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November, 2016

Calendar of Events

November 3rd, **Thursday** – General Meeting & Supper – 6:30 PM, Jubilee Yacht Club, Fred Hammond will present "Beverly Harbor and the American Revolution"

November 4-6 – D12/D14 Fall Conference, New Bedford, MA

November 11 – Wednesday – Veterans Day

December 7th, Wednesday – E-Board Meeting, 7:00 PM - Ward Room, Jubilee Yacht Club

December 7th – Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day

January 4th – Wednesday - General Meeting, & Supper – 6:30 PM, Jubilee Yacht Club

February 11-19, 2017 – New England Boat Show, Boston Convention Center

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The Commander's Corner: OUR FAST-PACED WORLD

Indeed, things can frequently seem to be moving at a lightening-like speed these days and I am afraid that I am only contributing to it all. Here's why - - -

Flushed with the success of our late summer sail aboard the Schooner "ADVENTURE" out of Gloucester, I have invited her Captain, Stefan Edick, to be our guest speaker at our spring 2017 "kick-off" dinner in Marblehead.

Happily, I can report to you that Stefan has accepted and will be joining us for the dinner that will be held for the Beverly-Marblehead Sail & Power Squadron on Friday evening, May 19, 2017 at the Corinthian Yacht Club.

Even if you sailed with us in August - - - and especially if you didn't - - - you won't want to miss Stefan Erick's oral history, accompanied by a PowerPoint presentation, on the life of our 90 year old treasure, the fully restored Schooner "ADVENTURE".

While I have your attention, it was at the October meeting of the B-MS&PS Executive Committee that a decision was made to make a worthwhile expenditure of obtaining a new laptop computer and an accompanying video projector to replace some of our outdated equipment that in the past, has more than once let us down. I believe you will agree with me that the purchase of this new equipment is long overdue and that it will add greatly to the reliability of our future presentations.

Speaking on behalf of your squadron's Executive Committee, we look forward to seeing you at our November meeting.

High regards to all,

David W. Graham

Squadron Commander



A word from: Squadron Education Officer Walter Riley III, JN

NEWS FROM THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

Although we had hoped to launch an ABC 3 class in Marblehead this winter: logistical conflicts, instructor availability and the calendar all proved to be daunting challenges. Thus we are postponing the Marblehead ABC 3 class and will offer it in the spring. Last year's class in Marblehead had over 60 students pre-registered for the May classes. May appears to be a more attractive month for eager Marblehead ABC 3 students.

Preparation for our other ABC classes at our regular locations: Gloucester, Rockport, Hamilton, Beverly and Marblehead are also underway with classes to commence in March and April to follow the New England Boat Show in Boston during the February school vacation week.

We are also looking into offering advanced courses in Electronic Navigation, Engine Maintenance and Shipboard Electrical Systems. Students interested in these courses or any of the advanced USPS courses should watch for announcements in our Squadron Web education calendar, the District 12 education calendar or contact your Squadron Education Officer, Walter Riley at wriley3@comcast.net.

At the same time we are exploring offering a one-day accelerated ABC 3 for prospective Jubilee Yacht Club launch drivers. Our ABC 3 is one of a few Boating Safety Courses approved by the US Coast Guard for launch drivers seeking their required limited USCG license. We offered similar classes at JYC last winter.

Students taking this accelerated 8 hour class are required to pass the proctored federal and state

exam at the completion of the class. This year's special ABC3 class for JYC launch drivers is tentatively scheduled for Saturday, November 26th.

New on the Education horizon is a USPS digital library, which will allow students and instructors to access course materials, on-line directly from USPS headquarters. Information concerning this new on-line access will be unveiled and explained at the up-coming Fall District Conference on November 5th in Bedford, MA. Several of our instructors are planning to attend to gain a headsup on future electronic delivery methods of course materials.

Walter Riley, III Squadron Education Officer

Last chance for a 2016 Vessel Safety Check

Our Squadron team of vessel examiners is on the verge of attaining a new record of completed Vessel Safety Checks this year. With only a few days left before the October 31st deadline for filing completed examinations, our team has completed over 80 VSC's this year. Our team of seven examiners have several scheduled examines still lined up for the final week of reporting. Hats off to our energetic team of Skip Whittaker, Beth Wolfe, Jim Curran, Gerry Clark, Dick Salter, Jack Reed and Walter Riley, Chair.

Walter Riley VSC Chairman

Coming to Your Local Access Comcast Channel

A new episode of "Smart Boating" has just been completed and is being distributed to local Comcast channel providers on the north shore. The newly filmed segment #171" is entitled "Smart Boating in the Off-Season."

The program is produced and directed by our own Squadron member, Paul Jermain, who has been shooting these helpful shows for local access TV viewers for many years. The latest episode stars Paul as the moderator with Walter Riley our Squadron Education Officer. The show reviews many aspects of "boating during the off-season" with helpful advice and safe boating tips during this time of year.

Be sure to check your local Comcast schedule for the times and dates of the show. Let Paul (<u>pjermain@verizon.net</u>) know if your Comcast provider is not featuring this valuable program.

November 3rd General Meeting Speaker

"Beverly Harbor in the Days of the American Revolution"

The speaker for the November General Meeting will be retired Beverly High School history teacher and BHS Sports Hall of Fame track coach Fred Hammond. Fred is a former Lions club President, a long time member of the Beverly Historical society, author of Reflections of Beverly in 20th century . He is also producer and local host of a Bevcam program called Reflections. He is married with three children and three grandchildren. Fred lives in Hamilton.

6th Annual Beverly HarborFest a Success

The annual Beverly Harbor Festival was another grand event on a beautiful September afternoon. Over a thousand visitors attended the event on Glover's Wharf and over a hundred visited the BMSPS booth. Volunteers from the Squadron greeted visitors, answered questions about USPS and had sign-up visitor forms for families interested in our Squadron education courses and Vessel Safety Checks. The booth volunteers were led by our Squadron Commander, David Graham, AP who was very pleased to see the public interest in our Squadron activities.

District 12 News & Announcements



District 12 Fall Conference

November 4-5, 2016, New Bedford Fairfield Inn and Suites

Districts 12 and 14 are returning to the historic New Bedford waterfront for their fall Conference.

Check out the latest instructional videos at the <u>USPS YouTube channel</u>. A series of short 1-2 minute videos on selected topics from the Boat Operator Certification on the water training.

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