# ON THE HORIZON

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### <u>"Next" General Membership Meeting</u>

Wednesday, <u>16 September, 2009</u> at 2000 (8:00 PM) Dinner/Drinks/Social optional at 1830 (6:30 PM)

### WHAT'S IN THE BOX...?

WHAT'S in THE BOX ????? What small tools do you keep/should you keep on board for repairs???

We're not talking your ELECTRIC SAWZALL or cordless drill....but items in that orange or red plastic tote box.

A general discussion forum of the care and feeding of your small tool kit kept on YOUR BOAT...

What is necessary.....What would you like to have ???? How to keep them in good shape/condition...

Prizes for the BEST / most complete, MOST UNUSUAL ITEM..... MAYBE a prize for the WORST condition...

"Spare parts" not included ...this is not for bulbs, fuses, clamps, ...

FID????? what's its use ????? anybody got an old one ????

BE SURE TO BRING YOURS TO THE MEETING ...... YOU COULD BE TOTING A WINNER !!!!!!

P/C W. Brooks Riley, AP

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**New Location:** 

Elks Lodge (See Menu Under AO's Report)

Located at 1007 East Homberg Avenue, Essex, MD 21221 Just two blocks off Rt. 702 on the left. 410-686-7797

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### **November Meeting Information**

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

Mr. Nicholas H. Frankos (Plant Manager at Back River WWTP) will give a presentation focusing on the energy saving initiatives implemented at the Back River Plant to conserve energy and reduce operational costs. In addition he will highlight some innovative projects which are already in place and others which are in the design phase. Mr Frankos will also be available to answer any questions regarding the presentation or any other wastewater related questions.

# Nicholas H. Frankos—Bios Plant Manager Back River Wastewater Treatment Plant

Mr. Frankos has worked over 25 years in Baltimore City's Wastewater Facilities Division. He has been Plant Manager at Back River WWTP since 1994. The Back River Plant is designed for 180 MGD and is the largest wastewater treatment plant in Maryland. It is a regional facility handling flow from Baltimore City and County. Mr. Frankos supervises over 300 employees and oversees an annual budget of 50 million dollars.

- \* Graduated from Baltimore City College 1969
- \* Graduated from University of Maryland- 1974
- \* BS Degree Environmental Science
- \* 1974-1981 Worked as a research assistant for the Maryland Environmental Services at the USDA Research Center, Beltsville MD
  - Conducted research on various types of sludge utilization methods, such as composting and land application; on soil, plant and groundwater systems.
- \* Hired by Baltimore City DPW in 1981 as an Operations Engineer at the Back River WWTP.
  - Responsible for directing the Sludge Management Program
- \* Promoted to Plant Manager in 1994 and responsible for all aspects pertaining to the operation and maintenance of the facility.

## **COMMANDER**



Greetings Dundalk. I hope all of you are well.

Looking back over the past few months, we've had quite a summer, both on the water and off. A few sad times, a few scary times, but mostly great times, like our annual crab feast in Rock Hall.

Hats off, once again, to Read Van Zile for his expertise in planning and executing this huge event. BUT, an even bigger thanks to his partner in crime, the one and only Joanne Day – shopper extraordinaire. So many others helped out, I can't possibly name them all, but you know who you are, so thank you, thank you, thank you. I'm sure more will be written about this in the future.

Let's not forget, our cruising season is not yet over. We've still got trips to Chesapeake City, St. Michaels and Baltimore Yacht Club planned. Make sure you check the schedule and put these in your calendars.

Well, that's all for now. I hope to see everyone at the Membership Meeting on 16 September, 2009.

Again, PLEASE remember that our meetings are NO LONGER at BlueFins. We now meet at the Elks Club Lodge in Essex, 1007 East Homberg Ave., Essex, MD 21221.

See you all out on the Bay.

As always, I remain available if anyone has a question, comment or complaint. I can be reached by email at <a href="mailto:cdr@uspsdundalk.org">cdr@uspsdundalk.org</a> or by cell phone at 410-456-5854.

Respectfully submitted,

Cdr. David S. Seidenman, AP

# EXECUTIVE OFFICER



It's hard to believe that it's already September. Seems that the older we get the faster the time goes by.

We had a wonderful time on the Commander's Cruise. We were fortunate to have several members from Annapolis S&P join us. We started out having a cocktail party at Mears Marina at Kent Narrows on Tuesday evening. Although we only had 2 boats there, we had 22 people for dinner at Annie's, many of whom drove over the Bay Bridge to join us putting up with about a 2 hour delay due to an accident and fire. The following day, was beautiful and "Grumpy" and "Indigo" had a beautiful ride up the Chester River to Lankford Bay Marina. I was unable to go by boat but had the company of Brian Hall who went via car with me. The Ponzio's joined us on "Blue Heron". After another cocktail party, some of us went to Bay Wolf for dinner. On Thursday, more boats joined us. This included "Roman V" and "Jenny Lynn Too". We had a cookout at the pavilion followed by "Back to the Future" games.

On Friday morning, Brian and I went back to Grasonville to change vehicles and pick up "goodies" for the crab feast and then drove back to Rock Hall. The boats all went

down the Chester and up to Haven Harbor.

Thanks to everyone for joining us and for their help with this event.

I'm getting ready to go to the National Governing Board meeting in Kansas City, MO. This always is a great meeting and gives members a chance to meet and talk with people from all over the US and Canada who are also members of USPS. I am sure I will be bringing back some interesting information to share.

Take care and don't forget our meeting on 16 Sept.

Annapolis S&P has become a real supporter and friend of Dundalk. They are looking for some people to help them with the Annapolis Boat Shows. If you are interested, let me know and I can put you in touch with the member who is doing the scheduling.

Please, always feel free to contact me if I can be of any help to you.

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

**Executive Officer** 

# EDUCATIONAL OFFICER



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

#### September 8, 2009 7:30 PM

Anchorage Marina

2501 Boston St

Baltimore, MD 21224

Meets 8 consecutive Tuesdays 7:30 to 9:30 PM

Anyone interested in taking the **Navigation Course** starting in September, please contact me or Dennis Henderson. If there are people interested he will teach the course. But he needs to know by the Middle of September so he can prepare.

<u>Piloting</u> will begin sometime in late September or early October. Please contact me or Streett Broadbent if you are interested

#### September 10, 2009 7:30 PM

Luther Memorial Lutheran Church

5401 Eastern Ave

Baltimore, MD 21224

Meets 8 consecutive Thursdays 7:30 to 9:30 PM



Lois M. Nehmer, Education Officer seo@uspsdundalk.org

### **August Flare Burning—Great Success!**

See Administrative Report











# ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER



Wow!! The sky was spouting off red flares on Saturday August 1, 2009 at Sue Island. We were finally able to shoot off our outdated flares under the watch of the USCG, Rockaway Beach Fire and EMS personnel and Homeland Security representative Dr. Barry Cohan. Many had never had the opportunity to set off the flares or to shoot the gun. This was a great experience for young and old. Thanks to everyone who participated and who gave us their outdated flares.

Another award for Dundalk Sail and Power Squadron!!. We have taken second place in the MIRA contest. I wrote an article for National concerning the Membership Involvement Retention Award in which I stated how DSPS increases their members using education, Past Commanders, speakers at meetings, and how we encourage our members to bring their friends to our meetings. I was very excited when P/Cdr. Karpers notified me of the award. Let's go Dundalk!

The menu for September 16, 2009 is a choice of Spaghetti, meatballs, salad and garlic bread --OR --BBQ Boneless Chicken Breast with two sides and a roll. Coffee will also be served and we will have dessert. Cost will be \$11.00 and reservations must be made by September 10, 2009. Those who ate at the Elks Lodge were very happy and the food as well as the service was good. In September, we will use different colored tickets for your menu choice and that will help the wait staff to know who ordered which menu item. I only heard compliments at the August meeting.

Commanders Cruise ended at the Crab Feast in Rock Hall and a great time was had by all. Read and his crew do a fantastic job and we couldn't do it without him. Thanks a million for all of your hard work Read. Music was good as always and the food can't be beaten. Fresh corn on the cob and those delicious crabs right out of the water and into the pot! No better eating than that.

Don't forget to sign up for the Chesapeake City Cruise on September 11-13, 2009. This is a very interesting town. Look them up on the web www.chesapeakecity.com. Make your reservations directly with the Inn and Marina and also contact John Hall.

Don't forget, if you have not already taken the OT class, contact P/CDR Brooks Riley for more information. This is a fun class--no exams!

Please remember to bring your tool box to the meeting on September 16 at the Elks Lodge. This promises to be a very interesting meeting. Should you plan to bring a prospective member, ask them to bring their on board tool box.

Until next meeting,

LT/CDR. Suzann K. Bussey Administrative Officer

# TREASURER'S REPORT



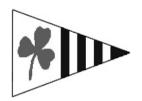
Just a reminder for those who haven't paid their dues, please do so ASAP

Respectfully submitted, Richard D. Bussey, P Treasurer



# Dundalk Sail and Power Squadron's 19<sup>th</sup> Annual Crab Feast

Haven Harbour Marina, Rock Hall, MD



### Thank You Read, Joanne & Everyone Else!!!

You can probably tell where the photos were from since dressed normal at Lankford, cowboy attire for the Friday Night Party and in the hall for the Crab Feast. The one with Lois at the helm was on-board Bob and Linda Coleman's new boat as they invited DSPS for cocktails after the Crab Feast - beautiful boat, 63'.

We arrived on Thursday at Lankford Bay Marina, meeting up with the few who went to Mears and others who started at Lankford. The Ponzio's were next to us in their boat, "Blue Heron". Lois was there with her family on "Grumpy", the Karpers were with the Millan's on "Indigo", and the Dalgarno's on "Jenny Lynn Too" (not sure on the boat name spellings). Fuzzy organized a fun cook-out and pitch in on Thursday night, brought different games. We all had a good time. We then left Friday morning for Rock Hall where most were at Haven Harbour, some at Osprey Point. More boats joined and some from land. Friday night was the party in the pavilion at Haven Harbour. Tracey did a great job organizing and it was a lot of fun. Read made the call on Friday to switch the Crab Feast to the American Legion Hall on Saturday since the weather forecast was not good. Even though the weather held up, it was great having it in the hall no heat /humidity, bugs or worrying about the storm. Read lined up the trolley to take those needing a ride to the Crab Feast and back. Crabs and food were great as usual, think we had about 180 attend. There was a lot of help given by DSPS and other squadron members. I left early Sunday morning, before the pitch-in breakfast, though heard it was real nice.

Stu Newborn















# Dundalk Sail and Power Squadron's Crab Feast (Cont.)































#### **Dundalk Sail & Power Squadron Cruising Schedule.**

Dundalk only has three cruises remaining this year. Don't miss out on the fun. Chesapeake City and St. Michaels are great destinations by boat or by car. For those traveling by car they have a tremendous assortment of B&B's and Inn's. We want to know who is coming so we can plan our schedules accordingly. Baltimore Yacht Club is easily accessible by car.

September 11<sup>th</sup> – 13<sup>th</sup> As Chesapeake City Advertises: Enjoy shopping, lodging and dining on the Historic Chesapeake and Delaware Canal. Step back in time and find out why Travel & Leisure Magazine voted our town "A Top 10 crowd-free weekend getaway near America's largest cities."

#### Accommodations:

While in Chesapeake City you can stay on your boat at the Chesapeake Inn and marina, tie up at the town dock or anchor in the basin. For a small fee the marina provides a water taxi and shower facilities. If you are coming by car you can stay at the Chesapeake Inn and Marina or one of the many other bed and breakfast's around town. We're looking forward to seeing you there.

Chesapeake Inn and Marina - www.chesapeakeinn.com 410-885-2040

September 25-27<sup>th</sup> St. Michaels Cruise: Plan to stay at Higgins Yacht Yard, or St. Michaels Marina. Both are very close to town. St. Michaels is very popular so get your reservations in soon.

St. Michaels Marina – http://www.stmichaelsmarina.com/ 1-800-678-8980

Higgins Yacht Yard - http://www.twoswaninn.com/ 410-745-2929

October 30 <sup>th</sup> – November 1 <sup>st</sup> Frostbite Cruise & Halloween Party at Baltimore Yacht Club.
If you are not a BYC member please contact Sue Bussey for more information. Dockage is very reasonable.
I am planning on attending the following events
September 11-13 <sup>th</sup> Chesapeake City Friday Saturday Sunday Morning # of Persons attending Transportation Boat or Car
September 25-27 <sup>th</sup> St. Michaels Friday Saturday Sunday Morning # of Persons attending Transportation Boat or Car
October 30 <sup>th</sup> –November 1 <sup>st</sup> . BYC Friday Saturday Sunday Morning # of Persons attending Transportation Boat or Car

Please send the above form to P/C John Hall, 702 Stone Barn Rd, Towson, MD 21286 or e-mail to <a href="mailto:jhall767@earthlink.net">jhall767@earthlink.net</a>.



# Sail Regatta Fall Festival 2009

FRIDAY

Pitch in Cocktall Party



Pitch in Breakfast

Coffee and freshly caught fish If our anglers have any luck!

2 – 4 October 2009 Herrington Harbor South

Lat: 38°.44'.12" Long: 76°.32'.20" 7149 Lake Shore Dr. Friendship MD



Anchoring Seminar Poker Run and Lawn Games

Trawler Fest in Solomons

RV Space available







Registration Fee \$20 per boat Sign up to Crew on a Boat. Power Boats needed for committee vessels Volunteers needed to man committee boats



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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:

Seamanship: WIN A HANDHELD VHF RADIO

Piloting: WIN A HANDHELD GPS

Advanced Piloting: WIN A SET OF NAVIGATIONAL SOFTWARE

JN: WIN A CHARTPLOTTER
Weather: WIN A BAROMETER
Marine Electrical Systems: WIN A MULTIMETER
Engine Maintenance: WIN A MULTIMETER

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.

# WIN!



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vsc@uspsdundalk.org

Web: http://www.uspsdundalk.org

410-282-6464 Phone:

Meetings: 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday

6:30 pm for Dinner, 8 pm for Meeting

**BLUE FINS Restaurant** 

8247 Eastern Ave, Essex, 21224

#### **Members Helping Members**

#### Adventure, Fun and Learning

On-the-water activities, cruises, rendezvous, raft-ups for a day weekend or week – something for everyone!

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- Commander's Cruise and Top Gun Cruise to ports as far away as Philadelphia, Cape May, New York, the Outer Banks, etc.
- Take your own boat or crew on someone else's
- Social Events: Pitch-in meals, picnics, theme parties, and our Annual Crab Feast

Meetings with knowledgeable guest speakers on interesting topics to include Homeland Security, First-Aid, Weather, Bay History, Winteriz ing/Commissioning, Engine Maintenance

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#### SAFE BOATING THROUGH EDUCATION

### September—October 2009 Calendar

September 11-13 Last Cruise of the Summer to Chesapeake City

September 16 **General Membership Meeting** 

September 25-27 St Michaels Cruise—Enjoy the Town that fooled the British.

October 2-4 D/5 Sail Regatta & Fall Festival- Herrington Harbor South

October 21 **General Membership Meeting** 

October 31 **Frostbite Cruise at Baltimore Yacht Club** 



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