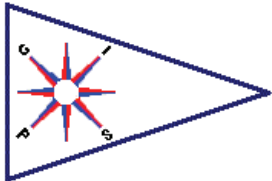




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FEBRUARY 2008



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Commander Edwin R. Schwenk, SN

I am proud to be your Commander for 2008. Is this déjà vu or what? It was just twenty-five short years ago when I first served as Commander of GIPS.

All service organizations are embarking on lean times. We need to turn this around to keep our squadron strong and healthy.

I know as GIPS members we all have full schedules

and are short of available time to devote to the worthy causes of boating education and safety.

My plan for the year is to accomplish necessary work by mutually sharing the burden. Many hands make for lightening the load. Sharing common goals brings out the best in people and the product.

If you have time or a talent you are will-

ing to share please contact me, or a fellow bridge member. We are always willing to assist and mentor fellow members.

The friendships you will make with fellow squadron members are priceless, for everything else - there's Mastercard.

Yours in boating education and safety,

Cdr. Edwin R. Schwenk, SN

Commanders Message - Heather McHugh, AP

GROW our squadron!!!

Thank you everyone for the Gift card for Borders. I will definitely enjoy purchasing books for children. I have a

whole list of them. Thank you to everyone for letting me serve our squadron this past year. I will take on the duty of planning get together for the

summer. If you have any special places you like to go let me know ASAP so I can get them scheduled. -

REMEMBER To help defer costs of the mailing

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Commanders Message - Heather McHugh, AP

of a monthly

Scuttlebutt we are asking anyone with an email to send it to Janet (see below) so that you can receive it via email. As costs for paper,

stamps and printing increase so will the mailing so PLEASE help. -If you have anything to put in the Scuttlebutt make sure EDITOR Janet Coursey has it via

email no later than the 15th of the month. Her email address is jcoursey07@comcast.net.

Yours in boating

Education Report P/C Mick Mastal, SN

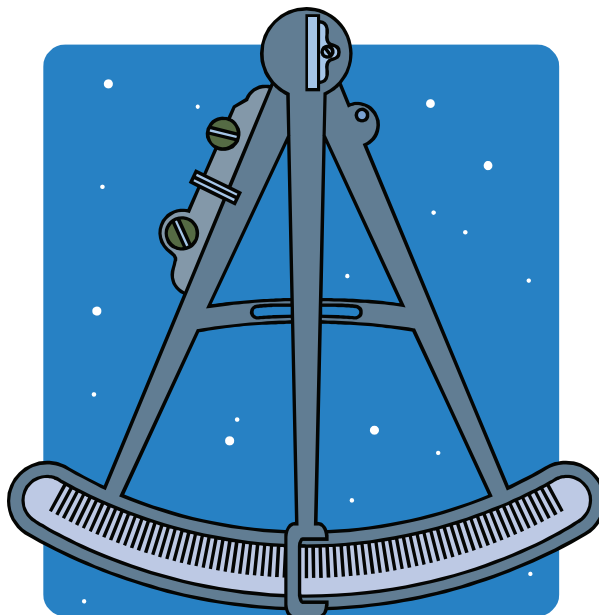
Engine Maintenance and JN are moving right along. We are planning to have a Cruise Planning course this spring. Cruise Planning is a class that is required in the Boating Operator certification program so if you are planning on being certified this is a class you should plan on taking.

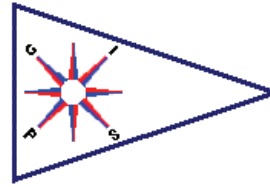
We are starting to set up Boating Classes for the spring and will need instructors for these classes. If interested give me a call.

At November's general meeting we held an On Deck Weather Seminar with Don Coursey as instructor. Don did a fantastic job informing us about what to look for while on the water. Thanks again for a job well done Don!

Mick

For our JN students information: A day is defined as 86,400 seconds, and a second is officially defined as 9,192,631,770 oscillations of a cesium-133 atom in an atomic clock.





CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR 2008

07 FEBRUARY - Executive Meeting, 1930, at St. Thomas Lutheran Church

14 FEBRUARY - General Meeting (Auction) at Mr. Nick's. 1800 Social Hour, 1830 order dinner from a limited menu. A short meeting and Silent Auction will follow. Purchase a new item worth at least \$10, gift-wrap it and bring it to the auction.

NOTE: change of date from the third Thursday to the second Thursday of the month.

06 MARCH – Executive Meeting, 1930, at St. Thomas Lutheran Church

13 MARCH – General Meeting and Past Commander's Night at Baldo's Restaurant. 1800 Social Hour, 1830 order dinner from the menu. A short meeting and Roast of No-Commander Heather McHugh will follow.

NOTE: This is a date change from the third Thursday (Maundy Thursday) to the second Thursday of the month.

03 APRIL – Executive Meeting, 1930, at St. Thomas Lutheran Church

04-06 APRIL – D/9 Spring Conference – Troy Marriott.

17 APRIL – Blessing of the Fleet at St. Thomas Lutheran Church. Service begins at 1830, followed by a Pot Luck dinner at 1900 in the fellowship hall. Bring a dish to pass and your own dishes and silverware.

01 MAY – Executive Meeting, 1930, at St. Thomas Lutheran Church

?? MAY – General Meeting -TBD. Tentatively GIYC if available. Dearborn Power Squadron will have a flare pistol demonstration at FYC on the third Thursday.

05 JUNE – Executive Meeting – Bus trip to Duffy's. Passport requirement.

21 JUNE – Tentatively scheduled for "Merit Mark Picnic" at Lake Erie Metropark. Please bring a dish to pass.

24-27 JULY – St. Clair Shores Venetian Festival Rendezvous

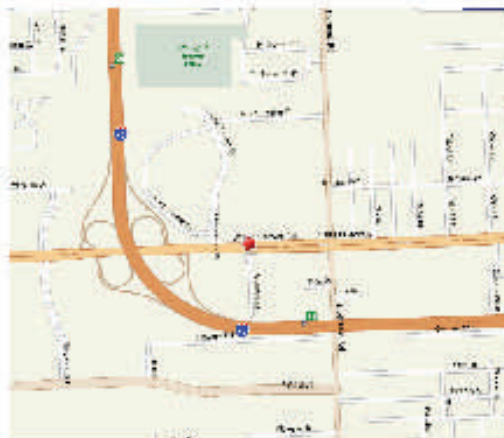
25-27 July—Tri-Squadron Rendezvous at Maumee Bay State Park

07 AUGUST – (Tentative) Executive Meeting, 1930, at St. Thomas Lutheran Church.



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