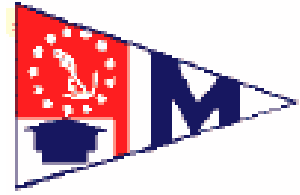




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July/August

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From the Wheelhouse

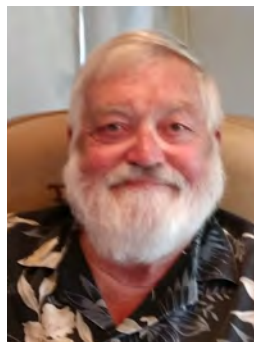
Cdr Jay Wells, AP

I hope you are all having a good summer. It has been an interesting spring with the changeable weather conditions.

It appears that things may change for the better in the future. We will look forward to seeing you at the D7 rendezvous, and we are holding a day trip for those of who no longer have a boat, but would like to do a day trip.

We have two and maybe three boats that are planning a trip to Huron for the day, leaving Mazuric boat launch ramp at 10:00 on the 21st of July weather permitting. We are planning a bad weather date for the 28th of July, just in case mother nature messes us up. Let Lynn Fortman, Bob Pompei, or Jay Wells know if you are interested in going on this venture. My number is 419-651-2879. This is a short message, because I forgot about the date, and Irene is waiting for me so she can publish.

Hope to see you soon.



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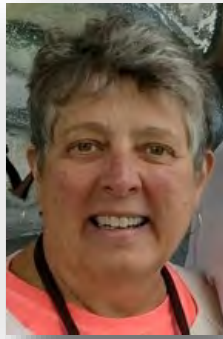
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If you didn't attend our Spring Education Cookout in May, you missed great food, fellowship and a chance to meet some of the recent graduates of the Spring ABC class. Thanks to Denise and Dennis Tenison for their help in getting the area ready to meet and greet our members and the games, complete with prizes, that Denise brought to add to the evening.

With summer now upon us, members were invited to Kingwood Center for Free First Monday. Georgi Mathews commented that she and her grandchildren actively enjoyed the flowers, walking paths, fountains and greenhouse as well as the mansion. No Zumba today but a great walk around Kingwood and fond memories for all that came. No prescribed events were planned, except to tour the gardens at your own pace and later in the day to possibly have dinner with other members. Just an FYI, this is an ongoing free event at Kingwood Center on the first Monday of the month.

Upcoming events:

REMINDER

NO MPS MEETING AT THE ELKS ON TUESDAY JULY 12 AS PER OUR BY-LAWS

15-17 July 2022 - District 7 Cruise

Hey boaters and golfers and geodetic marker hunters, this outing is for YOU! Yes, I said golfers because our current District Commander, Roger Hall and his cruise committee want to encourage all types of FUN at the D/7 Cruise this summer. Golf isn't the only waterless sport that is included. Tom and Joanne Hancock, our national and district geodetic marker gurus, have an outing on Saturday afternoon for those that are interested in applying their search skills with other D/7 members. You may also be pleased to learn that the district listened when suggestions were made to change the fee schedule to accommodate those that could only make one or two days of the weekend but still wanted to attend. The golf outing is an additional \$50 for 18 holes and a cart, however, you can plan to come, without the golf outing, at a set fee for either Friday (\$12/pizza on the dock), Saturday (\$30/catered dinner) or all three days with coffee/donuts on Sunday for \$45.00. Check out the attachments that will explain more about this exciting event.

21 July 2022 - Boat outing confirmed!

Avid MPS boater, Bob Pompei, has organized a group of members that are willing to give rides to Huron for the day. Currently, there are three boats going to Huron. The plan is to meet at Mazurik Boat Basin at 1000 on Thursday, July 21. If you are interested in getting a ride, please send an email to me at fortmanlynn@gmail.com by July 18 to confirm your spot. It's first come-first served and a reminder from this current "boatless" boater, gas is about \$6.30 a gallon on the water, so I'm sure any donation toward fuel would be appreciated.

11 August 2022 - It's Geodetic Marker Search Time!

Join the multiple marker search teams that have assembled for this event over the last few years under the direction of Jim and Bobbye Jackson and Tom and Joanne Hancock. Our national leaders provide us with specific spots that have yielded positive results and then they throw in a few extra challenges for fun! Jim and Bobbye know the Ashland area and provide insight into the changes that have come with new road designations and short cuts. There is always a welcome gathering at Buehler's parking lot at 1000 where we assemble before we divide into marker teams as well as a goodbye dinner for those that can stay. We will be deciding on dinner amongst all participants. We hope that you can join us for a fun day; it's also a great way to earn hours toward your Merit Mark!

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.

From the Education Officer

Lt/C Denise Tenison, SN

The Latest News

ABC

Twelve individuals completed the **America's Boating Course** on May 10, 2022. A special congratulations to new Mansfield Power Squadron members **Patricia Traylor** and **Ed Corley**! Please give them a big MPS welcome!

Annual Education Awards Picnic

The **Annual Education Awards Picnic** was held Tuesday, May 24th in Lexington at Picnic Area # 2 of Clearfork Reservoir. 21 adults attended; 19 members were present. Joining us to celebrate the completion of ABC were three students **Dre McCruter**, **Laura Lindsay**, and **Patricia Traylor**. It was wonderful to have them attending! They received USPS Awards of Completion. A Certificate of Appreciation was awarded to **Chan Stevens** (in absentia) for his many, many years instructing ABC!

Thank you Chan!

It was a pleasant evening with good weather, a few games of Bingo (with plants as prizes), great food, and nonstop conversation!

All Day ABC

An all day **America's Boating Course** was held on June 4th at Bay Point Yacht Club. The class was hosted by MPS and Bay Point. Six students completed the course.

Instructors were **Lynn Fortman**, **Dan Fortman**, **Garry Schoeder**, **Mike Siwek** and **Don Plotts**. Steve from ODNR was a presenter, Andi and Jim Lutz provided support, and Glenna Plotts prepared breakfast and ran to Subway for sandwiches at lunch. Thank you all for your time and hard work!

Paddle Smart Kayak Seminar

A **Paddle Smart Kayak Seminar** was held on June 20th by the MPS in cooperation with the Charles Mill Lake Park and Marina. Five attendees learned how to



select the right kayak for their needs and interests. They gained knowledge about safety and risks to watch out for, plus what equipment is necessary and what is optional. They learned how to enter, exit, and paddle a kayak among many other things. Thanks go to instructors **Dennis Figley** and **Mike Siwek**!



Fall & Winter ABC

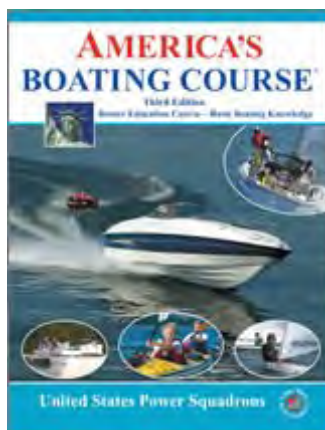
The **Fall ABC** class begins Wednesday, **September 14th** and the **Winter ABC** class begins Tuesday, **January 24th**, 2023 at the Madison Adult Career Center in Madison Comprehensive High School. Please let friends, relatives, or acquaintances know of these important dates so if they are interested in joining us they can work their schedules around these evenings and times!!!

Marine Navigation

We anticipate holding a **Marine Navigation** course (formerly known as Piloting) in the very near future. If you, or someone you know, is interested please let me know as soon as possible so you are included. Call **419-975-9724** and leave me a message. Thanks!

Welcome Summer!

Hope you are able to get out and enjoy all summer has to offer and join us at the MPS events whenever possible!



The class held on June 4 at Bay Point Yacht Club. Six students and six new confirmed boaters.

From the Safety Officer

P/C Daniel Fortman, SN

Here are the three changes this year that you need to know.

Fire Extinguishers:

As of April 20th, the USCG enacted a regulation allowing them to restrict the use of fire extinguishers having a 12 year expiration date from the date of manufacture. While the new regulation does not change the type, quantity or requirement for Coast Guard approved fire extinguishers aboard, it does specify the minimum classification of extinguishers to be carried aboard certain vessels- depending on the boat's model year. Vessels on the water today that are less than 26 feet and model year 2017 or older may continue to carry older, dated or undated, B-I or B-II disposable extinguishers. However, when they are no longer serviceable or have reached 12 years of age since manufacture, they must be replaced with newer class 5-B or greater extinguishers. Boats less than 26 feet and 2018 model year or newer must carry unexpired 5-B or 10-B or 20-B fire extinguishers. Having older B-I or B-II types do **not** meet the new carriage requirements.

Engine cutoff switch:

As of April of last year, boat operators have been required to use either helm or outboard lanyard or wireless engine cutoff switch on certain vessels less than 26 feet when travelling on plane or above displacement speed. These vessels include

- 1) boats that have a functioning engine cutoff device installed at the helm or on an outboard engine or have wireless ECOS, or
- 2) boats manufactured beginning January 2020. All boats manufactured January 2020 should have this feature installed at the factory prior to purchase. There are additional exceptions to this rule. These include when the helm of the vessel is in an enclosed cabin or the vessel is not operating on plane or at displacement speed.

Electronic visual distress signals:

Newer electronic visual distress signal devices are now approved to be used as a replacement for pyrotechnic flares for night vision signals. However, for daytime distress signal situations, you'll need to carry aboard an orange distress flag. Keep in mind that electronic visual distress signal devices require regular inspection and batteries that work.

P/C Dan Fortman SN, Safety Officer



What lighthouse is this?

(Answer: Found at end of Yachtsman - page 7)

Nautical Origins

Maroon = runaway slaves in the Spanish colonies of the Caribbean; Later, pirates setting unwanted men down on an inhospitable shore

Mate = two who eat together

Mess = Muddle, confusion; space where the men ate and slept

Miss the Boat = Miss the liberty boat back to the ship; miss opportunity

Now She's Talking = sound of the waves against the wooden hull of a sailing vessel moving quickly through the water

Off and On = sailing around waiting for daylight to enter a port. Repeatedly sailing towards shore, then back to sea.

On the Beach = Seaman without a ship or job; stranded ship is Beached; Beachcomber is a scrounger

Yachtsman Honoree for July August, 2022

P/V/C RODNEY M. ALLEN, SN

HOW ONE LOVE OPENED THE DOOR TO ANOTHER

P/V/C Rodney M. Allen, SN began a longtime relationship with the water as a child whose parents would often vacation in Maine. He had always wanted a boat and decided that while dating a young woman, Paula, that shared his love of the water, he would take a boating class with her. And so a long standing relationship began with Paula, the water and their first boat, an inflatable.

As every sailor knows, boats come and go depending upon the need and when the inflatable left, a 25' Lyman replaced it. Over time they decided to proceed deeper into boating and purchased a 16' Canadian Day Sailor. This served them well and taught them about the specifics of sailing until the kids came and their needs grew into a 25' East Wind. Sailing became a way of life and great fun and with their 30' CNC they competed in sail racing for years, often winning and often at night (a special challenge!)

When asked about his favorite teachers over the years, the first name he mentioned of course was Russ Niebel. There were many others that quickly came to mind including Ned and John Fort, and Chan Stevens. He fondly remembered spending time with Chris Reining on rendezvous and other outings. Many friends were there to offer support and advice as Rod's sailing skills developed.

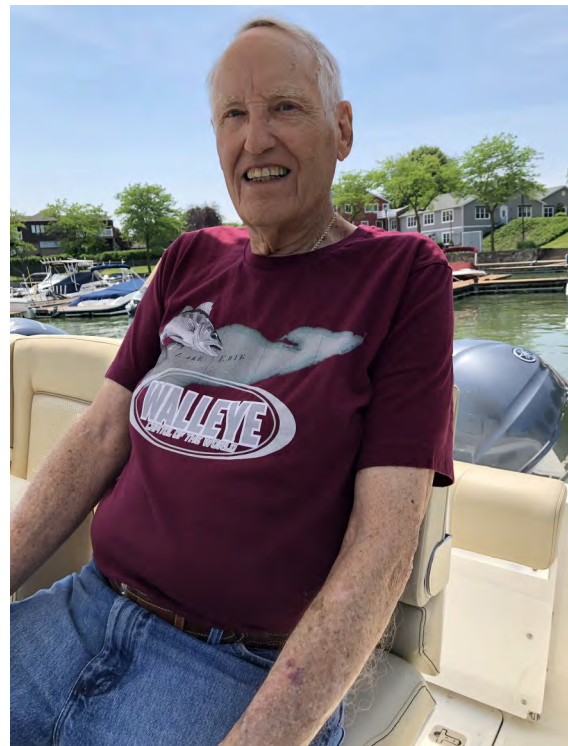
His contributions to the Mansfield Power Squadron and later on the District and National Bridge of USPS were considerable. He was the MPS Commander in 1976. He was our SEO for seven years moving on to DEO, Assistant NEO and ultimately NEO. As if this wasn't enough, he was also the editor of the Yachtsman for a time. Rod still assists with the Chapman Award evaluations and selections at the National Level. He was intimately involved with the filming of the movie that is used in the Sail Class as his boat was used and he participated in the production.

Rod's memories of sailing and racing were great fun to hear. With Paula at his side, they competed for years and had numerous good and an occasional bad experience. As most sailors know, you must navigate the best course with fickle wind, deal with competent as well as distracted "in love" crew members and nasty black flies that follow your boat incessantly when the wind dies. They did it all, very successfully and loved every moment.

Over time they added more inflatables, jet skis and now a 24' Pursuit. As he pointed out many times, "Paula was a terrific First Mate through it all. She could handle the boat as well as any crew member." Currently Rod helps Freedom Boat Club of Lorain, although they have lived in Huron for over a dozen years. He still has experience with boaters that need training or help and will assist them when possible. Especially when they lose power or get lost. Always a teacher!

One of the things that still bothers him most is the number of boaters that have no knowledge of navigation or the direction in which their boat is heading. Even the use of a compass seems to be a challenge for some. Working with the Freedom Boat organization allows him to do what he can to continue to educate and teach.

We want to thank P/V/C Rod Allen, SN for everything that he has done for the Mansfield Power Squadron and for all the benefits that those of us that came after him have received in our boating education. He continues to exemplify what being a member of the United States Power Squadron is all about, whether on the water or off. He has left big shoes for us to fill.



D7 Huron Rendezvous – July 15-17, 2022

District Commander Roger Hall, SN, invites you to our 2022 District 7 Rendezvous at the Huron Boat Basin, July 15-17. The theme is “South of the Border on the North Coast”, so grab your sombrero and get ready for FUN

“Early Birds” can arrive early on Thursday, July 14, and pay a flat dockage rate of \$30 for Thursday night. (The deal is also available for Sunday, if you want to stay an extra day).

Left: “Isobel” enters Huron Boat Basin, 2017 Right: Huron light, looking down river (North), 2018 Trailer Boats: Launch ramp across the river from Boat Basin. Long term parking, security cameras.

Detailed information on Facebook at <https://bit.ly/3kQBfGy> Or D7 website - <http://d7usps.org/index.php/activities/rendezvous>

Here’s the schedule:

- **Fri July 15** – Arrive Early – visit with your friends – 6:00 PM Pizza Party (Pavilion) – Party on the docks
- **Sat July 16** – 9:00 AM – Optional golf outing – you must provide your own transportation See https://d7usps.org/images/pdf/files/rendez/D7_Golf_Outting.pdf Contact Roger Hall – rlhall1@roadrunner.com or phone 330-425-9611.
 - 9:00 AM – Coffee and donuts at the docks (Pavilion in case of rain)
 - 10:00 AM – Coop Charting Poker run
 - 2:00 PM – Corn Hole Tournament (\$1 entry fee)
 - 5:00 PM – Happy hour / trivia contest (Pavilion)
 - 6:00 PM - Catered Dinner at Pavilion (set up 5:30) 2 entrees, 3 sides
 - Chicken breast, steak fajita
 - Vegetarian option
 - Corn/quinoa / rice
 - Prizes and Announcements
- 7:30 PM Boppin’ at the Basin with SandTown – a Professional 4 Piece Motown/Classics/Oldies Band <https://www.thesandtownband.com/media>
- **Sunday, 17 July** – 9:00 AM Coffee and Donuts at dock / pavilion; Farewell and a Safe Trip Home

Left: Dockage at Boat Basin Right: Pavilions at Huron Boat Basin

GROUP RATE AT RIVERS’S EDGE COMFORT INN – next door to marina

132 Main St, Huron, OH 44839, Phone: (419) 433-8000

Group Rates D7 - \$229 + tax/fees / night; Tell them you’re with District 7 USPS

Rendezvous Fee: Friday only: \$ 12.00; Saturday only: \$ 40.00; Weekend package: \$ 45.00; Golf Outing \$ 50.00

Reservations:

<http://d7usps.org/index.php/activities/rendezvous>

Reserve your dock - submit form on D7 website; DEADLINE JULY 1

Reserve your meals – print registration form and send with check; DEADLINE JULY 8

Contact: Contact Brian Logan, 330-864-2820, bats_wings@sbcglobal.net

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EVENT SCHEDULE **MANSFIELD POWER SQUADRON** **2022-2023**



2022

- July** No Executive/Membership Meeting as per MPS by-laws
 TBD Possible Boat Trip by members/for members; Bob Pompei is organizing
 15-17 D/7 Rendezvous to Huron Boat Basin (Reservations due to D/7 by July 8)
- August** 9 Executive/Membership Meeting at the Elks Lodge at 6:30
 TBD Midweek Geodetic Marker Search and lunch
- Sept.** TBD ABC Classes and Advanced Classes begin
 11-18 National Fall Governing Board Meeting at Raleigh, North Carolina
 13 Executive/Membership Meeting at Elks Lodge at 6:30
 22 Fall Equinox Party at Mansfield South Park; 1700 Social Hour. RSVP by Wed. Sept. 21.
- Oct.** 11 Executive/Membership Meeting at 6:30 at Mansfield Elks Lodge
 TBD Pumpkin Carving with friends or family at Kingwood Center- free
- Nov.** 8 Executive/Membership Meeting at 6:30 at Mansfield Elks Lodge; Salute to Veterans
 TBD Midweek Geodetic Marker Search and lunch
- Dec.** 4 Christmas Party at the Lexington Depot/ Membership Meeting at 4:00

2023

- Jan.** 11 Executive/Membership Meeting at 6:30 – Zoom Meeting
 TBD ABC and Spring Advanced Grade Classes Begin
 Boat Show West, Cleveland; Check D/7 Website to help
- Feb.** 8 Executive/Membership Meeting at 6:30 –Zoom Meeting
 18-26 National United States Power Squadron Annual Meeting
- March** 18 Executive Mtg at 4:00/ Annual Mtg at 5:00; Potluck Dinner at Lexington Depot.
 Social Hour begins when the Annual Mtg. is adjourned.
- April** 1 Executive/Membership Meeting at 6:30 at Mansfield Elks Lodge
 22 Change of Watch at The Cabin Restaurant

* Contact your Administrative Officer, Lynn Fortman, at **419.975.9724 for all RSVP requests**. If you are interested in a venue for a rendezvous/outing/dinner at another date/location, we can always add to our activities if there is interest from our membership.

** Members with email addresses will be reminded of upcoming events. If you do not have an email address and you have questions about an event, please call 419.975.9724 before to confirm time, location, etc.

Lighthouse = Key West

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