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Membership Meeting

Tuesday 01, March 2011 @ 1900
Brevard Veteran's Center
400 Sykes Creek Pkwy. Merritt Island, FL

Monthly Speaker

Wayne Ivey, who is a Special Agent with FDLE will be our monthly speaker. He will speak to us on home protection and how to protect yourself at the shopping mall. He spoke to us before and does an excellent job!

Attention on Deck

Our annual Meet the Bridge picnic will be held @1130 on March 26, 2011. Lt Doris Valentine is currently working on securing the location. More details will appear in the next month's Soundings. Mark this date on your calendar and plan to attend.

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AT THE HELM

Commander Kermit Forbes, P

Susan and I are looking forward to serving the membership throughout the upcoming year. Without contributions from the members the year cannot be successful.

I want to thank everyone on the bridge for agreeing to help during 2011.

Anyone with suggestions on how to make our monthly meetings more successful, please communicate with someone on the bridge.

Happy boating season.

Submitted to Squadron by Lt/C Marilyn Flanigan, P

Have you volunteered yet to work on a committee that may need your help? Why not contact a Bridge Officer and offer your help.

I'm sure some of you know this story. It's not a new story, but worth reading again.

"This is the story about people named Everybody, Somebody, Anybody and Nobody. There was an important job to be done and Everybody was sure that Somebody would do it. Anybody could have done it, but Nobody did. Somebody got angry with that, because it was Everybody's job. Everybody thought Anybody could do it, but Nobody realized that Everybody wouldn't do it. It ended up that Everybody blamed Somebody when Nobody did what Anybody could have done."

Volunteers are one of the most important part of any organization. Without them most organizations would fall apart. Don't let this happen to CBSPS. We need you to help make this a good operating Squadron

EXECUTIVE OFFICER
LT/C Gerard Meunier, JN



It will be a pleasure to serve on the CBSPS Board once again for at least two reasons:

1- My house renovation is just about finished. A planned 6-month project turned into 14-month grueling 24/7 nightmare, including 11 months on our catamaran Cat House, comfortable but unable to cope with the blustery north-west winter winds.

2- Quite a few of the 2011 Bridge Officers were on the 2009 Bridge when I was the Admin Officer. P/C Kermit Forbes, P, our new Commander, was the Exec; P/C Lance VandeBerg, P, our new Admin, was Commander; and Lt/C Marilyn Flanigan, P, was and still is our Secretary. I look forward to working with them and all the other Board Members.

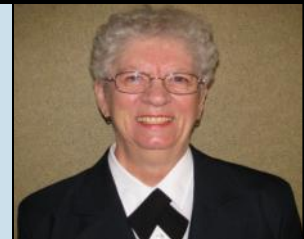
P/C Lance VandeBerg, P, has accepted to continue as Chair of the Vessel Safety Check Program.

Thanks Lance. Here is his report:

Last year we completed 145 vessel safety inspections. Our first VSC event was held at Kelly Park on February 19th. There will be a training day for new inspectors held on Saturday March 19. Anyone interested in becoming a new inspector should contact P/C Lance VandeBerg, P, at 321-223-7713. We currently have 16 certified inspectors for our Squadron. Other inspection events will be scheduled throughout the year. If you have a boat to be inspected, call to schedule an appointment.

I will be contacting the Chairs of all the other Committees working with the XO to explore their goals and aspirations. Looking forward to working with you all.!

SECRETARY
LT/C Marilyn Flanigan, P



Congratulations and Welcome to the new Bridge Officers and Members-at-Large. A special thanks to those who are going to serve again as chairperson under the Secretary's department. I am looking forward to working with you again in 2011.

Your Secretary is looking for an Historian and a Photography Chairperson. If you are interested, (and I hope someone is), please call me at 452-4602.

Please update your Roster

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SQUADRON EDUCATION OFFICER

P/C John F. Mulkey, AP



Education is one of the prime functions of USPS, promoting boating safety through education. The SEO is not the education department, only one small part. We are in need of more instructors for our public boating course. We can only have certified instructors which means that you either need to have been a school teacher or passed our instructor development course. Fred Adame and I will soon be setting up an ID Class and we are in need of students. We have many members that would make great instructors, if only they would become certified. Please let Fred or I know if you would like to take the ID Class. Another course we will be holding soon will be Weather. Winnie Crawford will be the instructor. As many of you already know Winnie is a meteorologist. Each student will receive a Weather manual, three weather maps (with explanations of all the symbols), and a NOAA Sky Watcher Chart. Living in Florida, everyone needs this course.

We will also try to set up a Seamanship class if we get any new members from of our public boating course.

USPS has the best educational courses of any boating organization. We will do our best to make them available to you.

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

P/C Lance H. Vandenberg, P



I am looking forward to a great year serving as your Administrative Officer.

Our quest speaker for March will be Special Agent, Wayne Ivey with Florida State Law Enforcement. He will speak on “ Home Protection and How to Protect Yourself at the Mall.

We will have a “Meet the Bridge” picnic in March.

May 12th will be the “Planetarium” event at BCC with the IMAX movie on the “Rain Forrest”. Cost will be \$12 per person.

There are a few changes for my committee Chair positions: Lt/C Joseph S. Auchter, JN has agreed to Chair the Programs Committee. Douglas Bisset has agreed to Chair the Membership Involvement Committee. We are still looking for someone to Chair the Operations Training Committee. Anyone wanting to serve on a specific committee should contact the appropriate Bridge officer.

The next boating event will be a lunch get together Saturday, March 5th at the Sunset Café in Cocoa Beach. It will start at 11:30am. You can come by car or boat. Please RSVP to Duane Balkema.

Coco-Nauts Corner
President, Lt Debra Burleson, S

The Coco-Nauts had their annual “Friendship” salad luncheon on 02-09-11 @ the Cocoa Village Marina. Many thanks to Ken Charles for allowing us to hold our luncheon meeting there!

We received a letter from P/C John Mulkey, AP, thanking us for our generous donation to the USPS hospitality room 04 February in Kissimmee, FL. There were 9 districts attending this conference. District 23 provided the refreshments, and the other districts provided the beverages. My thanks go out to P/R/C Carmen Adame, AP, for handling our role in the event!

Our next meeting will be 09 March at Marge Balkema’s home. This will be a brown-bag luncheon, with Marge providing the dessert and drinks. Her home is exactly 1 mile South on S. Banana River Dr. in Merritt Island, FL. S. Banana River Dr. is across the street from Island Lincoln Mercury. There is a 7-11 on the corner of Hwy 520 and S. Banana River Dr. Marge says please use her rear staircase for easier access. Looking forward to seeing you there!

March Birthdays

01 - Anna Doerr
05 - Jane Schnoor
06 - Pamela Johnson



The following are the nominees for elected positions in the Cocoa Beach Sail and Power Squadron for the 2011 – 2012 year. All have agreed to serve.

Commander:	P/C Kermit B. Forbes, P
Executive Officer:	Lt/C Gerard Meunier, JN
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M/L	P/C Susan L. Kneeland, SN
M/L	P/C Jay P. Longway III, P
M/L	Robert (Bob) Rutigliano

Rules Committee

Chair	Lt Dave Collins, JN
Asst. Chair	P/C George Hess, SN
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Nominating Committee

Chair	P/C J.P. Longway III, P
Asst. Chair	P/C Michael A. Stone, P
Member	Lt/C Paul A. Ragusa, AP

Auditing Committee

Chair	P/C Edward W. Bonnett, SN
Asst. Chair	Lt Robert W. Schaefer, P
Member	P/C Marion (Bud) Miller, JN

Section 11.1 of the CBSPS By-Laws states: “Candidates for office to be voted upon at the annual meeting may be nominated (1) by the Nominating Committee as herein provided or (2) by petition in writing signed by at least five active members in good standing and filed with the Secretary at least 15 days before the date of election”.

Nominating Committee:
P/C Lance VandeBerg, P
P/C J.P. Longway III, P
P/C Michael Stone, P

CALENDAR OF COMING EVENTS:

February 2011

26 - Saturday, 1130 Change of Watch, Eau Gallie Yacht Club

24 - Thursday, 1800 Executive Committee Meeting, Merritt Island Library

March 2011

01 - Tuesday, 1900 CBSPS General Meeting, Brevard Veteran's Center

05 - Saturday, 1130 Sunset Cafe

09 - Wednesday, 1130 Coco-Nauts meeting & brown-bag luncheon, (Marge Balkema's house)

18 - 20, Fri - Sun, D23 Spring Conference & COW, Orlando FL

24 - Thursday, 1800 Executive Committee Meeting, Merritt Island Library

26 - Saturday, 1130 Meet the Bridge Picnic , Location TBD

April 2011

05 - Tuesday, 1900 CBSPS General Meeting, Brevard Veteran's Center

13 - Wednesday, 1130 Coco-Nauts Mtg./Luncheon, (Joan Montfort's house)

28 - Thursday, 1800 Executive Committee Meeting, Merritt Island Library

CBSPS members are invited to meet and eat each Wednesday at 1130 at the Cozy Corner Café at 2425 N. Courtenay Pkwy. Breakfast and light lunches are available

check website (cbsps.com) or e-mail for updates

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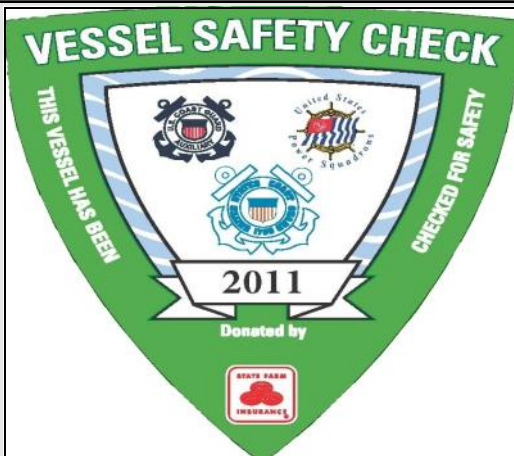
If you are interesting in being a booster, please send a check earmarked to:

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March Boating Report, P/C Duane L. Balkema, AP

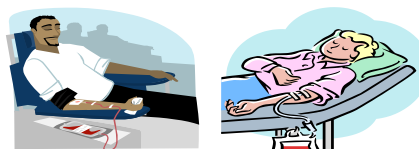
Greetings! I have not completed a boating events schedule as yet, but lets make our first one to be an 11:30 AM Lunch, March 5th, at the Sunset Café. Call please and advise if coming so I can give them a headcount. Come anyway if you forget. Boaters can come by water as they have good docks. Location is the on the Hwy 520 Causeway and the west most business in Cocoa Beach. Bring a friend. We can talk boating events.

I also mention a long time advertiser, The Jaren family, of Banana River Marine/Coastal Marine Repair, will be closing their business the end of February. They have always been good supporters of our squadron, and its events. They opened in about 1950, and have been involved in boat building and maintenance since. Being a mechanic at heart and knowing some of the complex inner working of all mechanical parts, and systems of boats and engines, I really hate to see their talents and knowledge become not available to the boating community. But so it is.



BLOOD DONATION

The next blood donation will be on 13 April 0900am at the Blood Center on US Hwy. #1. All donations are appreciated!!!!



CBSPS Photo Gallery

1st row: l-r, 01 Feb. 11 featured speaker Scott Jackson, financial advisor with Edward Jones in Cocoa Village. 2nd row: l-r, Ev Tribout receiving 5th merit mark, D/C Robert E. Becker, Jr., SN



Coco-Nauts Friendship Luncheon 09 Feb. 11 at the Cocoa Village Marina. Photos continued on pg 13





***Cocoa Beach Sail And Power Squadron
Invites You To
44th Annual Change of Watch***

***Date: Saturday, 26 February 2011
Time: 1130 am (starting with cash bar cocktails)
Lunch: 1230 pm
Program: 1:30pm
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Cost: \$25 p/p***

***Menu Choice:
Baked Salmon with dill sauce
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If you plan to attend please contact:

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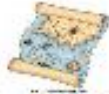
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		Number Attending	Cost
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	19:00 Pirate Poolside Buffet	cost per person of \$29.00	_____
Saturday, March 19	07:00 Hospitality Room Continental Breakfast	_____	free
	12:00 Boxed sandwich (turkey ___ ham ___ roastbeef ___)	\$9.00	_____
	16:00 Hospitality Room	_____	free
	19:00 Dinner, Cost per person of \$32	_____	_____
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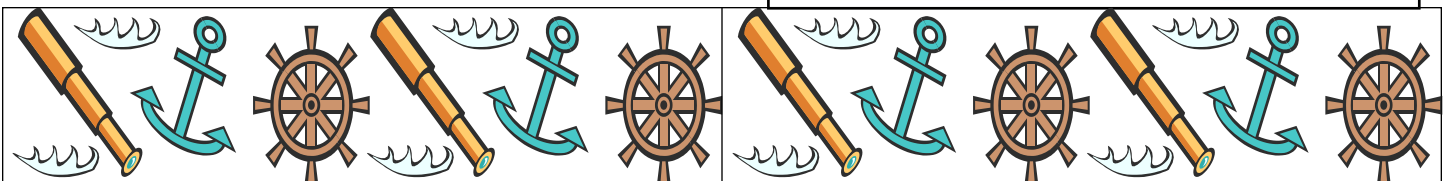
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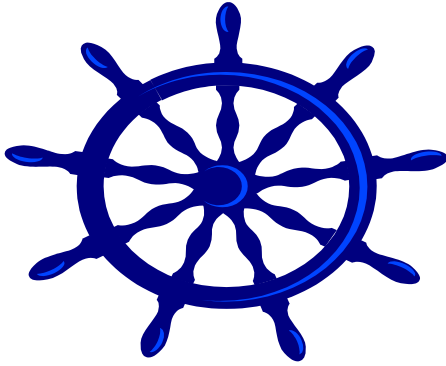
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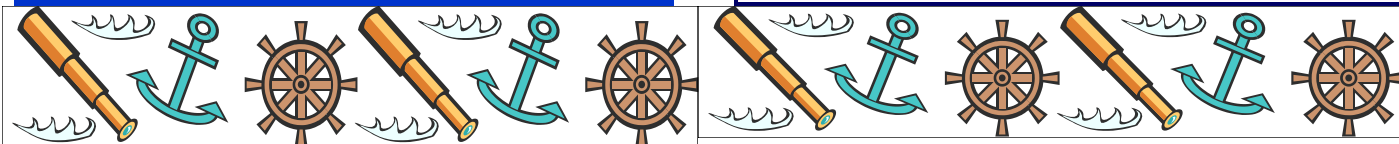


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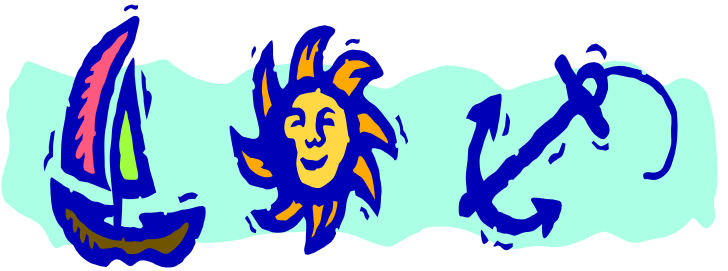
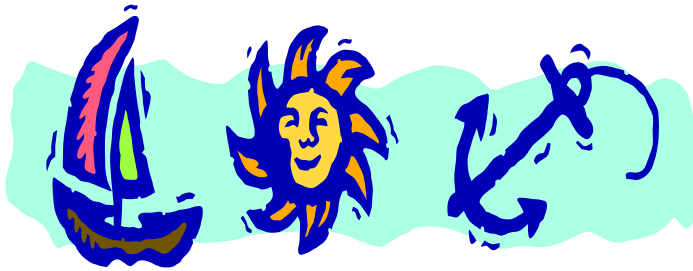
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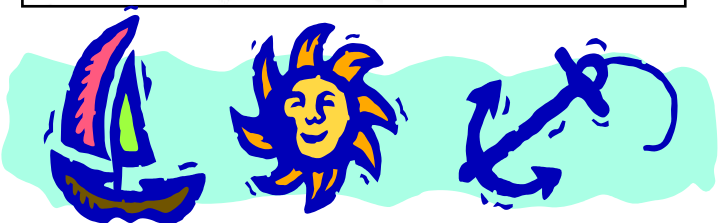
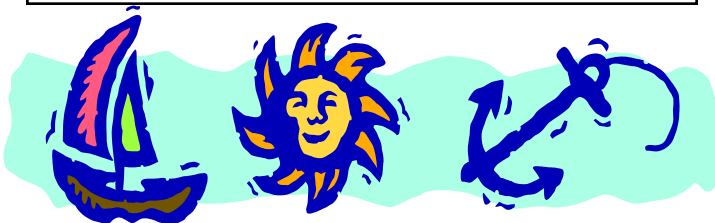
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