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As a USPS member you are welcome at any of these events hosted by other squadrons. If you need more information on a particular event call P/C Wayne Cardoza, AP, P/C Ellen Cardoza, AP or someone in the host squadron. Reservations may be required – particularly if food is involved. TRPS meetings at “The Arbors At Taunton” are open to all USPS members. Reports are given, committee results are acknowledged and ideas are discussed. The course of TRPS is determined at these meetings. “The Arbors At Taunton” is located at 763 County Street. The phone number is 508-824-4800. A social hour with refreshments follows the meeting. The Taunton River News is the quarterly newsletter of the Taunton River Sail & Power Squadron, Inc., District 14, a unit of United States Power Squadrons®. Articles and opinions in this newsletter do not necessarily reflect USPS policy or endorsement unless so designated.
Message from the Bridge

from the Commander

Greetings My Friends!

With the snow beginning to melt after the blizzard we can finally start looking forward to longer days, warmer weather and new beginnings. Speaking of new beginnings this is the time to start making plans for the spring and summer.

Our Annual Meeting and Change of Watch for 2013 will be held at the Arbors on 21 March with a deli buffet @ 1830 and meeting to follow @ 1930. Everyone is invited to attend. Please see further details in this newsletter. For those who are not familiar with a Change of Watch, it is a time when new officers for the bridge are elected to oversee the issues for the upcoming year. I would like to take this time to thank all my bridge officers of 2012 and the members for your support, help and jobs well done. Without you we would not be able to move ahead. Thank you for your time and efforts. It is appreciated very much.

We will start our spring 2013 ABC course in March. District 14 is planning to host a Vessel Examiner’s Class and Refresher on Saturday 27 April at the Rhode Island Yacht Club in Cranston, RI. Please watch the D14 website for further details. Our Annual Summer Cookout will be held in June. We will keep you updated.

So you can see, like spring, the power squadron is beginning a new season with many things beginning to happen. Please watch for upcoming events through your email or newsletter. I hope that as the days get longer and warmer that you will join us at our upcoming events. We will keep you posted. We would love to hear your ideas for this new season as well.

If you have any questions or if I can be of any help please contact me by phone 508-947-6317 or email me at trps54@verizon.net.

Spring……Live, Laugh and Have Fun!

Commander Ellen Cardoza, AP

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Message from the Educational Department

Congratulations to the students of the Sail Course. Great Job!

Amaral, Kenneth E.  Hickey, Thomas  Powell, Barbara (GBSPS)
Broadhurst, Charlene M.  Hood, Lloyd P. (Sandy)  Powell, Roger (GBSPS)
Broadhurst, Raymond A.  Mazzoleni, Michael  Wesley, Denise L.
Carlson, Bruce  Parsons Jr., Kenneth P.  Wesley, Kristopher
Carlson, Kristopher A.  Parsons, Nancy C.  White, Kathy

A big shout out to Rick Lewis, SN the instructor.........Thank you for all your work!

Piloting exam will be 2 April 2013 and the Seamanship exam will be 10 April 2013.

Message from the Executive Department

Vessel Safety Check

All TRSPS members are encouraged to have their vessels examined and proudly display the Vessel Safety Check decal. Give Lee Blackburn a call at 508-947-2119 or email at lcoonpond@aol.com to arrange one.

Message from the Administrative Department

CHANGE OF WATCH

COME JOIN US FOR THE ANNUAL MEETING AND CHANGE OF WATCH - 21 MARCH 2013

AT THE ARBORS, 763 COUNTY STREET, TAUNTON, MA
ROUTE 140
DELI BUFFET @1830 MEETING TO FOLLOW @1930

In memory of Fred J. Replenski, S. Fred was a USPS member for 29 years and earned 27 Merit Marks. He was a great help volunteering his time preparing the electronics, correcting homework and exams for all our boating courses. He passed away 9 December 2012. Our Deepest Sympathy to all his family and friends. He will always be in our thoughts
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Happy Spring!

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