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## WHAT IS THE FUTURE OF THE CAPE CANAVERAL LIGHTHOUSE ?

Our guest speaker for June will be David Paterno. He is the President of Cape Canaveral Lighthouse Association and holds a Doctorate from Texas Tech. University. He was a former Dean of Odessa College, Texas.

At this current time, David Paterno is President of the Field Library of Florida History, Cocoa. He is also Vice Chairman of the Brevard County Historical Commission. He will discuss the past, present and future of the Cape Canaveral Lighthouse.

Hope to see you at the meeting

Lt Mark Anderson, AP, and Lt Michele Anderson, AP, program chairpersons

## P/C Lester Tribout and P/D/C Fred Adame Attended Spring Governing Board Meeting, May 7-11 '03 at The Sheraton New Orleans Hotel"

"This Governing Board Meeting was the best one we have been to in a long time (with the exception of Houston)". Representing CBPS were P/D/C Fred Adame, SN, and R/C Carmen Adame, SN, and P/C Les Tribout, AP, and Evelyn Tribout. Les wishes more CBPS members had attended. Nine BRPS members were there. The National Bridge Officers did an outstanding job of putting on work shops that projected ideas and themes which enhanced their presentations. The Marketing/Public Relations, Membership and Education Departments and all other committees are to be commended for their fine presentations. There were bylaw changes in Section 17.0, Boating Courses : Section 17.1 was condensed and now reads:

Every USPS Squadron is required to teach at least one USPS Published Boating Safety Course each year to remain in good standing. (meaning: it could be ABC, USCG, USPS or other State courses that qualify).

A complete report will appear in the July Soundings.

Submitted by Les Tribout

Many thanks to John Mulkey and Clarence Pennington who are our latest contributors as sponsors of the Soundings.



Every day thousands leave their homeland to come to the "land of the free and the home of the brave" so they can begin their American Dream. The United States is truly a diverse nation made up of dynamic people.

Each year on July 4, Americans celebrate that freedom and independence with barbecues, picnics, and family gatherings.

Come join the CBPS for the Fourth of July fireworks show from the water while anchored in the Intracoastal Waterway off Lee Wenner Park in Cocoa. Bring food for sharing. Raft-up starts at 1800 hrs.

But with all the festivities and celebrations that we enjoy, we must always remember those who are fighting to preserve our way of life.



Above: L to R: Howard and LT Rhoda Bernbaum, Lts Ann and Johnny McCandless, Bud Miller, and Bob Mittauer.

The following members below L to R are: Paul Pfadenhauer, P, Lt Clarence Pennington, S, and P/D/C Fred Adame who instructed the class. Fred; a gifted educator, has been teaching courses for the Power Squadron for 21 years. Let's give him a resounding thank you for his years of dedication.

Photos by Trent Milliken



The annual OT Course is usually taught in November. It is a good way to learn about the United States Power Squadrons, the national structure, and the activities of the Squadron which benefit our community.

You meet other members in a small class setting as you learn in an informal setting.



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**LOOKING TO OUR SQUADRON'S FUTURE**

Cdr Richard D. Fille , AP

We have a challenge to meet during the next five years. Many members want us to stay exactly as we are because a good group of people, who enjoy one another, has assembled under the burgee of the Cocoa Beach Power Squadron. Others feel that the world around us requires a change in our packaging and delivery in order to effectively provide our educational and social messages.

Gen. Tommy Franks fights his battles far differently than Gen Jack Pershing.

The world is different. The packaging has changed as have the delivery methods that Gen. Franks used. NASA is applying different standards to space flight than they did at the beginning. Change, with improved standards, is beneficial. Change for the sake of change may not be desirable.

Frederich Hegel, the German philosopher, had at the core of his thinking the belief that a dominant way of life would ultimately face a challenge from those opposing that way of life. The dominant, the thesis, would face the antithesis, something that was diametrically opposed. From the ensuing culture clash would emerge a new way --- a synthesis. The synthesis (the new way) would contain the best elements from the thesis (the old way) and the antithesis (the counter-culture).

This is exactly the process facing Power Squadron affiliates throughout our country. In order to stay at our present levels of membership we all need to appeal to new members while continuing to provide what is valuable to the existing membership.

Our first step in this process will be to assess the views of our current membership. We must find out what makes us good and what our shortcomings are. To meet that objective our Administrative Officer, Bud Miller (Lt/C Marion Miller, JN) (which do you prefer?) has prepared a survey in conjunction with input from PC Al Pappas, SN and the Board of Directors. This survey is intended to find out what you want from the Squadron. Our future success and relevancy will be affected, to a degree, by the results of this survey. Please take the time to answer the questions and write in your feelings on all the issues. The more comments you write on it, especially if you are a member who does not participate a lot in our activities, the better equipped we will be to mold an organization to appeal to you.

Our second step is to determine what type of organization (the delivery mechanism and the packaging) will appeal to people who are not members. We are looking at a large market of people who spend more time with their children than did our generation. They include children in their social/recreational activities more than in the past. This is a vast and vibrant market that could add new dimensions to our group.

This is where the thought of the antithesis comes to the fore. This younger group is not comfortable with many of the quasi-military customs of the Power Squadron. Doing things "by the book" (the thesis) may need to face revision in order to appeal to this group that will give us growth over the next 10 to 20 years. Other items that need examination in this context are meeting formats, uniforms, use of rank and grade in addressing members and other old customs.

The third step is to blend (the synthesis) the results of what we, as current members, want with the packaging and delivery changes that may be necessary to appeal to the younger people.

The current Bridge and the majority (if not all) of Board of Directors are committed to responsible change--- a change that will keep the meaningful parts of the past and eliminate or downplay the non-essential tradition--- a change that may appeal to inactive members and--- a change will appeal to younger fathers and mothers and their children.

Your Board's current activities are: a survey and analysis of current membership desires; a committee to look at parent-child (and grandparent-grandchild) squadron involvement; a building committee; finance reform and a Bridge committed to encouraging long range, developmental thinking. I know that the next two people in the Commander's succession are committed to the same beliefs on squadron activities and long-range objectives as your current Commander. Those objectives are; a vibrant squadron for the current members, and a very appealing organization for younger families.



*Our sympathies are extended to the family of Lt George Brewster, a CBPS member for two years, who passed away recently. He was Distribution Chairman of The Soundings for two years. He 'll be missed.*

## Administrative Officer's Report

Lt/C Bud Miller,

Where I went to college we had a popular cheer called "What's the Good Word"? When called out, the response was "to hell with Georgia" (as in Bulldogs). Strange, but I believe this old cheer has some relevance to the Cocoa Beach Power Squadron. How so, you might ask? Well, just close your eyes and envision me standing in front of all of you and I shout out "What's the Good Word"? Instead of the traditional response, we want you to tell us what the good word really is! Soon all members will be receiving a CBPS Membership Survey. Please take time to review it carefully, answer the questions and return it at or by the June meeting. We are interested in your comments, how you feel about the squadron and programs we offer, and most important, recommendations for improvement. Your continued membership is extremely important and your Bridge is committed to providing a variety of activities and programs that are interesting, educational, social and meet the expectations of our membership. Read about these events on the calendar page.

So now when I ask, "What's the good word?", please tell us "ya he'ah".

Some other good words are that John Lynn has graciously volunteered to serve as chairman for the annual Squadron auction planned for November 3, 2003. This is our prime fund raiser for the year and John has started to organize the team that will be planning this event. If you would like to volunteer to help, please contact John. Otherwise, he might be contacting some of you soon.

## From D23 Education Department

D/Lt/C Clara Ross, SN

Seven members have passed exams with 100% since my report at the conference in March. They are Banana River – AP – Frank Hamilton, IQ – Kevin Walters, N - Robert Becker; Cocoa Beach – EM – Larry Carr, Gary Kingrea, Gary Monai; Ocala – WE 101 – Barbara McGhee.

### CONGRATULATIONS! WELL DONE.

The last report from HQ shows D23 above average in the number of students who have passed Boating classes. Since March, I have received ED27s with a total of 156 students passing. The Coast Guard reminds us that every student we educate is one less fatality on the water.

Every squadron is teaching courses so every squadron has instructors. Nominations for the Charles F. Chapman Award for Excellence in Teaching are a perfect way to acknowledge the skill and dedication of our instructors. Even if a member has been nominated before but didn't receive the award, you can nominate him/her again. I will be leaving for Maine the early part of July, so, if possible, send them to me before then. If not, you can mail them to my Maine address- 486 East Side Road, Addison, ME 04606. The dead line is August 15.

Be sure to put June 14 on your calendar for the Council Meeting in Leesburg. D/1<sup>st</sup>/L Erv Dunn will preside at the Educational Meeting since I will be in Scandinavia. One item on the agenda will be Instructor Certifications since there will be a seminar covering this at the Governing Board Meeting in New Orleans.

USPS is noted for the best education in town. We're proud of this record.

## Be Inspected Or Become An Inspector- Both Are Important

The VSC at Harbortown went well. Rick and Sandy Schoonmaker inspected 10 Vessels on Saturday, 10 May 2003. Dick and Mary Jane Schnoor inspected a total of 12 vessels at Kelly Park Saturday, 10 May 2003, bringing the total number of vessels inspected to 173 so far this year.

Good work everybody

Would you like to have a vessel safety check for your vessel? It is one more step in working toward "Boat Safe-Boat Smart." Call Lt Robert Flanigan, SN : 452-0602

*Bob Flanigan*

VSC Chairman

## You Don't Need A Boat To Co-Op Chart If you like Treasure Hunts, This Is For You

The purpose of submitting Co-Op Charting reports is to fulfill the function of verification and correction of the information published on federal navigation charts. The verification and correction had been done by the government in years past, however due to budget cuts they no longer perform this function. **The USPS have volunteered perform the verification function and submit any corrections for inclusion in the next publication of the chart.**

We can check and verify all information on the charts with the exception of magnetic variation and Loran-C LOP's on the charts. We also locate and verify the condition of land based geodetic markers. These markers are 4" bronze plaques placed by US government surveyors. Over the years these plaques have been removed, destroyed, buried, or mutilated beyond readability. We obtain the latitude and longitude record of these markers and go in search of them to verify their location and condition. This is done on land.

All of the above verification and condition information is now sent directly to NOAA, via the Internet, by the individual observers. In years past the corrections were submitted on paper. A very tedious and labor-intensive process, which often contained unneeded information, sometimes lacked required information. Now the reports sent via the Internet standardize the information format through the use of input forms. The use of Internet input forms result in greater accuracy and vastly improves the timeliness of the reports. We also expect timely reports of USPS credits for reports sent by our members.

Want to know more? Call Gary Monai : (321) 799-3635

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*Gary Monai*

Lt Gary J. Monai, P

## SEO REPORT

LT/C HOWARD BERNBAUM,

### STATUS OF CURRENT CLASSES

Seamanship - Bob Mittauer, AP	5 students enrolled
Advanced Piloting - Frank Sebree, SN	10 " "
Marine Electronics - Gary Monai, AP	11 " "

The Seamanship 101 exam was given May 6 . Results are pending.

Eight students took the Piloting final exam and all eight passed. Gary Kingrea and Stephen Winter both aced the closed book exam. Not bad, guys.

### FUTURE COURSES

Since so many of you go away for the summer or are otherwise fully occupied with family matters we are taking an educational hiatus over the summer. Start looking at the August SOUNDINGS for announcements of upcoming classes. These will include, Cruise Planning, Sail, Instructor Development, and Weather. We will follow up AP with JN and on October 2 we will have another Seamanship class.

#### Piloting Honor Roll

Dr. Ross Clevens, Bud and Debbie Farrar,  
Gary Kingrea, Dan Matthews,  
Clarence Pennington, Pete Schmidt,  
and Stephen Winter.

*Well done!*

We will present another BoatSmart class to the public in July and look for volunteers to help with the class. We are beginning to come to the conclusion that the proctors play a key role in attracting new members and believe this is a good way for our newer members to get involved in Squadron activities and to earn a merit mark. It really is a lot of fun and you get to meet some very nice people and fellow boaters.

Howard

## SAFETY REPORT JUNE 2003

Carbon monoxide is a potentially deadly gas produced any time a carbon-based fuel, such as gasoline, propane, charcoal, or oil burns. Sources on your boat include gasoline engines, generators, cooking ranges, and space and water heaters. Cold or poorly tuned engines produce more carbon monoxide than warm, properly tuned engines. Carbon monoxide is colorless, odorless and tasteless and mixes evenly with the air. It enters your bloodstream through the lungs and displaces the oxygen your body needs. Early symptoms of carbon monoxide poisoning include irritated eyes, headache, nausea, weakness, and dizziness which are often confused with seasickness or intoxication. Prolonged exposure to low concentrations or very short exposure to high concentrations can lead to death.

Exhaust leaks, the leading cause of death by carbon monoxide, can allow carbon monoxide to migrate throughout the boat and into enclosed areas. Regular maintenance and proper boat operation can reduce the risk of injury from carbon monoxide. Here are a few easy procedures that may prevent a tragedy on your boat.

- \* Make sure all exhaust clamps are in place and secure. Replace exhaust hoses if any evidence of cracking, charring, or deterioration is found.
- \* All rubber hoses should be pliable and free of kinks. Confirm that water flows from the exhaust outlet when the engines and generator are started.
- \* Test the operation of each carbon monoxide detector by pressing the test button. Make sure the battery is installed properly and is in good condition.
- \* Once a year have a qualified marine technician check your entire system including all hoses, water pump system, metallic exhaust components and your generator's cooling water anti-siphon valve.

P/R/C Jane Schnoor, SN

## Boating In Canaveral Port - You'd Better Observe These Rules

Fred Adame

Fred Adame showed a brief power point presentation at the May general meeting which offered rules to be observed when boating in Port Canaveral.

The following are closed areas at Port Canaveral:

The Bight, an area north of the harbor's Atlantic entrance.

300 feet from cruise ships, tankers and military ships within the harbor.

100 feet from vessels tied to any Port Authority-owned pier, dock or wharf.

25 feet from unoccupied piers, docks or wharves except where specifically permitted.

The West Turning Basin when cruise ships are docked.

Within 200 feet of the Navy pier in the Central Basin.

The Trident Turning Basin at all times.

*It seems like a loss of freedom but we live in times different from any other period in our country's history. We are targets for terrorism and we must take precautions to prevent any disasters.*

### OTHER INFORMATION:

When in the Port area, always maintain a listening watch on Channel 16.

Obey directions given by Coast Guard and law enforcement vessels.

At sea, boats must slow to minimum speed within 500 yards of Navy ships and get no closer than 100 yards. Violating this zone can result in 6 years in prison and fines of \$250,000

*Agree, for the law is costly.*

English Proverb

## Careful Planning and Hard Work Were Key to Luncheon /Card Party Success

The Coco-Naut's card/game party luncheon held on at the Veterans' Center was a smashing success. Chairman of the event, Barbara Millner and her hard-working committee members: Carolyn Bonnett, Doris Hess, Pam Johnson, and Doris Valentine would like to thank ALL of the Coco-Nauts who helped make this event such a success. The ladies who cooked casseroles, made scrumptious salads, and mouth-watering desserts deserve high praise for their culinary expertise. The ladies who served the lunches are to be commended on their waitressing skills—although none of them decided to do it on a regular basis.

Marcia McConkey, who was assisted by Carolyn Bonnett, ran the Silent Auction. It was amazing how many items we were able to get on the five tables. The beautiful wine & cheese basket was put together by Marge Balkema was something that we ALL hoped to win. The ceramic fish that decorated each table were selected by Pat Knittel and went home with the game winner of that table.

We would also like to thank each of the Power Squadron members who supported us with their attendance. This was a chance for everyone to spend a relaxing day with good friends. From the sounds of laughter and seeing the many smiles, that's exactly what took place!

Submitted by Barbara Millner, S

Guests were greeted at the door, then lunch was served by these lovely ladies, and .... The door prize winners were:



L. to R. are Jo Ann Blanchard, Arlene Bestow, Doris Hess, Marge Balkema and Valerie Hachtel - a charming welcome committee.



They also served—the finest waitresses in the entire U.S. Foreground: Carolyn Bonnett and Jane Schnoor. L to r. rear, Marilyn Flanigan, Jo Ann Blanchard, Jane Sebree, Barbara Millner and Doris Hess.



Lt Ann McCandless and Lt Johnny McCandless holding the beautiful basket arranged by Marge Balkema which they won in the raffle.



L to R Coco-Naut supporters Gene Millner, Frank Sebree, Joe Auchter and Ed Bonnett enjoying a bridge game.

A husband looking through the paper came upon a study that said women use more words than men. Excited to prove to his wife that he had been right all along when he accused her of talking too much, he showed her the study results. It read "Men use about 15,000 words per day, but women use 30,000."

The wife thought for a while, then finally said "They're right. But it's because we have to repeat everything we say."



George Hess, Robert Grigsby, Bob Flanigan and Arthur Hachtel stopped playing and posed for the camera.

*We cannot change the direction of the wind ... but we can adjust our sails.*

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**CBPS CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2003**

**JUNE**

- 03 Tuesday 1900 hours  
CBPS General Meeting  
Memorial Center**
- 11 Wednesday 1130 hours  
Coco-Nauts meeting - lunch  
Pam Johnson's home**
- 21 Saturday 1100 hour  
Ski Island Rendezvous and  
Picnic. Bring your food, your  
family your friends.  
and we provide fire.**
- 23 Monday TBD Hours  
D-23 Council Meeting  
Leesburg Silver Lake  
Community Church  
34030 Radio Road  
Will have workshops including  
one on vessel safety checks.**
- 24 Tuesday 1900 Hours  
CBPS Exec. Board Meeting  
Veterans Memorial Center**
- 29 June 1100 hour  
Coral Bay Restaurant Brunch  
and Cruise. Come by car or  
boat. You'll be glad you did!**

**JULY**

- 01 Tuesday 1900 hours  
CBPS General Meeting  
Veterans Memorial Center**
- 04 Friday 1700 hours  
Fireworks Raft-up  
Lee Wenner  
Waterfront Pk.-Cocoa**  

- What better way to celebrate the  
fourth of July.
- 14 Monday 0900-1100 hrs.  
Veteran's Memorial Center  
Blood donations gratefully  
accepted.**  

- 17 Thursday 1800-2100 hours  
BCC Planetarium Show  
Admission: \$8.00 /person**  

- 22 July Tuesday 1900 hours  
CBPS Executive Board Mtg.  
Veterans Memorial Center**

Trent Milliken provided all but one photo for this issue. Many thanks, Trent.

**Blood Bank Donation  
Important Community  
Service**



Our thanks to the following members who donated blood 14 May.. Blood is available to our members when needed. Call either Pat Clay or Barbara Millner.

- Joe Auchter                      Paul Pfadenhauer
- Carol Hayes                      Frank Sebree
- Ed Kydd                              Les Tribout
- John Lynn                          Dave Whaley
- Barbara Millner

In order to have the Blood Bank meet at the Veterans Memorial Center we need 10 volunteers. Giving blood doesn't take long and is for an essential community need. Just say yes and call to join the ranks of those who regularly donate. Even if you can give just once or twice a year, we'd like to have you join our group of donors.

The next CBPS Blood Drive will be Monday, 14 July.  
Barbara Millner, Assistant Chairperson

**Read All About Them**

**Ski Island Rendezvous and Picnic-  
Saturday, June 21, 2003**  
Starts at 1100 hour  
You bring the food , we provide the  
fire Bring your family and friends!



**Coral Bay Restaurant Brunch and Cruise  
Sunday, June 29, 2003 at 1100 hour.**  
Come by boat or by car and enjoy  
the food, beautiful view, and of  
course, socializing with your CBPS friends-  
Sign up at the June meeting or call  
452-6865 for reservations.



**Fourth of July Fireworks Raft up. Celebrate  
with your friends**

Watch the beautiful fireworks  
show from the water while an-  
chored in the Intracoastal Wa-  
terway off Lee Wenner Park in Cocoa  
Bring food to share  
Raft up starts at 6:00 PM



**And for you landlubbers -**

**BCC Planetarium Show Thursday,  
July 17, 2003, 6:00- 9:00 PM**  
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family and friends.



**Admission: \$8.00 per person.**

Sign up at next meeting                      **Bud**



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Lt/C Bob Schaefer, S  
Executive Officer

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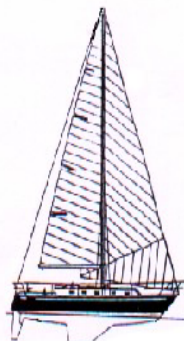


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### Bud's Boating Tips



My boating tip for the month should be of interest to those whose boats have batteries. If you are like me, checking and filling batteries can be a real pain. I recently purchased a dispenser that simplifies this process and removes the pain. It is a plastic container with a special nozzle that is easy to use. Just fill it with distilled water, remove the battery caps, insert the nozzle into the opening and press down. It fills to the proper level and stops filling. This type of distilled water dispenser can be purchased at many automotive parts stores for a reasonable cost  
Bud Miller



An advertisement for 'Jon's Fine Jewelry' enclosed in a double-line black border. The central text reads 'Jon's Fine Jewelry' in a large, elegant script, with 'formerly T.A. Anderson GOLDSMITH' in a smaller, sans-serif font below it. The address '215 Brevard Ave. Cocoa Village 631-0270' is at the bottom. The ad is decorated with four small black-and-white illustrations: a wheel in the top-left, a sailboat in the top-center, a portrait in the top-right, and another portrait in the bottom-right.

**JON C. MILLER, P**