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There are some exciting events
taking place this spring.
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Detroit Hoe Down
Hart Plaza
13-14-15 May 2011



Fitting Out Party
06 May 2011

General Dinner Meeting



THE “DUMPING GROUNDS”

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**COMMANDER
VINCENT COOLEY, JN**



Now that we are getting close to the opening of the boating season, it's time to think about safety and what we can do to prepare our vessels for the open water and the safety of our passengers. There will be a vessel safety examiner (VSE) meeting in April (date TBD) for those of you that have your VSE certificates. Those of you that do not have a certificate can easily become a safety examiner by taking one of our VSE classes. It is also a good way to earn some credit towards your next merit mark for this year. Once you become a VSE, you can earn a merit mark by examining 10 vessels. That's about the easiest way to get a merit mark and at the same time provide a valuable service to the boating public. You might also draw new members into the Detroit Squadron.

By the time you receive this message, the Commander's Ball will be over. I want to thank the committee for their hours of dedication to make it a most memorable event. It is an honor to serve as your commander for another year.

There are many events to look forward to so be sure to look for updates on the calendar in each issue of the Dumping Grounds.

Hope you have a wonderful summer. Practice safety!!

Fraternally yours,

**SQUADRON
EDUCATIONAL OFFICER'S REPORT**

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As I'm writing this article, I am glad the worst of winter is behind us. Every day brings spring that much closer. Every day also brings the boating season that much closer. The spring classes have begun. The NYC class started in February and will finish about mid-April. Allen's River House will host the next ABC class on 19 April at 1900 (7:00 p.m.). Member class, Seamanship is also beginning on 13 April at Mac & Rays. I believe we will be in the out-building as we were last year. The cost for this class is \$45.00. If you haven't had this class or it's been a while since you have, it's a great class. The class is more in-depth than the ABC class, without the chart work.

Member class, Navigation is beginning in May at the NYC. P/D/C Bryan Bartlett is the instructor and is looking forward to advancing your knowledge of celestial navigation. The cost for this class is \$130.00. The Student Kit includes the Student Manual, required PC software, and SR, CLS, and other forms and charts.

Since I have had several requests regarding the necessary class completions needed for BOC, I will contact all members regarding which classes are necessary for you to complete to become BOC certified at the different levels.

Remember, if Detroit is not offering a course you want to take, contact me and I can help you out. Usually another squadron in the district also runs courses and we can join theirs.

I can always use your help with classes. This is a great way to meet fellow members, meet your new best friend, or just meet someone new. The time you spend within the organization is valuable to all of us.

Best regards,
P/C Diane Dawes, JN

**DETROIT POWER SQUADRON
American Boating Classes**

Location	Day/Time	Starting Date	Class Runs
DYC	Tuesdays 1900 (7:00 pm)	15 February	8 Weeks
Allen's River House—240 N. River Road Mt. Clemens	Tuesdays 1900 (7:00 pm)	19 April	8 Weeks
Summer Class		TBD	8 Weeks

**DETROIT POWER SQUADRON
ADVANCED CLASSES**

Class/ Location	Day	Starting Date	Class Runs
Seamanship Mac & Rays	Wednesdays 1900 (7:00 pm)	13 April	9 Weeks
Piloting DYC	Tuesdays 1900 (7:00 pm)	13 September	11 Weeks
Navigation DYC	Beginning in Spring & Con- tinuing in Fall	18 May	16-20 Weeks
Weather Class DYC		14 September	10 Weeks
CPR		October (TBD)	
Marine Elec- tronics		Fall (TBD)	10 Weeks



**DETROIT HOEDOWN
AT THE HART PLAZA
13, 14 and 15 MAY 2011**

**HAVE FUN !! WORK TOWARD YOUR 2011 MERIT MARK!!
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DETROIT BOAT SHOW—COBO HALL 12-20 FEBRUARY 2011 RECAP



The boat show is a great event and also captures the interests of the younger set. Above is the DPS display and below, manning the booth, are Lt. Bernie Buhlinger, Lt. Erv Unger, P/C Chuck Treska and P/C Doug Rocho.

The very last two pictures are of P/C Doug Rocho instructing a few of the kids on how to tie knots.



GENERAL DINNER MEETING RECAP MAC AND RAYS - 10 FEBRUARY 2011



It's always a pleasure to get together after the holidays for the first dinner meeting of the year. Mac & Rays is such a warm and friendly place to congregate. The photo above is the USPS® flag and DPS burgee that hang in the lower level dining area of M&R.

Our guest speaker was Timothy Metcalf of TCM Marine Electronics Services. His presentation was based on various safety systems for communications. This included DSC (Digital Selective Calling) and AIS (Automatic Identification Systems).

We were also honored to have D/L Peggy (AP) & P/C Al Schwaller, JN from Birmingham Power Squadron join us along with their SEO, Tom Smith, JN.



From Birmingham, The Schwallers, SEO Tom Smith
and DPS Treasurer, Lt/C Tony Drewek, P

GENERAL DINNER MEETING RECAP MAC AND RAYS - 10 FEBRUARY 2011 (Cont'd)



Our Guest Speaker
Timothy Metcalf
Of TCM Marine
Electronics Services

Shirley and
P/C Chuck Allen, AP,
P/C Jerry Stoll, AP
and P/C John Neubert, AP



SEO Diane Dawes, JN
1st Lt. Marlene Drewek
P/C Dave Caldwell, JN
Marge & P/C Joe Tatham, SN



USPS ANNUAL MEETING

The Annual Meeting took place in Orlando, FL from 31 Jan to 06 Feb. Some of our members spend their winters in Florida so it was convenient for them to have the opportunity to attend this event. Looks like everyone had a good time.



John Broadwell
Maureen Smith
Joan Broadwell
Bill Smith
Cdr Vince Cooley
George Flees
and front center,
Sally Lemus

Joyce Strey
George Flees,
Mary Fritz
Dan Bodnar
Linda LaLonde
Cdr Vince Cooley



Photos by LeRoy Strey



**YOU ARE INVITED TO ATTEND THE
DETROIT POWER SQUADRON DINNER MEETING
THURSDAY 02 JUNE 2011 AT THE
CONCORDE BANQUET & CONFERENCE CENTER
44315 GRATIOT, CLINTON TWP - 1/2 MILE SOUTH OF HALL ROAD**

**This dinner has been well attended in the past,
so don't miss out. Get your reservation in early**

There will be a guest speaker

Note: The ConCorde Inn is a valued advertiser of the Dumping Grounds and the banquet manager has developed a "your choice" menu for DPS at an exceptional price.

• Your entrée will include a choice of:

Roasted Prime Rib, 10 oz prime rib topped with zip sauce and mushrooms

Filet Mignon, 8 oz charbroiled filet topped with zip sauce and mushrooms

Filet and Salmon

Filet and Shrimp Scampi

Also included is:

- Garlic and sesame toast with hot crab dip and relishes
- Chef's selection of soup, salad, starch and veggie
- Warm dinner rolls and butter - coffee and tea

Plus!! Beer and Wine included all evening.

Happy Hour: 1800 (6:00 p.m.) Dinner: 1900 (7:00 p.m.) and a short meeting to follow the presentation.

**SPECIAL PRICING!!! \$30/PERSON
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Lifeguards at the Gene Pool

If you want to stay alive, wear a life jacket.

SOMETIMES PEOPLE DO THINGS so breathtakingly stupid that they deserve to be rewarded. And each year they are, with the Darwin Awards posthumously commemorating those fools who improve our gene pool by permanently removing themselves from it.

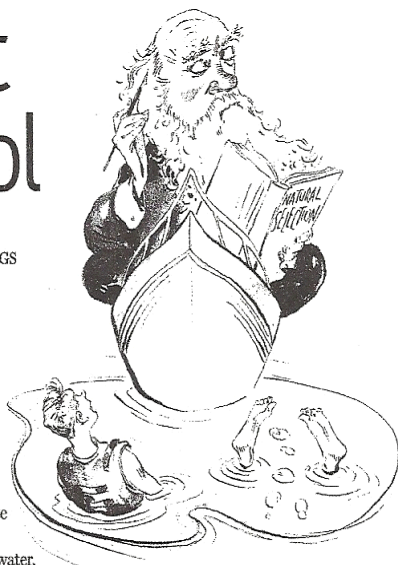
My favorite winner is the guy who went over Niagara Falls on a water bike wearing a homemade rocket/parachute. The idea was to drive over the falls, ignite the rocket to propel himself clear, then pull the rip cord to gently drop into the water, where he'd be picked up by a passing tour boat. Unfortunately, the rocket didn't ignite and the parachute refused to open. The only part of the plan that did work was that a tour boat picked him up. But by then it didn't matter.

Dumb? Oh, yes, and on so many levels, since he survived the crash only to drown because he couldn't swim — never thinking to wear a life jacket.

When I told this story to Capt. Scott Evans, a champion of PFD awareness who once headed the Coast Guard's boating safety program, he responded with a classic Darwinian comment: "You live and learn, or you don't live long." So learn from this: The Coast Guard's statistics for 2009 show that almost three-fourths of all fatal accidents were drownings, and of those, 84 percent of the victims were not wearing a life jacket.

It's an old story. In the battle between you and the water, the smart money is always on the water. If you want to stay alive, wear a life jacket. But few of us do. So, while the Coast Guard continues to suggest that we wear one, some states are saying we'd better — or else.

Last year New York enacted the first winter PFD program. Now anyone in a boat up to 21 feet must wear a life jacket



at all times from Nov. 1 to May 1. It was done because an inordinate percentage of the state's boating fatalities was occurring in the off-season (with February being the deadliest). The effect of cold water immersion is usually at fault. Depending on the temperature of the water, you may have only a few minutes of coordinated movement before you can no longer keep your airways clear of the water. Hypothermia takes much longer, but these effects are compounded by the absence of nearby boaters who might help.

While the Coast Guard would like to see us in life jackets every time we step aboard, it's not requiring it by pushing laws. Its approach has been to work with manufacturers to make the gear more comfortable and appealing to wear. From this we've gotten a whole range of unobtrusive, self-inflating life jackets like the one I wear from Mustang Survival.

Yes, it's expensive. And, yes, like you, I'd rather there be no law forcing me to wear it. But I'd also rather not drown. Which is why, when you see me outside the inlet, I'll be wearing what looks like a pair of red clown suspenders. Not sexy, but at my age I'm way too smart to start winning awards.

This article was taken from "Boating Magazine"

Lt. Robert Bloink,
Safety Officer



HAPPY BIRTHDAY !!!

TO ALL OF THE
MEMBERS CELEBRATING
APRIL/MAY BIRTHDAYS

If you have a birthday in April/May and do not see your name listed, please contact P/C Diane Dawes at 586-774-2472.

APRIL

Raymond Batt	1st	Joe Brooks	4th
Eugene Blanchard	2nd	April Combs Simpson	6th
Herbert Rhodes	2nd	Jan Klumpp	13th
Ronald Allen	3rd	William McIntyre	21st
Keith Hawkins	3rd	Leonard Maisner	29th
Willie Huling	3rd	Margaret Schneider	30th

MAY

Daniel Bodnar	2nd	William Smith	13th
Charles Fishman	8th	George Flees	14th
Ted Arthur Stahl	8th	Charles Rose	14th
Philip Campbell	10th	Mary Carter	16th
Rayel Booth	11th	Robert Zaleski	20th
Charles Allen	12th	John Nelson	25th

HEART SMART COOKING

By Shirley Allen

CHICKEN IN EVERY POT PIE

Ingredients:

4 cups cubed, cooked chicken meat	1/4 teaspoon pepper
(I use a rotisserie chicken from Costco or Krogers)	2 cups baking mix (Bisquick)
1 1/2 cups chicken broth	1 1/4 cups milk
1 1/2 cups frozen green peas	1 teaspoon garlic powder
4 carrots, sliced	1/2 teaspoon celery seed
1 (10.75 oz.) can condensed cream of mushroom soup	1/4 teaspoon paprika
1/4 teaspoon salt	

Directions:

1. In a saucepan combine chicken, broth, peas, carrots, soup, salt and pepper. Bring to a boil, stirring occasionally
2. Meanwhile, combine biscuit mix, milk, garlic powder and celery seed (mixture will be thin)
3. Pour hot chicken mixture into 9x13 greased oven proof dish. Immediately spoon biscuit mixture evenly over the top of chicken mixture. Sprinkle with paprika
4. Bake, uncovered at 350 degrees for 30-35 minutes or until topping is golden brown

Serves 8 312 Cal. per serving 7.3 g Fat

Source: Allrecipes.com

DPS CONCERNS



Please keep DPS members that are having health problems in your prayers.

Mary Jane Howitt.
Erv Unger

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DETROIT POWER SQUADRON APRIL/MAY CALENDAR 2011

APRIL 2011

Date and Time	Event	Place
7 Apr 1930-7:30 pm	General Meeting	DYC
28 Apr 1930-7:30 pm	Executive Meeting	DYC

MAY 2011

Date and Time	Event	Place
5 May 1930 -7:30 pm	General Meeting	DYC
6 May	Fitting Out Party	Allen's River House
13-14-15 May	Hoe Down	Hart Plaza
26 May 1930-7:30 pm	Executive Meeting	DYC
30 May	Memorial Day Celebration	DYC
2 June 1830-6:30 pm	General Dinner Meeting	Concorde Inn
9 June	Pelican Initiation	DYC

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THE PIG

(STUFFED) AND

ANOTHER



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THE NIGHT
FOR PELICANS.**



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THURSDAY, 9 JUNE 2011
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