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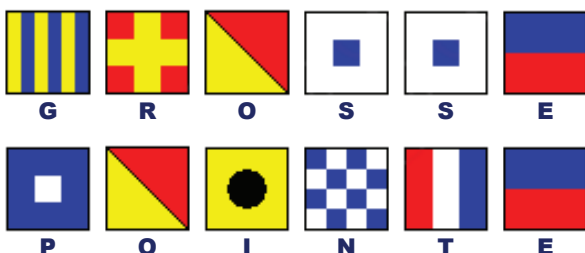


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Calendar of Upcoming Events

hello
SPRING

APRIL	
12	WED - General Membership Meeting GPYC / 7pm / Army Corps of Engineers - Missy Kropfreiter Lake Water Levels and what we might expect this year
22	SAT - 84th Commanders Ball - Natalie Dunbar GPYC / 788 Lakeshore Road / 1800 / Formal Attire / \$60.00 / Filet Mignon & Jumbo Shrimp / 313.864.8217
28-29	FRI - SAT - United States Power Squadron District 9 Spring Conference DoubleTree Hotel Riverfront by Hilton - Bay City Rooms \$114. night. / 989.891.6000 Saturday Luncheon Buffet \$25 / Register for hospitality wrist bands for Friday and Saturday night fun. ggreve@sbcglobal.net.
MAY	
1	MON - America's Boating Course 3 GPYC - Lake Shore Room / 6:30 pm register / 5 weeks / not MD
10	WED - Membership Meeting - Public Safety Night GPYC / 7pm / Michael Babiarz
19	FRI - Wear Your Life Jacket to Work Day Share at Work or Marina
20-26	SAT - SAT - Safe Boating Week Resource from Sage Boating Council or Rose Stano Share at Work or Marina
20-21	SAT - SUN - Great Lakes Boating Festival GPYC / 788 Lakeshore Road / FREE Help in booth Noon to 7pm Sat. / Noon to 5pm Sun. Bill Stano / Park at High School - bus over
JUNE	
11	SUN - Blessing of the Fleet and Vessel Safety Exams Trader Todd Marina - 24030 E Jefferson Ave., St. Clair Shores Bill Stano - wstano@comcast.net
12	MON - America's Boating Course 3 GPYC - Venetian Room / \$55 / Register 6:30 pm / 5 weeks
11-17	SUN - SUN - America's Boating Channel - Season Seven Shoot Rose Stano - rstano@comcast.net / need boats and crews available for 2 hours in morning or afternoon each day to shoot silent videos.
24-25	SAT - SUN - Lake St. Clair Metro Park Marina - First Summer Rendezvous Appreciation Picnic - Fish Fry - Saturday afternoon, Putt Putt Golf - Michael Babiarz Brunch - Sunday Morning / midnrrreservations.com



**See www.gpps-d9.com 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. Natalie Dunbar, AP

April is here and going fast! Do you feel as though you're being teased by all the warm weather these days in Michigan? We all know that it could snow any day from now until June. Let's agree to enjoy this blessing for as long as it lasts.

In February, Chet and I attended the USPS Spring Conference in Orlando. Things are changing. The conference was available electronically and in person as has become standard since COVID, but now delegates can vote electronically. Each designated delegate receives a code and a link. When it is time to vote on a particular issue, they receive notification and the ability to vote on the issue at hand. This means that delegates can vote at home, their hotel room, and even from the beach.

Another result of the Spring Conference is that an initiative to increase the dues by \$5 has passed. There has been much discussion on both sides, but the bottom line is that the United States Power Squadrons had not raised their membership dues for several years.

An added result from the conference is that our own D-Lt/C Chet Dunbar has been voted in as a delegate to the Governing Board for 2023.



From the Annual Event at MacRay Harbor
in support of Detroit Power Squadron.

Back in Detroit, we attended the MacRay Harbor Annual Vendor Day in Harrison Township and spent time in support of the Detroit Power Squadron Booth. There were plenty of vendors, boaters, delicious food, music, and fun. If you've never attended this event, know that it is well worth the trip. Thanks to the Detroit Power Squadron for the invitation.

Did you get a chance to attend the Grosse Power Squadron tabletop rendezvous to The Whiskey Factory, home to Detroit Whiskey Distillery? If not, you missed a fun and interesting event. Our tour was located in the old Stroh's Ice Cream building and covered some of the building's history, how the distillery got started, its processes and equipment, and of course, the proper way to taste their products. We enhanced our experience with Pizza from Supinos and salad.

This is your squadron. Please come out and enjoy it and all the wonderful people and events!

Commander Natalie Dunbar





Education Officer
Dt/Lt/C Chester Dunbar Jr., AP

America's Boating Course

Presented by **The Grosse Pointe Power Squadron**



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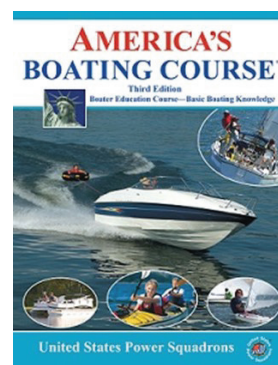
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(This is a 5 week Class)

Time: 7:00pm – 9:00pm

\$55 per Person includes Book

To Register call 313-744-7472 or email gpps@comcast.net

www.gpps-d9.com



Administrative Officer
Lt/C Michael Babiarz, AP

For those of you that joined us for some of our recent outings and meetings I'm sure you'll agree that they were both fun and informative. Be sure to join us for some of the Great things that we have coming up.

Join us for the **May Meeting- Public Safety/Law Enforcement Night** - where we have invited the Border Patrol, Coast Guard, and Sheriff to speak about local issues. **Wednesday, May 10, 2023 at 7pm** at the **Grosse Pointe Yacht Club**. You are invited to make dinner reservations on your own for the Dining Room and my suggestion would be no later than 5:30pm. Call the GPYC at 313-884-2500 for reservations. Say that you are with the GPPS and that you will be paying by Credit Card.

Dress Code for meetings at the GPYC - Business Casual- Men in collared shirts/ pants. Women in Dress or slacks. (no jeans, tee shirts, baseball hats, distressed clothes)

Great Lakes Boating Festival at the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club - Saturday, May 20, noon to 7pm & Sunday, May 21, noon to 5pm. Free and open to public. This is a great "In the Water" Boat show with plenty of nice boats to see and purchase. You'll have to park at Grosse Pointe North High School and take the Shuttle bus over. We'll have a booth at the show and we are looking for a few volunteers to work booth and talk about our Classes, Vessel Safety Exams and Membership. Contact Rose Stano rstano@comcast.net or 586-215-4758 to volunteer. It's also the start of Safe Boating Week.

America's Boating Channel returns to shoot Season Seven Videos on Border Crossings and others topics. **June 11-17, 2023.** Contact Rose Stano to join in the fun. See Flyer. rstano@comcast.net

Two Rendezvous planned

We have two boating rendezvous planned right now. Lake St Clair Metro Park Marina - Saturday & Sunday, June 24 & 25, 2023 and William G Milliken Sate Park and Harbor - Friday-Sunday, July 14-16, 2023 As of now there are no slips available for Saturday at Milliken but availability for Thursday and Friday. See flyers for all the details. To make reservations for both rendezvous visit www.midnrreservations.com

We are also planning a few pop up dinners and activities throughout the summer. We are planning most of these for weekdays as weekends during the summers can be busy.

Any suggestions or ideas for future events, please contact Michael Babiarz. mbabz@comcast.net. 313-215-3919



April Birthdays

Patricia Anderson
Kim Boch
Penny Boles
James Bonahoom
Henry Denolf
Tracy Eadie
Dale Ellis
Derek Hamlin

Peter Metropoulos
Michael Pipia
Folkert Schmidt
Philip Spinelli
Megan Stano
Bonny Utz
Louis Vandekerckhove

May Birthdays

Rodney Aziz
Bruce Boutin
David Brace
John Dewald
Rahmon Dunbar
Susan Guzdial
Michael Guzdial
Tana Jenkins
Michael Meda

Christopher Olson
Fred John Reif
Jovan Roberts
John Simon
Robert Smith
Nathan Stano
Richard Thoma
Robert Wiczorek



America's Boating Channel - Casting Call



Marty and Sari Lafferty are coming to Michigan to shoot Season 7 videos

America's Boating Channel- Casting Call

Arrive **Sunday, June 11, 2023** stay for a week

need 10 or more Boats and Crews to shoot Season 7 videos.

The videos are produced under a grant from the Sport Fish Restoration and Boating Trust Fund, administered by the U.S. Coast Guard.

Diverse Crews of all ages, ethnicity, and gender are needed for this effort.

Shooting occurs in **morning and/or afternoon, 2-hour sessions.**

The Producer, Marty Lafferty, will assist with assigning scripts to boats and crews.

Scripts are ready and approved by the U.S. Coast Guard for Season 7,

They are **Border Crossing, Slips, Trips and Falls, Partners in Command, Disembarking Hazards, Boating with Small Children, Engine Failure Causes & Cures, Towed Sports Safety, Tying Dock Lines, Introducing AIS, Marine Radio Etiquette, Navigating Locks, and Why Wearing a Life Jacket is COOL.**

The Lafferty's have already begun shooting video in Cape Coral, FL in January 2023.

America's Boating Channel will be the Premier Sponsors of the International Boating and Water Safety Summit in Little Rock, AR in April 2023 with the Stano's going down to help in the celebration.

If interested contact Rose Stano, rstano@comcast.net 586-215-4758

Marty Lafferty, Grant Project Manager, America's Boating Channel™, Phone 410-725-7820



In Memory Of

James Wood Evans

August 7, 1944 - March 4, 2023

James Evans of Grosse Pointe Farm, MI passed away peacefully on March 4th, 2023 after an extended battle with cancer, he was 78 years old.

A life long Grosse Pointer who graduated from GPSHS in 1962. He worked for DTE as electrical engineer. GPPS member who kept his Chris Craft Sea Skiff at GPPier Park.
No Funeral Planned

<https://www.dignitymemorial.com/obituaries/grosse-pointe-woods-mi/james-evans-11186594>



Summer Rendezvous



Lake St Clair Metro Park Marina Rendezvous and Member Appreciation Picnic.

Make your reservations now to spend Saturday night or even the whole weekend at this beautiful park. [midnrreservations.com](https://www.midnrreservations.com). Join us for the

annual traditional round of putt-putt golf about 1pm and followed by a Cookout with Hamburgers and a special Southern Fish Fry by Chef Chet Dunbar/ William West III. BYOB and bring a dish to pass. Then spend the evening enjoying a fire at the marina. Sunday morning breakfast will be shared by those who spend the night. Let Michael Babiarz know you are coming for head count for food and if you want to play golf to set up teams. mbabz@comcast.net or 313-215-3919



William G. Milliken State Park and Harbor

is in the heart of Detroit, just east of the downtown, along the picturesque **Detroit Riverwalk**. Voted America's best riverwalk for the third year in a row. Conveniently located near the **Outdoor Adventure Center, Dequindre Cut, Greektown**, and other major downtown Detroit attractions, food, and drink establishments. An excellent opportunity for picnics, fishing, wildlife viewing, biking, walking, rollerblading on a paved trail, and much more. Car parking is available across the street. The 52-slip harbor provides transient rental space, grills, ice for purchase and picnic tables. A designated Clean Marina. WiFi is available in the harbor. Marina location: 42 19' 55" N 83 01' 31" W, visit www.midnrreservations.com for reservations.

ABC Grosse Pointe will be there July 14-16 with Commander Natalie Dunbar, Chet and Michael

Friday and Saturday night. Call for details - (586) 215-3939

Dinner Saturday night - **Andrews on the Corner** - 201 Joseph Campau

Car parking available behind Andrews, a few blocks walk east of the Marina along Riverwalk

Dr. James C. Acheson

September 27, 1936 - April 2, 2023

Past Commander of the Port Huron Power Squadron and District 9, served on 4 United States Power Squadron Committees.

Devoted member for 61 years who taught classes.

He traveled the Great Lakes, Canada, East and Gulf Coast of the U.S., Bahama, and Cuba on his 1979, 57 foot Pacemaker motor yacht, the Lady J.

Retired Industrialist who ran his family 100 year old global specialty chemical Enterprise. Then put his efforts into Philanthropy in the Port Huron Area.

Protocol Officer at the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club and Past Commodore Great Lakes Cruising Club.





ABYC 2023 Annual Spring Dinner Dance

Anchor Bay Yachting Association Presents: Our 2023 Annual Spring Fundraiser



Spring Dinner Dance



For Well Reservations Contact:
Commodore William Bailey
Cell: 586-553-4385
e. william_bailey@icloud.com

Mail the RESERVATION FORM
and check payable to:
ABYA
39641 Arbor St.
Harrison Twp, MI 48045

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Saturday June 3, 2023 at North Channel Yacht Club

Cost: \$50 per person

- Patio Cocktail Party 5:00-6:00
- ABYA (short) Meeting 6:30
- Dinner 7:00
- Entertainment 8:00 to 11:00 (All times are subject to change)

Raffles! - Food! - Music! - Great Times!

Dress: Officers/PC's -Summer Whites All others -Island Attire

No Boat? Park at NCYC/Deckers lot and take the Finrunner.

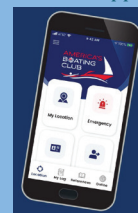
First Mates Club offering: Breakfast Bar and

Eye Openers on Sunday!



Member Benefits

America's Boating Club Mobile App



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Records, Float Plans, Weather,
Radar, Tides & Currents, and
much more!



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Club have certified vessel
examiners who will perform a
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at your boat at a time of mutual
convenience. There is no charge
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help make boating as safe as
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programs. Learn how to change your own oil,
navigate with the stars in our education
department, and much more.

Local Knowledge

Members of America's Boating Club are part of a
100+ year old boating community. When
traveling by any means, our port captain
program will give you another member in that
area to talk about navigation tips, as well as local
eateries to try and places to visit!

America's Boating Channel

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Channel is the official showcase for the nation's
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education videos. Learn how to secure your boat
to the dock or how to run an inlet for free in the
comfort of your own home.

The Ensign Magazine

The Ensign, our quarterly publication, is
provided to all members, and contains club
information as well as relevant boating articles.



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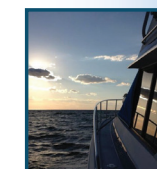
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MAY 20 BOATING SAFETY TIP WEAR IT

What are important reminders for recreational boaters?

Maintain awareness of your surroundings at all times (what you see and hear)

Travel at a safe speed for environment conditions

As a boater, you have a responsibility to all boaters - and all others who enjoy the water - to be safe, courteous and respectful.

Learn more at www.boatcourse.com

SafeBoatingCampaign.com

TODAY'S SAFE BOATING TIP

Which life jacket is right for you?

WEAR IT

MAY 21 BOATING SAFETY TIP WEAR IT

Which life jacket is right for me and my family?

Select the right style life jacket for your boating activity.

Read the label for U.S. Coast Guard approval

Ensure snug fit and fasten

Select it for wearability

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MAY 22 BOATING SAFETY TIP WEAR IT

How does the environment affect boaters?

Environmental stressors may weaken your body and mind enough to make the risk of an accident much greater.

Overexposure to the sun causes fatigue

Noise of the water, wind and vessel

Motion of the vessel

Dehydration

Alcohol & Drug consumption are more hazardous on the water

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MAY 23 BOATING SAFETY TIP WEAR IT

What do I need?

ESSENTIALS

- ✓ Life jackets
- ✓ Visual distress signals
- ✓ Sound producing devices
- ✓ Locator device (EPIRB or PLB)
- ✓ Fire extinguishers
- ✓ Navigation lights
- ✓ Water to stay hydrated
- ✓ Correct permits & decals
- ✓ Free vessel safety check
- ✓ File a float plan

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TODAY'S SAFE BOATING TIP

How will the weather affect your boating plans?

WEAR IT

MAY 24 BOATING SAFETY TIP WEAR IT

How will weather impact my boating plans?

Weather forecasts are essential for making safe boating decisions. Check the National Weather Service for the latest forecast before leaving shore and carefully observe changing weather.

Learn more at www.weather.gov

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TODAY'S SAFE BOATING TIP

Are you and your vessel prepared for anything?

WEAR IT

MAY 25 BOATING SAFETY TIP WEAR IT

What should I do before going boating?

Take a safe boating course

Get a vessel safety check

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TODAY'S SAFE BOATING TIP

BUI isn't worth the danger!

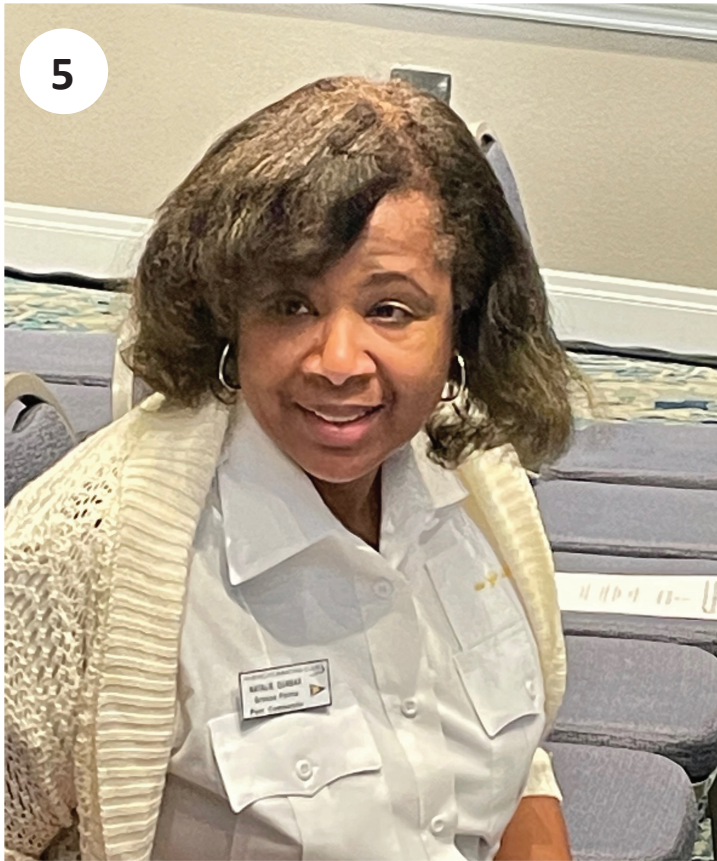
WEAR IT

MAY 26 BOATING SAFETY TIP WEAR IT

What's the danger of BUI?

Federal law prohibits boating under the influence of alcohol or drugs (BUI) on all boats. BUI is involved in 1/3 of all recreational boating fatalities.

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1. Pledge of Allegiance at start of the meeting.
2. Our District Commander, Alanna Harvey
3. District 9 Bridge - Chet Dunbar - Treasurer, Bill Stano - Secretary, P/D/C Ralph Zeigler and Marianne Jenson. Cdr Natalie Dunbar w/ P/C Rose Stano.
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Feather Bowling at Cadieux Cafe



- 1. Right Lane - Dan Claus, Bob Malicki, John Bennett, Bonny Kreig with Sally Lemus.
- 2. Left Lane - Michael Babiarz, Joan McCarron, Milton Osgood, Dennis Gornick, Bruce Boutin.
- 3. Winners - Bob Kreig, Dan Claus, and friend of John Bennett.
- 4. William Westill, Marsha Paulson and Dereck Hamlin - New Members.
- 5. Famous mussels at Cadieux Cafe with Jay Claus - new member.

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Detroit Distillery Tour



- 1. In the old Strohs Factory
- 2. Tasted the Butcher cut Bourbon and Homegrown Rye. Made and sourced from Michigan.

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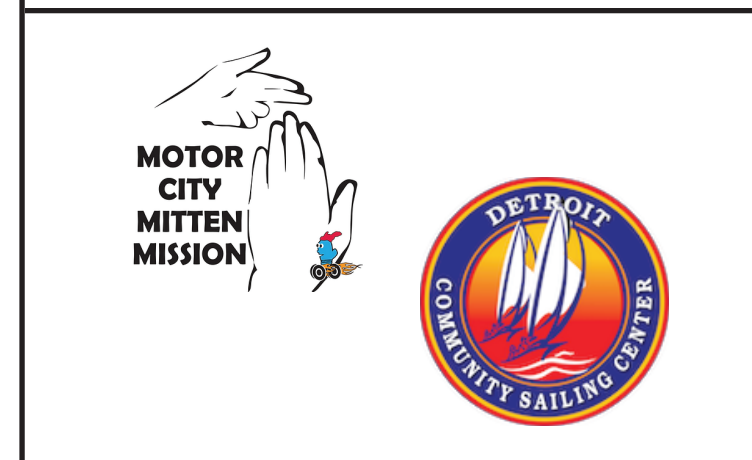
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AMERICA'S BOATING CLUB GROSSE POINTE GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Wednesday, April 12, 2023

GPYC / 7pm

Army Corps of Engineers

Missy Kropfreitrer

Lake Water Levels and what we might
expect for Boating this year.

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Collared shirts.

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