 day tenant at our dock; the 180' EPA Research Vessel, "Lake Guardian", who is contributing revenue to help offset some of our dock costs.
- The 2006 Fitting Out Party/Dinner/Auction was again a great success. We fed 120 people. Jack Soetebier and crew prepared a wonderful prime rib dinner. The 4 raffles, silent and live auction netted us some \$6,500. Most important, I believe that everyone who attended had a great time. Thanks to Chair Norm Livgard, and his committee who really worked well together. and made it a success.
- That revenue coupled with approximately \$3,000 in cost savings by having ads pay for the Channel Chatter and Roster, elimination of our storage shed bill, and savings by our binding the Rosters, will see us with a healthy financial condition as we go into the 2nd half of this watch year.
- Our March General Meeting was well attended, with an exceptional presentation by John Anderson and his kayak travels on spectacular lakes around the world.
- Both P/C Grady Strand, and SXO, Jim Robinson are recuperating, and doing really well in their recovery process from medical procedures they recently underwent-I am very pleased to say that we still have a full bridge.

We have some real urgency in needing to fill a couple of

positions. We need a committed volunteer to step up and assume the Membership Chair, or we will have a glitch in our process of bringing in new members, and it looks like we have quite a few interested people who want to join. We also need a Corn Roast Chair. If we don't fill that chair, that preparation, and the event itself will be



Commander Murray George

in jeopardy. Please dig deep, and consider such an opportunity.

We also need to continue to think about ways and means of continuing to simplify our processes, meetings, and events, so that the few gifted volunteers who do step up don't carry too heavy a load. I think that part of the solution is to continue to spread the wealth, by having a few more volunteers to chair the significant events, along with helpful committee members. Those chairs cannot be the Bridge, given their involvement, unless they decide to step forward. At the same time I cannot say enough about you members who do commit yourselves day in and day out. A lot of you are listed on the first 2 pages of the roster.

My Honorary Squadron Members for this Channel Chatter Report are Val Ouellette, and Glen Pratt. Val has and continues to keep the many parts of our Squadron together and running well. If I listed all she does for us, I would go on for another 2 pages-you don't want that. I don't think we can thank her enough. Glen has stepped up and assumed the Administrative Officer job position with flying colors, but is also pitching in with some of the Executive responsibilities in Jim Robinson's involuntary absence. He has given us some sage advice, and input. Please thank them both.

By the time you read this the 2nd General Meeting with the Docteur's and Eggert's 2005 boat trip presentation, Dock Cleanup, and public safe boating class at Pike's Bay will be history. Hope you enjoyed them.

For coming events please see page 3 of your Roster; Fishing Contest (6/10), VSC exams (6/10, 17, 24), Tour of the Alder and cookout (7/13), and July 4th (7/4). This year the 4th is on a Tuesday. The dock is open, and grills will be out. Please boat or drive down, bring your food, and beverages, and have a good time having your picnic there along with other members. Bring all your in-laws, and outlaws. This will be our non-organized event for the year. See you there.

Treasurer's Report

Spring has arrived and so will your annual Power Squadron designed to be a break even and this Dues statements, if they have not already, for the majority of year we are doing a great job in covthe members. For the last few years, the Duluth Squadron has ering our expenses. been participating in the Anniversary Date Direct Billing sys- The Roster printing was paid for by tem with National. This process provides for the issuance of the soliciting advertisers. The Channel Dues statements based on your anniversary date, in other words Chatter is also paid for this year with Your payment is made directly to Na- the generosity of our advertisers. the date you joined. tional and then National will deposit the Local squadron's dues Please be sure to patronize these adportion in our bank account, as well as directing the appropriate vertisers any chance you have amount to District 10.

I thought it might be a good time to tell the membership where your Dues go and how they are used.

Power Squadron Member. with these sites.

We currently have 255 members, of which 17 are life members (no longer are required to pay any dues). The Annual budget is

and be sure to tell them you are a squadron member.



Treas. Valerie Ouellette

The one expense we have, that typically has no direct income, This year the dues for an Active member are \$76.80. Of this is the dock. As with most real estate, we are experiencing on-\$31.80 goes to the National Organization, \$14.20 to the District going expenses necessary for upkeep, as well as increasing inand \$30.80 remains with the Duluth Squadron. The dues, along surance costs and a significant jump in the dock lease. For the with our fund raising efforts, provide for all of our activities past fiscal year our dock expenses were \$5627.00 or approxithroughout the year. The National website allows you to view mately \$23.64 per member. The executive board is going to all of the added benefits available to you as a Duluth Sail and request a slight increase in the Squadrons Dues for the billing The Duluth web site is year 2007 to help offset the dock costs. Please use the Squadwww.duluthpowersquadron.com and the national website is ron dock for your own personal pleasure, for entertaining guests www.USPS.org. Please take the time to familiarize yourself and, of course, during our scheduled events. The dock is a tremendous asset and is open for use of all Squadron Members.

Education Officer's Report

The summer boating season is rapidly approaching and we are getting requests for boating safety education. It seems the word is getting out that our courses are available to more and more of the general public. We recently had a lot of coverage on KDAL after a couple of tragic boating accidents here in the Twin

Last year we ran the Boat Smart course in July and had a good attendance for it. We are planning to do the same again this summer and hope to have even more publicity and advertisement for this course. Please watch our WEB site for the particulars regarding scheduling and location. Also, if you are interested in being an instructor, please contact Kay Bakke to make arrangements to become a qualified instructor. She is planning the required class to get as many of our members as are interested qualified.

The education committee is having a meeting to schedule all of the classes for this watch year in order to have the education calendar published on our WEB site. If you don't see a course that you would like to take listed, please contact either Bob Ouellette, Kay Bakke or me and make your request. If the course isn't formally planned, maybe we can do an individual course offering for you. We would much rather have a regular

class, but we can accommodate special requests at times. We need your input to match your desires and needs however. Just waiting to see if a course will be offered may not be the best solution for you.

We are just completing a Safe Boating course for the public that has about 30 students in it. Instructor Steve Farrell does a great job with his wide range of boating and instructing experi-



Education Officer Joe Hesch

ence. We are extremely happy to have him back in our classroom and greatly appreciate his involvement. Dave Anderson from KBJR is finishing a weather class also. We have only 4 of our members in the class, but Dave is great with donating his professional expertise and time teaching this very interesting course. The weather course has been re-worked, so it's probably even more interesting than when you last took it.

Please keep this in mind when thinking about a class you might be interested in. Classes are re-worked, updated etc. and, just because you took a class before, it doesn't mean you can't ask for it to be run again. Until next time, have a safe and fun boating season.

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Administrative Officer's Report

Here we are, May already. The Fitting Out party has come and gone. As I recall from years past, I'm sure most of you are working feverishly to get your boats in the water. I can honestly say, that's one chore I really don't miss. Any way, the Fitting Out party was a success. We had fewer people attending than last year, but it looked like everyone had a good time. The food was excellent as usual. I would like to extend a great big THANK YOU, to all who volunteered. Norm Livgard chaired this event, and did a great job. A special thanks to all who showed up, brought auction items, and of course spent some money. Without members doing so would limit our existence.

Riverquest will have come and gone by the time this goes

to print. Thank you to Charlie Grubb for making that another successful event.

Dock clean up will have come and gone also (May 20) It is my hope that those who use the dock facility were there to help. Thank you!

June 10th is the Captains Platter Fishing contest. Todd Carlson is chairing this event again this year. I didn't make it last year but hope to experi-



Admin. Officer Glen Pratt

ence all the fun this year. Again thanks to all who volun-

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Safety Officer's Report

May 5, 2006

We all look forward to the start of the boating season. But the shadow of tragedy on the water is overwhelming this season as we mourn the recent untimely drowning of three young men on Fish Lake. I shan't belabor the series of circumstances leading to this tragedy other than to say that they were not wearing life jackets and the water was cold. Now Duluthians grieve over a three year record of seven boating fatalities. Six healthy, strong people were suddenly and unexpectedly pitched overboard and they were not wearing their PFDs! One person perished as his boat floated onto rocks and he tried to fend the vessel off but must have slipped and fell under the boat. Could an anchor have helped as he drifted powerlessly to shore? Might a safe boating class help? The Coast Guard says that our boating safety classes are preventive "Search and Rescue" (SAR).

National Safe Boating Week annually in May is not just a focus for a week on safe boating. It is the start of a season of constant vigilance--to prevent such awful waste. "Boat smart from the start, wear it" a slogan we need to adopt. As the premier boating organizations in the United States, the Power Squadron and the United States Coast Guard Auxiliary promote boating safety with public classes and Vessel Safety Checks. The VSC originated many years ago when the Auxiliary began the Courtesy Marine Examination (CME) which evolved into the Vessel Safety Check (VSC). A few years ago the Power Squadron partnered with the Auxiliary in providing FREE VSCs to ensure that boaters keep their boats seaworthy and in full compliance with Federal safety regulations. Life jackets are one of the requirements and must be maintained

Safety Officer, Jim Munger

and immediately available. Better yet, wear it. Children under 13 years are required to wear a PFD while underway. Remember, you need to have a properly fitted PFD per person plus a throw-able (Type IV) for boats 16 feet and over. Canoes and kayaks require wearable PFDs, no type IV.

ATTENTION ALL PREVIOUS VESSEL EXAMINERS AND THOSE WHO WANNABE A VESSEL EXAMINER (VE)

MARK THESE DATES:

MONDAY, JUNE 5:

Refresher program (You need this!) and training for all VEs and new trainees.

Time: 7:00 pm to about 9:00 pm.

Place: US Coast Guard Station on Park Point.

TUESDAY, JUNE 6:

Same time and place as Monday.

Complete training and take Vessel Examiner test.

(Open book multiple choice test required of new VEs)

SATURDAY, JUNE 10 AND JUNE 17:

BARKER'S ISLAND VESSEL EXAM DAYS WITH AUX-ILIARY 0900 UNTIL ALL BOATS ARE EXAMINED.

New VEs must do five VSCs with a certified VE to complete their qualification. Examiners whose certification is lapsed must do two VSCs with a certified VE to re-qualify.

Please RSVP Jim Munger if you are attending. Let me know ASAP if you need a VSC Manual. 218 525 4011 Leave message or email at jmunger@aol.com.

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P/D/C Harvey Hengel, SN, Receives 25 Year Pin

Harvey Hengel, Past Commander of the Duluth Power Squadron, and Past District Commander of District 10, received his 25 year membership award on May 11 at the Cape Coral, FL Power Squadron. Harvey joined the Power Squadron in 1981 after completing a Public Safe Boating course offered by the Duluth squadron. He went on to complete every advanced grade and elective course offered by the USPS, earning the rank of Senior Navigator with a full certificate. Along the way he instructed and mentored several Public Safe Boating classes.

In 1994, Harvey and his wife P/C Candy Hengel SN retired and moved to Cape Coral, FL. In 1995, Harvey transferred his membership to Cape Coral, while Candy maintains her membership in the Duluth Squadron. Harvey earned his 25th merit mark in 2005, and is now a Life Member. In 2003, Harvey completed the United States Coast Guard Course and obtained the U.S. Merchant Marine Officer 50 Ton Master License with Towing Endorsement. He gives in-

service instruction to individual boat owners, captains boats, and is a captain on the Tarpon Point Marina "Silver King", a 45' Catamaran Style boat for larger groups. Harvey has worked as a Marina attendant at Tarpon Point for over 10 years.

The Hengel's current Florida boat a 38' Tjara. They also keep a boat in Duluth for use on Lake Superior and inland lakes when they return to Minnesota every June through August.



P/D/C Harvey Hengel receives 25 year award from Cdr. Lee Soltysiak of the Cape Coral Power Squadron

"Our lives are not determined by what happens, but how we react to what happens, not by what life brings to us, but by the attitude we bring to life. A positive attitude causes a chain reaction of positive thoughts, events, and outcomes. It is a catalyst, a spark that creates extraordinary results."

Anonymous



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teered to make this another success.

The Bridge has decided, since July 4th is on Tuesday this year, to not have a planned event. We would invite all members to enjoy the dock facility, as we will have the grill set up.

We are currently seeking a volunteer to chair the Corn Roast. If you would like to volunteer your time for this event, please call me.

We are also seeking a volunteer to be our new Membership person. Regretfully, Raymone Kral has resigned this position. I would like to thank Raymone for volunteering

what time she could.

A special thanks to Joe Hesch and Kay Bakke for heading up our Education Dept. This is the reason I Joined the Duluth Power Squadron, and I'm sure it's the reason many of you have joined. We have many very good educators that have helped Joe and Kay over the last year, Thank you. We all need to promote our Safe Boating classes more than ever, as our boating season has not started out very safely.

Have a safe and enjoyable summer.

Respectfully submitted,

Lt/C Glen Pratt



Got Ideas?

While we don't want to think about the end of summer, planning for Corn Roast is already underway. What kinds of meals and activities would you like to see included in the weekend? Let me know and I'll pass it along to the Corn Roast Committee. <kobray@charter.net>

At Corn Roast 2005, Peggy and Bob Hecht and Bonita and Lucky Nelson's Onion Rings were a huge hit. Since there were many requests for the recipe, Peggy has agreed to let us print it for you.

Recipe submissions or requests are welcome for future issues— contact <kobray@charter.net>



Cooking Corner

Bob Hecht's Beer Batter

Mix together with a fork:

1 egg

1 cup beer

1 tsp salt

1 tsp baking powder

1 tsp sugar

Stir in 1 cup flour, mix until batter sticks to a spoon. May be used for fish, onion rings, mushrooms, anything deep fried.

Fitting Out , April 29, 2006 was a big success. Marshall School once again provided a great location for our annual auction and dinner. As you can see, a good time was had by all.

Photos by John Bray



Auctioneer Brent Loberg, assisted by Ken Olson and Fitting Out Chairperson Norm Livgard





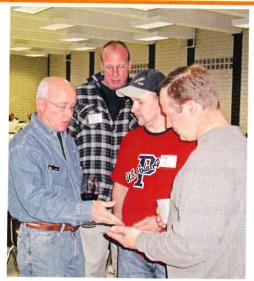
Salesman Dave Carlson convinces Mac Scott he needs a few more 50/50s.



Dick Bibby greets Gloria and John De Smedt



Lynda George draws a big winner with help of Glen Pratt



Cdr. Murray George discusses the Fishing Contest with Chairman Todd Carlson and friends



Vic Kleinsteuber and Judy Summers place their bids



Chef Jack Soetebier serves delicious Prime Rib to Rhobley Mattson



A round of applause for the hard working kitchen crew!



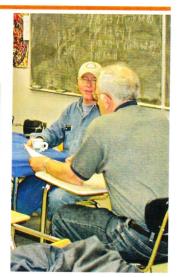
Lisa & Len Robinson assist Jan Biga with registration



On Tuesday, May 16, 22 people completed the <u>Public Safe Boating Class</u>. Several Squadron members were on hand to help with the testing process, and to answer questions and assist the graduates who wished to sign up. As a result, we will be welcoming at least

6 new members plus family members. Those who volunteered include Cdr. Murray George, Joe Hesch, Val Ouellette, Bob Ouellette, Charlie Grubb, Dave Carlson, Jim Munger, Raymone Krall, Bill Carlson, Karen Bray, and Instructor Steve Farrell.





MILWAUKEE RENDEZVOUS

July 28, 29, 30, 2006

Hosted By: The Milwaukee Sail and Power Squadron

Bring your friends! Everyone is Welcome!

This will be the premier event of the summer and you will not want to miss it, come for a day or better yet, the entire weekend!!

We will go all out to bring you a weekend of food, fun, fellowship, on the water activities, and more. We have boats and water toys to play on all weekend.

Friday evening will kickoff with a floating cocktail party and poker "walk" at McKinley Marina, on the shore of Lake Michigan. Following will be a cookout with lots of traditional summer fare.

Saturday enjoy on the water activities including antique boat tours and rides. Lunch will be provided in the pavilion. In the afternoon you can either cruise the Milwaukee River or cruise/sail Lake Michigan with members of the Milwaukee Sail & Power Squadron.

The Saturday evening activities will include a visit to one of Milwaukee's best summer Festivals, German Fest. You will be provided with access to German Fest, a German Dinner in a private pavilion overlooking the Festival, and our own cash bar. There will be opportunities to sample German beer and wines. Finish the evening with a fantastic fireworks display

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Schedule of Events

- June 5 & 6 VSE Class see pg. 5
- June 9—Captain's Platter Fishing Contest Registration at the Squadron Dock 6pm—9pm
- June 10—Fishing Contest registration continues 6am—10am,
 Weigh in—2pm—4pm
- June 10 and 17—Vessel Safety
 Checks offered at Barker's Island

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June 2006 😅 📆

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Schedule of Events

- July 4—Celebrate Independence
 Day at the Squadron Dock—bring
 your picnic, the grill will be ready
- July 6—Exec. Board Meeting at Kegler's—1730—everyone welcome
- July 13—Tour of the Alder at 1700 followed by Cookout at Harbor Cove
- July 15—D10 Summer Rendezvous in Milwaukee—see pg. 10



July 2006 🌃

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Georgia Intracoastal Waterway in Danger of Closure

The ICW (Intracoastal Waterway) is the route boaters use when doing the Great American Loop also called the great Circle Route. Due to a lack of dredging by the Corps of Engineers during the last five years, there is a potential for closing portions of the route, starting in Georgia. For more information you may go to <www.CruisersNet.net>. If you wish to contact your elected representative on this subject, here are their emails. Congressman James Oberstar<www.oberstar@cpinternet.com> Sen. Norm Coleman http://coleman.senate.gov/ Sen. Mark Dayton <www.senate.gov/~dayton/contact/>

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New Member Profile ~ Ron Berkeland and Barb Larson

We are new to boating and were first introduced to the Duluth Power Squadron when we took Boating Safety in January of 2005 – we didn't even have our boat yet! But our C-Dory arrived and we keep her at the Barker's Island Marina.

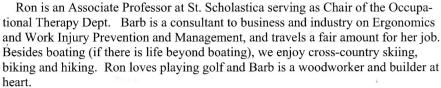
We moved to Duluth from St. Paul in 2000 when Ron took a job at St. Scholastica. Ron's dad was a ship's pilot in the Merchant Marine and later the Great Lakes....so it was inevitable, with all this water, that a boat was in our future.

We did make it through our first boating season and just finished the Piloting Class (and took the test!) in March 2006. It was a lot of work, but great fun, and the instructors were awesome. We are now ready to program our GPS.....is it waypoints, legs, routes, bearings, dead reckoning!?

We are blessed with three children between us, Barb has two sons and Ron has a daughter. All are grown and we have a beautiful grandson who is six months old

(we bought him a "Coast Guard Approved" life jacket before he was born!) We also have a couple more weddings coming up, a son

this May and a daughter in May of 2007.



We have so enjoyed the Duluth Power Squadron and the people we have met. We look forward to continued involvement, good times and good fellowship.

Thanks for the warm welcome.



The Sandpiper

'Man overboard:' Know Proper Procedure P/C Candy Hengel, SN

Being prepared for the worst can save a life. The standard procedure for a man-overboard situation is drilled into every student in our Boat Smart courses. Good safety practices used aboard your boat will probably minimize any danger of someone falling overboard. Allowing passengers to sit on gunnels or areas such as the bow of the boat when no seating is provided is asking for trouble. While the boat is moving everyone should be seated.

If someone does fall overboard while the boat is in motion, shout "man overboard" and toss the victim a throw-able device or a life preserver. All persons on board should put on a life preserver.

Assign someone to do nothing but keep that person in sight and continuously point to the person in the water. The skipper should hit the "man overboard" button on the GPS, if there is one on board. Speed should be reduced and the vessel headed in a reciprocal course toward the victim. Approach the person in the water, preferably against the current and or wind. Try to maneuver the boat as close to the leeward of the victim as possible and hand him a line to hang onto. Your boat will determine the best location to get the victim aboard. If there's a diving platform at the stern, help the victim to get aboard there. Make sure your boat's engine(s) is off prior to bringing the victim aboard. Only go overboard to assist the victim as a last resort. Make sure your life preserver is secure and tether yourself to the boat.

A victim in the water for any length of time could suffer some degree of hypothermia. When a body core reaches 90 degrees, unconsciousness may occur. Place the victim of hypothermia in a warm place and remove wet clothing. Do not give the victim any alcoholic beverages.

Riverquest—A Learning Adventure for area 6th Graders

Ron and Barb with 1 month old grandson

Riverguest is an educational program designed to help area 6th graders understand how the St. Louis harbor is used both commercially and recreationally. Environmental issues are also stressed during the half day cruises aboard the Vista Star. On May 10— 12, 2006, over 700 students took part in the event. Ten learning stations that are set up on board are manned by such groups as the Coast Guard, Port Authority, WLSSD, and the Power Squadron. This year's Power Squadron volunteer's were Jack Soetebier, Murray George, Dave Carlson, Harlan Eggert, Tom Cawcutt, Dave C. Mattson, Bob Stokes, and Charlie Grubb, who chaired the Squadron's involvement in the event. Charlie reports that the demonstration of PFD use and rules and regulations regarding PFDs was well received by the students. Thanks are due to all who participated in this important educational program.



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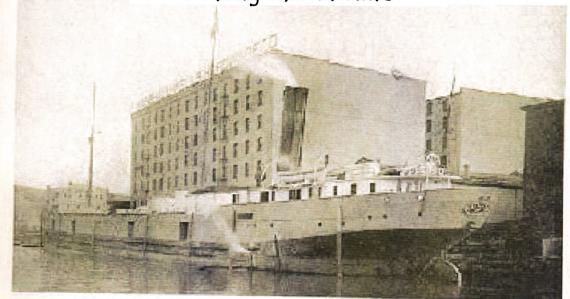
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Strategic Planning



A dozen dedicated individuals attended the Strategic Planning Session on April 22 at the Barker's Island Clubroom. Kay Bakke facilitated the session, which produced many good ideas for the future direction of the Squadron. Unfortunately, a family emergency cut the session short. Another session will be planned for later this year. *Photo by Dave Carlson*

Boating Back in Time



The Steamer Duluth, Largest Package Freight Steamer on the Great Lakes in 1910, docked behind the Marshall Wells Hardware Co. in the Minnesota Slip.

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P/C Bob Ouellette snapped this photo outside of a grocery store near Eau Claire, WI. Bob said the Amish fisherman who owned this rig was picking up a few supplies before heading off for a fishing trip.