

**District 4 council meeting August 31, 2005**  
**San Carlos Restaurant**

**Attendance**

**Barnegat Bay**

CDR Charles Flum AP  
P/C Donald Kadlac P  
P/D/C Michael Sangiorgio SN  
P/C Jeanne Sangiorgio AP\  
D/Lt/C Richard D Zucchi AP

**Bronx**

D/C William Delahunty JN  
CDR Edmond Donovan JN

**City Island**

P/R/C Anthony Aquilato

**Lackawanna**

Lt/C Kelley Fahey  
PC/C Raymond A Finley SN

**Lake Hopatcong**

**Absent**

**Liberty Harbor**

Tom Delanes S  
D/lit Gregory Boyle p  
Lt/C Mary E. Davis AP  
P/C J Arlene Maresca AP  
P/C Joel Jones SN  
P/Lt/C Denise M. Jones AP

**Long Valley**

**Absent**

**New York**

CDR Ermat Warrem SN  
Lt/C Michell Tuelem AP  
Lt/Cdarwin W Richmond

**North River**

CDR Robert Hodgson AP

Lt/C Mary Hodgson S

**Northern NJ**

P/C Tony Russo AP

P/C Robert Peirone AP

CDR John A McAdams SN

P/C Les Eslinger AP

P/D/C Dave Mesculm AP

Stf/C Robert Green N

**Oritani**

P/C A William Hagstrum AP

Lt/C Thomas M Smith AP

Cdr John Battaglia P

**Palisades**

CDR Bill Stephens P

ADEO Anne McQuade JN

Lt/C Roy Hali S

**Raritan Bay**

D/Lt Don Baker JN

CDR Don Cook AP

P/D/C David Drummond SN

D/Lt Harry Wagner JN

D/Lt/C Kathleen E Bisogno JN

**Saddle River**

Cdr Joan Mullin

Lt/C S Robert Phillips SN

P/C Ronnie S Phillips SN

**Staten Island**

P/R/C Kenneth J Bolt SN

D/Lt Trisha Bolt AP

Stf/C Florence E Smith SN

## **Shrewsbury**

Stf/c Michael Horowitz JN  
L/C Lucille Horowitz SN  
Cdr Alfred Rosamilia S  
Lt/c Ben Schneider S  
P/D/C Joseph Balbo AP

## **Somerset**

R/C Pat Governale SN  
D/Lt Marie Huges P  
Lt/c Joe Costa P  
P/D/C Jane Sorensen AP  
P/C Carl Sorensen AP

## **Watchung**

D/Lt Marlene Oslick S  
CDR Ted Wallace S  
Lt/C H Butler P  
D/Lt/C Harold Oslick JN

1930 D/C Delahunty started the council meeting

D/lt/C Kathy Bisogno, AP gave a report ( see attached)

D/Lt. Marlene Oslick reported on the Budget committee (see attached) D/C Delahunty called for an approval from the council. The council unanimously accepted the proposed budget and recommended the budget be sent to and voted on at the Fall conference.

P/D/C David Drummond reported on Nominating Committee submitted names for National Governing Board. D/C Delahunty called for an approval from the council. Council approved unanimous.

P/D/C Dave Drummond announced that P/C Vincent Savage has resigned from the nominating committee due to health reasons. The council nominated P/D/C Carlton Lee to replace P/C Savage. P/D/C accepted the nomination.

P/D/C read report from D/Lt Jean Ruckdeschel, AP regarding District 4 Merrit Marks. Stated that in order to get a merit mark for 2005 commanders must submit merit marks before fall conference.

Committees reporting to the Executive Officer.

D/Lt Harry Wagner, JN submitted a report on Safety committee and Vessel Safety Check committee, (see Attached)

Committee Reporting to DEO

Stf/C Hank Griffin, SN reported on the educational cruise. Hank stated that there might not be a cruise this fall due to a low turnout in the fall boating classes.

R/C Robert Green. N commented and thanked P/C Don Baker for coordinating the training class for the Newark and Jersey City Police Departments.

P/C Don Backer gave a report on the special boating course given to Newark and Jersey City Police. Raritan Bay members staffed the course. D/Lt/C Richard Zucchi\, AP also participated as an instructor and lecturer. D/C Bill Delahunty attended the final class to award the certificated of completion.

D/C Delahunty requested help to staff the Raritan Bay Boat show on September 30 – October 2, 2005.

D/Lt/C Florence Smith, SN announced that the Americas Boating Course (ABC) is approved for classroom use.  
DEO Smith announced that boating course enrollment nationally is off 50% over 10 year period.

Administrative Officer

P/D/C Anthony Aquilato, AP gave a report for St/C Vincene Aquilato regarding the Fall conference and the Fall 2006 Governing Board Meeting. (See attached)

D/Lt Marie Huges, P reported on Power of One. She stated that she sent a questionnaire regarding the membership guide to all squadron Commanders and only received 2 returns with answers to the questions. Marie stated that she is getting very little help. (See attached)

Secretary Department

Stated that there were allot of E-mail kick backs indicating that some members have changed their e-mail address. Those names that are kicked back are deleted from the D4 address book.

D4 will mail Fall conference flier to all D4 members.

2100 Meeting adjourned

Prior to the start of the dinner at 1830, **Stf/C Hank Griffin, SN** delivered the invocation. **P/R/C Kenneth J. Bolt, SN** led the pledge Allegiance. In order, attendees stood and gave their name and Squadron affiliation.

D/C William Delahunty JN called the meeting to order at 1930. A quorum was present. Hearing no objections, the Commander changed the order of business to expedite the meeting.

The May 2005 D/4 Council Meeting minutes were reviewed, moved, seconded and approved.

**Members of the District Council in attendance were:**

**District Bridge:** D/C William Delahunty, JN; D/Lt/C Harold Oslick, JN; D/Lt/C Kathleen E. Bisogno, JN; D/Lt Florence E. Smith, SN; D/Lt/C Joseph M. Krupp, Jr. AP  
D/Lt/C Richard Zucchi, AP & P/D/C Dave Meshulam, AP

(np) not present.

**Commanders - Barnegat Bay:**( )Cdr. Charles Flum, AP; ( ) Cdr. Edmund Donovan, JN;  
**City Island:** ( )Cdr. Marie Millilo, AP; **Lackawanna:** ( )Cdr. Anthony Pisano, AP;  
**Lake Hopatcong:**( ) Cdr. Lisa Hirschfield, S; **Liberty Harbor:**( )Cdr. Paul Sheganoski, P;  
**Long Valley:** ( )Cdr. Prima Morales Cameron ; **New York:** ( )Cdr. Rusi Patell, SN  
Cdr.; **North River:** ( )Cdr. Robert Hodgson, AP. ; **Northern New Jersey:**( )Cdr. John McAdams, JN; **Oritani:** ( )Cdr. John Bttaglia, P; **Palisades:** ( ) Cdr. William Stephens, P  
; **Raritan Bay:** ( )Cdr. Donald Cook, P ; **Saddle River:** ( )Cdr. Joan Mullin, SN;  
**Shrewsbury:** ( ) Cdr. Alfred Rosamilia, P; **Somerset:** ( )Cdr. Peter Wasko, P; **Staten Island:** ( )Cdr. Louis Gloria, AP; **Watchung:** ( ) Cdr. Theodore Wallace, S.  
(np) = not present

**Reports of the Bridge Officers :**

**District Commander's Activity Report** - D/C William Delahunty, JN

**Executive Officer's Activity Report** - D/Lt/C Harold Oslick, JN

**Educational Officer's Activity Report** - D/Lt Florence E. Smith, SN

**Administrative Officer's Activity Report** - D/Lt/C Joseph M. Krupp, Jr. AP

**Secretary's Activity Report** - D/Lt/C Richard Zucchi, AP

**Treasurer's Activity Report** - D/Lt/C Kathleen E. Bisogno, AP

**The activities were usually listed under the above.**

**Each filed a day by day report of work that has been removed for brevity**

**Treasurer's Financial Report** - D/Lt/C Kathleen E. Bisogno, JN

A complete Treasurer's Report, including details of all income and expenses during this period, and an actual to budget comparison is on file with the Secretary.

**General Committees:**

**Auditing** – P/C Joseph Peck, AP (no formal report delivered at this session)

**Nominating Committee** - P/D/C David I. Drummond, SN  
**Report of the District 4 Nominating Committee**

Pursuant to Article II, Section 2.16 of the current District Bylaws, the Nominating Committee shall select persons for the Commander to recommend to the National Committee on Nominations as prospective candidates for election as General Members of the Governing Board, and submit their names to the Council for approval at its meeting prior to 1 July.

District 4 has been allotted three (3) General Members to serve for the year 2006. Three (3) alternates have also been selected for a total of six names.

The Nominating Committee, therefore, submits the following names for the Council's approval. The candidates are members of the USPS in good standing and have stated their willingness to serve if elected.

Nominated General Members

1 D/LT Vincene Aquilato, S	City Island
2 D/Lt/C Kathleen Bisogno, JN	Raritan Bay
3 D/Lt/C Richard Zucchi, AP	Barnegat Bay
4 D/Lt Carolyn Markham, P	Long Valley
5 P/C Charles Delayo, Jr., AP	Watchung
6 P/C Michael Fabrizi, SN	City Island

Cdr Delahunty called for a Motion to accept the report, Seconded , no Discussion.

Vote by District Council. All in favor for approval of the candidates as General Member of the Governing Board.

Cdr Delahunty informed the District Council that he has received a formal letter of resignation from Vincent Savage, JN Member of the Nominating Committee. Cdr Delahunty has accepted the resignation.

2.16. 1 The **NOMINATING COMMITTEE** shall consist of a chairman and five (5) other members, two (2) of whom shall be elected each year for a term of three (3) years to fill the vacancies occasioned by the expiration of terms of office. This committee shall choose one of its members whose term next expires to be its chairman. The committee shall be so constituted that no more than three (3) members shall be past District Commanders and the other members shall be past District Lieutenant Commanders or past Commanders of a squadron of this district. No person shall be elected to this committee if, at the time of his election, another member of his squadron is already a member of the committee. No member of this committee whose term is expiring shall be re-nominated to this committee, and no member of this committee shall be eligible for

nomination to any elective office of the district by the committee for one year after serving on this committee. This committee shall annually nominate a candidate for each elective district office and members and chairmen of the Nominating, Rules and Auditing Committees and its nominating report shall be mailed first class or hand delivered to the District Secretary not less than forty-five (45) days prior to the date of the Spring Conference. This committee shall also select persons for the Commander to recommend to the National Committee on Nominations as prospective candidates for election as General Members of the Governing Board, and submit their names to the Council for approval at its meeting prior to 1 July. A vacancy occurring in the Nominating Committee during the year shall be filled from the floor at the next regular Council meeting.

Cdr Delahunty called for a nomination from the floor.

P/D/C Carlton E. Lee, Jr. AP of Saddle River Squadron was nominated from the floor.

Cdr Delahunty called for a Motion to accept the nomination, Seconded , no Discussion

All in favor to accept new member for the Nominating Committee.

**Rules Committee - P/C Joel Jones, SN** (no formal report delivered at this session)

**Standing Committees:**

**Budget & Finance Committee – Marlene S. Oslick, S** BUDGET FOR 2006 & 2007

**Please insert Budget for the upcoming year here**

Cdr. Delahunty Called for an approval to accept the Finance Committees' proposed budget for the upcoming year

2006-2007 It was Seconded, Discussion and Approved. The Formal budget will be voted at the Fall Conference.

**Planning Committee: – P/C Carl E. Sorensen, AP** (no formal report delivered at this session)

**Officer Training: - P/D/C Joseph Balbo, AP** (no formal report delivered at this session)

**Educational Fund: - Lt/C Joan M. Tucker, S** (no formal report delivered at this session)

D/C Bill Delahunty cover the topic briefly, One dollar per member per Squadron.

District 4 is quite successful in attaining 100% in the past years lets do again.

**Flag and Etiquette: -D/Lt Michael Fabrizi, SN** (no formal report delivered at this session)

**Law Officers: -** New Jersey P/C William W. Farrar, SN (no formal report delivered at this session)

New York D/Lt Danforth W. Rogers, N (no formal report delivered at this session)

**Merit Mark Committee:** - P/R/C Jean Ruckdeschel, AP  
P/D/C D Drummond read Jean report

**Ad Hoc Committees:**

**Travel Coordinator:** - P/C Maureen E. Maresca-Laurentino, AP (no formal report delivered at this session)

**District/4 Yearbook Committee:** D/Lt Harry Wagner, AP (no formal report delivered at this session)

**Manuals Committee:** - Vacant

**Radio Technology Committee:** P/D/C Carlton E. Lee, Jr., AP (no formal report delivered at this session)

**Home Security-** D/Lt Joseph Miciak, AP (no formal report delivered at this session)

**Voluntary-Emergency Medical Alert Program:** Cdr. Ted Wallace, P. / Frank J. Spera, AP

(no formal report delivered at this session)

Committees Reporting to the Executive Officer: - D/Lt/C Harold Oslick, JN

**Governing Board 2006 NYC Ad Hoc Committee:** V. Aquilato, J. Drummond

**Boat Show** – D/Lt Robert Damato, S ( NJ )  
D/Lt Grant Hobson, N ( NY )

**2005 NJ Boat Show Raritan NJ September SHOW DATES Friday 30<sup>th</sup> –  
Sunday October 2<sup>nd</sup>.**

**Times Fri 1330-2130 ,Sat 1000-2130, Sun 1000-1800**

**Robert Damato, S Phone and e-mail Address [RDABenserv@aol.com](mailto:RDABenserv@aol.com) or 1-732-390-5772**

**Cooperative Charting Committee** – P/D/C Joseph Balbo, AP (no formal report delivered at this session)

**District Liaison Committee** - P/C/C Raymond A. Finley, SN (no formal report delivered at this session)

**Legislative Officers:** - New Jersey Don Baker, JN. (no formal report delivered at this session)

New York P/C Dorothy Sutter, JN (no formal report delivered at this session)

**Squadron Development:** P/C Andy Dileo, S ( Barnegat Bay) (no formal report delivered at this session)

**Photographer:** - D/Lt Trisha Bolt, P (no formal report delivered at this session)

**Public Relations** - P/R/C Kenneth Bolt, SN (no formal report delivered at this session)

**Newspaper Advertising-** D/Lt Don Baker, JN  
FALL COURESES AND TIME ,LOCATION

**Safety Committee** - D/Lt Harry Wagner, AP Short report

**Vessel Safety Check Program** – D/Lt Harry Wagner, AP Short report

**Marketing Committee** - P/R/C Robert Green, N Short report

**Committees Reporting to the Educational Officer:** - D/Lt/C Florence E. Smith, SN

**Committees Reporting to the Administrative Officer:** - D/Lt/C Joseph M. Krupp, Jr. AP

**District Membership Committee** - D/Lt Marie Hughes, P

**Spring Governing Board “Power of One” awards**

Lackawanna Anthony Pisano Jacket Award Mailed to winner with letter of thanks for a job well done.

New York Gregg Manjorin Cap Award Mailed to winner with letter of thanks for a job well done.

**National Administrative Officer V/C C. C. Maynard Jr., SN May, June, July 2005**

The following Squadron Member will be awarded the “Power of One Pin”

For their efforts in having a new member join the United States Power Squadrons

Barnegat  
Bronx  
City Island  
Lackawanna  
Lake Hopatcong  
Liberty Harbor  
Long Valley  
New York  
Northern NJ  
North River  
Oritani  
Palisades  
Raritan  
Saddle River  
Shrewsbury  
Staten Island  
Somerset  
Watchung

Wentworth Weaver, William Hirschfeld

Marvin Lipper, Kim Lobach

Burt Glaubinger  
James Bauer, Robert Coolican

Norman Condit, Donald Verteramo, Joseph Lombardi

Joseph Costa, Anna Wasko, Robert Barth

Theodore Wallace, Don Young, Julius Jackson, Harold Oslick, Robert Fox

**Youth Activities**- Vacant

**Operations Training** - D/Lt Joan Mullin, SN (no formal report delivered at this session)

**Memorial Service Committee** – P/R/C Kenneth Bolt, SN (no formal report delivered at this session)

**Boating Activities** - D/Lt S. Robert Phillips, SN (no formal report delivered at this session)

D/Lt Ronnie S. Phillips, SN

**Harvey Collins Award: P/D/C Jane Sorensen, AP** (no formal report delivered at this session)

**Charles H. Leach Memorial Trophy: J.R. Baeche, SN** (no formal report delivered at this session)

**Member Involvement** - D/Lt Marie Hughes, P (no formal report delivered at this session)

P/C Maureen E. Maresca-Laurentino, AP  
D/Lt Donna Grykien

**Port Captain** - D/Lt Carolyn C. Markham, P (no formal report delivered at this session)

**Meetings** - D/Lt Vincene A. Aquilato, S short report

**Meetings Publications** - D/Lt Vincene A. Aquilato, S short report

**Committees Reporting to the Secretary:** D/Lt/C Richard Zucchi, AP

**Computer Systems** - D/Lt Bruce Borkowski, JN (no formal report delivered at this session)

**District Directory** - D/Lt Gregory F. Boyle, P (no formal report delivered at this session)

**The Ensign Correspondent** - D/Lt W. Hunt Weaver, AP (no formal report delivered at this session)

**District Historian** - P/C Barbara Mandarano, JN (no formal report delivered at this session)

**News Journal:** D/Lt Robert Rosselot, AP (no formal report delivered at this session)

**Personnel Committee** - D/Lt/C Joseph M. Krupp, Jr. AP (no formal report delivered at this session)

**Publications** - P/C Thomas Yeager, AP (no formal report delivered at this session)

**Committees Reporting to the Treasurer:** D/Lt/C Kathleen E. Bisogno, AP

**Ships Store** - D/Lt Mary E. Davis, AP (no formal report delivered at this session)

**USPS Insurance Liaison** - New Jersey D/Lt Anthony Russo, AP (no formal report delivered at this session)

New York D/Lt Joseph Siragusa, S (no formal report delivered at this session)

**Member Benefits** – D/Lt Robert Peirone, AP (no formal report delivered at this session)

**Property Committee** - D/Lt Joseph Reid (no formal report delivered at this session)

**Unfinished Business:**

**New Business:** None

**Communications:**

Letter of Resignation filed with the Secretary. See Nominating Committee report above.

**7 Commander Reports to the Executive Officer: - D/Lt/C Harold Oslick, JN**  
**Commanders** - **Barnegat Bay:**( )Cdr. Charles Flum, AP; ( ) Cdr. Edmund Donovan, JN;  
**City Island:** ( )Cdr. Marie Millilo, AP; **Lackawanna:** ( )Cdr. Anthony Pisano, AP;  
**Lake Hopatcong:**( ) Cdr. Lisa Hirschfield, S; **Liberty Harbor:**( )Cdr. Paul Sheganoski, P; **Long Valley:** ( )Cdr. Prima Morales Cameron ; **New York:** ( )Cdr. Rusi Patell, SN Cdr.; **North River:** ( )Cdr. Robert Hodgson, AP. ; **Northern New Jersey:**( )Cdr. John McAdams, JN; **Oritani:** ( )Cdr. Thomas Smith, AP; **Palisades:** ( ) Cdr. William Stephens, P ; **Raritan Bay:** ( )Cdr. Donald Cook, P ; **Saddle River:** ( )Cdr. Joan Mullin, SN; **Shrewsbury:** ( ) Cdr. Alfred Rosamilla, P; **Somerset:** ( )Cdr. Peter Wasko, P; **Staten Island:** ( )Cdr. Louis Gloria, AP; **Watchung:** ( ) Cdr. Theodore Wallace, S.

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**Miscellaneous Announcement:**

Fall Governing Board Portland Oregon

Please forward your Squadrons Proxy to Cdr Delahunty if you are unable to attend.

There will be a Commanders cocktail party in Portland all District 4 members are welcome

**Motion to Adjourn**

The meeting concluded at with a motion to adjourn, moved, seconded, and approved.

**District/4 Meeting**

D/4 Secretary

Report of: District 4 Membership Committee

By: D/Lt Marie L. Hughes, P, Chair

Date: August 31, 2005

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I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate all the D/4 Power of One winners. Thirteen out of 18 squadrons are represented. The complete list of winners is on the website, and many were recognized at the Spring Governing Board.

Recently, I sent an email to all squadron commanders asking for feedback on the Membership Guide that your District Membership Committee prepared and distributed to all eighteen squadrons at the Spring conference in March. I'm disappointed to tell you that I only received three responses. Information was also emailed regarding the Youth Poster Contest for 2005. Five squadrons responded about the Poster contest saying they were not submitting anything. The contest is over for this year.

Mid-August I forwarded to all squadron commanders information about the National Safe Boating Council's Youth program Award, - sponsored by West Marine. I have put a copy of the first page from the website about this in the commander's folders that gives a bit of information about it so you can go to the website for the particulars. I will say that if a squadron considers entering this contest, it would be a big commitment, but in my opinion the rewards would be great. It certainly would be a very positive way to promote member involvement – for families and for children. I recommend that you at least go to the website to learn more about it.

I urge you to go to the USPS Membership Committee website for many good ideas and information that you can use. Also the Newsletter published by the National Administrative Dept. has many good articles/ideas, etc regarding membership, member involvement, member benefits, etc. In short, as a lot of you must already know, the USPS website has a great deal of information that could be extremely useful to the squadrons.

I have also included in the cdrs folder recruiting ideas and tips from the National Membership Committee. In it are listed great member involvement projects taken right from the 2005 entries to the Membership Involvement Retention Awards (MIRA) Program (the new name for the MICA contest).

In conclusion, I can only quote that very old saying “You can lead a horse to water but you can't make him drink”. The Membership Committee – on all levels in the organization- works very hard to help the squadrons with recruiting and retaining members by supplying loads of information with ideas, suggestions, plans, actual “roadmaps”. It is up to the individuals what they do with it.

Last- I ask again – please let me know as soon as possible if you or other members of your squadron have any comments and/or additions, suggestions for our Guide. We are working on the next chapter for the fall conference to present to you in November.

*Marie L. Hughes*

**Educational Officer's Activity Report - D/Lt/C Florence E. Smith, SN**

6/1- 4 Spring Governing Board  
Leadership Meeting  
Closed DEO Meeting  
Open Educational Department Meeting

Additional activities throughout period of 5/5 – 8/30:

- ✓ Reviewed materials received from National concerning:
  - ✓ Open and Closed Exam orders
  - ✓ Boating course completions
- ✓ Coordinated District 4 Chapman Excellence in Teaching nominee selection
- ✓ Submitted District 4 “Chapman Excellence in Teaching” nomination
- ✓ Preliminary planning for Fall Conference
- ✓ Distributed information from Spring Governing Board to SEOs

**Report of the District Education Officer  
D/Lt/C Florence E. Smith, SN**

The summer is almost at an end and your planning for the fall courses should be well underway. Next week, many of us will be on our way to the Fall Governing Board in Portland, Oregon. Based on some of the information from the Spring Governing Board, I look forward to some exciting news, including the release of the ‘Fishing Seminar’ CD. Developed to be used at the Boater’s World fishing seminars, it can also be used for short – ‘Here’s why you need safe boating education’ seminars.

Copies of my report are in the commander’s folders and an electronic copy will be sent to the SEOs in the morning.

***GPS Seminar***

New copies of the GPS Seminar have been provided to each squadron through your SEO. I encourage you to find innovative ways to use this seminar for both your members and for your boating course students. Remember that this program was specifically designed for use with non-member audiences. Combined with the, for lack of a better name, Fishing Seminar, it can be a one-two punch to get your fellow boaters interested in a boating course and USPS. The companion text, *GPS for Mariners* is available from

Headquarters for less than the retail price. Look in the 'Nautical Bookstore' section of the Squadron materials catalog of the item number.

### ***New Jersey Questions***

The New Jersey state exam questions have been updated and sent out to each squadron through the SEO. Please be sure that these questions are the ones used beginning with your fall courses.

### ***ABC***

ABC has been approved for New Jersey – FOR CLASSROOM USE ONLY. There is a CD available through Headquarters that contains classroom version of the information provided to students with the manual.

### ***Conference Preparations:***

The conference preparations are well underway and the conference flyers should be in your hands in short order. The district course chairs have taken up the gauntlet to provide interesting and most importantly informative workshops. The listing of their workshop topics is included in the conference flyer and I have put a flyer in each commander's folder. I ask that you please get the word out to all of your members of what we will be doing at the conference. I am sure that you will be able to get some new people out to the conference this time.

### ***Chapman Excellence in Teaching Award District nomination***

This year there were only 5 nominations this year, which means that 13 squadrons chose not to recognize their best instructor. That's a missed opportunity to reward and honor the members of your educational department who freely give their time to educate the boating public or their fellow members; perhaps you took a course from someone who fits the bill.

Once again, however, the selection was difficult and we do have a winner. You'll have to come to the conference to find out who it is. Our nomination has been forwarded to national for consideration in the national competition. Please begin your selection process for next year and don't wait until May to begin asking for feedback. Don't leave these important people out; let them know you appreciate their work.

***Accomplishments:*** Congratulations to the following for passing their respective exams with a score of 100%:

		A		
Scott	Jacobson	P	New York	AP closed book
		A		
Salvatore	Scotti	P	City Island	Engine Maintenance
		A	Lackawann	
Carl	Smith	P	a	Junior Navigation Open Book
			Saddle	
Bryan	Babbitz	S	River	Marine Electronics
Joseph	Grimley	S	Shrewsbury	Seamanship 101 and Seamanship 102
Leonard	Steiner	S	Shrewsbury	Seamanship 101 and Seamanship 102
	Morales-		Long	
Prima	Cameron	S	Valley	Seamanship 102
			Long	
David	Paulussen	S	Valley	Seamanship 102
Diana	Caliendo	S	Shrewsbury	Seamanship 102
Nicholas	Caliendo	S	Shrewsbury	Seamanship 102
Edmund	Donovan	JN	Bronx	Weather
Jack	Grumet	P	Bronx	Weather
		A		
George	Izquierdo	P	Bronx	Weather
Julio	Miranda	S	Bronx	Weather

### ***Statistically Speaking***

It's bad news once again – across the board.

#### **Boating Course**

As of 14 July, District 4 has taught slightly more than half of the boating course students as compared to last year. This is in total and for each version of the public courses, the Squadron Boating Course, Boat Smart, and ABC. While the trend nationwide was also a decline, it was significantly less, at 18%. This trend is of concern to each and every member of every squadron. This decline translates to:

- ✓ Lost income to the squadron, as well as the district and the national organization; leading to future dues increases.
- ✓ Fewer new members to involve in all aspects of squadron life, including potential bridge officers.
- ✓ Fewer eligible members for Advanced and Elective grade courses.
- ✓ Perhaps most importantly, we are not reaching the new and inexperienced boaters who need safe boating education to make our waters safer for everyone.

Get Creative! Seek out new venues for your boating courses. A new fishing seminar, designed for presentation at the Boater's World fishing seminars, will be released at the upcoming governing board meetings. It also has a 'generic' version that can easily be tailored to less fishing specific audiences. Copies of the CD will be distributed when I return.

On the other hand, based on percentage of total members:

- ✓ Raritan Bay ranked 9<sup>th</sup> nationwide with their 5 JN students.
- ✓ North River was 4<sup>th</sup> with 12 Engine Maintenance students,
- ✓ Staten Island had 3 new Educational Achievement awardees, which ranks them 5<sup>th</sup>
- ✓ District 4 was 3<sup>rd</sup> in Junior Navigators
- ✓ District 4 was 6<sup>rd</sup> in Educational Achievement awardees

### **Advanced and Elective Grades**

Declines everywhere, pretty much and while I am very disappointed with these results, I have seen some improvement in some squadrons. From the statistical reports I received, it is not possible to identify where classes were held versus where a squadron's members passed courses (regardless of where it was taken). Overall the number of courses presented is down, as is the total number of students taught.

### ***Educational Department***

The next District 4 Educational Department meeting will be 12 October, at San Carlo's. Squadron Educational Officers, Assistant SEOs, and district course chairs are strongly urged to attend. At that meeting, we will be discussing the news from the Governing Board meeting. Please encourage and urge your SEO or Assistant SEO (or both) to attend this important meeting.

The Educational Department meetings are open to any one who wishes to attend. Notices are sent specifically to each squadron's SEO and A/SEO, as well as district course chairs. If you would like to attend, send me an email and I will see that you receive the information.

Thank you,

Respectfully Submitted,  
D/Lt/C/ Florence E. Smith, SN



Treasurer's Report  
31 August 2005

**As of 08/31/05**

USPS Reserve	\$20,000.00
Money Market	\$17,293.64
Checking Account	\$ 2959.69

05/05/2005-08/31/2005

Income	\$8680.22
Expenses	\$2780.27

Educational Department - \$230.66  
Cdr. National Meetings - 388.94  
Cdr. Expenses - \$1660.67  
D/4 Directory - \$250.00  
Yearbook - \$250.00

Total:	\$5899.95
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Outstanding Bills:

There are no outstanding bills.

## 4 Council Meeting August 31, 2005

### Safety Committee

The deadline for all district safety reports is still October 1, 2005. We have been awarded the National Safety Award for the past two years and I would like to make it three. I placed Safety Reports in the Commanders folders at the last meeting we had. I have E-mailed the Safety Reports to the Commanders last month. To date I have received only the Bronx Squadron and the City Island Squadrons reports. Please fill out the ones that I handed out tonight and return them to me before you leave as I must get them to National by October 1, 2005. Every Safety Committee Chairman I know I know has had problem chasing the Squadron Safety Officer for these simple reports. Please Please get them to me be tonight.

### Vessel Safety Check

The Vessel Safety Check program has not reached the number we had in 2004. I have given out over 500 decals in addition to the ones National sent to each Squadron. We only have 416 as of this date. Only six Squadrons have returned forms to me. Twelve Squadrons have not although I know for a fact that they have done many inspections. We can not get credit for inspections unless National records the inspections. The Squadrons that lead the pack are Raritan Bay with 162, Barnegat Bay with 125 and Shrewsbury with 59. Shrewsbury would have 121 but the Vessel Safety Check Committee Chairman transferred to Pompano Beach and I can not count his. Individual leaders are Edward Wetmore of Barnegat Bay with 51 and Catherine Early of Raritan Bay with 102. I implore all

Budget 2004-2005

3/1/2004 Through 2/28/2005

Category Description	<b>3/1/2004 - 2/28/2005</b>			2006-2007
	Actual	Budget	Difference	Budget
<b>INCOME</b>				
1-Squadron Assessments	10,471.50		91.50	10,470.00
		10,380.00		
		0		
2-Investment Income	257.29	632.00	(374.71)	250.00
3-Ship's Store	1,440.00	278.00	1,162.00	1,400.00
3.1 Cost of Goods Sold		-		(1,050.00)
	(1,071.90)		(1,071.90)	
TOTAL 3-Ship's Store	368.10	278.00	90.10	350.00
4-USPS	-	-	-	
4.1-Distribution	50.00	65.00	(15.00)	50.00
4.3 FUSA Card Program	-	-	-	-
TOTAL 4-USPS	50.00	65.00	(15.00)	50.00
5-D-4 Reserve	258.10	-	258.10	-
7 Co Op Advertising	-	-	-	-
8 Interest - Bank Account	30.92	87.00	(56.08)	30.00
8.0 Interest - Bank Account	57.98	-	57.98	60.00
9 Fund Raisers	-	300.00	(300.00)	
9.1 Auctions	755.00	-	755.00	650.00
9.2 Year Book	2,190.00	-	2,190.00	2,100.00
9.3 Miscellaneous	1,069.83	-	1,069.83	250.00
TOTAL 9 Fund Raisers	4,014.83	300.00	3,714.83	3,000.00
TOTAL INCOME	15,508.72		3,766.72	14,210.00
		11,742.00		
		0		

EXPENSES

1.0-Commander	-	-	-	
1.1-Cdr's Expenses	3,527.88		272.12	3,800.00
		3,800.00		
1.2-Officers Training	-	25.00	25.00	25.00
1.3-National Meetings	1,233.19		16.81	1,250.00
		1,250.00		
TOTAL 1.0-Commander	4,761.07		313.93	5,075.00
		5,075.00		
1.4 Past Year Commander Expense	708.48	-	(708.48)	700.00
2.0-Executive Dept.	-	-	-	
2.1-Executive Officer	50.00	50.00	-	50.00
2.2-Boat Show	200.00	200.00	-	200.00
2.3-Co-Op Charting	-	-	-	20.00
2.4-Safety	-	-	-	100.00
2.5-PR Committee	55.01	50.00	(5.01)	60.00
2.6-Photography	150.00	150.00	-	250.00
2.8 VSC Postage	55.58	-	(55.58)	60.00
TOTAL 2.0-Executive Dept.	510.59	450.00	(60.59)	740.00
3.0-Education Dept.	-	-	-	
3.1-Educational Officer	574.95	450.00	(124.95)	600.00
3.2-Teaching Aids	150.00	150.00	-	150.00
3.3-National Meetings	600.00	600.00	-	600.00
3.4-District Meetings	-	-	-	100.00
TOTAL 3.0-Education Dept.	1,324.95		(124.95)	1,450.00
		1,200.00		
4.0-Administrative Dept.	-	-	-	
4.01-Administrative Officer	26.82	100.00	73.18	50.00
4.02-Memorial service	466.02	500.00	33.98	800.00
4.03-Leach Trophy	-	25.00	25.00	25.00
4.04-Trophies and Awards	24.20	300.00	275.80	300.00
4.05-Meet - Comm Other	-	-	-	-
4.06-Membership Involvement	-	-	-	-
4.07-Boating Activities	(60.77)	-	60.77	-
4.08-Membership	-	-	-	-
4.09-Operations Training	-	-	-	-
4.10-Inter-District rendezvous	-	-	-	-
TOTAL 4.0-Administrative Dept.	456.27	925.00	468.73	1,175.00
5.0-Secretary's Dept.	-	-	-	
5.1-Secretary	-	-	-	50.00
5.2-Directory	1,686.50		13.50	1,000.00
		1,700.00		
5.3-Printing	1,090.84		409.16	1,200.00
		1,500.00		
5.4-Mailing	142.71	400.00	257.29	200.00

5.5-Supplies	-	25.00	25.00	25.00
5.6-Other	-	-	-	-
TOTAL 5.0-Secretary's Dept.	2,920.05		704.95	2,475.00
		3,625.00		
6.0-Treasurer's Dept.	-	-	-	-
6.1-Treasurer	70.00	70.00	-	70.00
6.2-Budget Committee	-	-	-	-
6.3 Ship's store	-	-	-	-
TOTAL 6.0-Treasurer's Dept.	70.00	70.00	-	70.00
7.0-Miscellaneous	85.00	397.00	312.00	
7.1 D-4 Flag	-	-	-	25.00
7.2 Misc Exp	876.16	-	(876.16)	800.00
7.3 Special Expense to be Reimbursed	-	-	-	-
7.4 Fall Conference Expenses	1,175.22	-		1,100.00
			(1,175.22)	
7.5 Spring Conference Expenses	600.00	-	(600.00)	600.00
TOTAL 7.0-Miscellaneous	2,736.38	397.00		2,525.00
			(2,339.38)	
TOTAL EXPENSES	13,487.79			14,210.00
		11,742.00	(1,745.79)	
		0		
OVERALL TOTAL	2,020.93	-	2,020.93	-