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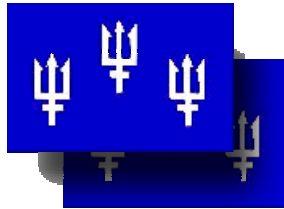
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“Be prepared” is the motto of the Boy Scouts and the credo of safe boaters. But can you be totally prepared? Our first outing this season with our Whaler was pretty much like any other season. I checked the engine after the long fall, winter, and early spring. The engine was running fine, all the equipment was in order, including a new battery and bilge pump. Everything was stowed safely and a VSC was done; we were ready to go.

After cruising the Chain on Memorial Day we stopped for a snack. That was the last time the engine ran. I scoured my brain for a good solution. Other boaters offered suggestions which I had already tried. Now was the time to swallow my pride and get a tow back to the launch at the Legion.

Being prepared does not always mean having all the knowledge, skills, or experience to solve every problem. What it does mean is having the ability to locate the resources needed, when they are needed. Our squadron needs to ‘Be Prepared’!

As I approach the midpoint of my second Watch we need to prepare our resources (members) and sign-up new members. This is where we all can help to keep the squadron healthy for many years to come. We need to recruit new members from boating classes, boat shows, VSC events, friends, and dock mates, then encourage them participate regularly. We all know USPS is a great opportunity to make new friends. And what is better than enjoying time boating with new friend? Especially when your boat is unavailable!

Well, my boat is back sporting a new magneto and water pump, I am sporting less cash. Luckily it is just in time for the Independence Day Parade (5 July) and Commander’s Cruise (19 July).

More information will be coming by mail but the Commander’s Cruise will be held on Cedar Island in Pistakee Lake, Lot #20 (approx. 42° 22’55.12N, 88° 11’28.62 W). It is located on the northwest side of the island southwest of Watts Marina. If you come by car there will be a taxi boat to shuttle you to and from the island. RSVP to Cindy Geske at 847-703-0884 or email antongeske@juno.com by 16 July 2008.

Cdr Ron Herbig, AP



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"Bring Your Dinghy"

August 1, 2008 to August 3, 2008

The Schedule

Friday: 1530 Check in starts at the Reef Point Marina office building foyer
1800 Flare shoot, instruction, demonstration, practice. Bring your expired flares. (May be moved to Saturday, 1530)

Saturday: 0900 through 1230 Check in at the Reef Point Marina office building
0900 Bridge meeting at Reef Point Marina
0900 Nominating Committee interviews at Reef Point Marina
0900 Alternate activities and Kids activities
1000 D 20 Cdrs'/Officers' meetings at Reef Point Marina
1130 Executive Meeting at Reef Point Marina
1145 Council meeting at Reef Point Marina
1245 Leave for Wind Point Lighthouse
1300 Luncheon and Wine & Cheese Party

Saturday continued:

1330 Nominating Committee interviews
1400 Beachside Discussion & Comparison: IA, IL, IN, MI, & WI Boating Regulations
1400 Wind Point Lighthouse tours begin
1530 Flare Shoot (May be moved from Friday, 1800)
1700 Return to Racine Harbor
1800 Cocktails at Racine Yacht Club, raffle drawing
1900 Dinner at Racine Yacht Club: Salmon, Chicken Breast, Tenderloin Medallions
2000 Music by *Nightwing*

Sunday: 1000 Dinghies and Doughnuts (and Kringle!)
Tour the river and the marinas. Enjoy a continental breakfast.

Where to Stay

There will be a block of slips at Reef Point Marina, 262-633-7171, monitors channel 9, mention the Power Squadron rendezvous.

For those coming by car, accommodations are available at:

Racine Marriott, 7111 Hwy 20, Mount Pleasant, 262-886-6100, 800-228-9290, \$119, block of rooms until July 1st;
Fairfield Inn, 6421 Hwy 20, Mount Pleasant, 262-886-5000, 800-228-2800, \$89;
Radisson Inn Harbourwalk, 233 Gaslight Cir, Racine, 262-632-7777, 800-333-3333, \$129.

The Marriott Hotel and Fairfield Inn are about 4 to 5 miles from the lakefront. The Radisson Inn is at the lakefront. From the Marriott and the Fairfield, follow Hwy 20, Washington Ave. in town, to 7th St. east, 7th St. to Lake Ave. north, Lake Ave. to Christopher Columbus Causeway east for the marina, or to Gaslight Dr. east for the Radisson Inn

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'EXTRA Part II'



"Lay a Rhumb Line to Racine"
District 20 Summer Cruise and Rendezvous 2008
"Bring Your Dinghy"
 August 1 thru August 3, 2008

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1)	_____		
2)	_____		
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Phone _____		e-mail _____	

MEALS

Saturday:

Luncheon: Sandwiches, Veggies, Fruit, Cheeses, Wines, Beverages	\$10.00	# _____	\$ _____
Dinner: Salmon w/ Lemon Broe Blanc	\$33.00	# _____	\$ _____
Chicken Breast in Red Wine Reduction	\$32.00	# _____	\$ _____
Beef Tenderloin Medallions with Cognac Reduction	\$35.00	# _____	\$ _____

Sunday: Dinghies & Doughnuts (and Kringle!): \$ FREE
 # _____ \$**FREE**
 # _____ I'm/We're bringing a dinghy. # _____ I/We need a ride.

ETCETERA

Wind Point Lighthouse Tour: \$5.00 # _____ \$ _____
 Cruise & Rendezvous Polo Shirt (navy with logo): \$30.00 # _____ \$ _____

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**Register by May 31, 2008 for 5% discount, latest by July 10, 2008. (by 5/31/09, -5%) - _____
 5/31/08 Total \$ _____

I/We'll be bringing expired flares. (# participants _____)

Send reservations to: LI/C Pam Jobson S
 1344 Deane Blvd.
 Racine, WI 53405

Dress: Water & Sun Fun Casual

Questions: P/LI/C Connie Runge AP
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EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT



We started our Vessel Safety Check events during National Safe Boating Week. The events continued into early June with Round Lake and one new location, Fox Lake Hills Harbor.

The members of Fox Lake Hills were eager, ready and waiting. Cdr Ron Herbig and I hit the docks just before 1300 hours and did not stop until 1700 with the Harbormaster's boat.

We examined 24 boats with only a few failures for minor issues. The totals for all locations have not been compiled yet so I am not sure of the total to date. I would like to thank all the VEs who offered their time during our scheduled events and those who perform their VSCs at their home ports.

Bill Bellinger - Fred Bies - Pat Braker - Pat Fabry - Jim Fuerholzer - Ross Gemmill - Sue Hammonds - Bob Havens - Ron Herbig - Dave Howard - John Kida - Mark King - Joe Lindholm - Tom Maguire - Fritz Ward.

Lt/C Gary Braker, AP
Executive Officer



Independence Day Parade

The Celebrate Fox Lake Independence Day Parade will be held on 5 July at 1000 hours. We will be lining up at 0900 at Grant High School. Bring your boat (on a trailer to use as

a float), your PFD and your friends.

We need your help to hand out candy along the route to Millennium Park in downtown Fox Lake. This is a great way to show off the squadron colors so fly your burgees and decorate your boat for the day.

Fox Lake Annual Boat Show

The boat show will be held 24 - 27 July. We are working with the Land of Lincoln Squadron to borrow ILLUMINATION, the 9 feet long tug boat.

She was built as a teaching aid and has been offered to other squadrons for use.

In addition to the tug boat, we will have a contest for attendees to identify anchors to win prizes. We are working with West Marine to sponsor the contest by supplying prizes.

I am looking for volunteers to staff the booth.

Please call me to let me know if you will be available for the parade or the boat show.

847-703-0885

1st Lt Jim Geske
Assist Admin Officer/Boat Show Chair

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT

We had a good Spring of Squadron Boating Courses. The classes weren't as heavily attended as in previous years but we did end up with, hopefully, some new members.

Thanks go out to Jim Bowgren for faithfully attending almost every class and teaching several sessions when I was absent due to work or family necessities. In addition Fritz Ward, Patricia Braker, Ross Gemmill and Cdr Ron Herbig made contributions of time. Thank You!!

We also had 1 additional America's Boating Class student complete the exam on 1 June.

The squadron education department will be taking a short break after their Spring efforts but will be back in action with following up on JN students, a seamanship class and then Fall public boating courses kick off on 2 September in Crystal Lake and on 3 September in Fox Lake. These classes will be the seven week Squadron Boating Classes. If you know anyone in need of boating education please refer them to these high quality public classes.

Have a safe summer of boating, and most important of all have fun out there.

P/C David Delahunty, SN
Squadron Educational Officer

ADMINISTRATIVE DEPARTMENT

Mark Your Calendars



Now will be a great time to show our District 20 friends who's not afraid of the "Big Water".

All the info is available online and the schedule of events seems ACTION PACKED, from the flare shoot-off on Friday night, the Wind Point Lighthouse Tour Saturday afternoon, Cocktails, Dinner and Dancing at the Racine Yacht Club Saturday Night and a Dinghies and Donut tour of the river and marina on Sunday.

Plan to attend even if you do not want to bring your boat. There are many nice places to stay if you feel so inclined. See registration form on page 3 in this issue of the LINK.

Please let me know if any of you are interested and we will reserve some slips.

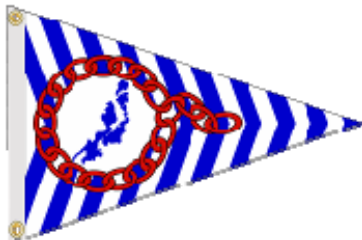
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Burgees

The squadron burgee is available as an Appliquéd or Printed style. Both are made of quality materials and measure 12" x 18" in full color as shown.



Contact Ron Herbig (847-223-9594) for more information.

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Happy Birthday to:

J. Mark King	01	June
David Howard	02	June
Ralph Krouse	02	June
David P. Delahunty	04	June
Laurence B. Coffey	06	June
John S. Kida	17	June
Patricia A. Coffey	21	June
Patricia Fabry	13	July
C. Joe. Lindholm	15	July
Richard L. Racine	30	July

The New Squadron Website



The NEW squadron website is LIVE. [Click Here](#) to visit the new site. If you have any comments, updates or suggestions for the website contact me. If you cannot connect with the link enter it exactly as shown below.

www.uspsd20.org/D20Squadrons/Chain-O-Lakes/chain_o_lakes.html

Lt Cindy Geske
Webmaster

Don't forget to send any news that you would like to share with fellow COL members to Link-Editor@sbcglobal.net and I'll put it in the following month's LINK (edited, of course!).

Lt Nancy Herbig
LINK Editor

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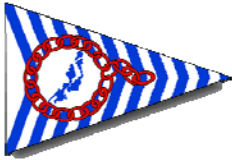
Chain-O-Lakes Calendar

Check out the USPS News at USPS.org for recent stories and webcasts about national USPS events.

June		July		August	
04 June	Bridge/ExCom Meeting – Host: Jim Geske	04 July	Independence Day	01 August	D20 C&R – Racine
05 June	Seamanship Class Begins	05 July	Parade, Fox Lake	02 August	First Friday's
06 June	D20 ExCom Meeting	19 July	Commander's Cruise	02 August	D20 C&R – Racine
08 June	Brunch – Harbour Club	25 July	August LINK deadline	02 August	Bridge/ExCom Meeting
	Antioch			02 August	D20 C&R – Racine
14 June	Flag Day				Dinner
15 June	Father's Day			03 August	D20 C&R – Racine
21 June	Summer Solstice				Dinghy Cruise
				25 August	Sept/Oct LINK deadline

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