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Coming Events 2015

2015

10 Feb	Ladies Lunch at the Philly Grille	1130	p. 18
11 Feb	Executive Board Meeting at MISPS condo	0900	-----
11 Feb	CHANGE OF WATCH - aboard the <i>Marco Princess</i>	1630	(Flyer)
20 Feb	Cruise and Lunch at CJ's at the Esplanade, Smokehouse Bay	1200	p. 18
21 Feb	Boat Parade—Mardi Gras, Goodland on Saturday	1400	p. 17
25 Feb	Captain's Meeting at CJ's Gazebo Bar at the Esplanade	1700	p. 19

10 Mar	Ladies Lunch at the Brewery	1200	p. 09
11 Mar	Executive Board Meeting at MISPS condo	0900	-----
11 Mar	General Membership Meeting ... Shipp's Landing ... Speaker: Captain Tom Bogan—Marco Island's Amazing Rescue & Firefighting Boat "J.W. ADAMS"	1700	p. 22
14 Mar	Digital Scavenger Hunt		
20 Mar	Cruise & Lunch at Jack's River Bar, noon		
25 Mar	Captain's Meeting at CJ's Gazebo Bar at the Esplanade	1700	p. 19
28 Mar	DB 2000 Training at Sarasota Squadron Building [CDR / SEO has information]		

07 Apr	Ladies Lunch		p. 09
08 Apr	Executive Board Meeting at MISPS condo	0900	-----
08 Apr	General Membership Meeting ... Shipp's Landing ...	1700	-----
11 Apr	Cruise via the Key West Express to Key West		
17-19 Apr	District 22 Spring Conference at Sheraton Tampa East, Tampa, FL		p. 21
24 Apr	Cruise and Lunch to Island Gypsy in Isles of Capri		
29 Apr	Captain's Meeting at CJ's Gazebo Bar at the Esplanade	1700	p. 19
30 Apr to 1 May	Cruise & Raft-up at Panther Key (overnight optional), BYOE		

09 May	Cruise & Picnic at Whitehorse Key		p. 07
13 May	Executive Board Meeting at MISPS condo	0900	-----
13 May	Captain's Meeting at CJ's Gazebo Bar at the Esplanade [Start off-season 2nd Wednesday of the month for the summer]	1700	p. 19
27 May	Captain's Meeting at CJ's Gazebo Bar at the Esplanade	1700	p. 19
30 May	Cruise & Lunch at Port of the Isles—Optional Overnight		p. 07



**COMMANDER
CARL W. THIEME, SN**

I remember as a teenager how time seemed to go by so slowly! Well my past year as your Commander flew by like a runaway freight train. January has been a busy month as we prepare to transition to new leadership at the February Change of Watch, conclude with our fundraiser on 23 January and kick off key activities for 2015.



I would like to thank Lt Peggy Harsch, her chairpersons and member volunteers for organizing and managing the Wine and Hors d'Oeuvres event this year. The time and energy contributed by all of you are greatly appreciated by the squadron members, your Commander and other MISPS Bridge Officers. Its success is the cornerstone of our squadron finances and ability to meet our organizational mission, goals and objectives each year.

I had the pleasure of welcoming four new members at our January business meeting and had them take the new member pledge. Our new members are Gene Burson, Cynthia Corogin, Joseph Fritz and Maurice Bresnahan. Welcome aboard!

Our Vessel Safety Check [VSC] program, under the continued leadership of Lt Tom Ryan, S started up again with an organizational meeting on 19 January. Last year we conducted a squadron all-time record number of 298 vessel safety checks. Tom, thanks for a great job.

The Investment Strategy Committee report and recommendations have been reviewed and approved by MISPS Executive Committee. The report recommended opening and funding an on-line brokerage account with Fidelity Investments recently rated the #1 on-line brokerage firm in the US by Kiplinger's Magazine. The report also recommended that we invest our MISPS savings available for risk based investments in a market index fund with the timing and amount of actual investments subject to Executive Committee approval for each transaction. I also want to thank Lt Bill Kayhart, P, Lt/C Bill Hughes, JN, and P/C Ted Reiss, SN-IN for their considerable time and effort spent in developing the investment strategy for the squadron.

MISPS now has a squadron scrapbook thanks to the

hard work of Jann Kenyon. It focuses on the three key elements of our mission: public service, boater education and fraternal activities.

I would like to extend a special thank you to my Bridge and Executive Committee who enabled me to guide and lead the squadron in its 37th year. To Bob Mueller, S, Nick Rago, AP and Roy Sander, AP I truly appreciated your advise/guidance on key issues facing our squadron.

Lt/C Peggy Reiss JN-IN and her Chair's Lt Mo Bishop, Lt Peggy Harsch, Lt Sheila Thieme and Lt Tom Ryan, S did an outstanding job revitalizing and managing respectively Public Relations, Ways and Means, the Ships Store and the VSC program. The Public relations program received a significant contribution of time and effort from 1/Lt Kathleen Reynolds, AP and Doug Curnutte, AP. Lt/C Bill Hughes, JN and his Chair's Lt Rhonda McAuliffe-Gloodt, AP, Lt Alan Epstein, S, Joyce Epstein, Lt Sara McFadden and Lt Peggy Harsch did an incredible job this year organizing and supervising respectively the boating activities, dinner speakers, membership development, the luncheons and of course the infamous Captain's meetings.

Lt/C Carol Einhart, AP as Secretary, initiated 2 new activities for the squadron including development of our scrapbook and donating a squadron Christmas Tree for a community wide charitable contest. Special thanks to Lt Jim O'Connell, P for directing and managing *The Eagle's Eye* advertising and to Lt Pamela Sanders, AP for supervising the Calling Committee. (Continued on page 9)



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District 22

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Gather with squadron friends around the District to share ideas and fun.

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**EXECUTIVE OFFICER
LT/C PEGGY E. REISS, JN-IN**

The New Year continues racing on! I trust we have all stopped writing 2014 on our checks. For MISPS this is the end of one Watch and the beginning of the next one. As your Executive Officer it has been a busy and a challenging year. We had much success and much to be proud about. I cannot thank the folks enough who volunteered under my watch. Lt Jack Walsh, N as our Safety Officer wrote the many articles to educate and keep our squadron members safe; Publicity Committee Lt Moe Bishop, 1/Lt Kathleen Reynolds, AP and Doug Curnutte, P kept MISPS in the news with articles to all the local papers recounting our activities and encouraging education; Lt Peggy Harsch wore many hats in the squadron and the biggest one was Chair of the Ways and Means Committee i.e., the Wine and Hors d'Oeuvres fund raiser. She and all her committee chairs and volunteers made this an outstanding success. Lt Sheila Thieme kept squadron members looking their finest in clothing from the ship's store along with many, many other behind the scene activities that helped the squadron run smoothly; Lt Tom Ryan, S did a tremendous job with the VSC and crew which had every squadron member's boat inspected and made MISPS second in the District with 298 inspections last year. Thank you EVERYONE for your outstanding volunteerism!



2015 will be an excellent opportunity for all to get involved in MISPS. There are many areas for a chance to volunteer and "give back" with the many talents we have. Our squadron is rich with wonderful people who have excellent skills and knowledgeable backgrounds. We CAN make a difference toward safe boating on our waters. If one boater makes a correct decision and avoids disaster because of us then it is worth everything. 🐾

AUTOMATED RADIO-CHECK—MARCO AREA

Reminder: SeaTow's automatic response system is now up and running, so use it! Tune your VHF radio to Channel 27 (Goodland). Press the TRANSMIT button. Immediately say your message (e.g. "testing 1 2 3") Release the TRANSMIT button. You will hear your voice repeating your message as others will hear it from Marco on Ch.27.



**ADMINISTRATIVE
LT/C WILLIAM J. HUGHES, JN**

As we come to the end of the Watch Year, I wish to thank the members within the Administrative Department for their work for MISPS. The Administrative Department is mainly responsible for the 'internal' affairs of our organization.



The chair of Boating Activities, Lt. Rhonda McAuliffe –Gloodt, has been responsible for our cruise activities, primarily by selecting cruise captains for boating activities and coordinating the planning of cruises to picnic destinations., restaurants, marinas and raft-up locations. So thanks to Lt. Rhonda and all of the cruise captains.

Working closely with the Boating Activities Chair is the Luncheon/Captain's Meeting Chair, Lt. Peggy Harsch, who signs up members for lunches, makes restaurant reservations, supplies head count information to the restaurant and in some cases makes menu choices. Peggy also coordinates the Captain's Meetings, which were held at CJ's Tiki bar. For the benefit of new members, these are 'meet and greet' get-togethers of members and prospective members at 5 PM on the last Wednesday of the month. A big thank you to Peggy.

Admin has two 'Port Captains' positions: Marco Island Port Captain, P/C Owen Henning AP, and Everglades City (and Port of the Islands) Port Captain, Lt. James O'Connell, P. The port captain is responsible for providing, when called, boaters information on the port area, dock facilities, lodging, restaurants, fuel, etc. Thanks to Owen and Jim for giving information, mainly to visiting boaters.

Lts. Alan and Joyce Epstein have been co-chairs of Meetings and Programs. They have located and engaged interesting speakers for all of our meetings. They also have been prepared with back-up speakers when the scheduled speaker had to cancel at the last minute. Thanks to Alan and Joyce for a job well done.

Lt. Sara McFadden has been chair of Membership Recruitment and is responsible for signing up of new members. She gives talks at ABC classes about the advantages of membership, encourages joining and processes the application forms. Thanks Sara, keep up the good work.

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

Another ABC class is finished with twelve participants. On-the-Water exercise was scheduled for January 31st for ten of the twelve. OTW helps them solidify many of the classroom concepts to the real world. Who remembers how many times the RED RIGHT RETURN concept changes and where while circumnavigating Marco Island? Who remembers the difference between a NO WAKE Zone and a MINIMUM WAKE Zone? The ABC students can tell you.



Several courses started in January – Piloting, Junior Navigation and Sail. Two electives, Electrical Systems and Engine Maintenance, begin the first week in February. There is still time to attend. Five seminars are also scheduled over the next few weeks. Each spends about two hours enriching you on a particular topic. Dates and times for all educational offerings are on the squadron web site and in *The Eagle's Eye*. The information you learn might just help you out of a bad situation so in one way you have much to gain and maybe something not to lose. There is plenty of classroom space for anyone interested in attending. Please let me know if you plan to attend.

The power boat simulator will be available at the squadron condo classroom on 6, 7, and 8 February. Forty-five minute time slots are still available. The simulator uses three monitors to show left, forward and right side views. Controls consist of a steering wheel, throttle, gear shift, and trim tab buttons. One of the feedback gauges gives you your speed. Ten different scenarios are included for your fun demonstrating some of the rules of the road, docking, slalom course steering, navigational buoys etc. Let me know if you are interested so I can schedule a time slot for you.

At this the end of another watch-year I want to thank all the instructors who helped you and I learn: Lt Bob Belliveau SN, P/C Lee Harkness AP, P/C Tippy Cavanagh SN, P/C John Krehbiel SN, Lt Rudi Landward JN, Lt Tony Simms P, P/C Jim Olmes SN, P/C Carl Thieme SN, Lt Jim Fahrback AP, Lt/C Peggy Reiss JN, P/C Steve Moore S, Lt Bob Mueller S, Lt Kathleen Reynolds AP, Lt Nick Rago AP, Debbie Rago, and Bud Mallard S. Without them we would not have been successful. 🏠

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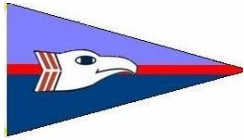
SAFETY OFFICER
LT JACK WALSH, N

Electrical System Upkeep

Last month we saw an overview of the statistics pertaining to boat fires. Those statistics show that a majority of on board fires (55%) are caused by problems in the electrical system either AC or DC wiring and appliances. This dictates that proper upkeep of the vessel's electrical system is of particular importance when it comes to fire prevention. Even though great pains are taken to install a proper electrical system and the system may well be installed in accordance with ABYC standards and codes, the system itself should be considered a maintenance item. Electrical connections to bus bars, switches, circuit breakers and other electrical components should be checked for tightness and corrosion on a frequent basis. Even though connections are made in accordance with ABYC guidelines to minimize tightness and corrosion issues, over time the marine environment, boat vibration and the expansion and contraction of conductors due to temperature changes (thermal cycling) can still cause connections to become loose and/or corroded. Loose and corroded connections can cause electrical resistance that can lead to heat buildup and cause wire insulation to melt or burn and potentially start a fire.



One area to pay particular close attention to is shore power inlets – Boat U.S. estimates that 4 percent of boat fires are caused by problems in this area. Corroded or loose shore power connections can create increased resistance. With electricity increased resistance always results in heat – sometimes enough to start a fire. Any blackened or burned shore cord ends should be replaced, and the cause should be investigated. Wires throughout the boat should also be frequently checked for chafing. Even though original system wires are protected from chafing in accordance with ABYC guidelines, boat vibration can still cause chafing. Be sure all power is turned off to components before touching any wires (this includes disconnecting the DC input to the inverter (s) – the easiest way to do this is to remove the DC fuse near the inverter). Routine spot checks should be carried out monthly to check for loose and corroded connections and that existing chafing protection is in place and is providing proper protection. A complete electrical system check should be carried out at least annually to fix any poor connections and shore up any insufficient chafing protection. (Continued on page 9)



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: 1/Lt Kathleen Reynolds, AP at (239) 394-0459

Email: kreynol@aol.com

** Call the Lunch Chair for reservations at the restaurants:

[February 2015] Lt Peggy Harsch at pegbill1@comcast.net

<u>Dates 2015</u>	<u>Destination</u>	<u>Cruise Captain</u>	<u>Phone</u>
20 Feb	Cruise & Lunch at CJ's at the Esplanade** Friday, 1200	Lt Roy Sander, AP roysander@gmail.com	314-550-0416
21 Feb	Boat Parade—Mardi Gras, Goodland (see p. 17)	Lt/Peggy Reiss, JN-IN	213-8686
14 Mar	Digital Scavenger Hunt	TBA	
20 Mar	Cruise & Lunch at Jack's River Bar, 1200	P/C Ted Reiss, SN-IN	213-8722
11 Apr	Cruise via Key West Express to Key West (optional overnight)	Lt Peggy Harsch	394-3484
24 Apr	Cruise & Lunch to Island Gypsy, Isles of Capri, 1200	Lt Roy Sander, AP	314-550-0416
30 Apr-1 May	Cruise & Raft-up at Panther Key, 1100 - BYOE (overnight optional)	Lt/C Carol Einhart, AP	207-4323
09 May	Cruise & Picnic at White Horse Key, 1100 - BYOE	Bryan Mordecai, AP	642-1006
30 May	Cruise & Lunch to Port of the Islands, 1200 (optional overnight)	Lt Jim O'Connell, P	393-0651
13 June	Cruise & Picnic at Cape Romano, 1100 - BYOE	P/C Andy Battaglia, SN	624-5721
17 July	Cruise & Lunch to 360 Market, noon	Fred Schoen	394-3884
24 Jul	Cruise & Picnic at Coconut Island	Lt/C Rhonda Gloodt, AP	420-216-3326
15 Aug	Cruise & Lunch to Capri Fish House, Isles of Capri, 1200	Lt/C Gloodt, AP	420-216-3326
27 Aug	Cruise & Picnic at Keewaydin Island, 1100 - BYOE	Lt/C Bill Hughes, JN	394-3483
18 Sept	Cruise & Lunch to Snook Inn, 1200	P/C Tippy Cavanagh, SN	393-9158
25 Sept-1 Oct	Legacy Harbor/Cape Harbor "Birthday Cruise"	P/C Lee Harkness, AP	642-3575
10 Oct	Cruise & Picnic at Coconut Island, 1100 - BYOE	P/C Andy Battaglia, SN	624-5721
23 Oct	Cruise & Lunch to Little Bar, Goodland, 1200	Cdr Carl Thieme, SN	970-2177
19 Nov	Cruise & Lunch to Marco Island Yacht Club, 1200	Lt Jim Ferry, P	394-4884
5 Dec	Evening Raft-up for M. I. Boat Parade, Smokehouse Bay	Lt/C Gloodt, AP	420-216-3326
<u>2016</u>			
15 Jan	Cruise & Lunch to Old Marco Lodge, Goodland, 1200	1/Lt K. Reynolds, AP	394-0459
19 Feb	Cruise & Lunch at CJ's, Esplanade, Smokehouse Bay, 1200	Lt Nick Rago, AP	860-798-4141

2015 Educational Courses and Seminars

COURSE	DAY OF WEEK	TIME	START DATE	DAYS	INSTRUCTOR
<u>ADVANCED</u>					
PILOTING	TU	0930	JAN 20	9	P/C LEE HARKNESS, AP 239-642-3575
ADVANCED PILOTING	WED	1300	JAN 21	10	P/C TED REISS, SN-IN 239-213-8722
JUNIOR NAVIGATION	TH	1000	JAN 22	12	P/C TIPPY CAVANAGH, SN 239-393-9158
SEAMANSHIP	TU	1800	FEB 3	8	LT BOB BELLIVEAU, SN 239-393-2133
<u>ELECTIVE</u>					
SAIL	M	1000	JAN 19	8	LT BOB BELLIVEAU, SN 239-393-2133
ELECTRICAL SYSTEMS	M	1300	FEB 2	8	LT RUDI LANDWAARD, JN 239-389-4444
ENGINE MAINTENANCE	TH	1300	FEB 5	8	LT TONY SIMMS, P 239-642-3083
<u>SEMINAR</u>					
CHARTING/GPS	TU & WED	1800	JAN 20	2	P/C JIM OLMES, SN 239-394-5415 & CDR CARL THIEME, SN
ANCHORING	TH	1800	JAN 29	1	LT JIM FAHRBACH, AP 937-776-4359
VHF & VHF/DSC RADIO	WED	1800	FEB 18	1	P/C JIM OLMES, SN 239-394-5415
PADDLE SMART	TH	1800	FEB 19	1	Lt/C PEGGY REISS, JN-IN 239-213-8686
RULES OF THE ROAD	WED	1800	MAR 4	1	P/C TED REISS, SN-IN 239-213-8722
CHARTING/GPS	WED & TH	1800	MAR 18	2	P/C JIM OLMES, SN 239-394-5415 & CDR CARL THIEME, SN
MARINER'S COMPASS	MON	1800	MAR 23	1	P/C JIM OLMES, SN 239-394-5415

AMERICA'S BOATING COURSE

M & TH 1800 MAR 2 5 P/C TED REISS, SN-IN 239-213-8722

POWER BOAT SIMULATOR

FRI -SUN ALL DAY FEB 6-8 P/C TED REISS, SN-IN 239-213-8722
RESERVE a 45 minute slot with TED

For more information on any course contact Ted Reiss,
239-213-8722 or justus8032@yahoo.com



**"Ladies Luncheon" at 1130
2nd Tuesday of the month**

**Order off the menu 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.**

"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.**



BIRTHDAYS

- Lori Erickson**
- Judith Mallard**
- Mike McFadden**
- Robert Noffsinger, S**
- Max Peterhans**
- Terri Stanton-Clement**
- Roberta Strosnider**
- Brooks Wood, P**

[If we missed you, please let me know]

COMMANDER (Continued from page 4)

P/C Andrea Battaglia, SN set new standard of excellence for MISPS's *The Eagle's Eye* newsletter this year receiving the highest score ever awarded by USPS. She also served as Nominating Committee Chair and Chaplin. Andy, thanks for all the time and effort you contribute to the squadron.

P/C Ted Reiss SN-IN did an outstanding job as SEO both organizing the MISPS Education Program and developing promotional materials for the program. Ted spent an unbelievable amount of time finally forcing USPS to clarify insurance liability coverage for the on the water USPS educational programs. All USPS squadrons owe you a big THANK YOU.

Lt/C Teri O'Connell, JN has done an incredible job fine tuning our accounting and financial reporting systems, acting as the point person for e-mail blasts and taking on the tedious job of developing the annual roster, always with a smile and can do attitude. A special thank you is in order to several people who have taken on administrative challenges this year with terrific energy and enthusiasm, much of which is never seen by the membership. Lt Alan Epstein, S pulling together and editing all the Merit Mark information into an understandable document. Lt Cliff Winings, SN developing a new computerized recording and reporting system for the VSC program, acting as MISPS historian and undertaking a major upgrade of our website which now exceeds USPS requirements. Thank you to 1/Lt Dorothy Harkness, S for all the work you do organizing the business meeting dinners and the Change of Watch.

Finally, I am truly indebted to Lt/C Peggy Reiss JN-IN and P/C Ted Reiss SN-IN who have given generously of their time, energy and talent filling in for me during the summer months and making sure my tenure as Commander was a success. I will be forever grateful. Thanks to all the members of the squadron for your time and energy this past year. It is all of you acting as a team that makes us a truly great squadron. 🐝

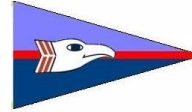
SAFETY OFFICER (Continued from page 5)

It is best to rely on a competent ABYC-certified marine electrical technician anytime significant updates, changes or modifications are made to the electrical system. 🐝

14 January General Meeting



Commander Carl Thieme, SN leading the squadron pledge



New members taking the squadron pledge: Gene Burson, Cynthia Corogin, Maurice Breasnan, and Joe Fritz



Sam Taylor, S, Barbara Taylor, S and P/C Dick Rogers, P



New member Gene Burson and Wanda Day



Linette and Bob Noffsinger ... warmer than their home in CO



P/C Ted Reiss, SN-IN SEO



P/C Owen Henning, AP and Lt Juanita Henning, S



Lt Peggy Harsch, Lt/C Bill Hughes, JN P/C John Krehbiel, SN (LM)



Steve & Lauren Hughes, P/C Andy Battaglia, SN (LM), Bryan Mordecai, AP [Steve is bro. of Bill & Andy B.)



Jim & Roberta Strosnider with guests Pat and Ruth Murphy



Lt Pam Sander, AP & Lt Roy Sander, AP



New Mbrs. Pat Mogan & Cynthia Corogin



Rudy Loffelmann and Arnette Hawkins



Debbie Rago, Lt Nick Rago, AP doing 50/50 with Lt/C Teri O'Connell, JN getting tickets



Lt Bob Mueller, S, 1/Lt Dorothy Harkness, S and Phyllis Mueller (Bob helped Dorothy this mo. - dinner reservations)



P/C Tippy Cavanagh, SN & Lt/C Peggy Reiss, JN-IN



P/C Dick Rogers, P at buffet catered by Kretch's (Mary Sergio & Ed— serving)



Rudi Landwaard, JN, Dorothy Landwaard, Jim Ferry, P and Mary Carleen Ferry



Cdr Carl Thieme, SN with the speaker, P/C Lee Harkness, AP



(front) New members Jerry & Jo Martin with Mbr. Chair Lt Sara McFadden



Laura Carney, S and Lt Sheila Thieme



Lt Jim O'Connell, P, Jann Kenyon, and Troy Miles, S

Sixty-six attended our 14 January Membership Meeting at Shipp's Landing. Chicken Marsala and Tilapia á la Ritz catered by Kretch's were delicious!

Bridge reports were given, the 2015 budget presented, and the upcoming Wine and Hors D'Oeuvres party were discussed. The new members present were sworn-in as all recited the USPS pledge.

Our evening's replacement speaker P/C Lee Harkness, AP gave a presentation on cruising the "Florida Loop" from Marco to Ft. Myers up the Caloosahatchee River thru several locks, giving interesting descriptions of the various marinas along the route. Then down the east coast of FL including info about the water taxi to Bahia Mar Marina up the New River, Pier 66, etc. "Stiltsville" with many stilt homes left, next to Biscayne Bay, Key Largo, Hawks Cay Resort at Duck Key, Marathon and back to Marco. Thanks Lee! 🚤



Lt/C Carol Einhart, AP and new member Maurice Bresnahan



P/Lt/C Chuck Wilson, JN and P/Lt/C Mary Alice Wilson, JN



New member Joe Fritz and his wife Nancy



Lt Cliff Winings, SN and his wife Joyce—Mtg. Sponsors



Bob Townsend, S and his wife Paula, Charlie Gentry, JN and Marji, Pat and P/C Al Jansen, AP; Franklin Lock, use Ch. 13 declare E-Bound or W-Bound



Old Marco Lodge, Goodland



**Cdr Carl Thieme, SN and Lt Sheila Thieme
... last cruise as Cdr before COW !**



**Ann Marie and
Lt Tom Ryan, S**



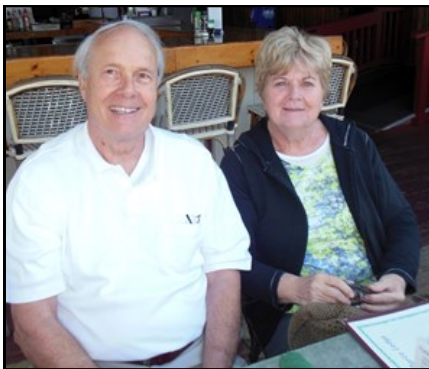
**Wave from P/C Andy Battaglia, SN (LM)
& her brother Steve Hughes untying line**



**Janice Trego and
Dennis Trego, N**



**Debbie Boller & Ray Boller, AP—MISPS
Associate member from IL squadron**



**Lt/C Bill Hughes, JN and
sister-in-law Lauren Hughes from MN**



**Steve Hughes visiting from northern MN
and Lt Peggy Harsch**



**P/Lt/C Mary Alice Wilson, JN and
P/Lt/C Chuck Wilson, JN**



Anne Moore and P/C Steve Moore, S



Betty Richardson & P/C Bob Richardson



2 of our 3 tables
at Old Marco Lodge



Betty & Bob dancing to the
nice live entertainment
during our lunch !



The Kellogg Duo
Kristi Martin &
Jeff Kellogg



Bob and Linette Noffsinger
(food looks great!)



Cruise Captain Rick Kelso, AP
and Mona Kelso ... nice water view



Rochester, NY squadron members
John and Mary Lynn Miraglia



P/C Ted Reiss, SN-IN and
Lt/C Peggy Reiss, JN-IN



Troy Miles, S with Lt/C Teri O'Connell, JN
and Lt Jim O'Connell, P



It was a beautiful day for the cruise and lunch 16 January to the Old Marco Lodge in Goodland with 30 in attendance. *Andy B* with P/C Andrea Battaglia, SN at the helm and guests, her brother Steve Hughes and his wife Lauren from MN. The nice smooth cruise from Caxambas Pass area into Goodland was most enjoyable. The wind picked up during our lunch and the sun umbrellas needed to be taken down as the wind increased to over 16 knots. Good group for lunch including 2 members from the Rochester, NY squadron (see photo) and a few more snow-birds glad to be in the FL sunshine. Andrea and Steve returned home by boat only a short run in the Gulf and that was not too rough. Nice event! 🍷

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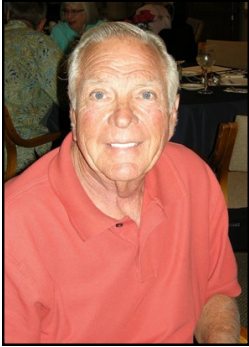
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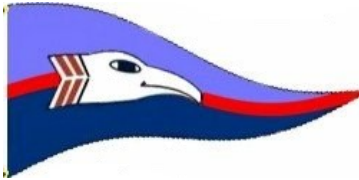
New member info by
Lt Sara McFadden, Membership Chair
(Photos by Andy B.)



Gene Burson

Gene was a student of the ABC course and also took GPS/Charting. Gene lives with his partner, Wanda Day, and he is interested in becoming familiar with the waters around Marco on his 22' Hurricane named Aquavas. He is a retired professional and has teaching, computer and telephone skills.

Since coming to Marco Island last June, Gene has been elected to join the Christmas Island Style Board of Directors and the City Beach Advisory Committee. He joined MISPS for social excitement and fun boating.



Joe Fritz

Joe has a background in finance and is interested in volunteering with fundraising, marketing and membership. Joe and his wife Nancy own a boat that was previously the Marco Island Police and

Fire Boat, a 22' Center console Pathfinder. It has now been converted into a backwater fishing boat.

This is the 11th year on the island for Joe & Nancy. Three years ago they decided to make Marco Island their primary residence, and split their time between the Marco and Williamsburg, VA.



Cynthia Corogin

Cynthia passed the ABC course with flying colors and is looking forward to kayaking and other boating activities. Cynthia was a long time boater [sailboats] on Lake Erie and moved to Collier County 10 years ago. She is a Realtor in both the Marco and Naples markets. Made Marco Island home 4 years ago after purchasing a foreclosure on the water, of course.

Cynthia enjoys traveling and public relations and particularly likes interesting boating, navigating and new adventures.



Jo & Jerry Martin

Jerry and Jo have a boat in IA and are looking for one here for Marco. Jerry is a retired lawyer and his wife Jo prepared taxes. Both are interested in taking squadron courses and getting to know boaters here.

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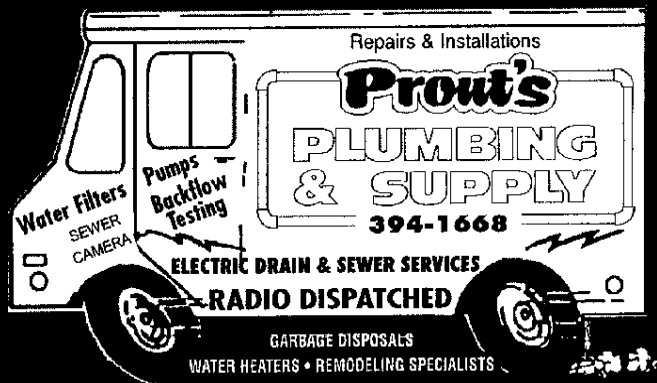


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ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER (Cont. from p. 5)

Lt/C Peggy Reiss, JN-IN has continued to serve as chair of Membership Retention. She works on ideas to keep members interested and contacts members who are slow to renew. Peggy also has worked closely with Lt Sara McFadden on new membership and filled in when Sara was out of town. We appreciate Peggy's extra effort.

Lastly, P/C Tippy Cavanagh, SN, is Chair of Operations Training. We have not had a session since the end of the last watch year but she is prepared to teach early in the coming watch year. Operations Training describes the squadron organization and jobs of officers and committee chairs. We appreciate Tippy's commitment. 🐬



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P/C Edward Reiss, SN-IN



1. BOTH INTERNATIONAL & INLAND You are approaching a narrow channel. You see a vessel that can only be navigated safely within the channel. You MUST _____.
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 - b. sound the danger signal
 - c. not cross the channel if you might impede the other vessel
 - d. initiate an exchange of passing signals
2. A lookout can leave his station _____.
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 - b. at any time
 - c. ONLY when properly relieved
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 - b. the safety of a vessel or a person is in jeopardy
 - c. a vessel in need of immediate assistance
 - d. a coast station traffic list
4. The principal purpose of magnetic compass adjustment is to _____.
 - a. reduce the variation as much as possible
 - b. reduce the deviation as much as possible
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ANSWERS: 1. C, 2. C, 3. A, 4. B

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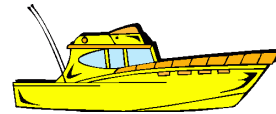
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(Miscellaneous)

(below) Preparing raffle tickets ahead of time for the Wine and Hors D'Oeuvres squadron fundraiser.

Barbara & Sam Taylor, S, Joyce and Arlon Sandbulte



Photo by Sara McFadden



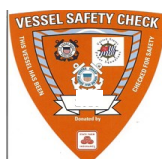
Students hard at work! MISPS's first ABC class of 2015 concluded with 11 students passing both the USPS and Florida tests. Five instructors made this possible each providing relevant basic boating and safety information.

Photo and text by P/C Ted Reiss, SN-IN

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- Lt Jim O'Connell, P
- Marty Wilhelm, AP
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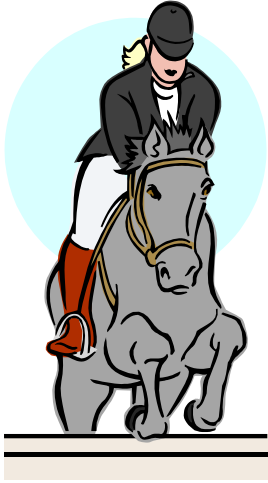


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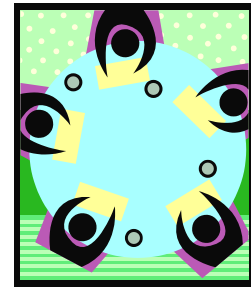
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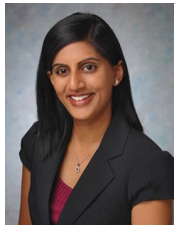


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