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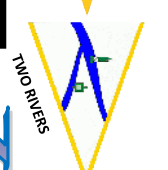
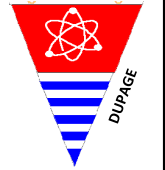


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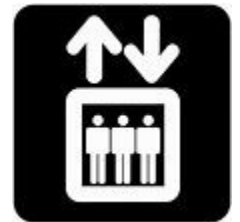
## MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Aug 1—4	Tall Ships Festival, Kenosha WI
Aug 3—4	D/20 C&R and Council meeting, Wyndam Garden,
Aug 3	Youth Poster Contest Judging to be held at D/20 C&R
Aug 4	D/20 Fleet Review
Sep 11-14	USPS Governing Board, Louisville KY
Oct 18	Council meeting @2000 Location TBA
Oct 18-19	Fall Conference—Location TBA
Dec 8	D/20 Holiday Party—Council meeting 1430
Jan 9-13	Chicago Boat & Strictly Sail Show, McCormick Place

## America's Boating Club Elevator Speech

Ever wish you could come up with a short description of our club and what we do? Casey Considine of St. Petersburg Squadron, D/22 came up with the perfect elevator speech:

We are the nation's largest non-profit volunteer-based organization that teaches people how to be better boaters, making safe boating fun for everyone!



How simple and direct! Thank you, Casey

## Take Advantage of Member Benefits

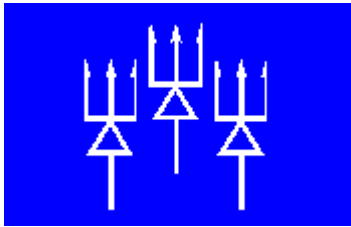
As a member of USPS, America's Boating Club, you are offered numerous benefits to enhance the value of your membership. At your fingertips are discounts on :

**Marine products, boat insurance, personal insurance, travel, lodging, software, printing and office supplies.**

**You can enjoy products and services from our partners Sea Tow International and Sea Insure; Office Depot; BoatUS Foundation; McGriff, Seibels & Williams Insurance; Tech Soup and many others.**

Visit the Member Benefits page on the national website frequently, as we work overtime to enhance our offerings. Remember to promote these benefits as a part of your squadron's "value proposition" when recruiting members and speaking with current members about their membership. The value of our benefits package will more than offset the cost of membership. Order member benefits brochures (Item #09-39-106) from headquarters. These free brochures provide a brief overview of our benefits. And remember to take advantage of these benefits today!

*Email: Stf/C Andy Hyman, SN at [ahyman3@bellsouth.net](mailto:ahyman3@bellsouth.net)*



# DISTRICT COMMANDER

D/C MARY A. MERRELL, SN

The weather has finally turned, so we don't need gloves, hat, coat and scarf. A very nice relief but also for boaters it means finally getting back to something we love dearly. We are still somewhat controlled by the weather but sitting in the rain on a boat, is so much nicer than sitting at home. Everything is so much nicer when on the boat.

August is just around the corner and the Tall Ships will be in Kenosha this year rather than Chicago due to construction. P/D/C Mike Ludtke, SN has arranged for D/20 members to volunteer on some of the Tall Ships. He also has planned a great weekend for our C & R. Further details are in this issue.

We have not finalized plans for the Fall Conference but it's tentatively being planned for the third weekend in October (18-19). The Fall Conference is our Educational Conference with a luncheon followed by the Conference. Education awards are presented at the Luncheon.

I received the following notice from National that pertains to the Education Fund Policy:

*“Beginning 1 May 2019, and hence forth, it is the POLICY of the USPS Educational Fund that all donations, whether they be memorials, honoraria, unspecified or made through Honor Roll status, will be credited toward the Honor Roll status of the donor's parent squadron, if*

*such exists, otherwise as directed by the donor. If the donation comes from a USPS squadron it will be credited towards that squadron's current Honor Roll status, unless otherwise directed. If a donation comes from a dissolving squadron credit will go to the dissolving squadron. All other donations, not specifically directed will become assets to the USPS Educational Fund.*

*The last day for donation arrival to count for the current year Honor Roll credit will be 30 November.*

*By the Trustees, 31 March 2019, Alan Wentworth, SN, Chairperson USPS Educational Fund”*

When I received this notice the end of April the following squadrons had already reach Honor Roll Status.

Chicago, Illinois Valley, Racine, and Rockford.

That was several weeks ago, so there may be some changes.

I hope you all enjoy this boating season and please stay safe on and off the water.

**D/C Mary A. Merrell, SN**  
District 20 Commander

## Spring First-Aid Kit Maintenance

As you get ready for the new boating season (or, if you're already out there), don't forget to check the non-prescription medications in your first-aid kit. Heat and humidity on board can accelerate the breakdown of drugs and could make them useless or even harmful. Check the package expiration dates. If they are past their date, change them out. Even if they are getting close, go ahead and swap them for fresh ones. This includes simple things like aspirin (smells like vinegar if over the hill) and sunblock (loses effectiveness). Consider using those small single-dose packets in the travel section of your drugstore instead of a big bottle. They may cost you a little more money up front, but they are safer and less wasteful in the long run.

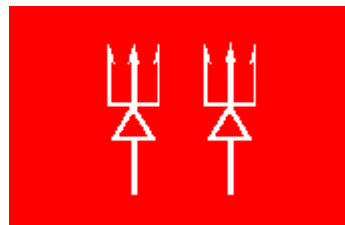
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OFFICER**

D/Lt/C Kenneth L. Crutcher, AP



**Call for Volunteers – Committee  
Chairpersons**

D-20 needs you! Members, please help D20 to help your squadron, and you too.

This is a call for volunteers to fill vacant committee chairperson positions. Following is a list of positions that are available and in need of interested squadron members to assume the helm during 2019 – 2020:

1. Boat Show (Chicago) Chairperson Or Co-chairpersons. Responsible for coordinating the presence of USPS – D20 at the Chicago boat show, held in January 2020, at McCormick Place.
2. Cooperative Charting Committee Chairperson.

3. Homeland Security Committee Chairperson.
4. Grant Writing Committee Chairperson.



if you are interested in serving as chairperson/co-chairperson of any of the above committees please contact Ken Crutcher at 773-575-8177 for discussion about the duties associated with the committee of your choice.

Hope to get a rousing response from the membership.

In support of safe boating,

*D/Lt/C Kenneth L. Crutcher, AP*  
District 20 Executive Officer

**BSVT Videos and Trainers**

Even though we do not have the Virtual Trainer stored in our district any longer, it is still available to you. Reserve your unit at [www.usps.org/php/bsvt](http://www.usps.org/php/bsvt) where you can also find helpful handouts and guides. Don't forget to review three videos now posted on <http://americasboatingchannel.com/virtual-trainer>

These short videos present setup/shutdown procedures, an example of a boat show demonstration as well as an overview of all the capabilities of the virtual trainers.

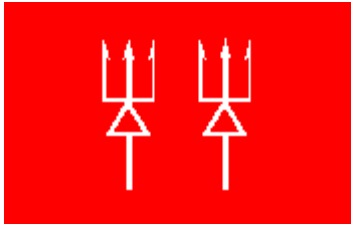
If your squadron would like to be considered to house a BSVT unit locally, email Project Manager Lt/C George Hallenbeck, AP at [gwlk@aol.com](mailto:gwlk@aol.com).

**America's Boating Club® Marketing Guidebook**

Download the new *America's Boating Club Marketing Guidebook* from the Marketing webpage on the USPS.org website. It is extensive and comprehensive. Use it as your Go-To compendium for guidance to help you develop a marketing program, promote education and social activities, and recruit members. The Guidebook includes instructions and use of the America's Boating Club brand and links to:

- marketing materials such as brochures and PowerPoint presentations,
- approved logos, instructions and information on marketing techniques,
- a training program on running a boat show booth,
- and the latest brand standards specifications.

NOTE: The **Brand Standards Manual** is now incorporated into the Marketing Guidebook



# DISTRICT EDUCATIONAL OFFICER

D/Lt/C Theresa A. Phillips, P

Boating season is here, right? Between the rain and the debris in our local rivers, it hasn't started yet.

### America's Boating Course

The price of the student kit has a \$2.00 increase, making it \$28.00 to offset the increased printing fee and the nearly \$15,000.00 fees for NASBLA approval in 39 states for 2018 course-material.

New to the ABC3 whole course PowerPoint is the 39 different state-specific Section 8 imbedded in the PowerPoint. The new PowerPoints files are large and currently downloaded directly from Share File to SEOs who send their email address and desired state PowerPoint to [padipro@gulftel.com](mailto:padipro@gulftel.com).

### USPS Course Plotters

The out of stock plotter has been replenished and back-orders have been fulfilled.

### Charles F Chapman Award for Excellence in Teaching

This award honors individual instructors at the Squadron, District, and National level. You are invited and encouraged to participate. The documentation is available on the Educational Department website. From the home page, go to Awards, then Chapman Awards.

The Chapman Award program begins at the Squadron level, as Squadrons recommend their 'best of our best' instructor to their District Educational

Officer. Each District selects one nominee, and District nominations are due to USPS Headquarters by September 1, 2019.

Look at your instructors, each squadron has a "best of the best" instructor who deserves to be recognized. The rules and documentation requirements were simplified last year to make it easier for all to participate. This year's forms are unchanged.

### Boat Operator Certification Program — New Downloads Now Available

The *Boat Operator Certification* home page has been updated to reflect course, seminar, and skill demonstration requirements for all levels of BOC certification. The home page has links for all active curriculum requirements; and updated versions of the Inland Navigator Guide, Coastal Navigator Guide, Advanced Coastal Navigator Guide, and Offshore Navigator Guide as of May 4, 2019.

The *Radar for Boaters* course is now a required course for Advanced Coastal Navigator certification, unless the ACN candidate completed the Marine Radar seminar prior to May 4, 2019.

I hope to see you at the C & R in August in Kenosha, it should be exciting!

*D/Lt/C Terry Phillips, P*  
District 20 Educational Officer

## Put Some Spring in Your Membership

Keep your membership efforts going. Vessel examiners are conducting 2019 vessel safety checks for the public. Keep in contact with these people. When holding spring ABC classes, make a good effort to promote membership at the classes. Get to know these students and build relationships with them. Many potential new members could be hidden in this group. Don't let anyone get away because you didn't build a relationship.

*R/C Robert Howd*  
contact: [rhowd1@ec.rr.com](mailto:rhowd1@ec.rr.com)

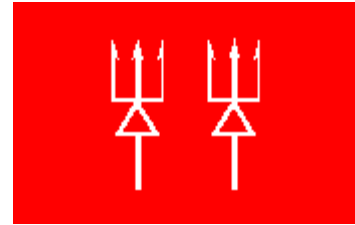
I/P/D/C George Prescott, SN seen measuring a course line using the Navigator Set he received as a parting gift from the District. He said a review of plotting procedures this past winter was a lot easier and more fun using his new tools.

**Thanks for your service George.**



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D/Lt/C , Scott Harmon, AP

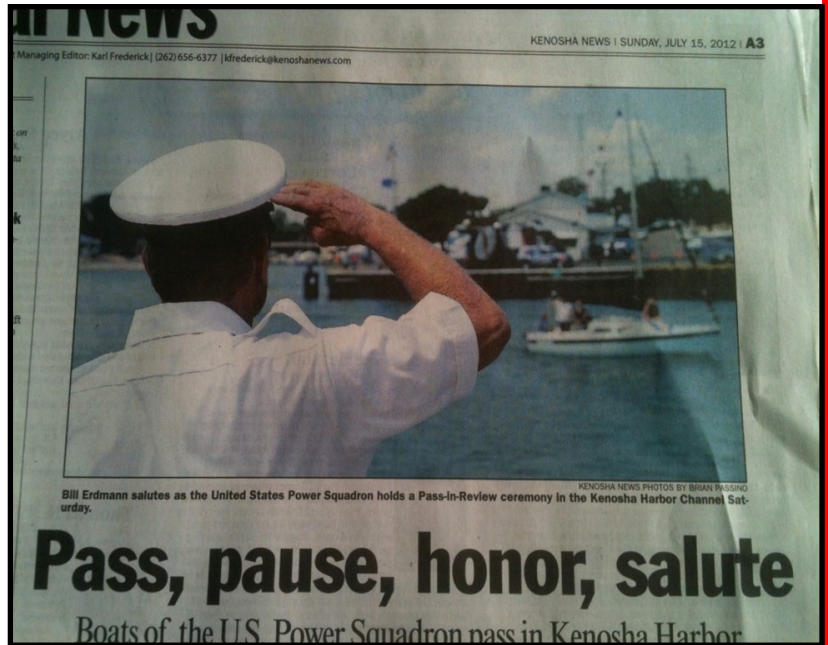


Hi, this is my first district appointment and I am excited to be serving on the bridge. My family joined the power squadron 9 years ago. We had taken a boating class a couple of years prior. We were new to sailing and were looking for more advanced education in navigation. I was invited to a piloting class and a member of Land of Lincoln spent extra time to catch me up.

Since joining the squadron back in 2010 we have taken many classes and enjoyed lots of cruises. A few years ago we went with Mid Illini to the British Virgin Islands. That was a great adventure. This year we will be going to Kenosha for the Tall ships for sure and we are also planning on doing the Chicago Triangle with the Land of Lincoln 24 August.

I have served on the Land of Lincoln bridge and interestingly this is the first time that I have been AO. My favorite position has been Education Officer and I enjoy teaching classes from ABC on up. I take great pride in our Education program at Land of Lincoln. So far this year we have graduated 72 ABC students. It is my belief that at Land of Lincoln we have been able to maintain and increase our squadron membership because of our squadron's commitment to teaching ABC classes.

For those of you that don't know our boat, here is a picture of P/D/C Bill Erdmann's back and the "Brown Dog" our boat from the 2012 Cruise and Rendezvous that was held in Kenosha.



*D/Lt/C Scott Harmon, AP*  
District 20 Administrative Officer

**2019 D/20 Fall Conference**  
**18-19 October, 2019**  
**Details are being finalized.**  
**More information will follow soon.**  
**Watch for the Trident Extra.**

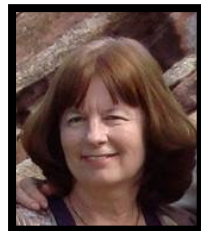
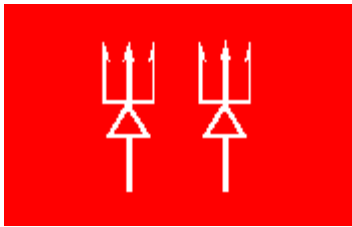
**America's Boating Channel  
Third Season Now Online**

America's Boating Channel's promotional campaign publicizing its third season of boating-safety videos is now underway. USPS members can download all of the videos—plus a brand new continuous play compilation of the entire series at:

<http://bit.ly/USPSABC>

The website address for public access to the digital library is: <http://americasboatingchannel.net>





## DISTRICT TREASURER

D/Lt/C Louise M. Potter, SN

The following is reprinted courtesy of P/D/Lt/C David Sallmann, JN. It was published in the 2015 issue of the Trident and is relevant today:

This is the perfect occasion to remind all Squadrons that they must file an **IRS Form 990N** annually. This electronically filed document called an “e-postcard” is required of all tax-exempt organizations having gross receipts less than \$50,000.

The form must be filed within five months and fifteen days of the end of the Squadron fiscal year. Obtain specific instructions regarding this filing at: <http://epostcard.form990.org>.

After filing your 990N, you need to submit a **USPS TR-1**, along with a copy of your e-postcard acceptance from the IRS, to the National and District Treasurers. The TR-1 should be submitted no later than 1 August.

Each Squadron is also required to file an Annual Report with the state in which the Squadron was incorporated. Failure to file either the 990N or the Annual Report can result in severe penalties. If you have any questions about these forms or any other treasurer duties don't hesitate to contact me.



NOTE: Not all squadrons have the same fiscal year. For instance, if your fiscal year ended December 31, IRS Form 990N was due May 15. If your fiscal year ends June 30, it's due November 15. There's no reason to wait until it's due. You can file any time after the close of your fiscal year and it only takes a few minutes to register and complete the form.

*D/Lt/C Louise M. Potter, SN*  
District 20 Treasurer

## 2019 USPS Governing Board Galt House, Louisville KY 11-14 September 2019

### Make your Reservations

Louisville is waiting to welcome you to our 2019 Governing Board meeting. The city abounds with a variety of museums, restaurants and other activities a stone's throw or a shuttle ride away. There are official meetings, organized tours and activities or just use your free time to explore our host city.

If you have registered already, thank you. If not, I encourage you to take advantage of early bird discounts that will be published when the agenda is available.



Our special room price (\$169 for 2 queens deluxe or \$189 for 2 queens suite) will be honored as long as there are rooms available. Avoid disappointment: Make your reservation today for your hotel room. Then follow up later with your registration for activities and meals.  
*R/C Vincene Aquilato, S—National Meetings*

**Check the national website for the publication of the meetings and activities agenda. Click on “National Meetings” on the home page for information.**

# USCG Recommendations for Vessel Safety Check Decal awarding with Recalled Kidde extinguishers.



"Even if the fire extinguisher is part of the recall, it's still a CG approved extinguisher and counts towards any CG carriage requirement. Assuming the fire extinguisher criteria (see VSC Manual, chapter 3, para B5) is met, continue to issue a decal even if the VE finds a recalled extinguisher filling a carriage requirement. In the event that a VE encounters a recalled extinguisher, it is recommended annotating the VSC form with an asterisk next to item 5, Fire Extinguishers and writing the word RECALL in the space to the right. The VE should also discuss the implications of the recall and issue a paper copy of the recall with the completed VSC form."

VC Executive Department, USPS Headquarters

## The Life Guard Robot by Lt/C Gail Sidman, S *Reprinted courtesy of Skokie Valley*

Did you know there are remote controlled robots which can be used for water search and rescue? EMILY, which stands for Emergency Integrated Lifesaving Lanyard, is an unmanned, lightweight, remote controlled rescue buoy. EMILY is the flagship product of the Arizona based maritime robotics company called Hydronalix. CEO Tony Mulligan invented EMILY to provide assistance to marine rescue teams. She's an unmanned system which takes the rescuer out of harm's way. EMILY was first used to help lifeguards get to distressed swimmers faster than able bodied first responders. Since 2010, EMILY robotic rafts have been used to rescue people around the world.



Photo on right by Gail Sidman



Photo of Tybee Island Fishing Pier courtesy of Paige Day, Hydronalix

We discovered EMILY on our recent trip to Savannah area. An emergency vehicle branded EMILY was parked in front of our Bed and Breakfast on Tybee Island. While at the Tybee Island Fishing Pier, we saw a group surrounding a small bright raft on the beach. Employees of Hydronalix were conducting a demonstration of EMILY for local emergency response personnel.

We learned about EMILY from Hydronalix employees at our B&B who had traveled from Tucson, AZ to conduct EMILY demonstrations along the Southeastern seaboard.

Hydronalix is a small company with a permanent staff of 24. Hydronalix and EMILY have been the recipients of numerous awards and recognitions



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including: US Small Business Administration's White House Tibbett's Award 2015 and Invention of the Year by Popular Science Magazine for Security Category, 2011.

EMILY is now being sold in 32 countries. Director of Sales, Paige Day, noted that Europeans seem more receptive to robotic rescue craft than Americans. Americans may be concerned with job security. However, people will always be needed to deploy EMILY, navigate EMILY and perform CPR or first aid for rescued victims.

EMILY is a remote controlled lifesaving tool. She provides fast water rescue with speeds up to 24 MPH. Her deep 22 degree hull is designed to track straight through aggressive currents, breach waves and self-right in heavy surf. EMILY is made out of carbon fiber, so she's really strong and lightweight. She is

durable enough to survive impact at full speed or in surf with rocks, reefs or pilings.

EMILY can be deployed with a beach, pier and high-speed boat or dropped from helicopters and high ships. EMILY can be used to provide flotation until a rescuer arrives, deliver life jackets, or pull a recovery rescue line up to 800 yards through strong currents and large surf. EMILY is buoyant enough to hold 6 to 8 people afloat. The Swift Water Rescue version of EMILY is designed for flash flooding and swift water rescue, and is equipped with a life jacket and helmet. It allows responders to communicate with victims via 2-way radio. It has a floodlight for night rescue operations. The newer SONAR EMILY tool provides high resolution bottom imaging for search and rescue professionals.



Photo courtesy of Kimball Hall, Hydronalix

EMILY was used to help refugees survive journeys crossing dangerous waters. As millions of people fled Syria, some tried to take a shortcut to Europe across the Mediterranean Sea. Many of the boats they used were not equipped for that type of journey. Thousands of refugees died trying to cross. So in 2016, the coast guard off the Greek Island of Lesbos partnered with robotic expert Robin Murphy to see if EMILY could help. According to Hydronalix CEO Mulligan, in the first 10 days EMILY was used off the waters of Greece, the robot helped more than 240 refugees make it ashore safely with Hellenic Red Cross.

Robotic experts continue to work to make EMILY more autonomous, so lifeguards can save more lives. They want it to be possible for lifeguards to send the GPS coordinates of a victim to EMILY, so lifeguards would not have to constantly guide her. They are also looking into ways to use thermal cameras to detect people in the water and automatically slow the raft down as it approaches them. It could be unnerving to have a red raft coming at you at 20 miles an hour.

See videos at [www.emilyrobot.com.au](http://www.emilyrobot.com.au)

Photo courtesy of Kimball Hall, Hydronalix



Photo courtesy of Kimball Hall, Hydronalix

## 2019 USPS ANNUAL MEETING

20-23 February—Rosen Centre, Orlando Florida

If you did not attend the national meeting, you missed wonderful weather, interesting seminars, great tours and lots of fun. District 20 was well represented with members of seven squadrons present: Chicago, Fox Valley, Land of Lincoln, Mid Illini, Rockford, Skokie Valley and Waukegan. D/C George Prescott, SN hosted a poolside party instead of a suite so we could all sit outside and enjoy the marvelous sunny day and talk about all of you back in the district who were braving the brutal weather we had this past winter.

It was a pleasure seeing members of D/20 getting special honors:

- Stf/C (P/D/C) Bob Canfield, JN was sworn in as Rear Commander of the Public Affairs Committee and member committee on Rules
- Fox Valley received the 2nd place Gold Award and a check for \$750 from Brunswick for holding classes at one of their dealers
- Four members of D/20 became new Life Members: David Bateman, SN (Michigan City), Richard G. Burd, AP (Land of Lincoln), Mary Jane Burdick, S (DuPage) and Tenney S. Ford 111, S (Waukegan).
- And, three squadrons received honorable mention for membership growth: Waukegan 8.24%, Michigan City 5.77% and Mid Illini 1.33%.

Congratulations to everyone!



Bill and Julie Perry accepting Brunswick trophy at national meeting

### 2019 D/20 Spring Conference

The conference was held at the Elgin Holiday Inn again this year and everything was great. The hotel management bends over backwards to make this event memorable with excellent service, clean rooms and good meals. Special thanks go to the conference committee for a job well done!

There were two interesting seminars on Saturday morning.

- P/D/C Mike Ludtke, SN presented the agenda for the August C&R and Tall Ships Festival being held in Kenosha. This should be an exciting weekend. Hope we have a huge turnout for it.
- Rochelle Pennington presented “The Wreck of the Edmund Fitzgerald” along with a lot of history about Lake Superior. This is her 2nd appearance at our conferences and as usual was very informative and entertaining.

Following the conference meeting the district had its Change of Watch officiated by V/C Harry Hebb, SN.

I/P/D/C George Prescott accepted his past commander flag with a happy smile on his face and our new commander Mary Merrell took the oath of office. Thank you George for your service. And, congratulations to you Mary. We wish you and your bridge a very successful year.



D/C Mary Merrell and I/P/D/C George Prescott with their new flags

2019/2020 District bridge: L/R Stu Zwang, Secretary; Scott Harmon, DAO; Terry Phillips, DEO; Louise Potter, Treasurer; Mary Merrell, DC; and V/C Harry Hebb, National Secretary





## 2019 District Spring Conference



Speaker Rochelle Pennington with D/C Mary Merrell, Fox Valley



25-yr Life Membership plaques and pins presented to Mary Jane Burdick, DuPage and Richard Burd, Land of Lincoln by V/C Harry Hebb and D/C George Prescott



Chicago members: George Prescott, Robert VanEwyk, Douglas James and Nancy Sibrava-Koenen



Credentials committee hard at work: Anita Donkers, DuPage; Ellen Ludtke, Waukegan and Ruth Burd, Land of Lincoln



Scott & Kristin Harmon, Land of Lincoln



Richard and Ruth Burd, Land of Lincoln



Sue & Jesse Bowen, Waukegan; Linda & Donald Day, Rockford; Karen & Bob Canfield, Rockford



Gary & Lorraine Vinzant, Skokie Valley



Anita & Dave Donkers, DuPage



Mary & Harvey Young, Illinois Valley



Ron Zingler, Stu Zwang, Skokie Valley; Ellen & Mike Ludtke, Waukegan; Dave Anthony, Joe Lokaj, Sue Anthony and Joanne Zingler, Skokie Valley

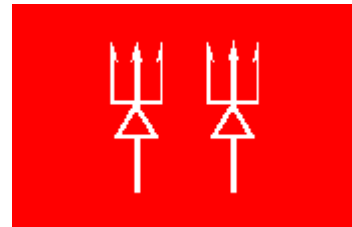


Terry & Dave Phillips, Mid Illini



## **DISTRICT SECRETARY**

D/Lt/C , Stuart Zwang, SN



For better or worse, I am happy to have been selected as the new District 20 Secretary.

We in the Power Squadron benefit from those who have gone before us. They are the ones who developed the programs, courses, and organization that we now benefit from. To me, as a member of the Power Squadron, I owe them much. Sure, my arm was twisted to become the new secretary by Pat Antoni, a Past District Commander whom I greatly respect and admire. She is truly a fine person and a good friend.

Which brings me to members of the Power Squadron. I have never, ever, met a finer or nicer group of people. There is a wonderful camaraderie among us. Each member that I have had the privilege of meeting wants to help each other become better and safer boater while having fun. It is not just on the water. It is at meetings, cruises and e-mails. This seems to be in stark contrast to the general public who seem to have lost its civility and respect for each other.

So when I said yes to that Past Commander, I was also offering homage to those who have paved the way for us.

But what of going forward? With perhaps the exception of burial societies, almost every fraternal order or club seems to be losing membership. Why? And why boating in particular?

The first obvious answer is that we have a new millennium where people do not have time to join organizations. They do not join activities. Instead they seem to spend vast amounts of their free time trying to keep up with their families and friends. In fact they barely call people. Instead they use text and e-mail. When we go to a restaurant, many of the diners at the same table do not talk to each other. Instead they are all looking at their phones.

Boating, of course suffers from the lack of 'joiners.' But boating also has the built in handicap of being expensive. For example, I have a relatively small, open bow 23' Larsen runabout. The cheapest part of

this boat was buying it. I have to pay for storage, repairs, docking, fuel, insurance etc. In fact, I think that it costs a minimum of \$250 per actual boating hour.

Also in recent years, boat sales have not been as robust as in prior years. So not only do we have a population with changing tastes and priorities, we have a population that has less disposable income. (Remember, a boat is a hole in the water that you throw money into.)

So, the next question is, "What do we do about this?"

The easy sounding answer is market, market, market. Improve your website, and fool yourself into believing people will act on it. We can have all kinds of brochures, and internet courses, but to my mind they do not do as much as we might like.

There are two things that we should consider. The first is to have as vibrant and interesting programs that we can possibly have, and find as many ways as we can to trumpet them. This means brochures at marinas, boat stores and yacht clubs.

The second is one that was described as "The Personal Touch". This is the one that follows the "KISS" principle. (Keep It Simple Stupid.) Simply find someone that you boat with (at the dock, or see regularly at the launch ramp, or see at the boating supply store, etc.) and drag them into your local Power Squadron meeting.

Sure, the district can have all kinds of awards for membership, but it really boils down to the one to one relationships that we must develop. After all, the underlying principle for power squadron boating was summarized in a Skokie Valley Squadron baseball cap- "Safe Boating with Good Friends"

See you on the water

*D/Lt/C Stuart Zwang, SN*  
District 20 Secretary

# District 20 Cruise & Rendezvous Weekend and Tall Ships Festival at Kenosha WI

August 1 – 4, 2019

## VOLUNTEER



America's Boating Club members will be working the festival on Friday & Sunday and serve at least two four-hour shifts. We will concentrate on Friday afternoon for the first shift and a second shift on Sunday morning.

We will organize into groups of eight so we can serve together on the same ships. Tasks will include checking wrist bands prior to boarding, assisting guests onto the boat and serving as docents.



## Parade of Sail

Thursday afternoon is the Parade of Sail for the tall ships prior to docking in Kenosha for the weekend. America's Boating Club members and their boats will serve as a security perimeter for the event under the supervision of the US Coast Guard and Tall Ships organizers.

## Saturday Events

The Daimler-Chrysler Hall at the Public Museum opens at 10am for our Saturday activities. We'll have a Friendship Room with pastries and coffee available in the morning. Followed by the Council Meeting at 11am.

After the meeting, we'll have a group luncheon with salads, deli sandwiches, along with the side dishes and beverages.

After lunch, you can tour the Tall Ships or Sail Away on a tall ship for an 80-minute cruise and view of the Kenosha skyline. (see last page for sign up details).

Saturday evening, we'll have our Sundowner party at the harbor.

## FUNDRAISER

We will be doing fund raising to help offset the cost of meeting rooms and expenses associated with the weekend. We would love to have individuals or squadrons donate gift baskets or other items. Baskets or items should be brought to the Wyndham Gardens on Friday afternoon to be on display at check in. Items will also be on display Saturday before lunch and the drawings will be during lunch on Saturday, August 3<sup>rd</sup>. You must be present to win or have someone there to claim your prize.

## Related Websites and Contact Info:

### Wyndham Garden Harborside

[wyndhamhotels.com](http://wyndhamhotels.com)

5125 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Kenosha WI 53140

262-358-9566

### Stella Hotel

[stellahotel.com](http://stellahotel.com)

5706 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Kenosha WI 53140

262-842-2000

### Tall Ships Kenosha® 2019

[kenoshatallships.com](http://kenoshatallships.com)

### Kenosha Visitors Bureau

[visitkenosha.com](http://visitkenosha.com)

### Southport Marina

[www.spmarina.net](http://www.spmarina.net)

21 56<sup>th</sup> Street, Kenosha WI 53140

262-657-5565

# District 20 Cruise & Rendezvous Weekend and Tall Ships Festival at Kenosha WI August 1 – 4, 2019

## WEEKEND SCHEDULE

### **Thursday, August 1**

- 1300 – Kenosha Tall Ships® 2019 Parade of Sail Skippers Meeting at Southport Boaters Lounge (above pool house) with USCG, Event Planners, other marine unit stakeholders.
- \* Review of Comms plan
  - \* Ship assignments to maintain Regulated Navigation Area (RNA)
- 1500 – Parade participants muster at rendezvous point
- 1600 – Parade of Sail begins, directed by Parade Command
- 1730 – Parade of Sail completes with docking in Kenosha north harbor

### **Friday, August 2**

- 1000 to 1800 - America's Boating Club Volunteer Day at the Tall Ships Festival  
(two shifts 1000-1330 or 1300-1800)
- 1600 to 1900 - Check-in & welcome reception (Wyndham Garden Hotel Lobby Bar)
- 1900 – Kenosha Rocks the Docks, “an evening of wind, water & song on the harbor”.  
Tickets go on sale June 3.
- 2000 – Kenosha Comedy Club at the Wyndham Garden Hotel.  
Act not yet announced.  
Tickets will be available at [www.kenoshacomedyclub.com](http://www.kenoshacomedyclub.com)

### **Saturday, August 3**

- 1000 to 1100 - Late check-in & Friendship Room at Kenosha Public Museum DC Hall
- 1100 to 1200 – District 20 Council Meeting at Kenosha Public Museum DC Hall 1215 to 1315 – Group luncheon at Kenosha Public Museum DC Hall
- 1500 to 1630 – Sail Away on the Red Witch (\$55.00) from the Kenosha Yacht Club Sail Away Village.
- 1700 – Dock Party at Southport Boaters Lounge (above pool house)

### **Sunday, August 4**

- 0930 to 1000 – District 20 Pass and Review with District Commander
- 1000 to 1800 – America's Boating Club Volunteer Day  
(two shifts 1000-1400 or 1400-1800)



# District 20 Cruise & Rendezvous Weekend and Tall Ships® Festival at Kenosha WI August 1 – 4, 2019

## REGISTRATION FORM

Rank	Name	Grade	Squadron	Email	Best Phone #
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

Guests, if any non-members are joining you, please let us know who:

\_\_\_\_\_

### CHECK ALL THAT APPLY AND COMPLETE OTHER INFORMATION

\_\_\_\_\_ I am interested in my boat participating in the Parade of Sail on Thursday, August 1.

\_\_\_\_\_ I am bringing my boat to Kenosha and will need a transient slip.

***Recommend transient slips be reserved prior to April 1.***

If yes, Length \_\_\_\_\_ Width \_\_\_\_\_ Draft \_\_\_\_\_

Power Requirements \_\_\_\_\_ Arriving \_\_\_\_\_ Departing \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ We are not bringing our boat but would like to crew with USPS on the Parade of Sail.

\_\_\_\_\_ We will be volunteering to help with the Tall Ships Festival?

Sign up on the Tall Ships website at [www.kenoshatallships.com](http://www.kenoshatallships.com)

We will be giving the Tall Ships our member list, so we will be working in groups.

\_\_\_\_\_ I'll plan to attend the Saturday Lunch at the Public Museum DC Hall

Menu includes deli sandwiches, side dishes, salads, desserts, sodas and water.

Cost will be \$15-20.00/per person payable at check-in

Number in your party \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ We will be on the group Sail Away trip Saturday afternoon at 3pm

Sign-up online for the Red Witch Sail Away at 3pm at [www.kenoshatallships.com](http://www.kenoshatallships.com)

Space on Red Witch is limited to 48, so sign-up asap Cost \$55.00/per person

Number in your party \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ I'm bringing my boat and want to participate in the District 20 Pass & Review on Sunday morning

Return completed form to PDC Mike Ludtke SN at [mludtke@hotmail.com](mailto:mludtke@hotmail.com) or mail to  
11419 Zarnstorff Rd, Richmond IL 60071

# 2019 Youth Poster Contest

## Contest Theme

# "America's Boating Club Saves Lives"

The Youth Poster Contest is open to all children, ages 6-14. The contest is designed as a teaching aid to create an appreciation and respect for recreational boating by promoting safe boating as fun boating.

First, second and third place medals will be awarded in each of three age categories:

1) Ages 6—8

2) Ages 9—11

3) Ages 12—14



The National Membership Committee recommends that squadrons conduct local contests, taking local squadron winners to a district event for judging. District winners are the only posters eligible for judging at the Governing Board conference held in Louisville KY 11-14 September 2019,

All submitted posters must adhere to contest rules and guidelines found in the Submission Form on the next page. Additional forms can be downloaded from the national website.

**I/P/D/C George Prescott, SN is the chair for the committee handling this event.** Let's support him and provide several submissions from District 20. Run a contest at a squadron event for children and grandchildren of members. Also, consider going to schools in your area and sponsoring a contest in the school.

Additional information: I/P/D/C George Prescott, SN email him at: [ljlawoffice@aol.com](mailto:ljlawoffice@aol.com)



I/P/D/C George Prescott and Susan DuBray with the Youth Poster submissions at the 2018 Governing Board Conference in Minneapolis.

Pictures courtesy of: Steve Erickson, National Photographer



# 2019 Youth Poster Contest Submission Form

(Firmly attach to back of Poster)



Artist Age Category: 6-8 \_\_\_\_\_ 9-11 \_\_\_\_\_ 12-14 \_\_\_\_\_

(Artist Age is determined to be the day the poster is submitted for local judging)

Artist Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Was this a School/Group Entry? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ (If Yes, enter School/Group Info Below)

School/Group Name:	
School/Group Address:	
School City:	Teacher Name:

### MANDATORY SQUADRON & DISTRICT INFORMATION

Squadron Name:	District Number:
Squadron Contact Name:	
Contact Telephone #:	Email:
District Contact Name:	
Contact Telephone #:	Email:

- Please complete submission forms as neatly as possible.
- Unreadable and incomplete forms will be disqualified.
- Firmly attach all completed submission forms to the back of each poster entry.
- Squadrons must work with their respective Districts to determine District submissions to National Contest.
- District 1<sup>st</sup> place winners in each age category should be submitted for National Judging.
- The District Poster Contact/Chairperson is responsible for delivering all 1<sup>st</sup> Place winners to the National Annual meeting and returning awards to respective winners. Contact information must be provided.
- National submissions become the property of USPS, which reserves the right to display or otherwise use the submission.
- Further information on the National Competition is posted on the National Membership pages at [www.USPS.org](http://www.USPS.org).

All submissions are due to Governing Board by August 12, 2019.

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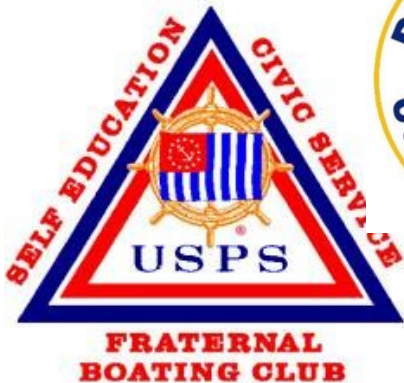
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