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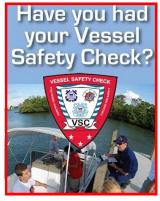


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#### **Coming Events 2014**

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10 May	White Horse Key Cruise and Picnic	1100	p. 10
13 May	Ladies Lunch at Red Rooster	1130	p. 09
14 May	<b>Executive Committee Meeting at MISPS Condo</b>	0900	
14 May	Captain's Meeting at CJ's [start 2nd Wed. of month]	1700	p. 04
24 May	Cruise & Lunch at Little Bar, Goodland	1200	p. 10
<b>28 May</b>	Captain's Meeting at CJ's at the Esplanade	1700	p. 04
10 Jun	Ladies Lunch at Philly Grill	1130	p. 09
11 Jun	<b>Executive Committee Meeting at MISPS Condo</b>	0900	
11 Jun	Captain's Meeting at CJ's at the Esplanade	1700	p. 04
14 Jun	Cape Romano Cruise & Picnic, BYOE	1100	p. 21
20 Jun	*Dinner* at Eurasia Restaurant in Naples	1800	p. 21
25 Jun	Captain's Meeting at CJ's at the Esplanade	1700	p. 04
08 Jul	Ladies Lunch at Doreen's Cup of Joe	1130	p. 09
09 Jul	Captain's Meeting at CJ's at the Esplanade	1700	p. 04
11 Jul	Lunch at the Sunset Grill	1200	p. 09
25 Jul	Coconut Island Cruise and Picnic. BYOE	1100	p. 10
30 Jul	Captain's Meeting at CJ's at the Esplanade	1700	p. 04
12 Aug	Ladies Lunch at The Brewery	1130	p. 09
13 Aug	Captain's Meeting at CJ's at the Esplanade	1700	p. 04
16 Aug	Cruise and Picnic at Goodland Park [BBQ]	1100	p. 09
23 Aug	Cruise and Raft-up at Keewaydin Island	1100	p. 09
27 Aug	Captain's Meeting at CJ's at the Esplanade	1700	p. 04



## The Eagle's Eye Editor P/C ANDREA BATTAGLIA, JN

Although I will be away for three weeks, please make sure articles are sent to me by the 15 June deadline.

I am excited to be going to Norway for the special 200th Anniversary of the Norwegian Parliament. The first President was my 4th great uncle Wilhelm F. K. Christie (4th great



grandfather also was in the Parliament). I will attend a Christie family event and visit other relatives.

I am designating squadron event chairs to take photos and write articles to submit. Others that participate in various venues are welcome to email photos to me also!

Happy boating!

## Cruise & picnic to Cape Romano 14 June 2014 ... see page 21





Captain's Meeting at CJ's on the Bay
2nd Wednesday
& Last Wednesday of the month!
Meet at CJ's gazebo bar at the Esplanade

at 1700

Call or Email:

Lt Peggy Harsch @ 394-3484 Email: pegnbill1@comcast.net

So she can reserve seats!







#### COMMANDER CARL W. THIEME, SN

The USPS District 22 Spring Conference was held in Tampa this year after many years in Sarasota. MISPS had nine delegates in attendance. Our Squadron received some very special awards. MISPS's Eagle's Eye took first place when all the District 22's eighteen squadrons



publications were judged using some demanding criteria. I want to congratulate Lt Tom Ryan, S and P/C Andy Battaglia, JN, who were the editors of the Eagle's Eye during this time period, for their outstanding contributions. MISPS also received the National Communications Committee Distinctive Communicator Award for 2013. Congratulations to Lt Cliff Winings, SN whose dedication to upgrading and changing our website and Facebook page was recognized by USPS by this performance award. MISPS also received the 2013 "Do It Right" award for dedication to USPS Goals and Mission. The whole squadron can be proud of these achievements.

One of the advantages of a District Meeting is that it provides a platform for the Commanders to discuss issues of importance to them and to exchange practical ideas on how other squadrons deal with common issues. The P/D/C George Musco, AP and our new D/C Myles Gee, SN thought this years commander's meeting was one of the best they ever attended. In about two hours, we were able to list the significant initiatives and successes various squadrons had in such areas as marketing, suggest new approaches to improve ABC course enrollment, fund raising ideas and innovative programs to improve membership involvement, participation and retention. Specific initiatives that were identified are being shared with our bridge and committee chairs. There was a shared consensus amongst all Commanders that USPS's marine liability coverage needs clarification ASAP. The key issue is what situations and who [members or non-member] will be included under marine liability insurance for scheduled squadron courses, on the water training programs, and the public ABC course.

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#### EXECUTIVE OFFICER LT/C PEGGY E. REISS, AP-IN

Hope everyone enjoyed their Easter/ Passover holidays with family and friends. To all our members heading up north, I wish you a safe journey and hurry back!

Marco is getting back to being the sleepy little island for the summer season. However, MISPS never rests!



There is always something to plan or do. Maybe some co-operative charting? Maybe a vessel safety check? Maybe an article on safety for the local newspapers for safe boating week? Maybe getting together at CJ's for twice monthly Captains Meetings? Lots to do plus getting out on the water for BYOE picnics and lunch cruises.

Speaking of VSC, we have examined over 132 boats so far, second in the District. Rudy Landwaard has led the group with over 25 and is 5th in District 22. The team has made a great many people more aware of boating safely in our waters. More checks will be done throughout the year so if you need one done or know of someone who does please let Lt Tom Ryan, P know.

Articles have continued to go to the local newspapers to keep the public aware of MISPS and safe boating. This week we had two articles in the Coastal Breeze. 18 April - 1 May 2014 edition. First one is by 1/Lt Kathleen Reynolds, P and is a half-page with pictures of a Vessel Safety Check; the second, is a half-page article submitted by Lt Doug Curnutte, P regarding boating safety and Carbon Monoxide (USPS article). In addition, there is a full page article with pictures about the Wine and Hors d'oeuvres Party fundraiser in the April issue of Marco magazine, club news section. "Eye on Marco" (email newsletter) lists our activities at CJ's with the invitation for anyone to stop by at our Captains Meetings and get to know us. This is a good opportunity for MISPS to encourage others to become involved.

Our fund raiser under the leadership of Lt Peggy Harsch is in the planning stages for next year. The date request to the San Marco Church has been submitted and we will know later in the month the firm date for it. Be sure to offer to lend a hand when Peggy calls you for assistance.

See you on the water!



#### ADMINISTRATIVE LT/C WILLIAM J. HUGHES, AP

Fourteen squadron members had a great trip to Key West aboard the Key West Express on Saturday, 12 April. Lt Peggy Harsch and I arranged the trip and obtained a group discount on the tickets. The high speed catamaran made the trip from Marco in about 3 hours. The boat can carry over 200



passengers but it was less than half full for this trip. We arrived in Key West before noon, walked along the boardwalk to a familiar restaurant and had an enjoyable lunch. After this break, the group scattered, some going to the Truman House, some to the Hemingway House, others for a ride on the Conch Train and two took their own tour on their bicycles. We all regrouped at 1630 for the return trip except for two members who stayed for a few days of snorkeling and a visit to the Dry Tortugas. (see pp. 12-13)

If a boat trip where someone else does the driving sounds appealing, let me know. I'm thinking about a river cruise down the Danube River from Budapest to Nuremberg with a stop in Vienna. If we plan ahead, we can obtain a group rate for the Spring or Summer in 2015.

Meanwhile, we have a "Bring Your Own Everything" Cruise Picnic at White Horse Key planned for Saturday 10 May. Contact Bryan Mordecai, AP to sign up. After this event, we have a Cruise Lunch to the Little Bar in Goodland. Let Cruise Captain P/C Tippy Cavanagh, SN know if you are coming by boat and Lt Peggy Harsch know if you are coming by boat or car so she can make the lunch reservation.

Beginning with May, we will hold our Captain's Meeting (open to everyone) on the second and last Wednesday each month through the summer. Be sure to reserve your spot call Lt Peggy Harsch.

In June, we have 2 more outings, a Cruise Picnic to Cape Romano to be held on 14 June with P/C Andrea Battaglia, JN as Cruise Captain and a BYOE format. On 20 June, by popular demand, we will have dinner at Eurasia (p. 21). The restaurant is at St. Andrew's Square on Rt 41 and they have a 'Summer Special' menu that includes a bottle of wine per couple. Once again, make your reservation with Peggy Harsch.

There will be no membership dinner meetings until October. Have a good summer!



#### EDUCATION OFFICER P/C EDWARD H. REISS, SN-IN

Learning is a never ending series of events. Do you remember RED RIGHT RETURNING? How about just the opposite – GREEN RIGHT RETURNING? That is the European convention. How about kilometers per hour instead of knots? Would you like the speed to be 25 or 13? 25



km/hr = 13.5 knots! Can you cope with six to ten knot currents? Great in one direction but harder to calculate expected time of arrival for a particular time during a specific day. Or how much anchor line do you use in ten feet of water with a six meter change in tides? Would you have enough? How about adding tons of water to the bilge to decrease your height to clear under a bridge? These were some of the facts I was exposed to during a recent trip. Learning in, my case, was more about the experience, but it opened my eyes to facts that are very dependent on your location in the world.

So what do you need to learn more about on Marco? A committee was formed to establish the education program for the rest of 2014 and the beginning of 2015. We would like to hear about what you would like the education program to provide. Are two-hour seminars of interest? On what topics? Are evening classes better or worse than daytime? Would short educational topic discussions be appropriate at monthly meetings? What months are better for scheduling classes? Were there any negative aspects of the previous programs (even if you do not know how to make a change)? Call or email me with your thoughts.

Several seminars where just completed – How to Use a Chart, How to Use a GPS, VHF Radio, Mariner's Compass and Anchoring. Piloting, Advanced Piloting and Junior Navigation are winding down. By the next issue of the Eagle's Eye we should have many graduates. My sincere thanks goes out to all the dedicated instructors who made the last season successful.

As the warm weather arrives and we use our boats more frequently let's continue to learn and be safe.



#### SAFETY OFFICER LT JACK WALSH, JN

#### **Boating education is critical**

There is a saying that applies to those who use statistics selectively (think politicians) that "figures don't lie but liars can figure". Here are some sobering statistics, not used selectively.



The 2012 Boating Accidents Statisti-

cal Report shows that the State of Florida continues to lead the nation with a total number of 901.969 registered vessels. The report reveals that there were a total of 704 reportable boating accidents and 55 boating related fatalities statewide. The leading cause of those fatalities (62%) was due to victims falling overboard and drowning. Many of these deaths could have been prevented if the victims had worn life jackets. The "Wear It Florida" campaign encourages boaters to wear life jackets when on the water and educates boaters about the benefits and convenience of inflatable life jackets. Florida's current boating safety education law only applies to boaters born on or after January 1, 1988. The statistics show that the boat operator most likely to be involved in a boating accident is a middle-age or older male who has boating experience yet because he was born before 1988, was not required to learn the most important safety considerations by taking a boating safety course. Somewhat surprisingly, 32% of all fatal accidents in 2012 involved vessels less than 12 feet in length, not surprisingly, alcohol or drug-use played a role in 11% of boating fatalities and 91% of the fatalities were males.

Nationwide in 2012, the Coast Guard counted 4515 accidents that involved 651 deaths, 3000 injuries and approximately \$38 million dollars of damage to property as a result of recreational boating accidents. The fatality rate was 5.4 deaths per 100,000 registered recreational vessels. Last year, 2013, the Coast Guard responded to 736 boating fatalities and 3,358 injuries on the water. The resulting hull damage totaled \$36 million. Seventy-one percent of all fatal boating accident victims drowned, and of those, almost eighty-five percent were not wearing a life jacket. Fourteen percent of deaths occurred on boats where the operator had received some boating safety instruction.

#### VSC Update - by Lt Tom Ryan, S

The Vessel Safety Check (VSC) team has been busy inspecting boats all over the Island. By mid April we had inspected over 130 boats. Forty of these are member boats. This represents a little over 50% of our fleet. We still have a lot of members who should have their boats inspected.

**Examiner of the Month** - Congratulations to Rudy Landwaard, JN. He inspected 25 boats last month. Rudy has been a member of MISPS since 2005. He has been part of the VSC team for over 5 years. Rudy and the rest of the team play an important role in keeping our waterways safe.

#### **MISPS—Certified Vessel Examiners:**

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Rudy Landwaard, JN	239-389-4444
P/C Steve Moore, S	239-642-3655
P/C Ted Reiss, SN-IN	239-213-8686





## ANAGER 2000

"Students" welcomed by D/C George Musco, AP



P/R/C Connie Beckman, SN - DB2000 Instructor

#### DB2000 Training Seminar 22 March 2014 Sarasota Squadron Building

Your bridge officers and appropriate members are interested in keeping up with the information technology necessary for a well-run squadron. On Saturday, 22 March 2014 Cdr Carl Thieme, SN, Lt/C Peggy Reiss, AP-IN (XO), Lt/C Bill Hughes, AP (AO), Lt/C Teri O'Connell, AP (Treas.), Lt/C Carol Einhart, AP (Sec.), Lt Peggy Harsch (W&M), P/C Ted Reiss, SN-IN (SEO) and P/C Andrea Battaglia, JN (Editor) attended the DB2000 Training session at the Sarasota Power & Sail Squadron Building in Sarasota.

We gathered for registration, coffee and donuts at 0930 and then began the course given by P/R/C Connie Beckman, SN. We learned an efficient way of sorting members names to help improve areas of interest. For example, sorting those who have taken Piloting to find those who might be interested in the next Advanced Pilot class.

Originally programmed by P/D/C Ken Guscott, SN, DB2000 was conceived by its design team to be a squadron management tool capable of handling all the record keeping and reporting requirements necessary in a squadron. Over the years, numerous changes and additions, plus enhancements have been made. Most recently it now supports Electronic Merit Mark processing and the filing of Historian reports.

#### D/22 Change of Watch - 5 April 2014



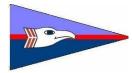
At Change of Watch in Tampa, District 22 Officers sworn in: Assistant Educational Officer, D/1/St Jack Purse, N, Assistant Secretary, D/1/Lt Carol Einhart, AP, Assistant Treasurer, D/1/Lt Barbara Edge, P & D/Cdr Myles Gee, SN



The DBN2000 was well attended with about 30-35 members from several squadrons.

Note: Our squadron secretary, Lt/C Carol Einhart, AP is also now the D/22 Assistant Secretary





## Marco Island Sail & Power Squadron Boating Activities



If you would like to participate in any of these trips, but don't have a boat, let the Cruise Captain know and the captain will try to work out a ride sharing agreement with another member.

\* or call Boating Activities Chair: Lt Rhonda McAuliffe-Gloodt, P at (402) 216-3326

Email: Rhondamarco@gmail.com

\*\* Call the Lunch Chair for reservations at the restaurants: Lt Peggy Harsch at 394-3484 or Email: pegnbill@comcast.net ... let Peggy reserve your seat at the table for lunch!

<b>Dates 2014</b>	Destination	Cruise Captain P	<u>hone</u>
10 May	White Horse Key Cruise & Picnic	Bryan Mordecai, AP	642-1006
24 May	Cruise/Lunch at Little Bar, Goodland**	P/C Tippy Cavanagh, SN	393-9158
14 June	Cape Romano Cruise & Picnic	P/C Andy Battaglia, JN	642-5721
25 July	Coconut Island Cruise & Picnic	Lt Roy Sander, P 314	4-550-0416
16 August	Cruise & BBQ Lunch at Goodland Park	Lt/C Bill Hughes, AP	394-3484
23 August	Keewaydin Island Cruise and Raft-up	P/C Tippy Cavanagh, SN	393-9158
20-23 Sept.	Legacy Harbor Birthday Cruise	P/C Lee Harkness, AP	642-3575
10 Oct.	Coon Key Cruise & Picnic	Lt Kathleen Reynolds, P	394-0459
22 Nov.	Cruise & Lunch at Everglades City** (optional overnight)	Lt Jim O'Connell, P	393-065
TBD Dec.	Raft-up for Boat Parade, Smokehouse Bay	TBA	
23 Jan. 2015	Cruise/Lunch at Old Marco Lodge, Goodland	Richard Kelso, P	970-0396
20 Feb. 2015	Cruise & Lunch at CJ's at the Esplanade**	Lt Roy Sander, P 31 roymsander@gmail.com	4-550-0416

#### "Hand & Foot" Card Game

Call 1/Lt Dorothy Harkness, S at 642-3575 Email: dorothyharkness@embarqmail.com



Easy to learn this fun game ... nice to play while on cruises. Socialize with the ladies of the squadron, give Dorothy a call! Cards at the condo dates will be on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays at 1300

## MISPS "Ladies Luncheon" 2nd Tuesday of the month at 1130 ...



Order off the menu and and each lady will be billed individually.

Call Lt Peggy Harsch at 394-3484 or email pegnbill1@comcast.net by the Friday, prior to the luncheon for reservations.

#### White Horse Key Cruise & Picnic - 10 May 2014

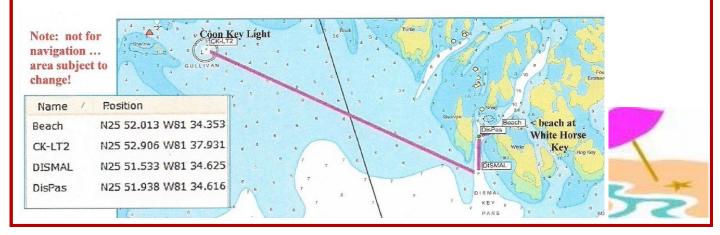
1100 to 1400 ... or stay longer, if you'd like

Contact: Bryan Mordecai, AP 642-1006

Let me know if you're going by boat and have room to take riders, those who need a ride call me!

Bring your own everything! Food, drink, sunscreen, hat, sunglasses, beach shoes, shade, friends, family, chairs, boat ...

If the weather is bad and we have to cancel, I will e-mail you before 0900 only if you have signed up by e-mail at <a href="mailto:bmordecai@comcast.net">bmordecai@comcast.net</a> - Bryan Mordecai</a>









Another great day here in paradise also known as Marco Island! Thirty members gathered at CJ's for a little libation and camaraderie and to catch up on the latest

news among members. JN instructor P/C Tippy Cavanagh, SN currently has 4 students; the three present Teri, Carol and Bill H. (pictured below) compared homework notes. Lunch Chair Lt Peggy Harsch passed around her events sign-up sheets. Peggy also got enough members for the Key West cruise to qualify for a good discount rate. Last year's W & M Chairs Lts Arnette Hawkins and Rudy Loffelmann relaxing after the successful event in Jan.!



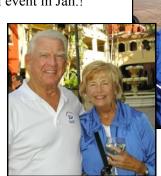
Lt/C Bill Hughes, AP and Lt Peggy Harsch



Eliza (bartender) and John Cavanagh doing finger "ears"; P/C Tippy Cavanagh, SN



P/Lt/C Chuck Wilson JN, P/Lt/C Mary Alice Wilson, JN, Lt Pam Sander, P, Lt Mary Kayhart and Bill Kayhart, P



Arlon and Joyce Sandbulte



Gloodt, P... our Boating **Activities Chair** 



Cdr Carl Thieme, SN, Lt Bob Mueller, S and Bryan Mordecai, AP



Lt/C Carol Einhart, AP, 1/Lt Kathleen Reynolds, P and Gerry Marks, P



Lts Arnette Hawkins and Rudy Loffelmann



P/C Steve Moore, S, Lt Roy Sander, P and Bob Marks, JN

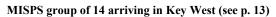


Lt/C Teri O'Connell, AP, Troy Miles, S, Lt Sheila Thieme, and Lt Jim O'Connell, P



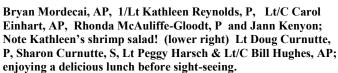
P/C Andrea Battaglia, JN and Anne Moore, S







Lt/C Teri O'Connell, AP and Lt Jim O'Connell, P on their bikes









Conch Harbor with the Key West Express in the background; Lt/C Carol Einhart, Jann Kenyon, and Sharon Curnutte, S

After a comfortable ride on the Key West Express from Marco, our group of 14 arrived in Key West in perfect weather. (top left photo p. 12) Lt/C Teri O'Connell, Lt Doug Curnutte, P, Sharon Curnutte, S, Bryan Mordecai, AP, Lt/C Bill Hughes, AP, P/C Andy Battaglia, JN, Lt Peggy Harsch, Jim O'Connell, P, Lt Jack Walsh, JN, Elizabeth Dane, Lt Rhonda McAuliffe-Gloodt, P, 1/Lt Kathleen Reynolds, P, Lt/C Carol Einhart, AP, and Jann Kenyon. While ten of us walked along the boardwalk for lunch at Alonzo's, Teri and Jim were off touring on their bikes. Before taking bikes on the boat, Jim thought the fee was \$3.40, but when Teri went to pay, she was surprised to find it was \$34.00! Jack Walsh has been to Key West many times, so he wanted to show his friend, first-timer Elizabeth, the Hemingway House, the Little White House and a few other places. Rhonda and Kathleen made their arrangements to return on Tue. They snorkeled near Key

West off a reef & the Dry Tortugas. Kathleen & Rhonda loved seeing fish, coral and even saw a 6-ft. bull shark.

Everyone had a fun time!



Bryan Mordecai, AP & P/C Andrea Battaglia, JN going to Little White House

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Doug Curnutte, P and Sharon Curnutte, S with Bryan Mordecai, AP



Doug and Bryan and 4 others "cheers" with water after a very warm, but wonderful day walking all around Key West



Photo by Sharon Curnutte

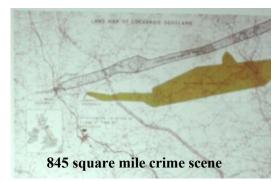
Doug, Bryan & Andy outside the historic Little White House; coffee table on south porch

2 photos above: Kathleen & Rhonda; Dry Tortugas boat (plane).

(above photos by Rhonda McAuliffe-Gloodt)



#### PAN AM 103 BOMBING INVESTIGATION



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Giving "Puzzle Piece" to the Aircraft Carrier Forrestal

#### PAN AM 103 BOBMING INVESTIGATION

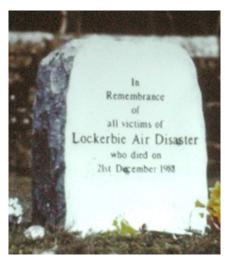
#### **Puzzle Piece debriefing:**

- Confirmed that Megrahi was an Libyan intelligence Officer
- He recalls seeing Semtex in Fhimah's desk at Malta (Luga) Airport
- He recalled the head of Libyan Intelligence inquiring about getting bag onto American or British plane from Malta in 1986
- He confirmed that he saw Megrahi and Fhimah at Malta Airport with other Libyans on December 20, 1988 circumventing Customs and Security while bringing in a brown hard-sided suitcase from Libya

#### 9 April 2014 Dinner Meeting

Sixty squadron members were privileged to attend the April meeting. D/22 awards were announced, delicious brisket of beef dinner enjoyed and the real treat was our fantastic speaker, MISPS member Phillip Reid. His topic explained step by step the painstaking work of the FBI, New Scotland Yard, and later the CIA in the investigation of Pan Am 103 which exploded over Lockerby, Scotland. 270 people died, 259 on the plane and 11 Lockerby citizens. It was surmised that if it had left on time, it would have blown up over the water, and gathering evidence would have been impossible. At first, they needed to determine that it was a bomb and terrorism. Traces of Semtex were found. At the time terrorism was mostly done by Palestinians, but no connection found here. A bottle of French wine was found unbroken and a baby shoe were a few of the things found. The picture of the baby shoe was framed in the FBI investigation office as an incentive to work diligently. Near the blown-up cargo crate, they found a piece of a t-shirt. That was traced to a store in the Island of Malta, the purchaser was a Libyan who bought clothes, baby clothes and an umbrella. Tiny pieces of a suitcase were found and determined to be a Samsonite bag; such a bag was loaded on a plane in Frankfurt. Evidence led to two suspects, Megrahi and Fhimah who were arrested and tried in the Netherlands; Megrahi convicted, Fhimah was somehow acquitted (Megrahi couldn't have done it alone). Squadron members were riveted to listening to Phil as he described this process. His service to our country is sincerely appreciated and we thank him for speaking at our well-attended meeting.





#### ... April dinner meeting ...



Phillip and Bernadette Reid with mementoes of his service - book signing for *Three Sisters Ponds* 



Cdr Carl Thieme, SN with speakers Bernadette and Phillip Reid; Phil is retired from FBI and now is a local author and our squadron member.



1st Prize for editors Lt Tom Ryan, S & P/C Andy B., JN



P/Lt/C Mary Alice Wilson, JN with Bob and Linnette Noffsinger



Lt Pam Sander, P and Lt Roy Sander, P



P/Lt/C Chuck Wilson, JN received the Educational Proficiency award



Doug Curnutte, P, P/C Lee Harkness, AP & Sharon Curnutte, S



Doris (friend of Dick) and P/C Dick Braun, P



Dr. Elizabeth Dane and Lt Jack Walsh, JN



P/Lt/C Joanne Foote, Marji and Charlie Gentry, JN



Lt Bob Mueller, S and Phyllis Mueller



Jann Kenyon, Mehdi Ressallat, and Lt Sheila Thieme



Jerry and Lori Williams with granddaughter Ariana from upper state NY



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#### D/22 Spring Conference 4-6 April 2014







(photos - clockwise) D/22 flag; First Place for Fort Myers **Publications Award; National** Distinctive Communicator Award for The Eagle's Eye; National Distinctive Communicator Award for the MISPS Website; "Doing It Right" Award; USPS Educational Fund; P/C Ted Reiss, SN-IN receiving award; Cdr Carl Thieme, SN (right) receiving award; Lt Peggy Harsch and Lt/C Bill Hughes, AP at dinner between a centerpiece; our group at the D/22 hospitality party: (L-R) Lt Peggy Harsch, Lt/C Peggy Reiss, AP-IN, P/C Ted Reiss, SN-IN, Lt/C Bill Hughes, AP, Lt/C Carol Einhart, AP, Lt/C Teri O'Connell, AP, (front) Lt Sheila Thieme, and P/C Andrea Battaglia, JN; (top photo back) Carl & Ted (front) Peggy, Carol and Teri.















Some of our D/22 delegates attended the Conference early to attend the Squadron Commanders meeting, Budget meeting, and later the Council Meeting. At five we all went to the hospitality party to mingle with other squadrons and learn some things they do. Dinner was really fun with musical skits from South Pacific arranged by Susan Parrish ... amusing costumes, especially the guys in wigs behind the screen with shower heads singing "I want to wash that man out of my hair"! Saturday we attended various roundtables and the Conference. evening was the Change of Watch, where our own Lt/C Carol Einhart, AP was sworn in as the D/22 Assistant Secretary.





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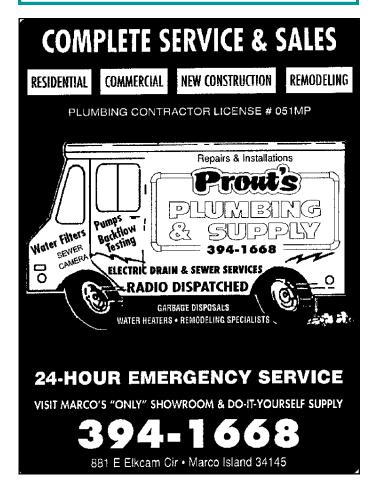
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#### **COMMANDER** (continued from page 4)

The Marco Island Charter High School is currently surveying their students to see how many have an interest in taking the public ABC boating course. Once the school knows the level of interest, Cdr Carl Thieme, SN and P/C Ted Reiss, SN-IN will sit down to work out a mutually agreeable plan and time table to offer the ABC course to eligible students, most likely over the summer months. I am personally excited by this outreach opportunity to teach safe boating to our high school students and hope this age group will become a permanent part of our educational programming in the future.

MISPS has been fortunate to have a significant level of savings over the years. Recommendations on how we should invest and manage these funds will be assigned to a new Investment Committee. I have appointed following members to serve on the committee, Lt Bill Kayhart, P, P/C Dick Rodgers, P and Lt/C Bill Hughes, AP. Their initial task is to recommend an investment philosophy and strategy for our "endowment" to the Executive Committee. I look forward to working with this committee to develop a framework for investment of MISPS's reserve funds.

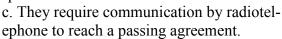
#### **SAFETY OFFICER** (continued from page 6)

Only nine percent of deaths occurred on vessels where the operator had received boating safety instruction from a NASBLA approved course. Keep in mind that safe boating is a choice we make every time we go out on the water.

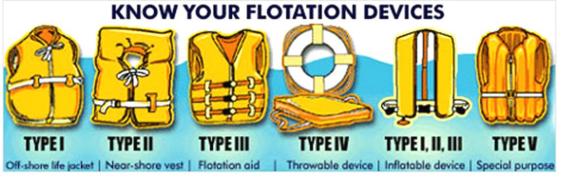
Remember National Safe Boating Week May 17th to May 23rd.



- 1. INLAND ONLY Which statement is TRUE concerning the Inland Navigation Rules?
  - a. They list requirements for Traffic Separation Schemes.
  - b. They define moderate speed.

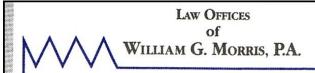


- d. All of the above
- 2. Floors aboard ship are .
  - a. also called decks
  - b. vertical transverse plates connecting the vertical keel with the margin plates
  - c. large beams fitted in various parts of the vessel for additional strength
  - d. found in passenger and berthing spaces only
- 3. Wind direction may be determined by observing all of the following EXCEPT
  - a. low clouds
  - b. waves
  - c. whitecaps
  - d. swells
- 4. Which knot is suitable for hoisting an unconscious person?
  - a. Bowline on a bight
  - b. Fisherman's loop
  - c. French bowline
  - d. Spider hitch





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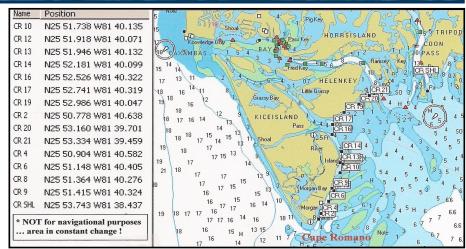






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Charlie Gentry, JN and Marji Gentry



Troy Miles, S, Lt/C Teri O'Connell & Jim, Lt Tom Ryan, S



Elizabeth Dane & Lt Jack Walsh, JN



Phyllis & Bob Mueller, S



P/C Steve Moore, S & Anne; Lt/C Bill Hughes, AP



Richard Kelso, P and Mona Kelso



Lt Rhonda Gloodt, P & P/C Tippy Cavanagh, SN



Lt Peggy Harsh with Joyce & Arlon Sandbulte

#### Cruise and Lunch to Island Gypsy on Isles of Capri

Four boats and thirty-three members enjoyed a spectacular boating day and a scrumptious lunch including fresh grouper sandwiches, quesadillas, lobster roll, etc. Juanita and Owen have very recently celebrated their 65th Wedding Anniversary ... congratulations! A few more of our snowbirds will be leaving soon, as Richard & Mona will be returning to Quebec, Joyce and Arlon will return to Iowa in a few weeks and our Cdr Carl & Sheila will be heading for their summer home on a lake in NH. Tippy & John are looking forward to a trip to Ireland and Anne and Steve are leaving on a cruise to Europe. The rest of us will enjoy the sunshine and have fun boating around Marco!









Left top: Richard Kelso, P and Mona approaching the dock; middle: all tied up with help of Lt Rhonda McAuliffe-Gloodt, P with Mona and Richard on dock; bottom: Joyce and Arlon Sandbulte on their boat Sportsfish.

Right top: Lt/C Peggy Reiss, AP-IN, P/C Ted Reiss, SN-IN, P/Lt/C Chuck Wilson, JN and P/Lt/C Mary Alice Wilson, JN; Middle: Just Us II starting underway ... note the P/C burgee, but Peggy is at the helm! Bottom: All aboard the Maddi Ell with P/C Al Jansen, AP, Charlie Gentry, JN, Marji Gentry and Pat Jansen ... such a fantastic day for a cruise.









#### **LADIES LUNCH at** THE RED ROOSTER 8 April 2014

(Back) Anne Moore, Lt Sheila Thieme, Sharon Curnutte, S, Jacqueline Belliveau, P, Gerry Marks, P, P/C Andrea Battaglia, JN, Lt Peggy Harsch; (front) P/Lt/C Mary Alice Wilson, JN, Mary Whaley, and Betty Richardson.





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