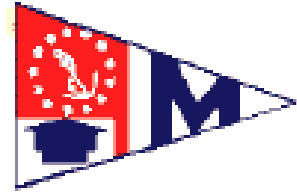




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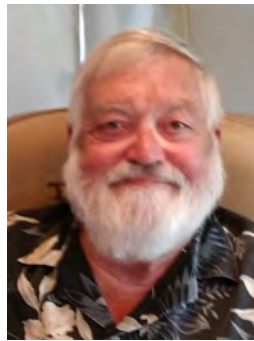
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From the Wheelhouse

Cdr Jay Wells, AP



Hello from the bridge. Summer seems to have sped away quickly. It seems just yesterday we were talking about readying our boats for launch, and now it is almost time to begin talking about winterizing for storage.

The older I get, the faster time seems to slip away.

Along with fall heading this way, it is also time to think about fall classes. We all hope to be able to have a more normal education season. We are planning to have our usual ABC classes this year, and I hope we can have a good attendance. Safe boating is a very important part of what we do, and our safe boating classes are the best way to educate new boaters. Take note of our SEO's report for class schedules.

Also inform our SEO Denise Tenison if you might be interested in an advanced course or an elective course, so she can schedule a class and find an instructor for what ever class you may have an interest in taking. There are many good classes available, so please take advantage of them.

By the time you read this, Mansfield Power Squadron will have a new home. As most of you may know, the Red Cross building we have been a part of for many years has been sold. We are in the process of moving into new quarters at the Elks Club, who have graciously offered us a new home. Beginning in September, all of our meetings, classes and other activities will take place in our new facility at the Elks Building. We certainly appreciate the offer for a new home, and look forward to continue doing all our normal activities from this new home. Thank you to the Elks for this generous offer.

I hope you all have a good rest of the summer season, and enjoy as much as you can of what is left. Come join us at a meeting or social event as much as you can. It would great to see you in person again. Be safe. See you soon.

Cdr. Jay Wells AP

2021-2022 Bridge

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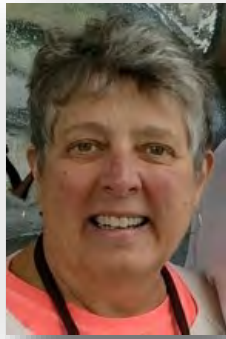
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Past and Upcoming

Summer activities on and near the water have been happening with MPS. The weather for the Sunday afternoon of jazz, friends and wine happened in spite of severe weather the morning of the event. Members which we haven't seen at other events surprised us and we enjoyed the afternoon together. A few of our members went to the D/7 Rendezvous at Middle Bass Island, some by their own boats and others by ferry. After a long hiatus of not gathering, it was a good time to see many friends from other squadrons. Lastly, this month we found geodetic markers! This time in the area of Lexington and Ontario. Together a total of 16 marks were found by two teams of four members each. A special thank you goes out to Jim and Bobbye Jackson for organizing this activity and to national geodetic marker award winners, Tom and Joanne Hancock for their help in making the day successful. Lunch at the Greek Restaurant on Lexington-Springmill Road topped off the marker search.

Upcoming events for September and October are:

Wednesday, September 22 was the date that I needed to know a confirmed number of participants for the Madrigal Feast at Ashland University. This event has been held for 44 years, but last year was canceled because of covid. Normally, there is a "feast" of foods that would have been served during the Renaissance period accompanied by a musical theatre production held between food courses. It is a family affair and kicks off the holiday season with delightful music. At this time, I do not know the cost of the evening, dates or even if it will be happening. What I would ask is if you are interested, please let me know by September 22 so that I can update you with information. RSVP also for the Kelley's Island Scavenger Hunt on Saturday, October 16. Plan to leave from the ferry dock in Marblehead about 1000. We will share the cost of golf carts and travel the island to find specific markers/locations- some old and some new. An early dinner will be held and confirmed by the participants the day of the event. Due to the cost and time involved with planning for this outing please confirm that you will be coming by calling 419 975 9724 by Wednesday, September 22.

Thursday, September 23 is the date reserved for our Fall Equinox Picnic. We will meet at the North Pavilion of Seltzer Park at 1700 for our Social Hour.

You will need to bring a covered dish to share, your table service, and beverage. Dinner will begin at approximately 1800. Hot dogs will be provided. Bring your best summer memory to share also. RSVP to 419 975 9724 by Wednesday, September 22.

October 8-10, 2021 is the date for the first District Penta Conference. This conference will include five districts that are geographically close to the Kalahari Resort in Sandusky. Classes will be taught by district leaders from all five squadrons. During the weekend, you will have the opportunity to see and hear how other squadrons are meeting the needs of their members. Remember too that with each room night that is booked, participants will receive four free passes to the water park at Kalahari! It's a great bargain for those considering sharing the event with their children or grandchildren that enjoy a waterpark. See the attached flier for more information.

October 16, 2021 is the date reserved for the Kelley's Island Scavenger Hunt leaving Marblehead Ferry Dock at approximately 1000. Dinner to follow the hunt.

MANSFIELD POWER SQUADRON

We've moved!

Join your fellow members at our first meeting at our new location.

Refreshments will be served to celebrate the occasion.

*Elks Lodge, Park Avenue West,
Mansfield*

14 September 2021, 6:30

Parking and entrance is on the second level on the west side of the building. There are no steps.

See you there!

From the Safety Officer

P/C Daniel Fortman, SN

ENGINE CUT-OFF SWITCHES

On April 1, 2021, a new federal law went into effect that requires the operator of a boat with an installed Engine Cut-Off Switch (ECOS) to use the ECOS link. The link is usually a coiled bungee cord lanyard clipped onto the operator's person, Personal Floatation Device or clothing and the other end attached to the cut-off switch, but there are plenty of variations on the market, including electronic wireless devices. The law applies to all "Navigable Waters of the US".

When an operator is wearing a link while underway, the engine will cut-off if the operator is separated from the operating area, an occurrence that can happen if the operator is ejected from the vessel or falls within the vessel. The shutdown of the engine is essential for safety reasons. If the operator is ejected from the vessel, the shutdown may prevent the operator from impacting the vessel's spinning propeller, and may aid the operator in safely returning to the drifting vessel.

The law applies to "Covered Recreational vessels" which means a motorized boat with 3 or more horsepower that is less than 26 feet in length.



Why to wear your Engine Cut-off Switch link?

A typical three-blade propeller running at 3200 rpm can inflict 160 impacts in one second so it is critical that you are aware of what is going on around you. Be aware:

- People in the water may not be visible from the helm
- Account for passengers before starting the engine
- Inform passengers about propeller hazard areas
- Be alert in congested areas and near swimming zones
- Take extra precaution around towed watersports
- Never permit riding on the bow, gunwale, transom, seatbacks, or other locations where an occupant could fall overboard
- Children should be watched at all times. It only takes a second to fall overboard
- You would childproof your home so think about childproofing your boat
- Establish rules for swim platform use, boarding ladders and seating
- If someone falls overboard, stop the boat; once clear begin recovery procedures
- Warning: Never put your boat in reverse to pick someone up out of the water. Always circle around going forward while keeping the person in the water visible to the boat operator at all times.

Yours in safe boating,

P/C Dan Fortman, SN

Ahoy MPS members!

You may order your own **Mansfield Power Squadron polo shirt** (like the one in the photo). They make nice gifts as well. The cost (with tax included) comes to \$26.75 each. Just let me know the following information: Ladies or Mens, size (S, M, L, XL, XXL...), your name, how to best reach you (phone/email). It may take 3-4 weeks for your shirt(s) to arrive, and for the work to be completed. When they are ready I will let you know and you may pick them up and pay (cash or check) for them at:



Richland Embroidery Services
3666 Park Ave. W
Ontario, OH 44862
(right next to the Ontario Post Office)

Hours: **Tues.-Fri.** 10-5

419-528-3228-3226 or Sue@richlandemb.com

If you prefer a different style of shirt, or color, you will need to go into the shop and look at what is available. The same emblem can be embroidered onto whatever you like!

Please contact me to order or with any questions!

Denise Tenison 419-975-9724

From the Education Officer

Lt/C Denise Tenison, SN



On the Move!

As you have heard, the Mansfield Power Squadron has been busy with relocating; leaving the Red Cross building on the square of downtown Mansfield. The move was a good opportunity to take a look at things from the past which have been in storage for quite sometime. It was a little bit of a history lesson as we delved into dusty boxes and among items once used and then cast aside and forgotten.

It was an archaeological dig dating back farther and farther. The dig, traveling back through time, was reminiscent of different times and different ways of doing things. There were pictures of former MPS members who contributed and left their imprint on the squadron and on others, as they joyfully shared their knowledge and wisdom. There was evidence of hours that were spent on promoting boating knowledge, skills, and safety. A most worthwhile endeavor to all those involved. Good people, with good hearts, and good minds. People who enjoyed boating, having fun together, and working toward a common goal. People who worked hard....

Fast forward....

Some things stay the same.... The time to return to classes has arrived as school takes up session. That means America's Boating Course (ABC) will be starting, and it is time to ask ourselves what it is we would like to learn next in the way of boating, navigational skills, and safety. With that in mind, let me know if there is a course or seminar you would like to pursue to further your knowledge and skills. Contact me by calling 419-975-9724 with requests.

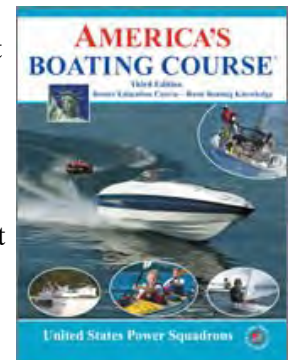
Take advantage of the excellent days for boating in September and October. Enjoy all the good things late summer and fall on the water have to offer, from sunrise to sunset and everything in between. It is generally less crowded as fall approaches, days are cool and crisp, the leaves put on a show, birds are on the move, and there is fall fishing. Visit your favorite places. Just remember to continue fueling up before you go, keep an eye on the weather, double-check your radio, and file a float plan...among other things.

Have a Fun
and Safe
Fall!



Public Boating Courses Offered!

The America's Boating Course (ABC) will be taught by a representative of the Mansfield Power Squadron this fall and upcoming spring. The course meets the State of Ohio boating education requirement needed to obtain an operator's certificate.



The classes will be held at Madison Comprehensive High School, 600 Esley Lane. Register through the Madison Adult Career Center by calling **419.589.6363**.

Fall class runs: 10/6/21 - 12/15/21 Wed. 7-9 pm

Spring class runs: 3/1/22 - 5/10/22 Tues. 7-9 pm

Please pass the information on!

The Mansfield Yachtsman is published every other month.

The editor reserves the right to edit any articles submitted for size, clarity, spelling and grammar. The editor also reserves the right to omit any submitted article due to space limitations.

Please submit articles either as a Word document or in the body of an E-mail.

Send your articles and pictures to Irene Rodriguez at rodriguezri@artistirene.com

Deadline for the Yachtsman articles is the 15th of Dec, Feb., Apr., Jun., Aug., Oct.



**PENTA 5 Districts 7, 9, 11, 24, and 29
2021 Fall Conference October 8-10, 2021**

Registration for PENTA Fall Conference at Kalahari Resort, Sandusky, OH
Conference registration form and payment must be received by **September 24, 2021**.

Certificate Number	Rank	First Name	Last Name	Grade	Squadron

Address _____ City, _____ State _____ Zip _____

Telephone _____ Email _____

Telephone _____ Email _____

Is this your first conference? Yes No

Conference Fee	\$85 includes Ice Breaker, Lunch and Dinner <i>Required for each person</i>
Ice Breaker	Friday Night 1900-2100 w/ Appetizers - CASH BAR
Conference Attendees	Saturday Lunch w/ Speaker 1200-1300
Barbecue Menu: Mixed Greens/Ranch & Italian Dressing, Southern Style Potato Salad, Green Bean Casserole, Baked Beans, BBQ Roasted Chicken Breast & Thighs, Low and Slow Pulled Pork, Variety of BBQ sauces, Cheddar Skillet Cornbread. # _____	
Vegetarian – Baby Kale and Romaine Salad with Bleu Cheese, Walnuts, Roasted Apples, and Cider Vinaigrette. # _____	
SPECIAL DIETARY NEEDS Please explain:	
Saturday PENTA Celebration Dinner 1800-2100	
Choose One Entrée for each person by checking that Entrée.	
All entrées served w/ Field Greens w/ Garden Vegetables, Radishes, and Citrus Herb Vinaigrette.	
➤ Stuffed Herb Chicken Breast w/ Boursin Cheese, Sun Dried Tomato Stuffing, Garlic Whipped Potatoes, Asparagus. # _____	
➤ Pan Seared Salmon w/ Carrot Puree, Roasted Apple, green Onion, Roasted Carrot. # _____	
➤ Chianti Braised Beef Short Ribs w/ Creamy Polenta, Roasted Baby Carrots, Spinach Gremolata, Green Beans. # _____	
➤ Vegetarian & Gluten Friendly: Cauliflower Steak w/ Sun Dried Tomato, Olives, Arugula, Quinoa Hash. # _____	
SPECIAL DIETARY NEEDS Please explain:	

Total Amount Due _____

Make check payable to **District 29 – USPS** and mail payment with form to:

Larry Cole
5004 W Albain Rd,
Monroe, MI 48161

Questions - please contact: Larry Cole at boater734@chartermi.net Remember the conference registration form and payment must be received by **September 24, 2021**. No refunds will be issued after this date.



PENTA 5 Districts 7, 9, 11, 24, and 29 2021 Fall Conference October 8-10, 2021

Remember, room reservations must be made by September 8, 2021 to secure special discounted rates. Two ways to make Kalahari Resort Sandusky reservations: A dedicated website is available to book your rooms.

Booking Website: <https://book.passkey.com/e/50026206>. OR you may call Kalahari Resort – Sandusky. 419-433-7270. Please use Booking ID #34265 to receive the special rate. Room rate: \$139.00/night + taxes. Additional Nights 10/7/2021 & 10/10/2021 @ \$119.00 + taxes, no resort fee.



“COASTIE THE TUGBOAT” is coming to Kalahari.

Registration for Children’s Sunday Education Program (no charge) October 10, 2021

This program is most enjoyable for children **ages 4-6**, but older children are welcome. Coastie will meet with children ages 4-6 from 1000-1030 (Session 1) and then meet with children ages 7-9 from 1045-1115 (Session 2).

Families who have children in both age groups can choose to attend the first session at 1000. Parent(s), older sibling or grandparent must accompany the child.

Please fill out child's name, age and preferred session. Age is important since the program will be tailored to the age of the children in attendance. **There is a limit of 25 children per session.**

Name: _____ Age _____
Special Issues or concerns: _____ Session _____

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Name: _____ Age _____
Special Issues or concerns: _____ Session _____

Will an older sibling accompany the child? Y N Name: _____
Responsible Adult _____ Cell Phone # _____
District _____ Squadron _____

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