

ON THE HORIZON

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"Next" General Membership Meeting

Wednesday, **20 January, 2010** at 2000 (8:00 PM)
Dinner/Drinks/Social optional at 1830 (6:30 PM)

January Meeting Information

Trouble at Sea—Would you be Prepared??

One of our new members, Weldon Riker, gives a report on what happened to him and his crew while sailing from Puerto Rico to the USA on a boat purchased in Puerto Rico. You do not want to miss this meeting. Weldon has experienced what we all sometimes have nightmares about. Mark your calendars now for this meeting.



Two of the Survivors

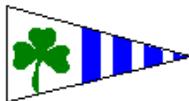
Location:

Elks Lodge (See Menu Under AO's Report)

Located at 1007 East Homberg Avenue, Essex, MD 21221

Just two blocks off Rt. 702 on the left.

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2009 DSPS Holiday Party

Needless to say, if you missed the “Party”, it was a Fantabulous event!!
Below and on page 6 are pictures taken during the meeting and “Gift Exchange”.



The “1 Minute Meeting!
Where did he get that Hat??



Santa Arrives ...



Bearing Gifts

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Moving? Changes in Information??

Please remember to let us know if you go away for the winter or move to another address. Also, if you change your phone, cell phone number(s) or e-mail addresses so we can make sure you are kept informed of upcoming events. Please give all changes to our Secretary who will in turn notify National and everyone else who needs to have the information.

COMMANDER



Hopefully you all had the Very Best of the Holiday Season!! Our Holiday Party was well attended and everyone enjoyed the good food, gift exchange and each other's company. We have a great topic for the next meeting which hopefully you all will be able to attend!

It's now time to continue planning for the upcoming year. We would love to have your input! It would be nice to start by seeing a lot of you attend the Cruise Planning Meeting to be held at the Hall's home on January 9th from 1400 to 1800.

Also, Tracey Stuenes would love your support with the

Baltimore Boat Show. Please contact her to see how you can help!

And don't forget to set your calendars for the Change of Watch which is set for March 20th!!

As always, I remain available if anyone has a question, comment or complaint. I can be reached by email at cdr@uspsdundalk.org or by cell phone at 410-456-5854.

Respectfully submitted,
Cdr. David S. Seidenman, AP

(JSB)

EXECUTIVE OFFICER



Hope everyone had a wonderful holiday season! Now that they holidays are behind us, it's time to get "geared" up for the Baltimore Boat Show, DSPS, Change of Watch on March 20, the D/5 Change of Watch in Ocean City with the Hospitality Suites, and before you know it, boating season.

P/C Tracey Stuenes, P, has been hard at work getting the boat show schedule lined up. If you have not yet let her know when you can help out, please do so ASAP. This is always a great time and we are able to inform the public about what USPS really is.

For the D/5 Change of Watch, educational sessions and hospitality suites, we will need the help of everyone. The theme for this year for DSPS's hospitality suite is "Fishing for Education". On January 9, we will be holding a meeting at P/C John Hall's home following our discussions on the cruise planning for the coming season to make plans for the event. Please come and bring your thoughts and ideas. In the past, Dundalk has won 1st place for our suite and I would like to see this repeated in 2010.

I will be attending the National meeting in Orlando, FL from Feb 2-7, 2010 and hope to bring back lots of information which I will share with everyone at our meeting in February.

I would like to mention that Delaware River PS has unfortunately lost one of their greatest members. P/C Merilyn Wright passed away just before Christmas after a very long battle with cancer. She was one of the first women in USPS to attain "Life membership" after earning

25 merit marks. It was wonderful to see her being presented with this award at the D/5 Change of Watch in Ocean City with many of her family members in attendance. I know everyone in DSPS thought very highly of Merilyn and we will miss her dearly.

As our Change of Watch is soon upon us, please take a few minutes to think of a position you may be interested in taking either as a committee chair or member of a committee. Taking a role such as this, is extremely rewarding.

Take care, stay warm and see you all in 2010.

Respectfully submitted,
Lt/C K. J. "Fuzzy" Jones, S
Executive Officer



Hmm, Let me try that on and see how it feels!!

EDUCATIONAL OFFICER



As 2009 winds down so are the squadron classes. Piloting class still in progress as is the JN class which meets on Thursdays at the home of Dennis Henderson with 2 students attending.

Advanced Piloting will be offered beginning sometime in February.

Spring class & seminar schedule will be completed shortly and ready for the Baltimore Boat Show in Jan.

If anyone is interested in Engine Maintenance please contact me and we will try to get a class together.

Remember:

TAKE AND COMPLETE A USPS COURSE BETWEEN JULY 1, 2009 AND JUNE 30, 2010 AND WIN VALUABLE PRIZES! See attached notice on page 10.

Prizes available for taking the following courses:

Seamanship, Piloting, Advanced Piloting, JN, Weather, Marine Electrical Systems, and Engine Maintenance.

P/C Lois M. Nehmer, SN
Squadron Educational Officer
seo@uspsdundalk.org



Hmm, What to do?



Is there more????



SECRETARY'S REPORT



Well, another successful year for the Squadron is behind us! The Holiday Party was successful and, more importantly, fun. That time of year can be pretty hectic. For the last two years, my wife, Lynda, had the same two parties to attend – ours and another – on the same night. Last year, she got lost getting to Rosedale, so arrived late and this year got to our party about 15 minutes after it had concluded. What a bummer!

I hope everyone had a Wonderful Holiday Season and will have a Happy New Year. I look forward to an enjoyable boating season – after spending my normal six weeks in Hawaii during our winter.

Respectfully submitted,
Lt/C Lane Letsch, Secretary



What will I ever do
with this???

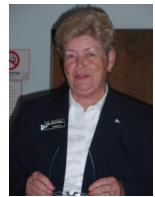


Let's see, how can I get that one???



I have an idea. Here's what we do,....

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER



Our Holiday party had a very nice turnout. We had several guests from District and enjoyed their company. D/Lt/C L. Chris Brown and Ginny drove all the way from Allentown, PA to spend the evening with us as well as our own D/Lt/C Bernie Karpers, N. and Kathy and D/Lt/C Walter K. Neese, SN. Santa made a visit for all of the children as well as the adults. A good time was had by all especially opening and stealing the gifts from one another.

Our next meeting will be held at P/C John and Mary Hall's home. This will be a cruise planning meeting as well as some ideas for putting together our hospitality suite for D/5 Spring Conference in Ocean City in March 2010. The date is Saturday January 9, 2010 from 2 to 6 PM. Please bring a light hors-d-oeuvre to share with all.

Ships Store has a few items left for sale. Please contact P/C Tracey Stuenes at 410- 282-0790 for the current availability of items as well as the prices.

Our January meeting will be held at the Essex Elks Lodge, 1007 E. Homberg Avenue on Wednesday, January 20, 2010. We are having one of our new members, Weldon Riker, give a report on what happened to him and his crew while sailing from Puerto Rico to the USA on a boat purchased in Puerto Rico. You do not want to miss this meeting. Weldon has experienced what we all sometimes have nightmares about. Mark your calendars now for this meeting.

The Menu for Jan 20 meeting is a buffet, Roast pork, Boneless chicken breast, mashed potatoes, veggies , coffee and dessert. Price is \$12.00

It is nice to see that our newer members are attending the meetings. This helps them to get to know one another as well as some of our old salts. We all have stories to tell about our boating experiences but some are better than others.

May you and your families enjoy a very Merry Christmas and a Happy, Healthy New Year and we will see you January 20, 2010.

LT/C Suzann K. Bussey, S

Administrative Officer

TREASURER'S REPORT



Just a reminder for those who haven't paid their dues, please do so ASAP!!
21 People have not paid this year



But I want that one!!

Next Meeting Reminders

Executive Meeting:

February 3rd

American Legion Post (Seling Ave.)

General Membership Meeting:

February 17th

Elks Lodge (E. Homberg Ave.)

2009 DSPS Holiday Party, (Cont.)



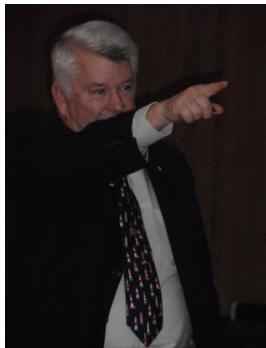
More Gifts



And, What do you have???



WOW", Did you see this???



You can't take my gift,
I outrank you!!!



OK Chris, I'll give it back, and here's a
piece of cake. Am I still on the Bridge??



Umm, That cake is
GOOOOD!!!!



Just what I always
wanted!??



I really like this, but please
somebody else take it !!



Ooooh, I'll Trade You!!!



That cake is Good,
and the coffee!!



All I get is paper, ...
@#\$%#@



Oh, wait a minute,
maybe this is better
than what I thought!!



That Hat is surely
making the rounds!!



As the "Thieves steal away in the
night with all their Loot!!

Baltimore Boat Show

Plan ahead, and schedule some time to volunteer at the USPS Booth!

January 21–24, 2010

Baltimore Convention Center

Show Hours

Thursday, January 21, 2010

11am - 9pm

Friday, January 22, 2010

11am - 9pm

Saturday, January 23, 2010

10am - 9pm

Sunday, January 24, 2010

10am - 5pm

Please contact P/C Tracey Stuenes to sign up. (410-282-0790 or webelieve2@comcast.net)

The 2010 Baltimore Boat Show is produced by the National Marine Manufacturers Association

(NMMA), the world's largest producer of boat shows. NMMA is the leading association representing the \$39.5 billion per year recreational boating industry. NMMA member companies produce over 80 percent of the boats, engines, trailers, accessories and gear used by boaters and anglers in the U.S. For more information about the NMMA,.



Did you see that one? Glad it's not my turn!!



Okay Girls, here's our strategy.



I don't care what they say, there not taking this one away!!!



Gotcha!!



“Santa Baby,”



Boy, did we fool them!



Umm, that was DELICIOUS!!!!



My Buddy!!

National Meetings



Save These Dates!!

Tuesday, February 2, 2010

Sunday, February 7, 2010

Book on Line

http://www.usps.org/php/reservations/meetinginfo.php?mtg_id=6

Disney Coronado Springs Resort

This is the main meeting Hotel

Hotel Web Site

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Telephone: 407-939-1020

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**SATURDAY
20 MARCH, 2010**

Sparrows Point Country Club
919 Wise Avenue, Baltimore MD

\$ 44.00 per person
Guests are Welcome



Cash bar & Hors-d-oeuvres 6:00 pm
Dinner 7:00 pm
Live Music & Dancing 'til 11:00 pm

Menu Choices: 1. Grilled Atlantic Salmon
 2. Chicken Chesapeake
 3. New York Strip Steak

All entrees accompanied with Salad, Garlic Mashed Potatoes & Green Beans

Dress: Uniform A or suitable Civilian Attire (Coats required, no jeans please)

Reservations

Please list all members in your party & menu choices. Each table seats eight.

1. _____ # _____ 5. _____ # _____
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4. _____ # _____ 8. _____ # _____

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Deadline for reservations: 14 March, 2010

Directions: Take the Merritt Blvd. exit on Beltway #695, at the 5th traffic light (Wise Ave. & the Diner) turn left. The entrance to the Sparrows Point Country Club is on your right, 0.2 miles after crossing the Wise Ave. bridge

Remember Last Year?? This year will be even better!!!



Win Valuable Prizes!

Take and complete a USPS Course between July 1, 2009 and June 30, 2010!

United States Power Squadron members can take any one or more of the following courses between July 1, 2009 and June 30, 2010 to be eligible for the following prizes:

Seamanship:	WIN A HANDHELD VHF RADIO
Piloting:	WIN A HANDHELD GPS
Advanced Piloting:	WIN A SET OF NAVIGATIONAL SOFTWARE
JN:	WIN A CHARTPLOTTER
Weather:	WIN A BAROMETER
Marine Electrical Systems:	WIN A MULTIMETER
Engine Maintenance:	WIN A MULTIMETER

To enter the drawing, all you need to do is the following:

1. Take and complete the qualifying course or courses between July 1, 2009 and June 30, 2010
2. Successfully pass the examination before June 30, 2010
3. You will be automatically entered in the drawing

The Available Prizes:

1. For Seamanship (3) Handheld VHF Radios
2. For Piloting (3) Handheld GPS
3. For Advanced Piloting (3) Sets of Navigational Software
4. For JN (1) Chart Plotter
5. For Weather (3) Barometers
6. For Marine Electrical Systems (3) Multimeters
7. For Engine Maintenance (3) Multimeters

The winner's names will be drawn at the 2010 Governing Board held in Seattle from August 30th through September 4th, 2010.

WIN!

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win!
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- And more, go to the USPS web site for a full list of benefits: http://www.usps.org/national/admin_dept/membenefits.htm

Members Helping Members

Adventure, Fun and Learning

On-the-water activities, cruises, rendezvous, raft-ups for a day weekend or week – something for everyone!

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- Commander's Cruise and Top Gun Cruise to ports as far away as Philadelphia, Cape May, New York, the Outer Banks, etc.
- Take your own boat or crew on someone else's
- **Social Events:** Pitch-in meals, picnics, theme parties, and our Annual Crab Feast

Meetings with knowledgeable guest speakers on interesting topics to include Homeland Security, First-Aid, Weather, Bay History, Winterizing/Commissioning, Engine Maintenance

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Learn More about America's Boating Club

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vsc@uspsdundalk.org

Web: <http://www.uspsdundalk.org>

Phone: 410-282-6464

Meetings: 3rd Wednesday
6:30 pm for Dinner, 8 pm for Meeting
Elks Lodge

1007 East Homberg Avenue, Essex, MD 21221

Costs: Individual = \$70 / Individual + One Additional Active = \$110

Individual: _____

Additional: _____

Email : _____

Phone: _____

Address: _____

Amount Paid: \$ _____

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Dundalk Sail & Power Squadron - Receipt:

Membership Type: Individual: _____ Or

Individual with Family: _____

Amount Paid: \$ _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____



SAFE BOATING THROUGH EDUCATION

January—March 2010 Calendar

January 20th	General Membership Meeting Elks Lodge (E. Homberg Ave.) 6:30 p.m. Dinner (Optional) Meeting begins at 8:00 p.m.
February 2-7	National Meeting—Disney World (see info inside)
February 3rd	Executive Committee Meeting American Legion Post (Seling Ave.)
February 17th	General Membership Meeting
March 3rd	Executive Committee Meeting
March 20th	Change of Watch Sparrows Point Country Club



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