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EDUCATION OFFICER'S REPORT

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Fall is here and Winter is fast approaching. In the Fall, District 9 holds it's Fall Conference. This is an opportunity for the squadrons of the district to get together for fun, education, information, and camaraderie.

I will participate at the conference to find out what is new or updated in the educational department. I will report on the conference in the next issue of the Anchorage and at upcoming meetings.

The conference is the weekend of 28 Oct 2011. It is at Shanty Creek. This is a great Michigan fall location for colors and relaxation. Come join me and enjoy the last weekend of October at a premier Michigan resort. You won't regret it.

I am thinking about having a boating class at the Chesterfield Fire Station beginning the middle of January 2012. I will give you the details when they are finalized.

We have many classes and seminars available to us. If you would like to take advantage of one of these, let me know.

This is your squadron. Help make it the best it can be.

Mike

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Calendar

Oct 2011

15	D9 Council Meeting
28—30	D9 Fall Conference Shanty Creek,

Have fun by Participating in your Squadron.

Safety Officer Report

Boat Storage and Winterization

1. Fill the fuel tank and add 1 ounce of STA-BIL gas stabilizer for each 5 quarts of gas (4 oz per 5 gallons)
2. Operate the boat at least 15 minutes or using a flush system to enable the treated fuel to reach the engine.
3. Remove the bilge plug immediately after taking the boat out of the water. After a general bow to stern washing, raise the bow of the boat higher to allow as much water as possible to drain while performing other storage preparations.
4. Thoroughly clean the hull, deck and interior of the boat as soon as it is removed from the water. Cleaning at this time is easier because any marine growth is still wet. Be sure to allow a few days of air drying to prevent mildew that results from trapped moisture.
5. Remove the attaching hardware from the propeller shaft coupling. Separate the flanges and coat the flange surface with waterproof marine multipurpose grease.
6. Flush the engine cooling system with clean water. Do not exceed 1500 RPM's while flushing for 5-10 minutes.
7. Add a lightweight engine oil (SAE-10- commonly referred to as fogging oil- or Marvel Mystery Oil) slowly into the engine while the engine is slightly above idle. Cut the engine off.
8. Turn the fuel supply valve to off. Perform all scheduled maintenance. Of special importance is tuning the engine and changing the oil and fuel filters.
9. Remove the exhaust manifold's drain plugs. Refer to your owners for assistance in determining the location.
10. The use of automotive- type ethylene glycol antifreeze is not recommended unless you have facilities to properly re-cycle this compound. The use of environmentally-safe anti-freeze and propylene glycol-type is preferred. Remove the petcock or drain plug at the lower side of the engine block. An engine drain is located on both sides of the engine. Some models have a knock sensor located in the drain location. The knock sensor must be carefully removed to allow the engine to drain. Do not mix ethylene-glycol and propylene-glycol antifreeze formulas as they have different freeze and boiling points. Thoroughly flush one before using the other. Following specific winterization procedures is very important. Damage that may occur to your boat and engine because of improper winterization can be costly and void the manufacturers warranty.
11. Remove both hoses from the raw water pump. Remove the hose running from the thermostat housing to the circulation pump (at the pump). Also remove the hose from the lower end of the transmission cooler. Leave all hoses disconnected during transportation or storage. Bend/shake hoses as necessary to remove water droplets. Remove trash and debris from filter screen as shown.
12. Remove the ignition safety switch and spin the engine over for a few seconds to remove excess water found in pump bodies.
13. Remove the negative battery cable from the battery. Charge the battery to full-charge or remove completely. Never store batteries close to heat, spark or flame-producing devices.
14. Clean all traces of dirt, oil, grime and grease from the engine, transmission and bilge. Touch up areas of the engine and transmission where paint has been removed.
15. If the boat is to be stored for more than two months in a high-moisture environment, in temperature extreme's or outdoors, fog the engine with rust-preventative fogging oil.
16. Coat the entire length of the propeller shaft (inside and outside the boat) with corrosion-resistant metal protectant.
17. Use duck-tape to seal the exhaust flaps to prevent dirt and nesting rodents from entering.
18. Check to see if the speedometer pick-ups in the rear of the boat are clogged. If so, damage can occur to the speedometer ballast tubes.
19. If your boat is equipped with an optional heater or shower, remove both hoses and blow through a hose to remove all water.
20. Cover the boat with a boat cover or tarp

Article information by MasterCraft Boat Company

P/C Danny Woody



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District 9 Sail & Power Squadron
October 27-30, 2011
164755

Reservations Must be Received By: **October 4, 2011**

PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM BY MAIL OR FAX TO:
Reservations Department • Shanty Creek Resorts
5780 Shanty Creek Road • Bellaire, MI 49615
Fax: 231.533.7004

Check-in begins at 6pm, Check-Out is 12pm

Name: _____

Address: _____ Home Phone: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ Business Phone: _____

Confirmation Email: _____ Fax: _____

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_____ Guest Room (2 Beds)	\$99	\$99	\$99	\$99
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The above rates are Per Room, Per Day, plus 6% state tax, 9% resort fee and 5% TCCVB fee.

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Do you have any special lodging requests?

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We do our best to honor special requests, however we cannot guarantee them.

For Questions or More Information, Please Call: 1-800-678-4111

USPS D/9 2011 Fall Conference

Shanty Creek Resorts

5780 Shanty Creek Rd, Bellaire, MI 49615

28-30 October 2011



Takin' it to the Water - How do you Boat?

District 9 invites you to the 2011 Fall Conference, located at the beautiful Summit Village at Shanty Creek Resorts, one of Michigan's most spectacular meeting venues. All USPS members, their families, and guests are welcome to join us for a weekend of lavish hospitality and informative seminars. Members of Conference will convene Saturday afternoon for a district business meeting; then the festivities will continue with formal dinner activities for you and your guests.

To register for the 2011 Fall Conference, please fill out and return both the hotel's reservation form and this conference registration form. The **hotel reservation form goes directly to the hotel**. Fax it or mail it by **04 October** with your credit card deposit to Shanty Creek Resorts. The address and fax number are on the form. The conference registration, along with your check for meal reservations, should be returned by **16 October** to **P/D/C Michael J. Rachuk, SN, 32877 RedBud Circle, Chesterfield, MI 48047**.

Hospitality Room Coordinators – Reserve your hospitality room using a separate hotel reservation form. **You must indicate that the reservation is for a hospitality room!**

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Shanty Creek Resorts

28-30 October 2011

CONFERENCE REGISTRATION FORM

Rank Last Name First Name Grade

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Check if a First Timer at a District Conference

Squadron _____ Phone _____ Email Address _____

Enter number of meals below:

Lunch @ \$16.00 ea. Turkey Wrap _____ Special Diet _____

Chicken Caesar Salad _____

Dinner @ \$38.50 ea. Medallions of Beef _____ Special Diet _____

Whitefish _____

Total Amount Enclosed \$ _____

Special Dietary Requests: _____

Reservations must be received by 16 Oct 2011.

Questions? Call P/D/C Mike Rachuk, SN – Tel. 586-876-5818

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