



Cornfield Sailor



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Mark your Calendar.....

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| 7 Nov | Member Meeting |
| 11-13 Nov | D24 Fall Conf. |
| 5 Dec | Member Meeting |
| 9 Dec | Christmas Gala |
| 2 Jan | Member Meeting |
| 4-8 Jan | USPS Ann. Meeting |
| 4 Feb | Founders' Day |



2005-2006 Bridge.....

- Cdr Louis F. Chenette, SN
Commander
- Lt/C Russell G. Wahlers, P
Executive Officer
- Lt/C Robert A. Lampi, AP
Education Officer
- Lt/C George D. Herrington, N
Administrative Officer
- Lt/C Philip J. Slates, S
Secretary
- Lt/C. R. Thomas Foreman, AP
Treasurer

Commander's Notes

Mariners' Steak Fry! We need times like this! Good company. Great steaks and chicken, grilled to perfection by P/C Bill McDonald, AP, who will soon be our District 24 Commander. A relaxed and comfortable evening with no big agenda to enjoy with HPS friends and guests. And along the way, \$111 raised to help pay the costs of the D24 Change of Watch which HPS is hosting in March. The Mariners' Steak Fry was a great success. Special thanks to L/C George and Linda Herrington for hosting this special event and to all who helped them.



And we give special thanks, also, to the Indianapolis Sailing Club for the use of their fine facilities and to Ed Spengeman, AP, who is a member of both the HPS and the Sailing Club and was our sponsor for this event. Mark your calendar NOW, second Thursday in October, for the 2006 Mariners' Steak Fry.

LET'S GET BETTER ACQUAINTED with the Indianapolis Sailing Club, the Indianapolis Yacht Club, Eagle Creek Sailing Club, White River Yacht Club, the Coast Guard Auxiliary, and such sister organizations with whom we have much in common. And with a new "not-for-profit" recently formed in Indianapolis called *The Indianapolis Sailing Foundation*. The congeniality of the ISC people in helping us arrange for the Steak Fry to be held again in their facilities reminded me how important this is, and I'm pleased to report that we will learn more about their history and what they do at one of our coming monthly meetings.

We've had a highly positive response to our new PowerPoint show which has been assembled by P/C Charles Hamm, AP, and we already have leads on a couple of places to present it. Should you be part of a professional group, church group, club, or circle of friends that you think might be interested in this entertaining half hour program, please let Charlie or me know about it.

Happy Holidays!

Louis F. Chenette, SN
Commander

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Ohio River Boat Trip....

September 24th, 2005 six Hoosiers and one member from Dayton Power Squadron spent the day on the river. We departed Smugglers' Cove and ventured up river to Rising Sun, Indiana. The crew docked at the Rising Sun public dock and walked into town for an excellent Mexican Dinner! We then boarded *Aqua Therapy* for the 20-mile trip back to Smugglers' Cove.



On the trip back we encountered a runabout that was aground. The crew attempted to free this vessel, but due to water depth we were unable to get the job done! Offers of transportation were made to the stranded vessel's owners, but the offers were refused. *Aqua Therapy* returned to her slip where everyone reminisced about the trip. Ultimately, everyone went their own way very relaxed and excited about the day on the water!

Look for a similar trip again next year! Who knows? Maybe we will lock through and go down river next year!

Lt. Mike Underwood
HPS Boating Activities Chairman

Rollin' on the River....



Pictured above, those attending included Bob and Sharon Lampi, Annie Scardino (Dayton PS), Neville Edenborough, Joan McCarthy, Mike (not pictured) and Kathy Underwood, Skipper and First Mate (Admiral).

Christmas Gala at Governor's Residence

Be sure to mark your calendar for 9 December for the annual HPS Christmas Gala! Thanks to the planning of P/D/C Guy E. Waddy, JN this year's event will be held at the governor's residence on North Meridian here in Indianapolis. Please refer to the back page of this *Cornfield Sailor* issue for complete details.

While the final arrangements for the Christmas Gala are being made, there are a couple important issues to remember. HPS is not allowed to handle any money transactions on the property at the Christmas Gala. Therefore, all items (meal and bar beverages) need to be paid for in advance. Guy will be selling tickets for meals and the different types of bar beverages starting with the 7 November Members' and ExComm meeting. Those wishing to attend the Gala but unable to purchase tickets at November's meeting can make reservations and send their monies to Guy in advance via U.S. Mail. He will then have these prepaid tickets available to pick up at the Christmas Gala.



Aside from the restriction on handling cash at the Governor's residence, please note that this is a non-smoking State property. Further, Homeland Security prohibits picture taking on the premises. Guy is trying to have this last policy relaxed and will notify our membership if successful.

This year's Christmas Gala promises to be an exceptionally memorable event not only because of the location, but also owing to a great menu planned for us and entertainment to be provided by the Lawrence North Chamber Choir.

Please see details for the upcoming Christmas Gala on the back of this issue, and remember that you **MUST** make reservations and pay in advance by either purchasing tickets at the November meeting or contacting P/D/C Guy Waddy directly. Details will also be posted on the squadron website.



**HAPPY
HOLIDAYS
FROM HOOSIER
POWER SQUADRON!**



Roger Upton Video Award.....

Thanks to the computer wizardry and digital editing work of Lt/C Ron Gacsko, AP Hoosier PS received the second place Roger Upton Video Award at this year's national USPS meeting. The video produced by Ron covers various aspects of boat trailering safety. Commander Lou Chenette is pictured below accepting the award for Ron and HPS from District 24 Commander Jack E. Banister, AP. This video will be useful in covering the fine points of small boat trailering in future HPS safe boating classes. Congratulations, Ron!



Lost and Found.....

Found! A very nice Revere Ware pie server was left at the HPS Mariners' Steak Fry held in October at the Indianapolis Sailing Club. Lt Emily Chenette, AP has it and is eager to get it back to its owner. If it's yours, please give Emily a call. (Pie not included.)

January '06 Cornfield Sailor.....

The next issue of *Cornfield Sailor* is scheduled for January. Please send any material for this issue to the editor, Lt/C Russ Wahlers, P either via email rgwahlers@comcast.net, US Mail 2501 W. Sacramento Dr., Muncie, IN 47303, or phone (765) 747-5946.

For Sale.....

HPS currently has several items for sale on eBay including three sextants and a radio direction finder. These items are recent gifts to HPS for the purpose of raising funds to help defray the cost of hosting the District 24 2006 Change of Watch next March. Our own D/Lt/C Bill McDonald, AP will be installed as D24 Commander at COW on 17 March 2006. Items for sale are listed on eBay with a closing date of 20 November. Here is your chance to get a good sextant at a bargain price! Place your bid on eBay prior to the closing date. The items for sale include:



- (1) Davis Model Mark 24 Master Sextant in like new condition. An excellent plastic sextant.
- (2) U.S. Navy.BU.NAV., Mark II Sextant by Davis White of Milwaukee in wooden case, N. 5841. This is a top quality standard sextant with metal body and high quality optics.
- (3) Davis Model Mark III Standard Sextant. This is a good serviceable plastic sextant.
- (4) Bendix Navigator 500 Radio Direction Finder - Serial No. 10922. Item would be of interest to navigators and collectors. Unit is not functioning, but its vintage tube electronics should be easily repairable.

HPS Boat Show Booth....

The upcoming Indianapolis Boat, Sport, and Travel Show is set for the weekends of 17-19 and 24-26 February 2006. We will again have an information booth at this year's show, and volunteer HPS members are needed! P/C Joseph Niesse, Jr., JN and P/Lt/C Norman Ottinger, SN



will be coordinating the booth schedule. Please call Joe (255-1989) or Norm (547-0867) to sign up for a time to help staff our booth. This is a great USPS member recruiting event and one of our squadron's most effective ways to introduce HPS to the boating public. Thanks!

