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As the new year begins this is my final message as commander. I want to thank al of the people

who have contributed to a successful year. It would not have happened if we did not have a great team of volunteers. These people have worked across all departments to make this squadron stand out. Some of these people are: all our boat show volunteers; P/C Chet Dunbar and Lt Bill P. Quinlan teaching the ABC3 class; Lt/C Rose Stano getting our name out in the public at the Aquafest in July at Blossom Heath and the Santa Parade in Grosse Pte. Village: Lt Bonny Utz heading up the GPPS Hospitality Room at Spring and Fall Conferences winning 2nd place best room in the Fall; P/D/C Bill Stano organizing VSC days at local marinas; P/C Joan McCarron letting us know how much fun is to be had at the Player's Club in Detroit; our own DC Michael Babiarz taking the wheel in command of D9; and others too many to mention but much appreciated.

I can't wait to see what Lt/C Rose Stano, who is heading up the Administrative Department for 2019 has planned.

In closing I will leave you with this poem:

I Said a Prayer For Today

I said a prayer for you today and know God must have heard, I felt the answer in my heart although he spoke no word, I didn't ask for wealth or fame, I knew you wouldn't mind, I asked Him to send treasures of a far more lasting kind, I asked that He'd be near you at the start of each new day, To grant you health and blessings and friends to share your way. I asked for happiness for you in all things great and small, but it was for His loving care I prayed the most of all. (author unknown).

Wishing you all the best in the New Year.





Executive Department Lt/C Natalie Dunbar, P



Happy New Year Grosse Pointe Power Squadron!

This article is coming at the end of my year as your Executive Officer. Heartfelt thanks to all the

dedicated members of the Executive Department for all their hard work. Everyone did a fantastic job in 2018 and the year sped by.

Next on the calendar, is our Squadron's Change of Watch. Consider this your personal invitation. Our Change of Watch is scheduled for 9 January 2019 at the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club. The meeting begins at 1900. This past

New Year's Day, I watched as the newly elected state of Michigan officials, including our new governor got sworn in the state version of a change of watch. Grosse Point Power Squadron will be doing the same thing. At our Change of Watch, the passing of responsibility from one group of our members to the next, newly elected squadron officers will be installed and we will recognize the accomplishments of the outgoing

officers. I will become commander of the Grosse

Pointe Power Squadron and several others will take on new positions.

2019 is going to be an exceptional year for the Grosse Pointe Power Squadron.

Come be a part of it!

Save the date: January 19, 2019. On that day, we will be having the Eightieth Grosse Pointe Power Squadron Commander's Ball at the Grosse Pointe Yacht club. Dinner will consist of expertly prepared filet mignon and jumbo shrimp with a vegetarian alternative. We will be entertained by the scintillating sounds of Larry Lee and the Back in the Day Band, one of the finest

bands in the metro Detroit area. Don't miss it. This will be the event of the year and we hope to see you there.

As a squadron with a focus on boating education and safety, we do good things. 2019 is going to be an exceptional year for the Grosse Pointe Power Squadron. Come be a part of it.



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Grosse Pointe Power Squadron

SEO Report Lt/C Chet Dunbar Jr., AP

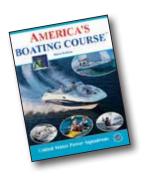


Classes will start the end of February.

61st Annual Detroit Boat Show is at Cobo Center Feb 16-24,2019.

Classes will be Monday Night at Grosse Pointe North High School, 6:30 pm registration. Feb 25 and run 10 weeks with America's Boating Course our beginning class. We would also like to start other classes as members step forward to let me know what they would like to take.

We will be having our Chinese New Year Dinner at Shogun Restaurant, Marter Rd SCS. Saturday, Ron and Bonnie Utz. Flyer to follow.





******MARK YOUR CALENDAR***** *****PLAN TO ATTEND ******



GPPS TABLE TOP RENDEZVOUS CHINESE NEW YEAR 2019 "YEAR OF THE DOG"



WE ARE WORKING TO SECURE ONE OF THESE DATES EITHER FRIDAY 02/08 OR SATURDAY 02/09

As Always...the Lion shall return along with the Barrel Drum, Masks, ect.... The Volcano and Mai Tai drinks are highly recommended too!



Administrative Department Lt/C Joan McCarron, AP



Happy New Year everyone. I hope you had a wonderful Christmas. I want to thank everyone who attended our Christmas Party. We had a very good turn out of 95 people. We enjoyed a great

dinner, beautifully prepared by the GPYC staff. Earl Wolfe entertained us by playing piano while we joined in for some Christmas caroling. Lt Debby Rowe and P/C Bob Malicki helped with the sign in and greeting our guests. Lt David Charvat created some very festive centerpieces for the tables. Thank you all for making this party one of the best.

have men of this caliber and success who are still willing to serve.

I want to thank
everyone who
attended our
Christmas Party.
There was a huge
turn out for Toys for
Tots. I'm sure a lot of
children will appreciate
your generosity

We also congratulate Linda and Bruce Douglass for receiving their United States Power Squadron pins as new members.

We would like to invite you to our Change of Watch on January 9th at the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club at 6:30. Please come to show appreciation for those who served in 2018 and to welcome our new officers for 2019.

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We had the privilege of presenting three 50 year membership awards at the Christmas Party. These very distinguished awards were presented to P/C Vince LoCicero, AP, P/C Fred John Reif, AP, and P/C/C Ted Smith, SN. We congratulate these men for their dedication and service on the local and national levels. We are very fortunate to

Our Commander's Ball will be held at the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club on Saturday, January 19th. Don't miss this event it will be very special. See flyer and invitations for details.

Respectfully, Administrative Officer Lt Joan McCarron, AP





Secretary Department Lt/C Rose Stano, AP



Gratitude is what I have for all my Friends in the Power Squadron. I want to thank you for all the support you have given me as Secretary for the last 5 years in Grosse Pointe. You have allowed

me to grow and accomplish tasks that I would have never tried on my own. Bill and I have made friends and gone places I never imagined. This group has broadened our lives and marriage by giving us a common goal and hobby. I look forward to continued growth as I move on to Administrative Officer.

Most Clubs in today's world are going the way of the local mall, they either re-invent themselves or fail.

The Power Squadron is not immune to this and Michigan, District 9 has lost Squadron each year as membership and participation dwindle. But we are blessed here in Grosse Pointe with a core group of members who continue to work together and the financial means to sustain ourselves. This is due to past members who generously contributed money, our hard working Investment Committee and frugal management of our funds by our Executive Board. The Executive Board has decided to stay with the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club as our home due to long standing tradition of supporting each other and our goal of Boating Safety. We look forward to providing more educational activities at the Yacht Club in the coming year.

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the last 5 years.

I look forward to the new challenge of reaching outside of the box for activities for our group. How

> about a trip to the new Velodrome, Tour of the Detroit Library, tour of the Outdoor Adventure Center in Detroit? Anyone interested in weekly dinner outings to the many new restaurants in and around the city? Anyone have ideas for Speakers to speak on Boating and Environmental Water Issues in Michigan?

Wouldn't it be great if the District 9 had a Speakers Bureau where we

could go out and talk to Marinas to talk about Boating Safety, Electric Shock, and Vessel Safety Exams? We have the opportunity to speak at the Anchor Bay Yachting Association but how many of you can check with your Marina to see if they are interested in us coming out to talk? We could really use a grant writer to find matching funds to put up VSE and Electric Shock signs in marinas and boat launches.

Anything is possible if everyone of you would pick one thing you would like to be involved in this year.





MEMBERSHIP MATTERS



Rose and Bill Stano with Mike Murphree our Speaker for the February meeting





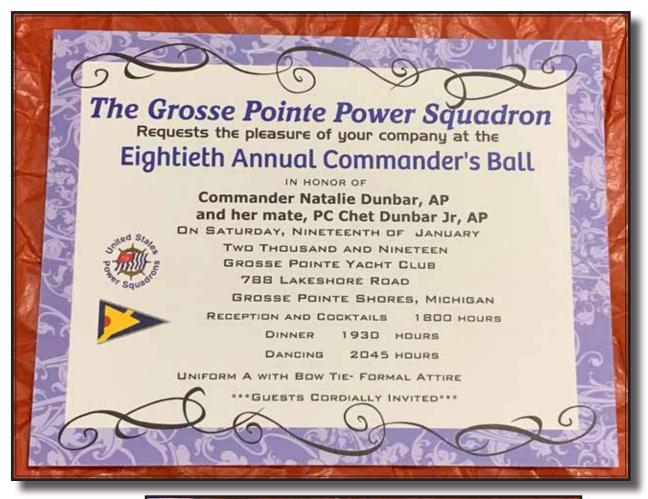
January Birthdays

Scott Bade
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Jeanne Flynn
Eric Kinney
Kurt Lyons
John Marshall

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Jerilyn Sandifer
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Natalie Simon
Conrad Sobczynski
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Grosse Pointe Power Squadron Eightieth Annual Commander's Ball



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See you in Orlando



Ann and I want to extend an invitation for all members to our Annual Meeting in Orlando next February. A lot is planned and you will notice some changes from our normal format which you will find interesting.

Catch up on everything that's going on in America's Boating Club. Learn how to name your squadron as a unit of our Club and participate in the national branding effort that will give local squadrons a common identity. It's very important that we overcome the "nobody knows us" problem we have had and it's even more important that we do it right.

And, come see what the committees and headquarters are doing <u>for you</u>. We often hear "what does national do for me", well, come and find out. There is much to learn since the last annual meeting, and a lot going on. Be part of that, ask questions, make suggestions, air complaints, and participate in the discussion. As I often say, this is an exciting time to be a member of USPS and America's Boating Club!

Introduce yourself to the officers, committee members, and some of the headquarters staff who make up our national organization. Find out how you can join a committee or otherwise help with all we do and therefore become a part of the action! It's very rewarding and it's very much needed.

There are interesting activities planned too, from a mystery dinner theatre to an animal and theme park. Check out the information section of the meeting site and see what's in store.

You won't want to miss our Friday keynote speaker and his story of a huge drug bust off the coast of North Carolina, be sure to read the cameo of that presentation.

And there are a lot more interesting things to do to make it a mini-vacation. Or, maybe not so "mini"!

So, I hope I'll see you there!

e/c G Cheney





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TUESDAY, FEB 19, 2019

Al Capone Mystery Dinner Theater 18:15 to 2300. \$45.00 increase to \$55.

WEDNESDAY, FEB 20, 2019

Titanic Artifact Exhibition and Guided Tour, 945-1430, \$45.00 increase \$55.

Blue Man Group at Universal Studios, 1615 to 2230, \$75.00 increase to \$85.

THURSDAY, FEB 21,2019 Committee meetings through day

Treasurer & Donors Breakfast, 730 to 845, \$43.00 increase to \$53.

Rosen Kitchen Tour 10 to noon, or 1400 to 1600, \$30.00 increase to \$37.

Leu Gardens and Lunch, \$30.00 increase to \$40.

District and Squadron Officer Lunch, \$42.00 increase to \$52.

Secretary and Education Department lunch, \$42.00 increase to \$52.

New Life Members and Awards Dinner, 1900 to 2300, \$59.00 increase to \$69.

FRIDAY, FEB, 22,2019 Committee open meetings all day

Keynote Breakfast- Judge J. Douglas McCullough - Co-Author of "Sea of Greed",

"The true story of America's greatest drug raid" Metro 730 to 9am, \$38.00 increase to \$48.

Gatorland Orlando, 900 to 1530, \$45.00 increase to \$55.

Rosen Kitchen Tour, 10 to noon, \$30.00 increase to \$37.

Executive, Administrative Dept luncheons, 1215 to 1345. \$42.00 increase to \$55.

SATURDAY, FEB 23, 2019 Open National Meeting all day

Members Reception and Luncheon, noon to 2pm, \$35.00 increase to \$45.

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Dinner Reception w Dancing, 1830 to 2300, \$76.00 increase to \$86.

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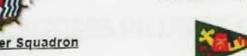
Detroit Power Squadron



MacRay Yacht Club 30675 North River Road Harrison Township, MI 48045



Shores Harbor Club 22801 Alger St. Clair Shores, MI 48080



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GPPS - Christmas Party at GPYC



50 Year Membership Certificates to Fred John Reif, Vic LiCicero, and Ted Smith



The Kreig's



Natalie, Chet and Rose

Linda and Bruce Douglass receiving their USPS pins as new members



Singing Christams Carols



GPPS - Christmas Party at GPYC

















GPPS - Commander's Tea - A Polish Feast



Thank You
Commander John!









Three Cheers to Commander John

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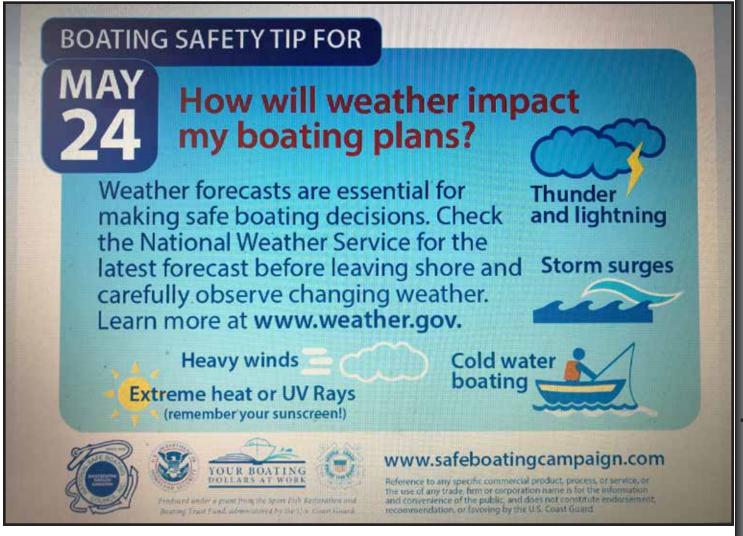


John Bennett, Rose & Bill Stano having Dinner at the Detroit Yacht Club before Detroit Change of Watch.





Safety Article



I know the date is wrong but the Coast Guard just rescued 5 paddlers, one was a 5 year old, when the wind took them off course.

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JANUARY

January 9 WEDNESDAY - Change of Watch

GPYC - 1900

January 19 SATURDAY - GPPS Commanders Ball - Natalie Dunbar

GPYC

January 23 WEDNESDAY - Executive Board Meeting

GPYC - 1900

FEBUARY

February 9 SATURDAY - Chinese New Year Dinner

Shogun, 23195 Marter Rd. Utz and John Metropoulos

February 13 WEDNESDAY - General Meeting

GPYC - 1900

February WEDNESDAY - Executive Board Meeting

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MARCH

March 13 WEDNESDAY - General Meeting

March 27 WEDNESDAY - Executive Board Meeting



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Note: Refer to the GPPS web site for more details - Unless otherwise posted - All GPPS General Membership Meetings are on the second Wednesday - Sept. through May All GPPS Executive Committee Meetings are on the fourth Wednesday - Aug. through May



Make plans to join us at the

GROSSE POINTE
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& CHANGE OF WATCH

Wednesday 9 January, 2019

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