

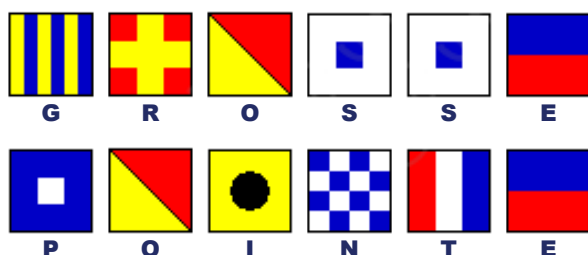
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## Calendar of Upcoming Events



### FEBRUARY

- 9 February WEDNESDAY - **Planned Virtual Member Meeting**  
Virtual / Zoom
- 16 February WEDNESDAY - **Executive Board Meeting**  
Virtual / Zoom
- 22-25 February TUES-FRI - **United States Power Squadron Annual Meeting**  
Sawgrass Marriott, FL

### MARCH

- 1 March TUESDAY - **ABC Class - 5 weeks**  
Zeff's Dockside Bar - St. Clair Shores, MI
- 9 March WEDNESDAY - **Planned Member Meeting**  
In person vs virtual - Zoom
- 13 March SUNDAY - **Blessing of the Fleet**  
Mariner's Church - Detroit, MI
- 23 March WEDNESDAY - **Executive Board Meeting**  
GPYC

### APRIL

- 13 April WEDNESDAY - **Planned Membership Meeting**  
GPYC
- 24 April SATURDAY - **D-9 Virtual Council Meeting / Spring Conference**  
Zoom
- 27 April WEDNESDAY - **Executive Board Meeting**  
GPYC
- 29 April FRIDAY - **Commander's Ball - Rescheduled**  
GPYC

Attention!

Details to Follow  
in emails

Attention!

All dates on the Calendar  
are tentative.

\*\*See [www.d9-usps.org](http://www.d9-usps.org) for other Squadrons Activities you are invited to join.  
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



## Commander's Message

Cdr. Rose Stano, AP

Greeting to a New Year. Just because we are frozen in the snow, far distant from our boats, does not mean there is nothing to do. Your Executive Bridge has been busy getting things rolling for a new season.

**Highlights** from January 26, 2022, Executive Bridge meeting.

**Commanders Ball** was postponed, and the New Date is **Friday, April 29, 2022** at the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club. Event start 1800 with cocktail

reception, dinner at 1900 and program at 2000. Price \$60.00 with choice of prime rib or crab cake. Pop, coffee, and tea included with cash bar available for alcohol drinks. We have forty people already on board. Just email me your reservation at [rstano@comcast.net](mailto:rstano@comcast.net)

No Boat Show scheduled in Detroit this winter due to low inventory, but **Progressive Boat Show** at the Suburban Collection Showplace is Thursday- Sunday, March 10 – 13, 2022. Details to follow.

Check out our new ads in [Lake St Clair Guide](#) and [Insider's Guide](#) - Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce.

The first **America's Boating Class** of the year will start Tuesday, March 1, 2022, 7pm and run 5 weeks at Zeff's Dockside Bar, 24026 Jefferson Ave, St Clair Shores, MI. Taught by Dave Charvat and Bill Stano. Class requested by Trader Todd's Marina and the Anchor Bay Yachting Association. Email [rstano@comcast.net](mailto:rstano@comcast.net). Chet is arranging class to start at Grosse Pointe Yacht Club. Call (313) 744-7472

**District Nine, Michigan Spring Conference** will be virtual due to Covid on Saturday, April 24, 2022. Details to follow. Contact Bill Stano for more information.

Michael Babiarz, Administrative Officer is working on Speakers and Events for this year and would appreciate suggestions. Please e mail at [mbabz@comcast.net](mailto:mbabz@comcast.net). February meetings will still be virtual, and we hope things improve to start in person meetings in March.

**Welcome Chris Jenkins** as our New Secretary and enjoy reading his bio in this Newsletter.

Bill and I will be representing Grosse Pointe and District 9 at the **United States Power Squadron Annual Meeting** in Pointe Vedra, FL. at the Sawgrass Marriott Feb 22-26, 2022. Bill will be busy with the National Planning Committee now that he elected as Staff Commander- Congratulations Bill. I will be busy with the Meetings Committee and going to lectures on the new Information Center, Benefits, Safety, AB Channel, Environment, Virtual classes and meet with the Coast Guard, Troy Glendye. He presented us with our Challenge Coins last year for our work with America's Boating Channel. Then we will stop in Washington, DC on the way home for the **International Water and Boating Safety Summit** March 13-16, 2022 and assist Marty and Sari Lafferty with presentation on America's Boating Channel. In between these events, we will be on the Cruise Ship with Dawn Travels in the Eastern Caribbean. Hope you can join us sometime in the future because we love being with other Squadron members and sharing.

Hope you enjoy the fresh look for the Newsletter. The Communication Committee at USPS produced new guidelines for newsletter prompting the change. I would appreciate feedback and ideas for articles. Dan Claus has regularly contributed. Next, we will be updating the Roster and New Member manual. Please forward me any changes in address, phone numbers, or emails. It has been 10 years since the Rules and By-Laws have been looked at, so its time to review them as well. We welcome any one with time and energy to contact me to help. Stay Safe. Commander Rose Stano, AP





## Civic Service

*With classes on hold due to Covid and our need for new classroom,  
consider other ways to support our community.  
Two organizations could use your help - donations.*



### MOTOR CITY MITTEN MISSION

24623 Harper Ave, St Clair  
Shores, MI 48080.

We met Gail Marlow at Christmas when we collected toys and clothing at our Christmas Party. This nonprofit is dedicated to helping homeless, needy, sick, and those striving for a better life. They provide meals, clothing, blankets, personal care items, blankets, mats and pillows to those in need and facilitate with housing, furniture and services while educating, partnering and collaborating with other to help those in need.

Check out their website.

Donation days are the first and third Monday of each month.

### TWELFTH STREET MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH,

1840 Midland St. Detroit.

Chet Dunbar is a Deacon in the Church and they run a local food bank and garden. On the First and Third Friday of the month, the Church provides clothes, household items, furniture, etc to those in need in the community.

As you spring clean or need to down size your homes,

consider donating usable items to the church. Call Rose Stano (313-343-5602) for assistance till Chet has recovered from his surgery.

#### DID YOU KNOW?

It was recently brought to our attention by member, Dan Claus, instructor at Macomb Community College that they have started a new program.

#### Marine Maintenance Technician Program 2022

This new program teaches students the essential skills needed to maintain boats in Michigan waterways. Courses cover diagnosis and maintenance of on board and out board engines and propulsion systems, electrical wiring and plumbing systems. They focus on safety, terminology and customer service in the Marine Industry. Students earn a lifetime Mercury Marine Technician Number to use through their career. They can achieve certificates for OSHA 10, American Heart Association First Aid, CPR & AED, and are prepared to take the American Boat and Yacht Council Marine Service Technology Exam.

Call 586-498-4110 or email [workforcedev@macomb.edu](mailto:workforcedev@macomb.edu)



## Cold Water Boating



### COLD WATER BOATING

Cold-water immersion is the cause of many boating-related fatalities. The danger increases as water temperature decreases below normal body temperature (98.6° F).

#### Dos and Don'ts

- Do make sure everyone is wearing a life jacket. Even experienced swimmers will experience shock within one minute in the frigid water and lose muscle control within 10 minutes.
- Do share with someone you trust all the details of your trip before you leave shore - including boat, persons, towing or trailer vehicle, communication equipment, and emergency contacts. This is your float plan.
- Do dress properly for the weather, always wear layers, and bring an extra set of clothes in case you get wet. Remember, dress for the water temperature, not the air temperature.
- Do use your navigation lights to alert other boaters of your presence in dark and/or foggy conditions. Recreational boats operating at night are required to display navigation lights between sunset and sunrise.
- Do catch your breath. A sudden, unexpected fall into cold water causes an involuntary gasp (or torso) reflex. It takes less than one-half cup of water in your lungs to drown. If you remain calm, you have a greater chance of self-rescue.
- Don't panic if you fall into the water. Stay afloat with the help of your life jacket, regain control of your breathing and keep your head above water in vision of rescuers.
- Don't keep heavy boots on if you're in the water. Look for ways to increase your buoyancy. If you're in the water with others, huddle together with everyone facing inward to help everyone stay afloat and keep warm.
- Don't apply heat to extremities like arms and legs of a rescued victim. This sudden change in temperature could cause cardiac arrest.

#### Stages of Cold-Water Immersion

- Cold shock. You have one minute to adjust to the cold shock response – don't panic.
- Swimming failure. You have 10 minutes of meaningful movement to get help and get out of the water.
- Hypothermia. You have about one hour before you become unconscious from hypothermia.
- Post-rescue collapse. You "give up" and collapse after or right at the time of rescue.



## Member Benefits

The most often used benefits are **Office Depot / Office Max** and **Boating Insurance**.

**Dan Boater Insurance** is a great safety resource that you can purchase for \$25.00 each year when you renew your membership that provides medical care if injured when traveling. Remember when you use these benefits, the United States Power Squadron receives compensation. So a bargain for you and a win for USPS.



## NEW BENEFITS 2022

- **UPS - UNITED POSTAL SERVICE** offers up to 50% off when shipping. New since Nov 2021.  
Visit [savewithups.com/usps/](https://savewithups.com/usps/) to create account.

- **MY MEDIC** - Save up to 25% on on line purchase of first aid kits. New since Set 2021.  
Visit [mymedic.com](https://mymedic.com) and use Promo Code - USPSABC.

- **FARMERS INSURANCE** offers discounts on Home, Auto, Boat, RV, and more insurance. New since August 2021.  
Go to <https://www.myautohome.farmers.com/> and use Promo Code USPS.

### Goods and Services

**LifeLock**  
35% off your first year of membership of the industry leading identity protection.

**Helms Briscoe**—Offering the smart way to efficiently source your meeting needs.

**NEW Training Aid!**  
Boating instructional materials used to create and animate boating scenarios. Discount to ABC members.

**HeartSine**  
HeartSine® provides a discounted price to ABC members for AED Devices and AED Accessories.

**Office DEPOT OfficeMax**  
Save up to 80% off preferred products! Shop online or in stores!

**Caskey Monograms** offers custom embroidery for all your squadron, district and event needs at discounted prices.

**SOLUDE**  
Air roasted coffee. ABC gets an automatic **donation of 20%** for coffee ordered by any Member!

**American HEARING BENEFITS**  
Hearing benefits program providing access to free hearing consultations and significant discounts on hearing aids.

### Partner Education Programs

**Great Lakes Cruising Club SCHOOL**  
All GLCC webinars and trainings are available to ABC members at a reduced rate.

**MARINERS LEARNING SYSTEM**  
USCG Captains License software at a 10% discount



### MEMBER BENEFITS



Learn boating skills

Engage in the fun

Connect with other boaters

Local Squadron Information:

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[www.americasboatingclub.org/benefits](https://www.americasboatingclub.org/benefits)

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### Travel Benefits

**USPS Vacation Center** exclusive discounts for all your travel needs - tours, car rentals, vacation packages, and hotels.

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**DAN BOATER**  
America's Boating Club has partnered with DAN Boater to provide you with a host of valuable safety resources designed to help you when you travel — whether it's by boat, plane, car or rail. From 24/7 assistance with serious medical emergencies, to simple questions about travel-related health issues, professional help will be just a phone call away.

### And in case you need more ...

**Ensign COMPASS**  
Set a Course for Better Boating

Two National newsletters: The *Ensign*, quarterly and sent to all members; The *Compass*, newsletter provided to members' and friends of America's Boating Club

When traveling by any means, our port captain program will give you another member in that area to talk to in that are with navigation tips as well as local eateries to try and places to visit!

Sponsored by the U.S.C.G. America's Boating Channel is the official showcase for the nation's most highly viewed boating safety and boater education videos.

### Your Membership has Benefits for YOU!

#### Insurance Benefits

**VPI Pet Insurance** - 5% group discount. Receive additional discounts for multiple pets!

**LTGR**  
Insurance that helps assure you of continued independence as you age.

**TRAVELERS**  
Savings on auto, home, renters insurance; competitive rates for boat and yacht insur-

#### Health Benefits

**AMERICA'S BOATING CLUB**  
Prescription Savings Card saves up to 75% on every prescription you fill!

**LIFE LINE SCREENING**  
Offers you the opportunity to detect life-threatening conditions at an affordable cost.

**vsp**  
Substantial savings while receiving the personalized vision care you deserve.

#### Member Education

Our members enjoy access to on-water and in class training on a variety of subjects that includes 14+ full length courses, 30+ seminars, and several on-water boat handling certification programs. Learn to change your own oil, or navigate with the stars in our education department

*Your membership with America's Boating Club® has some real benefits. By using one or more, you can save hundreds of dollars! Visit us at [AmericasBoatingClub.org/Benefits](https://AmericasBoatingClub.org/Benefits) for the latest benefits and more details on these and how to join! We are adding more all the time!*

#### Marine Benefits

**AUTOTETHER**  
Receive a 10% discount on your purchase of Autotether system. Overboard alert

**BOATFIX**  
20% Discount on BoatFix.co membership which includes 24/7 monitoring of your vessel

**McGraw Hill**  
McGraw Hill offers a wide selection of nautical/marine books through a America's Boating Club Members only Online Discount Book Store.

**HAMILTON MARINE**  
Up to a 10% discount which is available on most items through their on-line store. Excludes electronics & commercial fishing equipment

**SOUNDINGS**  
Soundings Boating Magazine subscription discounted to members of ABC

**Weems & Plath**  
Manufacturer of fine nautical & weather instruments offers 25% discount to members.

Be sure to check our website for newly added marine benefits

#### Marine Insurance Discounts

**The America's Boating Club Boat Insurance Program** - created to meet the unique needs of America's Boating Club members with discounts up to 38% Created for Members, by Members.

**BoatUS**  
Our partnership with BoatUS means that our members receive a 50% discount on BoatUS Membership, and a 10% discount on all water towing plans. Other discounts for Boat Insurance policies.

**SEA TOW**  
Our members receive a discount on Sea Tow on-water towing as well as Sea Insure boat insurance policies



**Annual Meeting**  
**February 19-27, 2022**  
Ponte Vedra, Florida

## America's Boating Club United States Power Squadrons

Annual Meeting February 19, 2022 -  
February 27, 2022

Sawgrass Marriott Golf Resort & Spa  
1000 PGA Tour Boulevard  
Ponte Vedra, Florida 32082

## February Birthdays

Caprice Baun

Peter Griffin

Kurt Hansen

Jeffery Hudson

Jay Kaiser

Max Kenney

Robert Malicki

Joseph Nagel

Mary Shafer

Paul Simon

Tymon Totte



## Saint Clair Shores Sail & Power Squadron

The Heart of The Great Lakes Invite You On A  
Valentines Day Cruise



2022  
Commander's  
Ball

Change of  
Watch  
Ceremony



10000 Metropolitan Parkway  
Sterling Heights, MI 48312

Friday, February 11<sup>th</sup>, 2022  
Uniform "A" or appropriate evening attire  
1830 Cocktail Hour  
1900 Change of Watch ceremony  
2000 Dinner by Chef Bobby  
\$55 per person

Please RSVP and prepay to:  
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RSVP By Feb. 4th  
Checks payable to : S.C.S.S.P.S  
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Change of Watch - America's Boating Club Grosse Pointe



P/D/C William Stano, JN presents Commanders flag to new Cdr Rose Stano, AP



Cdr Rose Stano, AP presents Past Commanders Flag to P/C Joan McCarron, AP and thanks her for her 2 years of service.



P/D/C William Stano, JN swearing in the new Bridge for 2022



Lt/C Chris Jenkins receiving his flag as he becomes the new Secretary



Cdr Rose Stano, AP presents Lieutenant Flag to Chris Jenkins for Secretary position and P/C Micheal Babiarz, AP moves up to Administrative officer, with P/D/C William Stano, JN District Representative

Chris was born in Flint and grew up in Lansing. He met Tana at Michigan State University. He works in Information Technology for Capgemini; a global IT firm based in France. He is the Engagement Director for MetLife client. Tana and Chris moved to Grosse Pointe after living in St. Croix, USVI and the Caribbean Sea. They were drawn to the lake and the waterfront parks and toured the Shores and Woods Parks to make their decision. Tana wanted a boat and Chris said they needed a boating safety class first. Chris discovered the Power Squadron web site and signed up for a class. They were surprised how nice people were in the class and the fellowship extended to them made it an easy decision to join the group. They have purchased a Regal Commodore 24 which they keep at the Woods Park and Chet Dunbar has been assisting them learn to captain. .

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Change of Watch - America's Boating Club Grosse Pointe



P/D/C William Stano, JN is presenting Certificate of Appreciation to the Vessel Safety Examiners - Dan Claus, Bob Wiczorek, SN and P/D Michael Pipia, AP.

The following Vessel Safety Examiners to also receive awards for their job well done in 2021 but were not available to receive at the Change of Watch.

- Lt. Bruce Boutin, N
- P/C Dale Ellis, AP
- Lt. Stephen Lloyd, SN
- Lt. William Kuester
- First Lt. William P. Quinlan, AP
- P/C Robert Malicki, JN



P/C Scott Homuth, AP receiving Certificate of Appreciation for doing VSE last year.



P/C Ron Utz out ice boating.

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## The Commanders' Ball has been Re-scheduled

*Commander Rose C. Stano, AP  
and her Captain Bill*

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*Commander's Ball*

**NEW DATE: FRIDAY, 29 APRIL 2022**

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ENTERTAINMENT BY MARILYN MONROE AND THE TFO ORCHESTRA

## Distinctive Communicator Award



Our Squadron's was recently awarded the 2021 Distinctive Communicator Award for our website. Each year the USPS Communications Committee reviews Squadron and District newsletters and websites and selects those which merit special recognition for sustained quality throughout the year that not only promote life within the United States Power Squadrons® but also instill interest and inspire and encourage members of the public to take and join our organization.



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John C. Bennett  
GPPS Member



Jim Simpson receiving VSE award at the Dearborn Change of Watch  
from P/D/C William Stano, JN

## Planned Virtual General Membership Meeting

February 9, 2022

Virtual - Zoom

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