

# ON THE HORIZON

November 2009

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## "Next" General Membership Meeting

Wednesday, **18 November, 2009** at 2000 (8:00 PM)  
Dinner/Drinks/Social optional at 1830 (6:30 PM)

### November Meeting Information

#### "Energy Conservation and Innovative Practices at the Back River WWTP"

**Nicholas H. Frankos**

Plant Manager

Back River Wastewater Treatment Plant



Site Area. 466 acres. Service Area. 140 square miles. Design Capacity. 180 MGD. Hydraulic Capacity ...

New Location: **Elks Lodge** (see Menu Under AO's Report)

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# 2009-2010 BRIDGE

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## Welcome New Members!!!

Bruce Lambert  
213 Merlin Drive  
Belcamp, MD 21017

James McCabe (Mr. and Mrs.)  
1115 G. Piney Hill Rd  
Monkton, MD 21111

Weldon Rinker  
2823 Linwood Ave.  
Parkville, MD 21234

Robert Lilly  
2112 Hampton Court  
Fallston, MD 21047

Martin Slodzinski (Mr. and Mrs.)  
545 Valley View Rd.  
Towson, MD 21286



(Robert Lilly is a transfer and we will welcome him at the next meeting. )

## Moving? Changes in Information??

Please remember to let us know if you go away for the winter or move to another address. Also, if you change your phone, cell phone number(s) or e-mail addresses so we can make sure you are kept informed of upcoming events. Please give all changes to our Secretary who will in turn notify National and everyone else who needs to have the information.

# COMMANDER



Brrrrrrr!!!!!!!!!! Feel that? It's called WINTER folks, and yeah, it's here. So, give the boat a final wash, winterize the systems and get that shrink wrap on. It's time to hibernate.

WHAT??????????? Hibernate NOTHIN'!!! Who says you can't think boating during the winter? Take a course, come to the membership meetings, and volunteer to help with an event. You CAN stay active and motivated. You CAN continue to learn and enjoy your Squadron. We've got our annual holiday party coming up next month, and then, the biggie – The 2010 Baltimore Boat Show at the Convention Center in January. We'll be needing many volunteers for these events, and more, so keep yourself "in the loop" by coming to meetings, getting on the email listserve, and reading the On The Horizon newsletter.

Make sure you watch for important upcoming dates and put them in your calendar, like our Cruise Planning meeting at P/C John Hall's home.

Well, that's all for now. We had a fantastic turnout for the Membership meeting last month. I hope to see everyone again at the Membership Meeting on 18 November, 2009.

Remember that our meetings are at the Elks Club Lodge in Essex, 1007 East Homberg Ave., Essex, MD 21221.

See you all there.

As always, I remain available if anyone has a question, comment or complaint. I can be reached by email at [cdr@uspsdundalk.org](mailto:cdr@uspsdundalk.org) or by cell phone at 410-456-5854.

Respectfully submitted,

Cdr. David S. Seidenman, A

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# EXECUTIVE OFFICER



Looks like autumn has arrived. Hopefully, the rain will stop soon or else we may have to build an "ark".

The first weekend of November was the D/5 Fall Educational conference in Rockville. There was much information available. At the conference meeting on Sunday morning, Sourpuss made his "grand entrance" so we were not required to "pay the fine of cocktails for everyone". Our National Executive Officer, V/C Frank Dvorak, SN was present and had the opportunity to meet Sourpuss on a personal basis. V/C Dvorak informed us of many changes taking place on the National level and spoke at great length about ways to increase and improve membership. He also reminded everyone that all National Bridge officers are always available to be of assistance if needed. DSPS was very fortunate to have received several national awards and I was extremely proud to have been there to accept these on their behalf. These will be presented to our members at an upcoming squadron meeting so they can be recognized for their accomplishments.

Now.....what's up? The Baltimore Boat Show, of course. P/C Tracey Stuenes, P is heading the committee and is asking for everyone's help. By participating at a boat show, you have the chance to meet many interesting

people and help inform the public of what exactly USPS is and offers to them. Granted, not all of those interested in power squadron will be from our immediate area, however, we, in Dundalk, can certainly help them locate a squadron closer to their home/boat and know that we are still helping "spread the word" about USPS.

Then, we have the D/5 Spring Conference in Ocean City coming up in March. Wow, it's hard to believe that's only a few months away. At the meeting for the 2010 Cruise Planning, to be held at P/C John Hall, APs home in January, we will also go over the plans for DSPS's hospitality suite. The subject for this year will be "Fishing for Education".

Looking forward to seeing everyone at the meeting on Wednesday. However, if you are not able to make it, I want to take time to wish you and your family "Happy Thanksgiving"!

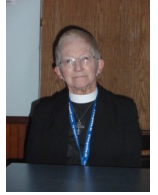
Please feel free to contact me if I can be of any assistance to you.

Respectfully submitted,

Lt/C K. J. "Fuzzy" Jones, S

Executive Officer

# *EDUCATIONAL OFFICER*



## DUNDALK SAIL AND POWER SQUADRON Squadron Boating Course Schedule For 2009

**Piloting** is being taught by Rolf Stuenes on Tuesdays.  
The class has 7 active members.

P/C Lois M. Nehmer, SN Education Officer

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# *SECRETARY'S REPORT*

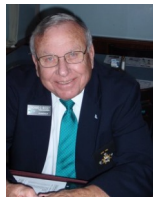


The DSPS Secretary seldom has prepared an input for the issues of "On the Horizon", but I do wish to provide an input to this month's publication.

I would like to thank the Assistant Secretary, Greg Letsch, for his yeoman's effort in filling in for me when I was out of town. The Bridge and Executive Committee has commented that Greg has done an excellent job when asked to perform the secretarial duties at both the Executive Committee and General Membership meetings. The old expression of: "if you want a job done right, give it to a busy person" certainly applies here.

Respectfully submitted,  
Lane Letsch, DSPS Secretary

# *TREASURER'S REPORT*



**Just a reminder for those who haven't paid their dues, please do so ASAP**  
**22 People have not paid this year**

Respectfully submitted,  
Richard D. Bussey, P Treasurer



# *ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER*



Our November speaker is Nicholas H. Frankos the plant manager of the Back River Wastewater Treatment Plant. His talk will be of interest to all of us I am sure. Shanna Seidenman has secured our speaker for this month and we are excited to have him.

The November meeting of the DSPS will be held the 18th of November at the Essex Elks Lodge on East Homberg Avenue. The menu for this month will be Hot Turkey OR Cheese Ravioli. Price is \$12.00 per person. Coffee and dessert are included.

The Holiday party is scheduled at the Elks Lodge also and is promising to be a fun evening. The cost will be \$12.00 per adult and \$5.00 per children. We will have a buffet including ham, roast beef, potatoes, and two veggies, coffee and dessert. There will be a special visit from a guy in a red suit so plan to attend. The guy in the red suit will have gifts for all of the little ones so please make sure we have the proper count for them!

At the Holiday party we always have our Gift Exchange. This is a wrapped \$10.00 unisex gift you bring and we draw numbers to see who gets to pick the next gift. You may exchange your gift for a previously opened one only twice. Need reservations by Dec 6th.

The October meeting brought out forty (40) members including four (4) new members. This proves we can have lots of members participate. Our speaker Captain Eileen Riley kept everyone listening.

Our new members are Weldon Rinker, Bruce Lambert, Marty Slodzinski, his wife Maria their two sons, and Jim McCabe and his wife Cynthia. We welcome all of you and hope you are able to attend all of DSPS functions.

D/LT/C Bernie Karpers presented the squadron with a check for \$200.00 from D/5 for us taking second place in the MIRA award.

We must reserve all dinners on the Thursday before our meetings. We had a miscommunication and several orders were not placed. The choices for November are Turkey or Cheese Ravioli. Please call or e mail me by that date. When you e mail me, I always respond to you so you know I received your e mail. If you do not get a response from me, then please call me at 443-567-5692.

The Fall Conference was held the first weekend in November at Rockville, Maryland.

Our Frostbite Cruise was held at Baltimore Yacht Club on October 31 and a good time was had by all 13 in attendance.

Hope to see all of you at the November meeting.

LT/C Suzann K. Bussey, S  
Administrative Officer

## Next Meeting Reminders

<b>Executive Meeting:</b>	December 2 <sup>nd</sup>	American Legion Post (Seling Ave.)
<b>General Membership Meeting:</b>	December 16 <sup>th</sup>	Elks Lodge (E. Homberg Ave.)



**DUNDALK SAIL AND POWER SQUADRON'S  
ANNUAL HOLIDAY PARTY**

**WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 16, 2009  
6:00 P.M., BUFFET DINNER AND CASH BAR  
ESSEX ELKS LODGE**

**MENU  
ROAST BEEF, HAM, POTATOES, VEGGIES  
DESERT AND COFFEE**

**ADULTS \$12.00 CHILDREN \$5.00**

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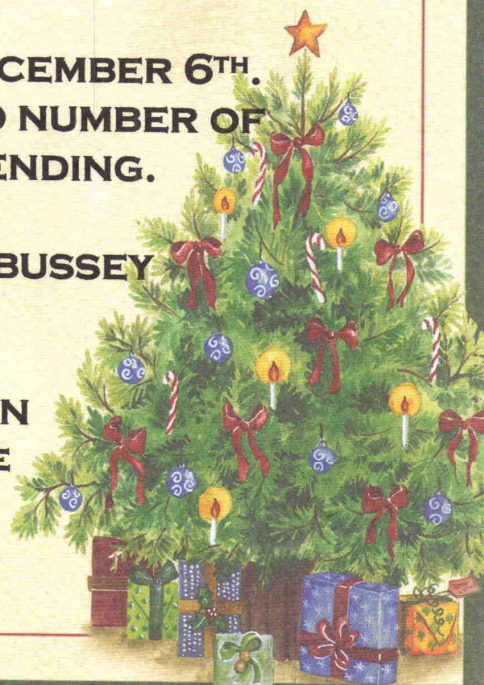
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CELEBRITY FROM THE NORTH POLE BEARING  
GIFTS.**

**COME JOIN THE FUN AND GET IN THE  
SPIRIT OF THE SEASON**

**PLEASE RSVP NO LATER THAN DECEMBER 6<sup>TH</sup>.  
WITH THE NUMBER OF ADULTS AND NUMBER OF  
CHILDREN THAT WILL BE ATTENDING.**

**CONTACT: LT/CDR SUZANN BUSSEY  
443-567-5692**

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## Is it “What” You Know, or “Who” You Know???

Every one will tell you, it is not WHAT you know, but WHO you know that is important in life.

Over the past years, Dundalk Sail and Power Squadron has the good fortune to know people in the "right place".. For several years we were able to tap into the morning show on a local 50 K-Watt station to have a few minutes to talk about the USPS Boating Courses and Boating Safety in general. This lasted until our contacts retired and the format changed. As luck would have it, contact was made with another, less powerful, station, and the message was put out over the air via a series of taped "safe boating tips" . These tips aired in the morning and evening, just after the 7:15 am and 5:15 pm traffic reports. This also lasted for several years until the station was sold and their format changed.

Times got tough, and then, another door opened. Over the past two years, our squadron has had several opportunities to connect with a bi-weekly, on- line.com Internet radio program called "BEHIND THE MIKE". It airs on Sunday evenings from 8:00 to 11:00 pm and is co-hosted by two most congenial personalities, Joel Michalec and Lady B..



It has enabled us to spread the word about boating safety and the safe boating programs offered by United States Sail and Power Squadrons across the country. Topics discussed have run the gamut from the free Vessel Safety Check program to boating accidents and the educational opportunities offered via membership in USPS. Listeners are provided the opportunity to join in the discussions or ask questions via email or by telephone. We have also had the opportunity to appear on several of the local TV stations in order to talk about boating safety in general.. One, the local FOX affiliate, has provided us coverage on their "HOT SPOT" segment of the MORNING NEWS several times over the past few years.

Our squadron also had an appearance on MPT, that proved to be interesting. We followed behind a segment dealing with a local nudist colony. Suffice it to say that part of the discussion turned to sunburn protection / prevention. All in all, the Public Relations departments of the local media (radio and TV ) have been helpful in getting out the word about boating safety education and USPS. We even made some contacts with them after some station employees had enrolled in the boating course.



You never know when a PR opportunity will show up, so you must be ready to take advantage.

Past Commander John Hall, AP  
Past Commander W. Brooks Riley, AP



Dundalk Sail and Power Squadron  
Dundalk, Maryland

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## Baltimore Boat Show

Plan ahead, and schedule some time to volunteer at the USPS Booth!

January 21–24, 2010

**Baltimore Convention Center**

### Show Hours

**Thursday, January 21, 2010**

11am - 9pm

**Friday, January 22, 2010**

11am - 9pm

**Saturday, January 23, 2010**

10am - 9pm

**Sunday, January 24, 2010**

10am - 5pm

**Please contact P/C Tracey Stuenes to sign up. (410-282-0790 or [webelieve2@comcast.net](mailto:webelieve2@comcast.net))**

# Report on October's Meeting

Our speaker for October was Eileen Riley, the wife of Doug Riley. She spoke and showed videos of her trip to Kuwait, Afghanistan and Iraq with the U.S. Military.

This was a very interesting and informative presentation. Eileen was away for several months and her family is glad she has safely returned.



Eileen Riley



DSPS Burgee being flown in Kuwait



Burgee being flown at Camp Arifjan in Kuwait



Burgee in Mongolia with Doug and Eileen Riley's daughter in Peace Corp.

## Remember - D/5 & Sea Vester Competition???

### Sea Vester Won!!!!!!!!!!!!

While D/5 members were at the International Boating Water Safety Summit in Panama City, Sea Vester was photographed and joined the contest. The winner - closing on 7 September, was Sea Vester. D-5 won an IPOD which will go in the trailer for more asset base.

Results of the Top 4 Floats were:

Sea Vester	8,762 Votes
I Love to Water Ski	4,514 Votes
A Pirate Walks into the Bar, ...	1,023 Votes
Vacation Is All I Ever Wanted	197 Votes

**Thanks to All who took the time to vote!!!!**



Sea Vester is a teaching aid for use with small children.

Sea Vester allows the barrier to be broken between a strange adult and small children.

Sea Vester South is a member of Nansemond River Power Squadron and his "cousin" Sea Vester North is a member of Patapsco River Squadron.

He travels throughout the five states of District 5 of USPS® and has also been as far south as Florida teaching boating safety.



## *Did You Know About Our Member Benefits???*



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Rigid Boats is the only fabricator of USCG Certified All FRP (George Woleck design) Hard-body, Unsinkable boats. Discounts average 10%.



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C-MAP is a leading producer of vector digital charts used in chart plotters. Discounts 20% - 25%.



A popular source for traditional marine hardware and supplies.



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Moving Day Boxes provides a great range of products to help with any move at discounts to members.



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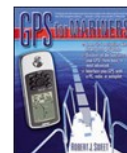
Highway Mariners arranges a "RV Park of Choice" near the venue for each Governing Board Meeting.



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The Compass, USPS National organization's electronic newsletter provided to members and friends of USPS.



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**[www.usps.org/national/admin\\_dept/membenefits.htm](http://www.usps.org/national/admin_dept/membenefits.htm)**

# *Win Valuable Prizes!*

**Take and complete a USPS Course between July 1, 2009 and June 30, 2010!**

*United States Power Squadron members can take any one or more of the following courses between July 1, 2009 and June 30, 2010 to be eligible for the following prizes:*

<b>Seamanship:</b>	<b>WIN A HANDHELD VHF RADIO</b>
<b>Piloting:</b>	<b>WIN A HANDHELD GPS</b>
<b>Advanced Piloting:</b>	<b>WIN A SET OF NAVIGATIONAL SOFTWARE</b>
<b>JN:</b>	<b>WIN A CHARTPLOTTER</b>
<b>Weather:</b>	<b>WIN A BAROMETER</b>
<b>Marine Electrical Systems:</b>	<b>WIN A MULTIMETER</b>
<b>Engine Maintenance:</b>	<b>WIN A MULTIMETER</b>

*To enter the drawing, all you need to do is the following:*

1. Take and complete the qualifying course or courses between July 1, 2009 and June 30, 2010
2. Successfully pass the examination before June 30, 2010
3. You will be automatically entered in the drawing

*The Available Prizes:*

1. For Seamanship (3) Handheld VHF Radios
2. For Piloting (3) Handheld GPS
3. For Advanced Piloting (3) Sets of Navigational Software
4. For JN (1) Chart Plotter
5. For Weather (3) Barometers
6. For Marine Electrical Systems (3) Multimeters
7. For Engine Maintenance (3) Multimeters

*The winner's names will be drawn at the 2010 Governing Board held in Seattle from August 30th through September 4th, 2010.*

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- Take your own boat or crew on someone else's
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Individual with Family: \_\_\_\_

**Amount Paid: \$** \_\_\_\_\_

**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_





## SAFE BOATING THROUGH EDUCATION

### November—December 2009 Calendar

**November 18**                      **General Membership Meeting**

**December 16**                      **General Membership Meeting and Holiday Party**  
This is IT. The Holiday Party. Dinner and/or Drinks optional at 6:30 p.m. Meeting begins at 8:00 p.m. Meeting usually ends about 8:01 p.m. Then its time to party!.



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